

CITY OF FARWELL, TEXAS



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This mural was painted by Clovis artist Cherokee and adorned the city of City Hall for a decade before being taken down due to weathering.

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Two men who helped transform the Texas Panhandle were John V. Farwell and his brother Charles B. Farwell. Both of these men lived in Chicago, and the town of Farwell was named in their honor.

The brothers were both in their 60s when they became interested in the building of the Capitol Building of Texas in exchange for 3 million acres of land in the Panhandle district. Quite a number of the nobility of England became interested in this project as well as wealthy Englishmen well-known as philanthropists.

A law was passed on Feb. 20, 1879 in the Texas Legislature appropriating 3,050,000 acres for the purpose of building a State Capitol. Included in this land were parts of the following counties: Dallam, Hartley, Oldham, Deaf Smith, Parmer, Castro, Lamb, Bailey, Cochran, and Hockley.

Mattheas Snell, of Rock Island, Ill., was given the

contract for the Capitol Building. He assigned a three-fourths interest in the contract to the company composed of Abner Taylor, A. C. Babcock, John V. Farwell, and Charles B. Farwell, of Chicago. On May 9, 1892, he assigned the remaining one-fourth interest to the John V. Farwell Company.

The Capitol Building was completed in April 1888 at a total cost of \$3,224,593 to the Farwell Company, for which full title was given to the 3 million acres of land.

The XIT was established by the Capitol Company as a temporary institution to secure the use of the land until the time of the farmer should come. In order to raise funds for fencing all this land and to stock it with cattle, John V. Farwell went to Europe to secure the necessary capital. As the Farwell Company maintained offices in Paris, Manchester, and Belfast, Farwell was well-known in those cities.

In order to borrow

English money, Farwell found it necessary to form an English Company. In 1855 the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company, Limited was organized. Its authorized capital was equivalent to about \$15 million

The herd maintained on the ranch averaged from 125,000 to 150,000 head of cattle. According to Mrs. Florence Golladay, who

surveying crew camped east of the town site at a mill known as "Little Joe."

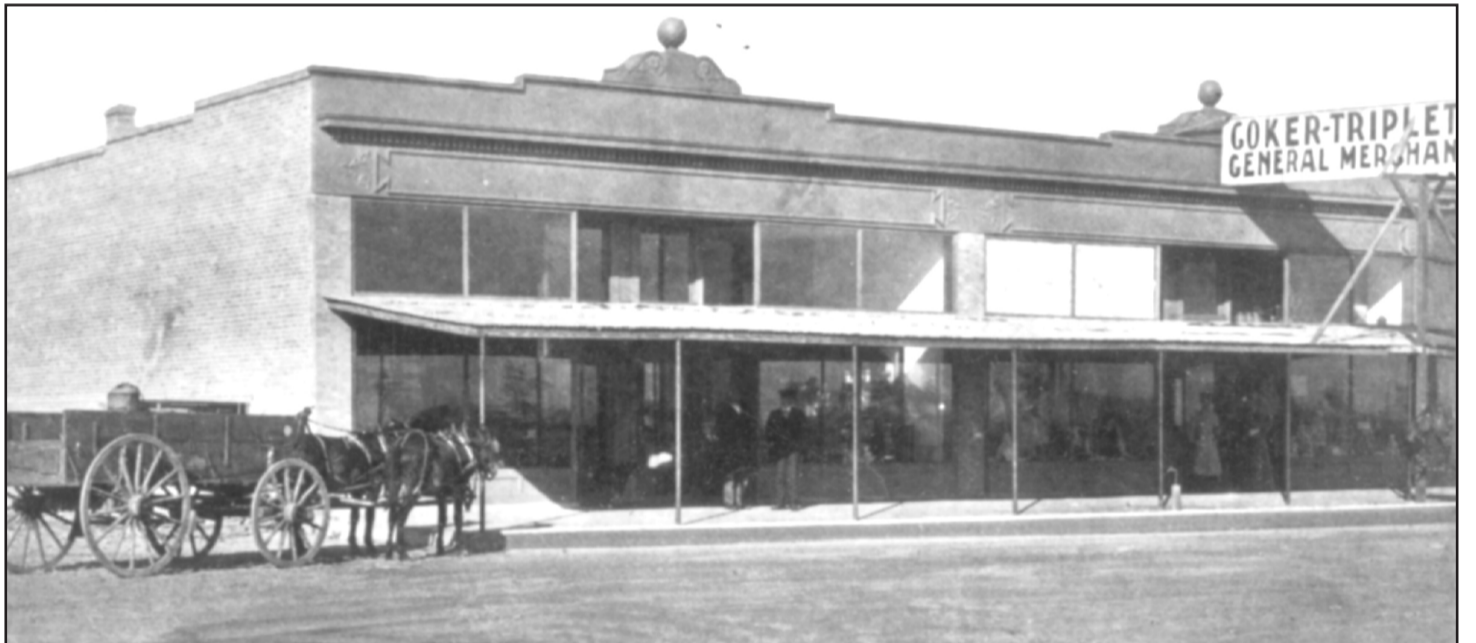
Texico was a thriving village at that time, with three stores, one church, and five saloons. The population of Texico in 1905 was about 300. Immediately after completing his surveying of the town of Farwell, Howren proceeded to survey the remaining lands in Parmer County.

The R. H. Kemp Lumber Company has the distinction of being the oldest business in Farwell. It was established on the Texas side of the line in 1904. This was before there was any town on this side of the line, but the company was serving Texico and the area with lumber.

Milton Brown came here as manager of the yard on August 15, 1904 and

estly. It had a Majestic stove and burned coal. His wife, Lelia, had a vegetable garden. At this time, Hopping was in a grocery business at Texico with Harry and Clyde Robertson.

A post office was established at Farwell on Dec. 26, 1906. It was discontinued on Nov. 30, 1907, and re-established on Jan. 3, 1908. Millie B. Francis was



These brick businesses are in the 400 block of 3rd Street. Today, they are the State Line Tribune, left, and the Aldridge law firm.

Thank you

The Tribune hopes you enjoy this salute to Farwell's 100th birthday.

In order to present this history in prose and photos, the Tribune would like to thank the following:

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- Folks who have dropped off articles and photos over the years.

lived on the Bovina section of the ranch from 1900 to 1908, the ranch was divided into seven sections, which each section having a name.

Farwell was surveyed in early September, 1905, by W. D. Howren of Amarillo. Before his surveying party could proceed with its work, it was necessary to burn off the grass which was about four feet high over the entire area. Howren states that there were a number of blue quail and some antelope in the area at that time. The

Nearly 586 acres of land were included in a grant by the Capitol Freehold Land Investment Company, of London, England, and were set aside to be known as the town of Farwell. This grant was made and signed by Sir William Ewart, of Belfast, Ireland, and Sir Herbert Maxwell, London, trustees for the company. The Pecos and Northern Texas Railroad Company tracks were made the dividing line between the state lines of Texas and New Mexico.

remained here until 1910. He recalls a terrible blizzard in November of 1906 when it snowed for four days with scarcely a let-up. His company was having a difficult time supplying coal to all those who needed it at the time.

Two of the first houses that were built here are the Sam Randol and the Ted Sheets residences. They were built in 1906. Both have been remodeled several times during the years. R. C. Hopping built a home here in 1906. His home was furnished mod-

appointed as postmistress and served in that capacity until 1923. To encourage the establishment of business on the Texas side of the line, the Capitol Company persuaded several business men in Texico to come over here and set up business. Coker and Triplett, dealers in general merchandise, came over in 1907. The Maddux Harward Company came at this same time. However, these businesses remained here only a short

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This photo shows the old Texaco plant in Farwell. It was first built in 1909 by the father of Mitz Walling.

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time.

On May 8, 1907, Parmer County was organized. There was a called meeting of the Commissioner's Court at Parmerton, the temporary courthouse. W. L. Townsen was county judge and presided over the meeting. Also present were W. L. McMinn and F. L. Spring, commissioners; J. V. McKay, county clerk, and E. T. Stevens, sheriff. The court determined that meeting be held at Parmerton until the county seat was determined and settled according to law.

Parmerton remained the county seat for only a short time. A wooden structure was constructed to serve as a courthouse, but soon there was pressure from the citizens of Farwell to move the county seat to its present location. Parmerton was located in the geographical center of the county, and in order to make such a move, an election had to be held. According to state law, when the move was more than fifteen miles or five miles from the geographical center of the county, two-thirds of the qualified voters of the county had to vote in favor of such a move.

According to legend, Farwell won the election by voting some New Mexico neighbors and at least one burro who had more spirit than the voters. This is the story told by Bob Kyker, for years the town's barber, historian,

and leading wit. He also recalled that the XIT moved the whole muddy Pecos River off its land and into New Mexico with only four Santa Fe tank cars. Kyker came to Texico in 1905. Soon thereafter, he began barbering in Farwell and continued to ply his trade for the next 45 years.

An election was held on Dec. 10, 1907 for the purpose of determining whether the county seat should be moved to Farwell. Farwell received two-thirds of the votes cast, and was declared to be the county seat of Parmer County, by order of Townsen. The original courthouse in Farwell was a two-story wooden building located where the present water tower is situated. Fire destroyed this building at an early date. Rooms in the "Farwell Real Estate Exchange" were rented as a temporary court house.

Another election was held on Nov. 16, 1907, for the purpose of determining whether the city was to be incorporated as a city

or town to be known as Farwell. The results of this election favored incorporation of the town. The vote was 44-0. Townsen declared the town incorporated to be known as "Farwell".

It then became necessary to elect city officials. An election was held on Dec. 31, 1907. George Landers was elected mayor. Charles Dycus was elected as marshal, Clyde Roberson, Vick Anderson, Tom Johnson, John DeOliveria, and Saunders Gregg were elected as aldermen.

The location of Farwell seemed quite strategic for growth. The railroad was bringing many settlers to this part of the country. The Capitol Land Company had hopes of influencing the Santa Fe Railroad to locate its shop here. A half-section of land was offered to the railroad to locate its shops at Texico-Farwell, but railroad officials were holding out for more land. When they saw that it was not forthcoming, they decided to locate the shop 10 miles



Farwell residence with 6 rooms; cost \$3,000; rents for \$300 a year.

from Farwell at a place known as "Riley's Switch." Thus it was that the city of Clovis had its beginning. This was in 1907, and the townsite for Clovis was laid out by the railroad people. In 1902 the Santa Fe Railroad leased the Pecos Valley lines, and the lines became the Santa Fe

Railroad.

In 1905 the Santa Fe Railroad began building the famed "Belen Cut-Off." With the decision to found Clovis, construction began there, and the two sets of track met and became one, 12 miles east of Vaughn. Old timers recall that the tracks of the

Santa Fe once went south out of Texico to Cameo. One Sunday the railroad brought in about 300 men to take up this 23 miles of trackage. They completed this job in one day to prevent an injunction being obtained the following day to stop the removal of the

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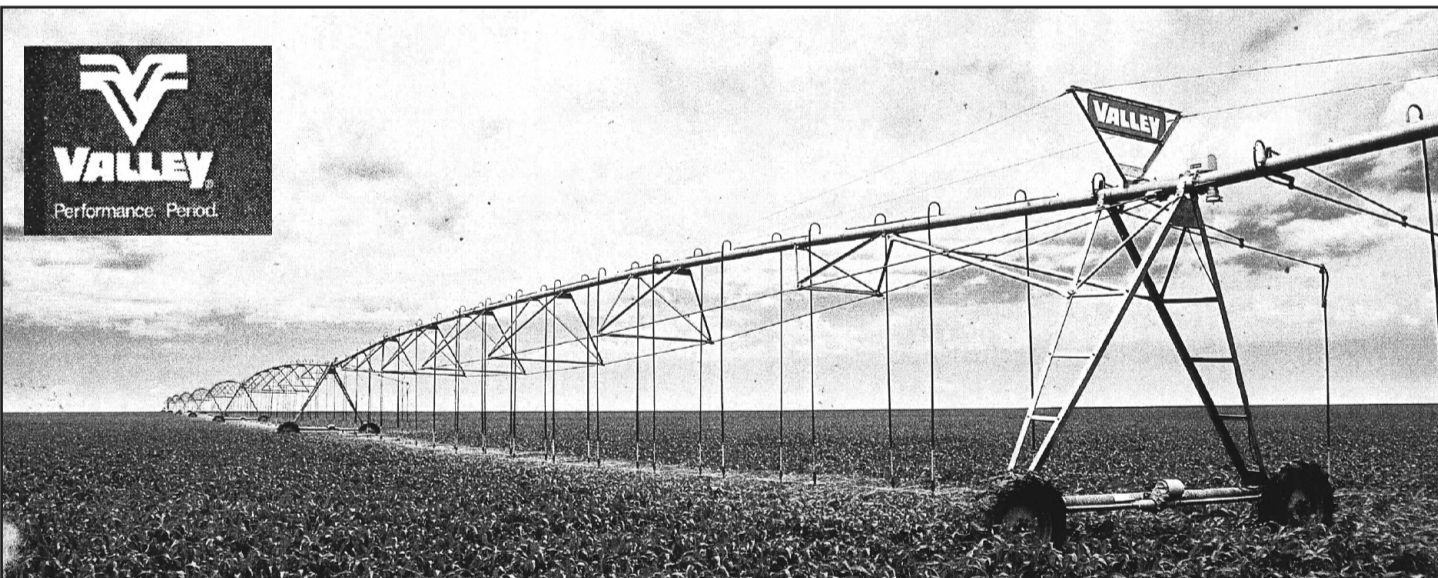
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The Dial Family

From left, Gloria Dial, Joan Allison, Hop (Sonny) Graham, Alta Gerles, Valarie Dial, A.C. Henneman, Herman Gerles, Hettie Nan Randall, Billy Don Crume, Dorothy Pullam and Benjy Dial. Minister behind bride is Murphy Duncan. The wedding took place Sept. 3, 1950.

Murray and Clytie Dial moved to the Farwell area in the mid-1940s with children Valarie, Ronny, Gloria and Benjy. All four graduated from FHS. Murray was a farmer, auditor, harvester and car dealer. After he died in 1955, Clytie ran a drive-in, a dry good store and was an office nurse. She became an RN in 1971. Valarie married A.C. Henneman and has lived in Amarillo since 1956. Ronny married Laquita Fort and worked for CCC until he died in 1977. Gloria married Tom Hightower, who coached football, was in insurance and owned a carpet store before retiring. Benjy placed football in high school, college and the pros. He was a coach at DeSoto when he died in 2001.



Ralph Franse began working in the irrigation business in 1946 in Portales. He moved to Farwell in 1954 and bought Franse Irrigation in 1979.

He is assisted by Steve Franse, Jimmy Franse, John Franse, Lucille Franse, Wanda Franse, Henry Garcia and David Jimenez.



Miles of pipe were laid in the 1950's and 1960's.



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tracks. The tracks were taken up as a result of the railroad's decision to locate its terminal in Clovis instead of in Texico-Farwell.

The Santa Fe Railroad built its depot at Texico in 1908. A freight depot was built in Farwell at the same time. The freight depot was placed on the Texas side in order to take advantage of the cheaper freight rates in Texas. They then transported the freight by trucks to various points in New Mexico. Farwell soon became a great shipping center in the early days. This was particularly advantageous to the freight agent, who received a certain percentage of the fees at that time. As early as 1908, three wholesale grocery houses had located at Farwell. They were situated in the north part of town where they would have trackage facilities to load and unload their goods. These wholesale houses were the Nobles Brothers Grocers, the Radford Brothers Grocers, and Waples-Platter Grocers.

This area around Farwell has been predominately a farming country. The first farms were in operation in 1906. Even in the early days, farmers worried about droughts and crop failures. As long as West Texas was favored with rains, it blossomed like a flower garden. The products of the West were shipped to the East every fall.

Then for three years, only scattered showers came. Since there were no crops, there was no money. Hopping and Robertson Grocery was

selling merchandise on credit. They could not collect the money that their customers owed. The business had close in the fall of 1909. Hopping sold his home in Farwell and cleared his indebtedness. Then he bought an 80 acre tract of land on credit from J. D. Hamlin, who was the land representative in Farwell.

Hopping built a dug out house and went to work breaking out the land. He used a grubbing hoe and a shovel. Water was hauled from Jim Oden's mill. When his crops were ready to sell, lightning struck in the haystacks. In a little while, the whole summer's work was burned to the ground. Hopping and his wife Lelia were certainly discouraged. But friends came to the rescue, and Wallace Good offered Hopping the managership of the Sixty-Nine Ranch. The offer was accepted, and Hopping moved his family to a four-room house know as the "Four Mile Camp."

On Dec. 21, 1908, The First National Bank of Farwell was chartered. D. A. Linthicum was the first president of the bank. This bank building is one of the few buildings in Farwell to have survived the various fires that have swept through the business district of the little town.

In order to stimulate the growth of Farwell, the Capitol Land Company built and paid for a magnificent three-story hotel. This building was erected in 1908 and was located on Third Street where the water tower is situated today. The Farwell Inn, as it was called, was built to



Brick business block in Farwell. This business block adjoined the Hamlin block.

accommodate prospective customers of the Capitol Land Company. Excursion trains were sponsored every few weeks to bring prospective land buyers from the East. In turn, the hotel became a mecca for the traveling salesmen who traversed the then scarcely populated plains.

The inn is described as having elaborate suites of rooms. A beautiful ballroom was finished in ultra-fashionable décor. Another hotel was once located on First Street. It was a two-story frame building and was located one block south of the Kemp Lumber yard. Parties arriving in Farwell as far back as 1908 claim it was in use at the time of their arrival. It was known as the Farwell Hotel and served also as a boarding house. Meals were served for 25 cents, and rooms could be rented for 50 per night. The Parmer Hotel, also a frame building, was located on Second Street. It stood adjacent to the property owned by D. M. Whitley. In later years, it was moved to Clovis. The Farwell Hotel was torn

down in later years to make room for a new building.

A number of medical doctors practiced in Farwell in the early days. Dr. Oliver was about the first to come. He came in 1906, and was followed in 1907 by a Dr. Taylor. Dr. J. Q. Burton came in 1908. In 1910, Dr. Burton was

appointed as the first county physician of Parmer County. For his services as county physician, he received \$10 a month.

For a short time there were two drug stores in the town. T. C. Linthicum established a drug store here in 1908. S. C. Faville had a drug store here at

about the same time, but remained in business for only about one year. Then for many years the town was without a drug store. The Red Cross Pharmacy at Texico served the twin cities for a number of years.

Nearly all of the business establishments at

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A brief history of the Lunsfords:

Charlie Lunsford was a farmer in the early days of Farwell, and in the 40's and 50's had a real estate agency on Avenue A in Farwell. His son Buster started Farwell Wrecking Co. in 1954 in the small garage in the front of the picture above. In the late 60's, he started selling pipe under the name Farwell Pipe & Iron. He supplied most of the feedyards in a 100 mile radius.

In 1973, he moved the business to 601 Ave. A, and in 1974 he opened up Lunsford Auto Parts. The business moved into its current building in 1983. Buster Lunsford passed away in 1989, and the business is carried on by his sons Buddy and Mickey.

**Farwell Pipe & Iron
Lunsford Auto Parts**



From left, Eldon, Betty, Estelle, Floyd and Weldon.

Floyd and Betty Embry married Sept. 26, 1953, in Muleshoe, Texas. They moved to their present home Jan. 12, 1954. They have three children, Eldon, Weldon and Estelle. All attended, and graduated from, Farwell Schools.

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Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church
has been serving the Texico-Farwell area since
1904. The current pastor is Rev. Scott Spitsberg.

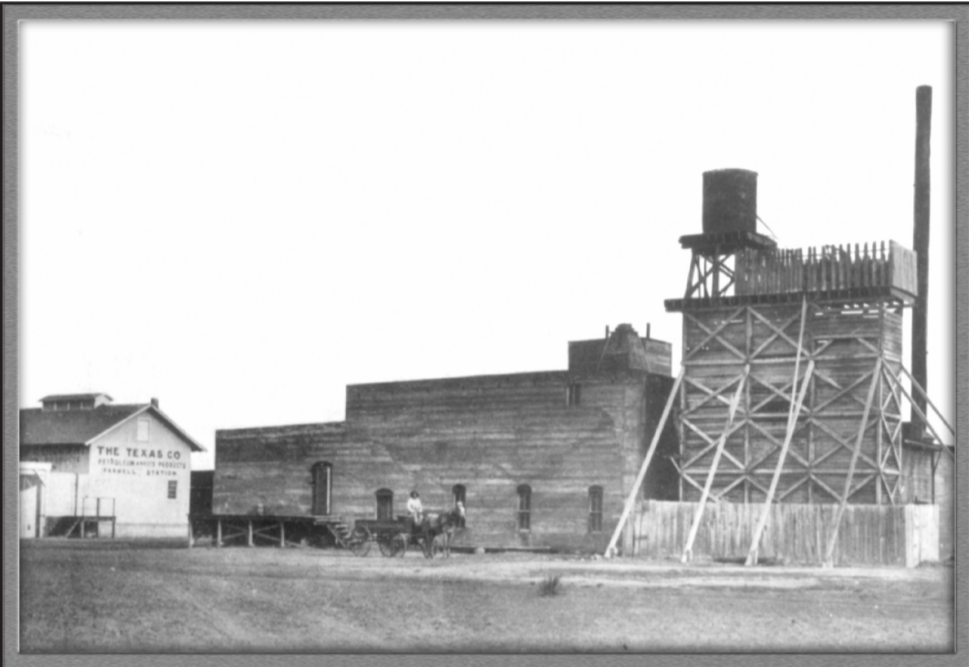
A look back at Farwell's Early Days



The Christian Church near 602 2nd St. The Farwell Inn is in the background.



Corn shelling plant near the railroad tracks.



The ice factory located near the railroad tracks north of Avenue A.



Hamlin Brick Block was located at the southwest corner of 3rd Street and Ave. C. Businesses included Hamlin & Co. Real Estate, Nobles Grocery Store, Linthicum's Drug Store, Porter Hardware, attorneys' offices, a dry good store and a barber shop. The entire block burned on May 9, 1913. Arson was suspected but never proven.

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this time were located on Third Street which is now known as the Court House Street. J. D. Hamlin constructed a group of business buildings which covered one entire block. This block was referred to in those days as the "Hamlin Blocks" or as the "Hamlin Bricks." These buildings were located in the block where Claude Rose had his residence. In fact, residences have taken the place of many of the early business buildings of the town. B. E. Nobles had a retail grocery store in the "Hamlin Block." Mr. Linthicum's drug store was located there too. The barber shop occupied one of the Hamlin buildings. The Porter Hardware was another business which occupied the block.

At this time the XIT Ranch was still in the cattle business. There were over 20,000 head of cattle on its ranges. Cattle rustling was still a common occurrence. Being situated on the state line made Farwell a strategic point since the rustlers would do their best to get the cattle over the line into New Mexico. There they felt that they could be safe, and that the Texas rangers would have no jurisdiction over them.

Legend says that the XIT once built a long board fence down the state line to keep out trespassers. W. E. Farwell, who helped to lay out the town of Farwell, says that it was a barbed-wire fence, but a remarkable stout one. White the XIT still maintained its herds, six Texas rangers were kept busy patrolling the state line. Though all the herds were not sold until 1912, the fence along the state line was removed in 1908.

Probably the "biggest" business in town in the

early days was Jess McKay's livery stable. This was before the days of the automobile, and McKay had a thriving business for several years. A blacksmith shop was also here in the infancy of the town, and was run by a Mr. James.

According to the records, the town's first jail was built in 1908. The cost was \$212.50. One can well imagine what a sturdy structure it must have been. At this time the county was paying \$60 a month for the use of rooms in the "Farwell Real Estate Exchange" and for a grand jury room in the upper story of the "Hamlin Bricks." These building were rented again, and this time the commissioners agreed to pay \$75 per month for the county offices.

Bob Kyker recalled a period from 1909 through 1911 when it stayed so dry that even the tumbleweeds never grew above three inches high. He said that the people would have moved out of this country if they could have. They couldn't leave because they were so poor. None had enough to buy a railroad ticket, and all the horses were so nearly starved they couldn't pull wagons, so the people just stayed.

In 1910, R. C. "Coke" Hopping was asked to run for sheriff of Parmer County. He was successful and this meant that he could move his family back to their dug out home, just two miles east of Farwell.

Cattle thieving was to be one of Coke's most perplexing problems. He was also appointed cattle inspector in 1910. He served as sheriff of Parmer County until 1918. Lawbreakers of the worst type soon left Farwell and Parmer County shortly after Coke went into office.

All indication point to the fact that Farwell was

booming in 1910. The population had risen to 800, and the town could now boast of having its own newspaper. B. F. Fears was now publishing "The State Line Tribune."

In addition to serving as the resident representative of the Capitol Land Company, J. D. Hamlin had formed a company of his own in the interest of selling properties in and around Farwell. The concern was called the Farwell Development Company. James D. Hamlin was president, and James M. Hamlin was vice-president. The purpose of the company was to induce prospective buyers to come from the East and buy property in Farwell. This booklet, published in about 1910, contained a number of interesting views of various business buildings and homes that were here at that time.

The entire "Hamlin Block" was offered for sale in this booklet, and it was stated that these buildings were erected at a cost of \$15,000. The following businesses were located in these buildings: the Nobles Grocery, the Cash Drug Store, the Barber Shop, and in the upper story were the offices of W. L. Sims and S. G. Bratton, attorneys. J. D. Hamlin also maintained offices on the second floor over the drug store.

An excellent view of the Farwell Inn was included in the booklet. The hotel was a three-story brick structure and was built at a cost of \$40,000. A water tower was located beside the hotel and was used to supply water for the inn. The Farwell Post Office, a one-story brick building, was located in back of the Hamlin Real Estate Exchange. The Coker and Triplett General Merchandise Store was still here at the time, and it was interesting to note the horses and buggies in front of the store. An ice

plant was also here, and the Malone brothers had a lease on the ice and the electric power plant. The Texas Company's plant was located next to the ice plant.



County home of J.M Hamlin, near Farwell

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Early in 1910, the county commissioners approved the establishment of a road beginning at the east line of Parmer County and extending to the eastern limits of the city of Farwell.

W. M. Shitley, who served as city council from 1910 to 1920, relates that trouble began to develop in the city government in 1910. The finances of the little town had reached a sad state, and the problem was further intensified when a Mr. Oliver absconded with about \$500 of the city's money. A petition was presented to R. W. McDonnell, county judge, to order an election to be held on Nov. 5, 1910, for the purpose of determining whether the voters were in favor of abolishing the corporation of the city of Farwell. The election was held in Hamlin Hall, and the citizens of the town voted at this time to allow the corporation of Farwell to lapse.

It was found that the

outstanding debts of the defunct city of Farwell amounted to \$1,000. Payment of back city taxes was ordered so that the debts of the town could be paid. The incorporation of the town was legally abolished on Nov. 16, 1910. Thus the city government of Farwell came to a rather inglorious end. The city was not to be incorporated again until 1950.

The First National Bank of Farwell was also abolished in 1910, but a short time later, a new bank was established. It was chartered under the name of The Texas State Bank of Farwell. Some of the same men who had organized the town's first bank were the organizers of the new bank. The same building on Third Street served as headquarters for the banking institution.

There were only two windmills in Farwell in the early days. Many families were using cisterns. Still others were hauling water from their neighbor's farms. Coal stoves were in use, and the electric system at that time was not very reliable. Water was plentiful, but people had not yet learned about

drilling wells. Very few people were financially able to buy the equipment for the wells. A public water tank was approved in 1910.

The citizens of Parmer County participated in an important election on Sept. 9, 1916, on the question of whether there should be prohibition in the county. Of the 159 votes that were polled, 141 were cast in favor. The county has been "dry" ever since that time.

The first automobile in town was owned by Jim Oden, who bought the car in 1912. It was a Model T. Ford, one of those with a high top. Bob Kyker owned the second car in town. Pretty favorable rains came to this area from 1912 until about 1929, and the farmers were able to realize fairly good crops.

Disaster hit Farwell in the form of a devastating fire on May 19, 1913. The fire swept through the buildings in the "Hamlin Block" and destroyed them all. The flames broke out in the building occupied by the Smith and Dodson Dry Goods Store.

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It was believed that the fire was the work of an arsonist, but this was never proved. The flames spread rapidly to the other businesses in the block. The fire-fighting equipment of those days was rather limited. It consisted merely of a two-wheeled cart which was kept in the fire house at Texico.

By the time the meager fire equipment arrived, the buildings were all ablaze. Fire fighters failed to save any of the building in the block. Various citizens did

manage to remove the county records and some of the court room furniture to safety. Court was held temporarily in the store building formerly occupied by the Pecos Hardware and Furniture Company. This building was located one block south of the buildings that burned.

A bond election was held on Aug. 9, 1913 to determine whether the people favored building a new court house. The vote was 99-81 in favor of issuing \$50,000 in bonds for the new building. Thus, the

bond issue carried, and officials made plans for the erection of a three-story court house building. However, work did not actually begin on this building until 1916. Plans which were submitted by C. Risser, architect, were approved. W. M. Rice, of Amarillo, Texas, was selected as the contractor for the building. The cost of the building without its furnishings was \$43,243.65. W. M. Rice was also given the contract to build a new county jail. County officials specified that it was not to

exceed \$3,000 in cost, and that it was to be built in back of the court house building on 4th Street.

According to B. N. Graham, who was county clerk from 1916 to 1926, the county officials moved into the new building in 1917. It was the pride and joy of the entire county, and especially to the people of Farwell. Serving as first judge in the court-house was James D. Hamlin. F. W. Reeve, Frank L. Reed, F. L. Spring, and F. W. McElroy, were commissioners. B. N. Graham was the county clerk. Coke

Hopping was sheriff, and J. C. Temple was justice of the peace.

The Criterion Theater was built in 1917. Tickets were 25 cents and 35 cents. D. M. Whitley says that the theater was located on Second Street, one block from the present post office. The building was moved out in 1921.

Farwell seemed to be booming as several new businesses made their appearance. B. E. Nobles opened a dry goods store. Mr. Wiggins was dress-maker and milliner. Barry Hardware opened a store in Farwell, which lasted five years.

Farwell was becoming quite modern. Thirty street lights were installed by the Stateline Utilities Company, which was furnishing electric power to the town. It also had a contract to furnish water to the town. The reservoir tank at the Farwell Inn was serving as the city water tower.

Farwell soon could boast of having current 24 hours a day. The utility company had connected Texico-Farwell with the Clovis plant. The ice plant was rebuilt and had facilities for supplying surrounding towns with ice.

C. A. Wulfman completed a six room bungalow on Third Street, and V. V. Knowles had built a home on Avenue B and Sixth Street. W. M. Taylor and T. Eustace Allen, Ford agents in Farwell, completed their garage on Avenue A and Third Street. They reported having sold 30 Ford cars in 1917. According to a census just completed by the Texico-Farwell Commercial Club, Texico

had a population of 614, and Farwell's population stood at 508. Eight months before, each town had only 400 inhabitants.

In 1917, a promoter turned up and announced plans to start a new industry. Residents of Texico-Farwell were introduced to a scheme to turn out tires and "Cannon Ball Motors." C. A. Roberson, the promoter, announced the establishment of the Western Tire Manufacturing Company. He called upon the citizens to buy shares in the business that was soon to be the biggest in all the West. Roberson reported that rubber tires would be made by April 1, 1917. A building had been erected on the north side of the railroad to house the tire plant. The three-story office building of the Cannon Ball Motor Company was built at a cost of \$50,000. The Texico Hotel later stood there.

The first unit of the Western Tire Manufacturing Company had 26,600 square feet of floor space. In connection with the plant was a reservoir with a capacity of over one million gallons. The company was capitalized at \$1 million. In one week, the stock sales ran to \$150,000. After many delays, Roberson announced that machinery for the tire plant was in transit, and that work would begin July 1, 1917. The year 1918 rolled around, and still no tires had been made. Mr. Roberson promised that the plant would make tires within 40 days.

Roberson also

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Farwell Clinic is the result of a group of dedicated citizens

The Farwell Clinic building was constructed in 1955 under the direction of a group of local citizens concerned with providing medical facilities for the town.

Volunteering to contribute the necessary funds for construction were: Security State Bank, Claude Rose Sr., G.D. Anderson, G.D. Anderson Jr., Carl Davis, John Aldridge, Sam Aldridge, Fred Gerles, N.L. Tharp, Johnny Williams, Guy Nichols, Leroy Faville and Clarence Worley.

The clinic was built as a physician's office with the capacity to accommodate hospital patients. The general contractor for the initial construction was Leroy Hunton.

The first physician to practice in the Farwell Clinic was Dr. M.F. Green. He was followed by Dr. T.J. Glenn and Dr. Jerry Gregory.

In 1971, the Farwell Development Corporation was formed. One of its chief goals was to improve the clinic facilities. In 1975, an election was held to form the Farwell Hospital District for which a board of directors would issue revenue bonds under taxing authority and assume

the responsibilities of the Farwell Development Corporation as they related to medical care here.

In addition to promoting the Farwell Clinic, the Farwell Hospital District would spearhead the construction of the Farwell Convalescent Center. The FCC was primarily established to provide residential care for the elderly members of the community.

The Farwell Clinic was given by its founders to the Farwell Hospital District in 1975 and with a substantial anonymous financial donation, was completed remodeled and modernized to house a dental clinic as well as a medical clinic.

The renovated medical clinic accommodated several physicians, including Dr. Robert Silva, Dr. Bill Lewis and Dr. William T. Green.

In August 1990, a fire gutted part of the medical clinic. The internal structure was rebuilt and opened in 1991 with Dr. Frank Kretsinger.

Dr. N.B. Chasteen began her practice in Farwell in December 1993. In 2000, Dr. H. Kyle Sheets began practicing here in affiliation with the Muleshoe

Area Medical Center. He was assisted by Physician's Assistant Dan Otero.

The first dentist was Dr. Lee Clayton, who practiced here from August 1976 to June 1978. Dr. J.R. Ivins began practicing here in June 1979. Both dentists came to Farwell under the sponsorship of the National Health Service Corps (NHSC), which matched practitioners with underserved areas and provided the necessary equipment to establish a dental clinic. In October 1978, Dr. Ivins transitioned from the NHSC and set up a private dental practice here.

In 1987, a substantial addition was made to the clinic building, including a new reception area and business office for the dental clinic. The addition was funded by the dental clinic and donated to the

Farwell Hospital District.

This year is the Farwell Clinic's 50th anniversary and the Farwell Hospital District's 30th anniversary. Citizens continue to benefit from the vision and provision of those who came before. The fulfillment of the dream of medical and dental facilities for Farwell, and the contributions, made it a reality as a testimony to a genuine love for the community by its citizens.

This year, Dr. Sheets is in his 5th year of practice here. He is assisted by Marc Osborn, a certified family nurse practitioner, and a staff training in medical care. And Dr. Ivins is starting his 26th year of dental practice here, assisted by Kristy Saxon and Jandi Lawrence, both Registered Dental Hygienists, and a supportive staff trained in dental health care.

Happy 100th, Farwell

- Crop
- Health
- Life

Mike Camp Insurance Agency

Avenue A, Farwell
481-9445



The Monk family: Jerry, Cody, Kelsey, Todd, Courtney, Leslie, Olivia and Pam. Not pictured, Alexis Lynn.

Kelly Green Seeds
Established 1962

The Farwell Abstract Company, Inc., had its beginning in 1923 when Mrs. J. A. (Minnie) Aldridge opened the doors to Farwell Abstract. The office was located in the Capitol Freehold Land & Trust Co. building at 402 Third St., Farwell.

Mrs. Aldridge died in 1946 and the agency was transferred to her sons, John and Sam. It was owned by the Aldridge brothers until their deaths -- John in 1968 and Sam in 1977.

The abstract company was purchased by Hurshel Harding, Charles Aycocock and Johnny Actkinson in 1977. Farwell Abstract Co., Inc., is now owned by Johnny Actkinson, Marion Rutter and Jeff Actkinson. The company is operated by Jeanette Ford.

Farwell Abstract Co., Inc., has been in continuous operation at the same location for 82 years and provides complete land title services for Parmer and Bailey Counties.

Farwell Abstract Company, Inc., and the Law Offices of Aldridge, Aycocock, Actkinson & Rutter, LLP, wish to honor our founders

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announced the bringing of the Mountain States Motor Company to Texico-Farwell. This company was to manufacture the "Cannon Ball Motor Car." A charter for the company was applied for and granted. The company was capitalized at \$10 million. Roberson addressed more than 500 citizens at the Criterion Theater. He told them that the Cannon Ball Motor Company would be manufacturers, assemblers, and distributors of automobiles, farm tractors, and trucks.

By Oct. 5, 1917, 500,000 shares had been bought by more than 450 people. Big plans were made for this company. It was announced that the annual capacity of the motor company would be 200,000 autos, trucks, and tractors. The plant was to cover 50 acres of land, and 35,000 workers were to be required to operate the plant. No cars were ever manufactured here, but some were shipped into Farwell from Illinois.

Each time the deadline arrived, the time would be set up again for beginning the manufacturing of the tires and cars. The stockholders were becoming uneasy. Roberson continued to assure them that they had nothing about which to worry. A dozen tires were finally manufactured, but no "Cannon Ball Motors" were in evidence. The stockholders finally discovered that the promoters had vanished with the stock money. Formal charges against these men were not pressed until 1921.

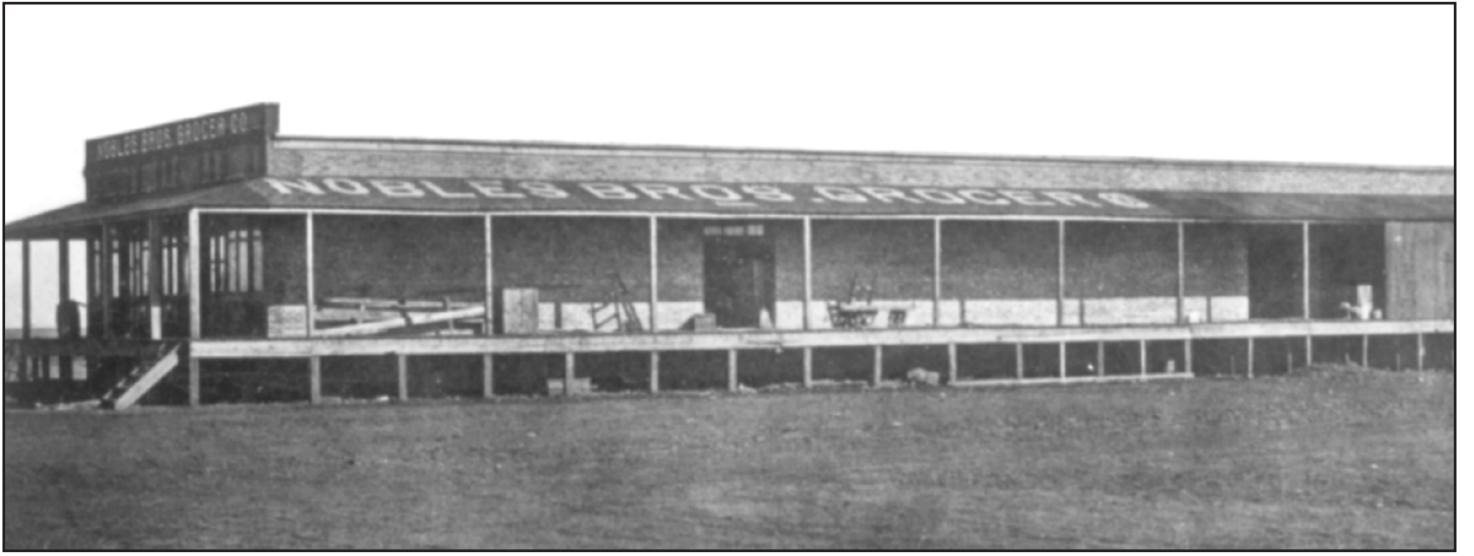
C. A. Roberson was charged with fraudulent use of the mails in selling Cannon Ball stock. He was found guilty in five of 16 counts before the court.

Other company officials who were jointly indicted with Roberson, were acquitted. In a later trial, Roberson was sentenced to 10 years in Leavenworth prison and payment of costs amounting to \$7,8000.

Farwell had an elevator in 1919. James McDowell was now publisher of the Texico-Farwell News. Room and board could be obtained at the Modern Café. Board was \$7 per week, and a room could be had for \$1.50 more per week. B. F. Fears was still editor and publisher of The State Line Tribune. Reese and Lokey, attorneys had offices in the Courthouse. The Capitol Land Company was advertising for settlers who "would develop this splendid country which is unsurpassed in climate, soil, and water."

The three wholesale distributing houses located at Farwell made plans to move to Clovis. Nobles Brothers, Waples-Platter Company, and the Radford Grocery Company, all of which had big distributing houses in Farwell, made their move in 1920. Thus, the early day Farwell were plagued by fires, deceived by promoters, and suffered the loss of its outstanding business houses.

Fire had played a great part in determining that the main business section of the town should be moved to Avenue A (Highway 70). It was there that The Plains Buying And Selling Association established a store in Farwell in 1921. J. E. Randol managed the association for several years. Then in 1927, he established the Randol Mercantile Company. This business was sold to Bart Osborne in 1932, and the



Noble Brothers Grocery's wholesale warehouse near the railroad tracks north of Avenue A.

business became the Osborne Mercantile Company. Randol then opened a wholesale candy and school supplies company. This business was in operation until 1946, when Randol moved to Muleshoe.

Other businesses were soon established on the new Main Street, and in 1921 a new bank building and a hardware store were

built. Bill Bryant first put in a hardware store, and when the building burned, he rebuilt and established a grocery store and butcher shop. The Texas State Bank burned at the same time and was rebuilt in 1922. However, the bank was soon closed because of several difficulties that arose.

After several years, the
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Christian selected

Farwell High's Micah Christian has been selected to play in the annual Golden Spread High School All-Star games April 14-16 at the West Texas A&M Event Center in Canyon.

Hughes Auto Parts

B.V. "Shorty" Hughes started Hughes Auto Parts in 1957 near the railroad tracks in Texico on Highway 84 near the tracks, where there is now a vacant triangle lot.

A new building was built at 701 Ave. A in Farwell and the business was moved in 1958. About 1960, Shorty built a laundry on the east side of the auto parts store. The business was sold to his son and daughter-in-law, Joe and Gwen, on Feb. 14, 1966.

A new laundry was built about 1962, so in 1969 the auto parts store expanded to include the building next door.

Joe and Gwen bought the laundry in 1974 and built a car wash to its east. In 1978, the Hughes' bought the Holiday Store building and joined True Value Hardware. The laundry was sold, along with the car wash, to Ray Dobbs in 1979, the same year Hughes Auto became a member of NAPA Auto Parts.

The old store building was sold to Bob Roberts in 1979. 1983 saw Gwen open the Special Occasions Florae Shop, selling it three years later to Karen Lovelace. Along about this time, the store was computerized and Texas lottery sales begun.

In 1999, Hughes Auto was sold to longtime employee Pablo Lucio, who operated the business at this site until February 2005, when he moved it to Southwest Ag Services at the east end of Avenue A.



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Family Hair Care
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The Beauty Box Salon was established in Farwell in January 1966. Thank you for your patronage and support for nearly 40 years. We hope to continue to serve you...
Frances Kube



The Armstrong Family

The Armstrong family is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, family that came to Parmer County.

John and Florence Armstrong were the first couple to be married in Parmer County -- in 1900. They lived in Bovina at first.

John, who managed the southern division of the old XIT Ranch, was the only XIT employee ever killed in the ranch's service. He was shot to death by cattle rustlers in 1908 in Bovina.

Shortly afterward, Florence bought property in Farwell. Today, their descendants, John and Sharon Armstrong, still live here.

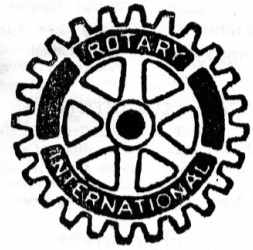


Shandra McIntosh
ENMR's representative in Farwell

ENMR • Plateau

Established in 1949 in Curry County
Acquiring the Farwell exchange in 1980

And wishing Farwell
a great 100th anniversary!



Charter Night
Texico-Farwell Rotary Club

Inter-city Meeting with Clovis Rotary Club
Thursday, June 22, 1961
Hotel Clovis -- 7:15 p.m.

The Clovis Rotary Club initiated the interest for organizing a Rotary Club at Texico-Farwell in August 1960, and as a result, Rotarian Bob Brooks was appointed the District Governor's representative for the organization of the Rotary Club.

President Jimmy Carmack of the Clovis Rotary Club appointed a committee of Clovis Rotarians composed of Bob Brooks, chairman; Paul Jones, Emmett Shockley and Army Armstrong to make the initial survey. The Extension Survey was completed as of November 21, 1960, with a recommendation to Rotary International for the organization of the Club. Thus, Rotary International gave approval; and from November 1960 to May 1961, professional men and business men of Texico-Farwell were contacted for the organization of a Provisional Rotary Club. The provisional meeting was held May 31, 1961.

Rotary International approved the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club on June 12, 1961.

Cooperating in the organization of the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club were the Portales and Melrose Rotary Clubs.

PROGRAM

- Presiding Officer..... Jimmy Carmack, President
Clovis Rotary Club
- Invocation..... Dr. Floyd Golden
Past District Governor
- Music..... Eddie Frear, Song Leader
Harold Phillips, Pianist
- Introduction of Guests..... Jimmy Carmack
- Introduction of Speaker..... Bill Duckworth
Past District Governor
- Address..... Rotarian D. D. Monroe
Clayton, New Mexico
- Presentation of Charter..... Travis Stovall
District Governor of 552
- Congratulations..... Bruce Pember
District Governor of 573
- Presentation of Gifts..... Rotary Clubs of District 552
- Installation of Rotary Officers..... Ray J. Lofton
Past District Governor

CLOVIS ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS for 1961-62

- President..... Gerald D. Hastain
- Vice President..... Jimmy Carmack
- Secretary..... Hervey J. Gilliland
- Treasurer..... Emmett Shockley
- Sergeant-at-Arms..... Paul Jones

CLOVIS ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS for 1960-61

- President..... Jimmy Carmack
- Vice President..... John Russell
- Secretary..... Chick Taylor, Jr.
- Treasurer..... Hervey J. Gilliland
- Sergeant-at-Arms..... Paul Jones

CHARTER MEMBERS

TEXICO - FARWELL ROTARY CLUB

Rotarian	Rotary-Ann	Address
John H. Aldridge	Lillian	Farwell
Sam Aldridge	Doll	Farwell
R. W. Anderson (Bob)	Carrie	Farwell
Jerry Bradshaw (Brad)		Farwell
Billy R. Boling (Bill)	Francis	Farwell
F. O. Burk (Fern)	Ruth	Farwell
Ernest P. Cain	Maybelle	Farwell
Edward Combs (Ed)	Idalou	Texico
Bobby Crume (Bob)	Ginger	Farwell
Joe A. Crume	Capitola	Farwell
Buck Doran	Ruby	Texico
Karl Gast (Smokey)	Dorothy	Farwell
Dudley Hughes	Mike	Farwell
Joe W. Jones	Irene	Farwell
Ira Levins (Scotty)	Jessie	Farwell
Johnny H. McDonald	Ophell	Farwell
Prentice Mills	Lavon	Farwell
James Patrick (Pat)	Mary Jean	Farwell
Norman Peyton (Bud)	Mary	Farwell
Herbert Potts (Herb)	Gertrude	Farwell
Harry L. Sheets	Alta	Farwell
Rip Snodgrass	Thelma	Texico
John H. Spearman	Bea	Farwell
Robert Tomlinson (Bob)	Geneva	Farwell

TEXICO - FARWELL ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS for 1961-62

- President..... Bob Tomlinson
- Vice President..... Scott Levins
- Secretary..... Bob Crume
- Treasurer..... Buck Doran
- Sergeant-at-Arms..... Herb Potts



L.J. Jenkins

Jenkins ranks 10th in Super Bull Tour

Here's an update of Texico High junior L.J. Jenkins, who is rapidly becoming a champion rodeo rider:

Jenkins is representing Texico High at the state championship and it will take him on to the high school nationals at Gillette, Wyo., in July in the bull riding events.

Jenkins also is riding well in his open bull ridings, standing in 10th place in the Super Bull Tour. He is anxiously waiting for July 17 when he will turn 18 years old and begin riding at the professional level, driving and flying many miles while he continues to attend Texico High to finish his senior year.

His parents, Jay and Sandy Bowers, thank everyone for their support.

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Guaranty State Bank of established in Farwell on Jan. 17, 1925. In 1927, it was reorganized as the Security State Bank. Deposits at that time were only \$83,000. J. H. Head was president of the bank, and G. D. Anderson was vice-president. Directors were J. A. Pitman, D. F. Ashbrook, G. W. Brumley, J. H. Head, and G. D. Anderson.

J. H. Head, president of the bank, died in 1947, and G. D. Anderson, vice-president, was elected to the presidency. Directors of the bank were: G. D. Anderson, R. W. Anderson, G. W. Brumley, Belva Anderson, and J. A. Pitman. The capital stock of the bank was raised to \$100,000. Deposits were now nearly \$2.5 million. In 1930, the deposits had been \$153,000; and in 1940, they were \$413,000; and by 1952, they had reached \$2,870,000.

Another new business, the Texas Grocery, was established by W. W. Hall in 1922. Hall operated this store in a little building on the lots later used by the

Phillips 66 filling station. During this time, Jess Newton ran a little café across the street from Hall's grocery. It was located on the property later occupied by the Piggly Wiggly Store.

During the 1920's, the Post Office was located in back of the Texas State Bank building.

Still, other businesses were in operation here in the early 1920's. O. C. Sikes opened a Ford Agency in 1924 at the corner of Second Street and Avenue A. The town had been without a drug store since 1913, but in 1925, Fox Drug Store opened. This was in the same building later used by the Rose Drug and Gift Store. E. E. Jakson was running a tailor shop in those years. The Farmers Grain Company was operating here and was advertising lump and nut coal for sale. The O. K. Wagon Yard was featuring "Chick Chow" to make chickens grow.

Lloyd and Sikes opened a Chevrolet agency in 1926 and were in a building at Third Street and Avenue A. By 1930, O. C. Sikes had given up the Chevrolet

agency to Charles Lunsford. Lunsford moved the agency to Friona and soon closed the business there. Sikes then opened another Ford agency here.

Several physicians had practice here during the years. In 1923, Dr. D. W. Clark was the resident physician in Farwell and had been appointed as the County Health Officer. Two other doctors who were practicing here in the 1920's were Dr. McCuan and Dr. Presley. They were partners and had their offices in a building on Second Street. Dr. V. Scott Johnson came to Farwell about 1930 and remained until 1946.

Farwell could boast of having a cotton gin in 1925. The gin soon closed and afterwards burned.

During the early 1920's, the Capitol Reservation Lands Company began to direct its interests toward selling land to prospective farm buyers. Hamlin Overstreet became associated with the company in 1925, and his uncle, J. D. Hamlin, had him help sell land to settlers. Modern farm homes were built on

many of the tracts of land and sold with the land at cost.

Farming in those days was accompanied with hazards of dust and drought, of violent windstorms and of hail. Production was often uncertain and harvest even more so. The Capitol Company gained the reputation during these years of never foreclosing on a settler who was really trying to make his land pay, but "carried" many hard-pressed creditors for years. Those who were more fortunate were able to pay off their land in one year. The company often loaned money for improvements, and even kept up a nursery near Farwell for the wives of settlers who wished to plant shrubs and trees.

Tracts of land were being offered from 160 acres up, at reasonable prices and on liberal terms of payment. These tracts were offered to actual settlers, who were seeking a new location where virgin land was ready for the plow, where soil fertility and an abundance of pure

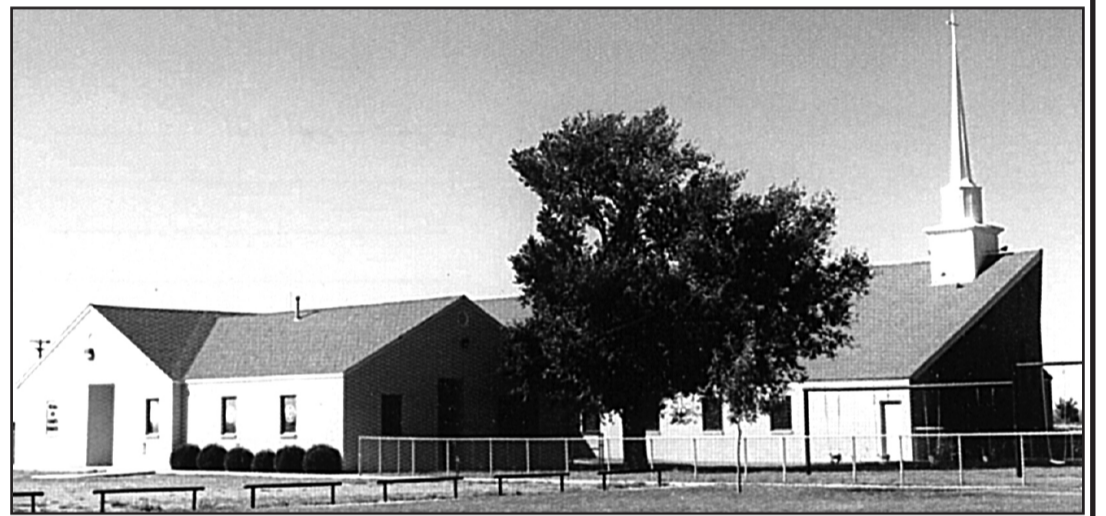
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St. John Lutheran Church at Lariat & Life In Christ Academy

-- Established 1921 --
 Rev. David Symm, pastor



Lee's Electric

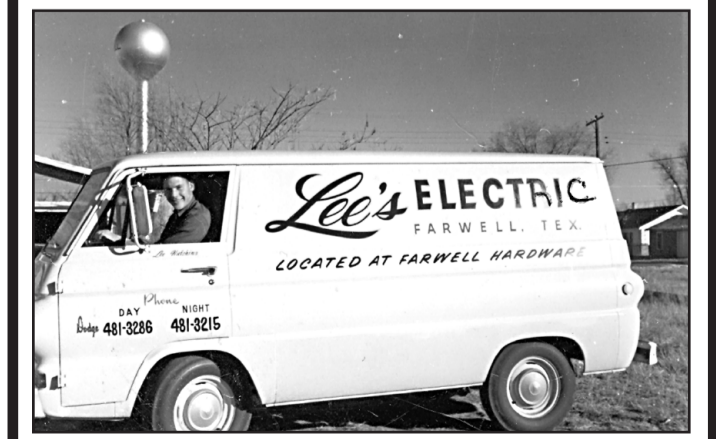
Owners: Lee & Gloria Hutchins
 Established Jan. 1, 1966
 Commercial, Residential, Industrial, Irrigation, Electrical Contracting & Service

Locations:

Farwell Hardware

East side of Hughes Auto, 709 Ave. A
 107 Ave. A • 513 2nd Street

Family: 3 children -- Geretta Richards, with children Joshua and Joseph: Carl Hutchins; and Daniel Hutchins (and wife Darla), with children Alexander, Abigail and Thomas.



Sheets & Sheets

Sheets & Sheets Welding & Construction was started in July 1945 by Eugene (Ted) Sheets and Marion Buck.

Mr. Buck sold his interest to Edgar Blaine, who then sold his interest to Harry Sheets after he returned from the U.S. Navy.

The original business will have been active for 60 years, come this July 2005.

Pictured at top left is the original shop. Bottom left shows Kyle and Gene Sheets with their grandfather, Ted. At right is Ted and his wife Virginia.

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water, united to spell opportunity for human betterment.

The soil was described as being rich and productive, with no trace of alkali. It was further stated that the lands offered in the sale were in an altitude of 3,000 to 4,000 feet, and afforded an invigorating atmosphere conducive to health and energy. The land was said to be underlaid with an inexhaustible sheet of soft water, 99 percent pure, at a depth of from 50 to 225 feet. Rainfall in the country was said to have averaged 22.80 inches annually. This report was based on U. S. Government statistics over the last 23 years.

It was said that the efficient farmer here had never had a complete crop failure. Broom corn, Kaffir

Home designated historic landmark

One of Farwell's oldest homes was designated a Texas Historic Landmark by the Texas Historical Commission in the 1980s.

The Hopping-Aldridge Home at 710 4th St. is owned by Mack and Bonnie 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, 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 his 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 Heald purchased it in 1981.

The home was the first residence in Parmer County to receive a state medallion. Also having been designated state historical landmarks are the Parmer County Courthouse and the old First National Bank building (currently housing the Aldridge law firm).



Dr. Scott O. Washburn
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corn, milo maize, oats, millet, sorghum, Sudan grass, and almost every variety of vegetable, were advertised as yielding abundantly in this country. Wheat was listed as one of the staple crops, with yields of 40 to 50 bushels not being uncommon. The average yield over a period of years was listed as being from 15 to 20 bushels to the acre. From one-fourth to one bale of cotton per acre was said to grow here. Indian corn was described as a ready money crop, producing from 20 to 50 bushels per acre.

Kaffir corn and milo maize were the pioneer grain crops of this part of Texas, and were yielding from 40 to 60 bushels of grain to the acre. Sorghum cane constituted the leading forage and hay crop yielding from 3 to 5 tons to the acre.

On Dec. 31, 1950, Hamlin Overstreet liquidated the interests of the Capitol Reservation Land Company in Farwell. He had reduced their holdings by sale to settlers to a bare

20,000 acres—the last of the 3 million acres that the first Farwells and their associates had gotten in exchange for building the Capitol at Austin. The remaining land was divided among 10 stockholders in the company.

Meanwhile, various civic improvements began to come. Farwell was soon to have natural gas piped into its homes. The West Texas Gas Company was the first to make an application to lay a gas line in the streets and alleys of Farwell, but no agreement was entered into since the company did not specify a definite time limit in laying the pipe or at what price the pipe would be laid. This was in 1927.

In 1930 an ordinance was passed granting a franchise to the Southern Union Gas Company to lay pipe lines and to maintain a gas plant for the distribution of natural gas in Farwell.

Another change came when the Texas-New Mexico Utilities Company was granted a franchise in 1929 to take over the oper-

ation of Farwell's light plant. By 1949, installation of new power lines for a large part of the town was completed by Southwestern Public Service Company. And by 1940, R. V. Ham, Superintendent of the Water Works, announced that more than 200,000 gallons of water were being pumped every 24 hours to meet the demands of local users.

The population of Farwell in 1930 was given as 526. By 1940, the population had made another sight drop and was given as 518. This drop in Farwell's population may be traced to the severe droughts and scarcity of jobs in this section all during that period. But by 1950, population figures show that 1,250 people

were residing in Farwell.

Though times were difficult here all throughout the 1930's, some new businesses were begun during that time. In 1934, a new cotton gin was built in Farwell. W. W. Hall opened a new grocery store on Feb. 22, 1935. He had \$800 worth of groceries in stock when he opened for business. The business was operated by Hall until 1951, when he leased the store to Buck Bradshaw.

The worst dust storms ever experienced here came in 1935. Dust storms continued that spring and intermittently through the rest of the 1930's.

Several W. P. A. projects were completed in this area during the 1930's. Workers put a coating of caliche on all the streets in

town. The park, adjacent to the courthouse, was improved, and the school grounds were beautified. Many of the men received scarcely more than \$1 per day and were barely able to eke out an existence for themselves and their families. Very few people drove their cars in those days. They left them at home and walked wherever they needed to go.

In 1938, only 20 carloads of wheat were shipped from Farwell. Much of the wheat had been damaged by rain, wind, and hail. Some fields, however, turned out fairly good yields with 20 bushels per acre from some large fields. Damaged fields averaged only from 3 to 7 bushels per acre. Most of

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Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County clerk's office last week recorded these warranty deeds:

Ginger Fulcher - Rafael Morales, L6-10, B68 Bovina.
Glenn Williams - Jose Vega, L5-6 B51 Friona.

Medical Center Inc. - Bovina Clinic, L1-2 B99 Bovina.

Claud Gregory Jr. - Russell Leopard, S/E S83 Blk H Thomas Kelly.

Claud Gregory Jr. - Mattison Adams et al, W/2 and E/2 S31 Blk H Thomas Kelly.



Farwell Hardware

The Farwell Hardware building was built in 1949 by Walter Hardage for his Hudson dealership. About 1952, Clay and Irene Henson moved their hardware store here. The Meeks bought the business 2 years ago.



This Farwell Hardware picture was taken for the Farwell school yearbook in 1956.



Dardanella and Joe Helton with son Hal.

**This advertisement appeared
in the March 10, 1949,
issue of the State Line Tribune:**

GREETINGS.

After much consideration, we have decided to "cast our lot" with the people of the Texico-Farwell community as successors to Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bagley, as a wholesale representative of the Phillips Petroleum Company.

Having had considerable experience in the oil and gas business, we feel that we are not entering a field with which we are unfamiliar. However, we realize that getting acquainted in an entirely new community is no small undertaking.

And for that reason, we are sending each of you of this community this greeting. We want to know each of you better ... we are going to make your acquaintance just as rapidly as humanly possible. We want to extend you an invitation to drop in and get acquainted whenever it is convenient for you.

With your cooperation, we believe that it will be possible for us to continue the highly efficient service that you have enjoyed in the past, and to that end we solicit a continuation of your loyal patronage.

**MR. AND MRS. JOE A. HELTON
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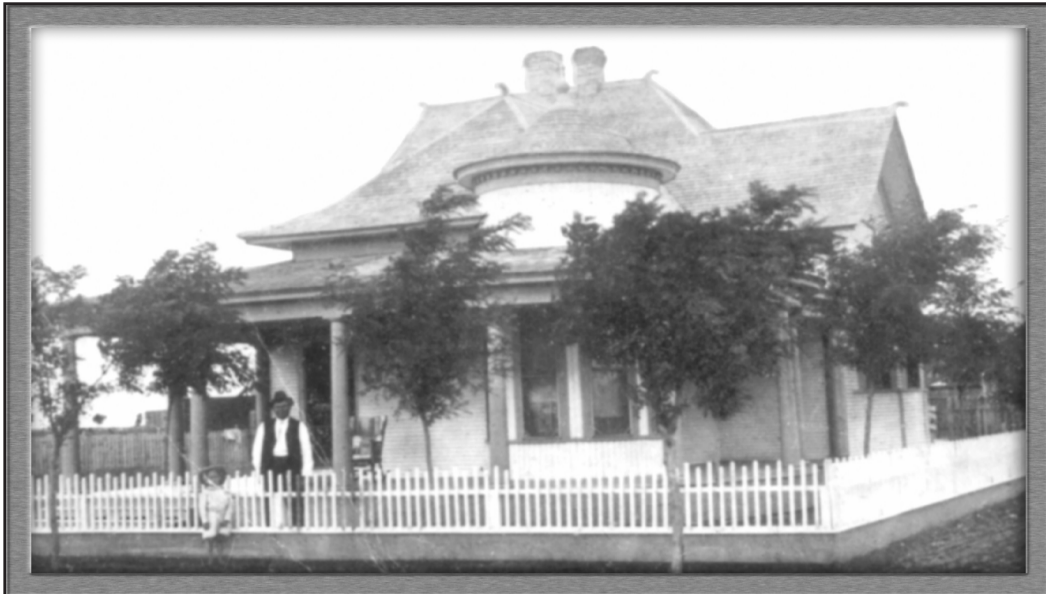
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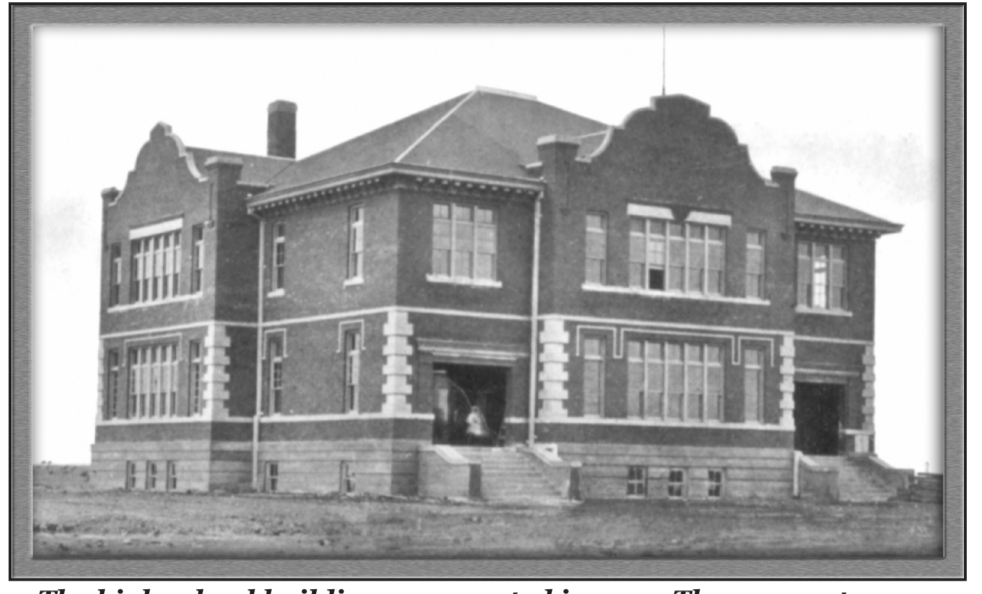
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A look back at Farwell's Early Days



James A. Oden residence at 600 3rd St.



The high school building was erected in 1910. The cornerstone was placed in the foyer of the Farwell gym built in the 1990s. Until the building was erected, Farwell School met in the Congregational Church at 1st Street and Avenue C.



Interior of the First National Bank building. Dan Linthicum, its first president, is on the left. The bank was abolished in 1910. A short time later, a new bank was chartered in the same building by some of the same men who chartered the First National Bank. The new bank was named The Texas State Bank of Farwell.



Congregational Church and parsonage at 1st Street and Avenue C. The rocks required to build it were hauled from Taiban, N.M.



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A picture of the assembled Farwell school students with Prof. White around 1917.

Farwell schools to add 11th grade!

(Editor's note: This article is part of a continuing series featuring issues of the Texico-Farwell News, published between 1917 and 1920. The issues were discovered a couple of years ago in the basement of the Ruby's Antiques building in Texico.)

A major Page 1 article in the Sept. 13, 1918, issue was simply headlined "Farwell Public School." It noted that school opened on Sept. 9 and "enthusiastic speeches" were given by Parsons Battenfield, Nix, Thurston, Lanford and Graham.

"Prof. White made a splendid talk, stating that the aim of himself and teachers was to have a better school than ever before. Asking that the parents be regular visitors."

A lengthy explanation was given of the course of study, noting that the school was adding an 11th grade.

Graduation from the 10th grade had only been admitting the pupils to the second year Normal courses, while the new 11th grade will give entrance to 3rd year work and only require two years for graduation from State Normals.

Who were the Farwell teachers?

Miss Broyles, primary; Miss Madge Nixon, 3rd and 4th grades; Mrs. J.R. Lipscomb, 5th and 6th grades; Miss Rosemary Cox, 7th and 8th grades; Mrs. L.E. Canon, for domestic science, and Miss Josephine Nichols, for music.

Rev. S.G. Battenfield is teaching the 9th and 10th grades as a substitute this week.

And the first day enrollment was 34 at Farwell High School.

Meanwhile, the city of Texico was having its streets graded. The article said, "When the streets are finished, it will be a pleasure to ride on them. Heretofore, it has been so bumpy that one could

scarcely stay in the vehicle while riding over the streets. Hooray for our citizens and a mayor who believes in improvements."

The Texico-Farwell News was being published by the owners of the Cannon Ball Motor Co. that had begun operations in Texico. As part of this conglomerate, the Western Tire Mfg. Co. had been set up.

Tire company President C.A. Roberson told the News that the necessary funds will be raised this week, and that the plant will be operating and turning out tires by Oct. 1.

"All of the machinery that is required to make tires out of sheet rubber is now in the building with the exception of the moulds, and they are ready for shipment as soon as the money is raised to put the plant into operation," said the story.

Several "reader ads" were at the bottom of Page 1.

K.K. Runnels (who has KKR Park in Texico named after him) had "plenty of good coal on hand. Better buy now."

R.H. Burgess wanted to buy folks' Broom Corn at the Ford Garage on Saturdays. And the Palace Café just opened.

One fascinating Page 1 article noted that New Mexico Gov. W.E. Lindsey had pardoned Texico's Robert N. Williams, who was serving time in the pen for up to 4 years (charge not given). Williams had offered to enlist in the U.S. Army if released. He was granted clemency and the article noted:

"Bob Williams came in Wednesday. Bob is one of Texico's best citizens and all of his friends here are glad that the Governor saw fit to pardon him. Bob is busy shaking hands with his old friends, and all are glad to have him back."

Besides those local articles, the rest of Page 1 basically featured war

news, as World War I was heading to a close.

Articles noted Gen. Pershing's birthday, that the local Red Cross ladies were sewing materials, and how American wounded in Europe were being taken to England for recovery.

Page 3, as has been pointed out in past articles, featured a full page ad for the Cannon Ball Motor Co. and the prediction that Texico would be one of the great centers of vehicle production in the U.S.

Page 2 had more war news. Headlines included "American Holds Wound Record" (16 machine gun wounds); "South Africa to forbid use of German language"; and "Write a Letter to Sammie (U.S. soldiers)".

There was a long column for Bovina items, which included:

-- Messers Johnson and Beekman shipped two car loads of cattle last week from Kansas City.

-- J.H. Aldridge, county sheriff-elect, moved with his family from Bovina to Farwell last week.

-- Bovina School opened Monday with an enrollment of 58. Mrs. Hecox is principal and Misses Ross, Lively and Gregory are assistants.

-- H.H. Smith returned from a 3-week vacation in North Carolina.

-- The 4th quarterly conference for the Bovina Methodist Church was held and the following officials were elected to serve for next year: H.T. Hastings, S.S. Supt; H.H. Smith, League president; F.W. Jersig, Ford Elfers and H.H. Smith, stewards for the Bovina church; A.J. James, F.H. Jacobs and A.S. Curry, stewards at Friona; and L. Sawyer and J.B. McMimm, stewards for Summerfield.

The annual state bank report for Farmers State Bank of Texico was given, and signed by C.W. Harrison, president, and H.Y. Overstreet, cashier.

Loans and discounts were at \$112,315. Individual deposits were at \$52,080. Time deposits were at \$8,545. Undivided profits were at \$3,896.

There also was a joke on Page 2:

Teacher -- Johnny, if your father gave your mother \$5 on Monday, \$6 on Tuesday, \$7 on Wednesday, and so on, adding an additional dollar each day, what would she have by Saturday?

Johnny -- I don't know what she'd have by Saturday, but she'd have a hit by Tuesday.

Page 4 featured Texico School notes:

The school has enrolled 164 and many more coming with an expectation of reaching the 200 mark.

The article said, "Come on, boys and girls, to the best school in New Mexico. We have good, noble and trustworthy students."

The high school students made a 100 percent

grade Tuesday, in a test of honor.

And the article continued, "School is progressing so rapidly that their heads are swimming in knowledge."

More Texico School notes:

--The grammar school boys won their first laurels in defeating the Farwell boys to the tune of 23-11 in a ball game Friday.

-- We, the students of the high school, do hereby petition the School Board to provide teachers with four legged chairs, instead of three.

-- What Junior was it the other day that found a shortage in wire leading from battery of importation to storage department?

Local tidbits in other articles included:

-- The Woman's Missionary Union, with the many lady friends of Rev. and Mrs. J.F. Nix, showered the new baby boy with many dainty and useful articles.

-- At the Methodist Church get-together coming up on Sept. 20, there will be a social affair with plenty of music, refreshments and "a general hand-shaking."

-- An unknown landowner said he would furnish 75 acres of good wheat land and seed wheat to someone to put in for half. Land is 19 miles north of Texico.

-- Tom Grady left for military training at A&M College.

-- Word was received from Tom Hudson saying he had arrived safely overseas. "So guess Tom at last caught his boat," said the article.

-- Mrs. Alice Riggins bought the T.J. Roberson home place, just north of Texico.

-- The State Line Band has received their new music and are practicing four times a week. Misses Gladys Porter and Thelma Allen have been added to the band as clarinet players.

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2005 City Council: Back row, aldermen Tim Kasel, Wayne Gruben, Joe Stanton, Don Geries; front row, Mayor Jimmie Mace and alderman Ysleta Kittrell.

(Reprinted from the Sept. 23, 1977, State Line Tribune)

Texico-Farwell Makes Gift to LIF In Memory of Otis Huggins

Lion Otis Huggins, a charter member of the Texico-Farwell Lions Club, died Sept. 18, 1977, at his mountain cabin northeast of Las Vegas, N.M. Lion Otis, age 63, was recuperating from a recent stroke and died of an apparent heart attack.

With the passing of Lion Otis, the Texico-Farwell Club has been deprived not only of a 100 percent perfect attendance charter member, but one of its outstanding workers for the causes of Lionism.

Serving his Club for over 27 years, Lion Otis has filled all the club officer positions and served many years on the Board of Directors. He worked hard in all the local fund raising projects and was particularly interested in the annual light bulb campaign.

Lion Otis was the Southwestern Public Service Company representative in the community for 34 years. He was a founding member and first Fire Chief of the Texico Volunteer Fire Department. He also helped establish the Farwell Volunteer Fire Department and was its first chief. When he retired from the fire department, he was made a lifetime Honorary Chief.

He was a member of the First Baptist church and a vocal supporter of the Chamber of Commerce.

Texico-Farwell Lions Club made a \$100 contribution to the Lions International Fund in memory of and honor to Lion Otis Huggins. He will be deeply missed by the community and his fellow Lions.

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Farwell From page 9

Parmer County was averaging from 12 to 15 bushels per acre.

It was not until 1947 that Farwell had a record wheat harvest. Wheat was bringing \$1.77 per bushel. Some fields were yielding as high as 40 bushels per acre, but most farmers were realizing 20 bushels per acre. A new warehouse had been completed at Henderson Grain Company and was ready to receive 200,000 more bushels of wheat. One hundred carts of wheat had already been shipped from Farwell. A record price of \$2.40 per bushel was being offered for No. 1 wheat.

Highway 60 from Farwell to Lubbock had been surfaced in 1934. The loop connecting Texas Highway 60 with New Mexico 60 through Texico was paved in 1939.

Several new businesses were under construction in 1940. John Porter built a new grocery store building, and Mrs. Florence Wallace constructed a new building to house City Cleaners. Both were located on Main Street.

Several Farwell area men lost their lives in World War II. Their names are inscribed on the

memorial in Farwell city Park, along with other county servicemen who gave their lives.

C. M. Henderson opened a new elevator in Farwell in 1942. A new plant was constructed by Gene Lovelace in 1950, consisting of 12 concrete tanks, with an overall capacity of more than 300,000 bushels of grain. Lovelace said that they firm name would be Lovelace Grain and Storage Company, with Herbert Potts as GM.

In 1942, the fire department acquired a used fire truck when Fire Chief Ira Selman made the trip to Electra, Texas, to get it. He was chief for 13 years, and was followed by A.C. Green. A new fog pumper was purchased later, followed by another truck in 1951.

Machinery for staking Farwell's oil test was moved on location 5.5 miles northeast of the city on land owned by N. L. Sharp. The well was finally abandoned as a dry hole. Two small showings of oil were found, but in insufficient quantities for a paying well.

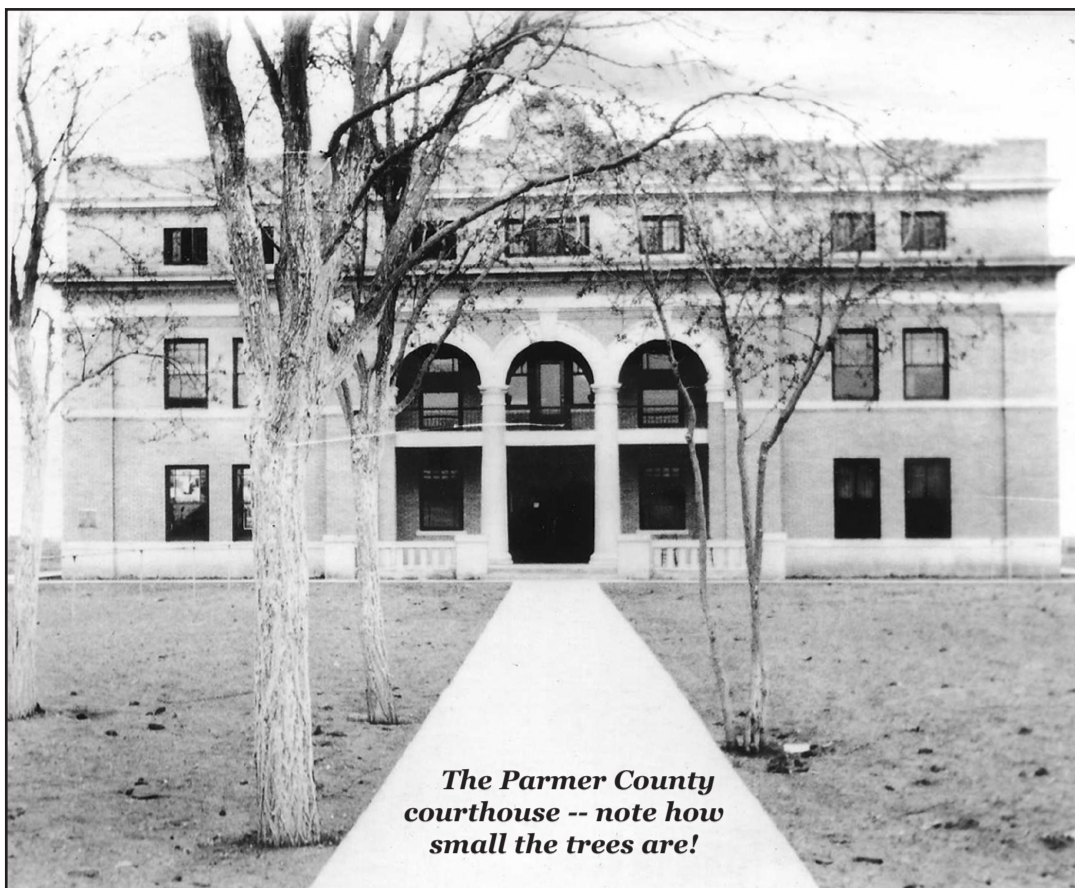
A formal Chamber of Commerce was formed in 1946, with C. M. Henderson as president, and C. G. Davis, as vice-president. The board of

directors were: C. G. Davis, H. Y. Overstreet, Sam Aldridge, Claude Rose, G. D. Anderson, Joe Magness, O. C. Sikes, and C. M. Henderson. A membership of 60 was soon reached.

In 1947, Ira Levins, of Purcell, Okla., began construction of a modern theater building in Farwell. The building was erected on the lots east of the drug store and had a seating capacity of 350. The theater had its formal opening on June 7, 1947. Sunday shows began at 2:00 p.m. and continued through the evening. Weekday programs started at 7:45 p.m., and programs were changed four times weekly.

The Farwell American Legion built a structure on First Street for \$6,000. Trustees for the hall were Paul Wurster, W. T. North, Champ Porter, Perry Crawley, and Joe White.

For a number of years, the town's only paving was on Main Street. In 1948, seven blocks of Main Street were repaved, and six blocks on Third Street received paving for the first time. This was the only paving in town until 1952. A street lighting project had also begun in 1948, and 54 street lights were placed at regular



The Parmer County courthouse -- note how small the trees are!

intervals. In 1952, 26 blocks were paved, and Third Street was repaved.

In the spring of 1949, the town had a tornado scare. Rain, hail, and a small twister struck Farwell, with rainfall measuring 3.53 inches. Forming south-east of Farwell, a small twister was visible to local

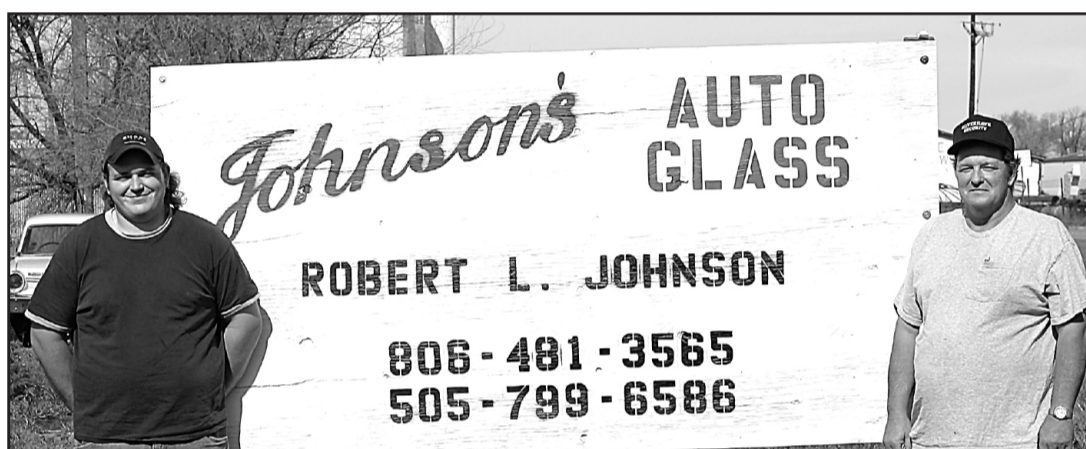
spectators. The storm moved in a northeastwardly course doing damage whenever the funnel of the twister dipped to the ground. The only building destroyed was a small garage at the John Billingsley farm home east of Farwell.

The local Lions Club

was organized on Jan. 5, 1950. 41 members composed the original club. Agrie Jones was elected president, Loyde Brewer was elected vice-president.

An election was held in June 1950, for determining whether the voters favored

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Pictured top row from left, Angelia Mace, Alyson Actkinson, Melissa Carpenter, Brenda Wren, Tammy Jones, Lorre Haseloff, Robin Howard, Pam Monk, LuAnn Fillpot; bottom row, Hayley Christian, Annie Williams, Annetta Hadley, Lilly Christian, Jana Barrett and Terri Nichols. Not pictured are Pam Carpenter, Robbi Actkinson, Joyce Williams, Dot Christian, Sheryl Christian, Denise Christian, Trace Devault, Sherry Christian, Twyla Lusk and Margaret Aycock.

Proud to have served the Farwell-Texico area for 54 years Farwell Service League (formerly 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: Nell Walling, Maxine Ford Williams, Dardanella Helton, Julia Symcox, Dorothy Quickel, Iris Thornton Price, Jeanne Dudley Graham, and Modena Banks.

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, the Farwell Community Center, and the playground equipment for the Farwell City Park.

Through the years, various projects have been sponsored or supported by this group with funds raised through large rummage sales, pie suppers, serving drinks at Border Town Days, and most recently the stew dinner. The money raised has enabled this organization to donate to the Farwell Volunteer Fire Department, Farwell/Texico Boys and Girls State participants, the Maxine Williams Valedictorian Award, Lighthouse Mission, Food Bank, families in times of need, and clothes and toys to area children at Christmas time.

Some special service projects Farwell Service League does for the community are visits and goodies provided to the Convalescent Center or shut-ins of Farwell. During Public School Weeks, the teachers are often treated with baked goods as recognition of their service. They have also spent countless hours decorating for the Farwell Chamber of Commerce Banquets for many years.

Without the generosity and support of the people of Farwell and Texico, this group would not be able to continue in their efforts to give to this wonderful community. Farwell Service League would like to thank those who have supported these worthwhile causes in and around our area.

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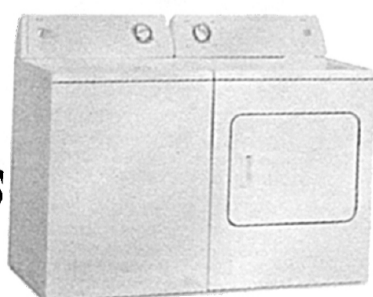
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Mercantile Company completed its new quarters in 1951 on Third Street and Avenue A. Also in 1951, a site south of Farwell was built for Farwell Feed Lots. The real growth of the city had begun in 1948, when a number of new homes were constructed. This growth may be traced to the expansion of irrigation practices in this area. Many farmers have made use of the precious water here and have built their homes in Farwell. 1950s saw some growth as farm income hit an all-time high, with the best cotton and grain sorghum crops on record so far. This was made possible by the growth of irrigated farms. And this growth continued strongly throughout the rest of the century. But there was one negative for the area. Not as many laborers were needed as before due to better farm machinery. Thus, school enrollments declined. For example, Farwell School's enrollment was 614 in 1963. In 2004, it was around 470. 1953 was a watershed year in that it was the time for Farwell Schools to integrate. And the year saw the death of "Hop" Graham, who had been the State Line Tribune publisher for 27 years. He had fought cancer for two years. Businesses opening in the 1950s include the Lee Thompson Insurance Agency, the Dixie Station, the Holiday Department Store, the Grain Exchange and the roller rink. Also, Sherley-Anderson was expanding their grain elevators. Late in the decade, a real plus for transportation was the widening of Avenue A to four lanes. And a fixture on Avenue A was the Texaco station operated by Cecil Rundell from 1958 until his death in the 1980s. More physical improvements occurred as the 1960s rolled in. The cemetery, Sunset Terrace Memorial Gardens, was dedicated. In 1962, Farwell's most famous musician, Charlie Phillips was named Mr. Disc Jockey USA. Phillips had made it big with "Sugartime", the No. 1 country hit of 1958, followed by several more hit singles. Farwell got a new laundry, a new Fina gas station, and the Rotary Club was organized in 1961. The 1960s saw the advent of TV cable for Farwell residents. And Holly Sugar opened in Hereford, as many local farmers started growing that crop. Holly Sugar closed in the 1990s. During these years, the Farwell Chamber of Commerce sponsored a watermelon feed each July. This led to a barbecue put on by the Rotary Club, enhanced by a rodeo, and finally to the start of Border Town Days, the major Texico-Farwell celebration that is held the last Saturday of July each year. Nowadays, around 3,000 come to this event for the parade, music, food and just to visit with their neighbors and friends. Helping swell the attendance is the number of class reunions held each year at BT. Mike Pomper began his tenure as BT chairman in 1987. Security State Bank moved from the corner of Avenue A and 1st Street into a new modern facility at Avenue A and 5th Street. Bill Prince was the first depositor at the new building when it opened in 1964. In 1965, Capitol Foods opened in Farwell at the

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The State Line Tribune: 93 years old and still going

Although the State Line Tribune had competition from several papers in its early years, it has continued publication for over 93 years and is known as the Official Publication of Parmer County.

Benjamin Franklin Fears was the first fulltime publisher, beginning in 1911. He added a second-hand flatbed press in 1913 enabling him to print a whole double page without folding it.

The Tribune survived the famous 1913 Hamlin Bock fire, but 10 years later another fire succeeded in destroying the building.

Fears sold the Tribune to the Autrey brothers in 1922 and the paper was then housed in the Haynes Grocery Building on 2nd Street. The Autreys sold it in 1923 to R.B. Boyle, who sold it in 1924 to Stanley Sigler.

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 3rd 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. Then it was printed at Hereford for over 20 years, and now is printed at the Clovis News Journal.

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

In 1984, the Getzes sold the Tribune to Mike Pomper. Today's owners are Rob and Rebecca Pomper.

Besides the Tribune, the Twin Cities have had four other newspapers: Texico Democrat, 1906-1907; Texico-Farwell News, 1916-1920; Texico Times, 1908-1909; and the Texico Trumpet, 1904-1908.



Employees of the Farwell Dental Clinic in March 2005: Jackie Smallwood, Joyce Johnson, Lyna Coleman, Priscilla Herington, Shay Ford, Kristy Saxon, RDH; Jandi Lawrence, RDH; and J.R. Ivins, DDS.

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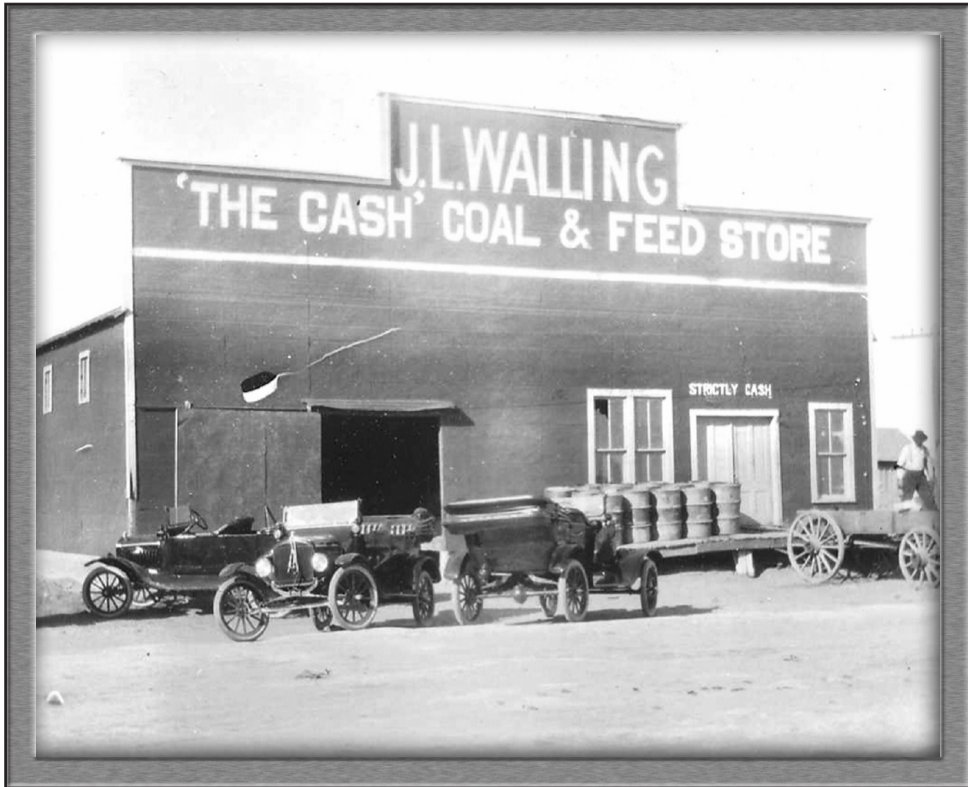
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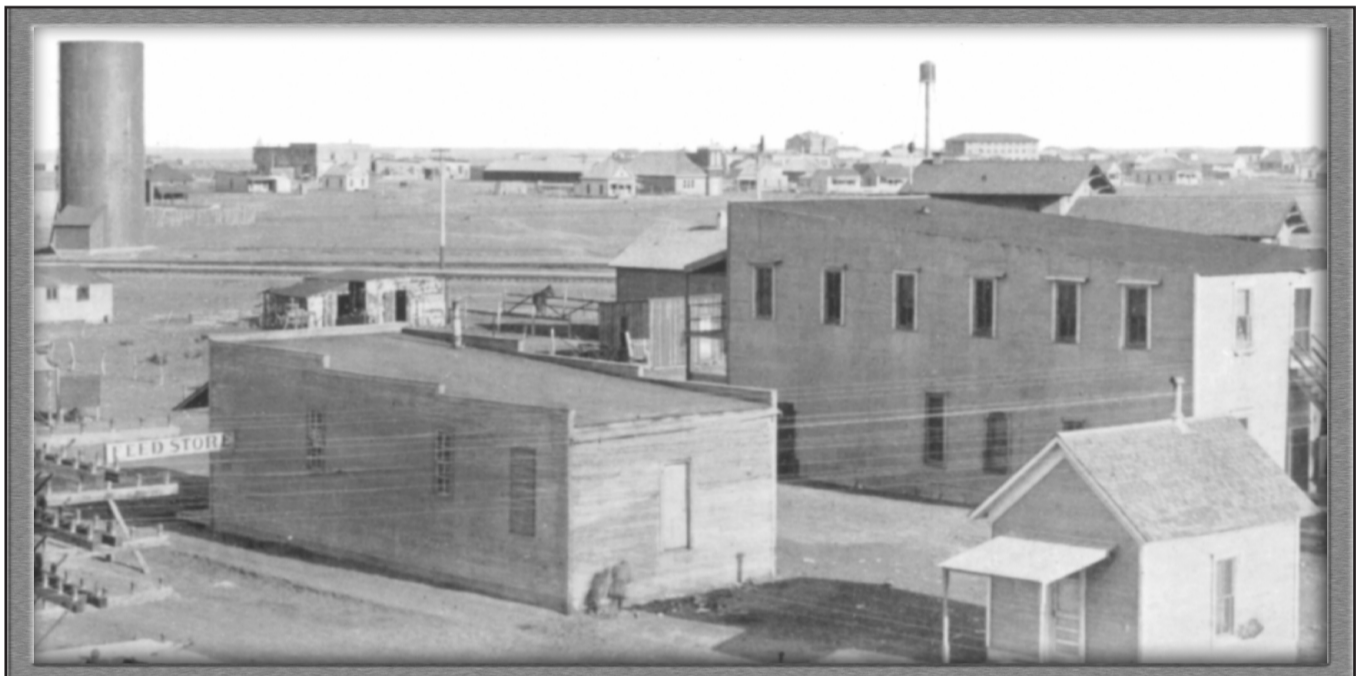
The J.L. Walling Coal & Feed Store



First National Bank building at 400 3rd St. The building was used later as an office building by Hamlin Y. Overstreet of the Capitol Syndicate Land and Investment Co. until 1967 when it was sold to the Aldridge and Aldridge law firm. It was converted into their law library with the vault used as a safe place for the land abstract books and records.



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Birds-eye view of Farwell taken from the top of the Texico Hotel building or the top of the Cruce Building. Buildings visible are the Santa Fe Depot, Farwell High, Congregational Church, the Farwell Inn and the Hamlin Brick Building.

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east end of Avenue A. It was the year for Farwell grad Benjy Dial to be named the starting quarterback at Eastern New Mexico University. Dial later spent several seasons in the professional football ranks.

Head Start began here the next year.

As occurred throughout Texas, the poll tax finally came to an end here in 1967. That year, plans for a new post office were announced and construction began on the Farwell Country Club. It also was the year that the annual Farwell Junior Livestock Show was initiated and for Missouri Meat Packers (later Excel, now Cargill Meat Solutions) announced they would build a plant at Friona.

Another watershed occurred the following year, in 1968, when for the first time ever in Parmer County, a Republican slate was on the ballot. Republican office holders began being elected countywide in the 1990s, and by the 2000s, many county office-holders were Republicans.

In 1969, John and Joann Getz purchased the

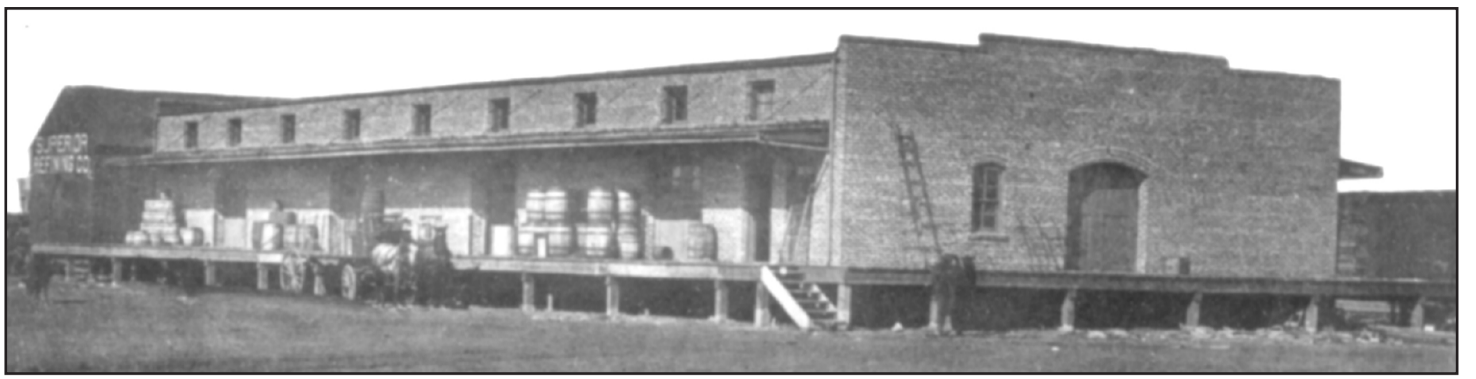
Tribune, operating it until 1984 when they sold it to Mike and Judy Pomper. The same year, Bovina Feeders opened in Oklahoma Lane and football practice started at Texico Schools for the first time in 37 years. Texico had cancelled its football program that long ago due to the death of a player.

The 1970s opened with strong news on the local economic front. Capitol Foods remodeled their store, adding 1,700 square feet to the original building. Kelly Green Seeds offered a new seed-cleaning plant. Farwell city offices moved to the former Security State Bank building at the corner of Avenue A and 1st Street.

Also during the 1970s, the Little League baseball program was very popular. Youth baseball continued into the 1980s, but finally ended late in that decade - not enough youths wanted to participate. The field was turned into pasture.

Farwell enjoyed 1973, with a record crop harvest and getting their streets paved. Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church was dedicated.

The following years saw more civic improvements.



Warehouse with trackage facilities in Farwell

Curbs and gutters were installed, and the laying of pipelines for water was accomplished. The new jail was built for \$277,715, and a trunk line was built to carry TV signals to Farwell.

One "funny" incident occurred in 1974. There was an early March collision between a train and a truck carrying grapefruit. Hundreds and hundreds of crates of grapefruit were strewn up and down the tracks.

The next year saw construction of the Farwell Convalescent Center. Farwell Schools got a new band hall, and new bleachers section. Voters approved a sales and use tax for 1976. And crossing arms were placed over the railroad tracks.

In 1976, Tri County Savings & Loan opened a branch office here, that

stayed open into the 1980s. The Farwell Medical Clinic opened, with a succession of doctors and nurses manning it through the present. Today, the Muleshoe Area Medical Center contracts to provide services, and negotiations are ongoing with the Farwell Hospital District Board over how to continue this despite operating "in the red." Meanwhile, Dr. J.R. Ivins continues as the community's dentist at the clinic, a position he has held for 26 years.

In the mid-1970s, the Farwell Chamber of Commerce launched a campaign for an underpass or overpass between Texico and Farwell. In 2003, the Texas Highway

Department said it had funds for an overpass, but had to wait on New Mexico to provide its share of the money. As of today, that wait continues.

A problem occurred in the late 1970s when the Farwell Country Club, a 9-hole golf course that is the envy of the whole area, went into dire financial straits. But with higher dues, a fund drive and loan restructuring, all worked out. Chris Fontanilla and his family began managing the golf course in the 1990s into the present day.

IN 1977, J.B. Sudderth Realty opened, and the Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary debuted. These were tough years

for farmers, though, with low prices and difficulty finding markets.

The following year, an explosion ripped through New Light Baptist Church, which was rebuilt the next year. A record heat wave struck the area, followed by hail storms over 15,000 acres. It seemed like a hail would occur somewhere in the county nearly every year. One incident that occurred in 1978 was when followers of Brother Moon, "the Moonies", arrived in Farwell and were arrested for "selling without a permit." They were never seen here again.

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The following is from the August 6, 1976, issue of the Tribune

Farwell Convalescent Center
'Dream Comes True'
Facility Open House Sunday

A dream which began over a year ago is at last nearing its completion. Construction of the Farwell Convalescent Center is finished and the formal open house has been set for Sunday, August 8. The 15-member ESA Sorority will be on hand between the houses of 1:30-5:30 p.m. to conduct visitors on a tour through the facilities and to serve punch, coffee and cookies.

Dora Nittler of Friona has been employed as the administrator. Key staff members thus far include Margaret Purcell of Clovis, food service supervisor; Joyce Myers of Clovis, LVN director of nurses; and Jane Osgood, of Farwell, night supervisor of nurses.

The Center will be ready to admit patients on Monday, August 9, and is licensed for 100 residents. It features private and semi-private rooms. There will be no more than two patients per room and only two will share a bathroom, Mrs. Nittler said.

Rooms feature painted walls or wall paper. She said the choice is good because not all the residents like the same colors or designs. The rooms will also have a chest of drawers, a closet and an outlet for cable TV. A color TV will be in the sitting room but Mrs. Nittler encourages residents to bring their own TV if they wish.

She added that they are also most welcome to bring something from home, such as a favorite lamp or rocker. They will also be permitted to hang pictures on the walls. "Holes in walls can be painted over but a person's hurt feelings cannot be mended so easily," she explained.

She added that a director will be employed to provide recreation and activities for the residents.

The facility also offers physical therapy and 24-hour nurse's service. Therapeutic diets will be provided and an RN dietician consultant will spend eight hours a month supervising the kitchen. Residents will also eat their meals together in a large dining area.

The spacious front entrance foyer features a fireplace which Mrs. Nittler said provides "therapeutic value to the patients." The logs will burn either wood or gas. The nurses' station is located in the center and the full length of the halls can be seen from it. Decorative dark marbled mirror paneling and crystal chandeliers add to the décor of the center area.

Another asset is the emergency electrical system. If a blackout should occur, the emergency generator takes over within seconds, she explained.

The administrator is very proud of the Century whirlpool accommodations at the Center. It features a hydraulic lift which facilitates lifting patients into and out of the water. Mrs. Nittler said it is not a state requirement but it was purchased anyway because it is beneficial to the patients.

Ministers will take turns conducting Sunday services, she said. She added that the home will be a "community project" in that all area residents will be encouraged to contribute ideas and suggestions. "We will comply with their suggestions to the best of our ability," she said.

Mrs. Nittler commented that any organization wishing to sponsor a program or project for the residents of the Convalescent Center will be "most welcome."

The administrator and staff will be following a "tender loving care" policy with all the residents. She stresses that there is no substitute for love and understanding.

The Center also has facilities for a beauty and barber shop. All the necessary equipment will be installed.

According to Mrs. Nittler, the Center passed state inspection last week "with flying colors." It will be approved by the Health Education and Welfare Agency at a later date. She added that the Convalescent Center is a member of the Texas Nursing Home Association.

Mrs. Nittler explained that the Center has a transfer agreement with the Clovis hospital for patients who may require hospitalization.

The first inkling that Farwell might have a convalescent center was evident in March of 1974 when the Farwell Development Company was organized. Its purpose was to attract industry and development to Farwell. The first item to be considered was the center. After a year of thinking and planning, the Farwell Hospital District was formed and voters approved \$750,000 in bonds for the construction of the convalescent home.

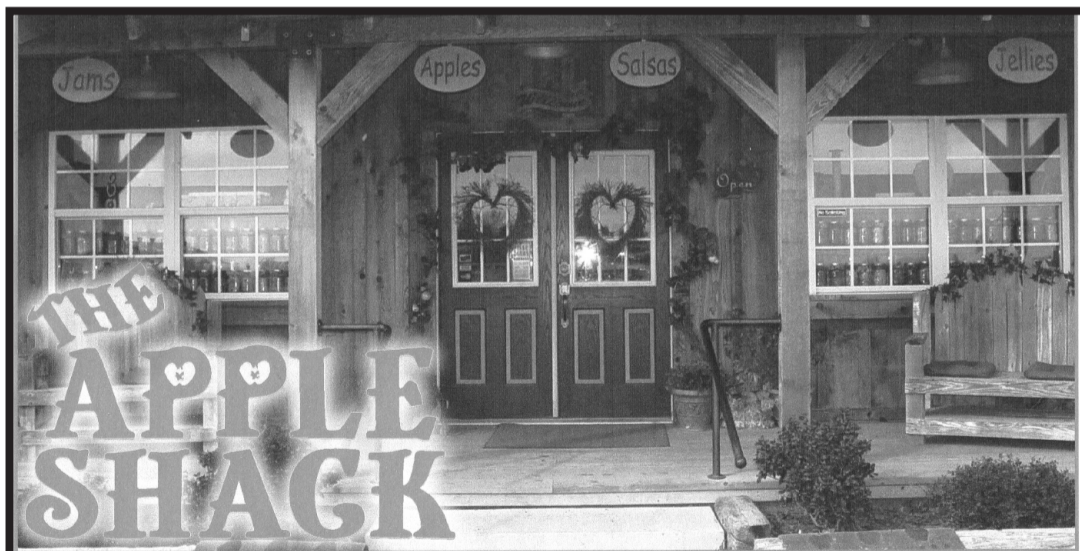
The contract was awarded to Convalescent Enterprises. The bid was in the amount of \$560,000 with 165 calendar working days. The accepted bid was for the construction of the facility less furnishings. Cost of furnishing the convalescent home was estimated to be about \$75,000.

Members of the Farwell Hospital District include Don Williams, president; Caroline Anderson, secretary, and Maxine Williams, R.W. Anderson, Charles Aycocck, Jim Berry, Prentice Mills, Rev. W.T. Perry and Claude H. Rose Jr.



First Baptist Church of Farwell

The First Baptist Church of Farwell was organized in March 1953. The current pastor is Rev. Randy Mullin, and Ross Ponder is the youth minister. Pictured are the original church building and a group meeting in the church's early days.



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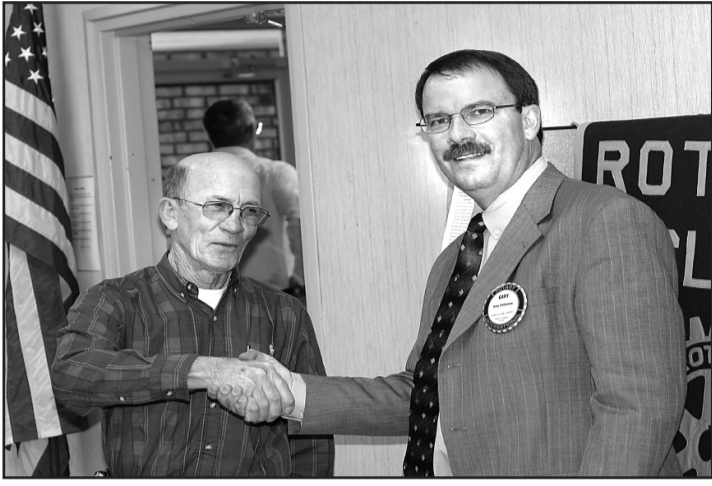
Apple harvest begins in early August with the crop of Gala apples. This is an early summer apple, with a wonderful flavor and crispness. Harvest continues through October with the Cameo and Fuji varieties, through the years the Fuji apple has become the local favorite!

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Rotary awards

Above, At the March 30 meeting of the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club, club president Gary Patterson, left, gave Rotarian Hal Helton the award for his team winning the last club golf tournament. Below, also at the meeting, Patterson, right, thanked Delbert Black for serving as club secretary for 17 years.



Teresa was prepared ... sort of

From Teresa Mesman:
Can you believe the weather that we've been having the last several weeks? I had always been told that you can always count on snow or rain for Easter weekend. It doesn't seem to matter what month the holiday falls either. I took this information to heart this Easter. I was prepared for the weather.

I had three different Easter outfits selected and at the ready in my closet for choosing Easter morning. They ranged in color, texture and coverage ... for adequate warming and/or protection from the elements. The only thing that I did not choose a variety of options for were my shoes. I had just bought the greatest pair of red dress sandals and I was going to wear them come rain or snow, sleet or shine.

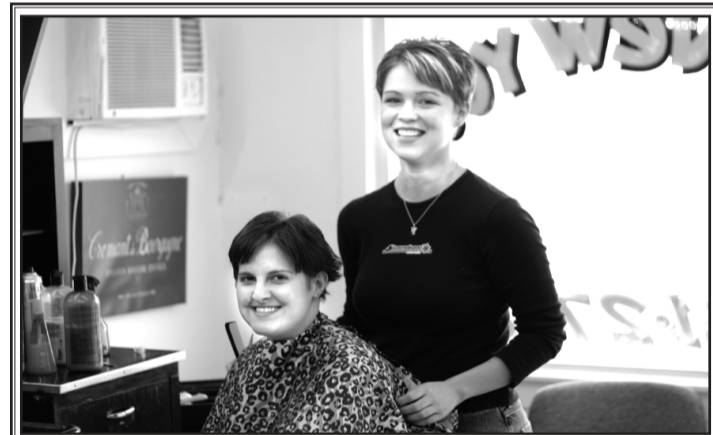
I did consider buying a pair of toe socks just in case it turned off really cold and icy. But then I envisioned myself wearing outfit option 2.

This was a skirt and a twinset sweater. The sandals would have gone well with this, but the toe socks? I envisioned myself needing a headscarf and burlap bag to carry along with this outfit. That would have completed the Russian Babushka look that popped into my mind. (I think I even had a dowager's hump in this mental picture too. I shuddered at the thought!)

I settled on a red short sleeve pantsuit that matched my shoes. I wore it with pride and great comfort. But do you know what I'm wearing in every photograph that was taken on Easter Sunday?

A t-shirt and a pair of blue jeans! And as for my new sandals: I love them,

but I kicked them off as soon as I got into the kitchen and opted for my comfy Texas Tech house shoes. Guess I could have gotten away with wearing them for Easter too. They're red, flat and would have gone perfectly with my Easter outfit ... version 1, 2 or 3!



Lyndi Austin prepares Brandi Whalin for a trim.

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The decade ended with more devastating hail storms, and the announcement that ENMR was buying Mountain Bell's telephone system here. And it also was the time for the Farwell girls' golf teams to grab four state titles in six years.

The 1980s began with the Farwell City Council getting a petition signed by nearly 300 citizens seeking to have a city police officer. The city had one years back, but then relied on the county sheriff's department and state police for several years. Then in 1993, Roy McGaa became Farwell's police chief, followed by Robert Achterberg. A Crime Stoppers program was begun.

In the early 1980s, community residents banded together to raise funds to buy the old bowling alley and turn it into a community center. Fund-raisers were successful, and the center opened under the management of city officials.

For a short time, the city had no pharmacy after Pudge Rose moved away and closed Rose Pharmacy in the 100 block of Avenue A. In 1984, a building at the corner of 9th Street and Avenue A was donated for use as a pharmacy, and Steve Breckenridge became the town's pharmacist.

He later sold it to Donna Ratke, who sold it in the 1990s to Jon Riddle, who closed it in 2001.

In 1985, Farwell voters went 163-107 to change the city government from three councilmen to five. Heritage Square Garden Apartments, assisted living for senior citizens, was

opened by the Farwell Hospital District Board adjacent to the Farwell Convalescent Center. Byrd Realty opened about this time.

In 1987, Sherley-Anderson bought the Worley Mills grain elevator. Farwell Feed Supply opened after Franse Irrigation purchased the Worley Mills feed store. Farwell dropped its personal property tax in favor of a higher sales tax. And new tracks were placed over the Santa Fe Railroad between Texico and Farwell -- but no overpass.

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Aycock reappointed to prison board

Charles Aycock, formerly of Farwell, was reappointed last week to the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles for a term to expire on Feb. 1, 2011.

The board makes parole decisions for Texas prison inmates, determines conditions for parole and mandatory supervision, and makes recommendations on clemency matters to the governor.

Aycock, a former Parmer County attorney, serves on the board at his Amarillo office. He was appointed to the post a year ago.

Aycock is a past president of the State Bar of Texas, former member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association, a trustee and chairman of the Texas Bar Foundation board.

Town and Country Insurance

Pat Landrum started on Sept. 1, 1976, with the Aldridge Insurance Agency, located in the law offices on 3rd street.

In 1977, she was moved into their current building at 509 Ave. A, by the owners Herschel Harding, Charles Aycock and Johnny Actkinson.

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Friday - grilled chicken, au gratin potatoes, steamed veggies, Texas toast, fruit, milk.

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Monday - grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, mixed veggies, fruit, milk.
Tuesday - tacos, salsa, lettuce, corn, fruit, milk.
Wednesday - lasagna, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.
Thursday - BBQ pork rib sandwich, corn, pickle spear, fruit, milk.
Friday - no school.

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Lazbuddie Methodist Church Rev. Randy Thomas Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship -- 10:30 a.m.	Church of God in Christ, Mennonite James Koehn - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.	First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie
First Baptist Church of Farwell Rev. Randy G. Mullin Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m. www.fcifarwell.org	First Baptist Church of Texico Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.	St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
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Farwell Convalescent Center Bill Bridwell -- chaplain Sunday services -- 9 a.m. Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday	Lazbuddie Church of Christ Mickey Chambiss - minister Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:20 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday -- 7 p.m.	United Pentecostal Church of Texico Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.

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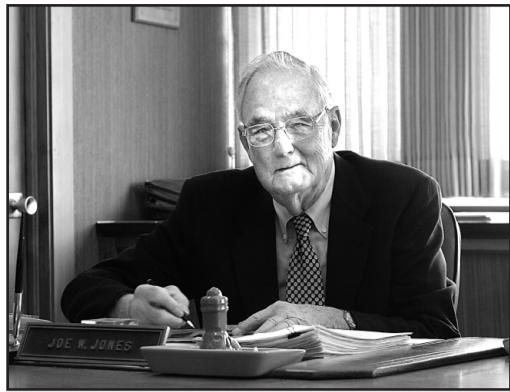
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In 1925, the Guaranty State Bank of Farwell was in serious financial trouble, as were many banks in the nation. A group of

men pooled their resources and purchased the bank.

The name was changed to Security State Bank,

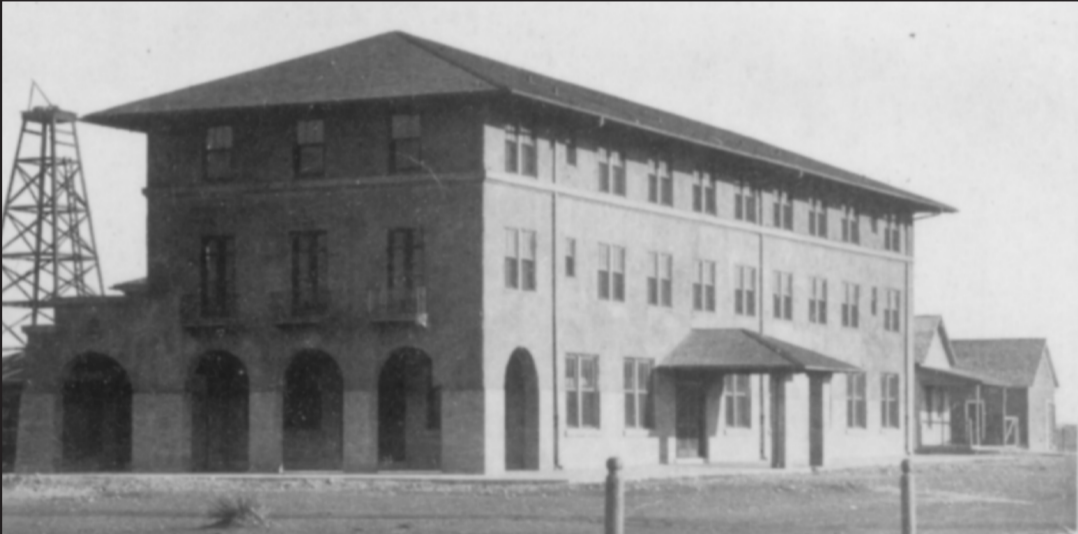
with Gabe Anderson as vice-president. Thus began 80 years of service to Texico-Farwell and the surrounding area.

During the 1930s, times were very difficult, but there are still farmers in the area who remember being told by Gabe, when they confessed they could not pay their note, to "go plant your crop. We'll work this out."

First and foremost in his mind was always what is best for Farwell/Texico and what can we do to improve our communities. He was instrumental in forming the first water company that was later given to Farwell. He traveled the state searching for a doctor, organized a group to build the clinic which was later given to the Farwell Hospital District, and financed the first steps in building the Convalescent Center.

To the end of his life, he still had plans and dreams for Farwell. Throughout all of this, he was lovingly supported by his wife of 70 years, Belva Thomas Anderson.

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Deposit in Guaranty Fund	600.00
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Deposits	72,890.78
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Another important date was 1988, when open burning officially ceased. The next year, Farwell Schools had financial problems and announced cutbacks. But the school situation was turned around in the early 1990s as Supt. Richard Boothby and the school board, led by Tom Nichols, restored the school's financial integrity.

The census, announced in 1991, said that Parmer County's population had declined 10.6 percent during the 1980s. But Farwell moved ahead. They added five school days to their calendar due to new state rules. The state approved the request by Muleshoe State Bank to place its Farwell Banking Center on Avenue A here. And the year also saw Texas voters approve a state lottery, although Parmer County voters opposed it, 829-611.

The lottery saw a constant stream of vehicles from New Mexico coming to Farwell so folks could play the lottery. At one time, the lottery site at Hughes True Value was ranked as the 3rd busiest in the state of Texas. But toward the end of the decade, New Mexico introduced its own lottery, and the influx of New Mexico players dropped decidedly.

In 1993, the Parmer County Veterans Memorial was dedicated at Farwell City Park. Ralph Franse and Dutch Quickel, assisted by the Farwell Chamber of Commerce, were the driving forces behind this monument. Also this year, plans were announced to enlarge the Highway 145 overpass leading to Oklahoma Lane; and Farwell Schools had construction projects to enlarge all three of its



Herman and Dick Gerie grind feed for their dairy in 1919.

campuses. Speaking of the lottery, a Portales man won \$3.8 million with a ticket he purchased in Farwell.

But a major problem was occurring, too. The ground water was continuing to decline, year after year. This was true for the entire area covered by the Ogallala Aquifer. Conservation measures were emphasized but many wells that had pumped water for decades started to run dry. Farwell purchased land to its east where it could drill new

wells.

In the latter 1990s, several area farmers opened up ostrich farms. This "industry" had a short run. But cattle became a bigger commodity here as feed yards expanded. Also, due to the availability of less water, some farmers turned away from corn, a staple since the town's beginning, and looked at other marketable items. Cotton became more widespread. And apples became a crop here, leading to the opening of The Apple Shack.

In 1994, the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, opened, after an influx of church members into Parmer County. Franse Irrigation celebrated its 40th year of business here. Farmers' Supply opened, later becoming Southwest Ag Services. And Farwell adopted a youth curfew, which it tightened years later.

This decade also saw the annual El Cid Futurity for cutting horses, hosted by Lonnie Allsup who had a ranch just northeast of Farwell. And Oklahoma Lane Farm Supply opened

in 1995.

In 1996, city officials worked on removing substandard housing, assisted by Fire Marshal Lee Hutchins. Farwell Schools began a cooperative program with Clovis Community College so that high school students could earn college credits early. And Parmer County was ranked No. 1 in Texas for cotton yield/harvested acres.

Benny Haney announced in 1997, he was selling his store to Lowe's Supermarkets, after hav-

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Olivet was the city's first cemetery

The following information came from Chris Aycock, as part of his Eagle Scout project when he was a teen-ager: Although Sunset Memorial Terrace Garden is the current Farwell Cemetery, it wasn't the city's first cemetery.

Olivet Cemetery, two miles south of Farwell on the State Line Road, was the original cemetery and many prominent Parmer and Curry counties' citizens are buried there.

The last grave placed there was for William J. Jones, Corporal, U.S. Army, World War II, who was buried there in August 1981.

A plat of the site was made in 1928. From deed records, it appears that the last recorded sale occurred in 1926. It appears many sales occurred without being recorded in deed records.

Both J.D. Hamlin and J.M. Hamlin are buried at Olivet Cemetery.

J.D. 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 Texico and Farwell.

J.M. represented Farwell's interests before the Railroad Commission in Austin and served as Farwell School's first board chairman.

Also buried at Olivet are the members of the Hassell family (see story elsewhere in today's Tribune) and several war veterans, going back to the Civil War.

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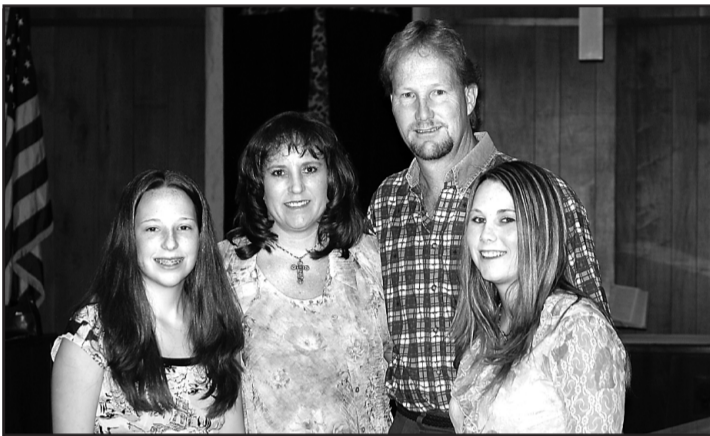
Announcement of Public Meetings for Proposed Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The Texas Department of Transportation is having a series of meetings to encourage public input on the proposed 2006-2008 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Public comment is invited regarding improvements to the rural transportation system in the 17 county Lubbock District. A copy of the Rural TIP is available at the Lubbock District Office and all county maintenance officers for public review.

The following meetings are scheduled:

1. Date: April 12, 2005
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Parmer County Courthouse
401 3rd Street, District Courtroom, 2nd floor
Farwell, Texas
2. Date: April 14, 2005
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Crosby County Courthouse
201 West Aspen, 2nd floor
Crosbyton, Texas
3. Date: April 19, 2005
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Gaines County Courthouse
101 South Main
Seminole, Texas

Written comments will be accepted until April 29, 2005. Comment forms and copies of the TIP may be obtained at local offices of the Texas Department of Transportation. For more information, call 806-748-4431.



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Farwell

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ing operated Capitol Foods for 33 years.

Meanwhile, Farwell got some unusual businesses open -- commonly called "8-liners." Due to a loophole in state law, firms could offer slot machines so long as they didn't offer prizes that were illegal. Three businesses opened on Avenue A. At first, they offered prizes that didn't follow state law and all were raided by the sheriff's department in 2002. All three were allowed to reopen, but one -- George's Gold Strike -- closed after it was raided a second time.

Parmer County also got involved in a cloud-seeding program for a couple of years. It didn't seem to bear good results so the area-wide program was dropped.

The census announced in 2001 said that the county had grown 1.6 percent in the 1980s, reversing the earlier trend. This year saw the opening of Ag Marketing & Management, and a new subdivision was announced adjacent to the golf course. Also, several homes were built in these years in Farwell. But the Texico-Farwell Lions Club disbanded as its membership dwindled.

In 2003, a new structure

changed the city's skyline -- the new Parmer County Law Enforcement Center.

AGP Grain purchased the Sherley-Anderson elevators.

And construction continues today, with a new tire store being built in the 100 block of Avenue A.

How does the future bode?

The main problem is water. How Farwell and other communities handle the steady groundwater decline will say much about their future.

On the plus side, Clovis is growing, and it appears that will continue. The "spin-off" effect, such as in jobs, is a huge asset to Farwell.

One constant throughout the decades is the pride that Farwell has in its sports teams. It's always been a given that when the team is in the playoffs and the game is held at a neutral site, that the Farwell crowd always outshines the other team's supporters. Over the years, Farwell has fielded some outstanding basketball, football and golf teams. And they are always assured of great support by the community.

Go, Steers!
Go, Lady Blue!

Fillpot takes 1st place in 100 hurdles

Here are the results of the Farwell Junior High girl tracksters at the Tulia Meet:

7th grade
2400 run - Danae Morrow, 6th.

Sprint relay - Farwell, 4th, Gaby Vidaurri, Brenda Delgado, Taylor Fillpot, Keegan Langford.

800 run - Casey Knight, 5th.

100 hurdles -- Fillpot, 5th.

100 dash - Delgado, 5th.
200 dash - Langford, 3rd.

Mile relay - Farwell, 3rd, Brenda Hernandez, Langford, Delgado, Fillpot.

8th grade
2400 run - Ambur Dryer, 2nd.

800 run - Micky Cenicerros, 6th.

200 dash - Adriana Gutierrez, 6th.
1600 run - Melinda Castillo, 2nd.

And the results from the Hart track meet:

8th grade
Sprint relay, Farwell, 4th, Melinda Castillo, Brandy Perez, Robin Scott, Adriana Gutierrez.

800 run - Castillo, 2nd.

800 relay - Farwell, 4th, Castillo, Gaby Vidaurri, Perez, Gutierrez.

400 dash - Perez, 5th.

200 dash - Gutierrez, 4th; Perez, 6th.

1600 run - Castillo, 2nd; Sarah Sanchez, 6th.

Discus - Robin Scott, 4th.

Triple jump, Gutierrez, 1st.

7th grade
Sprint relay - Farwell, 2nd, Laura Martinez, Gaby Vidaurri, Brenda Hernandez, Brenda Delgado.

800 run - Casey Knight, 6th.

100 hurdles - Taylor Fillpot, 1st.

100 dash - Brenda Delgado, 4th.

800 relay - Farwell, 1st, Martinez, Fillpot, Delgado, Langford.

400 dash - Hernandez, 4th.

300 hurdles - Martinz, 4th.

200 dash - Langford, 5th.

1600 run - Vidaurri, 6th.
Mile relay - Farwell, 2nd, Hernandez, Langford,

Delgado, Fillpot.

Shot put - Hernandez, 3rd.

High jump - Langford, 5th.

Long jump - Langford, 5th.

Triple jump - Martinez, 5th.



Farwell Real Estate, located on Ave. C facing south, about where 304 Ave. C is today.

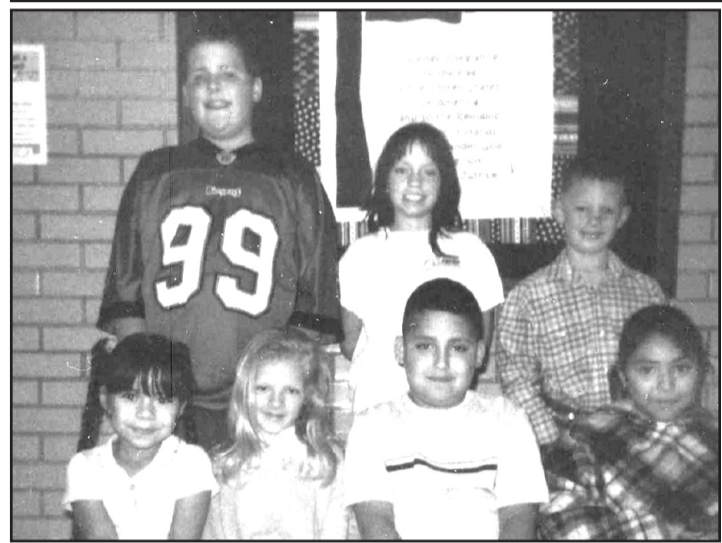
Lazbuddie sweeps top honors in Voice of Democracy contest

Lazbuddie High students swept the top honors at the annual Voice of Democracy contest conducted annually by the Friona VFW post.

Addie Treider was 1st; Mica Brandvik, 2nd; and Rochelle Smith, 3rd. They each received cash scholarships.

Also, Lazbuddie's Kinzi Jo Schacher, a junior high student, won the Patriots Pin Award.

The students will be honored at an April 11 banquet in Friona.



Front row from left, Priscilla Salazar, Gentry Hicks, Alonzo Soto, Celeste Lucio; back row, Todd Nichols, Leslie Carlie, John Ryan Isaacson.

Lazbuddie pupils cited

Students of the Month at Lazbuddie Elementary School for February were:

Pre-k: Priscilla Salazar, daughter of Jamie and Elizabeth Salazar.

Kindergarten: Gentry Hicks, daughter of Scott and Tiffany Hicks.

1st grade: Alonzo Soto, son of Luz Andrade.

2nd grade: Celeste Lucio, daughter of Monse Melendez and Guadalupe Martinez.

3rd grade: John Ryan Isaacson, son of Dieter and Kristine Isaacson.

4th grade: Leslie Carlie, daughter of Becky Cook.

5th grade: Todd Nichols, son of Mike and Sherrie Nichols.

4 earn All-Star Cast honors

Farwell's One-Act Play, "The Cover of Life," didn't advance after last week's zone contest.

Named to the All-Star Cast were Micah Christian, Ashlie Martin and Danielle Cargile. Honorable mention was Shelby Christian.



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TOTAL ASSETS	\$90,970,029.58

Liabilities

Capital Stock	\$500,000.00
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Undivided Profits	471,300.30
Reserves	12,525,318.63
Deposits	75,973,410.65
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$90,970,029.58

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George Hassell: County's most infamous serial killer

Parmer County's most infamous time was in 1926 when George Hassell murdered his family (his wife and 8 children), becoming one of the first known serial killers in the U.S. He had previously murdered his earlier family (his wife and 3 children) in California.

Here is the chronology of events:

Dec. 1 -- Date of the murder of his wife and 7 children on a farm near Farwell.

Dec. 5 -- Alton, the older boy, escaped the executions at first because he was working on a threshing crew, but Hassell killed him while Alton was

asleep. Dec. 22 -- Hassell sold his household goods, farm implements, livestock, etc., at public auction. Suspicion crystallized as to the disappearance of his family.

Dec. 23 -- Hassell was questioned by officials in regard to the disappearance of his family, whom he said were in Oklahoma.

Dec. 24 -- Hassell attempted to commit suicide by stabbing and cutting himself with a knife. He was taken to Clovis hospital. Excavation began in a dugout which had been refilled, and the bodies of the mother and 8

children were found. Hassell was returned to jail in Farwell and ordered held without bond.

Dec. 25 -- Burial was made in Farwell's Olivet Cemetery for the nine victims of the tragedy.

Dec. 27 -- Hassell dictated his complete confession in which other crimes were detailed.

Dec. 28 -- Hassell was removed from the Farwell jail by officers to a place for safe keeping. It was feared he might try to escape.

Dec. 29 -- Judge Reese Tatum issued an order calling a special term of District Court in and for Parmer County.

Murdered were Mrs.

Hassell, about 43; Alton, 21; Virgil, 16; Maudie, 14; Russell, 12; David, 7; Johnnie, 6; Nannie-Martha, 4; and Sammie, 2.

The Hassells' homestead was 4 miles east and a little north of Farwell. All remnants of the house where the murders took place are long gone.

The children Hassell killed here were his stepchildren -- the children of his dead brother.

During his life, Hassell was convicted of embezzlement and served two years in Texas state penitentiary. He enlisted in the Navy afterwards, but deserted, then enlisted in the Army under an assumed name, and deserted again.

Caught, he served another two years in prison. He later joined the Merchant Marine and was discharged at his own request.

One common thread came across in his confession: in every one of his major crimes, and even in his "first impulse" to commit a crime, he drank liquor.

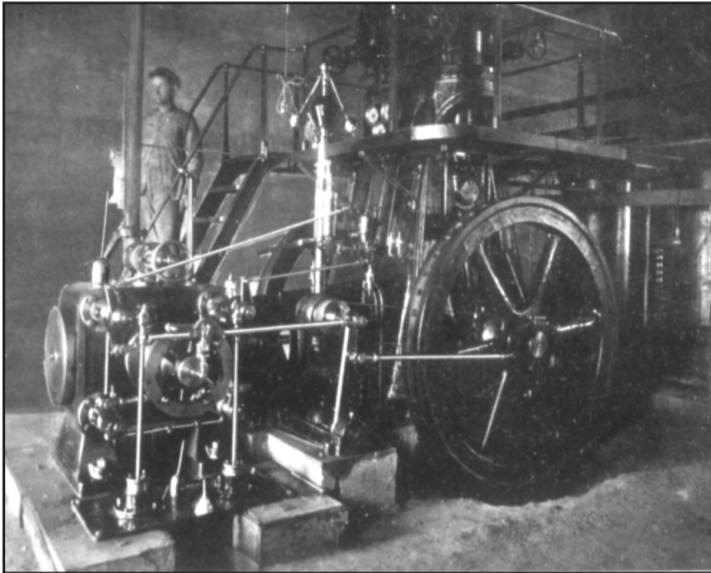
Here are some highlights from his confession:

He talked about choking the woman and three children to death in California. Then after wandering around several states, he came to Kansas to help on a farm, where he met a relative of the woman who was to become his last

wife. Four months after his brother died, he married the widow and her children.

The problem that led to the mass killing here apparently stemmed from his wife's belief that he had sexual relations with his step-daughter. Later in his confession, Hassell admitted to this crime, too.

At the trial, even Hassell's defense attorney cried during the testimony. The verdict of death came rapidly from the Parmer County jury, although one juror held out for two hours for a verdict of life in prison. Hassell was electrocuted at Huntsville prison.



The original power plant in Farwell.

Chavez, Parham make All-Star cast

The Lazbuddie One-Act Play, "Steel Magnolias", was presented on April 4 at the school auditorium.

The play also was performed on March 24 at the South Zone contest. Luzana Chavez was named to the All-Star cast. Kayla Parham was picked for Honorable Mention All-Star cast.

The cast included Bailey Warren, Mandy Haney, Ana Hernandez, and Melanie Winders. Crew members were Amanda Schaeffer, Susie Juarez, Brittany Schacher, Chelsey Nichols and Brianna Sanchez.

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An early history of our churches

Some early history of our churches:
 Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church -- In September 1927, a written commitment was made to "live and teach God's words." Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Roberts and Addie Rundell were elected representatives and they voted to join the Tierra Blanco Association of the Southern Baptist Convention. Six weeks later, they officially called a pastor, Ben D. Johnson.

Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church -- It was organized Jan. 31, 1926 by Rev. Ira Walker, pastor of the Methodist Church at Bovina. It had 11 charter members, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Grissom, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Foster, Tom Foster, Carrie Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bates, Mrs. Fred Kepley and Mr. and Mrs. John Gross.

First Baptist Church of Farwell -- A meeting to organize this church was held March 22, 1953, in the school gym. Sterlyn Billington was elected temporary moderator and Mrs. Willie Hardage was elected clerk pro tem. The group had the names of 126 people desiring to

organize the church. The first deacons were Billington, Dick Gerles, Willie Hardage and Joe McWilliams. The first pastor was Bro. J.D. Horton, on June 10, 1953.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church -- The Texico-Farwell Episcopal Methodist Church started out in 1904 in Texico. In 1929, the name was changed to Hamlin Memorial (in honor of J.M. Hamlin) Methodist Church and the current building was completed in 1960.

St. John's Lutheran Church -- It was organized June 19, 1921, with Rev. R.G. Deffner and the following charter members: Paul Graf, William Schwede, Carl Zoch, Nick Woelfel, Charles Hildebrandt and Otto Kieschnick. The current building was dedicated July 19, 1953.

Congregational Church -- About 1907, a rock church building was constructed on 1st Street, two blocks south of Avenue A. It's believed the rock was transported from Tolar, N.M. And according to Hamlin Overstreet, the first school in Farwell was conducted in the building. The church was quite an ornate structure for its time, and the minister's home was maintained on the property just to its east.

Christian Church -- Also starting in 1907 was the Christian Church, with a membership that later exceeded 100 members. By the mid-1920s, so many members had died or moved away from the community, and not enough funds were raised for a pastor's salary, that the church trustees voted to close the church. The building was bought by the Methodists at Oklahoma Lane and they moved the meeting house out to their community.

Church of Christ -- Several families decided to establish this church and in 1921 hired W.M. Speck to hold the first gospel meeting for them. Among those present at the meeting were J.S. Williams, Jim and Charles Lunsford, and Willis and George Magness. The congregation grew and a stucco building was erected at the present church property at Avenue C and 5th Street in 1925. W.T. Millen painted the baptistry scene, which depicts the beautiful mountain area around Hot Springs, N.M.

The church didn't have a regular minister until 1926, T.A. Moore. He stayed about a year, then J.E. Randol preached for awhile.

Calvary Baptist Church -- Opened in 1964.



From left, Colten Weaver, Brianna Sanchez, Brett Mimms, Tina Suderman.

Lazbuddie announces Students of the Month

Students of the Month for February at Lazbuddie High and Junior High are:

Brett Mimms, 18, son of Clay and Reta Mimms. His favorite musical duo is Bob and Tom. His favorite candy is butterscotch. Crabs and duck sauce creep him out. His teachers say he has been working hard to maintain his good grades.

Brianna Sanchez, 15, daughter of Jr. and Chandra Sanchez. Her favorite candy is cookies and cream. Spiders creep her out. Teachers say she has been a positive influence in school areas.

Colten Weaver, 12, son of Shannon Weaver and Robin Strobel. His favorite musician is Toby Keith. His favorite candy is snickers. Shellfish creep him out. His teachers say he works hard on improving his skills.

Tina Suderman, 12, daughter of Peter and Aganetha Suderman. She likes skittles. Spiders and snakes creep her out. Her teacher says she is cheerful and polite and works hard.

Lions Club served Twin Cities for 50 years

One group that served the community well for many years was the Texico-Farwell Lions Club.

The club was chartered on Jan. 10, 1950, and lasted nearly 50 years. Charter members were:

Joe Helton, Ben Smart, J.G. Hibbs, Agrie Jones, W.J. Banks, Paul Wurster, W.H. Graham, Murphy Duncan, Jack Williams, Otis Holliday, Leroy Faville, Rip Snodgrass, Louis Purvis, Walter Hardage.

Ray Mears, Orby Allred, F.D. Stout, Ollie Liner, John Getz, Otis Huggins, B.A. Rogers, Edward Engram, Robert Morton, Clyde Magness, John Hadley, Willard Dykes, C.B. Stockton.

Joe Crume, J.F. Adams, O.C. Sikes, Bowdin Darr, J.L. Armour, Ray Sudderth, L.A. Brewer, B.L. Harding, P.L. Crawley, David Russell, M.C. Roberts, Willie Roberts, Olan Schlueter and C.M. Henderson.

During its tenure, the club worked hard for the community good, having annual broom sales and selling light bulbs door to door as fund-raisers.

The last major club project took five years to complete -- creation of Lions Park in Texico (behind the First Baptist Church).

What Farwell pupils used to learn

Following is information from the Farwell High School "Course of Study, 1918-1919":

J.J. DeOliveria was school board president. E.A. White was superintendent. Teachers included Carl Wirth, Mrs. J.R. Lipscomb, Miss Madge Nixon, Miss Rosemary Cox, Miss Fanny Boyle, Mrs. L.E. Canon and Miss Josephine Nichols.

The booklet noted, "Farwell Public School under the light of progressive public opinion promises to be one of the liveliest schools in Texas or anywhere else. Already, we have established two special departments: Manual Training and Domestic Science. Other departments will be opened as soon as conditions admit."

Rules for teachers included:

-- They must be in their room at least 20 minutes before time to begin regular work.

-- They must spend their entire time in the building or on school grounds, from 8:40 a.m. to 4 p.m., including their lunch and recess breaks.

-- They will be held responsible for the conduct of the entire school and will either correct misbehavior or report same at once to the teacher in charge of such pupil.

-- They will be held strictly responsible for the conduct of their respective pupils during study periods and intermissions both in and out of the building.

-- They are expected to carry out the Compulsory Attendance Provisions and all other laws pertaining to school affairs.

Domestic Science involved the study of foods based on five food principles: the preparation and study of foods taken up as to composition, nutritive value, digestibility, cost and serving.

All pupils expecting to graduate must complete at least 17 units of credits. One "unit" is 5 recitations per week for 40 minutes during a period of 36 weeks.

The Domestic Economy Department consists of two parts: domestic science (noted above) and domestic art -- sewing.

The course of study included:

1st year high school -- English, history, math, with electives Latin, physiology, physical geography, agriculture, manual training and domestic science.

2nd year high school -- English and math, with electives history, Latin, Spanish, biology, agriculture, manual training and domestic science.

3rd year high school -- English and math, with electives English history, Latin, Spanish, agriculture, manual training, domestic science and physics.

4th year high school -- English, with electives math, history, Latin, Spanish, physics, manual training, domestic science, chemistry and bookkeeping.

The Latest

In the Security State Bank ad on page 17, there is a picture of The Farwell Inn. It was located at 501 3rd St. Erected in 1908, it had elaborately furnished rooms and a ballroom. The inn was drawn up as a "U" shaped building but only one leg was built.

It burned in the fall of 1920. The fire was believed to be caused by faulty wiring. The adjacent waterworks were completely frozen, making it impossible to fight the fire.

The Farwell Little League will have a coaches - committee meeting at the Farwell Junior High gym on April 7 at 7 p.m.

Baseball signups will be held on April 11 at the junior high gym from 7 to 9 p.m.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please

attend.

Word has been received of the death of John B. Nance, 79, a resident at the Farwell Convalescent Center. Services were held on Saturday at Steed-Todd Funeral Chapel in Clovis.

The 4th annual Rogers CHS Golf Booster fundraiser will be held April 23 at the Chaparral Country Club in Clovis.

Cost is \$60 per person for 4-person teams. Carts and lunch are provided.

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Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geris:

On April 1, Jose L. Torres, 19, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault. Case pending in county court.

On April 2, Juan Porras, 19, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. Case pending in county court.

On April 3, Richard Izaguire, 32, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI 3rd or more. Case pending before the grand jury.

In 28th District Court on March 28 and 29, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Dusty Lee Smith, 49, of Benton, Mo., charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 6 months confinement at a state jail facility, \$278 court costs, \$500 fine, and \$150 restitution.

-- Billie Dee Cartwright, 26, of Farwell, charged with indecency with a child, was sentenced to 3 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, deferred for 3

Engram, Parmer take firsts at Ft. Sumner track meet

The Texico Lady Wolverines participated in the Ft. Sumner track meet and scored 30 points. Amber Parmer and Erika Rivers qualified for state. Placing were:

- Erika Rivers -- (state qualifier), pole vault, 3rd, 7'6.
- Erika Autrey - high jump, 5th, 4'4.
- Barbara Vidal - 400 dash, 5th, 69.84.
- Amber Parmer - 400 dash, 1st, 66.21; 200 dash, 2nd, 27.81; 100 dash, 2nd, 13.40; and long jump (state qualifier), 2nd, 15'8 3/4.

Here are the results of the Wolverines tracksters at Ft. Sumner:

- 100 dash - Justin Garrison, 5th, 11.80.
- 400 dash - Rolando Renova, 4th, 57.41.
- Discus - Adam Engram, 1st, 120'4; Mike Vasquez, 2nd, 118'1.
- Long jump - Garrison, 3rd, 19'9.
- Triple jump - Renova, 5th, 33'.
- High jump - Eddie Segovia, 6th, 5'.

Marriage Licenses

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued a marriage license to Favian Lavelle and Dora Favela.

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years; \$278 court costs, \$500 fine, 200 hours of community service, and obtain sex offender counseling.

-- Kenneth Lee Bails Jr., 26, of Anton, Texas, charged with violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance - meth), had his community supervision revoke, and received 2 years in a state jail facility.

-- Deann Marie Ritch, 31, of Clovis, charged with possession of a controlled substance - meth, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs, \$750 fine, \$350 attorney fees, \$150 restitution, 120 hours of community service, loss of driver's license, and confinement in a substance abuse treatment facility as a condition of probation.

-- Rhonda Ruth Jones, 34, of Friona, charged with class B misdemeanor theft (reduced from forgery), was sentenced to 2 days in Parmer County Jail, \$278 court costs, \$100 fine and \$123.71 restitution.

-- James Rickey Rose Jr., 36, of Clovis, charged with possession of a controlled substance - meth, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs, \$500 fine, \$150 restitution, 120 hours of community service, and obtain substance abuse counseling.

--Israel Zatarian Escobar, 18, of Farwell, charged with theft, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs, \$500 fine, and 120 hours of community service.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2017



Alyzandria Johnson is a Farwell kindergarten. Her birthday is Feb. 16. Her mother is Summer Johnson. Grandparents are Robert and Tammie Johnson. She likes to swim, play outside, being read to, and playing with friends. Her favorite foods are pizza and Mexican food. Her favorite colors are blue and pink. She doesn't like people being mean.

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The Latest

The Texico Wolverines are 4-2 after being tipped by Santa Rosa in 7 innings, 7-6.

Texico was held to 4 hits. Aaron Vaughan had a 2-run double.

Next up for the Wolverines: April 12 at home against Grady, 5 p.m.; April 14, at Elida, 4 p.m.; and April 18, at home against Dora, 5 p.m.

The Texico Junior High track teams are entered in the Melrose Buffalo Relays on April 14. And the high school teams will be in the Tatum Relays on April 16.

Lazbuddie Schools' lunch menus for next week:
 Monday - hamburgers, baked beans.

Tuesday - chicken wraps, peanut butter sandwich (pk-1), refried beans.

Wednesday - spaghetti (pk-1), subs.

Thursday - chicken nuggets.

Friday - special.

The new Woodworks 'n Stuff mall (at the old Stuckey's building on the highway just west of Texico) will have Trade Days April 15-17.

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On Farwell

If you had told me 22 years ago, I would be living in Farwell, Texas, I would have told you that you were crazy.

But here it is, me living here going on 21 years. Just amazing.

A kid from the streets of Chicago becoming a Farwellite. Or Farwellian? Who knows?

I don't have the space in this newspaper to explain how this came to be. Suffice it to say that the guy above made it happen. No, I didn't get a "calling." I got a direct order.

I have never told the story publicly except a year or two ago when I was

asked to give a testimony at a meeting of some Clovis Church of Christ folks.

And when my talk finished, I heard the usual from several folks ... "you ought to write a book." That's what my wife DeeDee has been saying to me ever since we got married 4 years ago and I began telling her my stories.

But I never will. Nobody would believe me.

It's not easy being a newcomer to a community where folks usually stay within their extended families. I had no problem with that, and I tended to gravitate toward folks like myself, newcomers here. And I've made some strong friendships throughout the years (one nice thing about being the newspaperman, everyone smiles to your face...).

But after more than two decades, I have drawn some conclusions.

Foremost is that this small, tiny town in the middle of nowhere is a wonderful place to live in and raise a family. The church and school support systems are fantastic.

It is not easy raising a family. And to have the type of support you can get (if you seek it) from the churches and schools is a blessing.

These support systems have been vital to my family over the years. Again, I don't have the space here to go into detail. But I bet many families know exactly what I mean when I say that the schools and churches here help our children (and us adults) mature in a positive way. Each of us has his own story to tell.

This is the type of community that my family needed. Score one for the guy upstairs; He knows what He is doing.

Secondly, as I briefly touched on earlier, are the friendships.

I will never forget my first night here, at 404 3rd St., the house I was renting from Rita Dollar. At that moment, I didn't know a solitary person within a 300-mile radius.

There was a knock on the door. When I answered it, there stood Mary Mesman and Eunice Schilling with a plateful of cookies, just to welcome my family here.

That touched my heart. And I will never be able to say thank you enough for that simple gesture. Two good ladies...

What I have learned is that type of Christian fellowship is the norm. Folks helping folks. Folks responding when a need

arises.

Only in a small town like Farwell.

Heck, in a city like Chicago, you can live in an apartment and never know your next-door neighbor for years. Quite a difference.

Oh, yes, I know that some folks come to live here and complain that folks are not sociable. I simply don't buy that argument. I believe that if you take the time to get involved in the community, you become part of it. It's as simple as that. The opportunity is given everyone; some accept it, some don't.

Let's take a look for a second at that word "fellowship."

When I came here, I really didn't understand it, or cared about what it may mean. At that time, "fellowship" wasn't part of my vocabulary.

My, how that has changed. Today, "fellowship" is vital to my way of thinking. To me, it involves my relationship to others and to my Lord. After that, not much else matters, if anything.

Each one of us can give countless examples of fellowship in our lives. I guess the reason I am pointing it out so specifically is because it was new to me and something I had to learn. For many of you, with family support systems, it was a given.

Recently, an important example of Christian fellowship occurred in my life. I can't go into detail here, but suffice it to say that, again, my heart was touched.

Good people. And this is why a small

town like Farwell has had so much success in its first 100 years -- and will continue to prosper.

Good people.

From Rob Pomper, I know that this is a subject that has been written about many times in the Tribune, and even in one of the stories in the first section of today's paper, but it is something that I feel deserves attention.

Those of you who have followed our paper know that an accident decades ago destroyed all of the copies of the Tribune before Jan. 1, 1940.

As you can see in this edition, this area has much history from its formative years. From the end of the XIX ranch through the end of the 1920's saw the

greatest time of change for not only Farwell, but for Texico and Bovina as well. Even the smaller towns in our area saw much history come and go.

But as time moves on, older copies of the paper are being lost, and if there is anything we can do about it, than we will try to stop it from continuing.

We just hope that we do not lose any more history than we already have.

If you know of any copies of the Tribune from 1913-1939, please let us know. We want to make certain that these papers are not lost or destroyed.

You can contact us at any time at (806) 481-3681, even if it is only one or two papers, we want to save as many copies as we can before it is too late.

Texico hires 4th police officer

Texico Police Chief John Mares reports that a fourth officer has been hired -- Olivia Cavallero.

Ms. Cavallero is a certified officer currently working in the Albuquerque area. She begins work here in about two weeks.

She is a Texico High School graduate, and her mother lives in Texico, too.

Also, Mares alerted everyone to the 15 miles per hour speed limit on Highway 108 behind Texico Schools.

The chief said the 15 mph limit is being enforced weekdays from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and from 2:45 to 4:30 p.m. All times are mdt.

Mares stressed that Texico will not become a speed trap and the 15 mph speed limit will not be enforced at other times, just when students are out before school, at lunchtime, and leaving school.

Have you bought your Chamber banquet tickets yet?

The countdown is on.

It's only a few more days until the annual Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet at the Farwell Community Center.

It's set for 7 p.m. on April 16, with hors d'oeuvres served 30 minutes beforehand by Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

Tickets (\$15) are on sale at Gallery Fifteen, State Line Tribune, Farwell Banking Center, Security State Bank, Franse Irrigation, Citizens Bank of Texico, Farwell Hardware, Southwest Ag Services, Farwell City Hall, Byrd Realty and at the county treasurer's office in the county courthouse.

Some great entertainment is on line this year: Allie Brooks and her band will perform.

An added feature is the giveaway of door prizes donated by several merchants.

Spears accepts plea agreement

Samuel Spears, 29, of Texico, has accepted a plea agreement, reports the Curry County District Attorney's office.

He has pled guilty to two counts of possession of a controlled substance and the use and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Sentencing will take place after a pre-sentence report is given.

Spears was arrested in April 2003 when the area drug task force raised a suspected meth lab at his home.

At that time, he was charged with trafficking controlled substance by manufacturing, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

On behalf of all the Muleshoe business community, the **MULESHOE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** sends a hearty "Congratulations" to its neighboring City of Farwell on Farwell's 100th anniversary!



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Farwell boys, girls win district golf meets

It was a very successful Monday for Farwell's golf teams -- they both won district.

Regionals will be held April 25-26. The boys play at Reese Golf Course in Levelland, and the girls play at Elm Grove golf course in Lubbock.

The Farwell girls carded 448 in their victory. They were led by Micah Christian, 1st medalist with 104 (she won on a 1-hole playoff). Other scores were Britton Barrett, 115; Dellani Jones, 113; Shelby Christian, 123, and Kristen Garcia, 116.

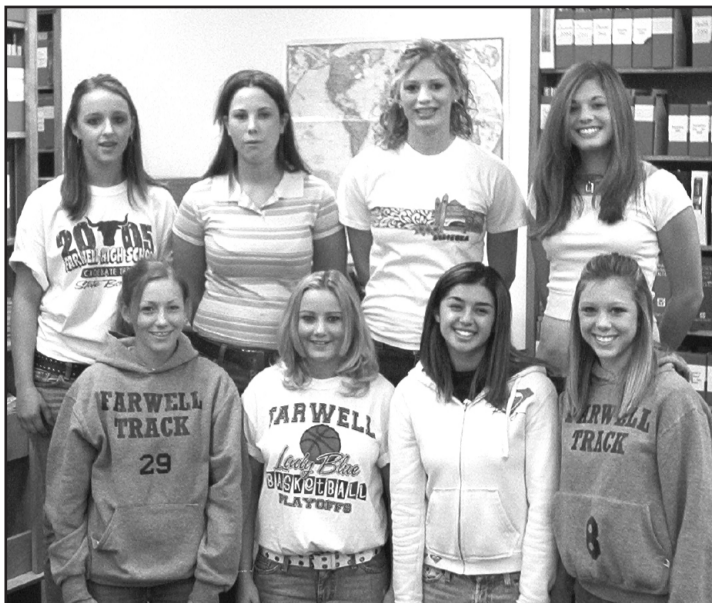
Also playing were Robyn Teltschik, 134, and Jenna Joplin, 117.

The Farwell boys carded 345, led by Tate Nichols, 1st place medalist, with 74. Other scores were Derrick Chandler, 86; Ross McClaran, 93; Ryan McClaran, 92, and Cory Chadwick, 98.

Also playing were Dan Patterson, 100, and Bryce Howard, 130.

Last week, the Farwell boys won the Abernathy Invitational with a 316.

Scores were Tate Nichols, 73 (top individual); Derrick Chandler, 76 (2nd top individual); Ross McClaran, 78; Ryan McClaran, 93; and Cory Chadwick, 89.



The Farwell girls' golf team: back row, Robyn Teltschik, Dellani Jones, Britton Barrett, Micah Christian; front row, Talethia Nolte, Jenna Joplin, Kristen Garcia, Shelby Christian.



The Farwell boys' golf team: back row, Tate Nichols, Derrick Chandler, Ryan McClaran; front row, Cory Chadwick, Ross McClaran, Bryce Howard.

ENMR annual meeting to have board elections

Four Board of Directors positions are slated for election at the ENMR-Plateau annual membership meeting on April 16.

It begins with member registration at 8 a.m. mt at Marshall Auditorium in Clovis, with the business portion starting at 10 a.m. mt.

The board election features one contested race. Seeking to fill Position #6 are incumbent Michael Montoya of Roy, John M. Baca, of Roy, and Judy Robertson, of Nara Visa. Position #6 represents the Clayton, Nara Visa, and Roy Exchanges.

Incumbents Jerry Sours of Grady, Jim Lyssy of Ft. Sumner, and Powhatan Carter of Ft. Sumner face no challengers in their bids for re-election.

The meeting will again utilize ENMR-Plateau's remote TV system with remote sites at the Clayton High School Cafeteria, the Santa Rosa High School ITV Center, and the Logan High School ITV Center. Registered members will vote in the elections at all four locations and ENMR-Plateau Cooperative members are encouraged to attend and participate.

Other highlights include:

- Reports from the Cooperative Board President, CEO, staff, and committees,
- Presentation of the 2005 ENMR-Plateau Education Foundation Scholarship winners,

Each participating member will receive a special gift bag, be eligible for the door prize drawings, and served lunch (Marshall location only).

The Latest

A reminder:
The Lazbuddie 3-on-3 shootout will be April 22-23 at the school gym.

For complete signup information, call the school, 965-2152; Debbie Weir, 965-2302; or Sarah Black, 265-3861.

There's a \$50 entry fee for each 4-member team with divisions: elementary, junior high, high school, adult, coed and over 40's.

Entry deadline is April 15.

Texico High School will hold its annual National Honor

Obituary

T.C. Wiseman

Services for T.C. Wiseman, 75, of Clovis, and formerly of Bovina, were held Tuesday at the First Baptist Church of Sudan with Barry Wiseman officiating. Burial was in Sudan Cemetery.

He died Sunday at Northwest Texas Healthcare System in Amarillo.

He was born April 18, 1929, in Sudan to Charles and Mable Wiseman. He

was a farmer and member of the First Baptist Church of Bovina, moving to Clovis in 1985.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Paula Shaw, in 2004.

Surviving are 3 sons, Steve, of Denver; Lary, of San Antonio, and Michael, of Houson; a daughter, Stephanie White, of Amarillo; 2 sisters, Charlene Griffin, of Lubbock, and Frances Sisco, of South Lake, Texas; a brother, Buddy Wiseman, of Friona; and 3 grandchildren.

Ellis Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Society Induction on April 11, at 10 a.m. (mt) in the Educational Complex. State Sen. Gay Kernan will address members and inductees as guest speaker and NHS officers will speak on the four pillars of NHS membership (scholarship, service, leadership, and character).

Chapter President Allie Brooks will administer the oath of membership to this year's inductees.

The Farwell band will perform in UIL concert competition on April 13 at 8:35 a.m. at Sudan High School. All are invited to this free concert.

Friona's Nathan Haile, a walk-on sophomore line-backer at Texas A&M University, has moved up to the second unit at "Rover" in place of an injured player.

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A block of residences in Farwell's early days

BTD to honor Coach Prokop

The Border Town Days Committee held its first meeting of the year on Monday and picked Texico High football coach Mike Prokop to be this year's Honorary Parade Marshal.

Prokop has won two straight state titles as Wolverine coach.

Also, the Texico Booster Club will be asked to provide a flatbed trailer to be in the parade so that any Wolverine

Texico class ring finds its way home

A lost Texico High graduation ring has found its way back home.

Recently, the New Deal, Texas, High School ag teacher called Texico Schools to report he had found a 1980 Texico High class ring in their playground.

The ring belonged to Joe Martinez, who died in an accident.

Texico High secretary Audrey Kittrell knew the Martinez family and contacted them. Joe's sister, Amelia, came by to pick it up after it was sent back here.

What happened was that Amelia had given the ring to a nephew, Carlos, who attends New Deal and had lost the ring last year.

The important keepsake has now been restored to the Martinez family.

Youth revival set

There will be a youth revival at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church April 15 and 16 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. each day.

Supper will be held at 6:30 p.m. with programs to follow:

Friday includes ministry by Michael Beckworth and his Praise Band.

Saturday features two bands -- "Felix" and "Calling Ephraim."

football players who have played for Prokop be on it.

The trailer would be placed directly behind the car, driven by Vonnie McIntosh, with Prokop and his wife, Shirley, in it.

In other business, the committee:

-- Reappointed officers: Mike Pomper, president; Ann Cooper, treasurer, and DeeDee Pomper, secretary.

-- Picked as the theme for this year's BTD "Farwell's 100th Anniversary."

-- As always, noted that BTD will be held the last Saturday in July.

-- Was told that the newly-formed Clovis Fire Department Honor Guard would like to lead off the BTD parade, and this was approved. In previous years, the Cannon Air Force Base Honor Guard would lead off the parade.

-- Agreed to ask Doug Scioli to make the buttons for BTD that are the main fund-raiser.

-- Accepted the financial report for 2004 from Mrs. Cooper. The ending balance was up about \$30 over the previous year's ending balance.

Total income from last year's BTD was \$1,901.00. Total expenses were \$1,868.04.

It's the goal for the BTD committee to just break even, so Pomper said he was very pleased with those financial figures.

The committee has a total savings account balance of \$3,409.87. The by-laws call for the committee to maintain \$2,000 in its savings account. The reason the current total is higher because of a \$1,500 donation to BTD made by the Clovis Eagles Lodge two years ago.

-- Discussed whether to allow a profit-making business, that gives a portion of its proceeds to a local non-profit group, to have a concession at the park at BTD.

The committee voted to allow this as long as members of the non-profit group work at the concession through-

out the day.

-- Noted that a volleyball net and equipment are available if anyone would like to put on a volleyball tourney at the park. The woman who ran it last year will be out of town for BTD this year. So unless someone steps forward, no volleyball tourney would be held.

-- The committee also wanted to know if anyone wanted to put on some type of basketball contest, such as shooting 3-pointers, at the basketball court in the city park. If anyone is interested, please call Pomper at 481-3681.

-- Also attending Monday's meeting was David Pollard, of KIJJN Radio. He was welcomed and asked to help work at BTD in July.

-- Heard Mrs. Cooper report that highway construction in Texico is expected to start July 1. Regardless, the committee plans to keep the same parade route.



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Deavyn is pictured with Della Kirkland, who was the wife of the late J.D. Kirkland. He started a water well business in Littlefield around 1948, then started Kirkland Pump Co. in Farwell over 50 years ago. The business was later ran by Deavyn's great-grandpa, the late Jack Kirkland, and is now run by her grandpa Duke Kirkland and her uncle Brandon Kirkland. Heaven Scent is being run by her great aunt Deanna Krach.

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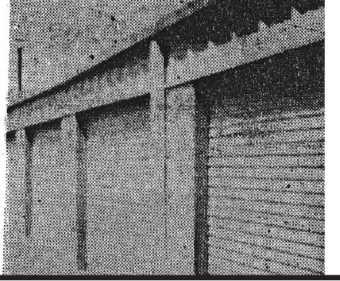
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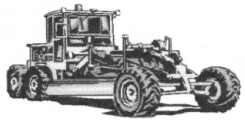
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Grant

From page 28

for the 2005-2006 Texas Community Development Program funding cycle.

"Bovina is applying for grant assistance to help with a much needed replacement of our wastewater treatment facility. The city of Bovina is a small town and one of the few towns in the Texas Panhandle that is actually increasing in population. 78 percent of the population is made up on minorities. The sewer was built in 1953, and we have outgrown our sewer's design capacity. The City has been cited by TCEQ for the sewer running at 90 to 120 percent of capacity and related issues, and they are threatening fines if the problem is not taken care of soon.

"To resolve this problem, the City is proposing to build a new wastewater treatment facility. The city engineer has studied this problem and has determined that replacement is the most feasible option. If awarded this grant, the City will use the funds to build a lift station that will be needed for this project.

"City officials saw this sewer replacement as a major problem and decided to tackle the situation head-on. To pay for this project, the City applied for and was awarded a loan from the Texas Water Development Board. City officials made the tough decision of raising residents' sewer rates by \$22 a month and commercial sewer rates by \$29 a month to help pay for this loan.

"The annual loan payment will in the neighborhood of \$150,000, which represents approximately 21 percent of our City's annual budget. It will take 20 years for this debt to be retired. 70 percent of the town's population is low-income. This increase is going to be very difficult for most of the people of Bovina to pay. Receiving this grant will help the city to keep costs down.

"The total cost of the entire project is estimated at approximately \$1.75 million. The portion of the project that the CDBG funds will help with is \$321,902 for the lift station that is essential to the project. A lift station is required to raise the wastewater up to the level of the new sewer system. Of this, we are requesting \$250,000 in grant assistance and will provide the remaining \$71,902 from community funds.

"I hope that I have been able to explain the situation that has force the community of Bovina to apply for this grant. The City has continually tried its best to provide quality services to its residents. The construction of a new lift station and addressing the problems of our aging and undersized wastewater treatment plant will insure a strong infrastructure, so the city can be prepared for additional growth."

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The Bovina track teams participated in the Whiteface Meet on March 24.

In the boy's meet, Bovina's varsity team placed 3rd. Placing were:

Shot put - R. Martinez, 1st, 42' 3/4; Hugo Martinez, 6th, 35'9 3/4.

3200 run -- E. Ortiz, 11:01.

Pole vault -- Espinoza, 6th, 9'6.

Discus - H. Martinez, 1st, 117'10.

High jump - McNary, 2nd, 5'6.

300 hurdles -- Saucedo, 4th, 46.91.

400 dash - Ortiz, 55.62.

400 relay - Bovina, 4th, 49.61.

100 hurdles - Saucedo, 2nd, 17.93; Heinzman, 3rd, 18.31.

100 dash - Espinoza, 3rd, 11.98.

800 relay - Bovina, 3rd, 1:43.5.

200 dash - Espinoza, 3rd, 24.34.

1600 run - Ortiz, 1st, 4:53.46.

1600 relay - Bovina, 3rd, 3:57.

The Bovina JV boys placed 3rd in their category. Placing were:

Shot put - Newton, 1st, 37'7 1/2.

Discus - Garcia, 1st, 97'11; Newton, 4th, 88'9.

Pole vault - Cruz, 4th, 7'0.

400 dash - Ju. Guevara, 1st, 57.96; J.E. Guevara.

400 relay - Bovina, 2nd, 52.62.

100 dash - Garcia, 4th, 12.56.

800 relay - Bovina, 3rd, 1:46.78.

1600 relay - Bovina, 1st, 4:09.

Bovina's 8th grade boys took 3rd in their category. Placing were:

Long jump - Rocha, 1st, 18'5; Knoll, 2nd, 15'11.

High jump - Rodriguez, 3rd, 4:10.

Discus - Pena, 5th, 92'7; Rojas, 6th, 91'1.

Shot put - Rojas, 2nd, 34'10 3/4; Curtis, 6th, 27'11.

400 relay - Bovina, 3rd, 53.90.

800 run - Rocha, 1st, 2:25; Ramon, 4th, 2:53; Flores, 5th, 2:56.

100 hurdles - Knoll, 1st, 19.43.

200 dash - Rodriguez, 4th, 27.78.

1600 run - Rocha, 1st, 5:31.98.

1600 relay - Bovina, 1st, 4:27.66.



Keep your eye on the ball

That's right! The ball is at the right of this picture. It was taken during the Mustangs' baseball game against Nazareth. Watch for the team photo and more action pictures in next week's Tribune.

Bovina's 7th grade girls took 3rd in their category. Placing were:

300 hurdles - Lopez, 3rd, 61:31; Munoz, 4th, 64.93.

400 dash - Miller, 5th, 76.18; Carrasco, 6th, 81.43.

Discus - D. Carrasco, 2nd, 50'.

2400 run - Casas, 1st, 11:22; Castro, 2nd.

High jump - Casas, 4th, 3'10.

Triple jump - A. Lopez, 6th, 22'9 1/2.

400 relay - Bovina, 3rd.

800 run - Lara, 1st, 2:38; Casas, 3rd, 3:08.

100 hurdles - Lopez, 5th, 21.49; Munoz, 6th, 22.24.

100 dash - Mason, 6th, 16.22.

800 relay - Bovina, 3rd, 2:22.22.

Shot put - Carrasco, 1st, 23'7 1/2.

1600 relay - Bovina, 3rd, 5:24.51.

Bovina's 8th grade girls took 2nd place in their category. Placing were:

300 hurdles - Rueda, 1st, 57.22; Guevara, 2nd, 58.55.

400 dash - Vela, 5th, 74.21.

Triple jump - Terrones, 4th, 26'11; Saucedo, 5th, 25'4 1/2.

2400 run - Saucedo, 1st, 10.19.59.

High jump - Guevara, 1st, 4'8; Vela, 3rd, 4'4.

Long jump - Guevara, 3rd, 13'8 1/2; Saucedo, 4th, 13'5; Terrones, 6th, 13'4 1/2.

400 relay - Bovina, 4th, 60.59.

800 run - Caldera, 2nd, 3:04.

100 hurdles - Terrones, 1st, 19.08; Martinez, 2nd, 19.75; Rueda, 6th, 21.21.

200 dash - Vela, 6th, 32.43.

1600 run - Saucedo, 1st, 6:31.01; Caldera, 4th, 6:42.37.

1600 relay - Bovina, 1st, 4:52.21.

Bovina's 8th grade girls took 2nd place in their category.



Sandra Ware retires

Friday, April 1, was the last day for Sandra Ware to work at Bovina's post office. She has worked there as a part-time employee since October of 1985. Sandra says she enjoyed being at the post office for the past 19 years and 6 months and now looks forward to retirement. Postmasters she was worked with include Laura Bartlett, Lenore Falcon and Randa Hodges. Pictured are Bovina postmaster Hodges, Springlake postmaster Falcon, Mrs. Ware and former Bovina postmaster Bartlett.



The Bovina hotel in 1906.

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Your views are needed on cemetery code

From City Manager Ernest Terry:

About this time every year, the city cleans up and starts the summer maintenance of the Bovina Cemetery. This year, we are starting a month early because of the wet winter and the early spring.

But a question has arisen over the maintenance -- and your views are needed.

Cemetery rules, written by the Bovina Cemetery Board and made a part of the Bovina City Code, allow for only two vases of flowers per grave, no potted plants, and borders not to exceed 4 inches.

Anyone visiting the cemetery can see a wide diversity of grave coverings, markers, and decorations.

So the question arises: should the city keep to the current standards ... or change them. If we don't change those standards, then it will mean a lot of removals from many gravesites of items that don't meet the current code.

Anyone who has questions, suggestions, and/or comments about the cemetery is asked to contact their City Councilmen or come to City Hall. We would like to know what you think about the cemetery and whether the rules need changing.

The general guidance, given to the cemetery worker who cleans the cemetery, is:

1. Graves that are covered with rock or concrete are not touched.
2. Ground covering plants that are maintained by the family are not touched.
3. Flowering plants will be trimmed and pruned.
4. Trees will be planted and maintained by the City.
5. Flowers that become detached and are free upon the ground will be cleaned up.
6. If any decoration becomes unkempt, unsightly, or inappropriate, it will be removed.

7. Maintenance of the markers, gravel, or concrete covering is the responsibility of the owners.

8. And finally, anything on or about the grave that prevents or hinders orderly functional management capability of the maintenance of the grounds or grave will be removed.

Finally, anyone who would like to volunteer to help clean up the cemetery to get it ready for Memorial Day, please come by City Hall to register, so we can coordinate efforts.



Easter fun at the park

In a little under 3 minutes, Bovina children cleared the city park of hundreds of candy eggs on Sunday. The event had been postponed due to inclement weather last week. The annual funfest is sponsored by the Bovina Lions Club.



Becky's Bovina Banter

Becky London - 251-1164

Important telephone change announced; fund-raiser luncheon planned for fire victim

Important telephone change:

If you have any water or sewer problems and need assistance, you need to call 251-1212 after 5 p.m. (when City Hall closes).

Please write that important number down.

The Bovina Methodist Church will have a stuffed potato lunch on April 10 from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the EMS building, 109 N. 3rd St.

Donations are \$5 per plate. All proceeds go to aid Julia Salinas, whose home was damaged by a fire last month.

Ben McCain, half of the famed McCain Brothers who performed at the Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet last month, called the Tribune to say thanks for the media coverage.

In discussing "the old days," Ben noted that Johnny Schell, a Farwell High graduate, is now the music supervisor for the Jim Belushi TV sitcom.

Ben also told this story:

When he worked at the Oklahoma City TV station, he and Butch were sometimes sent to Los Angeles to interview celebrities, one of which was actress Jamie Lee Curtis.

In chatting, Ms. Curtis asked Ben where he was from, and Ben responded something like "a little town in West Texas you probably never heard of, Bovina."

But she had! It seems Ms. Curtis had dated for awhile Johnny Schell, the Farwell High grad who is now a music supervisor on the Jim Belushi TV sitcom.

Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church will be Aug. 1-5 this summer.

The Mustangs lost to Crosbyton, 14-4, last week.

Mike Ortiz had 2 hits and a walk for Bovina, scoring 2 runs and having 2 RBIs.

Rodrigo Nunez had 3 walks for the Mustangs.

The next games on the schedule are April 4, at Ralls at 4 p.m., on April 9 at New Deal, and on April 12 at home against Hale Center.

Last Friday, the Mustangs had their first home game of the season but lost to Nazareth by a one-sided score.

Bovina's golfers played in the district tourney on Monday.

No boys' team participated, but medalist Trent Quintana carded a 90.

The girls' team carded 496 to finish 4th -- Giselle Alvarado, 118; Vanessa Garcia, 135; Elizabeth Alonzo, 120, and Karla Rivera, 123.

Grant proposal to be presented for wastewater project

On April 8, City Manager Ernest Terry will present the following grant proposal in Canyon, Texas.

Here are excerpts from his speech:

"I would like to thank the members of the Regional

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Bovina's proposed project

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