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FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 13-14, 1981

HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY

ABILENE, TEXAS

Friday, March 13

5:00 p.m. Registration: Jennings Lounge, Moody Center, Hardin-Simmons

3:00 p.m.

Session I
Moody Center, 210
Vernon G. Spence, Presiding
George Mason University
Fairfax, Va.

3:00 p.m. Abilene: Frontier Town or Big City? A Panel Discussion

Paul Lack McMurry	Fane Downs McMurry	Ms. David Stubbeman Abilene	George Solis Abilene	J. Henry Doscher Abilene
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6:30 p.m.

Reception: Jennings Lounge, Moody Center

Dinner:

7:00 p.m.
Moody Center, 208
\$5.50 per plate*

General Jim Dan Hill, Presiding
Abilene, Texas

Music: Paul and Christy Newberry

Address: Changing Styles in United States History

..... General Jim Dan Hill
Abilene

Saturday, March 14

7:00 a.m. Breakfast: Executive Council: Moody Center, 208
\$2.00 per plate*

8:15 a.m. Registration and Coffee, Moody Center, Jennings Lounge

8:45 a.m.

SESSION II A
Moody Center, 210
Dr. James M. Day, Presiding
U.T. - El Paso

8:45 a.m. Who Was on First? The Abilene Blue Sox

..... Leon Harkleroad
McMurry

9:05 a.m. Don't Let The Stars Get In Your Eyes: Slim Willett on Record

..... Joe Specht
Abilene

9:25 a.m. Jewel Davis Scarbourough: A Woman For All Seasons

..... Robin Dennis
Abilene

8:45 a.m.

SESSION II B
Moody Center, 211
Benny Galloway, Presiding
Abilene Christian University

8:45 a.m. Dugouts, Dooryards, Dirt Tanks, and Daffodils
..... Pat Brown
Crosbytown

9:05 a.m. The History of Roadside Parks
..... Craig Steffens
Austin

9:25 a.m. Four Texans in Europe in 1910: A Look Into The Diary of
Auma Jon McFadin
..... Dorman Winfrey
Texas State Library

10:00 a.m.

SECTION III A
Moody Center, 210
Dr. Kenneth Jacobs, Presiding
Hardin-Simmons University

10:00 a.m. The Cowboy Earl in England: Earl of Aylesford
..... James Fenton
Loop

10:20 a.m. Mennonite Colonization Efforts At Seminole, Texas, 1977-1979
Gary S. Elbow Simone Gordon
Texas Tech Family Consultants of The South Plains
Lubbock

10:40 a.m. The Buffalo Soldiers: The Role of the Black Cavalries in the
Settling of West Texas
..... Robert English
Abilene

10:00 a.m.

SESSION III B
Moody Center, 211
Dr. Mike Hooks, Presiding
Southwest Collection Library

10:00 a.m. The Crucial Role of Prairie Coal
..... Ralph Smith
Abilene Christian University

10:20 a.m. Abilene in 1900: A Social and Economic Profile
..... Paul Lack
McMurry College

10:40 a.m. The GOPing of Abilene: The Development of Bi-Partisan Politics
in Taylor County, 1938-1980
..... Robert Sledge
McMurry College

11:10 a.m.

SESSION IV A
Moody Center, 210
Dr. Paul Carlson, Presiding
Texas Lutheran College

11:10 a.m. Some Thoughts On Frontier Religion In Texas After the Civil War
.....Zane Mason
Hardin-Simmons

11:30 a.m. Rufus Kitchens: A 20th Century Circuit Rider
.....Don Whisenhunt
Vice President for
Academic Affairs
UT at Tyler

11:50 a.m. Houston (Double H) Harte, Giant Publisher of Texas
.....Dean Chenoweth
San Angelo

11:10 a.m.

SESSION IV B
Moody Center, 211
Dr. Lawrence Clayton, Presiding
Hardin-Simmons University

11:10 a.m. Wild and Wooly Bridgetown: Seldom Has a Ghost Town Known In
Its Lifetime Such A Turbulent History
.....Mrs. Catherine Clack
Burkburnett

11:30 a.m. Where The Rails Cross: The Beginnings of Cisco
.....Bill M. Roberts
Cisco Jr. College

11:50 a.m. Early History of Live Oak County
.....Kurt House
Dallas

12:30 p.m. Luncheon and Business Meeting: Moody Center 208
President General Jim Dan Hill, Presiding
\$4.50 per plate*

* Notice: Reservations for Dinner, Breakfast (executive council only) and luncheon should be made with B. W. Aston, Secretary WTHA, Hardin-Simmons University, Box 152, Abilene, Texas, 79698, by Monday, March 9, 1981. Phone: 915, 677-7281, extension 279.

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