

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

We either must work together

or ...

Of all the columns I have written since coming here, I believe this is the most important.

For that reason, I've been holding off on writing it until it could run in today's special birthday issue.

As you will see from reading the stories and ads throughout the paper, a birthday is a time to reminisce. It's a time to take a perspective on where you have come from, where you are, and where you are going.

One thing I have learned from life is that "no man is an island unto himself". We are social beings, live in a society of people and interact with others. That's a given.

And, in a nutshell, to succeed in life one must be successful with one's group. Or another way: Success comes from working together.

The folks in Texico-Farwell have been most fortunate in living in a closeknit, Christian community. Folks do work together and that's why the community has been successful.

We need to concentrate on that fact in these difficult economic times. We need to have it beaten into our heads. We MUST work together to get through the hard times.

Let me give you an example of what I'm talking about. Our local businesses depend on the folks reading this column for their livelihood. They don't get people coming from Albuquerque or Amarillo or Lubbock here; they get you folks.

Yet, do we shop in Amarillo or Lubbock or Albuquerque? Sure, we do. And do we buy items in those places that we could have purchased here? You answer the question.

But tell me, do the places in Albuquerque buy ads on the Texico Booster Club Calendar? Do places in Amarillo buy sponsorships on the Farwell Booster Club calendar?

When you need food cheaply for a social club gathering, do you get it at Capitol Foods or somewhere in Hereford?

What businesses support our schools? Our organizations? Our churches? And who hires our sons and daughters and nieces and nephews? Local places.

And we have successful school programs. And successful social activities. Why? Because we work together.

By spending our money locally, it means that those dollars are being recycled into the salaries of local folks and into contributions to local projects. That's called "working together."

Unfortunately, there are some who don't realize that for an economy to be successful, it means keeping dollars inside your community as much as possible. There are those who feel that if they can get an item cheaper by 10 cents than that's the way to go. Read on:

Do you know that there are certain chain stores in the U.S., that are owned by foreign nations and sell at a loss?

They can afford to do that because the parent corporation can make a profit in other areas. And the purpose?

They expect the consumer to take advantage of their low, low prices. Thus their volume increases and that of the independent businessman decreases. The result is that the independent goes bankrupt, thus leaving the whole field to the chain store - which promptly raises its prices - and keeps on raising them.

In other words, they play the consumer for a fool. It's an easy trap to fall into in these days of high-pressure salesmanship.

My philosophy is simple: We must work together to pull Farwell through these times.

We must trade at our local businesses; they provide important services; they pay a goodly share of our tax burden, they generously support our schools and organizations, they are important to us.

Because, in the final analysis, it's in our best interests for our businesses to be strong. And if you take dollars away from them and give to a business that couldn't give a hoot about Texico-Farwell, think of who you are hurting.

It could be you.



DICK AND PEARLIE GERIS

You answered the phone according to a code

Dick and Pearlie Geris have been longtime residents in the Farwell area, Dick having moved here in 1916 and Pearlie in 1923.

Dick was born in Breckenridge, Minn., Dec. 31, 1906, the son of Herman and Hattie Geris. He had two brothers and two sisters. Dick's father liked to move around alot when Dick was younger. Some of the states Dick and his family lived in were Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota.

Dick and his family moved to Parmer County from South Texas in 1916 arriving in Farwell Oct. 20. On Dec. 6, 1923, he and his family settled on a farm 1½ miles west of Lariat.

Dick attended school in Fairview. The school was about three miles from Dick's home. Dick remembers traveling to school in a wagon with a team of horses. School subjects weren't much different than they are now. The main sport played was baseball. There weren't enough children attending Fairview School to play other sports.

Pearlie was born at Copperas Cove, Texas, Sept. 2, 1910 the daughter of Albert and Wilmina Ramm. She had four brothers and four sisters. Pearl's father was a farmer and a cattleman. Pearlie and her family lived at Copperas Cove for 13 years, before moving to West Texas on Dec. 6, 1923. They settled in West Camp.

Pearlie attended a Lutheran parochial school in Copperas Cove. In the first period class all that was taught was German. The rest of the courses were as they are in public schools today.

In Copperas Cove they sometimes walked 2½ miles to school. After moving to West Texas, Pearlie attended school in West Camp. She rode to school with four other girls on a truck with boards set up in the truck bed to sit on. Later, the man would remove the boards and haul grain in the same truck. The only school sport in Copperas Cove was baseball, but in West Camp basketball was played outside on the dirt.

Pearlie said her favorite childhood memories were of the community get-togethers known as the "Community Reunions." Everyone from miles around got together to have fun and visit. She also enjoyed the box suppers held at the school.

Dick met Pearlie about a month after she arrived in West Texas. Her father had gone to buy seed grain from Dick's father and they visited, but their actual courtship didn't start until 1927. Their dates mainly consisted of attending singing conventions.

Dick and Pearlie were married Dec. 22, 1929. After their marriage, they settled on a farm 1½ miles south of Lariat. The farm was 200 yards south of the Parmer County line, which made them Bailey County residents. They later moved a quarter mile west of Lariat, establishing their residency in Parmer County. In 1967 they moved from the farm to Farwell.

Dick and Pearlie have raised four sons - Herman, Bob, Don, and Dickie.

Herman married Alta Norton of Farwell May 28, 1950. They farm in the Pleasant Hill community. They have two children, Tina and Todd.

Bob married Charlene Rayle of Clovis, Nov. 19, 1955. They have two children Donna and Bob E.

Don married Linda Williams of Clovis on Feb. 7, 1959. They live in Farwell. They have four children, Randy, Dondra, Steve and Lisa. They farm the old Lariat home place.

Dickie married Glenda Taylor of Stamford, Texas, Jan. 21, 1966. They

have two children, Tammy and Greg. He is a banker in Hereford.

Dick and Pearl's four sons graduated from Farwell High School where Dick served several years on the school board. They are both charter members of the First Baptist Church in Farwell where Dick is a Deacon.

Dick and Pearlie remember several things about the farm. They milked cows, tended chickens and did the usual farm chores. They raised mostly Kaffer corn, Sudan and a little cotton. They had to hand head the maize before thrashing it.

Pearlie says she remembers riding a Sled-go-Devil plow pulled by two large mules.

When the county started to grade the roads, Dick and Pearlie would see lots of tourists. Since the Geris had a good windmill, tourists would often stop for a drink of water. A tin cup was kept on the well to drink out of and often times the cups were not returned. One tourist though, returned after a few weeks with several cups to replace the one he had taken.

Dick remembers when Farwell was just a young town. There were no highways back then. If you wanted to go to another town, you went on dirt roads. Dick remembers when the area where the courthouse now stands was only a lot with one gas pump on it. He also, remembers when the area where the law offices and the Tribune now stand was a grocery store known as B.E. Nobles Grocery Store.

The Geris' first home was heated by a kerosene heater. They received electricity to their home in 1940. They used to listen to the radio when they weren't working and bought their first television around 1954. Their first phone was installed in 1953. Dick says as a boy a group from West Camp and Lariat built a private phone cooperative. There were no phone numbers then so one answered according to a system, such as, two long rings and one short. Everyone had their own phone code. Private calls were almost unknown then.

The Geris' first car was a 1928 Chevy Sedan. Dick said his first car before they married was a Model 27, Chevrolet Roadster with isinglass curtains instead of glass for windows.

The Geris' remember the hard times during the Depression and World War II. They said they didn't have to use the ration books too much, because they lived on things at home from their garden and butchered their own livestock. They did use the ration books some for coffee, sugar, and flour. Pearlie says she always kept a large coconut can of cookies on hand for her boys, no matter how hard the times were.

Dick and Pearlie remember some of the old folk remedies that they and their parents used. Kerosene and lard poultice with turpentine were used for colds and congestion. To treat coughs, they used sugar with a touch of turpentine. Back then, kerosene was somewhat of a cure-all, as was castor oil. Coal oil was used to treat wounds.

When Dick was asked to tell about some of his old hunting stories, he told of how there used to be quite a lot of ducks in this area. He said that when they would hunt ducks in the maize fields, they were so thick that you could hardly see the fields when they flew. Hunting is not nearly as good as it used to be when they harvested the crops differently and more grain was left for the birds to feast on.

The Geris' have been married 56 years.

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28th annual Football Contest begins today

The Gridiron Guessing Game, known as the Area Merchants Football Contest, is starting its 28th year and local residents are ready.

The contest will run for 12 weeks with local and area residents filling out their entry forms and deciding on who they think will win.

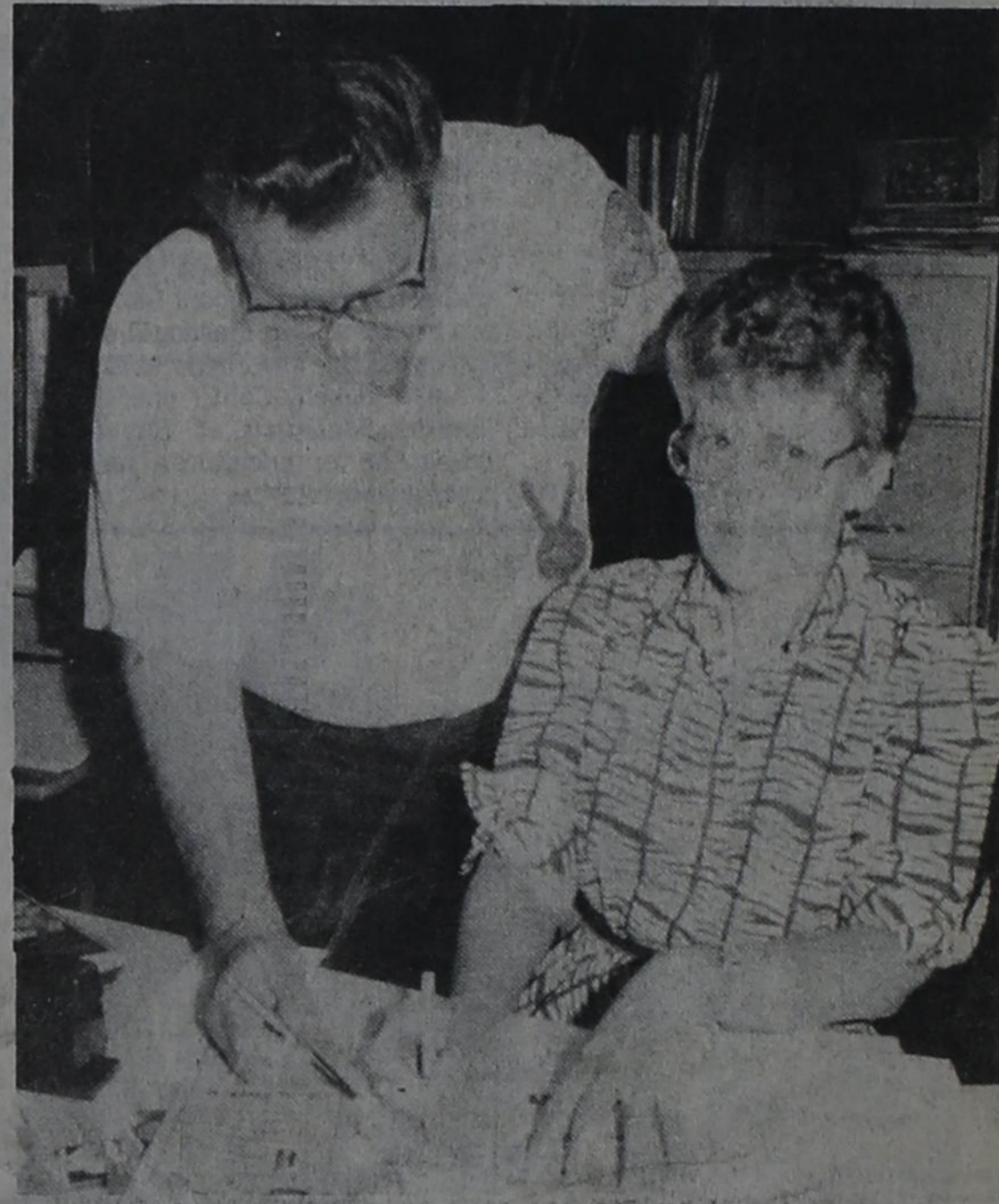
Entry blanks are in this issue of the Tribune and also are available at the Tribune office after 1 p.m. Thursday (Sept. 4).

The deadline for turning them in at the Tribune office is today (Friday) at 5:30 p.m.

Top prize for the winner of the 12-week contest will again be two tickets to see the Dallas Cowboys play at Texas Stadium, plus free overnight lodging at the Regent Hotel, free transportation to and from Texas Stadium at Irving, and \$50 to help with expenses.

This year's game will be the Cowboys' finale - against the World Champion Chicago Bears Dec. 21. Here is a list of the merchants sponsoring this year's contest:

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- Rules for the 1986 contest will be the same as in the past. A person



Marjorie Watkins, right, gets some good advice from Jerry Atchley as

she tests her luck in the annual football contest.

must be at least 12 years of age to enter. Entrants must choose the 12 teams they think will win the selected contests. Games will be divided among high school, college and professional ranks. In case of a tie game, unless a tie is predicted by the entrant, that game will not be counted.

Each entrant must also remember to pick a tiebreaker score, a very important feature of the contest since many weekly winners have also been determined by the tiebreakers.

The person naming the most games correctly each week will receive a check for \$10 and the person choosing the second highest number correctly will get \$5.

Each week's scoring is tabulated and kept on record at the State Line Tribune office. The standings are posted for inspection each Monday

and may be seen at any time.

It's very important that you enter each week's contest in order to have a strong shot at being the overall winner. Even if you never pick an 11 or 12 to take a weekly check, you can take the overall prize with a consistent 8 or 9 weekly tally.

Last year's winner was Charles Dannheim. Other winners over the years were:

Bunk Phillips, Maxine Williams, Ken Horn, Jerry Dee Owen, Gay Goettsch, Thelma Alexander, A.D. Kirk, Dodie Actkinson, Greg Hargrove, Dee Owen, Doris Herington, Ruth Scott, C.L. Mahaney, Mrs. Roy Everett.

Also, T.J. Kittrell, Terry Craft, Becky Taylor, Willie Roberts, Jerry Roddam, Dale Sikes, Erlene Porter, Rusty McFarland and Sam Gonzales.

We hope you enjoy our special 75th Anniversary & Texas Sesquicentennial issue, featuring an oral history of Texico-Farwell.

We're having an open house today (Friday) with cake and coffee; please stop by and help celebrate.

We've ordered 200 extra copies of this issue, but please stop by and get your extra copies before they sell out.

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Holland re-elected club president

James Holland was re-elected president of the Texico Booster Club Tuesday.

Also elected were: Greg Martin, vice-president; Peggy Holland, secretary, and Maxine Shaw, treasurer.

The Booster Club will help support more than just the athletic teams this year. They will also support band and other school

groups.

About 50 people turned out to show their support for the school and its activities.

The club voted to serve a barbeque dinner before the Springer game Oct. 3. A committee was set up to plan the event. Members are: James Harding, Maxine Shaw, Sandy Cox, Steve Chancey, Carole Hunter, Dennis Snipes, Evie Thornton, and Junior Thornton.

Tickets for the barbeque will cost \$3.50 for adults, and \$2.25 for children under 12.

The coaches and sponsors reported upon the progress of the teams. It was reported that 155 members have paid to join the "Bleacher Bums" who will cheer at games.

Cheerleaders have been selling programs, buttons, and license tags to raise money for uniforms. The yearbook staff is selling ads in the annual.

The Boosters plan to have a second dinner later in the year to help raise money for school activities. They are also preparing a calendar of school activities.

The next meeting will be held Oct. 7 in the school library.

Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Bill Morgan.

On Aug. 28, James Williams of Farwell reported the theft of potted plants from the front porch of his residence.

On Aug. 28, Eugene Schacher reported that his barn located northwest of Clays Corner had been entered with numerous items taken, including a hand drill, hand grinder, saw, Lincoln welder and an impact wrench.

On Aug. 29, Mrs. A.H. Haseloff of Farwell reported the theft of two potted plants from their front porch on the night of Aug. 27.

On Sept. 1, Annette Black reported the theft of four potted plants from the front porch of her residence in Farwell.

On Sept. 1, Junior Malouf reported the theft of his irrigation well motor and other parts from his farm located south of Lazbuddie.

On Sept. 2, Kerry Walker of Farwell reported that his tool box and tools had been taken from a utility shed at their residence, probably sometime Sunday.

On Aug. 30, Glenda Sue Clark, 23 of Cameron, N.C., was arrested by the Sheriff's department on a charge of public intoxication. She made \$50 bond and was to appear in the Justice of the Peace Court.

On Aug. 30, Dennis P. Climer, 32 of Crowley, La., was arrested by the Sheriff's Department on a charge of public intoxication. He made \$50 bond and was to appear in the Justice of the Peace Court.

On Aug. 31, Linda L. Calfy, 34 of Friona was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of public intoxication. She made \$50 bond and was to appear in the Justice of the Peace Court.

On Aug. 31, Lawrence Lee Calfy, 44 of Friona was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He appeared before County Judge Porter Roberts on Sept. 2 and on a

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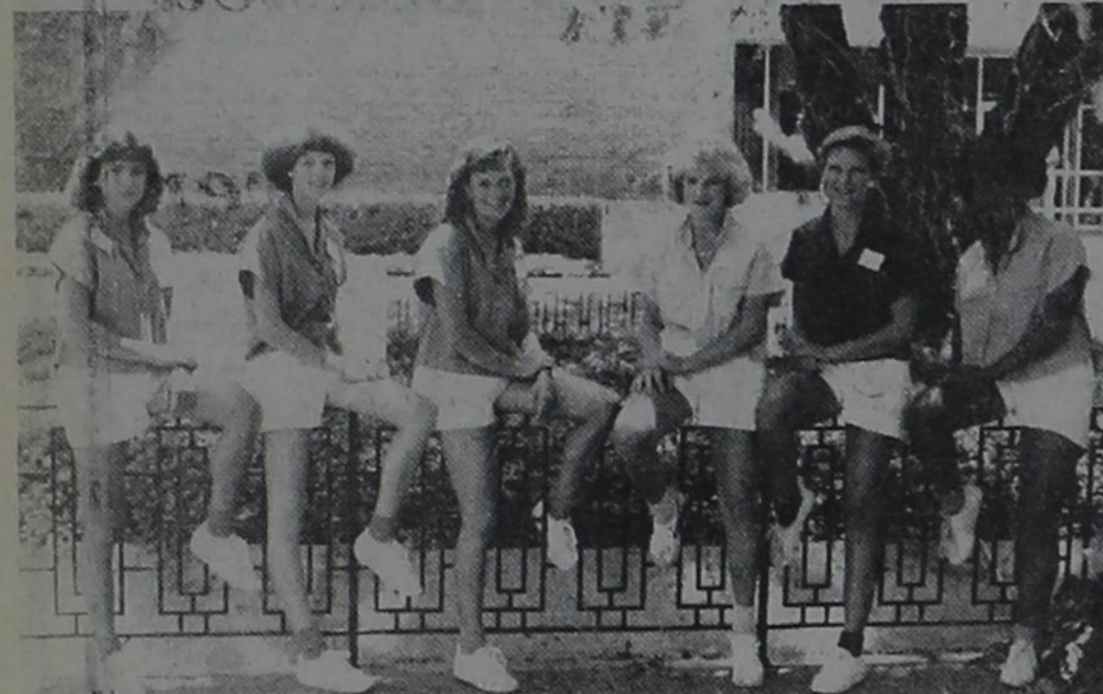
Services for Kate Phillips, 85 of Farwell, will be Friday at 3 p.m. at the Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church in Farwell. Officiating will be the Rev. Steve Stephens. Burial will be in the Farwell

Sunset Terrace Memorial Park. Mrs. Phillips died Sept. 3 at Clovis High Plains Hospital.

Mrs. Phillips was born in Washita, Ark., in 1900. She and her husband Frank moved to their farm south of Farwell from Vera, Texas, in 1923, and set up their farming operation. She was a pioneer woman in Farwell and was a member of the Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church for 51 years.

Mrs. Phillips is preceded in death by her husband, Frank, who died in 1949 and a son A.F. (Bunk) Phillips, Jr.

Survivors include three sons, Carthon Phillips of Austin, Glenn Phillips of Lubbock and Charlie Phillips of Amarillo; a daughter, Elaine Peterson of Mount Ida, Ark.; two brothers, Jim Masongill of Hot Springs, Ark., and Clyde Masongill of Lake Isabell, Calif.; one sister, Thelma McGuire of Seymour, Texas; 13 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.



Farwell cheerleaders

Shown are the Farwell High School cheerleaders. They are, from left, Dana White, Kristi Stephens, Kellie Anderson, Angie White, Kellie Foster and Shonda Foster.

Lazbuddie shows gain

Lazbuddie School's enrollment showed a six-person increase over the 1985 statistics.

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Estancia nips Texico in season opener

By Jenice Jenkins

The Texico Wolverines were defeated in their opener by the Estancia Bears Friday night, 12-8.

The game started with Texico kicking off. Texico forced the Bears to fumble on their 45 yard line and Lance Akers recovered for the Wolverines.

Texico was held scoreless on their first possession. Later Texico's Akers recovered his second fumble for the night. Both teams showed a strong defense as the score remained 0-0.

The second quarter of play looked good for the Wolverines. The Bears' center snapped the ball over the punter and Texico picked up a safety.

The Bears then free-kicked from their 20 yard line. Texico moved the ball to their 40 yard line. Then Rod Smith ran to the Bear's 16 yard line for a first down. Smith, carried to the six for a first and goal. Then Larry Dudley carried to the one. The Wolverines fumbled the football and the Bears recovered with 6:38 left in the second quarter.

Texico's defense held the Bears

tight, blocking a punt and getting possession on the one foot line. The Wolverines ran a quarterback sneak and Smith scored a touchdown, putting Texico ahead 8-0. Texico received a five yard penalty for delay of game and missed their extra point.

With 3:31 left in the second quarter, Texico punted. Robert Edwards blocked a pass causing the Bears to have to punt the ball. The punt was short and Texico had good field position, on the Bears' 38 yard line.

Once again things looked promising for the Wolverines, but they were penalized 15 yards for holding. Unable to score, Texico punted. The Bears got the ball on their 25. Texico's strong defense brought Estancia down behind the line of scrimmage. The Bears came back gaining good yardage to their 38 yard line. Texico's Ken Murphy was injured on the play.

Texico led 8-0 at the half.

The Bears came out fired up. Texico kicked off and Estancia's Robert Sutherland ran the ball back 95 yards to score. Illegal procedure

was called against the Bears on the extra point attempt. With the score 8-6 the Bears kicked off to the Wolverines. Both teams showed strong defenses until Texico's Dudley picked up a first down with 4:16 left in the third quarter. Texico fumbled the football and the Bears gained possession with 18 seconds left in the third quarter. It was first and goal for the Bears as they gained good yardage around their right end.

Estancia scored with five seconds left in the third quarter. The extra point attempt was no good leaving the score, 12-8.

Estancia kicked off and the Wolverines received the ball just shy of their 30 yard line. Dudley carried the ball to the 50 yard line as the third quarter of play ended.

The fourth quarter started off tough for the Wolverines as they lost five yards on the first play. After an incomplete pass, Texico punted. The first two plays the Wolverines held the Bears tight. On the third play, Estancia ran the ball up the middle to the 50 yard line. The Bears were forced to punt after penalties but Texico was unable to score.

Coach David Lynn had these comments:

"I'm very pleased with how the boys played and we had a good opportunity to win, but we still need to gain more experience. Blocking wasn't as good as it should have been in some spots of the game. I

feel better about how the boys played this week than what we did last week. If they continue progressing the way they have, they will have a real good football team.

"I'm looking forward to Friday night's game with Cloudercroft at 7:30 there. The boys are hungry for a win and are working out hard this week. Hopefully they can pick up a win

this week.

"Rod Smith played real well this week and will get better as time goes on. Keith Harrison caught a good pass."

STATISTICS

	Texico	Estancia
First Downs	6	10
Rushing	32	44

Net yards rushing	84	125
Net yards passing	25	15
Total yards gained	109	140
Passes attempted	9	5
Passes completed	1	1
Passes intercept. by	0	0
Number of punts	6	5
Fumbles rec.	2	1
No. of penalties	8	4
Yards penalized	64	31



Texico Quarterback Rod Smith [11] sweeps around right end against Estancia on a keeper, while Texico back Larry Dudley [22] waits for a possible pitch.

Big Lick Award



The recipients of the Big Lick award from Texico this week are, from left, Larry Dudley, Robert Edwards and Urban Orozco. Dudley, a junior, is a running back. He received the award for 16 carries and gaining 74

yards against Estancia. Edwards a freshman, is a defensive tackle. He made 20 tackles. Orozco, a junior, is a defensive linebacker. He received the award for also making 20 tackles.

Farwell population up

The Farwell Schools opened their doors Monday for the 1986-87 school year.

Their enrollment is up from 461 students last year to 483 students

this year.

There are 229 students enrolled in elementary; 102 in Junior High; and about 152 students in High School.

Life Springs From Adversity

As Samson traveled toward Timnath a lion attacked him. God's power was with him and he killed it. Later, as he passed by the dead lion, he found bees had made honey in the carcass. He then gave his enemy a riddle: "Out of the eater came forth meat, and out of the strong came forth sweetness."

The church has been through many changes during its Texas history. But the changes are no different than what has happened through the centuries. When it seemed the strongest it was easily put down; yet when downed, it became most beneficial. Men often think they can win by their own merit even as the lion felt it could overcome any man. Samson's victory was not due to his strength, but to his God given strength. Later in his life, when God's strength left, he failed.

For the church to be what God wants it to be demands the use of God's strength. That strength is found in the "Word of God." For it contains "everything we need for life and godliness." The future of the church will be glorious if men truly follow the teachings of Christ.

"The fortunes of the church ebb and flow with our human fallibilities. Sometimes we are on a pinnacle. Sometimes we are in the valley. Since the first-century there have been numerous periods when men thought the church would surely die out, and it almost did. But it has sprung back in restoration after restoration. Infallible proof of the divine nature of the church is its ability to come back from the grave."

Reuel Lemmons

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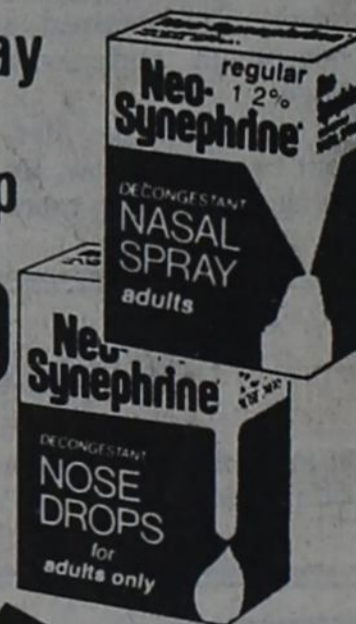
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Quickels active in several Texico-Farwell organizations



DUTCH AND DOROTHY QUICKEL

Dutch and Dorothy Quickel are longtime area residents.

Dutch and his sister and family moved to Bovina when he was nine years old from Tangier, Okla. He started to school in a one-room school house while his family farmed.

Dorothy was raised in Texico and moved to Farwell at the age of six years. Dorothy has three brothers and one sister. Her maiden name was Thornton. She went to West Camp school until the fifth grade; then she went to Farwell.

Dutch and Dorothy met on a blind date. Thirty-nine days later they were married in New York City. They have been married for 40 years. Dutch said, "I knew I was going to marry her the first time I saw her."

Dutch was stationed in New York City during World War II and was in the Coast Guard. After they married, Dutch was sent to India. Dorothy stayed in N.Y. for six months, then returned to Farwell. While Dutch was in India, their first child was born. Bill. Bill and his family now live in Lovington, N.M. where he is assistant district attorney.

The Quickels also have one daughter, Teresa Dickman. She is married to a Major in the Army and they live in Leavenworth, Kan.

After Dutch got out of the service, he went to West Texas State College and majored in agriculture. He graduated in 1947. He also attended McMurray College for one year on a football scholarship.

Dutch became city, and school tax assessor from 1947 to 1952. He also sold insurance for Mutual of New York until 1979.

Dorothy attended Texas Tech College and majored in business. She worked as deputy county clerk for 12 years and district clerk for 20 years.

Dutch is active in several clubs: the Chamber of Commerce (he is secretary); County weigh master; Lions (Lion tamer); Masons - past

master #977 and secretary; Sunday school teacher of the Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church of Farwell; Shriner; American Legion (not active chapter); a Lay delegate; and on the Board of Directors at Lansum Home.

Dorothy is active in the Farwell Convalescent Auxiliary and is president of the United Methodist Women.

They have six grandchildren - five boys and one girl.

Dad took soil sample back

Nora Kaemper and her family moved here from Illinois in 1914. Her father, Henry, had visited New Mexico and found it to be "the land of enchantment." He took soil back to Illinois to show how rich it was.

They sold their home and land and chartered a railroad car. They loaded furniture, fruit trees, grapevines and flowers.

Nora said they didn't know how the wind blew here and that having an orchard was out of the question.

The Kaempers rented a house in Clovis next to G. Hockenull and family.

Nora didn't like the idea of leaving their home in Illinois. Leaving all their friends and relatives--especially teen-agers and their grandfather--was difficult.

They moved to Pleasant Hill. They lived in a half dug-out. Beef was hung from the windmill and the weather stayed cold enough to keep the meat frozen. For lights, they used kerosene. They cooked on a

coal stove and washed clothes on a rub board.

They walked 2½ miles to school. "There were four of us in school. Once, it snowed so much and drifted so high that the horse walked on top of the drift," she recalled.

About a mile north of Pleasant Hill was a lake, that Nora ice-skated on. The lake is no longer there.

In 1917, she met Roy L. Day and they were married in 1919. He had been a state evangelist for two years.

After they married, they went to DeLeon, Texas, then to Hope, N.M.

"At Pleasant Hill, we held a revival and there were 30 conversions. I was number 30," Nora said. "The Lord blessed us with five children - three boys, R.L., Harold and Dan, and two girls - Danielle and Lynette.

Times were hard with the Depression. Nora remembers buying pork chops at 25 cents a pound.

Roy died in 1963. Nora was alone



NORA DAY

at the time with her grand-daughter, Cheryl.

"Two of my dearest friends, Olan and Susie Schluster, made phone calls and stayed with me. There is so much difference in a real friend and a handshaker," said Nora.

Married on side of the road

Ardie Stockton and H.P. Winkles were married on the side of the road June 27, 1914.

They were in her brother-in-law's car. He was a Justice of the Peace. They were planning to stop and get married anyway.

Just out of the clear blue, they decided to stop on the side of the road and get married. They had a few friends following in a horse and buggy and waited until they caught up.

Ardie lived in Anlow, Texas, near Paris. Her family farmed in the Greenwood community. There were 10 children in her family--seven sisters and three brothers.

Harvey, Ardie's husband, came to the Greenwood community from Alabama. They met each other through school.

After they married, they farmed in Anlow. In 1921, they moved to the Black Tower community with their two children and continued to farm. This is located in Clovis.

The children went to school at Port Air, now Cannon Air Force Base. During this time, Mrs. Winkles had five more children.

In 1932, the Winkles moved to the Pleasant Hill community. On their farm they raised chickens, cows, wheat, maize, kaffer corn and pinto beans.

"The dust bowl had hit about this time. It blew in from the north and you couldn't see anything," said Ardie. "We drove to town and you

couldn't see the front of your car." While living at Pleasant Hill, their last two children were born.

They continued to farm until 1953, when they moved into town. Mrs. Winkles said, "The people of the Pleasant Hill community are friendly folks."

Some of the changes Ardie remembers are the old washboards and wringer type of washing machine. She remembers her mother making lye soap out of ashes. This was done by getting a big pot and putting ashes in it and pouring water over them. Then they added the grease or cracklings and poured that into jars.

In 1916 the Winkles got their first car--a Ford. She did not drive much. Once while she was driving she hit a tree and she decided that wasn't for her. Back in those days you didn't take tests like today. You just filled out papers and you received your license.

Mrs. Winkles remembers the store run by Ruby Stone, which has gone out of business. Also, Rip's Western Wear, which is still there.

Some hobbies of Ardie's are cooking pies, crocheting, quilting and tatting. Mrs. Winkles' late husband, Harvey, liked to play checkers anytime and anywhere. He would travel great distances to play.

In 1969 at the age of 72, Mrs. Winkles rode on a motorcycle and enjoyed every minute of it. At the age of 80 she went deer hunting by



ARDIE WINKLES

Carlsbad. She didn't see a deer but had fun anyway.

The Winkles had nine children - Larry, Minnie, and Harvey all of Clovis; Bonnie of Texico, Jake deceased; Mary of Dumas, Dorothy, of Clovis, Jeanette, deceased, and Ruth of Hereford. Her husband died in 1970.

Farwell Convalescent Center Chit Chat

By Lynne Gann Activity Director

You never think time can go by so quickly until you stop to think that our facility has been functioning for 10 years. Not a long time really...but.

On August 9th, 1976 a tiny lady, 76 years old, shuffled up the front walk to begin her stay with us. She had sparkling eyes and a quick smile. Never a dull moment could be found when our Anna was around. She made herself at home and soon became the apple of everyone's eye.

Anna has 8 children, 6 girls and 2 boys, 15 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren. She worked hard all her life. She raised chickens 500-1000 at a time. She served, baked and oh, the cooking for her large family.

Now--it was time to rest. How can feet that loved to dance rest when music can be heard? Anna was not one to stay still. Her idea of rest was to laugh, visit and drink her beloved Dr. Pepper. If ever a person could be a living advertisement for Dr. Pepper, it's our Anna.

She has been here longer than anyone. Her smile is just as quick, her shuffle slower but still she goes everywhere.

So when you come to visit and this sweet toothless lady asks "Do you have any money?" Our Dr. Pepper lady Anna Hill is at it again.

Time - I hope she never changes.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Noon meal can be delivered to your door. For further information contact Farwell Convalescent Center. This program is for elderly, handicapped and temporary illnesses.

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Theta Rho, E.S.A. members from 1951, from left to right, Iris Thornton Price, Nell Walling, Jeanne Dudley Graham, Maxine Ford Williams, Darda-

nella Helton, Julia Symcox and Modena Banks Carter. Not pictured, but one of the original charter members is Dorothy Quickel.

Proud to have served the Farwell-Texico area for 35 years. Theta Rho E.S.A.

The Theta Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha (E.S.A.) was chartered in April of 1951 with eight original members. Those women, who still reside in the Farwell/Texico area are Nell Walling, Maxine Ford Williams, Dardanella Helton, Julia Symcox and Dorothy Quickel. The other three were Iris Thornton Price, now of Amarillo, Jeanne Dudley Graham, of Lovington, N.M. and Modena Banks Carter, of Lubbock.

Shortly after the group was organized, Rosa Roberts was made honorary member and asked to serve as Educational Director, a position she has served in for all of the 35 years.

Many outstanding women have come and gone as part of Theta Rho. Three of these are Dardanella Helton, Ginger Crume, of Hereford and Donna Jordan were honored as New Mexico State E.S.A. Outstanding Girls. Nell Walling and others could not all be recalled were honored on the District Level as Outstanding Girls. Several members have served as E.S.A. District and State officers. Two local awards were established in loving memory of outstanding members. Those memorials went to Jo Ann (Williams) Leithen in 1973 and to Judy Jones in 1981.

For several years the award for donating the most Philanthropic monies was won by Theta Rho. In addition to winning many other state awards, in 1965 Theta Rho won the first place Philanthropic award at the International Convention.

Although social and service has played an important part with hosting open houses throughout the community, honoring new mothers or grandmothers and having good times together, the foremost purpose of the organization is Philanthropic. Many contributions have been made to many worthwhile community projects, such as, the building of the memorial drinking fountains, the establishment of the Texico swimming pool, helping families in need and very recently the Farwell Community Center.

For many years, E.S.A. brought Santa Claus to town and furnished filled sacks to give away to many wishful children. One year Santa even came with a sleigh and a team of reindeer. On those and other Christmases children with

special needs were remembered. Visits and goodies were provided for the Convalescent Center and the elderly people with special needs or that were shut-ins of Farwell. During Public School Weeks, the teachers were often treated with baked goods, as recognition of their service to our communities.

Theta Rho has helped sponsor many Girls and Boys State candidates and participants and have also spent many hours decorating for the Farwell Chamber of Commerce Banquets. Through the years, these various projects have been sponsored or supported by this group, with funds raised through large rummage sales, chances "sold" on shopping sprees and other items, Ground-Hog Day chili lunches and most recently, the successful, Pheasant Hunt Preserve.

Many area, state, and national projects have also been supported. The March of Dimes was a major project, with the membership canvassing the area, local and county, with a door-to-door Mother's March. Another of the organizations priorities has been to sponsor Girlstown U.S.A. Members have made several trips to Whiteface to restore and redecorate dorm rooms, as well as, donating clothing and other needed items, such as clothes washers and dryers, ice machines, and vacuum cleaners.

Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and New Mexico Girls's and Boy's Ranches have been recipients of Theta Rho Funds.

Due to a past member, Donna Jordan, having a child who was a victim of Cystic Fibrosis, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation became a major concern for many years. Other groups such as the Special Olympics and St. Jude's Children Research Hospital have also been included.

The most recent contribution was to add new playground equipment to Farwell City Park for the enjoyment of our young citizens. This was dedicated in honor of the four special ladies who chartered and have remained members of Theta Rho for 35 years.

Nell Walling, Maxine Williams, Rosa Roberts and Dardanella Helton have contributed and given so much of themselves throughout the years.



1986 members of Theta Rho E.S.A., from left to right, standing are Leslie Lunsford, Denise Christian, Roberta Howard, Dot Christian, Altha Herington, Gwen Corn, LaMoin Williams, Angela Mace, Rosa

Roberts, Joyce Williams and Susan Johnson; kneeling are, Lillie Christian, Terri Nichols, Robin Gregory, Nell Walling and Margaret Aycock. Not pictured are Maxine Williams and Kim Norton.

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Back in 1908, New Mexico school year was 3 months long

Lillian Benderman, long-time area resident, was born to Roe (R.A.) and Della Jane Davis, at Old Fort, N.C., about 30 miles from Asheville, on Sept. 10, 1899.

Mrs. Benderman came to this area with her parents in 1908, when Texico was bigger than Clovis. The family came here from North Carolina on the train. They got off the train at Taiban, N.M., then traveled 15 miles south of there, where they lived on a claim for several years.

The claim was a dry land farm, where Mrs. Benderman, her parents, and 10 brothers and sisters lived in a one-room half dug-out, which had a tin roof. All 11 children, of whom Mrs. Benderman is the eldest, managed to go to school, even though the family was poor.

They walked five miles to the school. Mrs. Benderman didn't start school until she was nine years old,



LILLIAN BENDERMAN

but her father taught all of his children to read before they went to

school. At that time, the school year was only three months long. Later, it increased to five months.

The Davis family didn't have it easy, to say the least. They were considered to be "nesters" by the surrounding ranchers. At one time, their fences were cut and cattle were run in on their crops. After several years, the Davis family moved, because a good source of water couldn't be found.

An incident which Mrs. Benderman recalls from her youth is that on June 4, 1920, she had appendicitis. She needed an appendectomy, but there was no hospital in Clovis then. Three doctors rented a room in a home in Clovis, and performed the surgery on the dining room table.

When Mrs. Benderman was 16 years old, in 1915, she was baptized

in a stock tank south of Taiban by a Baptist minister. The minister was the grandfather of Mrs. Childs, a resident of Farwell.

After Mrs. Benderman finished school, she taught school at Curry School, which was a one-room, one-teacher school, then at Claud School, which was a "three teacher" school.

In 1920, Mrs. Benderman married George Ferman Nuzum. They were married in Farwell, because Nuzum's father was away, and Nuzum wasn't quite 21. In Texas, there wasn't a law saying that a man under 21 needed his parent's consent to marry. They lived in Clovis for awhile, but later moved to Belen, N.M. When they had been married for 2½ years, Nuzum died, leaving his young wife with a

17-month-old son and an infant daughter who was born two days after her father's death.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Benderman went back to school to complete the new requirements for teaching school, after which she taught school in order to support her two children. She worked at Yeso, N.M., a three teacher school, and then at Guadalupe, N.M., a one teacher school.

While at Guadalupe, her sister-in-law introduced her to J.B. Benderman, a railroad man. They were married Nov. 23, 1929. Benderman was a widower who had a three-year-old daughter. Shortly after their marriage, the Depression hit,

and Benderman was laid off his job. Mrs. Benderman continued teaching school until 1935, when they moved to Ft. Sumner after her husband went back to work again.

Maxine, Benderman's daughter, died of spinal meningitis when she was nine years old. Ten months later, in 1936, J.B. Benderman, Jr., was born. When he was 10 months old, George, Mrs. Benderman's son, who was then 15 years old, died of complications following a football injury.

The Bendermans lived in Ft. Sumner until 1942, when the railroad moved them back to Clovis. They lived there in the same house for 25 years.

Roberts: 70 years in Texas education

For nearly 70 years, W.M. Roberts has been involved in Texas education as student or professional educator.

Roberts may well be the only Texas Superintendent who began his involvement in education in a one-teacher, one-room school, completing grades 1-10 in 7 years. He rode horseback 22 miles a day to achieve high school graduation at the age of 15. Once or twice the horse ran off and went home without him, he recalled.

At 17, he received a teachers certification and traveled to his teaching position in a Model T Ford.

The first significant event that influenced his career choice was "survival." He was the sixth of seven farm children, all of whom became Texas educators. After two years of college, he was certified as an intermediate teacher in 1927.

He accepted a teaching position in Anson, then moved to Wylie as high school principal and coach in 1929. In 1930 he accepted a high school principal and coach position at King High School, Quanah. It was there that he met and married Leatha Jo Jones, a senior student.

Engineer says contract ready

The Texico City Council had a special session Wednesday night to discuss the water well project.

The council still had not received a contract from engineer Ralph Vail and was concerned about progress. So City Attorney Duane Hamar called Vail and it was decided that he would meet with the council Tuesday night (Sept. 4).

Hamar told the council that Vail said he had his bid specifications ready and the contract was ready to be signed.

The council has been especially concerned about this project due to its emergency nature. Only one water well is operating in Texico currently.

Last month, the council got a \$50,000 state grant for a well due to the emergency. But the council has to pay the engineering costs.

The Depression sent the Roberts to the farm carrying with them five months of school checks that were worthless. King High School was not able to pay the \$100 a month teaching salary past December, but he felt he should complete the school year, whether or not he was paid. He has that kind of integrity.

From 1931 to 1935, he worked as a farm hand.

In 1935 he accepted a position as principal and teacher at Lamesa. It was there that the first of the Roberts "future educators," James, was born in 1937. James was coaching at Quitaque at the time of his death in 1962.

From 1937-45, Roberts was a math teacher and coach at Bellevue. He was employed to fill the position and subsequently moved to high school principal, then to superintendent. Following summer sessions in 1936-37, he had received his bachelor's degree from North Texas University in Denton.

At the end of the World War II, the Roberts moved to Oklahoma Lane, following the birth of their second son, Charles. Charles is currently serving as assistant high school principal at Fort Stockton where he has been employed as an educator for 17 years.

In 1947, Roberts returned to Bellevue as high school principal and coach, completing a total of 10 years with the Bellevue system. But in 1948, when the Oklahoma Lane School consolidated with the Farwell system, he was asked to fill the high school principal position. The Roberts returned to the Farwell area.

Meanwhile, he completed his Master's degree in school administration in 1949-51 at Eastern New Mexico University, Portales.

In 1955 he accepted the Estelline superintendency, moving to the Whitharral Superintendency in 1957 and back to Farwell in 1959.

He retired in 1975 but found he was addicted to Texas education. At the request of the Farwell School Board, he returned to the superintendency in 1977.

He has completed 30 years in Farwell, 51 years as a professional educator and nearly 70 years of involvement with Texas education.

Roberts was confronted in the mid 1960's with an enrollment of over 700 students, and was instrumental in securing a bond issue for a new high school building, a new auditorium, an addition to the existing high school to be used as a junior high school, a new field house, paving of streets, and parking facilities.

In 1974 another bond issue was passed for a music building, improvements to the older gymnasium, addition of a wood shop, moving of football bleachers to a new site, and improved lighting of the football field. He spent many hours speaking to civic groups and organizations.

Roberts has professional memberships in the Texas Association of School Administrators, Panhandle School Leaders Association, Parmer County Unit of TSTA, Joint Committee and Region XVI Educational Service Center.

His civic service includes the

Texico-Farwell Lions Club (charter member). He has been a Lion for 35 years and currently is treasurer.

He is a charter member of the First Baptist Church, superintendent, adult department, teacher for the Young People's Department, and present secretary for the Senior Men's Class.

He is active in school and community service, Border Town Days parade committee and promotion committee.



Pioneers of Year

The winners of the first Pioneers of the Year awards went to Vashti Fowler and Mitz Walling, who rode in the parade.

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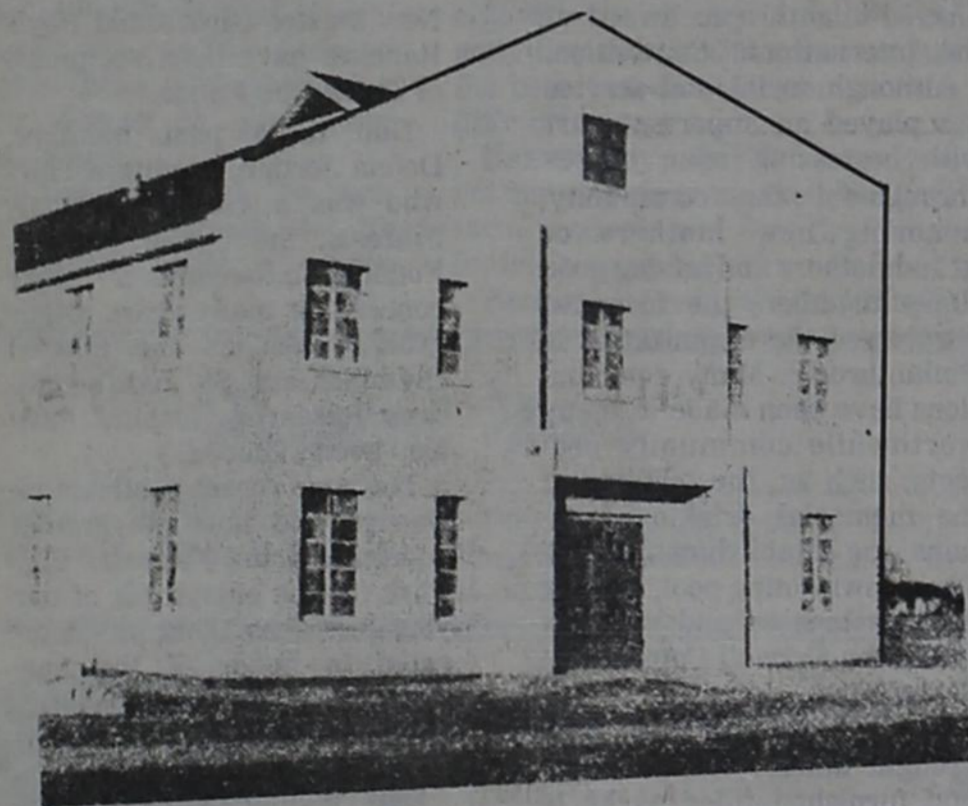
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First Baptist Church of Farwell

Attention,
Farwell residents:
ENMR workers will be cutting telephone cables in Farwell Monday, Sept. 8.
This will cause temporary outages, perhaps up to 2 hours at a time.
We are sorry for the inconvenience. But this work will complete the upgrading of the telephone system in Farwell.

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Local News

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Local News
Saturday - Daily
The north bound train on time and south bound reported two hours late.
S. S. Forrest leaves for East Texas to be gone several days on business.
J. E. Waldrop passed through on his way to Amarillo.
Ernest Nolen left for Amarillo on a short business trip.
W. C. Ederle, representing the John and Ederle cigar house, is visiting Frank Eperheimer, the gentlemanly night clerk of the Big Four.
J. S. Messick, living twelve miles north of Texico, has a brother visiting him from East

Texico, who will probably locate here.
W. E. Schooler has received his commission from Judge Pope to practice law before the Department of the Interior.
S. T. Fagan, a real estate man of Amarillo, is in Texico on business.
F. E. Schooler of Blacktower, is visiting his brother W. E. of Texico.
J. S. Spike, who was authorized by Schooler & Robinson, has completed his inspection of flues. Quite a number of defective flues were reported.
E. E. Gregson, representing the McKinney Nursery, has just received a bill of trees consisting of ten thousand assorted fruit

and shade trees, to be sold at cost. Mr. Gregson is making headquarters across from Patton & Droke's store.
Mrs. Archie Huddleson, who has been very ill for several days, is now pronounced out of danger entirely. She has had the best attention when ill. Dr. T. J. Webb was called in attendance, and while under his treatment she has progressed immensely.
R. E. Rowells, attorney-at-law, late of Hugo, Indian Territory, will locate in Texico. He will have an office with Neely & Stegall.
The building owned by John Childers has been opened as the Palace rooming house by Ed Joiner

Mel Thompson, the former proprietor of the Moore & Thompson feed and grain store of Texico, is here again. He has retired from business and has been visiting some of his old acquaintances.
J. C. Kirkwood is reported on the sick list.
Howard and Ben Cox are expected to return soon from Hereford, Texas, where they have been picking cotton.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walton Tully, of New York, are guests of Walter Farwell. Mr. Tully is a successful dramatic writer, and Mrs. Tully is on the writers' staff of the Saturday Evening Post.
W. E. Schooler left today for a business trip to Amarillo.

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TEXICO-FARWELL NEWS NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Kell are visiting friends in Friona this week.
Pop and grape juice on ice at B. E. Nobles & Son.
Ross V. McWilliams, of Friona was here on business Monday and Tuesday.
Dr. H. P. Oliver returned Wednesday from a business trip to Denver, Colo.
Mollie Bailey's Shows played to a full house here Monday night.
J. F. Metsker and daughter Alma, of Hurley, were in the city Friday of last week.
Cold grape juice and soda pop at Nobles.
Deputy Sheriff Karr of Friona, was attending to business matters in Farwell Monday.
Mrs. R. E. Maddux and children returned from Roswell, N. M. Thursday where they had been visiting for some time.
Tuesday afternoon a fine rain accompanied with considerable hail fell in Farwell and vicinity. The fall did very little damage.
Mrs. Norman Wilson, and children, of Rosina, visited with

Miss Ola Taffinder Entertains.
Last Thursday evening the "party bunch," "hied away" to the home of Miss Ola Taffinder, in west, Texico for the purpose of "storming" that charming and vivacious young lady by presenting her with a surprise party. About six couple were present and they proceeded to make merry until the "wee small" hours of the night.
Various games were played and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves very much.
Those who enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Taffinder were as follows: Misses Stuffing, Nobles, Hopping, Nobles and Mrs. La-verna Jones, and Messrs. Nobles, Thomas, Daniels, Leeper, Thomas, Daniels and Odum.

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RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$43,357.71
Loans, real estate	1,410.00
Overdrafts	None
Other Real Estate	1,117.47
Furniture and Fixtures	2,104.13
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	11,250.32
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	11,250.32
Cash items	873.22
Currency	2,591.00
Specie	1,660.81
Interest in Depository Guaranty Fund	320.00
Assessment of Guaranty Fund	45.82
Other Resources as follows:	
Exchange in Transit	162.24
Expenses	1,212.84
TOTAL	\$70,297.53

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$10,000.00
Surplus Fund	100.00
Undivided Profits	100.00
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	3.22
Individual Deposits, subject to check	56,940.30
Time Certificates of Deposits	1,705.00
Cashier's Checks	6.00
TOTAL	\$70,297.53

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We, J. J. Fry as president, and J. R. Stegall as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
J. J. Fry, President.
J. R. Stegall, Cashier.
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No. 113 West bound	11:33 A. M.
No. 114 East bound	1:12 P. M.
No. 117 West bound	12:35 A. M.
No. 118 East bound	5:40 A. M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For County Judge.
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J. C. Temple is in receipt of a letter informing him of the death of his brother-in-law J. C. Douglas, of Arap, Severy County, Texas, last Friday, caused by a cancer on the neck. Mr. Douglas is a son of J. W. Douglas, and for several years lived on a farm south-west of town. Deceased leaves a wife and five children to mourn their loss who have the sympathy of their friends here.

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No. 9.

The Farwell Times.
W. E. SCHOOLER, Proprietor
J. CLAUDE WELLS, Editor
Published Every Thursday by Farwell Publishing Company.
One Dollar Per Year In Advance
Entered in the post office at Farwell, Texas as second-class mail matter.
The Times is late this week owing to the fact that too much

dinner Thanksgiving incapacitated the force.
Call on Mrs. Robinson to get your sewing done. Satisfaction given. First street south of the Laundry. 8-10p
N. H. Addison, of Tiaban, was in town this week and gave this office a call. He was on his way home from Wapucalka, Okla.
County Judge Compton of Portales spent Saturday and Sun-

day there. He is a staunch supporter of the people in their efforts to obtain the land known as the Railroad Selection north of town.
A Correction and Apology.
About four weeks ago the Times contained a writeup concerning a lady who had sold numbers and was to raffle a fine quilt, the number corresponding with a number in the bank to get the quilt. The article was handed in

while the management was rushed and had no time to verify the statement, that the lady and quilt were both gone.
The management has since learned that the quilt was raffled and the person holding the number corresponding with the number in bank got the quilt as per agreement made by the lady. So we take pleasure in correcting the statement because we find that the lady carried out her part of the contract and our informant had been misinformed.
The Times stands ready and willing at all times to correct any error made in its columns and the management certainly feels that an apology is due the lady and offer to her their sincerest regrets that the misstatement ever entered the paper.

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Fire Calls
The Farwell Fire Department reported one call this week.
On Sept. 1, an ambulance was called to 7th and Ave. G at 9:04, the patient was transported to Clovis High Plains Hospital.
The Texico Fire Department reported one call.
On Sept. 2, a unit was called to an accident involving a car rollover at 12:34 a.m. south of the Texico Feed Lot. There were no injuries.

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Nice three bedroom, one bath on a large corner lot, plenty of room for a garden and near the school in Farwell. Box car storage. ***
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Very clean, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, livingroom and kitchen. Larger than it looks. In Farwell. Owners financing. ***
Excellent 3 bedroom, brick, two bath, double car garage, two acres, also has excellent storage building and is located on the highway at Oklahoma Lane. ***
Cowboys Delight!! 10 acres west of Bovina with 4 bedroom 1 3/4 bath house, with quonset barn, feeders, 1000 head pre-conditioning feed pens of pipe and cable construction. ***
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Vacant lots ready for new owner. Just outside Farwell city limits on highway near schools. ***
2 bedroom, 1 bath, Chamber Mobile home with 2 acres, patio, carport, storage shed, storm door and fenced yard. Ready to move into. ***
Very nice 3 bedroom, 1 bath stucco house in Farwell. Nice yard with sprinkler system. Cinder block fenced back yard. Located in good neighborhood near churches and post office. ***
Good 50'x150' lot with hookups for mobile home. Located on Loop in Farwell. ***
Very nice brick commercial building, glass front, some fixtures. Adaptable to most kinds of businesses. Excellent location on main highway in Farwell.

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Move right into this 3 bedroom 1 3/4 bath, stucco home in Farwell. Fenced back yard, large storage building, garden area, all on a larger corner lot. Will make excellent starter home or rental property.



Pierce Real Estate is less than three years old, but its new office site is one of the oldest business sites in this area, as shown in the above picture, made in 1907. This picture was furnished by Clyde Callahan, of Oklahoma, whose family came to Texico from Oklahoma. The picture shows the farmers wagon yard, the Oklahoma Feed Store, Interstate Land & Investment Co. and the Callahan home. This picture also shows that this was a thriving area in 1907, and we wish to make that a tradition!

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TEXICO - 4-bedroom, 2-bath home in excellent condition, with refrigerated air dishwasher, and kitchen range on corner lot at 420 Turner. Owner has no room and would consider trading for smaller 2-bedroom home in Clovis.
TEXICO - Buy yourself a going business - irrigation repair shop - either with or without equipment necessary to operate.
FARWELL - Mobile Home park equipped for 6 mobile homes, with 3 homes presently parked on it, at 201 - 7th Street.
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Nice 3 - bedroom home on 4 acres, located 3 miles east of Bovina. Price reduced! Owner ready to sell.
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MOBILE HOMES
1981 2-bedroom Melody Mobile home at 507 2nd Street, Farwell. Price has been reduced, and also includes appliances and some furniture.

Over an inch of rain falls

The Twin Cities have received substantial amounts of rain over the weekend and Monday night. Here are some of the rain totals from around the area. Fred Chandler, manager of Sherley-Anderson-Pitman, reported a total of 1.3 inches at the elevator in Farwell. Walter Curd of Texico reported

about 1.7 inches for a total for Texico for the weekend and Monday night. Joyce Read of Aero Farm Chemicals north of town reported about an inch on Saturday and 1.3 inches on Monday night. John McFarland of Sherley-Anderson Grain in Lariat, reported six tenths Monday night and a total of 1.3 inches all together for the weekend and Monday.

Ysletta Kittrell reported about 1.6 inches at their home in Farwell on Monday night and 1.3 inches on their farm southwest of town. Scott Brown of Sherley-Anderson elevator in Lazbuddie, reported 1.3 inches over the weekend and an inch Monday night. Louise Foster of Oklahoma Lane reported about 1.4 inches for the weekend and an inch on Monday night.

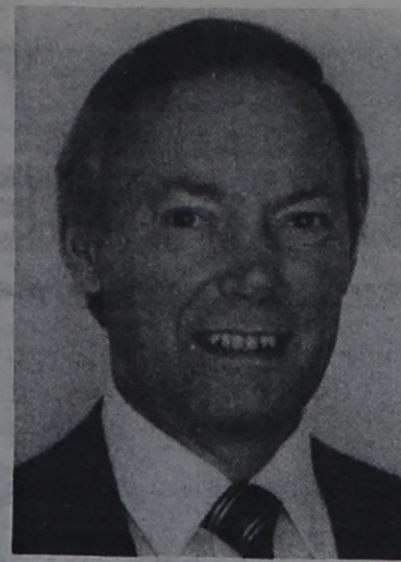
Ellison reunion held

Hubert and Katie Ellison attended the 25th annual Ellison reunion Aug. 1-3 at Ruidoso, N.M. The family has held their reunion in the same area and at their family cabin, which is owned by a nephew that lives in Alamogordo, N.M., every year. There were about 106 family members and three visitors present from Texas and New Mexico. The family hosted a golf tournament at the golf course at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. They also played volleyball, 42, horseshoes and had an egg toss. Sunday morning they held a non-denominational worship service and served communion down under the pine trees, setting on bare logs for pews. Older ones sat in chairs. Ellison states that the reunion was started in honor of his parents, Jim and Jeannie Ellison, who died in 1960. He said that they could bestow no greater honor than that they meet every year. Ellison is the oldest child in his family. He had two sisters who live in Bovina, one in Albuquerque and one in Alamogordo. In December, the Ellison's will celebrate their 62nd wedding anniversary.

The Latest

Visiting in the home of Aileen Teel from Wednesday to Sunday was her daughter, Patsy Glenn from Georgetown, Texas. Mrs. Glenn was here enrolling her daughter, Kathleen at Texas Tech in Lubbock. Aileen and her daughter also visited most of the week in Portales with her other daughter, Mrs. Gene Usrey and her grandsons, Steve and Mark, were home from attending college at New Mexico State in Las Cruces, N.M. Visiting over the Labor Day holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Williams were their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wezey, Scotty, Patrick and Kelley from Kansas City, Mr. and Mrs. Ken La Gourgue, Justin and Chad of Prescott Valley, Ariz., and their son, Chris Williams of Clovis. The Williams' children also visited with their two grandmothers, Mrs. Hope Shuman of Farwell, and Mrs. Irby Williams of the Farwell Convalescent Center. They also, visited a great-aunt, Mrs. Joyce Heath at the Farwell Conva-

lescent Center. Visiting Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Littlejohn were her parents, Lacy and Ruby Green from San Jon, N.M. Visiting, Sunday in the home of Jerry and Pam Monk were Jim and Connie Monk, Chad and Craig from Odessa. Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams last week were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Williams, Karen, Bryan and Jana from Houston. Visiting in the home of Gil and Jean Patschke were their daughters and families, Nancy and Steve Blair of Montrose, Colo., and Susan McCloy and her children Mike, Craig and Jennifer from Stinnett, Texas.



JOHN BLANCHARD

Bible conference planned

The First Baptist Church of Texico will host a Bible Conference featuring speaker John Blanchard of England, Sept. 11-14. Blanchard has been described as "one of the greatest Bible expositors of the younger school of British preachers." The conference will begin at 7 p.m., Sept. 11. Friday and Saturday will hold services at both 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Then the conference will close out on Sunday morning at 10:45. A nursery will be provided for each service. For more information, contact the church at 482-3632.

Steers win over Clovis gridders

The Farwell Steers stunned the Clovis Sophomores at Farwell Stadium Saturday night, defeating them in a scrimmage five touchdowns to two. Coach Rex Cumpton said, "We kicked them, we played a real good game. The offense was cranked up and ready to go and the boys had

real good intensity going." Scoring the touchdowns for Farwell were Damon George, two; and Jeff Actkinson, Steve Loera, and David Woods. The Steers are preparing for the Springlake-Earth game, which will be Friday (today) at Springlake-Earth at 8 p.m.

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King heads

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The freshman class of Texico High School elected class officers for the new school year. The officers are: Jimmy King, president; Robert Edwards, vice president; Todd Cash, secretary; and Byron Marton, treasurer. The class officers suggested a card fund for their class. Persons wishing to participate will be asked to donate \$1 for the purchase of birthday, get well, and sympathy cards. Students will receive a card for their birthday and for other occasions as they occur. The class sponsors are Paula Leighton, Ronnie Warmuth and David Lynn. The freshman class will be choosing their class parents soon.

It's a Girl

Gary and Kim Alles of Evansville, Ind., announce the birth of a daughter on Sept. 1 at St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville. The new arrival, who has been named Ashley Ellen, weighed six pounds, eight ounces, and was 19 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Ted and June Magness of Farwell; paternal grandparents are Charles and Jackie Alles of Evansville. Great grandparents include Mae Magness of Farwell, Buck and Mozelle Hensley of Walnut Springs, Texas, and Gladys Alles of Mt. Vernon, Ind.

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School Lunch Menu	
Texico	Farwell
MONDAY - Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, hot rolls with honey, fruit and milk.	MONDAY - Steak fingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, hot rolls with butter, honey and milk.
TUESDAY - Pizza, green beans, carrot sticks, cantaloupe and milk.	TUESDAY - Lasagna, tossed salad, green beans, garlic rolls with butter, fruit and milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cheeseburgers, lettuce and pickle, tomato, French fries, fruit and milk.	WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, onion and pickle, French fries with catsup, jello with fruit and milk.
THURSDAY - Enchiladas, lettuce salad, corn, mixed fruit, crackers and milk.	THURSDAY - Beef stew, sandwich, crackers, cinnamon rolls, fruit and milk.
FRIDAY - Steak fingers with catsup, mashed potatoes, salad, hot rolls with honey, applesauce and milk.	FRIDAY - Roast turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, lettuce and tomato salad, hot rolls with butter, fruit and milk.



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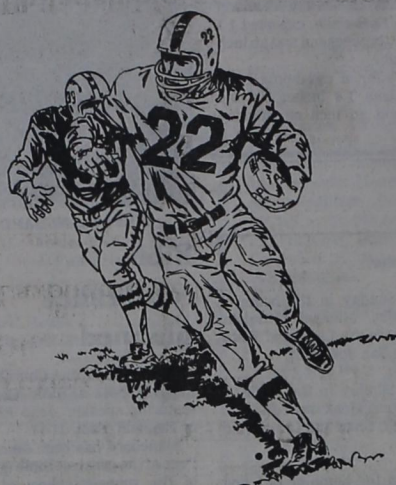


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3. PICK THE SCORE OF THE GAME OF THE WEEK and place your guess in the appropriate blank on the entry. Bring or mail the entry blank to The Tribune office by 5 p.m. Friday of this issue.
4. Tabulations of individual entrants will be kept all season and at the end of the season Grand and Second Prize winners will be named.
5. Only one entry blank may be submitted per individual.
6. Tabulations will be available for public inspection.
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Farwell's Sesquicentennial Mural

Olivet Cemetery is Aycock's service project

by Chris Aycock

Olivet Cemetery, located two miles south of Farwell on State Line Road, is the original cemetery for Farwell, and many prominent citizens of Parmer and Curry Counties are buried there.

On Nov. 23, 1908, the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company deeded the land where the cemetery is located to J. D. Hamlin. According to the deed records of Parmer County, the first sale of cemetery lots occurred on May 16, 1910, in a sale from Mr. Hamlin to Florence Armstrong. The earliest burial was apparently in 1907, before the land was deeded to Mr. Hamlin. The oldest marker shows only the name "Essie", the words "At rest", and the dates "1898-1907". The newest grave is that of William J. Jones, Corporal, U. S. Army, World War II, who was buried in August, 1981.

There is no plat of the cemetery filed in either the Parmer County Court House or Farwell City Hall. Other than the few recorded deeds and information recorded from tombstones, no record of who is buried at the cemetery exists.

In 1928 W.E. Howren of Amarillo surveyed the land which had been designated as Olivet Cemetery and prepared a plat of the site. The plat which was never recorded shows the cemetery to be 6.36 acres divided into 6 sections and 525 lots surrounded by roads and including a small "park".

From the deed records it appears that the last recorded sale occurred in 1926. However, judging by the number of people buried in the cemetery, many sales occurred which were never recorded in the

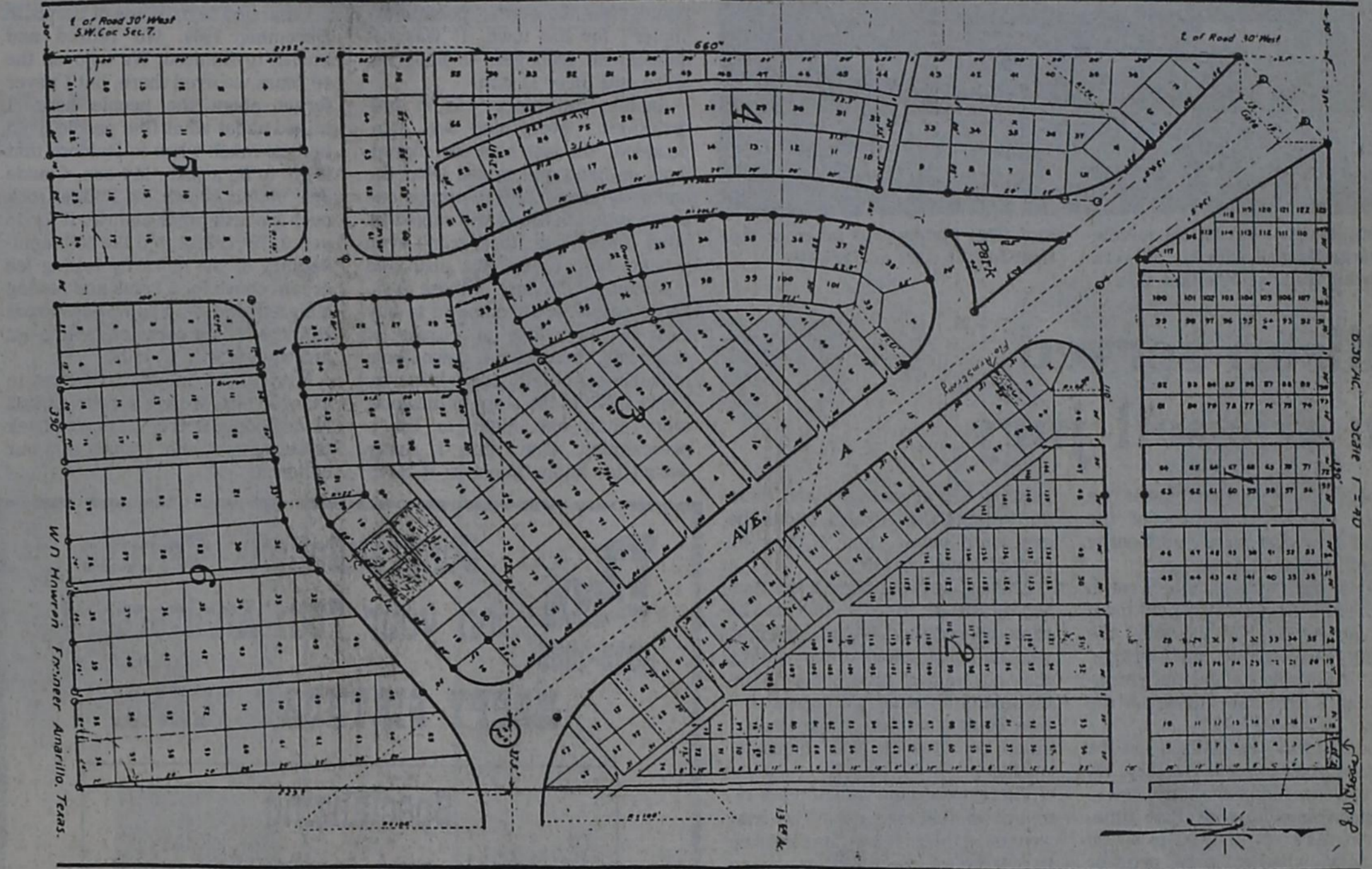
deed records.

Many important citizens and their families are buried in the cemetery. The February 13, 1908, edition of the Farwell Times states, "J. D. Hamlin was employed by the Capitol Syndicate Company to handle their lands and open up the town of Farwell. Practically, he may be considered the founder of each of our twin cities." The same paper describes J. M. Hamlin as representing Farwell's interests before the Railroad Commission in Austin and as serving as chairman of Farwell's first School Board. Both J. D. Hamlin and J. M. Hamlin are buried in Olivet. Also buried there are the members of the Hassell Family and several war veterans, including some from the Civil War.

In the past few years several citizens of Farwell have become interested in the cemetery and have attempted to determine who is buried there. In 1973 Hugh and Wilma Moseley of Farwell conducted an extensive survey of the cemetery. They determined that approximately 100 people are buried there, though only 11 people have recorded deeds to the lots. There are several graves whose markers are illegible. More recently Mrs. Franse's sociology classes from Farwell High School have plotted the cemetery.

Maintenance for several area cemeteries is provided by associations formed for that purpose. Since there is not an Olivet Association, the cemetery is in a state of disrepair and is overgrown by weeds, making it difficult to tell where people are buried and where the roads are located.

Boy Scout Chris Aycock of Troop



200 is currently working to earn the rank of Eagle Scout and has taken Olivet Cemetery as his service project to complete requirements for this rank. His goal is to clean the weeds and debris from the cemetery, fill sunken graves, reset fallen tombstones, then to locate graves on a plat map, and record the informa-

tion at the Parmer County Court House.

Members of Troop 200 began working on the project last spring. After burning off weeds and repairing some of the grave sites, the scouts attempted to begin locating grave sites on the ground and to be-

gin making a plat map that can be recorded in the deed records. It has been very difficult to determine the location of all of the graves since many tombstones have been removed or covered by blowing sand. To complete this project to earn the rank of eagle Scout, Chris

requests that anyone who knows the names of persons buried in the cemetery or who knows where in the cemetery those persons are located please contact him. The address is Chris Aycock, P.O. Box 165, Farwell, Texas 79325 or he may be reached by calling (806) 481-3885.



1921 Texico



1921 Farwell

People would drive up and honk for service at Rose Drug

I was born Oct. 21, 1909 at Phinny's Switch, east of Farwell. My mother was tubercular at the time of my birth. I weighed under 4 pounds, and the family didn't think I would live, so they didn't bother to record my birth.

They kept me in front of the door of the oven of the wood cook stove to keep me warm. Mother died when I was 7 or 8 years old, but as I grew up I never forgot that she had wanted me to be a doctor or choose some profession in which I could help people.

During my school years I went to several different schools. I attended Melrose, Stockton, Blue Ridge, Blacksmith, West Chapel, Bellview, Hollene, Frio, Claude, Ranchvale



ROSE DRUG

and Clovis. While at Blacksmith, the three schools of Stockton, Blacksmith and Blue Ridge consolidated to make West Chapel. It is strange

to me even now that I went to different schools without changing school buildings.

I graduated from Clovis High School in 1926 at the age of 16. I had worked my way through high school by working in a poultry house, drug store, and doing odd jobs. I attended the Baylor School of Pharmacy, in Dallas. I lived in a fraternity house, working as a bus boy for my room and board. I picked up and delivered laundry at the fraternity houses in exchange for my own laundry and cleaning needs, worked as a lab assistant for one of my professors, and did other odd jobs to keep myself in school. By going to summer sessions as well as regular sessions, I managed to finish phar-

macy school in two years.

The fraternity house burned the day before my graduation, and I lost the few clothes I had except for what I was wearing at the time. I still don't know who did it, but someone gave me a clean shirt with a \$50 bill in it the next day.

I returned to Clovis after graduation. George Sasser, a former employer, encouraged me to buy the Fox Drug in Farwell, which was in debt over \$9,000. He felt that I could make a go of it if I worked hard enough. I agreed to assume the debts of 92 different people and Mr. Sasser gave me \$56 for the cash register.

By living behind the drug store, (Continued on Page 2)



CLAUDE ROSE SR.

Pharmacist Rose

sometimes walking to make deliveries and working 18 hours a day for 7 years, I finally began to see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Dr. V. Scott Johnson came to Farwell in 1930. We had three doctors in town, Dr. Clark, Dr. Presley and Dr. McCuan. They were all wanting to retire, Gabe Anderson, John Aldridge, Sam Al-

dridge and I finally persuaded Doc Johnson to remain in Farwell and start his practice. He remained for several years. He shared the back room of the drug store with me for a time. Each of us had a cot back there.

About 1929, the Yellow Coaches Bus Co., owned by the Clark broth-



Staring straight ahead in the middle is George Hassell with his lawyers reviewing his case on either side of

him. This picture was taken at the trial Jan. 10, 1927 at Farwell.

Ellison served on Hassell jury

Hubert Ellison of Farwell was one of the original members of the Grand Jury that convicted George Hassell almost 60 years ago.

Ellison says that when he went to get the \$2 a day that was paid them then for serving on the jury, the County Treasurer, Minnie Aldridge, said "You're just about the youngest man I ever saw sitting on the Grand Jury."

And so it was, that Ellison was the youngest man to sit on the jury. He was 25 years old at the time.

Ellison says that at that time, women were not allowed to sit on any jury, whether it be petit or grand jury, so Hassell was convicted by an all-male jury.

Mr. Ellison says that in Hassell's confessions, it came out that Hassell and his second wife started arguing about the fact that Hassell had gotten the oldest daughter pregnant. Mrs. Hassell had taken the girl to see a doctor in Clovis and had the condition confirmed.

So the quarrel began that started the mad rush of killings. Hassell confessed that he had noticed a hammer sitting on the window seal and had picked it up and knocked his wife in the head. He confessed to have killed the smaller children in their sleep and told of the battle he had with the older boys before

gaining the advantage over them and killing them. He also, told of the gruesome burial, and of how he plotted Alton's death.

Ellison said that they tried Hassell on Alton's murder, but that he remembered the District Attorney, who had just taken office, saying that he wanted nine separate indictments on each victim, so that they could send him to the electric chair on any of the counts of murder.

There were nine indictments returned in that one day. The trial went on and was in session for three to four hours, says Ellison and no postponements or stays were taken.

During the trial, Hassell's California confessions were added to the rest. The jurors had only one copy of Hassell's confessions and they passed it from one to the other to read and study its gruesome details.

The grand jury indicted, tried and convicted the man and the District Attorney got signed affidavits from each and every member. Ellison said that the D.A. wanted no loopholes left in the case.

Ellison says that in conversations with Hugh Mosely, County Tax Assessor, the confessions of Hassell used to be stored at the courthouse, but due to water damage they have been disposed of.

ers from Amarillo, asked that Rose Drug be the bus station in Farwell. The busline later changed to New Mexico Transportation Co., and then to the Greyhound Line. Adding to the convenience of the bus passengers and also the people of Texico-Farwell was a soda fountain and short-order kitchen at the drug store.

We were a "drive-in" restaurant. People would drive up and honk for service. We used to sell a lot of snacks and drinks when people were waiting for the trains to pass. We served about 4 or 5 flavors of ice cream and on Saturday afternoons it was not unusual to sell as much as 30 gallons. Saturday was the main time people came into town to shop. The newsstand was a very important aspect of the drug store. Most people came in every day to get a newspaper or magazine, because they were not delivered to the homes then. We were a "community center" for the town. It was not unusual for teenagers to hang out there until 10 or 11 p.m.

Another difference was in prescriptions - everything was compounded. We just kept the ingredients on hand and mixed what the doctor ordered. Today, maybe one prescription in 500 is still mixed by hand. Some drug stores won't even accept these today. We also sold medicine by the dose in those days. Some people would come in to buy their weekly dose of citrate of magnesia, then drink it down like a milkshake. Actually, it is a laxative. I've walked to the store in the snow more than one night to fill a prescription. One time I really wasn't too happy about it. It turns

out that the man just needed an aspirin.

There was no television, of course, in those days, and few radios in town, so we also served as a gathering spot on election night, staying open until all the results were known. A board was kept for such occasions and returns posted as they came in.

The people of Texico and Farwell were good to bring their prescriptions to me and about 20 or 25 years ago, several of them and I were responsible for building a clinic in Farwell to house the offices of a doctor and a dentist. I felt honored to have my name on the plaque with the names of those contributing to the building of the clinic. In addition to my professional activities, I served on the Farwell School Board for 15 years and I am a charter member of the First Baptist Church in Farwell.

I married Myrl Wade of Clovis in December 1969. We retired and moved to Ruidoso. We enjoyed the 16 years we lived there, but I never forgot about the people here. I talked about what fine people lived here so much when in Ruidoso that it got to be a joke. My son, Claude Jr., better known as Pudge, took over the drug store and ran it for 15 years. We celebrated the 50th anniversary of the store by selling ice cream cones for 5 cents and having a big sale in 1978. I came down from Ruidoso for the occasion to help out and to visit with friends.

Myrl and I moved to Clovis in October 1985. We are at home at 3833 Nancy Lopez Drive. We moved back to be near all our friends and our children.

Nazareth tops Lazbuddie in scrimmage

The Lazbuddie Longhorns scrimmaged Nazareth at Nazareth Friday night with Nazareth taking the game, 22-6, in a regular four quarter football game.

Coach James Bartosh said the Longhorns need to work defensively on stopping inside runs, and on their passing game. He says that the team moved well offensively and that they ran well.

Bartosh states that the Longhorn's passing game is still a little suspect, but that it is getting better. The team scored on a pass this week.

Bartosh says that the line did a good job and that the blocking backs

ran tough. He says that he couldn't have asked for the boys to have done any better.

One Lazbuddie touchdown was called back, during the game or the actual results would have been closer.

Coach Bartosh says that the team members are improving and getting better all the time. "We have a bright outlook for Melrose this week."

The Longhorns will play Melrose at Melrose, at 8:30 Friday night.

The coaches and team thanked the Lazbuddie Booster Club for the watermelon feast that was given them after the game Friday.

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The Mesman's first dairy.

The Mesman's current dairy.

The Mesmans, Ben and Mary, have been residents of the United States for 27 years, but have lived in the Farwell area, in Oklahoma Lane, for about 18 years.

The Mesmans and their four children, Ted, now 25, Tom, 24, Johana, 22 and Bernie, 21, arrived in Parmer County in March 1968 and started their dairy business with 110 cow operation.

Ben lived in Holland for 27 years. He married Mary in May 1959. Ten days later they flew to the United States, with only \$200 in his pocket and Mary's hope chest. It was Mary's idea to come to the United States, but Ben says they moved when the city grew so much that it was moving onto his land.

Ben and Mary worked for nine years at a dairy in California. They saved all the money that they earned by working in the dairy, babysitting and taking on three boarders to stay with them in their rent home. All of their children were born in California.

When the Mesmans had saved up a substantial amount of money, they decided it was time to move on, so they looked around the United States and decided that Texas would be the best place to start a dairy.

They bought their land from Marvin Newman, who had previously bought and set up a small dairy operation for his son. Marvin's son was unable to keep the hours it required to keep the dairy going, so they sold it to the Mesman's. Mary stayed in a hotel at

Texico until everything was moved into their home.

Ben made all the improvements and did all the work himself on the farm. He built up the place with his own ideas and hard work.

Ben says that he made the improvements on the place to make it easier for his family. He worked 20 hours a day, seven days a week. Ben says that in the dairy business he has to be ready for any change in the work schedule, 24 hours a day.

Ben says that if you want something in this life you have to do it yourself and never say that you can't, always try and you can do more than you think you can.

Ben, Mary and the family now run about a 500-cow operation and have specialized in making Dutch cheese

for the past year. The Mesman's import their cheese culture from Holland.

The Mesman's are members of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina and are involved in many church activities. Mary is a volunteer worker at the Farwell Convalescent Center. The Mesman's are also very involved in the 4-H activities and have had several 4-H exchange students to stay with them.

Ben and his family are also involved in the farming business. They grow a lot of their own feed to feed their cows. They also operate a bucket calf operation.

The Mesman's are proud of the fact that theirs is a family operation involving all the members of their family.

Ben and Bill Mesman [Ben's brother] check out their cheese products.

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When the Mesmans first moved here, the children were pictured next to the Texas Marker: Tom, Berny, Johana and Ted.

A Family Operation Serving Texico-Farwell

In 1958 Shorty Hughes decided there was a need for an auto parts store in Farwell. Being unable to find a building, he began his business instead in Texico just across the railroad tracks.

Within six months the building burned and Shorty was forced to erect his own building, this time in Farwell. It was located at 701 Main. Shorty continued to operate Hughes Auto Parts until 1966. On Valentines Day of that year, his youngest son, Joe became the new owner. Joe and his wife Gwen continued to operate in that location until 1979.

During those years Jimmy Franse, Kent Blain, Gary Davis and Pablo Lucio served as counter men and Blaine Buchenau helped with the accounting.

In Oct. of 1979, it was on to bigger and better things. The firm joined T.V.H. Association and moved into the old Holiday Store building. After a little fixup and remodeling, the merchandise selections were greatly expanded. Pablo Lucio, Linda Geries, Nan Preston, Martin Kube, Joy Stanton and Jeannie Smith have served as valued employees. Occasionally both Tim and Andy Hughes could be found to also punch the time clock.

In April of 1986, the firm added an additional affiliation to their inventory with Napa parts. This too added to the merchandise lines.

It has been a very good, growing and aging 28 years with the hope that there will be many, many more years to serve the community of Farwell.

HUGHES TRUE VALUE

Farwell

Joe in 1974

Neely was on 1st basketball team



MASON NEELY

Mason Neely and his parents, Don (D.O.) and Beulah Neely, homesteaded 160 acres south of Texico in 1902. They moved here from Vernon.

For a short time, they lived in a tent, then a half dugout. Later they built a house with two rooms, followed by a larger house for the growing family.

Mason has four sisters - Lavage Peterson of Clovis, Zelma Edith Lewis of Arkansas; Stella Sanders, deceased, and Morene Horton of Clovis.

Mason first attended school in Texico. It was located west of Danny's Burger Barn. Mrs. Grady taught there and she was also the postmistress in Texico. Her son was

Tom Grady, a cattle inspector. Mason attended Farwell School, then finished school in Texico. He played on Texico's first basketball team as a forward. "We had a fair team," said Mason.

Mason recalled: "In 1917, my parents sold their farm and I went back and stayed with my granddad. But then I returned in August of 1918. My wife and I met while we attended school. She finished high school and later started to teach school."

Mason and his wife, Elise, married in 1922. They had been school sweethearts. Her parents ran the J.D. Cross grocery in Texico.

The Crosses had moved to Texico in 1906. They also worked on the J.A.

Ranch located at Clarendon. Elise taught school in Pleasant Hill in 1920 for a year; at Fairview for a year, then finished the summer of 1923 in Texico teaching the third and fourth grades.

After they married, they farmed north of Pleasant Hill. They raised maize, corn and wheat-mainly all dryland. He hauled grain to Penny Anderson in an old Model T truck.

Mason said, "After awhile, we built another house and added lights and water. This was back in 1942 and rural electric was coming.

"We have two children - Jimmie, who has worked at the Federal Land Bank for the last 35 years and Buster, a college professor teaching civil engineering."

Mason remembers an old boxcar for a post office, several saloons, a candy store and Robinson Mercantile in Texico.

"They would put meat in a windmill tree. Also we put milk at the well in a trough to stay cold," he recalled.

He remembers getting driving licenses by paying a small amount and signing a piece of paper.

"They used to use apple or orange crates for furniture. People didn't have much in those days," he said. Mason enjoys Zane Grey western books and cleaning his own house. He also likes cornbread and milk.

Mason recalled episodes from his life:

"During the summer my wife and

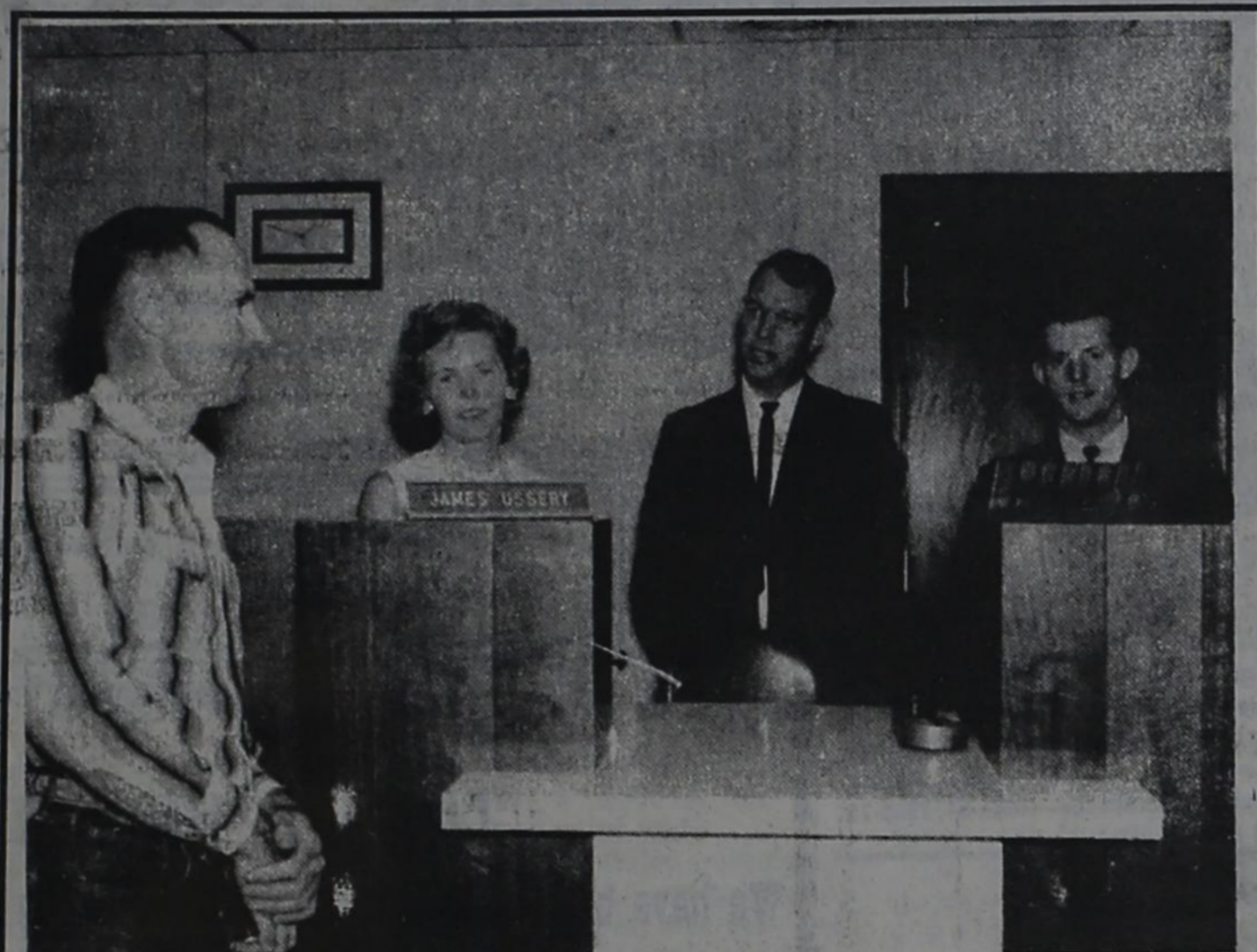
I would watch our grandchildren. "Once, one of the granddaughters, Judy, who was eight or nine, and a cousin from Albuquerque came to visit. They got on a gray mare and started to ride her south of the house. All of a sudden the mare took off galloping. The girls were getting a little concerned because they couldn't stop the horse. The cousin said to drop the reins and the horse would stop. She had seen this done on TV. But it didn't work. The mare did not stop until they got home.

"Another time, the same kids were staying with us one summer. They started playing around the chicken house. A pea fowl hen had four or five eggs she was sitting on. The girls saw a bull snake near the

eggs and noticed it had an egg in its mouth. They ran to the house and told their grandmother. She got out the .22 rifle and shot the snake." Mason is a member of the Trinity Methodist Church in Clovis.

From June 14, 1965

To Sept. 5, 1986



OPEN FOR BUSINESS -- The Texico Branch of the Clovis Citizen's Bank was open for business on Monday morning, some three months after construction was begun on the building. One of the first visitors, Manford Turnbough, is shown visiting with Bill Christian, center, manager of the Texico Branch; Mrs. Kay Kamradt and James Ussery, who will assist with duties at the bank.



The staff and the officers of the Citizen's Bank of Texico are, from left, Norma Akers, Jere Herrington,

Lisa Smith, President Bill Christian, Beth Thornton, Fern Tharp and Richard Hadley.

THE CITIZENS BANK of CLOVIS

STATEMENT OF CONDITION APRIL 26, 1965

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 9,855,841.01
Banking House	57,597.00
Investment in Real Estate	156,800.00
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	47,476.96
U. S. and Other Bonds	3,468,297.06
Cash and Exchange	2,253,441.02
	\$15,839,453.05
LIABILITIES	
Common Stock	\$ 315,000.00
Surplus	315,000.00
Reserves	973,593.77
TOTAL CAPITAL	1,603,593.77
DEPOSITS	14,235,859.28
	\$15,839,453.05

All Deposits Insured Up To \$10,000.00

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

ASSETS		JUNE 30, 1986	
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:			
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		\$	7,341,000
Interest-bearing balances			9,100,000
Securities			17,586,000
Federal funds sold			3,000,000
Loans and lease financing receivables:			
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	\$	107,570,000	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses		512,000	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income			107,058,000
Premises and fixed assets			999,000
Other real estate owned			963,000
Other assets			3,127,000
TOTAL ASSETS			\$ 149,224,000
LIABILITIES			
Deposits			
Noninterest-bearing	\$	21,671,000	
Interest-bearing		110,800,000	
Other liabilities			1,132,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES			\$ 133,603,000
EQUITY CAPITAL			
Common stock	\$	2,000,000	
Surplus		9,500,000	
Undivided profits and capital reserves		4,121,000	
TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL			\$ 15,621,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL			\$ 149,224,000

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In Assets

1986

\$149 Million

In Assets

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Edwina Owen used to feel like Santa



Texico first

Ira F. Selman, the man credited with starting the fire department in Texico, stands alongside his nephew, Donald Selman.

In 1955 there was little interest in taking a civil service exam or in employment at the post office. It was a seven-day a week job, holidays included, with very limited working hours.

Mrs. Brown at the Texico Post Office had obtained around 10 to 12 people to apply for the test. I was not interested, but out of curiosity, applied and took the test in Clovis.

Before becoming employed by the Farwell Postal Service, I worked part-time at Rip's Western Wear, and then two years at the Farwell Lunchroom. When Reva Bradshaw quit at the Farwell Post Office, I transferred my rating from Texico to Farwell and went to work in 1959 for the postal service.

The pay was \$2 an hour and I worked a few hours every day, seven days a week. On Saturdays we were open until noon. We waited for the rural carrier to get in before we could go home. During the winter months, on bad roads, you never knew just when the carrier would get back to the office.

The main part of our mail came in about 10:30 a.m. on a train from Lubbock. We also had two night highway post office buses that left mail on their way from Lubbock and Amarillo. The mail was transported by two trains that came through on their way to Amarillo and Lubbock.

We had a swinging leather reinforced pouch that we hung on an arm. The train had a hook and would catch the pouch and throw us one off.

You could mail a letter and it would arrive in Bovina or Friona the same day. On Sundays and holidays you went down twice to put up the mail, once at 8 a.m. then again about 1 p.m.

On Christmas day I would go in the mornings, put up the mail, then deliver the packages that arrived late to people in town. I use to feel like Santa Claus. We still do this, but now, we have a phone and are able to call the patrons to come to the post office for their packages. This is a service that I doubt you would find in very many towns.

Charlie Crume carried our mail to and from the trains daily. John Zahn was the postmaster and Carrie Hamrick was the regular clerk. Nelson Smith and Lee Meeks were the rural carriers at that time.

I fondly recall some of our patrons from those days. Judge A.D. Smith would come roaring in. Mr. R.V. Ham came every Sunday and waited in the lobby until I got all the mail put up. The post office at that time was located on Main Street, which meant there was very little parking area. Truly, a congested area. It included Sikes Motor Co., Pulliam Service Station, Kurt Crume Cleaners, McDorman Laundry, Sprowls Electric, a drug store, bank, grocery store, and at one time Floyd



This photo of Edwina Owen was taken just after she started work in the Farwell Post Office, then operating out of a building on the highway.

Trantham's cafe. To me it seems like we had more mail when we were in the old post office building, but I am sure it was due to the crowded facilities. We had a hand-operated cancelling



Roberts honored

Former longtime Farwell School Supt. Willie Roberts received a plaque Aug. 28 from the Educational Service Center of Region 16 "For outstanding educational leadership to the Panhandle of Texas," noting his years of service - 1948-57, 1959-75 and 1977-85.

Portraits available

Like that photo of the Farmer County Courthouse as it looked when built in 1917 (in today's newspaper)?

Oil paintings of it are available from Johnye Cruse, 513 Warren Ave., Pateros, Wash. 98846. She is a native Farmer County resident.

machine and about 350 boxes. We had a waiting list for boxes as we had no more room to expand. Many of our people had to use the general delivery service as boxes were not available. Because postage was cheap, we had lots of Christmas cards, but not as much political mail as we do now.

Politics played a big part in the selection of our postmasters. When the administration changed, sometimes, so did the postmasters. I have worked with John Zahn, Jessie Landrum, Albert Smith, and Jim Bob Smart. Postmasters are selected at the present time by the postal system. Otis McMillan became our

postmaster in 1975.

When we moved to the new office in 1968, the greatest change for us was the electric cancelling machine. Our box sections have about doubled. We now have postage meters for our large mailers.

In the old post office building, we had so few boxes that they were randomly numbered; therefore, we put up the mail by names. At that time, we knew everyone. Now, we have to rely on the box numbers. Mail used to be cased and tied-out to individual towns. At the present time, it is all sorted on machines in Lubbock. Mail now comes in once a day from Lubbock.

First impression: A hard sandstorm

(Reprinted from 1952)

Mr. and Mrs. E.G. Blair, who reside south of Texico, have been residents of this area for a long time, and they feel the impact of good old western hospitality as much as they did in the frontier days.

Mr. Blair was born back in 1881 in Johnson County, Texas; then moved to Hopkins in 1886. He again changed locations in 1900, going to Childress. But in 1903, he found his permanent home in Texico.

The Blairs had filed on land in New Mexico when it was open for homesteading. Their place was located about 10 miles southwest on what is now known as the Luther Moss place. E.G. settled on one side of the road and his dad and family settled on the other side.

Mrs. Blair was born in Coryell County, down close to Gatesville, in 1892. She came to New Mexico with her parents in 1908. Her father had been a groceryman back in Jonesboro, her hometown, but on arriving in Texico, he began operations and made his living as a farmer from then on. He had also filed on homestead land.

Asked how she met her husband, Mrs. Blair stated "at a revival."

She was a pianist for the Baptist church at the time; and the Baptist minister was holding a revival at the Fairfield community, where Mr. Blair lived. The Fairfield church didn't have a musician, so Mrs. Blair accompanied the Baptist preacher, and played the piano for the revival meetings.

After the introduction of the Blairs, they began dating. They went around together for about a year, and were married in 1911.

"We were married at the preacher's house. Rev. Sam Tipton performed the ceremony," says Mrs. Blair.

Three children were born to the Blairs, Doris, Joe and Helen Catherine. Joe and his wife reside in Farwell.

Asked about her impression of Texico when she first arrived in this country, Mrs. Blair permitted the reporter to gain her own conclusion when she stated, "We arrived on March 4, about two days later, a hard sandstorm hit, the first we had ever seen." Their first home here was a house in the north part of Texico about two doors north of the Baptist church. "The first time we went to church here, we attended the present Baptist church," says Mrs. Blair.



Farwell Chamber of Commerce Founded in 1946

C.M. Henderson, 1946 President

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1949 - Chamber sponsored rural telephone system survey.

1949 - The Chamber and Friona started work on FM Roads.

1950 - Chamber paid costs of election to incorporate city.

1951 - Chamber paid for feasibility survey for sewer system for Farwell.

1960 - Chamber fostered street paving project.

1964 - Chamber built and gave to city the City Park.

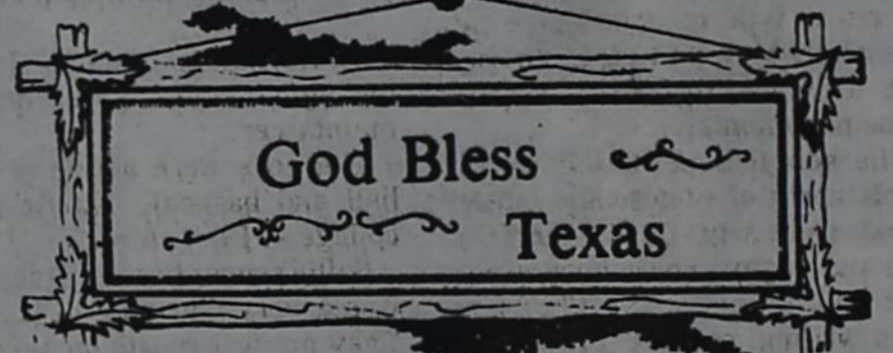
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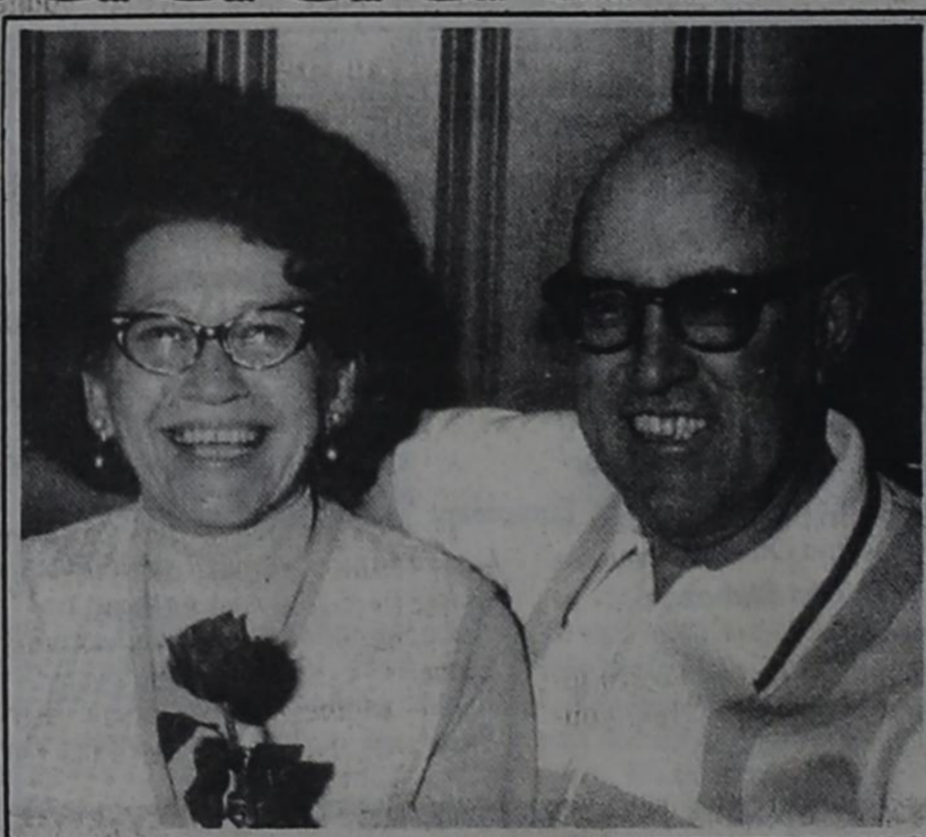
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James Madison

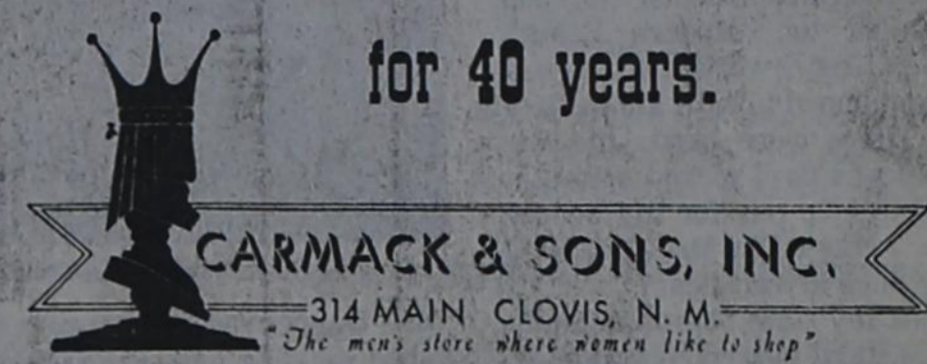
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Dust Bowl meant wet sheets on windows

Sallie Patterson and her family moved to a farm 38 miles north of Clovis in 1918 from Georgia.

They moved out here during a blizzard. Her father had filed a claim or what we call a homestead. Her father had worked in the copper mines.

Her father, Jim Patterson, worked on the railroad here and help build the Rock Island. He also farmed and raised Kaffer corn, and maize. He followed the harvest east of Amarillo.

In 1918 there was a flu epidemic. When someone had pneumonia, they put a type of gray salve on some cloth and placed it on his chest. This was supposed to draw out the pneumonia.

Sallie went to Boney and Bellview schools north of Clovis. She either walked, rode a horse or rode in a horse and buggy. The schools were about 2 1/2 miles away. She was taught writing, reading, arithmetic and geography.

Sallie met her husband Herman at a singing convention. In 1931 they were married.

They moved to Hollene, N.M., and worked on a farm, raising three sons, Fred and Martin of Farwell, and Nolan of Amarillo. While at Hollene, they received electricity, but no phone service until about



SALLIE CHANDLER

1955. Herman worked for Joe Head for about eight years, driving a maintainer.

The boys were active in basketball and baseball. Martin went to college at Plainview.

Sallie remembers the "dust bowl" was a very bad time in the 1930's. They put wet sheets on windows to help keep out the dirt. She remembers covering up food on the table with a cloth so the dirt wouldn't get in the food.

Her husband started working for the ASCS office, setting pumps, measuring land. He was the chief clerk. They moved to Clovis in 1955, and later to Farwell.

While her husband worked at the

ASCS office, a man came in one day and asked if they knew anyone who might like to sell Fuller brushes. Herman went home and told Sallie. Her first reply was that she couldn't sell anything like that since she sure couldn't knock on stranger's doors. But she thought about it and decided to try it.

Sallie has been selling Fuller Brush products for 17 years.

Sallie sold Fuller Brush products for about a year when her husband died. "He must have known that something was going to happen," said Mrs. Chandler.

Sallie enjoys playing Skip Bo, crocheting, quilting and piecing

quits.

She remembers the wash boards, making lye soap, dirt roads, and roads made out of wagon trails.

One Christmas came a real bad snowstorm, with wind blowing. They were going to the school for the Christmas program.

Her father took the wheels off the wagons and put runners made from trees on the wagon. Then they put on blankets, quilts, and hot irons to keep warm and headed for the Christmas party.

Mrs. Chandler has 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She is an active member of the First Baptist Church of Farwell.

Around The Twin Cities

MONDAY, SEPT. 8

The Parmer County Commissioners will meet at the County court room at 11 a.m.

The Farwell City Council will meet in the City Hall at 5:15 p.m.

The Texico Chamber of Commerce will meet at Citizen's Bank at 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 9

The Texico City Council will meet

at City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

The Texico School Board will meet at the Education Complex at 7 p.m.

The Lazbuddie School Board will meet at the school at 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 11

The Texico-Farwell Senior Citizen's Potluck will meet at the Texico Center at 5 p.m.

Williams' came from Oklahoma in a Model T

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams moved to West Camp on Jan. 1, 1930. They traveled from Oklahoma in a Model T Ford.

While living at West Camp, he was elected County Commissioner of Bailey County for six years. Williams was able to get several roads paved, starting from the State Line Road on into Muleshoe. Also Williams was able to get the first Home Demonstration agent in the area. Williams, with the help of the commissioner court, was able to get electricity to the rural area in 1935.

Williams decided they needed a telephone one time so he got the necessary material and ran a line from his house to Mrs. Matthews house at the State Line Road. Williams recalled, "The phone worked very well."

During this time the Williamses had three children - Flora Lee, Jo Ann and Bert. The children attended school at West Camp. The school just went to the seventh grade; then they came to town for high school. The West Camp school burned down in 1934.

The school activities were the main social get-togethers - mainly county meets - spelling, writing and arithmetic and church activities.

In 1952, the Williamses moved into Farwell to the house they now live at 701 3rd St. When they first came, there were no homes south of them. In the mid-50's Williams ran for mayor and was elected for six years. Williams himself helped pave Third Street, hauling sand in an old truck. Williams and John Aldridge paved the road from the Williams' alley to the school. Also the roads on 1st and 2nd streets were paved with his help.

Williams has retired from farming now, but for the last 32 years has managed Sherley-Anderson-Pitman in Farwell.

The Williamses are active members of the First Baptist Church of Farwell. Williams was on the building committee to build the present church.

Mrs. Williams enjoys doing latch hook rugs, crocheting, sewing and playing bridge. She was active with Home Demonstration and the Womans Club. While she was active with Home Demonstration, she made a dress to show. She won a trip to Texas A&M and won a Singer sewing machine. Mrs. Williams was a substitute teacher for 15 years at West Camp and Farwell.

The Williamses have seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

County plans no salary raises

The Parmer County Commissioners held their annual budget hearing Aug. 28.

But all they could list were expenditures since the county's appraisals weren't ready yet. They can't set a tax rate until they get those appraisals, sometime this month.

The county is planning a budget of \$1,777,925 for 1987. They estimate that they will spend about \$1,723,541 this year. Last year the total was \$1.6 million.

No salary raises for any county employees are budgeted.

Attending the hearing were several county officials and about a dozen Bovina senior citizens.

The county officials did not comment.

The senior citizens were there basically to ask about possible revenue-sharing funds to operate the senior citizens center in Bovina, which has recently been closed due to federal cutbacks.

There is still no official word on whether revenue-sharing funds will be available next year so there was no answer from the commissioners.

Also discussed was the difference in how people are treated in different counties when they participate in the cheese and butter giveaway.

The commissioners were asked about "cheaters" and it was noted how to contact proper authorities about that problem.

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The Paul Graf home was used by the congregation in the 1920's. Shown is Mrs. Graf. Their grandson, Martin Kube of Farwell, and his wife Frances, now have the first communion cup and some of the original songbooks used by the congregation.

St. John's was founded in 1921 with 6 families as charter members. Services were held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Graf, located about 5 miles northwest of Lariat. Services were held in German until Dec. 14, 1941, at which time the congregation voted to use English.

The present church building, located on the west edge of Lariat, was dedicated in 1953 and, in 1955, a parish hall was added. By 1971, the church debt had been paid off, an organ and loud speaker installed, and \$2,000 put on deposit toward building a new parsonage. The parsonage was built and dedicated in 1975.

Since its founding 65 years ago, 18 pastors have been installed to serve the congregation. The Rev. Mac Bearss is pastor now. The membership has grown from the original 6 families to a total membership of about 175 people.

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Still in business

Estellene Billington opened a beauty shop in Farwell April 18, 1935.

"My shop was bought from Jewel Rose Matthews for \$250. My parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Magness, helped me buy it. I was single and living at home. The shop was located on the highway, near Rose Drug.

"At the time, I gave permanents for \$1 and sets for 25 cents. The shop was called the 'Modern Beauty Shop.' At first, I worked six days a week and hoped to earn \$10 to \$15 a week. Times were hard; the Depression was on. I picked cotton in the fall to help pay for my beauty course. I trained in Mrs. Louden's Beauty Shop in Portales.

"I took my state boards in Santa Fe, N.M., and passed. I worked in Hot Spring, N.M., for three weeks, then returned to Farwell and bought my shop. Sterlyn Billington was a barber next door. One day he asked me to go have a Coke with him at the drug store. From that friendship, we started dating.

"My business grew and one day Mrs. Stone came in for a permanent in long hair. I had to run three blocks to get Jewel to help me give it, which turned out beautifully. I began to give more sets and permanents after that.

"On July 5, 1935, Sterlyn and I began to date steadily. On Sept. 28 we were married. We moved my shop over on the east side; there were three rooms, one for the shop and two for our living quarters.



Doc's receptionist

Dr. Johnson's receptionist, Mrs. Seth Rollins, and young Nancy Johnson, one of Dr. Johnson's daughters.



ESTELLENE BILLINGTON

Mrs. Danner ran a restaurant in the large building next door. We lived there until June 1936. We moved my shop and lived on Fourth Street in the second block.

"We had a daughter, Lavoyda, born Dec. 3, 1936. In February we moved again because the people who owned the house had returned. Meanwhile, Sterlyn bought a cow and we sold milk for nine cents a quart. Plus I was working in my shop.

"Some of my first customers are still living, and are still customers, such as Nina Glasscock, Mrs. G.D. Anderson, Ola Pesch Epperly, Mrs. H.H. Petree and Grete Paul.

"Florence Wallace made plans to build the building across from where I'm now located. She ran the city cleaners. There were four businesses going into that building - Mabel & Gus Cafe, City Cleaners, Sterlyn Barber Shop and Estellene's Beauty Shop. Living quarters were in back. Business was growing and Sterlyn was working two barbers and himself. Permanents cost \$2 and a shampoo and set was 75 cents.

"We got a chance to buy the lot where my shop is now located. It was a big mud hole at the time. We carried in dirt in a wheelbarrow for fill. We bought an old warehouse and grainery, had them torn down and started to build our shops and home. We had another daughter, Katherine, born Jan. 4, 1942.

"Meanwhile, World War II had started and we knew Sterlyn would have to go into the Armed Forces. But we got our building down and moved in. I was able to keep working since Lavoyda was old enough to go to school and Katherine was a good baby. At the time, we got telephones and were able to make appointments. Before that, people just came in and waited.

Some weeks I would give more than 30 permanents a week.

"Sterlyn had joined the Navy and our third child, Michael, was on the way. Sterlyn was stationed at Mare Island and I got to go live there, taking the three children by car. Sonny Hammond was on leave here and he and his wife helped me drive to California. Sterlyn was discharged in June 1945. We reopened our shops. Business grew and we made a little money.

"We built onto our house, making room for the three children. Sterlyn and I supported our school and raised money for the PTA. We helped organize the American Legion here and build the Legion Hall. I sold more chances on pickups and refrigerators than anyone else.

"Lavoyda went off to college; Katherine took a beauty course and worked in my shop her senior year, and Mike was our shoe shine boy until he was a junior in school.

"Those who worked for me through the years were Elsie, from Clovis; Mary Lou Crume, Myrtle Withrow, Katie and Sharon Busbie, Yvonne Haney, Littie Lea, Warren Johnson.

"My family includes: Lavoyda and Leonard Williams, Lynne and Lyle; Katherine and Dick Richardson, and Stephanie; Mike Billington and daughter Kelly. I have two grandsons-in-law, Larry Long and



The Farwell Inn, circa 1918 [Joel White collection]

Cris Cox.

"After Sterlyn died, I decided to stay in Farwell and see if I could make the 50th anniversary. God has been so good to me. People and customers have been faithful in their support, too.

"I remember some funny things that happened. Once a lady came in with five children. She stayed all day to get a permanent. You can imagine how my shop looked; it was a trying day. Another day, a lady came in and asked if I would give two permanents cheaper than one. I asked if she would sell two buckets of cream cheaper than one and she said no. I told her I wouldn't either.

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

A.D. McDonald, president of Texico Planning Commission and members met March 8, 1974 to discuss a Senior Citizens' Center in Texico serving both Texico and Farwell. Bill Taylor from Eastern Plains Planning Commission for Senior Citizen's, Alice Converse, ex-director of Senior Citizen's Center of Clovis and Rachel Jones, present director of Clovis Senior Citizen's Center attended to discuss and explain the functioning of a Senior Citizen's Center.

Seventh-six people attended the first pot luck dinner, March 21, 1974, in the Community Building in Texico. After dinner a group of Senior Citizens met and elected Joe Caywood, president, Alma Hendrix, Vice-president and Aileen Teel, secretary-treasurer.

The second potluck dinner was held April 5, 1974, and the name of the Community Senior Citizens was adopted. The committee named and made plans for activities discussed, checking on the shut-ins and helping all elderly people is what is considered of the utmost importance.

Federal funding was secured for equipment, supplies and instructors for three years through Eastern Plains Agency on Aging, Panhandle area agency and Farwell for two years.

In 1977 the official board met and decided a work service for the low-income elderly would be the best service we could give. Through the federal fund-

ing a woman was hired to do housework and a boy for yard work. This is still being done.

The first Senior Citizens' director was Joe Caywood. Maurine Caywood succeeded him and is still the director.

In 1981 the Texico Fire Department moved into the Senior Citizen's building and the town of Texico let the Senior Citizen's have an apartment for their activities, which belonged to two of the fire truck attendants and caretakers. After securing federal funding, the apartment was remodeled.

The big day for the open house was set for June 20, 1981. Mayors John Hadley and Walter Kaltwasser were present. Musical entertainment was provided by Lawrence, Claud and Cathy Gobble and Louise Engram.

The center is open 20 hours a week to provide information and referral, transportation and escorts to the elderly. Calling on the elderly, through telephoning and visits, recreation and education in crafts, such as art, leather craft, ceramics and quilting, are also provided. The center is open eight hours on Tuesday, four hours on Wednesday and eight hours on Thursdays.

The members of the center enter a float in the Border Town Days parade every year, usually taking first or second place.

The center is sponsored by the city of Texico with the city clerk keeping books for their programming money.



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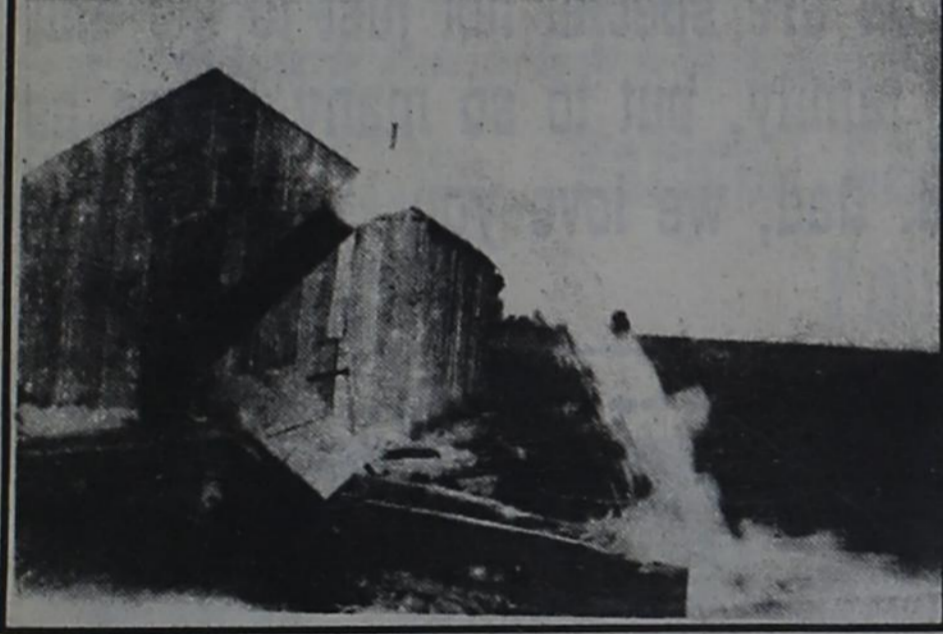


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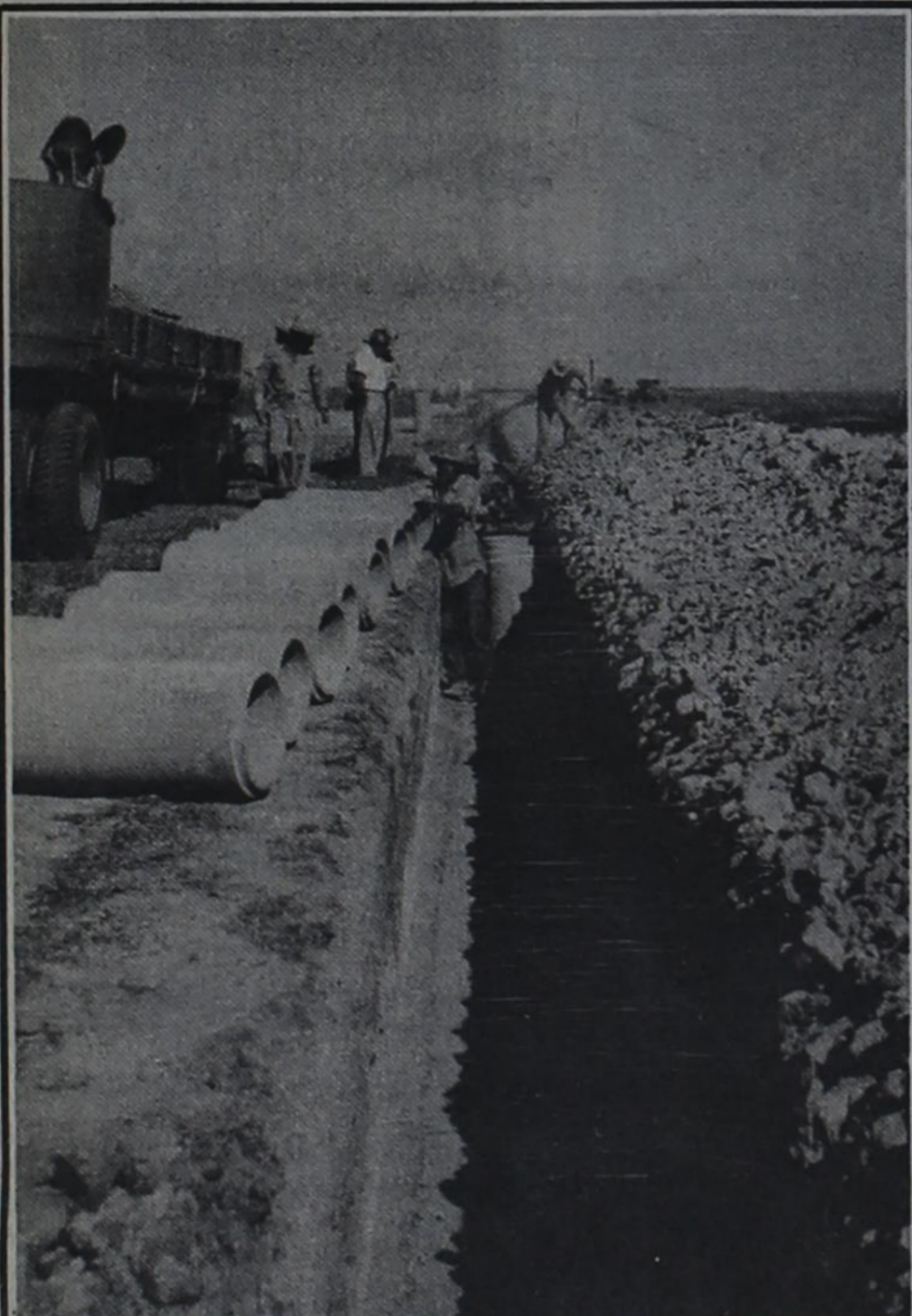
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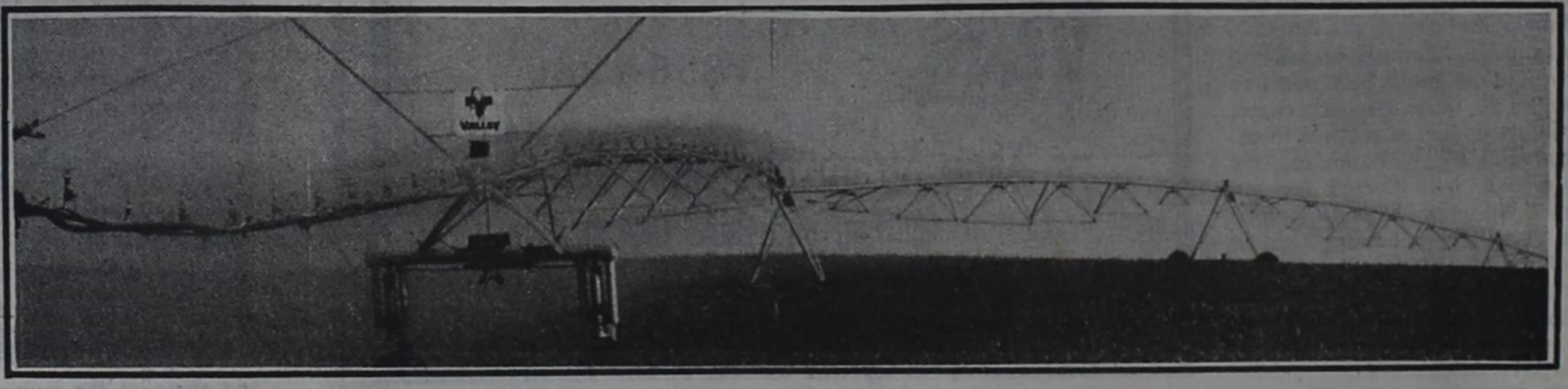
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This early day West Camp well sticks its pipe of water almost straight up in the air as the water is pumped from the 60-foot water table. Very shallow wells were common in the early days of High Plains irrigation. Photo from Ralph Barger collection.



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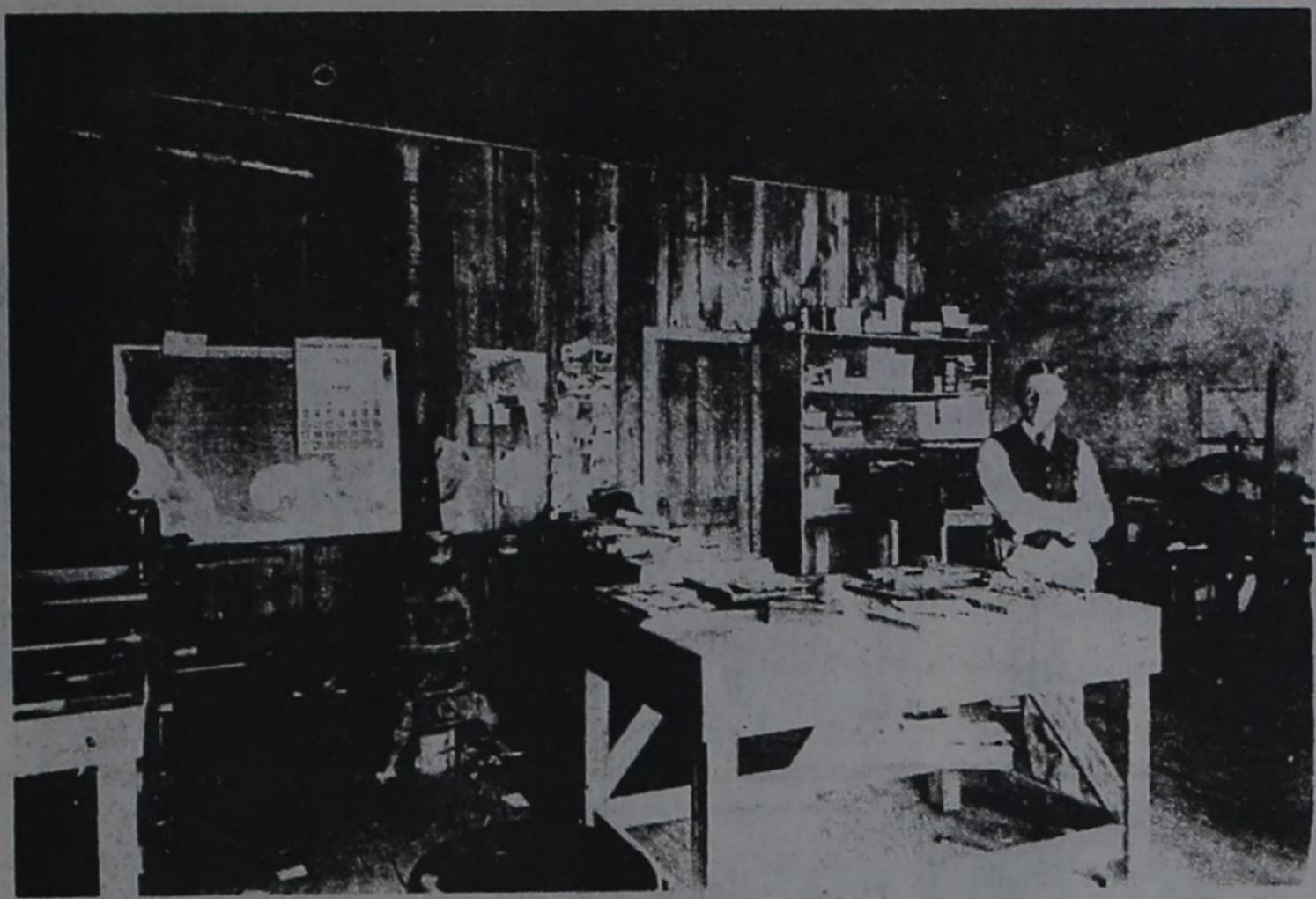
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State Line
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An inside look at the State Line Printing Shop in March of 1912. At right in the photo is B.F. Fears who purchased the Farwell newspaper and printing shop in 1909. Equipment and furnishings in the shop were sparse, but Fears managed to publish a newspaper and turn out job printing, often being paid for his services with bacon, chickens, vegetables or whatever barter a customer had to offer. (Photo from the B.F. Fears Family Collection.)

Combest campaigns here

Congressman Larry Combest (R-Texas) took his 1986 re-election campaign to Farwell Aug. 28.

Combest, who sits on the House Agriculture Committee, said "Our farmers must have the opportunity to make a fair profit. As a former farmer myself, I know first-hand that West Texas producers can compete with any farmer in the world, but they cannot and should not have to compete against government policies that erode their opportunity for a profit."

"Many of the problems in agriculture today are a result of past government-imposed embargoes, high inflation and interest rates, a strong dollar and flip-flopping government agricultural policies. In writing the 1985 Farm Bill, we worked to expand our export markets and provide some income protection for the farmer," Combest said.

Combest pointed out that West Texas cotton producers can expect approximately 74 cents lb. for their cotton despite the current depressed market. "Cotton farmers, agricultural commodity groups and organizations are feeling good about the cotton section of the Farm Bill." The National Cotton Council says "the program is meeting or exceeding almost everyone's expectations" and the Plains Cotton Growers of Lubbock states that, "judging from the increased rate of domestic cotton consumption...the program's working pretty well."

During the 99th Congress, Combest said he worked diligently to reduce the federal deficit, eliminate waste and cut government spending. The Lubbock Congressman scored in the top 15 percent of Members of Congress for consistently voting to reduce federal spending and taxes by the National Taxpayers Union.

In announcing his re-election bid for Congress, Combest noted that he has a 100 percent attendance record and a 99 percent voting record in the House. During the past 20 months he has "stayed in touch" with the people of West Texas through community comment meetings, public forums and hearings, senior citizens meetings, letters and traveling the entire district on numerous visits home. In addition, Combest said that he has helped over 1100 families with constituent casework since he was elected to Congress.



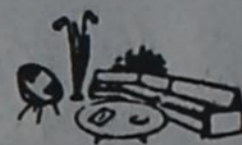
19th District Cong. Larry Combest began his re-election campaign last week, visiting various communities in his district. He met with Farwell supporters on the courthouse lawn Aug. 28. He and his wife, Sharon are shown with Terri Nichols, right.



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They traveled in a Model T Touring car with all their worldly goods put in it. A little bedding, a feather bed, can goods and some cash. Daughter Ernestine was 4 and son Arnold was 2.

It took three days to make the trip. They arrived in Texico before Thanksgiving Day and stayed in the Texico Hotel, then owned by Mrs. Murphy of Texico. The following day Mrs. Hromas and the children were treated to a fine meal (turkey, dressing and all the trimmings) for the fabulous price of 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for each child.

Ernest declined Thanksgiving dinner and went about the business of finding lodging for his family. He found a house in Farwell (across the street from where the water tower now stands) and rented it for \$15 for one month.

The main reason for being here was that Ernest decided he wanted land of his own. He had met Sam Lawrence, a land agent for the Capitol Reservation Lands in Sweetwater.

Ernest found what he was looking for and moved his family onto a farm 10 miles east of Farwell in the Oklahoma Lane Community.

Land cost \$30 an acre then. They rented a three-room house and bought a bed, mattress, four chairs and a stove. They finished building a barn on the new farm with a car shed on the north and a horseshed on the south.

They started farming with one walking plow, a sod planter, and four horses. One team of horses cost



MR. AND MRS. ERNEST HROMAS

\$250 and the other team cost \$124. The cheaper pair turned out to be the better.

They raised kaffir corn and crooked head maize. "We harvested it with a pocket knife or heading knife. It took around 45 days to harvest the crop," said Mrs. Hromas.

After the first year of sod planting, the land had to be plowed twice - single bottom pulled by four horses. They could do about six or seven acres a day.

Hromas did carpenter work full-time, and plowed after he came home. Sophia raised chickens and sold eggs, using the money to buy groceries and managing to have some left over.

The Hromas family was instrumental in consolidating the two little schools in the Oklahoma Lane area into one school. All three of their children began their education at the Oklahoma Lane school and all completed high school there.

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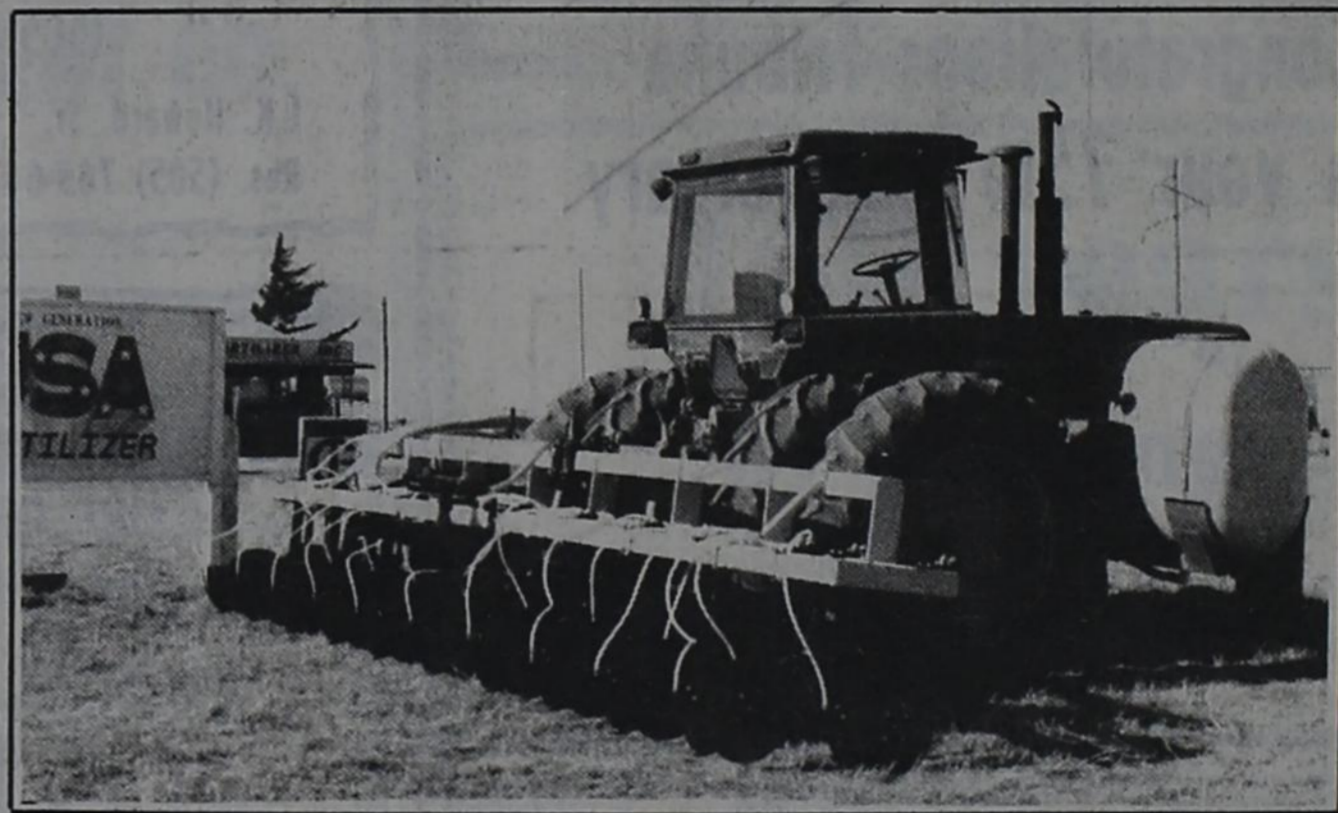
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She worked at Triplett's

Genevieve Bell Randol was born Sept. 27, 1899, in Pike County, Ind., about 40 miles from Evansville.

Her family and four children traveled by train to Farwell on Oct. 16, 1907. The family had chartered two train cars for their horses, cows, household stuff and a carriage with a fringe on top. Her mother owned a black taffeta coat and everyone thought "we were

rich."

Her father had bought a 160-acre farm, 4 1/2 miles southwest of town. They lived about a quarter mile from the Randol family.

The family moved into a two-room house with a six-foot dugout. "It really wasn't too bad as the walls were concrete. Back in those days we had bad sandstorms. We shoveled the dirt and placed it in

buckets to be carried out. Also the snow was carried out the same way," she recalled.

After they moved to the farm, seven more children were born.

After the death of her father in 1923, her mother sewed for a living, had a garden, canned, and churned butter. She asked for no handouts, her daughter said.

Her mother died at the age of 76. When she was 75, she sewed 25 uniforms for nurses.

At the age of 14, Mrs. Randol worked and lived with two families. The Wallings came and picked her up in a car. It was the first time she had ridden in a car.

Mrs. Randol did the cooking, washing and helped care for the new baby of Mrs. Walling.

The other family was a First Christian Church minister family. She did the same for them, staying about three to four weeks each time.

All the children went to a little country school called Locust Grove. She was about eight years old when she started. She and Ebb Randol went to school together and played together. They traveled by horse and buggy to school.

For a short time, they went to Texico school. They had an old burro hitched to the buggy.

Mrs. Randol said, "We did reading, writing and arithmetic. We played drop the handkerchief, town ball, and did spelling matches."

On March 3, 1918, Genevieve Bell married J. Ebb Randol. They moved into a small two-bedroom house which belonged to his grandmother. And they farmed for awhile.

Then they bought a place three miles west of town. This house burned down and the family lost their goods but no one was hurt. They built another two-room house.

The Randols have three daughters. Their first daughter was Elva Ruth, who married Carl Davis. She died in 1982. The other two daughters are Wessie Edwards, who lives in Clovis, and Madaline Spurling, who lives in Olton.

In the 1920's the family moved to town. The girls all finished school and were active in tennis, basketball and volleyball.

Mr. Randol started working for the Triplett Brothers dry good store. This store was located in the northwest corner of Rip's building in Texico.



GENEVIEVE RANDOL

Mr. Randol, after being with the dry good store for awhile, decided to start his own business which was called Randol Mercantile. He sold groceries and dry goods. The oldest daughter, Elva, now 14, enjoyed delivering groceries. One of the things they made was candle eggs.

They sold this store and started the Randol Candy Co. He traveled to several counties selling candy. This business was located across from the high school.

Mr. Randol was on the school board, helped with the nursing home, and was a gospel preacher for over 50 years. He and his family traveled in New Mexico and Texas to preach.

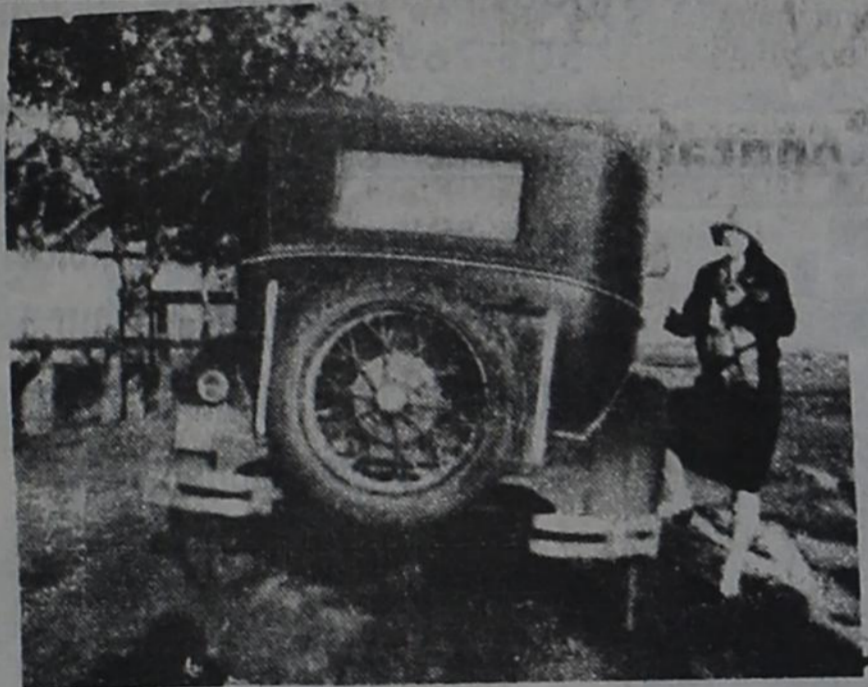
He was one of the directors of the Blue Haven Youth Camp in Las Vegas, N.M., and gave 40 acres of land for the Westview Boys Home



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At Christmas, quilt boxes were filled

Julia Symcox moved to the Oklahoma Lane community in 1925 with her parents Willie Isaac (Coon) and Addie Rundell, and two sisters and one brother from Walnut Springs. Coon farmed and help build the road between Farwell and Muleshoe. He worked with Charlie Crume. He also helped construct the gym at the Oklahoma Lane School. Her mother, Addie, was active in the church and home demonstrations. She canned vegetables and cured meat.



JULIA SYMCOX

Her father died in 1968 and mother in 1964.

Mrs. Symcox has eight brothers and sisters - Thomas, Annabel, Willie, Cecil, Loyd, Robert, Weldon and Reta.

She recalls Christmas at Walnut Springs with the quilt boxes filled with pie and always eating Christmas dinner at Grandma Rundell's.

"After we moved to Oklahoma Lane, Christmas was held at the church and school. The school was also the church in the community. They would have box suppers to raise money for a Christmas tree and treats for the children. Most of the time that was all the Christmas the children had," she said.

She graduated in 1935 from Oklahoma Lane School. She was active in baseball, UIL spelling, picture memory and track.

She remembers seeing her first school bus. The drivers were Ruth and Jenie Bolton.

"On one April Fools Day Lester Norton who owned the school buses, parked them in front of the school.

He told us, "Your parents may get upset for what I'm fixing to do. So if you think you shouldn't do this you better not." He put us on the bus and took us to the Sand Hills for a very enjoyable day. We always took our lunch so we didn't get hungry," said Mrs. Symcox.

Her brothers and sisters attended church singing on Sunday evenings. People would gather from around the area for the singings.

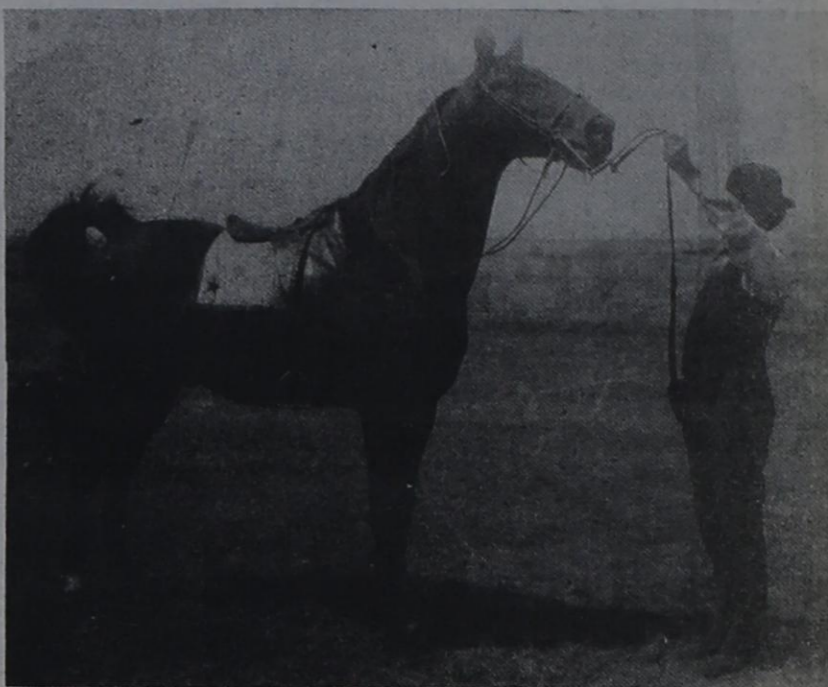
At one of these singings, Julia met Harold Hillock and married him in 1938. They have five children - Roland, Judy, Gloria, Janice and Steven.

Hillock farmed and trucked. He was a hard working man. When the war broke out there would be times he would work until 2 a.m., come home and be back out again at 4 a.m. Hillock enjoyed fishing and hunting. He died in 1949 as a result of an auto accident.

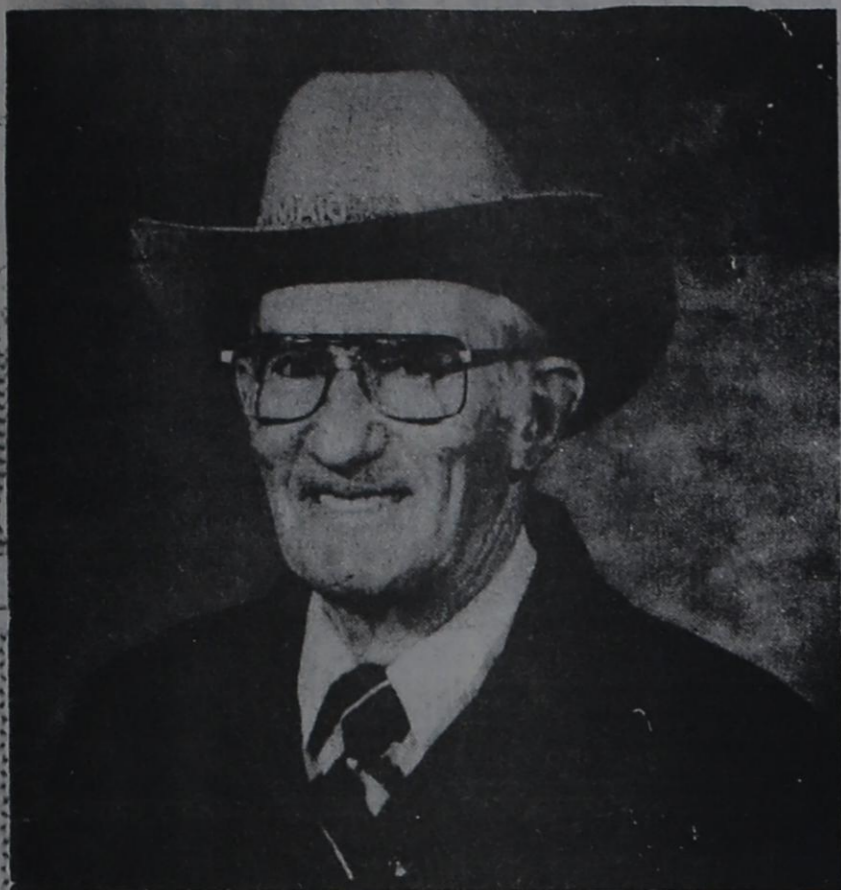
Julia was active in PTA, and put on musicals in Farwell and once in Muleshoe.

She remarried in 1950, to Vernon Symcox, who farmed in Clovis. Symcox is on the Equalization Board of Taxes and a member of the Farm Bureau. They have two children, James and Susan.

The Symcoxes were instrumental in getting the community center built out at Oklahoma Lane. As before, box suppers were used to help raise funds for Christmas activities and building the center. It was built about 1960. It has been used for family reunions and Christmas parties.



Preacher Jordan and his horse in Texico, 1909 [Courtesy of Clark-White]



...ALBERT SMITH, now

Judge Smith is FFA charter member

Justice of the Peace Albert Smith came to Farwell in 1926 with his parents Edie and Dora Smith.

He was born in Long Branch, Texas, just south of Dallas. It is no longer there.

He attended Farwell School. His favorite teacher was Mrs. Overstreet, who taught English. There was only one schoolhouse for everyone.

There wasn't much time to have recreation although Clovis had a picture show. Smith had a 1925 Model T Ford to run around in.

Smith has been an FFA charter member since 1928. He was awarded the "Lone Star Farmer." He had to keep records on projects, activities in chapter.

Smith met his wife, Carolla, when she came to live with her oldest brother after her folks had died. Her oldest brother had married one of Smith's cousins. The Smiths married in 1936.

They grew wheat, corn maize, cotton, barley and rye. They also raised hogs and cows. At one time they had a dairy and sold milk in town to individuals; plus delivered to homes.

The Smiths have three sons - Eddie and Arlin, both of Farwell, and Maurice, of Clovis. The boys played baseball and went to the National Finals in Pennsylvania after winning state.

Smith enjoyed coaching Babe Ruth baseball over the years and was involved in football and track.

As a youth, he played shortstop, first base and left field. He had a chance to go to Texas A&M but did not have enough money for uniforms.

He has been Justice of the Peace for 6 1/2 years. His job is to set bonds, marry people and act as coroner.



ALBERT SMITH, then...

He attends two schools annually, one in Amarillo, a 20-hour school, and a 40-hour school in San Antonio. At these schools, he learns new law changes, serving papers, and handling violations.

For the past 30 years, Smith has been on the Curry County '42' Mens league, Smith said the league started in 1948. Smith has been secretary for the last several years.

There are about 100 men who meet every Monday to play '42'. Some of the men from Farwell are Martin Kube, T.J. Kittrell and Ricky Ketcherside, Smith said.

Asked how Farwell has changed, Smith noted the streets being paved, buildings and schools being enlarged.

When asked about hobbies, Smith said, "I like '42' and carpentry."

Asked about anything funny over the years as JP, he said, "A fellow once received a speeding ticket. When I asked him about it, he said he was in a hurry to get gas."

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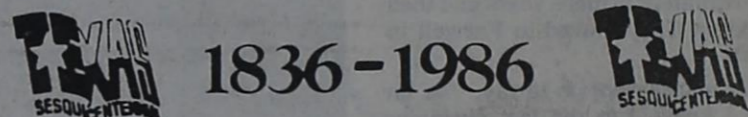
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The Texico Chamber of Commerce wishes to honor those outstanding individuals who were named 'Man of the Year' and 'Woman of the Year' over the past 14 years.

Fosters return to Farwell by covered wagon

Will Foster and his parents moved to Farwell 65 years ago.

At first, they lived 10 miles east of town, the area now known as Oklahoma Lane. The family traveled here in a Model T and a Valley Car.

Will returned to Oklahoma and married Gertrude Churchwell. Will and Gertrude had been school sweethearts in Elks City, Okla. They both went to a little country school named Willow Springs.

After they got married, Will and Gertrude traveled by train back to Farwell in January 1921.

The Fosters marketed milk and cream to Raton, N.M. and Grade A milk to Plainview, Texas, and Portales, N.M. The milk was placed in 10-gallon cans.

Gertrude and their first child, Nelson, had traveled back to Oklahoma to visit in 1922. In September, Will, his son and Gertrude traveled back to Farwell by covered wagon.

It took them 5½ days to return.

The Fosters have six children -- Nelson, who died in 1973; Estelline Feagan of Kansas; B.J. lives in Lubbock and is a Methodist minister; Barbara Trumble of the Pleasant Hill area; Nicky (Merle Duane) lives in Decab, Texas, and Marci Bell lives in Clovis.

The school the children attended is now the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church. The school had basketball, baseball and six-man football at the time.

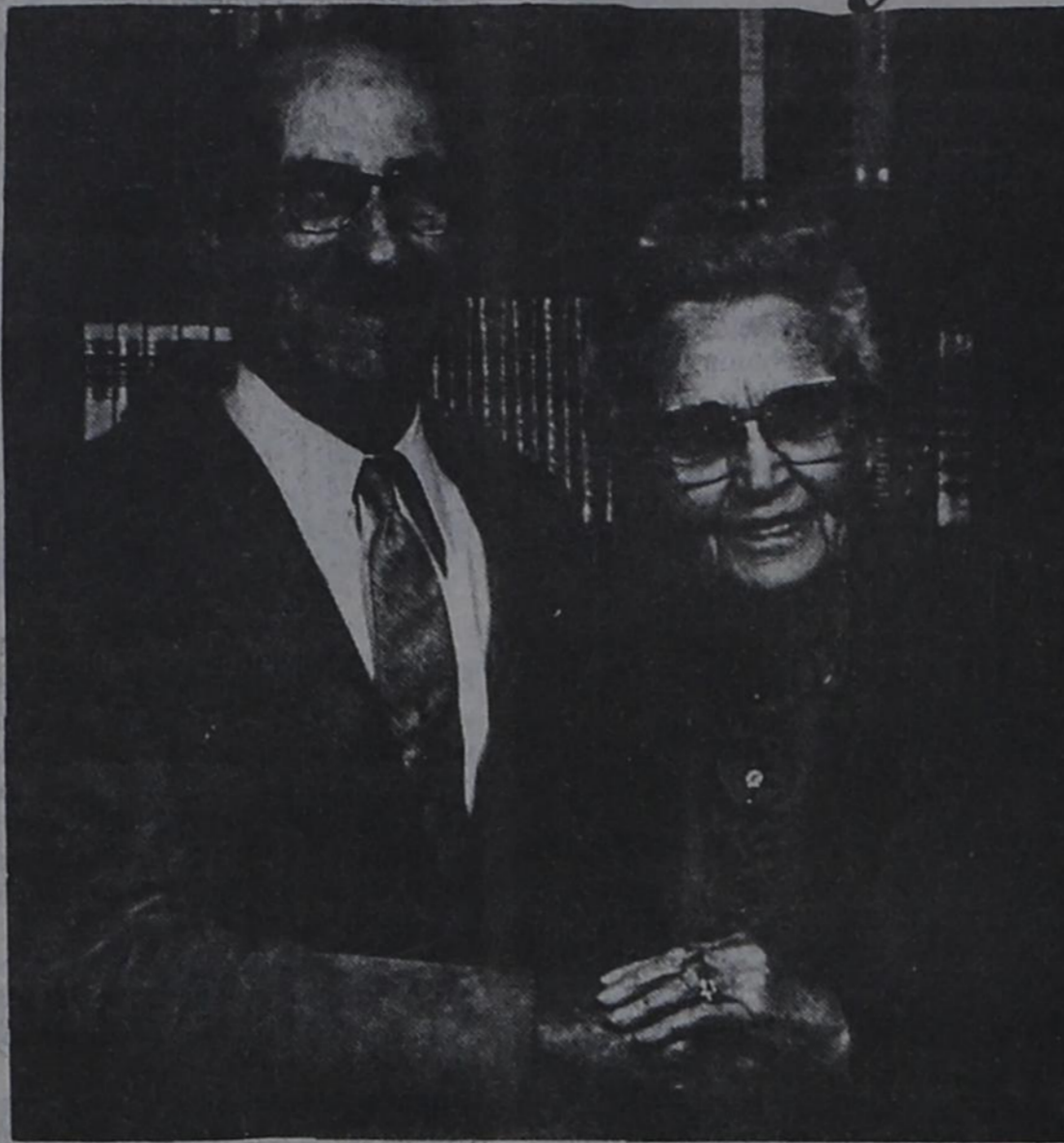
In 1940, Oklahoma Lane had lights and phone service but the roads weren't graded yet. Foster helped grade the roads by using four horses. Charles Christian was the County Commissioner and he paid Foster \$5 a day for the work. They graded from Farwell, to the underpass, to the Boling place and to Sam White's place.

Son Nelson raised Appaloosa horses, including 006 Domino. Just in the last year Will sold an heir of 006 to Ed Hardage.

Son Nicky, when he was younger, showed Jersey cows in Plainview and won the Showmanship-World Champion Dairy Cows award.

The Fosters moved to Farwell in 1952 on Third Street. The house is now owned by Gary Fly. In 1962, they moved to their present address at 904 3rd Street.

Mrs. Foster was active in the Oklahoma Lane Variety Club which has been desolved now; she was



MR. AND MRS. WILL FOSTER

president and treasurer. She is in the Farwell Study club and United Methodist Women. Mr. Foster has been busy with his dairy cows and farming. Some of the businesses that the Fosters remembered of the

1920's were four grocery stores, two or three cafes, a gin, two department stores, two doctors, and a theater. When they moved to town in 1952, Main Street was paved, Third street was not paved yet.

He's the remaining survivor

Frank Edwards of Farwell was recently honored for 32 years of active service as a deacon in the Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church.

Edwards was born in Union, Miss., in 1896. He came to Whiteflat, Texas, where he met and married Maybelle Donaldson on April 19, 1930. The Edwards farmed there for the next 25 years, raising "cotton mostly," he said.

Edwards said, "I remember back in those days, raising cotton was a little tougher than it is now. We used to get cousins, neighbors or anyone passing by to help pick cotton. Nobody liked to pick it but it was an honest day's work. Nowadays, you have all this fine machinery to help get in the crops."

"Picking cotton wasn't all there was to it either. We had to chop, hoe, and pull bolls among other stuff," he said.

After leaving Whiteflat, the Edwards came to Parmer County around Christmas 1966, settling in Bovina where they farmed for approximately 15 more years and then retired. They moved to Farwell in 1977.

Edwards went on to say, "As far as I know, I'm the last surviving veteran of World War I in Parmer County." He served in the Infantry in 1918, spending 11 months in France, Belgium and England.

Edwards recalls the first time he went 'snipe' hunting. "I was about 7 years old and they took me into the woods, gave me a sack and a little light and said they would 'drive' the 'snipes' out."

"Well, that light lasted about 15 minutes and went out and so did I. I commenced to screaming and hollering. I was scared to death."

Since then, he found out what 'snipes' were and it sure wasn't the birds he thought they were. There is no such creature.



A group in front of the General Store in Texico. [Courtesy of Clark-White]

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Gertrude was the Farwell Study Club Woman of the Year in 1973 and Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year in 1983.

Both of the Fosters enjoy the choir at the Methodist Church in Farwell. They helped get choir robes and a music stand. The music stand has been dedicated to the Fosters and they were presented a gold plaque.

Mr. Foster was born April 20, 1901 and his wife Oct. 23, 1901. They have 22 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.


Asked what they thought of Farwell, Mr. Foster replied, "If I know of a better place I would go there. Since I have been a resident of Farwell for 65 years, believe I will stay put."

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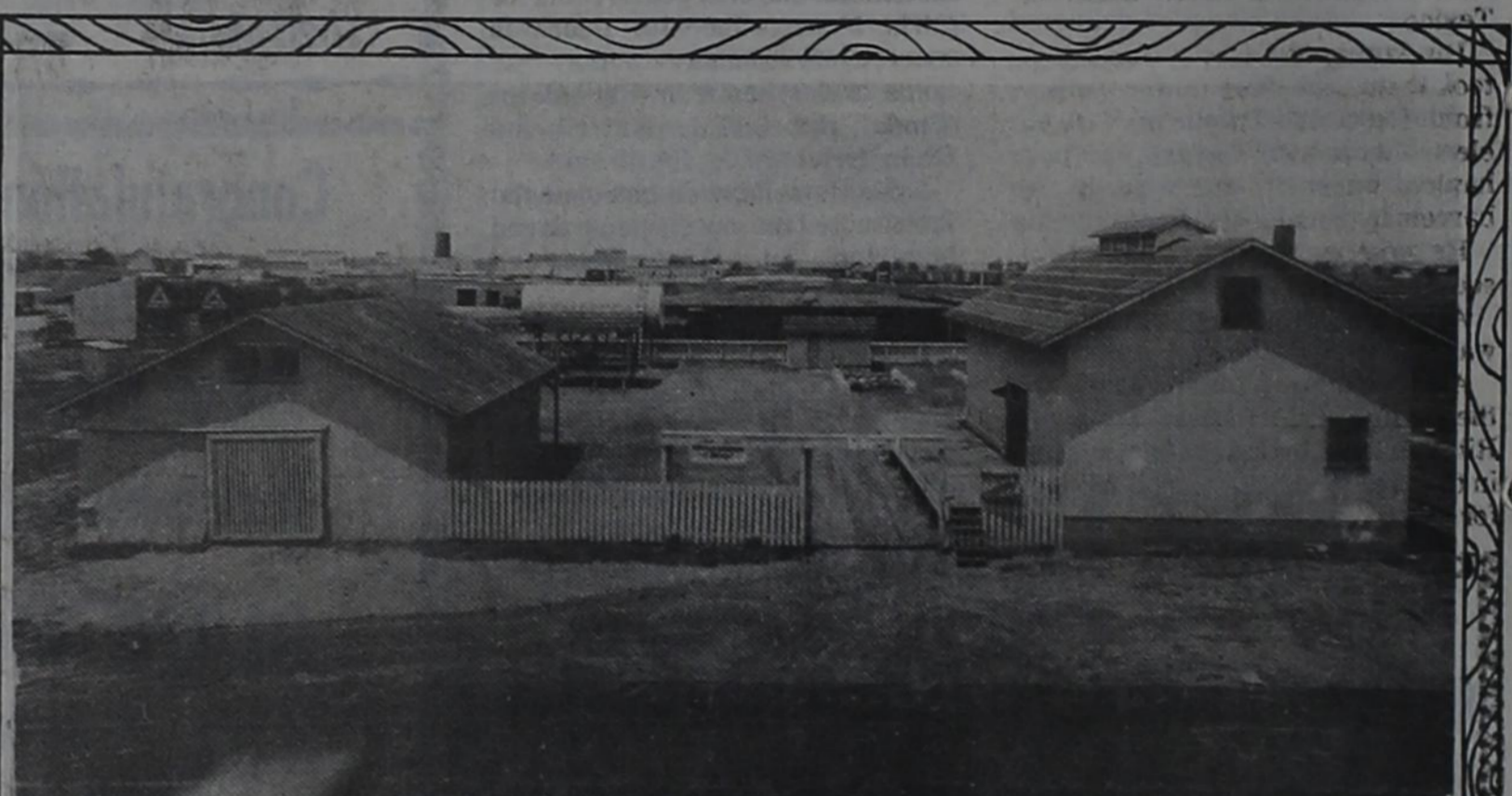
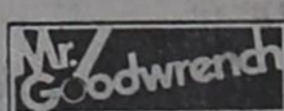
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Farwell home designated Texas historic landmark

One of Farwell's oldest homes has been designated a Texas Historic Landmark by the Texas Historical Commission.

Known locally as the Aldridge house, it is recorded by the Commission as the Hopping-Aldridge house in honor of the two previous

owners. Located at 710 4th St., the structure is currently owned by Mack Heald.

The house was built at this site between 1915-1917 for R.C. "Coke" Hopping, Parmer County's sheriff from 1910-1918. It was purchased by James and Minnie Aldridge in 1918. Aldridge succeeded Hopping as the sheriff, with his term starting in 1919.

The Aldridge's two sons, Sam and John, grew up in the house. After John married Lillian Orr, they moved into the house with their parents. Their two daughters, Mary Bell Aldridge Washington and Nancy Aldridge Mehler, grew up in the home, and it remained in the Aldridge family until selling to Heald in 1981.

Architecturally, the house is a two-story, foursquare design-frame structure with two coats of wire and stucco applied over the wood siding. This technique was sometimes practiced in this part of Texas, with the resulting structure of this type called a Prairie Style building. The Hopping-Aldridge house is one of the few homes of this style to be found in this part of the Texas Panhandle.

In 1984, the house received an exterior restoration that consisted of replacing the bannisters that had previously been removed. All wood and stucco surfaces were painted in



A group of Texico young ladies, circa 1909. [Courtesy of Clark White]



The Hopping-Aldridge House

"I wouldn't change any of my life"

Alma Purselley moved to the Texico area in 1918 from Granbury, Texas.

It took the family three weeks to come here by covered wagon. There were 12 children in her family and she was no. 5.

They lived in a three-bedroom house with no lights or indoor plumbing. They used kerosene lamps. They didn't have any way to refrigerate food.

Alma said, "The weather was a lot cooler and you could put milk and butter on the window sills. My father fixed a tin platform to set this on." They hung beef in their peach trees or from the windmill.

Her family raised kaffer corn, maize and chickens. They also raised a garden and canned some.

Alma met Riley Boss when he was home on leave in 1919. He had been overseas in France and Germany. In June 1920 they married.

Riley and his parents had moved here in 1902 from Trent, Texas. He was two years old. There were six in his family. They homesteaded on land about three miles south of Texico.

His family lived in a dugout. It took them four days to get lumber from Hereford. They didn't have electricity or indoor plumbing. They hauled water to their house in barrels by horse and wagon.

He went to Locust Grove School south of Texico.

Alma recalled, "The post office was in a railroad boxcar."

After Alma and Riley married, they bought a 1920 Model T Truck. Riley hauled grain for the farmers in the area. He did this type of work for 36 years. They moved to the



ALMA BOSS

State Line Road. The roads were still dirt and Alma cooked on a kerosene stove.

In 1939, Riley helped Joe Blair run electricity to the rural area. Then in 1942 they received gas to their home.

During the 1930's, the Depression hit and there wasn't much money and not much hauling.

Alma took in ironing and did family ironing. She had eight or ten customers. She charged 20 cents for shirts, 25 cents for dresses and 10 cents for children's clothes.

The Boss's have two daughters: Wanda and Lilla. Both live in Albuquerque.

Alma remembers some of the business in the area: Tripett Bros., drug store, Ruby Stone dry goods store.

Riley died in 1969 at the age of 73. Alma is active in the Baptist Church and Senior Citizen's. She likes to crochet and does some quilting.

Alma said, "I wouldn't change any of my life."

colors that were used in the era that the house was built.

The Hopping-Aldridge house is the first residence in Parmer County to receive a state medallion. Two buildings -- the Parmer County Courthouse and the old First National Bank building (currently part of the Aldridge, Harding, Aycock and Actkinson law firm office on Third Street) -- in Farwell have been designated Texas Historical Landmarks in the past.

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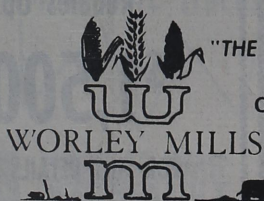
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Running a family paper

Born in the back of a print shop in Andrews, Texas, it was to be expected that she would have printer's ink in her veins. But it was not until the depression days of the early 30's that economics forced Hop Graham to let his full-time operator/printer go, and turned to his daughter for help in running the family newspaper.

Abie, her name shortened by schoolmates, was not unfamiliar with the shop, and not at all fazed by the opportunity of learning to operate the linotype. Getting out a paper with her inexperience, however, was comparable to putting a first-day typist into the mainframe of a large office and expecting no problems.

Faced with a 90-key machine, as compared to a typewriter which she already knew, was (if she had stopped to think about it) a formidable job, and Abie and Hop put in plenty of long hours the first few months as she struggled not only to get the type set, but corrected as well. There were plenty of errors, but within three months she was able to "ETAOIN" and "SHRDLU" with the best operators in her area.

The linotype itself was a wonderful, weird Rube Goldberg-looking machine, which was the breath of life to newspapers. With its steel fingers, it picked up a specified size line of loose matrices, ingested them into its maw, and following a series of complicated (for the layman) procedures, ejected a "slug" of led with the type printing faces on the top. This is what actually made the readable print in the newspaper. And the machine didn't stop there, it had another trick up its sleeve, when an elongated arm came down, picked up the loose mats, lifted them to the distributor bar, and pushed them along so that they fell into the proper slots in the magazine according to cuts on the individual mats.

"We had an old Model 5," Abie recalls, which was geared to run about two lines per minute faster than any other lino in the area, and when Abie really got into the swing of things, she kept the machine "hung" most of the time, "Hunt" to operators, meant simply that there was always another line waiting.

The machine had its way of retaliating, though, if things done by the operator weren't just exactly right. "I'll never forget the day the machine spit hot lead at me and a splash hit me on the top of the head. I slammed my chair back and it crashed over, and while I was frantically pawing at my hair trying to dislodge the metal, Hazel walked up behind me and doused my head with a cup of cold water. I thought I was bleeding to death until I raised my head and saw her standing there! It was funny later, but not



Abie Crume, while working a linotype machine at the Tribune.

then!" she recalls.

The only change made on the linotype while Abie was operating was the coming of "pigs". This was metal cast into 18-long-inch forms with a hook neck, which eliminated hand-scooping of metal into the heating pot of the machine. The crane which held the pigs was programmed to feed just what was necessary into the melting pot to keep the hot metal at the right level, and as Abie said, "it sure beat hopping up and down scooping more metal in as needed...and eliminated forgetting the pot until the level was so low that you had to pile in a batch of metal and then wait until it melted down."

Unfortunately, like the dinosaur, the linotype became obsolete with the advance of high tech knowledge, and it would be hard to find one in any current newspaper office.

"Hop was paying me \$10 a day for my three days work," Abie says, and added that with room and board thrown in, she felt she was rolling in money. Occasionally, Hop farmed his daughter out to the Clovis News-Journal and other papers in the area, where she did the job and wasn't smart enough to know that the male operators considered her an invader. He even went so far as to get her a job on the Longview, Texas, paper, and Abie went off to the oil boom country for two months, then informed Hop she was coming home to the Panhandle.

From her father and the late Paul Crume, Abie also developed a knack for writing, and when Paul went back to college, she took over his writing duties, including doing the sideline play-by-play bit on football games. "Paul had such a marvelous vocabulary that I learned to write many run-of-the-mill stories with a change of style," Abie says, adding that Paul's consistent use of the different word challenged her to learn.

As times improved, James Oliver (Pinky) Martin joined the Tribune staff as a printer's devil and sometimes writer, later learning the

linotype. Hop also started two of the Jones brothers in the business. Paulie came first, and Rusty followed later, both eventually becoming operators and continuing in that field after they left Farwell.

The one thing Hop was never able to teach his young charges was to sell ads. As Paulie put it, his idea of selling was to ask a local merchant, "You don't want an ad this week, do you," and they usually didn't. So Hop continued to be the main provider of income for the paper. "Hop was really an amazing man," his daughter fondly recalls. "He had only an eighth grade education, but he could write lucidly and easily... he would occasionally turn to me some copy with a word started, followed by....to be filled in by me because he wasn't sure of the spelling, but I always knew that he had in mind."

One of the shop jokes the two of them shared was over the copy of a handbill that had been turned in for the paper. "I puzzled over this one item (it was hand-written copy) and finally called Hop in to help. We both studied this 'inlets' belt item for half an hour before it dawned... 'endless'...and the word stayed in shop jargon for years.

The Tribune had its once-in-a-lifetime place in the sun when the Hassell murder trial was held in Farwell, but mainly what Abie remembers is that an "extra" was issued (the only one in the history of the paper), and she got to peddle papers up and down the residential streets, amassing what was a large special income of \$2.

All of the youngsters learned to do makeup on the paper, operate the big press and the "jobbers," along with other less technical jobs. One of the things they did wasn't that smart, because when Hop left word for the back end of the building to be cleaned, the permanent files of The Tribune went into the bonfire with the other assorted trash. "That was one thing I wasn't guilty of," Abie grins, adding that it was past her time when the accident occurred.

The youngest member of the Graham family came along a bit late to get pushed around by Abie and her cohorts, but still managed to find his spot. Hop Jr. (usually called Sonny) turned to being manager-editor with the death of Hop Sr., and continued in that capacity until the paper was sold to John and Joann Getz.

When Hop first bought the paper, which he re-named The State Line Tribune, it had been housed in the old Haynes Grocery building on Second Street. But problems arose: Hop was preparing to install both a linotype and a heavy press, and the floor of the Haynes building could

not take the load. Capitol Freehold had a building with hardwood floors which would bear the weight of the equipment, so that is where The Tribune landed—and is still located.

Since Texico-Farwell was blessed with natural gas pipelines, it was a snap to heat the metal pot of the linotype to 550°, but heating the building for years depended on a coal stove. The press handled two "forms" of type at one time (four pages) and was power-driven by hand-fed the old way, one sheet at a time. "Mrs. Hop" and Sammy joined the crew on paper day to help with the necessary hand-folding and addressing of the papers.

Like most country newspapers, The Tribune did not carry many local pictures during its early days. Before new techniques and Polaroid cameras, it was necessary to take a picture to the News-Journal in Clovis, where it was in turn transformed into a "cut" which could be printed. On the other hand, The Tribune boasted the fastest of the old "hand-spiking" printers in the business, with Hop easily outdistancing his peers at a Panhandle Press Convention competition. Hand-spiking was simply picking up each individual letter to spell out a line of type, then locking it into place for the printing process. Incidentally, nearly all headlines were done in this manner for years, until linotypes carried magazines which could be changed and were loaded with larger type than that used for regular reading matter.

Still wondering about "ETAOIN" and "SHRDLU"? Well, when an operator botched up a line, you simply ran your fingers down the first two rows of keys to make the line the necessary size, then sent it through the machine. Remember when you sometimes caught a line like that in your newspaper reading? It was just an operator cleaning up.

With husband Kater Crume off to war, Abie put in her three days at The Tribune, then hopped a bus and spent the rest of the week at a machine for the Amarillo Globe-News. Operators were in short supply, and she was welcomed by her old friend, Tex Rhodes, who had been her ally at the Clovis N-J. On Kater's discharge the couple moved to Friona and Abie commuted to work for Hop at the shop.

After the couple moved to Hereford, Abie got calls from The Hereford Brand to do sub work, which she did until owner Jimmie Gillentine wanted her to work fulltime. With three small girls around the house, Abie reluctantly decided she could not take on a six-day-week job, and left the business.

"Running a linotype was more fun than anything I ever did," Abie says, and adds wistfully, "If I had a place to put one and could afford it, I would still have a linotype to play with."



MR. AND MRS. HOP GRAHAM

Grahams were longtime owners

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. "Hop" Graham were longtime publishers of the State Line Tribune.

Hop was born in Archer County, Texas. His father was a Methodist circuit rider. Hop bought the Tribune in 1926 and lived in Texico for four years before moving to Farwell.

Hop was well-known over the entire Panhandle area for his work as an editor and publisher. He was a past president of the Panhandle Press Association. He was interested in helping youth and had a hand in turning out a number of trained young men from his shop.

Mrs. Graham had a lifelong career of church work, community

leadership and Christian influence in her home and business. She had continued ownership of the Tribune after her husband died.

The two were married in 1916 at Andrews where they ran the newspaper there. They moved to Melrose in 1918, then on to Texico-Farwell.

Mrs. Graham's work in the Methodist Church Sunday School was particularly noteworthy. She was superintendent of the beginner-primary department and worked tirelessly in instructing children in Christian ways of life. She was a charter member of the Texico-Farwell Women's Club.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN GETZ

Getzes got 1st offset in Texas

John and Joann Getz began their publication of the Tribune with the first issue of September 1965.

They took over the operation of the Tribune from former owner and publisher, W.H. Graham. Graham had purchased a daily paper, The Lovington Daily Leader in Lovington, N.M., and had moved his offset printing press from Friona, to Lovington.

Joann had worked for Graham since the early 1950s and John began working for him in the late 1950s. This was the extent of their knowledge of the newspaper business, but this time "newspapering" was in their blood and they decided to make it a career.

They accepted the Tribune on a lease basis from Graham and began their stewardship of the local paper. In February 1969 they were able to outright purchase the property and continue their weekly operations.

The Tribune was then composed by a punch tape operation with Dolph Moten of Bovina who published the Bovina Blade. The Tribune was taken to Hereford for printing and back to Farwell for distribution.

The Getzes became members of the Panhandle Press Association. Through their affiliation with these associations, they became aware of a new photo offset computerized system of setting type that would be

available for the small weekly publication.

They purchased this equipment in April 1972, and produced the first issue of the Tribune by this method on May 12 of that year. The Tribune had the first of these new photo offset machines in the state of Texas, and set a trend that soon swept the small weekly field.

During the years of the Getz ownership and publication, the State Line Tribune won numerous awards in the three press associations for General Excellence, Column Writing, News Writing and Advertising Composition.

John was further honored by being elected President of the Panhandle Press Association in 1971 and of the West Texas Press Association in 1981.

Due to the advancement of time and tide, the Getzes decided to sell the Tribune in 1984, and on September of that year, yielded ownership to Mike and Judy Pomper.

"We are happy with our decision to retire and are happy with the new owners who are continuing to report the activities of the Twin Cities, our home for the past 38 years.

"The memories of our publication days are always with us, and the many employees who worked so faithfully for us over the years have been a source of fond recollections," said Getz.

Texico Trumpet reporter:

One day Carrie Nation came...

By J. Claude Wells

From the latter part of 1907 to December 1909, conditions in the Twin Cities of Texico and Farwell were frontier and pioneer in scope and action. Those were the years I spent there, part of the time holding down a claim of 160 acres 7 miles northwest of Texico, and the other part of the time we lived in our own 2-room home some three blocks northeast of the Farwell hotel and court house.

While holding down the claim, I rode a bicycle to and from our half-dugout to Texico to work for the Texico Daily Trumpet as a part-time reporter and part-time printer. We were supposed to spend six months on the claim, pay \$200 and get patent to same. But, by that time a few people had developed a plan to place a contest on a claim when they knew the settler was ready to make final proof. Many would buy the contesting party off—paying anywhere from \$25 to \$100. We decided not to give up any money when we were notified of a contest had been filed against our claim. When the contest was dropped, we then got our patent to the land, and moved back to Texas.

Most of the claim holders either sold out for a small sum, or unable to sell or leave, stayed with it and many became well to do.

Early days in Texico were exciting. Every other man, who was

Twin Cities had 5 papers

The State Line Tribune hasn't been the only paper in the Texico-Farwell area over the years. Remember these?

Texico Democrat - 1906 to 1907
Texico-Farwell News - 1916 to 1920
Texico Times - 1908 to 1909.
Texico Trumpet - 1904 to 1908.



The Texico Broom Mfg. Co., circa 1910, courtesy of Clark & White]

neither saloon keeper, gambler, or merchant, was a dealer in real estate. Several firms made plenty of money locating visiting land hunters on claims over various parts of that area—sometimes those who filed would find, upon surveying, they had been shown a nice quarter section several miles away from the poor quarter their filing papers showed. When any visitor got off the train, he was contacted by from one to a dozen would-be land agents between the depot and hotel. All pitching their sales talk to the tune of "You can't beat the bargain I offer."

Texico's main street for two blocks was lined with businesses, from a National Bank, large general mercantile stores, and smaller merchandising establishments to several eating places and some dozen saloons, where drinks and chances to gamble were provided in each. The days were usually quiet and people could go about their business without worrying about the chances of being molested. Many nights it was different.

Loud talking, drunken staggering

men, saloons were beehives of activity with drinking and gambling going on, and not too infrequently fist fights would provide entertainment to onlookers. All in all, peace officers were usually successful in keeping activities within bounds.

One day, Carrie Nation of hatchet fame was to visit Texico and lecture. The cab driver, before the train came in, was bragging to his

hearers that he was not going to let Carrie knock a cigaret out of his mouth as she had been noted to do elsewhere. Plenty were at the train when Carrie got off, walked to the cab, asked the caddy to drive her to destination, and quicker than the eye his cigaret went flying through the air.

November 1907, a big snow storm came and citizens began to worry about not having much coal on hand. They wired Santa Fe R.R. headquarters to send coal. A freight stopped on its way west, and several noted some cars of coal, tried to chain one car to track but engineer pulled out without completing switching duties. By using scrap wood and such until the blizzard passed, no one suffered much from cold. From then on, coal dealers stocked up on sufficient fuel through the winter.

Before settlers plowed up a lot of the land, grass was plenty good and high, during the winter season many grass fires put on a big show and sometimes endangered property. Everyone turned out to check the blazes before they spread to the whole country.

The Santa Fe had a line from

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Tribune survives 1913 fire

years later another fire succeeded in destroying the building and with it all the Tribune copies.

Fears sold the Tribune to the Autrey brothers in 1922 and the paper was then housed in the Haynes Grocery Building on Second Street. The Autrys sold it in 1923 to R.B. Boyle, who sold it in 1924 to Stanley Sigier.

In 1926 the Tribune was purchased by W. H. "Hop" Graham, Sr., who with his family ran the weekly publication for nearly 40 years.

A move to the current location on Third Street became necessary when a new linotype machine, the first in Parmer County, was purchased and the floor in the Haynes Building would not support the heavy machine.

W. H. Graham, Jr. took over the Tribune in 1953 shortly before his father died, and not too many years later the old flatbed press was laid to rest and for a few years the paper was printed by an offset plant at Friona, and has for many years now

been printed at a central plant in Hereford.

John and Joann Getz came to work for the Grahams in 1951. When the Grahams moved to Lovington, N. M., in 1965, John and Joann leased the Tribune from them and purchased the paper in 1968.

After running the Tribune for 20 years, the Getzes sold it to Mike and Judy Pomper, the current owners, in 1984.

Antelope were numerous

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Amarillo to Roswell, then built a line west toward Belen out of Texico. The company started a town known as Riley Switch 10 miles west of Texico. The promoters of same let it be known that they intended to make the new town (which they called Clovis) the division point.

We Texico and Farwell people scoffed at the idea. We lost. They took up the track toward Portales and connected Portales with Clovis, made Clovis a division point, and that new town continued to grow to the present time. Texico began to dwindle.

During the years we were in the Twin-Cities, The Capitol Land Co., with Judge J.D. Hamlin as resident manager, brought buyers from the east, sold them Texas land that now is proving to be the best in Texas. Train loads of possible customers would be unloaded and taken by autos east through Lamb and Bailey counties - many of them buying land and later improving same. It was my pleasure to be with Judge Hamlin on many occasions. He was one of the finest and most competent gentlemen to ever set foot on Texas Plains soil.

There were no roads suitable for auto travel to the east of Farwell, until Capitol Land Co. had two flat-braking plows connected auto wheel width apart and plowed out shallow furrows for autos to follow.

During those days that part of West Texas was unsettled, except for a few ranches. Antelope were numerous. Sometimes hundreds could be seen in one herd.

While working for the Texico Trumpet in 1908, I had a hair-raising experience. Wife and baby were visiting her parents, and I stayed in town instead of going to and from our claim, and the evenings were spent in the Trumpet office reading and writing.

Before that week a gambler and bawdy house keeper had married a preacher's daughter in Texas, brought her to Texico, and placed her in a two-story rooming house directly across the street from the Trumpet office. After some days there, it turned out that he had tried to get his bride to be the bawdy house madam, to which she refused. One day we in the office heard a scream, rushed to the door in time

to see her stagger and fall on the second story porch of the rooming house. The poor girl had taken poison and died immediately.

Erroy P. Loomis was our managing editor and R.D. Edgell city editor. One or the other editorially lambasted the husband for the next two or three days. The husband sent word he would kill whoever wrote the editorials. Edgell waited at the Trumpet office several nights hoping the gambler-bawdy house keeper would show up, but he didn't.

It was just after this that I stayed in town a few nights, and the gambler showed up as I was sitting by the coal stove reading.

"Where is the man who wrote about me?" were his greeting words as he entered the front door.

"He is not in town," I replied. "You'll do" he said, reaching for his hip pocket with one hand and knocking me out of the chair with the other hand.

"This is it. I am a goner," was my instant thought. My hand had fallen on an iron rod which we used for a stove poker.

I came up with the rod swinging

as he was getting his gun pointed. The rod cracked his wrist bone, causing him to drop the gun, and as he staggered back, he brought out a gun from his other pocket with his other hand. I threw the poker at him and ran into him with all my might as he fired, the bullet missing my head.

Facing death and realizing same, must have given me additional strength, for we went to the floor and twice more he would try to get the gun pointed at my head and twice I would divert the bullets and they entered the floor by the side of my head. I weighed about 120 pounds. He weighed around 190 pounds.

Hearing people coming to the door, he jerked loose and ran out the back. It was afternoon of the next day that a posse found him at the Halsell Ranch some 25 miles east of Farwell, brought him to Texico, and it was then that I learned of his broken arm.

He spent six months in the Portales jail and then his trial came up. His father was a district judge in Texas who defended his son. Instead

of finishing the trial the court and defense came to an agreement. The father agreed to pay a \$1,000 fine, take the son home with him and be responsible for all his future actions. The last report I heard about the son was that he was a lieutenant in Villa's army in Mexico.

Immediately after the fight the whole town formed posses and searched until after midnight for the would-be assassin. The president of the First National Bank of Texico led one of the posses and carried a hang rope. It seems the gunman had gone into a Chinese laundry in a dugout not far from the Trumpet office, and when things quieted down, walked the rest of the night and next afternoon to reach the Halsell ranch where he was captured.

Another sidelight to the story: During that 25-mile walk the broken arm caused a lot of suffering, and fever caused him to get thirsty. Passing a field a few miles from Farwell he saw a jug by a fence post. He swallowed quite a bit before he could stop. It turned out to be lubricating oil.



The Cannon Ball Motor Co., Texico [Joel White collection]

Cory Penn fire recalled

[This article is reprinted from 1964]

After 20 years of service in the fire departments of the Twin Cities, Otis Huggins is retiring.

Huggins joined the Texico-Farwell fire department in October of 1944 and was elected secretary under Chief A. C. Green in 1945. He served in that capacity until October of 1956 when Farwell organized a department, the first for the Texas twin city.

Huggins was appointed chief of the Farwell department by the City Commission and has served in that capacity since that time. He is a holder of a lifetime membership in the New Mexico State Fireman's Association. He has maintained his membership in the Texico department as well as the Farwell organization.

Recalling some exciting times with the fire departments, Huggins cites the Cory Penn Station fire in 1959 as probably the most dangerous fire in the past 20 years. A workman was pumping gas into the storage tank at the station, when a fuel overflow and a spark combined to engulf the area in flames.

It was Thanksgiving, and many motorists were on the main traveled road going by the station located in the heart of the Twin Cities.

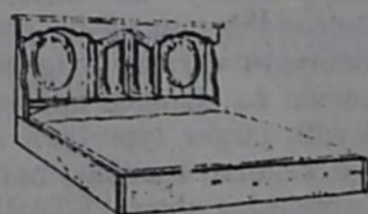
A passerby drove the truck from the area, but the lines were still attached to the tank. The lines were pulled off and spewed gas into the flames.

Firemen were worried about explosion of the tank because of the open valve. As Mitz Walling and Stanton Thigpen held the fire hose and spewed a blanket of mist directly at the base of the flames, Huggins moved to shut off the valve and the fire was extinguished a short time later. "We were scared of a flashback, but I trusted Mitz and Stan and I knew what to expect from them" was the comment of Huggins after the excitement had subsided.

With a milling crowd and electrical hot wires near the scene, firemen were thankful no spectators were injured.

Another well-remembered fire was the night the Bovina Schools burned and all units in the county were called to help fight the blaze.

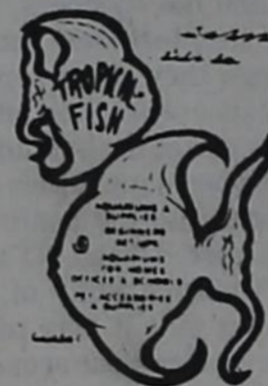
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Hassell: It seems like a dream to me now

(Editor's note: The Tribune has received permission from the Amarillo newspaper to reprint this four-part series on Parmer County's most infamous tragedy.)

By the time the Whittier victims were found, Hassell was on death row at Huntsville.

"It all seems like a dream to me now," he told a reporter. "But I know it's not a dream, that I am going through that door in a few weeks." As he indicated the neighboring chamber in which the electric chair was housed, a technician went inside. "If you see any spooks in there, tell them I'll soon be with them," Hassell called out. He scoffed at the idea of an insanity plea. "I don't think there's anything to it. I was never sick in my life, never had a serious injury, and neither of my parents were crazy. I'm not afraid to die. I could take a seat in there now as easily as sitting down in a barber chair."

Although the governor denied clemency and Hassell made no move to make a last-minute appeal, he was not destined to keep his first appointment in the death chamber. An insanity plea, filed by his sister from Crockett, brought about a stay of execution on Feb. 21. Further legal complications kept Hassell from taking that last walk for nearly a year.

Judge Reese Tatum was scheduled to pronounce the final sentence at Farwell on Jan. 9, 1928, but Sheriff J.H. Martin delayed bringing the prisoner to court until an escort of Texas Rangers arrived. "I'm not expecting any trouble but I'm not taking any chances, either," Martin said. "Governor Dan Moody assured me immediately after the death sentence was affirmed by the higher court the state would furnish ranger protection when the case came up in Farwell again and I am going to take advantage of his offer."

Attorney Russell stated that no move would be made to enter a plea of insanity at the hearing, adding, "I have no desire to see the prisoner again."

On the following day, State Rangers Moore and Purvis arrived and Hassell was brought before Judge Tatum. Asked if he had anything to say as to why sentence should not be passed against him, Hassell merely made a polite request that his watch, ring and clothes be returned to him. The

judge delivered the the sentence of death and set the date of Friday, Feb. 10.

"Thank you, your honor," Hassell responded, smiling. He was returned immediately to the Plainview jail.

His carefree attitude and indifference to his impending fate persisted. Numerous visitors came to the jail to have a look at him as he weaved small table doilies, which he sold to visitors. He also read frequently from his Bible.

After 10 days, Hassell was driven to Huntsville by Sheriff Martin and Deputy P.D. Marsfelder. He seemed in high spirits as he returned to death row, clasping the hands of the other inmates and saying he was glad to be back.

There was no change in his calm demeanor as the appointed day approached. He continued to eat heartily. His lack of concern was not shared by Governor Moody.

Early in February, Moody sent Dr. W.J. Johnson, superintendent of the State Mental Hospital at San Antonio and Dr. C.K. Standefer, head of the State Hospital at Austin, to examine the prisoner. A sanity test was held in the cell on Feb. 7. The alienists returned to Austin with the report that Hassell "had knowledge of the nature, quality and wrongfulness of his acts and we do not believe these acts were uncontrollable. He has very little education, but is with a general intelligence commensurate with his environment. He cannot definitely be declared insane, feeble-minded or epileptic."

Hassell's neighbors on death row became visibly depressed when

they learned that Moody would not intervene. They had come to depend upon his unfailing cheerfulness. As the hour of execution drew near, Hassell joked with Robert Lee Benton, of Crosbyton, who was scheduled to die on the same night, as to which of them would go first. A guard asked Hassell what he could do to make the last hours pleasant.

"The last 12 months have been the happiest of my life," Hassell told him. He paused as though to sort out the reason. "I've had plenty to eat and nobody to bother me." Asked if he wanted religious solace, he shook his head. "I've read my Bible and I find that I have committed one of the worst sins."

Warden Speer, who visited Hassell often, said, "He seems a curious mixture of a man without hope and yet not dejected - he merely unruffled." Speer asked Hassell what he would like for his last meal.

"I wouldn't think of putting you to the trouble of making extra preparations for me," was the reply. "The regular meals have been fine." Supper consisted of bacon, fried potatoes, stewed prunes, baked beans, coffee, milk and toast. It was eaten with enthusiasm.

The prison physician, Dr. E.L. Angier, searching for a key to Hassell's mind, asked after supper why Hassell decided to kill his wife. "I saw the hammer on the floor beside the bed," Hassell said. "I grabbed it, struck her on the head twice. I don't know what came over me. I wish somebody would tell me why I did it."

Just after midnight Friday, Feb. 10, Hassell emerged from his cell and walked to the execution chamber. His cousin accompanied him

part of the way his two sisters remained at a hotel in town, praying. As he approached the chair he swayed a little, then suddenly faced around.

The 25 witnesses waited breathlessly, believing that at last they might hear an explanation of this man who killed without emotion and whose happiest hours were spent in the shadow of death.

"I'd like to announce to the world that I am ready to meet my God," Hassell said, clasping his hands. "I have made my confession to God and man. Man has misunderstood some of it, but God has not. That is all."

He seated himself, becoming the 37th official occupant of this particular chair in its seven-year history. He was strapped down and a hood was placed over his shaven head. Warden Speer stepped behind a

shielding partition and, at 12:23, closed the switch that sent the first of three shocks through the body. The only part of the face that showed, the nose, reddened with each charge. The hood was removed, revealing a scarlet ring around the shaven head.

Eight minutes passed before the doctor concluded his examination and pronounced Hassell dead. Hassell left behind many questions, but carried the answers to his grave.

Since this series started, we have received a call from Maudie Johnston, 1000 Bagarry, sister of George Hassell's murdered wife. She says that Hassell was a very hard worker and treated his family with kindness during the early months of the marriage, but tended to fly into uncontrollable rages. Many felt that he worked the children too hard. At

one time, during a family religious discussion, he became angry and began shaking with rage. "Do you really believe that when that child dies" -he indicated one of his wife's sons - "he will go straight to Heaven?" Mrs. Johnston replied that she did. "Then maybe we should kill all the children and send them to Heaven right now," he replied. She also noted that the newspapers erroneously referred to Mrs. Hassell as Maud, but Susan was really her name.

Another interesting call was received from a lady living in Panhandle who, at the time of the murders, was Hassell's nearest neighbor. Several days after the murder, she says, Hassell asked her father to go hunting with him. "But don't bring a gun, just the dogs," Hassell insisted. The neighbor became suspicious and declined to go.

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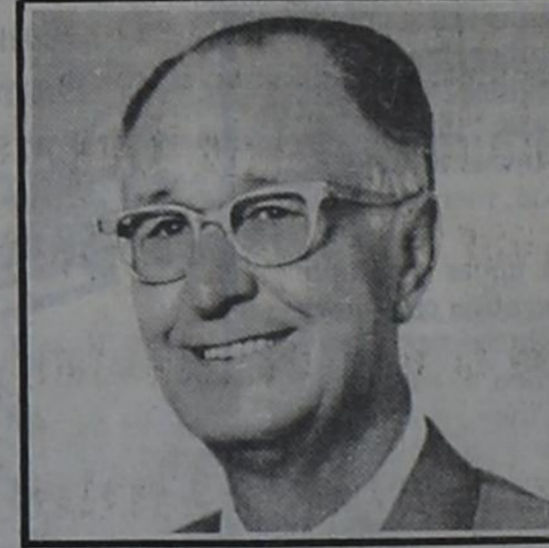
The cast includes Georgia Tharp, Larry Null, Robi Stephenson, Mike Popescu, Bob Lockwood, Kris Wilson, Greg Sambrano, Steve Todd, Theda Cobb, Harold Witt, Fred Schumpert, Terry Popescu, Street Ellis and Lizzette Scinski. Mike Popescu is director.



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Houston elected first president of Republic

1836: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5. General Sam Houston was today elected the first constitutional President of the Republic of Texas by an overwhelming majority. Out of a total of 5,704 votes cast, he received 4,374 against former Governor Henry Smith, 743 votes, and General Stephen F. Austin, 587 votes. For Vice President, General Mirabeau B. Lamar, who ran unopposed after the withdrawal of General Thomas J. Rusk, received 2,699 votes.

In accordance with the Texas Constitution, which was unanimously ratified in today's election, General Houston will serve for two years, and will not be eligible for re-election. Succeeding Presidents will serve three-year terms.

The matter of annexation to the United States was also placed on the ballot by ad interim President David G. Burnet. It carried almost unanimously, with only 91 votes against.

In addition to President and Vice President, today's election was also for members of the First Congress of the Republic, consisting of 31 Representatives and 13 Senators.

Texas has an Anglo-American population of approximately 30,000, according to a report by Henry M. Morfit, President Jackson's agent to Texas, submitted this week to U.S. Secretary of State John Forsyth. Morfit estimates that there are 3,470 Mexicans in Texas, of which 2,000 are located in San Antonio de Bexar, 800 in Nacogdoches, 500 in La Bahia (Goliad), 120 in Victoria and 50 in San Patricio.

He also lists 5,000 Negroes, and 14,200 Indians, of which some 8,000 are in the "civilized tribes" of the Cherokees, Kickapooes, Choctaws, Chickasaws, Potawatamies, Delawares and Shawnees. Of the remainder, he estimates 2,000 Comanches, 900 Lipans, 800 Tonka-

Texico's been in 3 counties

By Don McAlvy

Poor Texico. It has definitely had its ups and downs! Although Texico has the distinction of being the first, therefore the oldest, town in present Curry County - founded in 1902 - it could rightfully claim the title of "hard luck city".

Texico was actually born in Guadalupe County, then in 1903 became part of Roosevelt County and not until 1909 did it become permanently situated in Curry County. As a young town it sure got a roughing.

On the New Mexico side of the state line, where the Pecos Valley & North Eastern Railroad (called the "Peevine") crossed into Texas, Aaron Ragsdale platted a townsite on his 80 acres. Well, it wasn't quite his, he was a squatter, like a lot of other folks. That, I guess, was when Texico experienced its first troubles.

It was located on an unsurveyed strip of government land. This two-and-a-half mile strip was inaccurately surveyed when the state of Texas, in the mid-1880's, gave to the builders of the state capitol building the three million acre tract which was to become the famous XIT Ranch.

Until the strip was properly surveyed in about 1907 the sellers of the town lots were rather frustrated. The late "Judge" James D. Hamlin, who had come in and "purchased" Ragsdale Texico townsite said he never did get a good, merchantable title to the land.

He sold the lots under a simple contract in consideration of a down payment of \$5, with the remainder usually \$95, due when a deed could be made good by the government.

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was, 500 Caddoes, 400 Wacos, 350 Cooshatties, 250 Alabamas and 200 Twowokanias, plus some 800 scattered in small bands.

1838: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3. General Mirabeau B. Lamar was today elected President of the Republic of Texas by a landslide vote of 6,995, with only 252 for his opponent Robert Wilson, an old settler without political connections. General Thomas J. Rusk had been urged to run against General Lamar but declined, stating that he was "in pecuniary embarrassments," with a large family "solely dependent on my exertions for support." He also said he wanted to "avoid the turmoil and confusion consequent upon the holding of office," and that in any event, he would not reach the required constitutional age of 35 until December 5 after the election.

The Houston party had selected Colonel Peter W. Grayson to oppose General Lamar. After Grayson's suicide on July 9, they selected Colonel James Collingsworth as their candidate. He also committed suicide on July 21, leaving them without a candidate.

In the race for Vice President, former ad interim President David G. Burnet was elected with 3,952 votes, with 1,971 for A.C. Horton, Senator from Matagorda, and 1,215 for Dr. Joseph Rowe, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

General Lamar, who reached the age of 40 last August 16, was born in Jefferson County, Georgia, and still maintains connections there. He served as private secretary to

Georgia's Governor George M. Troup, and was urged to run for Congress from Georgia by the Caucus Party. He withdrew his candidacy when he found that the party wished to "dictate his course."

During the presidential race the charge was made that he did not meet the constitutional requirement that the President must have been a citizen at the time of the adoption of the Constitution or for at least three years preceding election. In a lengthy rebuttal issued last June 16, he pointed out that he had arrived in Nacogdoches in July, 1835, "proceeded thence to Coles' Settlement, where I made known to many gentlemen of the first standing in the community my determination to become a citizen of Texas; and in accordance with this determination I paid Captain Chrisman, a lawful surveyor of the Colony, a fee of \$40 or \$50 to run me off my headright lands, his receipt for which I hold at the present moment."

He then went to Washington-on-the-Brazos and San Felipe, where he was told by Colonel Stephen F. Austin that he could go to Georgia to conduct personal affairs and return to Texas without forfeiting any citizenship rights. He was gone only a few weeks, hurrying back to Texas when he received news of the Santa Anna invasion.

"I landed at Veslaco about the date of the massacre at Goliad," his statement continued. "All was panic and confusion. The enemy was said to be close upon us. Unable to procure a horse, I started for our army on foot; and as a private soldier joined the ranks of the

gallant few who were still holding out the banner of defiance to the foe. The Battle of San Jacinto was fought, and the country saved. I was very soon after this battle invited into the Cabinet of the President, first as Attorney General, and then as Secretary of War." He says that he was then "called by my brave and confiding fellow-citizens" to the office of Vice President of the Republic, "which I now have the honor to hold."

1841: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6. General Sam Houston was today reelected to the Presidency of the Republic of Texas after a three-year absence. He received 7,915 votes vs. 3,616 for David G. Burnet, the present Vice President. General Edward Burleson was elected Vice President by 6,141 votes, with 4,336 for General Memucan Hunt. General Burleson has commanded the Texas militia, and is famed as an Indian fighter.

The election of Houston is seen as a repudiation of the expansionist policies of President Mirabeau B. Lamar, whose concern has seemed to be more with long-term goals of the distant future rather than with problems of the present. His large-scale expenditures have created a financial burden on the Republic, with a national debt so enormous that its total is unknown, variously estimated from \$7 to \$12 million.

The campaigns of Houston and Burnet have been extremely bitter, with much personal invective. In general, West Texas has favored Burnet as being more sensitive to their problems, while East Texas favored Houston, except in Nacogdoches, where his lenient Indian policy is a matter of concern.

A major charge against Houston has been his drunkenness. At the close of his last administration, Congress for a time refused to permit him to address them in person, demanding all business in writing. The same charge has been leveled against Burnet, who has been accused of presiding over the Senate in a drunken stupor. However, the sentiment of most citizens

was voiced by a prominent Texas businessman, James Morgan of Morgan's Point, when he said: "Old Sam H. with all his faults appears to be the only man for Texas. He is still unsteady, intemperate, but drunk in a ditch is worth a thousand of Lamar and Burnet."

1844: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2. Dr. Anson Jones was today elected President of the Republic of Texas with 7,030 votes, against 5,668 for General Edward Burleson. Colonel K.L. Anderson was elected Vice President with only nominal opposition.

Both Dr. Jones and General Burleson are in the present Houston administration, the former as Secretary of State and the latter as Vice President. Dr. Jones is a long-time Texian, having first arrived in October, 1833. Now aged 46, he was born and educated in New England, and became a physician after serving the usual apprenticeship. He was not successful in that profession at first, and moved to New Orleans for a few months before coming to Texas.

He served in the Texas army, first as a private, and in the Battle of San Jacinto as Surgeon to the Second Regiment, although he insisted on retaining his rank of private. After-

wards he was appointed Apothecary General by ad interim President David G. Burnet, and he has been prominent in Texas affairs ever since. He was in the first Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas, and a founder and Third Vice President of the Philosophical Society of Texas. He served as President Houston's Minister to Washington in his first administration, after having been elected Representative from Brazoria in the Second Congress. He was elected Representative from Brazoria in the Second Congress. He was elected Senator to the Third, Fourth and Fifth Congresses.

The main focus of President-elect Jones' administration is expected to be annexation to the United States. It has dominated President Houston's administration during the past year, and Dr. Jones, as Secretary of State, has been a major participant. Whether he is personally for or against annexation is not definitely known, and was not a campaign issue. When serving as Minister to Washington, he formally withdrew Texas' application for annexation, per instructions from President Houston. The situation has changed greatly in the past few years, and Jones' current stance is a matter of considerable debate.

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The Great April Fool's Day Caper

In 1921 the little schools of Sunnyside and Knox were consolidated and formed the district of Oklahoma. The newly consolidated school was never commonly called by its official name but was referred to as "Oklahoma Lane." Even the athletic jerseys had "Oklahoma Lane" emblazoned on the front.

The 1921 school facilities were a hodge-podge of small buildings consisting of the old Knox and Sunnyside schools and a box car donated by R.G. Hammonds. Pearl A. Lee was the superintendent.

To transport the children to school, the board purchased three Model T trucks and used wagon bows and canvas for covers. Wooden benches extended on each side the length of the beds and the oldest boy usually sat by the driver to pen gates.

Lester Norton was one of the first high school students at the new consolidated school. In 1922 he and two other students, Sonny Bryant and Owen Robertson, were hired to drive the buses. The jobs paid \$40 per month but each driver was expected to not only drive, but to be responsible for the maintenance of his bus. This method of operation proved to be a headache for the school board. Buses refused to start on cold mornings and break downs were frequent.

During the summer of 1923, Lester was summoned to meet with the board. Their offer to him was a surprise. For nothing down he could have the 3 buses and the contract for hauling school children. As he was only 19, he had to get his father, C.C. Norton, to sign his note for \$250 at the Security State Bank of Farwell. The money was used for repairs on



This photo of a 1926 class at Oklahoma School was contributed by Harold Carpenter. Back row: Lena Hurst, Geneva Hanna, Frankie Gober, Dolly Hammonds, Wanna Levy, unidentified, teacher Beth Fowler. Middle row: Carl

the buses.

Before school started in 1923 he put them to work hauling caliche from the pit north of Texico, constructing the old highway to Clovis. This job started a pattern that would be followed for years. Every summer the canvas covers and seats were removed, grain beds installed and the trucks utilized in wheat harvest. Wheat was trucked from as far away as Grady, N.M.

He built a bus barn south of the new tile school building. The front of the building was a combination office and store. School supplies, soft drinks, a stalk of bananas and staple groceries could be purchased

Wagner, Doyn Merriman, unidentified, Junior Caldwell, Webb Gober, Jim Sullinger, Ken Grissom, unidentified. Front row: Guy Tandy, Walter Thompson, unidentified, a boy named Hooper, Lonnie Roberts and Dana Jenkins.

there. A small lean-to on the south was bachelor quarters.

The building was a hang-out for high school boys. Leisure time was spent in the garage portion of the building and many friendly boxing and wrestling matches were enjoyed. Dominoes were shuffled by the more conservative crowd in the store portion. Sipping Ne-hi's and munching bananas were considered the in-things of the times.

In 1928 the bus fleet had grown to five. Lester received \$85 per month for each bus and his contract for that year specified that trucks would be operated in a careful manner and not to exceed 20 miles

per hour. Trucks must be comfortably enclosed, as rain proof as possible, in first class mechanical condition and equipped with reasonably good tires.

On cold mornings the drivers had to jack up a rear wheel to crank the motors. This was the year that Ernest Hromas built the first wooden beds with glass windows.

A new 1931 Chevrolet will always be remembered. It was bright green and was always referred to as "the old green bus." One of the most diabolical forms of torture ever devised by man was installed down its center. It was called the stride seat. Never was a contraction more hated. It consisted of an eight-inch board, lightly padded running the length of the bus. Only boys rode the stride seat and they had to be forced to.

Many is the man who remembers arriving at school sore and aching after a lengthy ride over rough dirt roads fighting to keep balanced on the stride seat. No wonder it was always called the "strife" seat. Girls were comparatively comfortable on the seats along the sides facing inward.

We can't leave out the account of the Great April Foods Day Caper of the early '30's. On the afternoon before, Lester visited every bus, telling the children to bring their lunch as usual and not tell any teacher and that something great was going to happen.

Buses ran as usual on April Foods Day. But none stopped at the school. Instead, the day was spent in the sand hills south of Lariat and a good time was had by all. The school board later voted to deduct one day's pay from Lester's contract. After the first shock wore off they grinned and told him "April Fool." Everybody laughed, Lester was paid for the day and the matter was dropped.

By this time the wheat harvest venture had been abandoned because the newer type bodies were too hard to remove. Instead, they were chartered for senior trips, church groups, even a trip to the Texas Centennial in 1936.

During the school year of 1939 the entire fleet was sold to Charlie Summers. Lester never had liability insurance and only once had to make restitution for damages. That incident occurred during a rainy spell and a farmer's car was damaged to the extent of \$10.

Gasoline was stored, unlocked on the premises. None was ever stolen. Good bus drivers were available for from \$10 to \$25 per month. Some of the drivers were Ches Fowler, Ken-

neth Grissom, Bowden McGuire, Mary Alice Cochran, Jenny Bolton, Art Figer, Bob and Horace Hammonds, the Caldwell boys and Bill and Earl Hanna.

Lester married Lovyca Sheets in 1930. Their first home was the bachelor quarters attached to the bus barn. They had three children, Alta, Gerald and Darrell. Lovyca died in July, 1935. By this time Lester's operations had expanded to farming and the bus contract at Texico. Rent houses in both Texico and Farwell were another enterprise.

Lester and Francis Carpenter were married March 7, 1937. Their children are Jimmy, Wilma, Charles Wade, and David. Jimmy

was killed in a plane crash in January, 1967. Charles Wade is a football coach at Artesia, N.M. Wilma married Leon Jamison, a contractor at Marble Falls. All the other children are engaged in farming in the Texico-Farwell area. Alta is Mrs. Herman Gerles.

The Nortons have 15 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. Now retired, they spend much of their time fishing, overseeing the farm, and caring for grandchildren. They are both active in the primitive Baptist Church in Clovis.

For 37 years they had children in either the Oklahoma Lane or Farwell schools. Alta began school at Oklahoma Lane in 1937 and David graduated in 1973.

How Oklahoma Lane got its name

BY HAROLD CARPENTER

Everyone asks the question, "How did a small community located in the southwest section of Parmer County get the improbable name of Oklahoma Lane?"

Well, I'll tell you. In 1916, when the Chicago-based Syndicate decided to start selling this virgin pasture, land agents fanned out in every direction - mainly toward Oklahoma. Seven families, all from Oklahoma, settled beside a stretch of road almost directly east of Farwell. The road wasn't even graded, just two ruts beat out by wagons and Model T's. The little settlement only extended about five miles and the original seven families and the location of their residences are as follows:

The first house traveling east from the underpass was on the south side of the road: The Charlotte Fowler's, a widow with seven small

children. The second house was at the present crossroads on the north side of the road, Maude and Sherman (Shake) Wood. The third house was father east on the north side of the road occupied by the Jim Harts. This is the present Foster place. The fourth house on the south side of the road was constructed by Frank Ayres.

The fifth house, also on the south side of the road, was occupied by Frank's father, Joe (Grandpaw) Ayres. The sixth house, located on the north side of the road belonged to Clarence Givins. This house was later moved to Farwell and is currently occupied by Fred Gerles.

The seventh and last house was located on the south side of the road. This is where Will Bryant lived. It is presently known as the Bolton place.

As there was only a pair of ruts leading east from the underpass and

as all of the seven families living on the road had originated in Oklahoma, people in Farwell picked up the express "Oklahoma Lane."

This name endured through the years and has applied not only to the original lane but to the school, churches, community center and general area. In subsequent years, the lane was first graded, then calichied, then paved and extended eastward through Hart and Kress - all the way to Quitaque. It is known as FM 145.

And that brings up a question, "How long is the Oklahoma Lane?" Anyhow, that's how it got its name. Vashti Fowler, daughter of Charlotte Fowler is the only resident left who lives at the same location.

Do you remember "The Corral"?

Remember "The Corral"? It was the student newspaper at Oklahoma School. And here are some of the highlights from the Jan. 17, 1927, issue:

Jennie Bolton was editor. Others helping were Ewing Caldwell, Earl Hanna, Verda Hanna, Benna Jenkins and Georgia Bolton.


There were ads in the newspaper from Everybody's Store, Jackman's, Kemp Lumber, Bovina Filling Station, Fox Drugs, Halls' Grocery, City Drug, Lynn & Raybourne, Oklahoma Filling Station, Lariat Cash Grocery, D. C. E. Worrell,

Southwestern Drugs, Triplett Bros and Barry Hardware.

Some social notes were: "Mrs. Rosa Nix had a party where the young people played games while the old people played "42".

Rev. W. B. Gillam preached a good sermon after Sunday School. Ruth Owens is attending college at Abilene.

Attending the singing at the school house Sunday night were visitors from Farwell and Bovina, such as Mr. and Mr. Joe Head, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Martin.



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Law and order come to Texico

By Don McAlavy

In 1907, two years before Curry County was created, Texico, then in Roosevelt County, was a rowdy town, dominated by a more or less lawless element, with frequent brawls, fights, and knifings.

The honorable men in Texico met and made a plea to the sheriff of Roosevelt County in Portales, Joe Lang, to have Will Tipton, the Portales constable, relieved of his work there and appointed deputy sheriff at Texico. This Sheriff Lang did.

Will Tipton found Texico to have a total of twenty businesses, thirteen of which were saloons and gambling houses. But Will Tipton came to restore law and order. He was six feet tall, weighed more than two hundred pounds, and he was just as tough as he was big. Part of his strength can be attributed to the fact that he was by trade a blacksmith.

For several months he worked successfully at the taming of all the would-be wild boys. He removed the



Floodwaters in Texico in 1909 (Courtesy of Clark-White)

pimps off the streets, and put the girls and women out of the saloons and into the red light district. Respected and feared, Will Tipton met his hardships as they came, but he respected and feared no bad man.

Then on Thursday, April 25, 1907, Byron B. Parrish, a Portales, con-

stable, came into Texico, armed. He had just returned from Melrose after a fruitless search for a horse thief. There are several versions of what took place. One is that Tipton met Parrish on the streets of Texico and demanded Parrish to put up his gun. (One person said that a feud

existed between the two). Following some abusive language the two men went into the White House saloon and Tipton demanded that Parrish pass his gun up to be delivered to the bartender. One report told that Parrish was jealous of Tipton's popularity in Texico and had come to town looking for trouble.

Tipton was in his legal rights, as a town marshal (or in this case, a deputy sheriff) could lawfully carry a gun only in the town where he was employed. This feature of the law was rarely invoked, as it was considered a matter of courtesy for a visiting officer from an outside baliwick to carry his weapon when he was visiting in another town or country. But the bad blood that apparently existed between these two men doubtless caused Tipton to make the demand that Parrish turn his six-shooter in while in Texico.

One authority said that Parrish "was swinging his guns carelessly, then dropping them back into the holsters with belligerence."

"You just give your guns to Jake (Wells, the bartender)," said Tipton with authority.

Parrish drew his gun and apparently made a motion to lay it on the bar, but just before the gun touched the bar, he made a swing with it and struck Tipton across the forehead.

Tipton then grabbed Parrish and the two men grappled with each other. Before anything could be done the bartender reached across the bar and wrenched Parrish's gun away from him. The two men continued to grapple with each other and Tipton's gun was drawn. There are two reports as to how Tipton's gun was drawn; one being that Tipton drew the gun and fired, shooting Parrish in the hand; the other being that Parrish reached around and drew Tipton's gun from the holster.

There were two shots fired. Tipton was shot in the other corner of the left eye and the bullet came out at the back of the head. Parrish was shot in the edge of the left hand, just below his little finger, taking out a piece about as big as a quarter.

The shooting occurred about 10:40 a.m. and Will Tipton lived until just about noon, but was never conscious after he was shot. Parrish gave himself up to the first people who came up and taken in charge by Sheriff Ed Connell, sheriff of Deaf Smith County. Connell, at the re-

quest of Parrish, took him on the train to Hereford at 2:30 p.m. and lodged him in jail in that city.

The murder trial was postponed for almost a year with Parrish having to raise a total of \$18,000 in bond money. Judge Frank W. Parker heard the case in district court in Portales. Great interest had been created and there was deep feelings about the case on both sides. The courtroom was packed (my wife's grandfather, Levi Whiteman, was there).

The trial ended rather abruptly and while the result was what most people expected, the speed of the proceedings was astonishing. The evidence was all in at or about 4 p.m., Saturday and everybody felt sure that the attorneys would con-

sume considerable time in their argument. Such was not the case, however. The attorneys on both sides agreed that the case be submitted without argument. This proposition was agreed to and after the instructions of the court had been read, the jury retired and in just sixteen minutes, returned the verdict of "Not guilty!"

Parrish left Portales less than a month after the trial. It was said that he was arrested somewhere in Texas and thrown in jail. He was apparently killed there by other inmates.

Tipton's name was engraved on the Law Enforcement Memorial in Santa Fe in 1980, a memorial honoring those lawmen killed in action.

Masked men rob bank of \$69

(Editor's note: This article is reprinted from the July 8, 1977, Tribune.)

Tuesday was G.D. "Gabe" Anderson Day at Security State Bank in Farwell as the octogenarian celebrated 50 years of service at the local bank. Staff members presented the Chairman of the Board with bouquets of flowers and well-wishers from the surrounding area dropped in to congratulate Anderson on his golden anniversary in banking. He also received a sheet cake decorated with gold flowers in icing and with the words "Gabe D. Anderson 1927-1977" written in gold icing.

Anderson, who was born and reared in Okolona, Ark., began his career at Security State Bank on July 5, 1927, when he assumed the duties of vice-president. Prior to moving to Farwell the Andersons lived in Deming, N.M., and Friona.

While associated with the Friona bank, the banker recalls being

robbed by two masked men who waved pistols in their faces and made off with the grand sum of \$69. Later according to Anderson, those same two men again robbed the bank for about \$3,000 in cash. "However," says the local man, "they were caught and sent to prison that time."

Anderson said that when the Security State Bank was incorporated in 1925 it was called the Guaranty Bond Bank. He explained that the name was changed in 1926.

Throughout the years, the local bank has been somewhat of a tradition in the Anderson family. Today, Anderson's son Bob and daughter Marilyn Edwards serve as president and vice-president, respectively.

Anderson says the banking business as well as the surrounding area has "changed a great deal in 50 years." At first the old bank was located in what is now the Farwell City Hall. When the present bank building was constructed, the old

bank facilities were donated to the city of Farwell.

The friendly octogenarian described the early days in banking as "rough times" but he said "people were happy and families were drawn closer together by the hard times." The money and assets with which the local bank deals today is many times more than 50 years ago, says the Board chairman.

Throughout the years many people of the area have said that "Gabe Anderson has been good to Farwell." The community-spirited man has always been interested in helping the growth, progress and betterment of the community.

When Anderson arrived in Farwell in 1927, the town had no water system. Anderson and several other businessmen joined together to build a waterworks. He served as president and operated the company for 25 years. The water system then was donated "lock, stock and barrel" to the city.

Anderson has been a member of the Farwell Chamber of Commerce and has held most of the offices of the Chamber. He was honored as the "Man of the Year" in 1972.

Once when Farwell needed a doctor, he partitioned off a part of the bank building for a clinic and attracted a physician to it. In the lean and beginning years, Anderson assisted the doctor in order to keep him in Farwell. That physician, Dr. V. Scott Johnson of Clovis, is still a close friend of Anderson and his family.

Anderson's long career in banking began in 1919, he became a cashier at a bank in Arkansas. Since that time he has "loved every minute of the banking business" and is especially glad to be living in Farwell. "Farwell has been good to me," he says, "and I have loved it here since the very first day."

Phillips gives plaudits

Dear Editor:

As our special Sesquicentennial edition goes to press, I felt it a fitting time to express my appreciation to the people of our community who have helped pay tribute to our state's 150th anniversary.

I especially give plaudits to the members of the Sesquicentennial Committee who have represented our various schools, social, civic and church groups:

Charles Aycock, Mac Bearss, Ricky Bennett, Ruth Ann Bennett, Dolly Bermea, Martin Chandler, Les Dudley, Virgil Fiske, Billie Foster, Jeanine Foster, Sudie Foster, John Getz, John Grigsby, Gladys Hardage, Gloria Hutchins,

David Kube.

Also, Frances Kube, Sherry Montgomery, Hugh Moseley, Pat Owen, Jean Patschke, Liz Phillips, Mike Pomper, Pat Riley, Thomas Spikes, Julia Symcox and Nell Walling.

I would especially like to commend the State Line Tribune for its excellent press coverage and the interest it generated throughout this event.

This has been an exciting year for the state of Texas, and because of the efforts and support of our Farwell citizens, I feel it has been highly successful.

Elizabeth Phillips
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A bit of Western color

BY DAVID A. BERRY

One of the most colorful gentlemen that ever lived in Texico, and Farwell, was Bob Kyker.

He, at the time I first made his acquaintance, owned the local barber shop in Farwell. Someone once asked him if he went to Barber College to learn his trade. His answer to this question went something like this:

"I rode horseback into Texas many sunsets ago. I had a plug of chewing tobacco in one pocket and a pint of whiskey in the other. I tied my pony to the hitching rail in front of one of the saloons, went through the batwing door, and made known to all therein that I was a barber, and when they felt the need for a shave or a shearing to look me up."

He cut the hair of part of some two generations until old age and failing health caused him to fold his towels,

put away his razor, clippers and razor strap. He entered his retirement years leaving behind his legendary stories to be told over and over again.

He told a stranger, whose hair he was cutting, about helping move the Pecos River that flows close by the hamlet of Ft. Sumner. Mr. Bob told this stranger that the original location of the Pecos was some five miles to the west of its present site, but the people in town wanted their water supply closer to hand so he helped a dirt contractor relocate said river. With great haste, the stranger paid his 25 cent debt, and made his way out of town before that crazy barber could start another wild story.

He once said that when he was made they burned the pattern, because the world could not have survived two of him.

When Mr. Bob rode off into the

sunset, Parmer County lost a sizeable portion of its Western color.

David Sides, a teacher, a friend. A man who was very strong on "You do it right or else," but would be the first to tell you when you did do it right. I was very lucky to have had the privilege of being one of his students in typing class and a member of his baseball team. He grew to manhood in our community, a member of the pioneer family of Sides.

Many times I have run back the clock of memories and re-read the happy story of our days at old Oklahoma Lane High School. His beautiful little wife was a daughter of another Parmer County pioneer family by the name of Bates from over Bovina way.

David Sides was a man you told the truth to. He would not settle for a no-truth. This I know for at one time I was confronted with this problem over a food throwing episode in the typing room. I was given the choice of sweeping the typing room for a week, or another punishment that was worse. I chose the first offer.

Another great old-timer, now reaping his reward for many years of toil on earth, was Mr. K.K. Runnels. Not a citizen of Parmer County, but a land owner some 15 miles south and west of the Texas line, in New Mexico.

He came to Texico in the late

1880's or the early 1890's. He established his ranch in what is called the Sand Hills in southeastern Curry County.

He was a well-educated person, well-versed in local and world affairs. He was not liked by what he called "them crooked politicians." He called a spade a spade and if it offended someone that was tough luck for them.

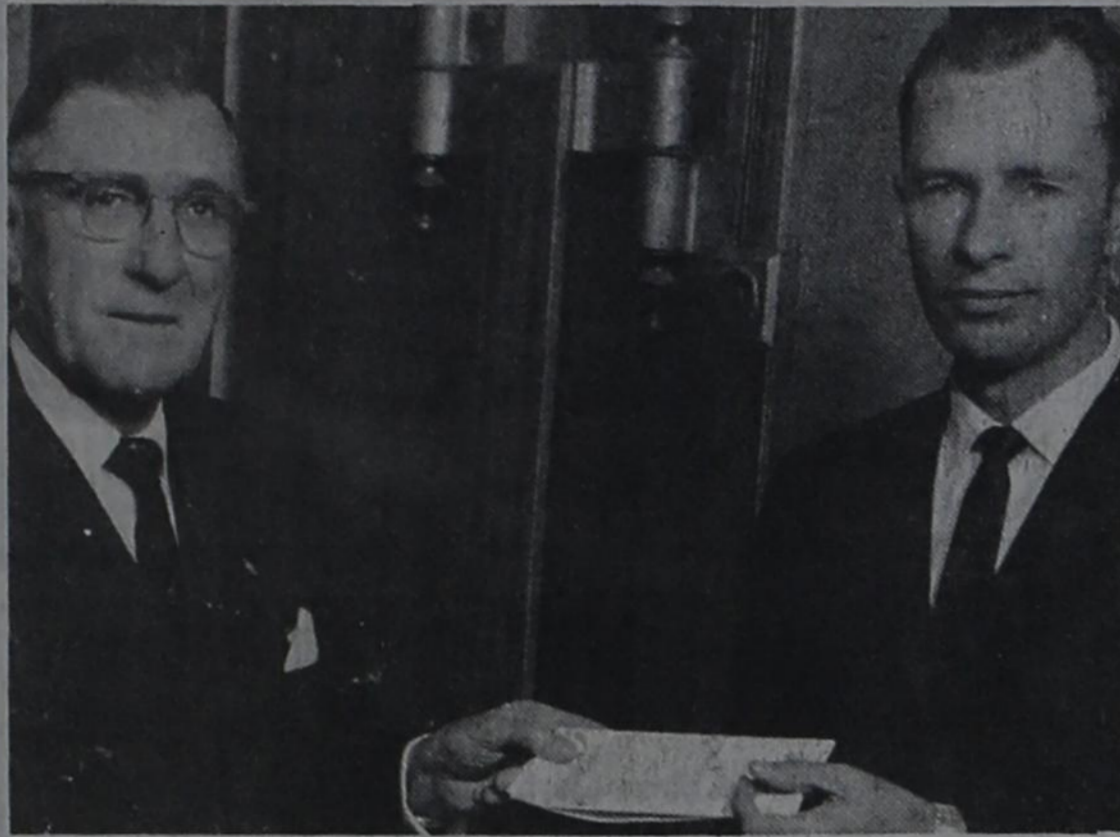
He loved the sweet aroma of the purple sage after a summer rain. He enjoyed his steak cowboy style - rather rare, potatoes with onions, washed down with black coffee boiled in a black tomato can over a cow chip fire.

He was confined to the hospital in Clovis for several weeks in the late 1950's. When the doctors released him he told me he was going to do something his doctors told him he would never be able to do again. "I am going to saddle my horse and ride my ranch again to check it out." He did just this and lived several more years.

He told me that he had his head marker already made to mark his resting place. He made it out of the thick trunk of a large black locust tree that grew to maturity by his ranch house. He wanted to be laid to rest near the old ranch house where he could see the sun rise and set over his beloved Sand Hills, with their covering of purple sage and wild plums.



The new Parmer County Courthouse, 1917.



H.Y. Overstreet delivers a deed from James H. Douglas, Jr., Trustee under the Will of Grace Taylor, deceased, to Hurshel R. Harding, covering 39,233 acres of land out of Capitol League No. 549, Parmer County, being a part of the Original Town of Farwell. This instrument,

dated Jan. 2, 1963, and recorded Jan. 24, 1963, covers the last acreage of the three million acres of land delivered by the State of Texas to the Farwells of Chicago in payment of the State Capitol building at Austin, Texas.

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The XIT stands big in the history of Farwell, as notes Mrs. Jane Overstreet Barclay:

The original spread of 3 million acres was given by the state in 1882 in exchange for the construction of the \$3 million state capitol in Austin. The XIT was the largest fenced ranch in the continental United States and perhaps in the world.

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The Farwells borrowed money in England to develop the ranch. The original ranch covered all or portions of 10 million acres - "XIT" meant "10 in Texas".

In 1885, the first cattle started moving into the XIT pastures from South Texas.

The deed for the final 39 acres was passed to Hurshel Harding of Farwell in 1963. It was for industrial property within the city, lying between two main lines of the Santa Fe.

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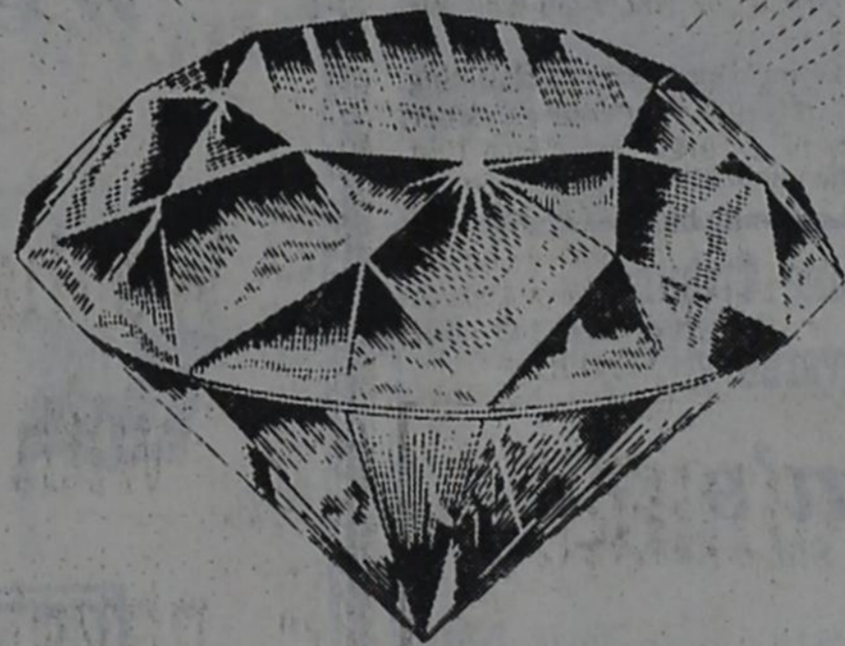
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Charles Lovelace: Parmer's legendary sheriff

(Ed. note: This article is reprinted from 1980.)

Parmer County boasted its own legendary lawman, 32-year veteran Charles Lovelace.

This longtime law professional stepped down from his post as sheriff in 1980, after choosing not to run for re-election.

Lovelace was sworn in as Parmer's Sheriff and County Tax Assessor-Collector in 1948 after an election race against incumbent Earl Booth and candidate Wilfred Quicke.

For the next 28 years, the sheriff was to have no further opposition in his quest to retain the sheriff's badge.

Lovelace said he first ran for the top law post because "I had the urge and I'd been approached by several people to do so." And, he says with a broad grin and a hefty laugh, "I guess I didn't know any better."

The sheriff shakes his head when he says "There's all the difference in the world" between law enforcement in 1948 and present day capabilities.

"I guarantee you it's like darkness to daylight, there were no radios, teletypes or computers. The surveillance stuff we have available now is unbelievable."

Stolen automobiles and missing persons can be located or traced from car to dispatch "within two minutes" on the department's computer system, as compared to hours or days on the 1948 system. "All we could do then was use Western Union in Washington. They would put items in their 'stop' file."

Lovelace says crimes themselves have not changed much since he first took office, but there are a lot more of them. "There's just been a big increase that's all, but not nearly as much as in large counties."

That could be because Parmer's top lawman had a reputation. "I always heard people say that if they were going to commit a crime it wouldn't be in Parmer County because Charlie Lovelace would catch them!" says Frances, his



CHARLES LOVELACE

wife. Things began to change for the Sheriff in 1957. It was at that time that the people of Parmer County voted to separate the jobs of Sheriff and Tax Assessor, leaving Lovelace to do what he loved the best, enforcing the law.

"I'd been up to my ears in taxes. I did car tags too. The law almost didn't pass," he remembers.

It was also in 1957 that a new State law passed which extended a sheriff's term of office from two to four years.

Though firearms are readily available, and always at his finger tips, in all his years with the law, Parmer's sheriff has never worn a gun.

"People don't care about seeing a small town sheriff wagging a big

gun around," he explains, "I've just never needed to carry one on me. If I get into a spot where one is needed I have one available to me." The big grin comes back, "Besides, I've heard of people getting killed with their own gun."

Recalling one of the times he had a gun pulled on him, the veteran lawman breaks into a wide grin and tells the story like this:

"I got a call about a man wandering around an empty field about 10 miles east of Farwell in a rural area. I drove there with my deputy and the farmer that called about the man. The man was by himself in the field and there were no lights. I put my lights on him and pulled up to see him good. Right away we saw the gun aimed at us,

and the farmer immediately crawled under the car!" he says with a laugh, "Believe me I wish I could have too," but I said 'Put up your hands, this is the law...and drop your gun' and he dropped it too! I was sure glad."

At the time, Lovelace wasn't exactly sure how much authority the word law had, but obviously the man with the gun was, and he immediately dropped the gun, which still seems to surprise the sheriff. "I tell you what, that gun looked like a machine gun with a barrel six feet long," he says laughing, "And all it was, was a 22 revolver with an eight inch barrel."

So what was the guy doing out there in the first place? "He was just lumbering around. The guy was polluted...I mean saturated! He was trying to avoid being arrested for DWI."

Parmer's own legend says he's always had good help with his deputies. "Two of my boys retired on me, Henry Minter and Tom Atkins. They were two of my boys that really stayed with me."

Through the years this tall massive man has investigated everything from armed robberies to check forgeries to rape. But his first "case" ever after being sworn in as Parmer's new sheriff was a stolen car belonging to Claude Rose, Sr. Lovelace remembers the case this way:

"It was immediately after I took office. Claude Rose had just bought a new car. I mean he didn't even have the tags on it, they were laying in the back seat. He parked his car at 9 a.m. and found it gone at 11:30 a.m. This was a time when there were no radios, remember? So I called the state office in Amarillo, because State cars had radios, not like they have now, but at least they had radios. All I could give them was a description and a serial number since the tags weren't on the car. It was the only place I had to call, for all I knew the car could be headed for Albuquerque, we had no idea in what direction the car went. Well, within 30 minutes they called me back and said 'We've got your car.' I tell you I felt good. They had also apprehended three subjects and we put those rascals in jail. I felt good that I got Claude's car back to him."

Lovelace has even investigated the breaking and entering of his own brother's home. It seem that thieves entered brother Woodrow's home and stole his clothes, identification and checks, among other things. A

cashier at a local bank remarked to Charlie that the checks were beginning to come in with Woodrow's name on them. "They were all coming in from California recalls the sheriff. We finally got the guys. We weren't the only ones looking for those suckers either."

"Luck and neighbors helping" is what Lovelace says that aids him the most to crack a case. "You just get some good breaks sometimes, and sometimes you don't get any. All of a sudden, everything falls into place."

After 32 years, Lovelace is pretty savvy in predicting the type of

culprit for a particular crime. "You sure can't beat experience for law enforcement," he states with conviction. "No school anywhere can teach experience."

The sheriff lived in Parmer County almost his entire life, moving here from his birthplace in Vernon, Tex., in 1920. He was reared on a farm four miles south of Muleshoe. He and his first wife, Alice, had three sons who all went on to play football for Texas Tech.

Alice died in April 1975, and four years ago he married Frances Treider.

The sheriff died in 1981.

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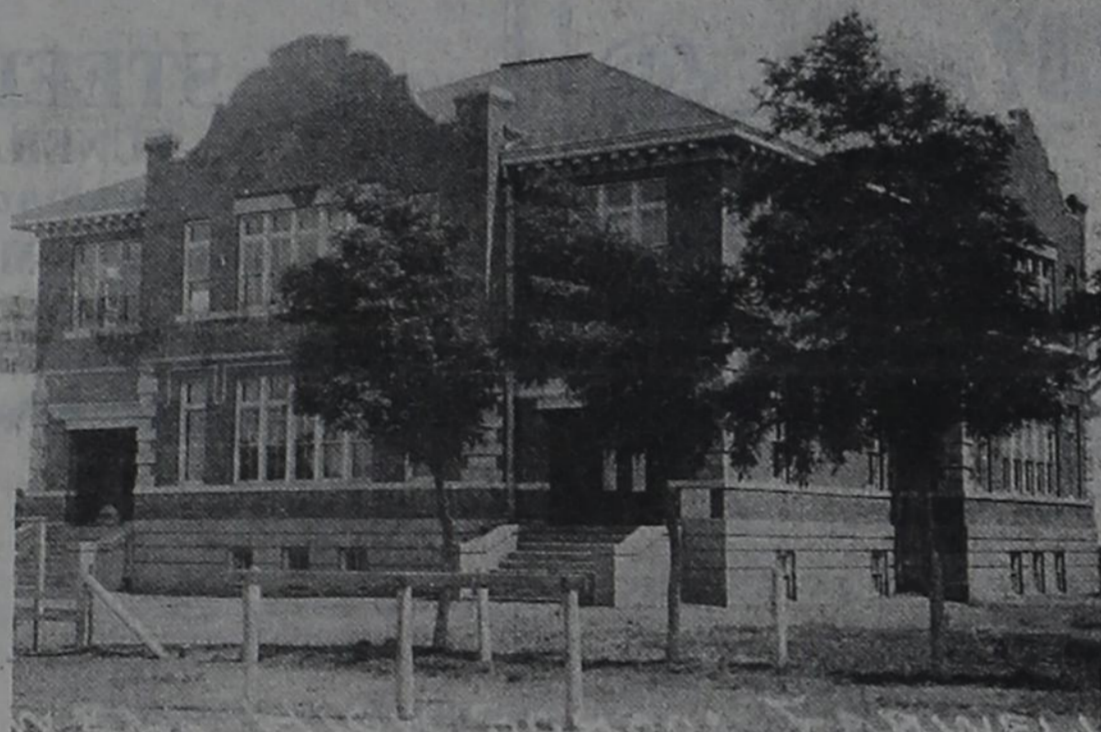
My father, James W. Daniel, was a pioneer farmer-merchant. With his family, he settled on a "claim" 2½ miles southwest of Texico in April, 1906, just south of the John Boss and Tom Randol farms. He followed these two longtime friends to this area.

His first small town store began in 1898 at Eskota, Texas, five miles west of Abilene. Then he was at Palava, east of Sweetwater, Texas, from 1900 to 1906.

He came to Grady, N.M., in 1907 and put together the first building of any kind in the "to be" town. He sold out there in a few months and started the first grocery in Farwell in 1907.

Because of failing health, he sold the Farwell store to B. E. Nobels in 1908. My dad is buried in the cemetery about two miles south of Farwell.

Also, I was a member of the Farwell 1909 football team which included Hamlin Overstreet, Sam Mershfelder, John Younger, Lynn Fertch, Eustace Allen, Horace Nichols, Jeff Thomas and Wellie Younger.



Farwell High School [Joel White collection]

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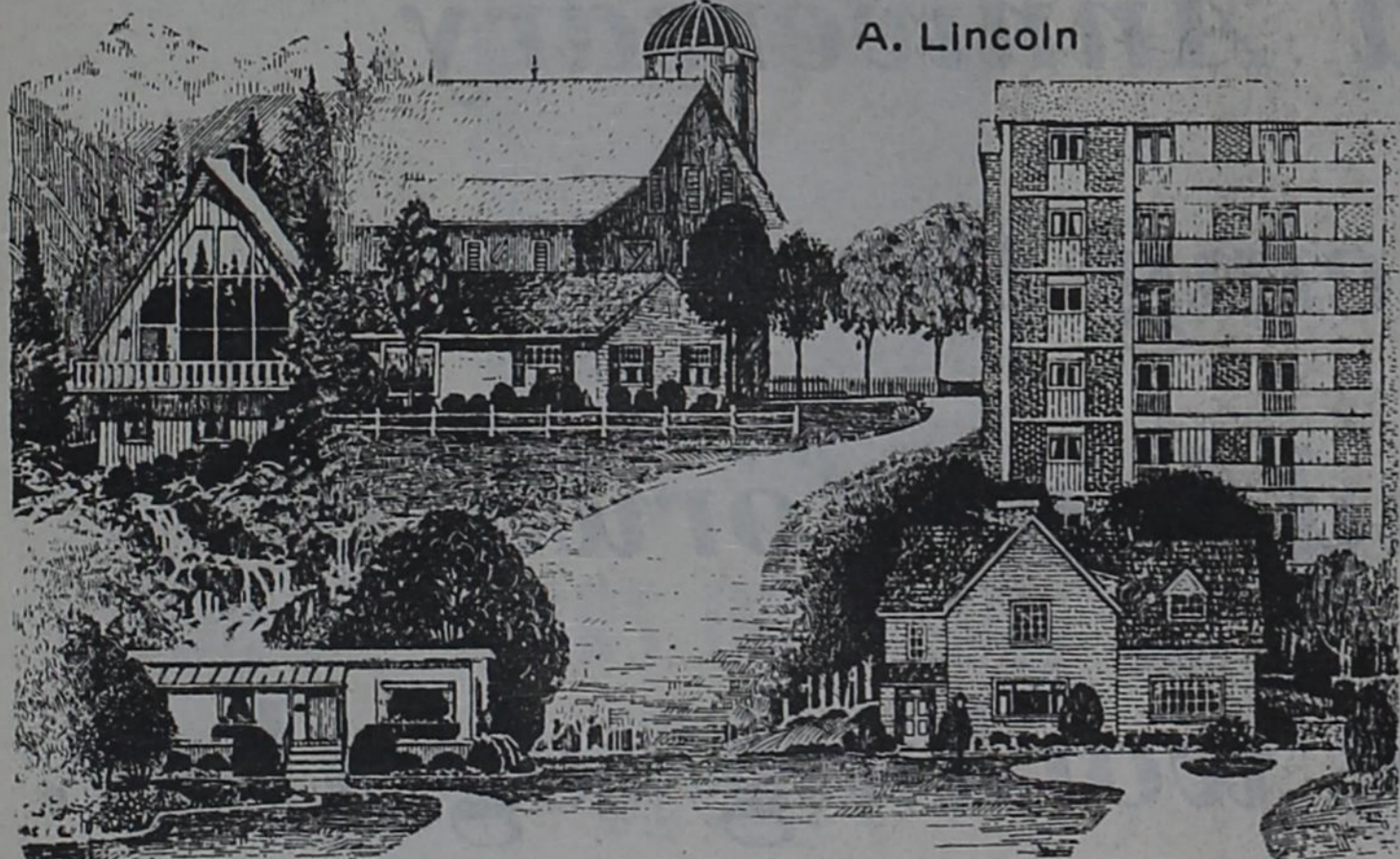
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(This article is reprinted from 1976)

"I wouldn't take anything for my years in Farwell and Texico," said Dr. V. Scott Johnson.

"Doc sailed around the corner in his 1929 Ford coupe with his straw hat on," says Gabe Anderson, and that was the first impression that the Twin Cities had of their new doctor.

On that first day, August 28, 1930, Gabe Anderson, John Aldridge, and Hamlin Overstreet took Doc on a tour of the country to help convince him that Farwell-Texico would be an excellent location for him to set up a practice.

"The white maize was waist-high and this was the greatest farming country in the world then," Doc reminisced recently. "Farmers grew a type of maize called 'kafir' then and, of course, it was all dry-land farming too," he continued.

The tour was the deciding factor for the doctor and on August 29, 1930, he opened his first office in a room in the back of the Farwell Bank.

Doc moved in with Claude Rose in a room in the back of Rose Drug. Claude had just finished his pharmacy training and was running the pharmacy for Charlie Rose.

At the time the young doctor came to the Twin Cities, three other doctors were serving the medical needs for the community. Dr. Presley, Dr. Clark, and Dr. McCuan were all in their seventies and beginning to think of retirement then.

The young doctor's practice grew rapidly because an epidemic of measles and other diseases overtook the community. "I was working night and day trying to help. Red Butler, the Methodist preacher in Texico, helped me out by driving me at night to my patients in the country. He'd sleep days, drive me at night, and preach on Sunday."

Other help arrived too when Lu-



DR. AND MRS. V. SCOTT JOHNSON

cille Lampp came to Farwell to nurse for the busy doctor. The doctor and Miss Lampp had met and dated while she was a senior nurse in the Missouri Baptist Hospital's Nursing School. She graduated from there in April, 1930, and in November, 1930, she moved to Farwell and roomed with the Guy Hawkins Family.

Mrs. Johnson recalls that during one of these terrible measles epidemics, she and the doctor would see patients all day in the office and

make country housecalls during the nights. While she drove, the doctor slept, and while he was making his calls, she slept in the car. "For three weeks, we never went to bed for a night's rest," she added.

They were married May 5, 1931, in Nashville, Ill. For a short time, they lived in the doctor's office in the

back of the bank. "We had a single patient bed for sick ones in the office that patients used in the daytime. At night, I changed the sheets and we'd sleep on that bed," Mrs. Johnson remembered.

"Texico and Farwell had nothing but dirt roads when we first came. It started raining the first day after I got here and it rained daily for three weeks," said the nurse. "I can remember where Charlie Lovelace lived (412 1st Street), kids were riding in tubs in front of an office. The water was three to four feet deep in the streets."

In 1933, the couple built their first house across the street from where the Dovie Sears' residence is now. They would use whatever fees they had collected that day and buy lumber and supplies with it, so each day's materials were paid for.

"The Longbell Lumber Company sold boards for four or five cents a foot then," Doc recalls.

Doctors in the 1930's had to set bones, pull teeth, deliver babies, do skin and muscle repairs with very few tools to work with. "I'd make my own braces and appliances then with Ira Selman's help. Ira owned a blacksmith shop here," the doctor recalled. "One young man almost lost his arm when they were building the road from Farwell to Amarillo. The brace I made him forced him to keep his arm straight up in the air for months, but it saved his arm."

When Dr. Pierce in Portales retired, Dr. Johnson bought many of his physician's tools and paid him \$1.00 a week until he had completely paid for them. He still possesses one of the first brass Spencer microscopes, a rare antique now.

In the winters they would rush home from the office so they could

pull their home-made sleigh behind their car. "The ground was always covered with snow in the winters back in those days," they recall. Doc Johnson also used the colder winters to his advantage. He rigged up a canvas sling and pulley, attached it to a big locust tree in their backyard, and was able to "refrigerate" half a beef suspended high in the air throughout the winter.

The handyman-doctor also built the first home swimming pool in this area. He made that out of canvas ducking, or cotton-sack material, too. The 12' x 14' pool and home-made slide were used by the couple's three children, Marcy, Nancy, and Scott (or Boog as many area residents nicknamed the boy). The Johnson backyard was also a haven for Hop Graham's children, Al Blanche, Warlick Thomas and his sister, as well as other neighborhood children. "When the water would get dirty, we'd empty it into our garden."

During the depression period in the Texico-Farwell area though, times were a lot harder and not nearly as much fun. "There was a hell of a lot of hungry people here during the depression," said Dr. Johnson. "I can remember people from this area who walked in to Ebb

Randol's grocery store, Triplett Brothers in Texico, and other groceries and would take a sack of flour and walk out. They'd tell the grocer to put it on their ticket or just shoot them, but they had to have food."

Once during the Depression, I went to the bank and borrowed \$2.00 from Gabe Anderson. I used the money to buy gas for Doc's car and to pay 'Fats' Danner to drive me around the country to try to collect on some of our outstanding accounts. I wasn't very successful though," Mrs. Johnson said.

Mrs. Johnson, who was named New Mexico's Mother-of-the-Year in 1958 and was a finalist in the national competition at New York, has always had a deep concern for the children in this area. She was instrumental in getting the first cafeteria started in the Farwell schools back in 1936 or 1937.

"So many of the kids were coming to school hungry that I helped start a co-op cafeteria. Each student would bring in whatever he could from the farm whether it was one egg, a couple of ears of corn, milk, or whatever." Then each morning Mrs. Johnson would go to the school and inventory the day's bounty, and with the help of a volunteer cook, plan a meal. She would also pasteurize the milk.

Recipe of Week

TEX-MEX RICE

- 1 c. onion, chopped
- 1 c. green pepper, chopped
- 1/2 c. celery, chopped
- 3 T. butter
- 2 tsp. salt
- 2 tsp. chili powder
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1 (14 1/2 oz. - 16 oz.) can tomatoes
- 2 cubes beef bouillon
- 3 cups cooked rice

Saute onions, green peppers and celery in butter until vegetables are tender. Add seasonings, tomatoes and beef bouillon. Add rice. Simmer, stirring occasionally until flavors are blended. Serves 6.

LEMON VEAL WITH SPINACH

Reduced salt doesn't mean a meal without zip. Limiting salt in your diet may reduce your risk of having high blood pressure.

- 1 1/2 lbs. lean veal shoulder, well-trimmed, cut into cubes
- 3 tbsp. oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 tbsp. lemon juice
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 1/2 tsp. crushed fennel seed
- 3 green onions, chopped
- 2 pkgs. (10 oz. each) frozen spinach leaves
- 1 lemon, cut into 6 wedges

Brown veal in oil in large, heavy skillet. Add chopped onion, cooking until onion is tender. Pour off fat. Add water, lemon juice, pepper and

crushed fennel seed. Cover and simmer over low heat 1 hour or until veal is tender, stirring occasionally. More water may be added if needed. Add green onions and spinach. Cover and continue simmering until spinach is tender, about 5-10 minutes. Arrange veal on warm serving platter surrounded with a border of spinach. Garnish with lemon wedges. Yield: 6 servings, about 301 cal.

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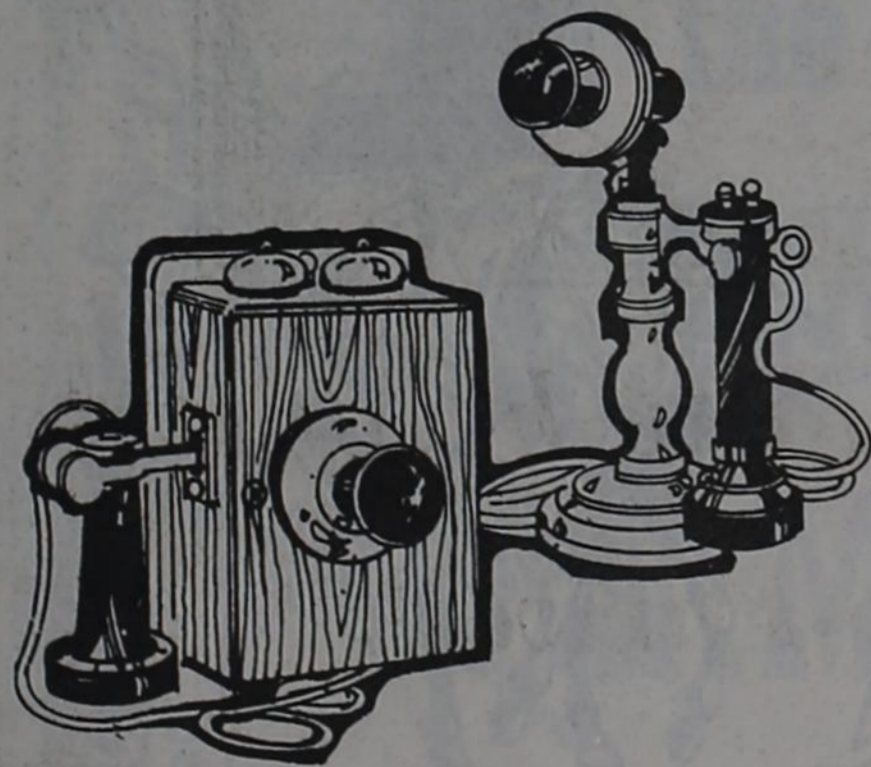
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Farwell Steers Have Enviably Football Record for Season



Undefeated, untied, unscored on was the record of the Farwell Steers, pictured above, after playing their ninth gridiron game. In the group are back row, left to right:

J.C. Hughes, Bub Roberts, Weldon Gibbs, Clark Walling, Dick Crume, Carthon Phillips, Graham Thornton, Woodrow Finley, Coach John Lee. Center row left to right, Glenn

Williams, Wayne London, Bowden Darr, Quentin Gwynn, John Graham, T.O. Sanders. Front row left to right, Leroy Hughes, Bobby Ander-

son, Morris Ed Martin, Jess Herbert Pikpin, Sam Royal. Two members of the squad, were absent when the picture was taken.

Off to Ruidoso to train

(Editor's Note: With the football season fast approaching, Carthon Phillips of Austin dropped off the following article and picture as a reminder of the good, old days.)

It was July 1937 and the word was out. Farwell football coach John Lee had gotten approval for a two week pre-season training camp in Ruidoso to get the 1937 Steer team ready to do battle against all our opponents.

We also had some new equipment and for the first time we would play home games on the new field. During the spring and summer of that year, the football team had graded and sodded the new field and to date it has lasted 49 years. In prior years, we had to play on native buffalo grass sod marked off with whitewash. The whitewash didn't make the sod any softer - or less muddy when it rained.

Coach Lee had worked tirelessly to get approval to take two school buses and haul the team over to Ruidoso around mid-August for the camp. He had a lot of help and support from people like Claude Rose, Sam and John Aldridge, Gabe Anderson, Sr., Dr. Scott Johnson and most of the school board, of course. Still, it was mostly Lee who put the first (and last as far as I know) pre-season Steer training camp together.

Coach Lee was already a hero in my mind but this training camp meant that I could get off my dad's Farmall tractor where I had lived all summer and go play football in the mountains of New Mexico. Most of the team had been doing farm labor or something equally physical all summer. We all thought we were pretty tough and in pretty good shape - ready to suit up and play some football that is.

We hit the ground running at Ruidoso. We did two-a-day workouts on a little mountain meadow where the camp was. After the workouts, we ran up and down hills for what seemed like days at a time. We soon realized that we were not in shape,

not very tough and not yet ready for the first game kickoff. We all had this vague feeling though, that if we survived the training camp we might be ready to play come September. However, that is not what kept us going for the two-a-day workouts. It was Coach Lee that kept us going - and going - and going.

Finally it was September and time for school to start. We struck the camp and chugged back to Farwell. We were welcomed like war heroes returning home. The Coke bar at Rose's Drug was open and there was a lot of back-slapping and football talk.

After a week of classrooms and more workouts, we played our first game on a warm September afternoon on the new field. From the opening kickoff it was no contest. I forget the score or who we played but we ran over, around and through them. They did not get inside our 20 yard line.

That was the way it went all season. All our opponents soon knew that we came to play football - for 60 minutes. If a Steer (first string or not) did not do his assignment on every play, Coach Lee would bench him. That was the ultimate embar-

assment for all of us on the 1937 team - to get benched even for a few plays.

We beat teams that we were not supposed to beat - Dimmitt, Ft. Sumner, Muleshoe and other teams from larger schools. Not only did we beat them, we didn't let even one of them cross our goal line during the nine game regular season.

We didn't have much depth. The first string usually played 60 minutes - both on offense and defense. This is what got us into trouble when we took on Portales in a post-season game. Portales finally made the first score in the last quarter after literally killing us with fresh substitutions for three quarters.

We took our loss proudly that day from the 1937 New Mexico state champions and limped back to Farwell. We knew that we were not beaten just outnumbered and besides - the referees were good old boys from Portales. We were still undefeated - and all Farwell knew it.

Who were these stampeding Steers of 1937. They were: D.K. "Bub" Roberts - r.e.; Wayne London - r.t.; Weldon Ribbs - r.g.; Dick Crume - c.; Quinton Gwynn - l.g.; John Graham - l.t.; Carthon Phillips

- l.e.; Bowden Darr - q.b.; T.O. Sanders - h.b.; Calvin McCoy - h.b.; Clark Walling - f.b.; J.C. Huges - h.b.; Woodrow Finley - t.; Glenn Williams - g.; Herbert Williams; Sam Royal - e.

Then there was Bob Anderson, Bill Roberts, J.C. Pipkin and Morris Ed McElroy who were the managers. They also managed to think up a lot of clownish acts and kept the whole team laughing all season.

Who were the stars of the team? We all were - or so we thought. Actually, there was one guy that was a stand-out and the answer to any football coaches prayers. Clark Walling could make a first down anytime running the ball. He could kick and pass. On defense he was the best high school linebacker I have ever seen.

Will the Farwell Steers ever field another such team? Will the 1937 record which has stood for half a century ever be toppled? Why not - Coach John Lee and the Steers of '37 proved that it could be done.

Steers of '86 - go for it!!!

Historic Recipe of the Week

SWEET POTATO PIE

Boil two medium sweet potatoes, peel and slice thin. Add three-fourths cup sugar, butter the size of a walnut, a little spice, ginger and cinnamon, a little sprinkle of flour. Crust must be rich. Bake between two crusts. Good.

WATERMELON PICKLES

This recipe comes from the days when the pace of life was certainly slower!

"To make watermelon pickles, pare the rind and cut in small

pieces, soak in tolerable strong salt water ten days, then drain. Simmer in pure water two hours and drain. Put in weak alum water, enough to cover well, simmer two hours, drain again. Make a syrup of one pound of sugar and half pint of vinegar for every pound of rind. Boil and skim sugar and vinegar; allow one ounce of ginger broken in small pieces and juice and rind of two lemons to every four pounds of rind. After the boiling and skimming, put into the syrup the lemon and ginger, simmer two hours, or longer if the rind is not clear. This sweet pickle is crisp and delicious. Place in fruit jars while hot; close immediately."

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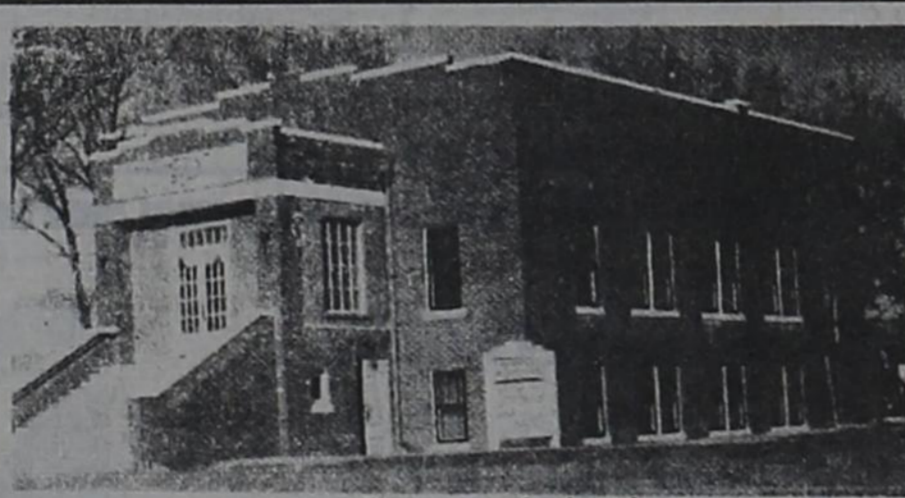
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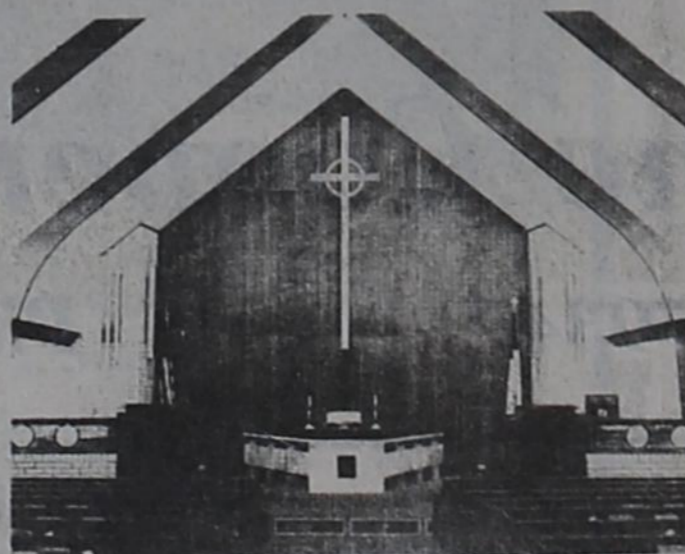
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The second church



The current church



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Eighty-two years ago, in 1904, the Texico-Farwell Methodist Church was established. The first church building was a frame building heated with a pot bellied stove.

In 1926, a faulty flue resulted in a fire which resulted in the total loss of the church building. In July 1926 a contract was let and eventually finished in March 1927, at a total cost of \$126,25. While the building was under construction the congregation met and worshipped in the District court-

room of the Parmer County Courthouse. This building was used until 1960.

The name was changed from the Texico-Farwell Methodist Episcopal Church to Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church in recognition of the leadership of J.M. Hamlin.

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Paul Crume: A chronicler of West Texas

(Editor's note: This is reprinted from the March 16, 1969, issue of the Dallas Morning News.)

by Carlton Stowers

Turn off U.S. Highway 84 today and one is quickly made aware of the fact that Lariat, Texas, is still a grain elevator on the Santa Fe tracks, a cotton gin, a filling station-store-laundry combination (long-since abandoned), a small white church, with a half-dozen nearby farmhouses for a residential section.

In all fairness, however, it must be pointed out that there have been some changes. The post office is now located in the living room of Mrs. Aza Smith's house, and the Lariat Fertilizer Co. is thriving. Charlie Felts closed down his filling station-grocery-laundry and moved to Farwell a few years back, and there remains evidence that at one time someone vainly attempted to attract travelers with a tourist court.

Lint from the cotton gin hangs like cobwebs from a weathered John Deere sign and laces the barbed-wire fences.

Though there is no city limit sign to verify the fact, there were, at last count, 211 people reportedly living in the out-of-the-way West Texas hamlet which, like many towns its size, is slowly passing on to the Great Rural Community Up Yonder. One might, with considerable reason, then, assume that the census was either taken by a person of abounding generosity or that each home which lines the only street in town houses several generations.

This is the place of Dallas Morning News columnist Paul Crume's boyhood adventures - journalistically speaking. Yet, look as you might, there is not one single Crume to be found within the boundaries of Lariat. However, a 9-mile trip west will put you in Farwell where, as recently as 1954, there were 18 Crumes in the audience when Paul returned in glory to address the annual Farwell High School alumni banquet in the school cafeteria.

Farwell is still a healthy town despite the fact it teeters on the edge of the New Mexico state line. One can get a haircut for a buck and a quarter (flat tops, \$1.50), hear the latest hits by Kitty Wells and Buck

Owens on the jukebox down at the cafe, shoot a game of pool and see most of the 1,009 residents on any given Saturday afternoon simply by standing in the doorway of the Piggly Wiggly Store.

Crume, in his literary efforts on this spacious and serene part of West Texas, is quick to inform you that Farwell is one of the numerous suburbs of Lariat and, since this chronicle is not to take him to any journalistic task, I shall simply say that he was one of those youngsters fortunate enough to have grown up in suburbia.

Still, for the purpose of taxation and mail delivery, the Crume homestead was registered in Farwell, which is named after John and C. B. Farwell, who built the state Capitol back in 1880 in exchange for three million acres of state land. What they did not use for Farwell proper they turned into the XIT Ranch.

The weekly State-Line Tribune, a sturdy establishment located just across the street from the courthouse and two blocks from the cafe, thus enabling a reporter to gather the legitimate news and the best of the local gossip in only two stops, recently pointed out that if the time the Crumes have spent in Farwell High School were combined it would amount to something like 117 years.

By the time Paul was 12, Charley Crume, his father, had wound a crooked circle and decided this particular spot would be home. Having earlier lived in Texico, N.M. (which is separated from Farwell and Texas only by the railroad tracks), he decided to homestead in Colorado, traveling there by covered wagon with young Paul in tow. Upon arriving at the promised land and learning that the nearest grocery store and school were 60 miles away, he gathered the kids back into the wagon and headed for Alpena Pass, Ark., where he made a couple of crops on the old Joe Brown place before returning to Farwell.

There he ran a dray, hauling water, coal and anything else the townspeople needed moved from one spot to another. He later served as a mail carrier and was custodian of the courthouse.

And, in the meantime, Paul was plotting his future. While his seven brothers and one sister engaged in the games of childhood and chores

of rural living Paul was mastering the art of typing. In a part of the world where the only signs of literature are generally the Holy Bible, the Sears Roebuck catalog, a St. Joseph's aspirin calendar and an occasional issue of Popular Mechanics, Paul dreamed of one day working for the New York Times.

(Years later, when he and friend Bernard Brister were graduated from the University of Texas, they headed for New York, planning to work along the way to finance the trip. A UT professor called the managing editor of The News to tell him they were coming and to be sure not to let them get any farther.)

Having suffered a broken leg as a freshman football candidate, Paul's outside interests were reduced to the mischief demanded of his age and the cuties dealt a boy reporter on the local paper.

When most boys were still printing notes to their favorite girl friend on wide-lined Big Chief notebook paper, Paul was diligently plotting short stories built around a swash-buckling devil-may-care character named Ethelbert Tabor and a rugged western hero called Buckskin Charley. But, since Mark Twain and Zane Grey can be imitated just so far, he soon chose another course and, before graduating from high school, had sold a few of his more promising stories to Ranch Romance magazine (a fact which, I fear, will never get to your

front door should Paul be allowed to read this before it is turned over to the printers.)

"I've gone to sleep many a night listening to the peckin' of his typewriter," recalls younger brother Joe Crume, who now lives just beyond the Farwell city limits. "He'd sit in an old cane-bottom chair with that typewriter on his knees, working away. He was always the smart one - the bookworm. If any of the rest of us wanted to know something, we'd go ask Paul."

While Paul's appreciation for the literary life knew no limits, his enthusiasm for some other things was considerably lacking. For instance, learning to drive the family car or the patchwork Model T built by the other brothers never fired him to any measurable degree. Thus, Joe and his wife-to-be, Capitola (who came from something of a literary family herself since her name was lifted from the pages of a book titled "Capitola's Peril"), would chauffeur Paul on his courting expeditions.

That many of his boyhood experiences have reached the printed page nine miles removed from where most of the actually happened is no great crime against the world of letters. It might, in fact, be viewed as a thoughtful gesture on the author's part to give a struggling neighbor a helping hand. With all due respect to Paul and the citizens of the now highly publicized community, Lariat needs all it can

get.

If he rode a burro named Pete or built a kite which stayed up a week or smoked cedar bark behind a barn, it likely happened in Farwell but somehow was transferred down Highway 84 until it mixed with the life of Lariat. Perhaps, reasons brother Joe, the tricky West Texas wind played a part.

Since a respectable number of outhouses were turned over in both towns each Halloween, it is hard to accuse Paul and his companions of restricting their activity to the boundaries of just one set of city-limit signs.

That the kerosene lamps which were to light the Model T (upon the demand of Texico Constable Sam Hoffman) were found in the attic of the Ford House in Farwell and not Lariat seems to matter little. Had there been a Ford House in Lariat it might well have supplied the necessary illumination for those Saturday night trips to the movie house in Clovis.

My particular pilgrimage to the western-most part of the Texas Panhandle was not to search for any loopholes in the transition from

memory to newsprint but, rather, to see first hand the enchantment which Paul Crume has so artfully woven from this land and its people.

By no peculiar dictation of fate, the three most valid modern-day chroniclers of life in rural West Texas have come from tiny dots on the map of the state - Larry McMurtry from Archer City, Larry L. King from Putnam and Paul Crume from Farwell-Lariat.

W. W. Vinyard, the retired Santa Fe agent who can remember Paul long before he started wearing a tie and began resembling a happy-go-lucky Gregory Peck, regularly gets clippings of "Big D" sent to him by a niece living in Dallas. They are passed around and generally find their final resting place on a shelf in Mrs. Joe Crume's kitchen. When one bearing mention of local happenings arrives, editor John Getz often sees that excerpts reach the subscribers of the State-Line Tribune.

The creaking sound of its wind-mills, the cry of some whippoorwill, heard but never seen, the neighborhood camaraderie, a by-product of the lonely, far-reaching plains - they are all very much there.

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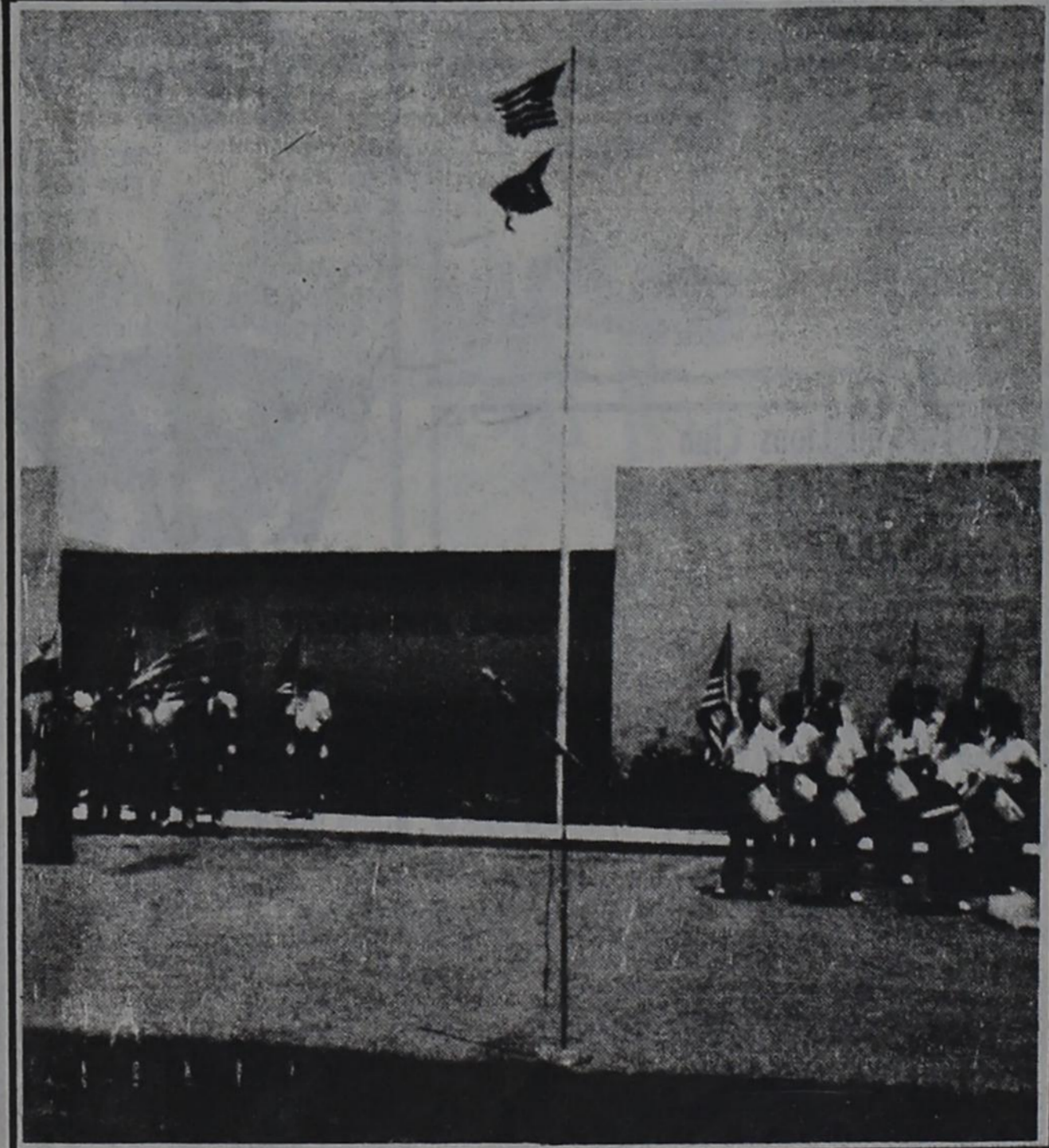
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This photo of a 1926 class at Oklahoma School was contributed by Harold Carpenter. Back row: Vera Hanna, Eula Doshier, unidentified, Joe Jenkins, Trudy Faye Owens, teacher Ophel Bean. Middle row: Estelline Magness, Obreita West, Doris Hendrickson, Lillian Kleopfer, a girl named Tension and Anne Christian. Front row: Alvin Graef, Avon Lee, Jesse Doshier, Lloyd Merriman, unidentified and Fred Kleopfer.

Boys fight school fire

REPRINTED FROM 1939

Fired by that same spirit of determination that declared "They shall not pass" on the battlefields of France back in 1918, the high school students of Oklahoma Lane - with all the odds apparently against them - stood their ground Monday noon and fought to a heroic and successful finish a well-advanced fire that threatened to destroy their pride and joy, the high school auditorium.

When the fire was out, the boys found themselves minus all their clothing. But they disregarded their personal losses with a beaming smile that wrote across their countenance. "We saved our new auditorium, anyway, so what matters?"

The fire struck at the noon hour while the small children from the three class rooms connected with the auditorium, were idle from studies. Members of the boys' basketball team, dressed in their gym suits, were practicing basketball on the indoor court.

Suddenly, without previous warning, Janitor Tucker interrupted the practice game with cries of "fire." The boys quickly organized a bucket brigade. As the water-filled buckets were filled from hydrants in the yard, they were passed up a stairway, lined with a human chain of active athletes who played the water on the lapping flames that had originated in the boys' dressing room, upstairs, in a small room that contained all their clothing.

Time and again the leaping flames and intense smoke fought the boys back, but not for long. The fight was continued while the lady teachers and girls removed seats, well fastened down with screws in hardwood floors, from the class rooms. Nobody was able to explain how they got a large upright piano,

but it was far out in the yard as evidence of their super-human strength, when the excitement was over and the fire out.

The blaze was caused by an over-heated hot water heater, which ignited the asbestos covering wrapped about the metal flue. From there it spread to the boys' clothing, hanging about the flue on the rafters of the roof. The damage to the building was slight, amounting to probably less than \$50.

The building was erected three years ago at a cost of approximately \$30,000.

Supt. E. W. Harper dismissed school for the remainder of the day, but on Tuesday morning, studies resumed as usual, minus a few seats that were damaged in being jerked from their fastenings.

The following is a 1986 addendum from Harold Carpenter:

The new combination auditorium-gymnasium was, indeed, our pride and joy. Built in 1935 by W. P. A. labor, it was the most modern facility in Parmer County.

When the fire broke out in the boys' dressing room, a few cooler heads prevailed. The nearest telephone was at the E. W. McGuire home, two miles west of the school. Someone remembered that Texico had a volunteer fire department manned mostly by the Selmon boys. Their equipment consisted of an antique conveyance converted into a fire truck.

This was long before pavement had reached Oklahoma Lane and it had rained the night before. When the fire fighters from Texico tried to turn in at the school, they became hopelessly stuck in the mud. After the students had extinguished the fire, they helped push the Texico fire truck out of the mud.

Thanks, anyhow, Texico.

Tubing on a flooded area near Farwell City Hall



How B.Q. got his name

(Editor's note: One of our area's most famous citizens was Paul Crume, the late Dallas Morning News columnist. Here is one of his offerings from 1966.)

G.D. Anderson is the first banker who ever took the appalling risk of accepting a check signed by me. I was 14 at the time.

Mr. Anderson has been president of the Security State Bank in Farwell, Texas, forever. The bank is now housed in a splendid new building which could be tucked away in a small corner of one floor of the new First National but yields nothing, foot for foot, in beauty and costliness to larger banks.

It even has a broad circular lobby with a stained glass dome. This shows what will happen if you take appalling risks on the right kind of people.

But this is beside the point.

The story is that Mr. Anderson has a farmer friend named J.W. Crim who had a brother named Bromo.

Even in the Plains country this is slightly an unusual name.

Unlike us uncultivated yahoos of Dallas, the plains country people do not go around remarking that a man's name is unusual. He might call them by a more unusual one. Bromo was gone, and Mr. Anderson and J.W. Crim had been friends a long time when the banker finally asked the farmer why his brother was called Bromo.

Simple, said J.W. Crim. That was his name. His full name was Bromo Quinine Crim.

He then told Anderson the story, B.Q. Crim was a sickly baby when he was born and began to get worse. That was quite awhile ago. Medicine wasn't any better than it need be in the cities, and the Crim family lived in the deep country with few services to rely on except the general store.

The new infant weakened steadily. The parents and their helpers went far beyond catnip tea into all the oldtime baby remedies without effect. The child was about to die when Father Crim went into the general store and started pouring

out his troubles to the storekeeper. A traveling drummer was standing by. He introduced himself, sympathized with the father and asked whether he might see the child. He explained that he sold a line of drugs.

"I'm not a doctor," he explained, "but I might be able to help."

It was arranged for him to travel to the Crim farm and spend the night. He started dosing the baby with a medicine, which, of course, was Bromo Quinine.

The baby seemed to improve. He became quieter. He slept.

Next morning the salesman departed, leaving the bottle behind, and the family continued to dose the baby with Bromo Quinine. He got rapidly better.

That is all that happened until Mrs. Crim wrote a letter to the drug company explaining what had happened. In gratitude, she added, she was naming the baby Bromo Quinine Crim.

Back came an excited letter from the company thanking Mrs. Crim. The letter further promised that the company would take care of all the college expenses for young Bromo Quinine when the time came and would make a place for him in the company. It all came to nothing because Bromo Crim, grown, decided he didn't want to go to college.

But for years, I am told, the letter and a picture of the infant appeared on the Bromo Quinine label.



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Jacqueline Kube becomes the bride of John Harris

Jacqueline Lanite Kube became the bride of John Kevin Harris June 7 in the St. John Lutheran church at Lariat. The Rev. Mac Bearss, pastor of the church, read the double ring vows.

The parents of the couple are Berna Dean Kube and the late Clarence Kube of Farwell, and Mr. and Mrs. John Harris of Muleshoe.

The church was a Southern Garden scene with the altar decorated with 2 spirals of candles with English Ivy entangled in the spirals. White lattice work, English Ivy in front of the church with large wicker baskets holding suede rose and cranberry color peony blossoms and large bouquet behind the prayer book holder on altar consisting of white glads, nora pink, cranberry carnations with leather. White baskets of lights were on the benches of the isle of the church with fresh greenery and spring flowers and candles.

Charles Turner presented traditional wedding selections and accompanied the church choir as they sang "In the Garden." Cheryl Burton sang "The Lord's Prayer," during the lighting of the Unity Candle, and "The Wedding Song."

Escorted to the Altar by her brother, Weldon Kube, the bride was given in marriage by her Mother, Berna Dean Kube. The mothers paused as they were ushered in to the church and lighted the taper candles sitting by the Memory Candle before being seated.

As the bride entered she paused to give her mother a suede rose bud. After the ceremony the bride paused and gave her mother-in-law a cranberry rose bud.

The bride was attired in a formal gown of crystal organza with beaded embroidered motifs on the scooped neck bodice with a basque waist and long tapered sleeves. The semi cathedral train had a ruffled flounce circling the hemline. Her matching bridal hat decorated with pearls and lace, caught up on one side with organza flowers, illusion veiling over the face and draped in the back.

The bride carried a Southern Garden style bouquet of spider iris with cranberry throat with Alaskan shasta daisies, suede rose buds, white stocks, stephenois and maiden hair fern draped to the floor atop of her late father's confirmation Bible that her mother had carried 30 years ago in her wedding.



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Her two sisters also carried it in their weddings. The bouquet was lavished with lace streamers tied in love knots. The bride's sister, Sonia Brooks, designed her wedding bouquet.

For something old the bride used the confirmation Bible of her late father. Something borrowed was a diamond watch borrowed from her mother. Something new was her bridal gown and the traditional blue garter, given to her by Stephenie Brooks, a sister. The bride wore a single strand of pearls given her by the groom as a wedding gift.

Mrs. Stephenie Brooks of Clovis, served as matron of honor and Jayna Harris of Muleshoe, sister of the groom and Pamela McKee of Pie Town, N.M. cousin of the bride were bridesmaids.

The bridesmaids were attired in suede rose taffeta long dresses with suede rose overlays, Victorian neckline with large puff sleeves and matching gloves sewn by Sally Whitesides. They carried lace parasols with curly fuji mums, suede rose fancy island orchids with cranberry throats, with rose tip accentuated with Alaskan white daisies.

Sarah Brooks, niece of the bride, escorted by Drew Ramm, served as flower girl. La Shawna Brooks, niece of the bride, escorted by Kyle Owens, was junior bridesmaid. They wore dresses identical to the bridesmaids and carried a victorian lace parasol adorned with suede rosebud leather, baby's breath attached to a lace basket which held suede rose and cranberry love knots. The girls wore haloes of suede rosebuds and cranberry nell spray net puffs with suede rose and cranberry picot satin streamers. The boys wore grey suits, with suede rose cummerbunds and boutonieres of cranberry rosebuds.

Miss Karen Kelm of Farwell presided at the registration table which held a basket of lights centered the table covered with a cranberry tablecloth caught up with suede rose bows and a pair of doves.

The mother of the bride was attired in a long cranberry dress with cranberry lace and a corsage of white lily with cranberry throat.

Monty Porter of Portales, and cousin of the groom was best man. Groomsmen were J'Don Kube of Farwell, brother of the bride, and Criss Johnson of Muleshoe. Ushers were David Kube of Farwell, cousin of the bride and Kenneth Porter of Lovington, N.M. cousin of the groom. They were attired in grey tuxes and ruffled shirts trimmed in suede rose and suede rose cummerbunds. The groom was attired in a grey tux with tails and suede rose ruffled shirt, with suede rose cummerbund and his boutonniere matched the bride's bouquet.

Following the ceremony the newlyweds and their parents greeted guests at a reception in the parish hall of the church which was decorated as a Southern style garden with the tables in front of white latticework with white doves in flight on top of the latticework, with large white baskets of peony blossoms and green ferns and large potted plants.

The bride's table was adorned with suede rose crystal organza material pleated with a white lace overlay with crystal and brass appointments. The bridal cake was a three tiered cake with a fountain of cranberry, suede rosebuds and Alaskan daisies. The cake was topped with a bride and groom beneath a parasol of lace handmade by the bride's mother and sister. A three tier crystal arrangement of cranberry day lilies, suede roses, freseca, nanature daisies, and baby's breath finished the decorations for the bride's table.

The groom's table was pleated with cranberry material and overlay with a white embroidery lace cloth. The groom's cake was chocolate, decorated to represent a pick-up which held brass appointments, with sandwiches, cheese balls, sausage balls, crackers, and coffee

from a brass urn. The third table was adorned with white pleates and white overlay and was adorned with brass silverware and napkins with the names of the bride and groom and wedding date.

Serving for the bride were Lori Haseloff, Teresa Rose and April Haseloff, of Farwell.

Serving for the groom were cousins, Kyllene Porter, Karen Porter and Raylene Porter, of Portales.

The bride changed into a victorian

style dress with overlay on the waist and wore lace gloves to match the dress with white shotes. Her going-away corsage consisted of a white catalia orchid with suede rose throat and suede rose buds, victorian lace accents, and ribbon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harris hosted the rehearsal supper in Muleshoe. Following a wedding trip to Carlsbad, the couple will be at home at Rt. 5, Muleshoe.

The reception was catered by Mary Alice Ramm.

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Connie King, Jeffrey Christian exchange vows

Connie Renee King and Jeffrey Neal Christian, both of Lubbock, exchanged wedding vows July 19 in the Oakwood Baptist Church Chapel, Lubbock.

Connie is the daughter of Jackie Shelton, Lubbock. Jeff is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Christian, Texico.

The bride's uncle, Gary Leonard, officiated at the double-ring ceremony as the couple exchanged vows before the Unity Alter. The Unity candles were lit by Jackie Shelton and Marie Christian. Traditional wedding music was played by Alana Anderson, Lubbock. Special wedding music was provided by Jan Mourse, Albuquerque and Marion Dickenson, Portales, who sang, "Let It Be Me," "Ice Castles" and "The Wedding Song."

The bride, given in marriage by her mother, Jackie Shelton, and brothers, Roger King and Rusty Shelton, wore an antebellum wedding gown of satin and lace. The gown featured a Queen Anne collar with a scallop neckline over lace mesh and puff sleeves. The tier skirt flowed from the fitted bodice into a chapel train, complimented by a lace overlay picture hat and lace half-gloves. She carried a variegated pink cascade of glameillas.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Kelly Cochrell of Portales. She wore a floor length dress of burgandy cotton satin with long silver-gray sash. Bridesmaids were Jerri Muller, Albuquerque and Bil-

lie Knox, Portales, who wore dresses identical to the maid of honor.

The bridegroom was attired in a silver-grey tuxedo, burgandy ties and cummerbund. His boutonniere was of pink carnations.

Roger King of Lubbock served as bestman. Groomsmen were Steve Christian, Marshall, Texas, and Dennis Gilchrist, Texico. They wore pale-grey tuxedos with burgandy cummerbunds and ties. Ushers were Jason Christian of Texico and Dorian Crowder of Lubbock.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church parlor.

The bride's table was covered with white lace and decorated with burgandy appointments. It was centered with a mauve to pink floral arrangement flanked by tri-level tapers, the bride's cake and crystal punch service. The cake was designed and decorated by Nancy Moore of Portales.

The groom's table was covered with white lace centered with a large ivy arrangement. The centerpiece was flanked by a fresh apple cake and silver coffee service.

Servers were Sue Garcia of Albuquerque and Rebecca Barton of Portales. Zena Beruman of Albuquerque registered the guests.

After a honeymoon trip to the island of Cozumel, the couple will be at home in Lubbock.



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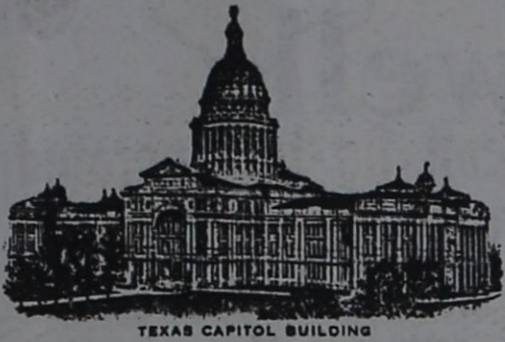
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J.W. Crim

Parmer County's weather prophet

(Editor's note: This article is reprinted from 1951. J.W. Crim died in 1980 but the tradition is carried on by his youngest son, Weldon, elected by his family.)

Parmer County has a new weather prophet. Well, not exactly a new one, but at least he isn't heard from three times a day over the radio.

Still, he does his weather forecasting just as regularly (and probably more pains takingly) than the professional meteorologists we are always hearing from. His name is J.W. Crim, and he lives in the Lazbuddie community. Once a year (that's regular, isn't it?) he takes an all-inclusive look at the weather and makes a sweeping statement about how it will turn out.

He's always been a farmer so the weather means just one thing to him: whether he will or won't make a crop. Crim doesn't pull any punches, and this year he isn't very optimistic about the crop outlooks. He just reads the signs and reports accordingly.

"There is an old Indian legend," the farmer-forecaster says, "to the effect that a fire burning at sunrise on March 22 will give signals through its smoke indicating whether the year will be a good one for crops or not."

Crim goes on to say that if the smoke from the fire at this time is carried west or southwest, there will be a bumper crop. If the wind is from the west, south, or southwest indicate bad years, and a southeast wind means a very poor crop is coming.

With all this information at hand, Crim and his three sons got up early last month on the 22nd, and lit their fire about 15 minutes before sunrise. His boys take an active part in the ceremony, and are given appropriate Indian names. Chief Big Drink, Dancing Red Eye, and the squaw man are typical titles assigned to these junior medicine men.

"We found the wind to be from the south to the southwest, indicating a bad crop year," Chief Crim said. He reports that all the readings are taken exactly at sunrise in order to be accurate. "It doesn't matter whether you can see the sun or not," he says.

Crim has been building these tell-all bonfires for 26 years in Parmer County, and finds his calculations to be quite accurate, "generally speaking." He has missed a few times, he admits, but then so have some people who take considerably greater pains for forecasting.

"A lot of people have laughed at me," Crim smiled with his tongue in his cheek, "but I notice that next year they are always coming back to ask me how the crop is going to turn out."

The Lazbuddie prophet says he would like to point out that the forecasts deal more with the row crop than the wheat crop. "Last year when we had a virtual washout on wheat, the row crop turned in pretty well," he recounts. And the sunrise fire predicted the outcome of the rowcrop, too.

"You see, when the Indians used

this means of foretelling the weather for crops, they were most interested in the plants that matured later in the year," Crim explains.

The forecast may call for a bad crop year and the wheat to turn out well, or vice-versa.

How was the legend handed down? As far back as Crim can track it in his memory is the practice of the late J.J. Wilborn of Post in 1906. The Lazbuddie farmer

is sure that the story has been in the family for many generations more, however.

According to Crim the fire-building was continued by U.O. Steven of Post and Judge Clark M. Mulligan of Lubbock. Mulligan was district judge at Lubbock, and died only last year. The legend was given Crim by his father.

Other Crim's forecasts were an east wind in 1948, and "a slow northeast wind" in 1949 and 1950.



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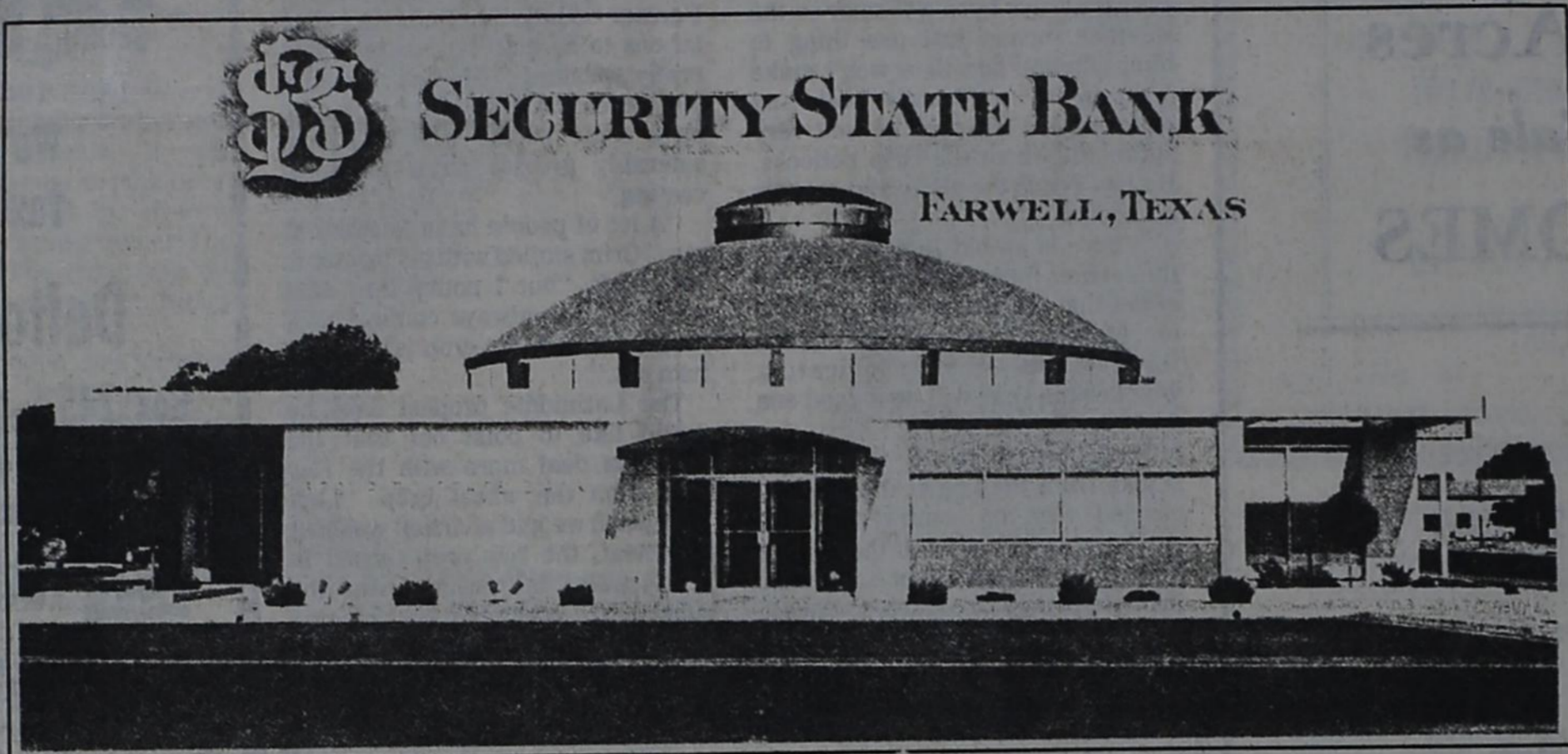
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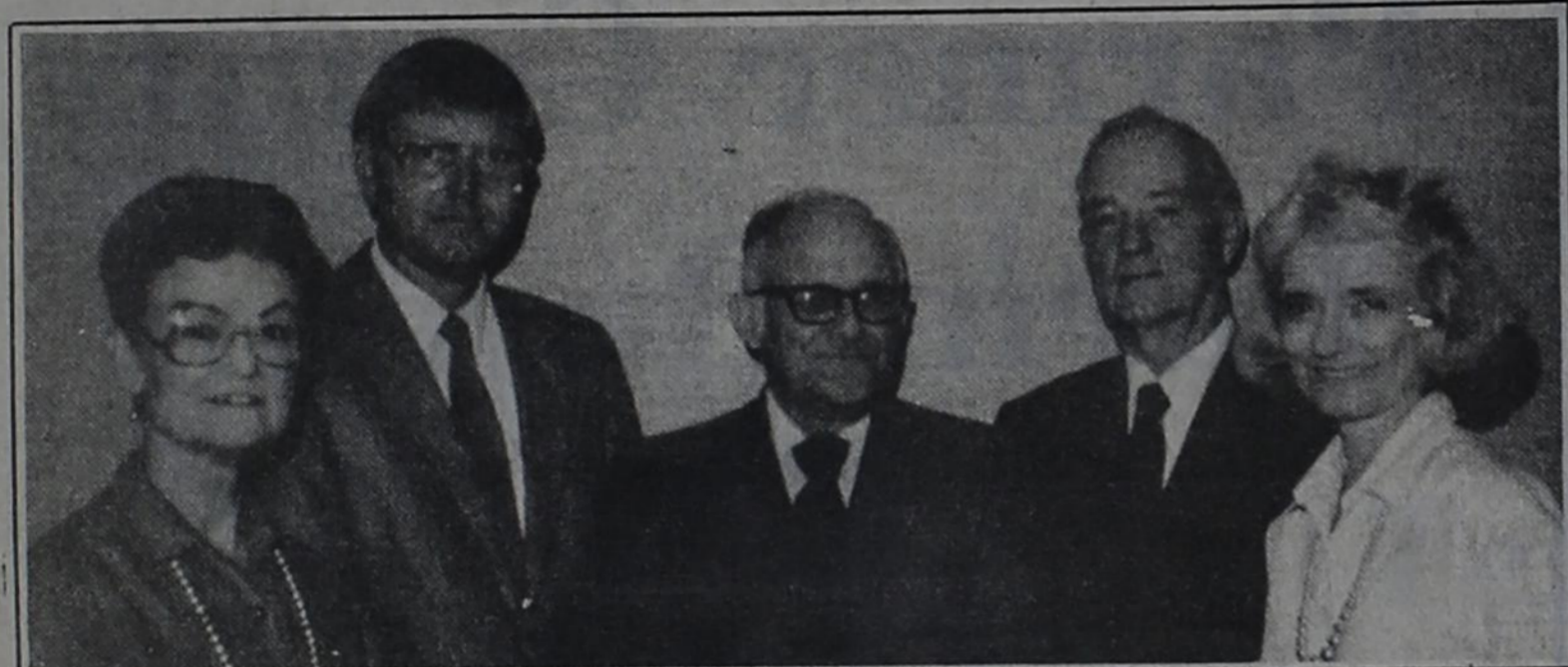
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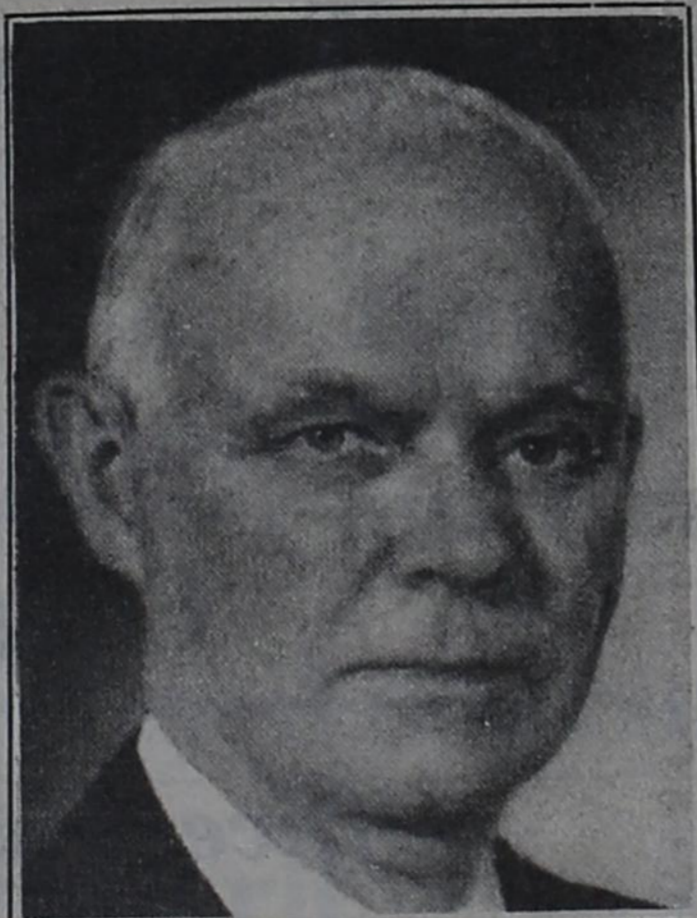
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