

HISTORY & FOLKLORE



From Illustrated Press of Liberty County, Thursday, December 28, 1961 –
DAISETTA BURNS, BUSINESS AREA HIT

Fire struck the downtown business section of Daisetta a heavy blow in the small hours of yesterday morning. Starting in Dean’s Café at the north end of the central cluster of buildings, the wind-driven flames raged through the adjoining variety store into the former quarters of Moore’s Grocery and into the building past that now used for storage. At this point, the flames met the first firewall, an eight-inch brick wall shielding Daisetta Drug. It was at this line that area firemen met the sea of flame and after it looked as though they had lost and all of downtown Daisetta was gone, they beat back the advance with the concentration of water from the tanks of a dozen trucks. The picture above was made within moments after the tide was turned at about six o’clock Wednesday morning. Among the firemen were Hardin, Raywood, Daisetta, Dayton, Liberty, Ames, Devers men and many volunteers, including vacuum tank crews.



From Illustrated Press of Liberty County, Thursday, December 14, 1961 –
Liberty County Federal Savings and Loan Association’s new home at Main and Sam Houston in Liberty is almost unrecognizable as the old home of First Liberty National Bank. Above, the neon sign is set into place on the new awning. It was set into place just as the sunlight broke through the clouds this Tuesday, Dec. 12.

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