



## Show, shine, smiles

### Old cars, trucks, cycles visit Oberlin



**GETTING AN OLD-FASHIONED** hamburger and fries during a "cruise-in" at the Oberlin A&W, Dana Marintzer (above) paid carhop Justine Miller for her food Friday night. On Saturday, Morgan Rodgers, 5, McCook, (below) borrowed her Dad's cowboy hat and enjoyed lunch in the sunshine in downtown Oberlin.

A small line of antique vehicles cruised into town on U.S. 36 Friday night from St. Francis.

Three of the four had followed each other from eastern Colorado to the third annual Museum Summer-fest car show and swap meet in Oberlin last weekend. The event was co-sponsored by the McCook Radio Group, which owns KFNF, the radio station which did a live broadcast from Main Street.

One of the Colorado men, Mike Devers from Hugo, drove a 1948 Chevrolet Sedan Delivery to Oberlin on Friday. He said he heard about the car show through his friends who recently purchased the Frontier Motel.

Mr. Devers said he has had the vehicle for five or six years. When he got the car, he added, it wasn't in very good shape.

Since then, he rebuilt the whole undercarriage, put in a new motor, replaced the interior and painted it mint green.

"Hardly anything on it is original," he said.

Mr. Devers also has an older truck and some motorcycles at home. He said he grew up on a farm and learned how to fix things.

The Coloradoan said he enjoyed Oberlin: "It's a good little town."

On Friday night, with the storm, they were a little worried about their cars, but he said Ambulance Director Patrick Pomeroy let him and his friends park their cars in the old county shop. Mr. Pomeroy even

gave them a ride back to where they were staying and they really appreciated it. Others offered to help too.

On Friday night, many drivers stopped at A&W to park and show off their vehicles while they grabbed a bite to eat.

Car enthusiasts also stopped to eat and get a preview of Saturday's events.

Early in the morning, the antiques, classic and muscle vehicles started to line Main Street. In all, there were 84 vehicles registered, said Dana Marintzer, who sits on the museum board.

She said the turnout for the event was really good. Everything ran smoothly.

Many stopped downtown throughout the day. First thing in the morning, pancakes were served in the Bohemian Hall.

Over the noon hour, the grill was started to cook pork burgers and brats and many enjoyed eating while they walked slowly around each vehicle.

By evening, it was time for barbecue at the Bohemian Hall.

All of the money raised, said Mrs. Marintzer, will be used for operating expenses at the museum. She said she didn't know how much they would have after expenses.

Mrs. Marintzer said they gave away 25 plaques to vehicle owners. Only two went to local entries, she said, with the rest from out of town.

The museum board plans to hold a car show again next year, she said.



**CHECKING OUT THE VEHICLES,** Jerry Wycoff of Oakley said he hadn't brought any of his cars this year but hoped to next year.



**CARSLINED UP** at the A&W Restaurant (right) for carhop service. KFNF Radio Station Owner Dave Stout (above) tried to hang a sign in the wind.

