

BOWSHER BRASS BAND — Forerunner of the present Adelphi Band was the well-known Bowsher's Bunch of Hallsville. This group was organized by Francis Bowsher. When a Knights of Pythias Lodge started in Adelphi it became the K of P Band, and then later the Adelphi Band. The outfit played for many a political rally. They are, front row from left, Charley Harrel and Charley Gildersleeve; second row, Elersley Dresbach, Gordon Withrow, Dave Bower, Hanson Jones and Fred Gildersleeve; back row, Gene Gildersleeve, Otis Gatwood, Dent Pontious, the leader Francis Bowsher, Snyder (a piccolo player from Columbus), and Homer Hawkins. Relatives of some of the band members still are connected with the Adelphi Band.