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## W. E. Hooper Dies In K. C. Wednesday

William E. Hooper, long time resident of Wooldridge and a brother of Dr. D. E. Hooper, of Boonville, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Troy Kaiser, in Kansas City Wednesday evening. Funeral arrangements, in charge of Goodman and Boller, are incomplete.

Mr. Hooper was born at Clarksburg, the oldest son of Prof. and Mrs. J. N. Hooper. His father was founder of the Hooper Institute at Clarksburg, where Hooper received his education.

He came to the Wooldridge community in 1901 and opened the first store there, also serving as Wooldridge postmaster for 45 years, a position from which he retired on January 31, 1947.

Mr. Hooper served as clerk in the legislature in 1903 under Senator Levasy, a position to which he was appointed because of his fine handwriting.

On December 28, 1904, he was married to Miss Ida Anderson, who survives. Surviving also are a daughter, Mrs. Troy Kaiser (Hazel) of Kansas City; two grandchildren, Mrs. Marjorie Higgins of Kansas City; and Monte Kaiser, who is in the service stationed in Alaska; two great granddaughters; a brother, Dr. Hooper, of Boonville, and the following nieces and nephews: Hooper Wooldridge and W. J. Wooldridge of Wooldridge; Mrs. Marion Flynt of Midland, Tex.; Mrs. Georgiana Lusk of Leisure City, Fla.; Jess Wooldridge, Harry Woodridge and Mrs. Lon Freeman of Boonville.

He was a member of the Baptist church at Wooldridge.

One daughter, Mrs. Edgar Free-month (Marjorie) preceded him in death.

## Rally Tonight For Pirates

A street in Boonville's downtown sector, between Chestnut and Spring streets, will be blocked off between 7:30 and 8:30 tonight as the BHS cheerleaders present a pep rally to kick off the Pirates' 1960 home football campaign.

The public is invited to the rally which will include entertainment from high school students and townspeople, and music by the high school pep band. The 1960 football squad and coaching staff will be presented by coach Earl Brown.

One major hitch in tonight's plans was eliminated, thanks to city officials and the local Civil Defense unit. There was some concern that the area along Sixth Street was too dark, so city officials were approached and agreed to set up the CD emergency lighting units which will adequately light the area.

The street rally is something new on the local high school scene. The annual parade, held each fall the afternoon of the first home game, will still be held.

The parade will start from the high school at 3:10 and will move down Main to the corner of Morgan Street, where a pep rally will be held. The Boonville High band will lead the parade, followed by the football players, the cheerleaders, and then the student body.

## Old "Guard" Reunion To Draw 30 or More

John Vollmer of Boonville reported today that a list of persons expected to attend a reunion of the Battery "D" 128th Field Artillery unit here has grown to about 30.

cookies, the training school, police department and anyone who in any way helped with the success of the operation.

## Death Wednesday To Mrs. Custer

Mrs. Fred Custer, lifelong resident of Cooper county, died at St. Joseph hospital at 5:35 p.m. Wednesday after an illness of almost a year.

Funeral services will be held at the Goodman and Boller chapel at 2 p.m. Friday. Burial will be in the Walnut Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Custer was born in Cooper county April 26, 1884, the daughter of Jacob and Fannie Cartner Ritche. She was married to Fred Custer on October 16, 1905, who survives.

She also leaves three daughters, Mrs. R. A. Johnston of Dearborn, Mich., Mrs. Morris Stegner, Boonville, and Mrs. Hugh Kirschman, of Prairie Home; two sons, Lawrence Custer and Earl Custer, both of Boonville; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Nora Hornbeck, of Boonville. One brother preceded her in death.

Mrs. Custer was a member of the Mt. Herman Baptist church.

## Local CD Unit Meets Tonight

Boonville's Civil Defense hospital patrol and auxiliary police units will meet tonight at 7:30 in the No. 1 shelter house at Harley Park to distribute equipment and hear a short talk by Mayor John J. Bell.

All Civil Defense members are urged to attend and any volunteers will also be welcome at the meeting, according to local CD officials.

At tonight's meeting, Police Chief Eugene Barlow will present Civil Defense ID cards to the units. Sheriff Lyburn Mann will give unit members, courtesy deputy cards. Other equipment will also be checked out to the members.

