

**The Giddings News**

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**Grass Fires**

Firemen made a run early Saturday evening to a grass pasture fire some six miles north of town, quenching the blaze before much damage was done.

Another alarm came in shortly after 1 p. m. Sunday from the Beat Five area where a large forest and grass fire was raging. Firemen, assisted by a large group of volunteers from Beat Five and Prospect communities, brought the blaze under control after almost three hours of fighting. Two buildings on the Stuermer farm, 8 miles northwest of town, were saved by backfiring against the advancing flames, while volunteers with wet sacks and buckets held the line further north. Nearly two thousand acres of wood and grassland were burned over by the blaze, whose control was made possible by a weak and dying north wind.

**Fandango Friday**

Jimmy Heap and His Melody Masters of Taylor are slated to play at the regular monthly dance at the Community Center next Friday, Dec. 8. The general public is cordially invited to the affair, which is sponsored by the fire department and other civic clubs.

**Firemen's Barbecue**

Some 40 firemen and visitors attended the fireboys' barbecue at the Blume farm last Thursday evening despite the disagreeably high and chilly south wind. Some ten potential members will be voted on at the regular monthly meeting of the Ledbetter Fire Department, slated for tomorrow evening at the Community Center, with concluding refreshments to be furnished by an enthusiastic local supporter. Due to hazardous fire conditions imposed by powder dry grasses and brush, the meeting is expected to draw nearly 100 per cent attendance.

**Socials**

T. M. Vanderwerth Jr. and family, with M. M. Craig and daughter, Miss Adelia Jane of Miami, attended the A&M-

Texas football game in Austin Thursday. The Craigs left Sunday for their north Texas home.

Oswald Hannes, Clarence Urban and son, Edgar Michalk with Charlie Lerche and family of Dime Box were Sunday dinner guests of Albert Hannes and family.

Miss Joan Sue Hannes spent the Thanksgiving week-end in Houston with friends.

Kirby Wickel and family of Burton were Friday visitors with Alma Neutzler and family.