## BOND ELECTION COMES SATURDAY

| FROM THE HOPPER <br> By HOP <br> Harry Jesko stood in his front yard and watched the small twister that swept east of here the other af ternoon. The next day found him in his back yard digging a storm cellar. He evidently was not satisfied with the job, so the following day he took off for Carlsbad Caverns, where you decend 700 feet below the surface "That's my idea of a cyclone icellar," Harry observed on his return. <br> A local hail insurance agent was discussing the amount of hail damage to growing wheat fields here this year. He said that he had written several policies since slight hail damages had been reborted. and went on to make this observation. Said he "When a man comes in to insure wheat that has been hit by hail, he will contend that the damage has been megliable. But let damade oscur to an insured crop and the loss will be at least $50 \%$." . <br> Bob Kyker dropped into a local barber shop the other day to unreel one of his choice pieces of wit. Bob said that a friend of his told him one day that he quit drinking about three months ago. And then added, "Blamed if I don't believe I am drinking more now than I did before I quit." <br> When it comes to producing strawberries, we take our hat off to Jerry Spurlin, who lives in northeast Texin great numbers for the past several years, and this year his patch has been increased to nearly twice the usual size. Many of the vines were put out just this spring and they are literally full of berries. Jerry is ant to have quite a number of kin folks calling on him diring the summor. <br> Something for parents to think about: Read recently in a Los Angeles newspaper that more children die from accidents in the home than are killed by autos and all kinds of sickness. High among the casualty causes in the home are, ice picks, poison, guns, electrical outlets, bath tubs and washing machines. Go over that list again and check them against the existing conditions in your own home. Are ice picks, guns and poison, including lye, being left where small children can get hold of them? Are you careful to disconnect electrical appliances at the walls instead of at the appliance? Have you been so busy about household duties that you left the baby in the bath tub while you went about your duties? Are you in the habit of leaving the washing machine or wringer in operation while you go to do something else? Either of these practices-all common to many housewives-could result in death to that toddling baby, |
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# Road Bond Election Comes Saturday, May 28 

On Saturday, May 28, the voters of Parmer County will go to the polls and approve or reject the efforts of the county road committee, which has been at work for more than a year, in getting all the details worked out for the county-wide road program to be built as rapidly as engineering and construction problems can be met. The issue which the voters will decide on the above date is:

Whether or not bonds of Parmer County shall be issued in the amount of $\$ 1,50,000.00$ with interest not to exceed $3 \frac{1}{2} \%$ and for a time not to exceed 30 years from date, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating Macadamized or paved roads throughout the county.

The election was called by an order passed by the Commissioners Court on April 26, as a result of a petition, signed by more than fifty qualified electors residing throughout the county. The election will be held at all the regular election precincts of the county.

The election boxes and officers are as follows:

## Black-School house.

Bill Edelmon, presiding judge
Fern Barnett, judge
Bruce Parr, Clyde Hays, clerks.
Friona-School house
J. T. Crawford
C. V. Goodwine
F. W. Reeve, Elmer Euler.

Bovina-School house
C. R. Elliott

Nat Reed
Edd Ross, I. W. Quickel.
Farwell-Court house
J. W. Magness

Albert Smith.
Chas. Lunsford, Mrs. O. B. Pipkin.
Lazbuddy-School House
Roy Daniel
Geo. Crain
C. C. Mathews, Joe Jesko.

Oklahoma Lane-School house

## Sam Sides

C. C. Christian
L. M. Grissom, G. H. Lindop.

Rhea-Teacherage
Melvin Sachs
T. F. Taylor

Jack Waltmon, J. D. Stevens.
Lakeview-Otho Whitefield home
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Fred Barker
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Pearl Hand, Claude Miller.

# Absentee Voting Now Available 

According to Loyde Brewer, County Clerk of Parmer County, qualified electors of the county who expect to be absent from their voting precincts on May 28, may secure absentee ballots at his office. "All absentee ballots must be in my office by May 25 to be counted, however," he said in discussing the matter.

After an absentee ballot has been secured from the clerk's office, it can be voted before any notary public and then returned to the office of the County Clerk, in order that it can be included in the supplies for the proper voting precinct.

## 165 Miles of Pavement Included In Proposed Building Program <br> In addition to the 105 miles of paved <br> The County Planning Committee was

roads now in Parmer County-and the ten miles now under construction from Oklahoma Lane to the twin houses - the proposed county-wide program will provide an additional 165 miles, which will make a total of 280 miles of paved roads in the county network.

Of the 165 miles to be added to the county network, each precinct will share as nearly as possible on the basis of the acreage in the precinct as compared with the other three precincts.
unanimous in the opinion that the distribution of the proposed roads, as shown on the map, was fair and equitable to the different parts of the county. As shown on the map, the proposed road-improvement program will provide three roads north and south across the county, and three roads east and west across the county, in addition to the US Highways 60 and 70.

The road program, as outlined, places a paved road within five miles of every point within the entire county.

## Culminates Year Of Planning

The decision of the voters on May 28 will culminate more than a year's work on the part of the Parmer County Road Committee, composed of representatives from every part of the county. Working with the County Committee were the committees from the four precincts and from the organized Chambers of Commerce in Bovina, Farwell and Friona.

The work of the committee was divided into several phases - preparation for the the overall program; selecting the specific roads to be improved; and determining the amount of bonds needed to complete the entire program. The overall program was planned to distribute the proposed roads fairly equal over the entire county, while five guiding principles were used in making the selections of the specified roads:

## STATE HELPS TO MAINTAIN

Although the State Highway Department does not follow a policy of taking over all paved roads for maintenance, it has been the policy of that branch of government to assume the expense of maintenance on all roads which they designate as "elegible roads." According to Mr. McCarty, district highway engineer, there are several ways whereby roads become eligible for state participation in both construction and maintenance; namely: 1. roads with a daily trafic count of 100 or more; 2. raads connecting towns or communities at strategic points; and 4. roads which fit into the state network of roads as determined by the State Planning Board.

At the present time, Parmer County has 62 miles of road (exclusive of Highways 60 and 70) the state would help to build and maintain if the county had its part of the construction cost. Additional miles of road

1. Serving large groups of people in the county; 2. Providing outlets to a choice of markets; 3. Following mail routes; 4. Aiding school bus routes; and, 5. Providing connecting links between communities, between already established highways, and in general fittting into the State Highway Department's plan for a network of roads in this county.

The size of the bond issue was determined on the basis that it should be sufficient to complete the entire program, even though the State and Federal aid might not be continued; while if the farm-to-market program should continue, it would not be necessary for the Commissioners Court to issue all the bonds voted, and thus reduce the cost to the county in like proportion.
would become eligible for aid as rapidly as they meet the standards set up by the state.

## CONSTRUGTION COST DOWN

According the Mr. McCarty, district engineer of the State Highway Department, the construction costs of roads at the present time are on the downward trend. "This is a reflection of lowering costs of materials and labor as shown by lower bidding on recent contract lettings throughout the state," Mr. McCarty explained. "Both caliche and asphalt, as well as contract hauling, have been secured at lower prices in the last few months," he added.

This trend toward lower costs is expected to make it possible to complete the program in Parmer County without the necessity of selling the entire issue. Costs of construction in Bailey County is reported at $\$ 5000.00$, while former costs were from seven to eight thousand dollars per mile.

## FARM ROAD NO. 299 ALREADY GIVEN STATE DESIGNATION

On April 18, the Commissioners Court, in conference with Mr. McCarty, district highway engineer at Lubbock, was assured that construction on Farm Road No. 299, south from the end of the pavement towards Muleshoe, would be paved from the $\$ 15,000$ 000.00 appropriation passed by the present legislature in its recent action. This action by the Highway Department will reduce the cast of the proposed road program to the ex-
tent of 60 to 80 thousand dollars. It will also be maintained by the state, relieving the county of that expense.

The completion of Farm Road No. 299 to the Bailey County line will leave only 155 miles of the present proposed county-wide road program to be builf, should the bond issue be voted on May 28. As further state and federal funds become available in the future, the cost to the county will be reduced in like manner.

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## To the Property Owners of Parmer County


#### Abstract

A DELEGATION REPRESENTING EACH OF THE FOUR PRECINCTS OF PARMER COUNTY HAD AN INFORMAL HEARING WITH MR. FRED WEMPLE, CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AND MR. D. C. GREER, STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEER, IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON TUESDAY, MAY 17, 1949, TO DISCUSS THE FARM-TO-MARKET ROAD PROGRAM AND TO ASCERTAIN WHAT PARMER COUNTY MIGHT REASONABLY EXPECT FROM THE OVER-ALL ROAD PROGRAM AS OUTLINED BY THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT. THE DELEGATION FELT THAT THE VOTERS WERE ENTITLED TO THIS INFORMATION BEFORE VOTING ON THE PROPOSED BOND ISSUE OF $\$ 1,150,000.00$ FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING FARM-TO-MARKET ROADS.


[^0]State Highway Department

Midland, Texas
May 21, 1949

Honorable A. D. Smith
County Judge
Parmer County
Farwell, Texas
Dear Judge Smith.
1 Due to the fact that several citizens and officials of your County have discussed with the Highway Department the program of Secondary or Farm-to-Market Roads in Parmer County, Highway Department the program of Secondary or Farm-to-Market Roads in Parmer County,
I consider it advisable to give to you this letter representing the pohicy views of the Highway Department concerning your Farm-to-Market Road problems.

In the first place, I am sure it is needless to point out to you the progress that has been made on the road system of Parmer County in recent years, and particularly on the Farm-toMarket Road system since the close of World War II. It is apparent that considerable progress has been made and with the funds now in sight it is entirely logical that we will be able to complete our FM 299 from Friona to Muleshoe extending north and south across your County, as well as the completion of FM 690 extending from Farwell to FM 299 which covers the east-west section of your County out as far as FM 299. It appears from this projected program that in the not distant future we will complete and place under State maintenance a total of about 40 miles of Farm-to-Market Roads in Parmer County which shall have been completed since V-J Day. If current revenues to the Department are not disturbed it is logical that about the same rate of development may be evident in the future years, which would indicate that a substantial program of Farm-to-Market Road development will be forthcoming from State sources in Parmer County over a period of the next three to four years.

Should Parmer County feel that the rate of progress on Farm-to-Market Roads is not fast enough to keep pace with the development of Parmer County, then there is another possibility that might be utilized based solely upon the option of the people of your County in the development of additional Farm-to-Market Roads. We have a plan of operation that contemplates the utilization of State funds that may be assigned to work in the County to be used as matching funds for local funds on a 75-25 matching basis to form an overall program. This would work out approximately as follows. We have obligated ourselves to build an additional 10 miles work out approximately as plating the possibility of building about 11 miles on FM 299 , at a cost of $\$ 85,000.00$. We could plating the possibility of burlding about 11 miles on FM 299 , at a cost of $\$ 85,000.00$. We could
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al project and add $\$ 25,000.00$ additional State funds, making a total of $\$ 151,000.00$ State al project and add $\$ 25,000.00$ additional State funds, making a total of $\$ 151,000.00$ State funds which we could utilize to match $\$ 453,000.00$ of County funds, making a total program
of $\$ 604,000.00$ on Parmer County which, of course, would include the 21 miles of work hereof $\$ 604,000.00$ on Parmer County which, of course, would include the 21 miles of work heretofore mentioned. It is roughly estimated that the $\$ 604,000.00$ program would build approximately 75 miles of roads which, after subtracting the 21 miles previously mentioned, would mean about 54 miles of new roads which would almost exactly take up the full quota Parmer
County might expect of State operated roads for some years to come. The State would not be in position to accept more than $\$ 453,000.00$ of County money for such a road development program.

I trust that this information may be of some value to you and your people in clarifying the State Highway Department's position in this matter.

## Sincerely yours, FRED A. WEMPLE

Fred A. Wemple, Chairman
State Highway Commission.



[^0]:    AT THE REQUEST OF A MEMBER OF THE DELEGATION, MR. FRED WEMPLE, CHAIRMAN, WAS ASKED TO WRITE A LETTER, ADDRESSED TO COUNTY JUDGE A. D. SMITH, OUTLINING THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICIES AND INTENTIONS INSOFAR AS IT AFFECTED PARMER COUTY. MR. WEMPLE'S LETTER FOLLOWS:

