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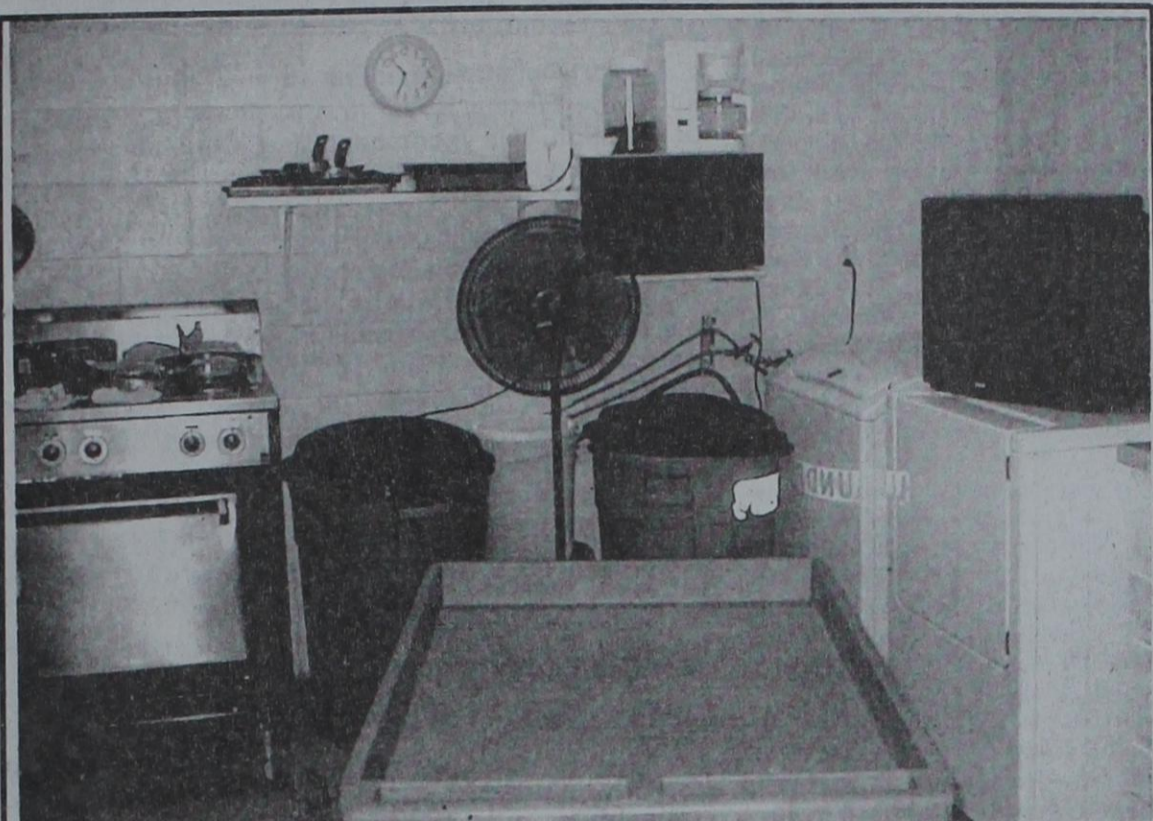
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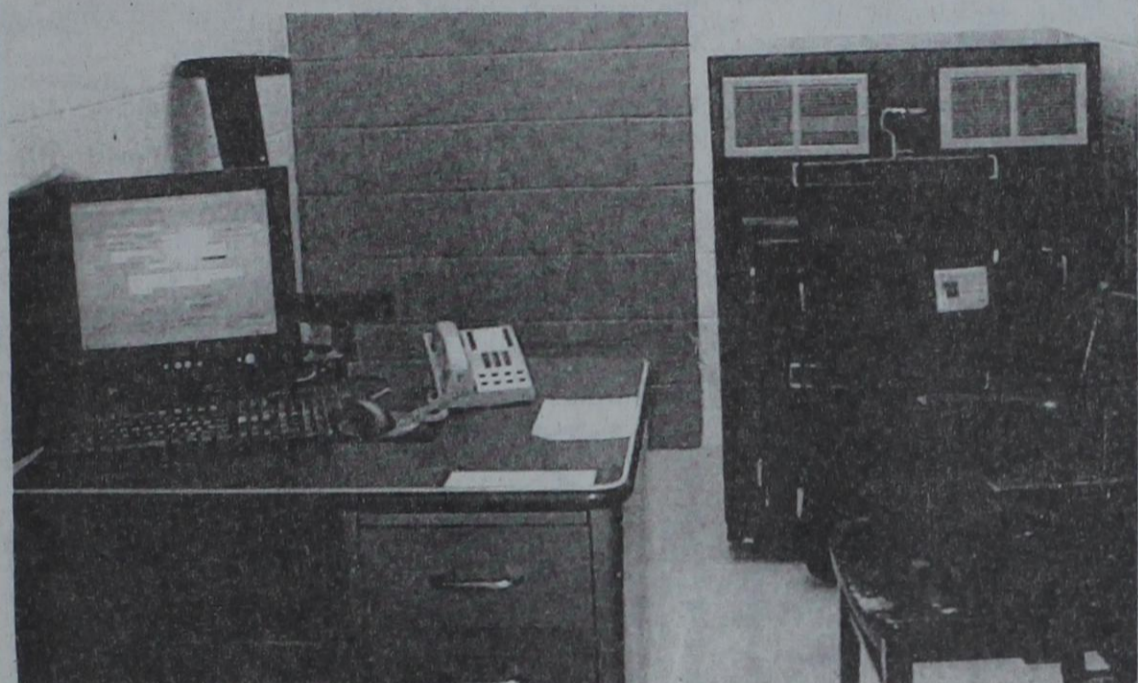
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The jail kitchen doubles as a laundry.



The booking room where inmates are processed.

Haseloff, Frye win primary battles for county commissioner

Filings going slowly

Although it's time for candidates to file for local elections, none have signed up in the past week.

The filing deadline is Monday.

Election Day is May 15. Each week, the Tribune updates the filings:

Farwell Hospital District Board -- Filing were Dr. Nancy Chasteen, Bert Williams Troy Christian, Peggy Sudderth and Chad Byrd.

Thus, five persons so far are seeking the four

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The big news out of Tuesday's primary elections in Parmer County involved the two county commissioner races.

In the Democrat primary, Mike Haseloff topped incumbent county commissioner Ed Corn for Pct. 3 (the Farwell area), 156-84. Haseloff will face Ronald Byrd, the GOP primary winner, in the November elections.

In the Republican primary, Kirk Frye, incumbent county commissioner for Pct. 1 (the Friona area) easily defeated two challengers. Frye scored 345 votes to John Tannahill's 81 and John Mars' 57.

The only other "race" in the GOP primary was for county attorney. Incumbent Charles Aycok announced last week he was resigning because he had received a state prison board position. He still received 278 votes to Jeff Actkinson's 445. Actkinson is unopposed in the November election.

Other primary results were:

Republican

Sheriff -- Randy Geries got 737 votes (the leading county vote-getter) and is unopposed in the November election.

District Attorney -- Johnny Actkinson got 613 votes

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Here's a look at the old jail

Since this issue of the Tribune features a look at the new Parmer County law enforcement center, we thought it would be good to show you how it compares with the "old jail."

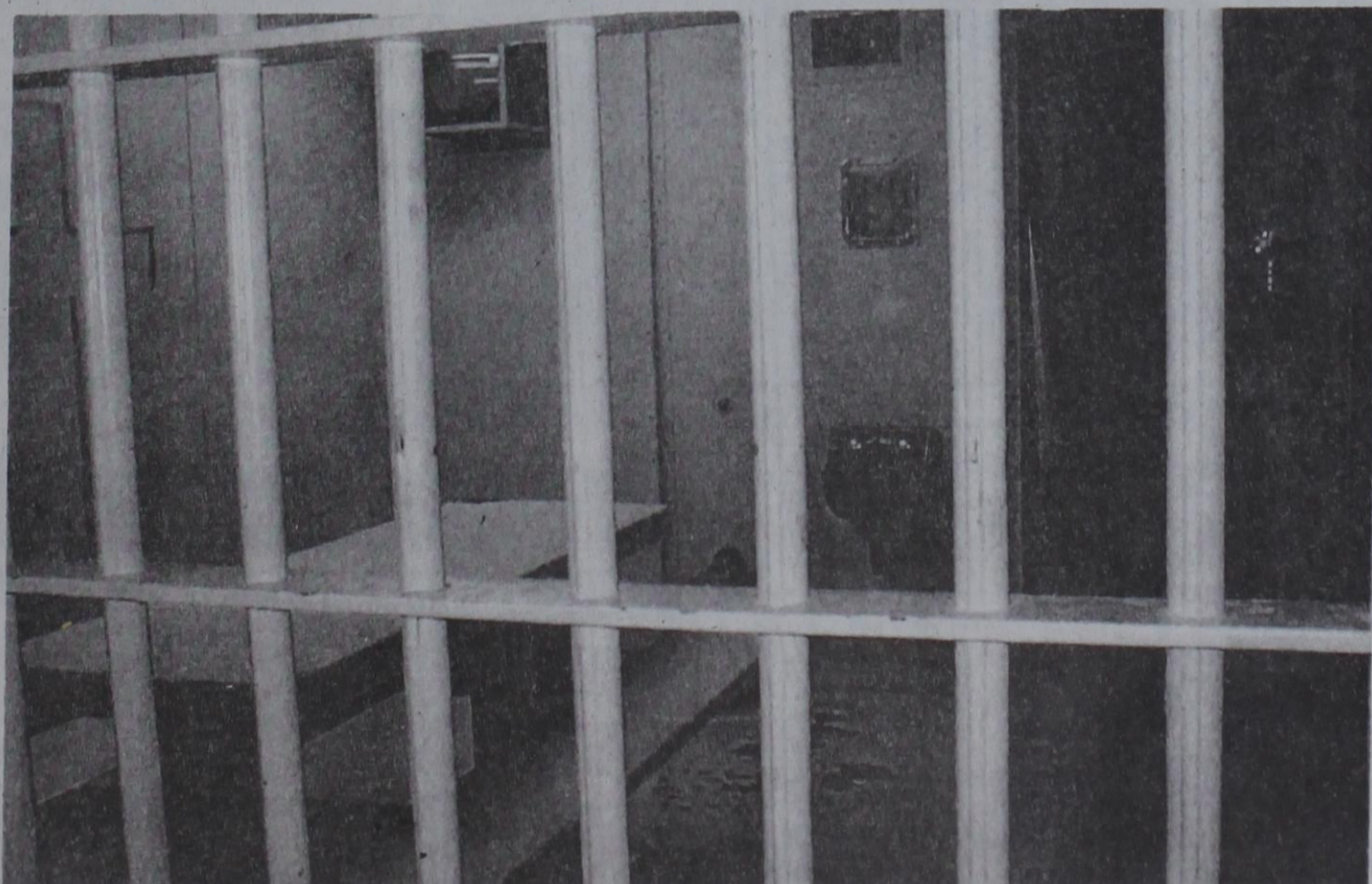
See photos of new jail inside



The detox unit is a single small cell.



A single-prisoner cell, which is only large enough for a bed and small bench table. In the background, mattresses are stored along with other supplies.



The showers and dressing area

Drager's 'Big Dawg' wins top honors

by Teresa Mesman

Zane Drager, 19, of Texico, and his crossbred steer "Big Dawg" earned top dog honors at the National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colorado on Jan. 22.

Zane and "Big Dawg" won Grand Champion and earned \$91,000 from the title.

"Big Dawg" was sold to Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steakhouse in Denver at auction. The \$91,000 paid was less than the record breaking \$110,000 paid to the 2003 winner, but it was a major coup for the Texico High School graduate and his family.

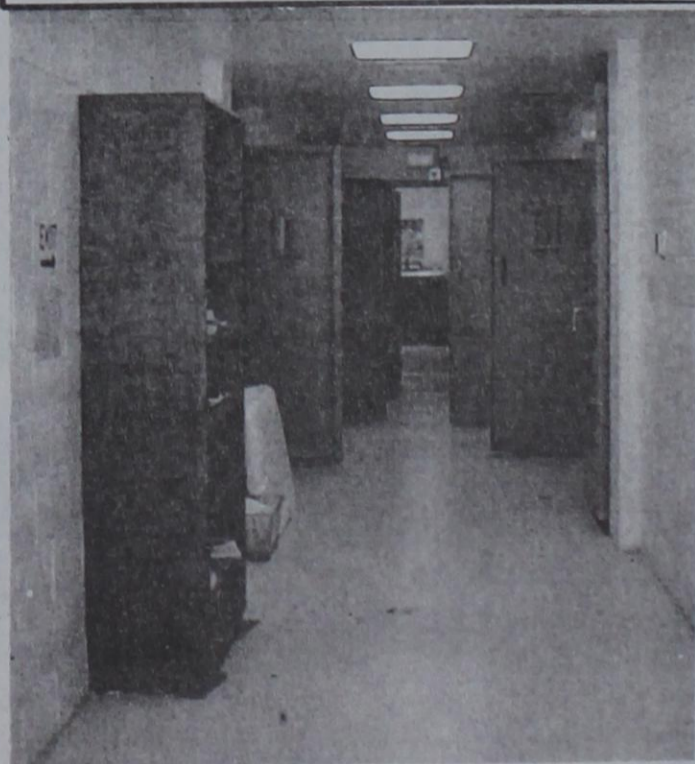
"It wasn't so much about the money," Zane commented. "It was really more about the accomplishment and the experience for me."

"Big Dawg" was purchased from Joaquin and Josh Lesky of Durango, Colo., when he was 8 months old. "We knew pretty quickly that he was going to be an animal to be reckoned with" Zane stated.

The steer was an Angus and Shorthorn crossbred. The Drager's have been raising Shorthorns for quite some time and have had great success with the breed at the local, county and state stock show levels. Now, the National title can be added to their resume.

"Big Dawg" weighed in at 1,316 pounds and was 53" tall. He was 22 months old. Zane and "Big Dawg" entered the show as one of 95 other steers and showmen.

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The main hallway between the sheriff's office and jail is a bit cluttered.

Election

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posts on the ballot.
 Farwell School Board -- Mike Ratke and incumbent Sam Billingsley are seeking the two posts.
 Farwell City Council -- Ysleta Kittrell has filed for re-election.
 Three posts are on the ballot. Neither of the other incumbents, Don Gerles and Wayne Gruben, have filed so far.
 Lazbuddie School Board -- Terry Parham has filed for re-election. Two posts are on the ballot.

Bovina School Board -- George Villarreal has filed for re-election.
 Three posts are on the ballot. The other incumbents, Joe Steelman and Justin Brozek, have not filed so far.
 Bovina City Council -- No one has signed up yet.
 On the ballot are the mayoral post, held by Galen Hromas, and two council posts, held by Jesse Stone and Stan Miller.

Obituaries

Martha Rogers

Services for Martha Rogers, 71, of Hobbs, were held March 4 at the Chapel of Hope in Hobbs with the Rev. Bruce McBee officiating.
 She was born March 15, 1930, in Clarksville, Ark. She married Willie Rogers Sr. on Feb. 12, 1962, in Portalés.
 Surviving are her husband; 4 daughters, Andrea Kemp, of New Caney; Sandra Grzywacz, of Logan; Virginia Graham, of New Caney, and Patty Rogers, of Clovis; 2 sons, Willie Jr., of Hobbs, and Terry, of Ft. Stockton; 2 sisters, Gwen Kirkmeyer, of Hobbs; and Benejean Hamilton, of Huntington, Ore.; a brother, Larry Powell, of Texico; 10 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Hood

Graveside services for Dorothy Hood, 81, of Farwell, were held on March 5 at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery with chaplain Bill Bridwell, of the Farwell Convalescent Center, officiating.
 Ellis Funeral Home, of Muleshoe, handled the arrangements.
 She died March 3 in Muleshoe.
 She was born Feb. 10, 1923, in Wilmeth, Texas. She was a homemaker, but also worked as a dispatcher for the sheriff's department until retiring in 1998.
 She was a member of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star.
 Memorials may be made to the Farwell Convalescent Center.

Jurors to report

The following Farmer County jurors are to report on March 23 at the county courthouse in Farwell:
 Sandra Abarca, Manuel Acosta, Shonda Adams, Dan Allen, Ernestina Aragonez, Ernesto Armendariz, Dora Arroyo, Mark Barnes, Rosalio Benavides, Macario Bermea, Annette Black, Rex Bracken, Suann Braning, Brenda Bridges, Jerry Bridges, Kelli Brockman, Joyce Broyles, Reba Buske, Anthony Caporusso, Daniel Carmichael, Andrew Carr, Jennifer Carrasco, Jesus Castaneda, Abraham Castanon, Carlos Castillo, Ruben Castillo, Nancy Chasteen, Jose Cenicerros, Gumaro Chavarria, Chase Chisman, Alma Clayton, Tina Clayton, Mildred Cooper.
 Ana corral, Guillermo Correa, Hugo Cortina, Paul Cox, James Crawford, Tucker Crawford, Luiza Cruz, Roxy Cruz, Randall Dale, Ron Davenport, Adrian Delarosa, Omar Delgado, Chayci Dominguez, Don Donovan, James Downes, Eva Ryck, Ronald Dyer, Shelly Dyer, Lesli Fiel, Luann Fillpot, Jose Flores, Norma Flores, Raymond Freeman, Hernando Gallegos Jr., Frank Galvan Jr., Michael Gast, Alta Gerles, Jose Godoy, Genaro Gonzales, Luis Gonzalez, Danna Hagood, Tom Hammit, Wessie Hand, Billy Hrabison, Gerald Hardage.
 Loy Hardesty, Linda Haseloff, Victoria Haseloff, Lori Hefner, Linda Henry, Lawson Herington, Armando Hernandez, Brandy Hernandez, Sam Herrera, Willis Hopingardner, Barbara Howard, Krista Hudson, Kevin Hughes, Bobby Jackson, Ricky Jamerson, Glenda Jennings, Elizabeth Jesko, Stephanie Jesko, Berl Johnson, Terri Johnson, Olivia Jones, Betty Kelley, Michele Kirkland, Detrica Lewellen, Cliff Lincoln, Sonye Lookingbill, Jose Lopez, Pilar Lopez, Ruben Lucio, Micky Lunsford, Ernestina Marquez, Jamie Martin, Annette Martinez, April Martinez, Julie Mason, Honey Mast, Robert Mathys.
 Wanda Mayfield, Joann McDonald, Matt McLennan, Theresa McLeod, Valinda Miller, William Miller, Brady Mimms, Clay Mimms, Kristen Mitchell, Alberto Morales, Kia Morris, Melvin Morris, James Murphree, Donita Noble, Loreina Noriega, Manuel Noriega, Anne Norton, Micah Odegaard, Samuel Offutt, Sharon Olney, Zulma Orellana, Estella Ortiz, Modesta Ortiz, Larry Parr, Verna Patton, Nancy Peace, Sotero Pena.
 Jesus Perez, Raul Perez, Virgil Phipps, Wesley Pool, Angel Porras, Billie Powell, Jack Rains, Michael Ratke, Sharon Rector, Flora Reyes, Mary Reyes, Delia Rios, Lynn Roberts, Abel Robles, Luis Robles, Maria B Rodriguez, Maria M. Rodriguez, Pricilla Rosales, Genevieve Rubio, Clinton Russell, Kathy Saenz, Jessica Saiz, Diana Sanchez, Iadira Sanchez.
 Ramon Sanchez, Terry Schilling, Lee Scott, Rickie Seaton, Teresita Serna, Miriam Silva, Moises Silva, Rosalio Silva, R. D. Smith, Timmy Smith, Alma Solis, Ruben Sotelo, Olie Stanley, Teresa Stone, Joann Stout, Debra Swails, Janie Timms, Alonso Torres, David Torres, Oliver Trimmell, Veronica Mega, Maria Vela, Marcelo Vidana, Roberto Vironchi, John Vitolas, Charles Waggoner, Cheryl Weatherly, Garry White, Michael White, Jay Widner, Alex Wilkerson, Carole Wilkerson, John Wilson, Betty Wiseman, Carolyn Wiseman, Michelle Wiseman, Nicholes Yruegas.

Deaf Smith Cooperative to meet

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative members will receive capital credit refunds from a portion of 1991 totaling \$1.5 million at the cooperative's annual meeting and dinner on Tuesday, March 23.
 The meeting starts at 5 p.m. in the Hereford Bull Barn. A fish, chicken and beef dinner will be served. The Florida Boys will provide entertainment following the meal.
 A short business meeting to elect two directors will follow the Florida Boys' first performance. Unopposed for Position 1 is incumbent Vick Christian. Position 2 has two candidates -- Greg Chavez and incumbent Jerry Roberts.

Another highlight of the evening will be drawings for attendance prizes totaling more than \$1,500.
 The Florida Boys will be making their 4th appearance at a Deaf Smith annual meeting. Their national TV appearances include "The Today Show", "TNN's Prime Time Country", "Crooks and Chase", "Gaither Homecoming Videos" and their own "Gospel Singing Jubilee," which they hosted for many years.
 The group includes Les Beasley, who sings lead; Glen Allred, baritone and guitar; Derrell Stewart, piano; Gene McDonald, bass; Allen Cox, tenor, and Josh Garner, lead. The group is a member of the Gospel Music Association Hall of Fame.

Bovina Schools employ Carpenter, Reed

The Bovina School Board on Monday hired two persons.
 Zanea Carpenter will be the new high school principal's secretary.
 She replaces Linda Martinez, who joins the migrant program.
 And Vonda Reed is moving from special ed aide to middle school principal's secretary.
 In other business, the board:
 -- Received one bid for the surplus pickup truck.
 It was awarded to Daniel Hernandez, who bid \$575.
 -- Re-employed all teaching personnel.
 -- Modified some salary schedules.
 -- Heard a presentation from Stan Miller, director of maintenance, on the new school telephone system.
 Lists of the extensions will be put together and publicized.
 -- Set the next board meeting for April 13.

You are invited to a wedding shower honoring
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Lazbuddie School lists its top academicians

The Lazbuddie School honor rolls for the 4th six weeks show:

- All A's**
 2nd grade - Haley Beasley, Katlyn Hicks, Madison Jesko, Ashton Mason, Austin Mason.
 3rd grade - Chandler Barnes, Karina Galaviz, Kolten Morris, Shea Scott.
 4th grade - Emily Agee, Jarrod Jesko, Jordan Mason, Kylie McGehee, Todd Nichols, Justin Schacher, Luis Tafoya.
 5th grade - Jordan Hernandez, Colton Weaver.
 6th grade - Kayle Jesko.
 8th grade - Chelsee Nichols, Brittney Schacher.
 9th grade - Addie Treider.
 10th grade - David Campos, Dakota Pitcock.
 11th grade - Adam Pierce.
 12th grade - Suzanne Mason, Shonnah Black, Kelli Harris, Katy Loudder, Robby Martin, Raul Mata, Shawndee Nichols, Bethenie Sanchez, Michelle Scott, Stephen Thomas.
- A-B**
 2nd grade - Cutter Glover, Luis Godinez, George Harder, John Ryan Isaacson, Allison Weaver.
 3rd grade - Alfredo Chavira, Jessica Estrada, Victor Godinez, Anna Harder, Colten Ingram, Alex Lopez, Seth Russell, Denise Sanchez, Ross Steinbock, Jacob Suderman, Jared Timms.
 4th grade - Veronica Mireles, Kenton Randolph, Tony Suderman.
 5th grade - Tasha Barnes, Joseline Garcia, Lacy Russell.
 6th grade - Katie Chavez, Geovanni Garcia, Dylan Haney, Logan Mason, Kinzi Schacher, Riley Smith, Kyler Steinbock.
 7th grade - Richie Aguilar, Brenda Garcia, Ryan Mason, Jacob Schacher, Brittany Sexton, Cassie Steinbock, Helena Suderman, RaJon Thorn, Chase Timms.
 8th grade - Regina Mata, Brianna Sanchez, Rochelle Smith, Dakota Williams,
 9th grade - Erica Derma.
 11th grade - Mandy Haney, Ana Hernandez, Brett Mimms, Kayla Parham, Cory Puckett, Amanda Schaeffer.
 12th grade -- Violet Aguilar, Thomas Garcia, Miriam Hernandez, Kera Kewandowski, Kolby Wilkerson.

Commissioners to seek bids for 3 road graders

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday voted to seek bids for road graders for Pct. 1 (Friona), Pct. 2 (Bovina) and Pct. 4 (Lazbuddie). In other business, the commissioners:

- Approved insurance coverages for the county including:
 1. Auto liability, \$8,446.
 2. General liability, \$11,927.
 3. Auto physical damage, \$9,019.
 4. Property, \$17,902.
- Gave Sheriff Randy Geries the go-ahead to seek bids for a new vehicle to cost under \$25,000 (including trade-in).
- Discussed a check list from the engineers on final fix-up work needed at the new jail.

The check list already have been taken care of, and the remainder are being addressed.

This latter list includes items like window and roof leaks, sprinkler system problem, fire alarm short, and kitchen sink leak (causing some re-sealing of the floor).

-- Accepted the resignation of county attorney Charles Aycock.



Another great year

It was another great year for the Farwell Lady Blue. They took 2nd in district and made the state playoffs. Way to go, gals! And, as always, here is the fun photo the Tribune takes each year.

Farwell computer team takes 1st place in UIL meet

Farwell High students participated in the Plains Invitational UIL contest March 6.

They were Yvonne Favila, Samuel Billingsley, Cindy Quezada, Johnathan Vega, Jon Beaubien, Danielle Cargile, Carlos Saenz, Elisa Smith, Tyler Myers, Amanda Almanza, Michael Vidana, Kary Mathys, Miriam Delgado, and sponsors Dorris White, Patsy Camp and Lori Haseloff.

Placing were:
 Computer application -- Beaubien, 2nd; Cargile, 4th; Saenz, 5th; Vega, 6th. The computer team finished 1st.
 Spelling -- Billingsley, 8th; Favila, 19th; and Quezada, 21st. Farwell spellers were the 2nd place team.
 Accounting - Myers, 5th.

Sudderth, Tabb, Gregory named to All-Academic team

Named Academic All-District for the Farwell Steers were Grant Gregory, Robbie Tabb and Jason Sudderth. It's for players who maintain a 90+ grade point average in all subjects for the 3rd and 4th six week grading periods.

Results on the writing events were not available immediately. Farwell heads to district competition March 30 and April 1.

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Texico
 Monday - frito pie, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, fruit, milk.
 Tuesday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.
 Wednesday - lasagna with meat sauce, bread sticks, mixed veggies, Jello with fruit, milk.
 Thursday - pizza, garden salad, fruit, cookie, milk.
 Friday - Read Day; no lunches.

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Wolverines advance to state!

The Texico Wolverines have advanced to the state tournament in Albuquerque for the first time in three years.

They won the Class 2 state title that year.

The Wolverines, 21-7 on the season, will play the first round game against defending state champion Hope Christian, which has only lost one game this year.

The game is slated for 8 p.m. mt on Wednesday, March 10, at Cibola High School in Albuquerque.

At the regional tourney last week, the Wolverines split their games. But by winning the crucial first game, they automatically moved on to the state tourney.

In that first game last Friday, Texico downed Questa, 84-71.

The Wolverines were sparked by Braden Vaughan, with 38 points. He had 17 two-point buckets and was 4 of 5 from the free throw line.

Also scoring were Garrett Mayfield, 14 (his season high); Curtis Williams, 1; Johnny Rivera, 6; Mark Peabody, 3; Josh Pena, 2; Aaron Vaughan, 1; Logan Brown, 8; and Bryce Bailey, 11.

Questa's Justin Martinez, hit for 33 points but

Drager

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The duo won the class, out of 10 other classes. Then they won the division, out of 3 divisions and then the overall National Grand Champion.

Following the national title ceremony, Zane had to do several hours of interviews with Denver area TV and radio stations and several newspaper interviews. Then he had to attend a few meetings before he could call it a day.

"It was one of the busiest days of my life," Zane laughed.

The following day, Zane and "Big Dawg" appeared at the historic Browntree Hotel in Denver. This is the traditional exhibit sight for the National Grand Champion. Zane answered questions and posed for pictures with "Big Dawg" for several hours. The next stop for the duo was the auction, where the steer was sold.

"The restaurant that bought him is a great place and I was proud that such a fine establishment was willing to go the distance to obtain the champion," Zane stated.

Zane has definitely gone the distance in his stock show career. The Western National Stock Show was Zane's last show. He began showing steers when he was 9 years old.

"This title was definitely the way to end my 10 year career!" Zane laughed.

Zane is currently a student at Clovis Community College and is continuing to raise Shorthorns and Shorthorn crossbreds with his family outside of Texico.

Zane is the son of Sam and Carrie Drager and the grandson of Virginia John Drager and Adolph Haseloff, both of Farwell.



Zane Drager with his champion steer

Braden Vaughan's effort overcame that production.

In the regional championship, Texico lost to Clayton, 49-47.

Texico had the lead a good portion of the game, but Clayton came on at the end. Texico was up by 5 after 3 quarters.

Clayton also had stopped Texico, 58-55, in overtime for the district championship the week prior.

Scoring were Braden Vaughan, 11; Rivera, 6; Peabody, 3; Mayfield, 9;

Brown, 3; and Bailey, 15.

The Wolverines' quarter-final game against Hope Christian will be broadcast on the radio at 107.5 FM.

Mesman named

Teresa Mesman was recently elected to the Panhandle Emergency Medical Services Regional Area Council.

Teresa is a volunteer EMT with Farwell EMS. She will also be testing for the National Registry EMT-Intermediate in April.

Nichols, Tabb recognized

The Farwell Steers basketball team received some high district honors this year.

Tate Nichols was named Defensive MVP and Robbie Tabb was chosen Newcomer of the Year.

Also, seniors Tyler Myers, Grant Gregory and Jose Cabello were named to the All-District Team.

Named All-District honorable mention were Jason Johnson and Cale Stevenson.

Participation cancelled

Texico had been scheduled to participate in the Chieftain Track Relays in Friona on Saturday, but cancelled because the Wolverines are still in the basketball tournament.

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Texico Varsity Baseball Schedule 2004

Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time
3/15/04	Portales	Portales	V	4:00 pm 6:00 pm
(DOUBLE HEADER)				
3/16/04	Clovis "C"	Brady Field	V	4:00 pm
3/18,19,20/04	Eunice Tournament	Eunice	V	TBD
3/30/04	Santa Rosa	Santa Rosa	V	3:30 pm
4/05/04	Clovis "C"	Brady Field	V	4:00 pm 6:00 pm
(DOUBLE HEADER)				
4/06/04	Logan	Brady Field	V	4:00 pm
4/08/04	Grady	Grady	V	4:00 pm
4/10/04	Dora	Dora	V	1:00 pm
4/12/04	Floyd	Floyd	V	3:00 pm
4/13/04	Elida	Brady Field	V	4:00 pm
4/15/04	San Jon	San Jon	V/JV	3:00 pm
4/16/04	Santa Rosa	Brady Field	V	4:00 pm
4/20/04	Floyd	Floyd	V	3:00 pm
4/23/04	Tucumcari	Tucumcari	V	4:00 pm 6:00 pm
(DOUBLE HEADER)				
4/26/04	Dora	Brady Field	V	4:00 pm
4/29/04	Elida	Elida	V	3:00 pm

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Tournament champions

The New Mexico Sparks, which included three Texico Junior High girls, won the Elk City (Okla.) Bi-City Tourney. They lost the 1st game by 2 points in double OT with only 4 players left on the floor. Then they won the next 4 games, and the championship. They played teams from Oklahoma and Texas. In the front row from left, Kayla Breedlove and Kathryn Knudson; in back, Coach Glynnna Martin of Texico; Amanda Bass, Tara Johnson, Mariah Sena, Faith Martin, Cassandra Short, Stephanie Vega and coach Randy Knudson.



Loper cited

Jesika "Sissy" Loper is this week's Teen of the Week at Texico High School.

The daughter of Dr. Daniel and Tamera Loper, of Clovis, her hobbies are crocheting, photography, scrapbooks and wakeboarding.

Her career choice is pediatric medicine.

Her school activities are FCA, National Honor Society, volleyball, track, cheerleading and basketball.

Roberts, Walls, Hadley named All-District

The Texico Lady Wolverines came out strong in the District 6-AA All-District basketball team.

Named to the team were Mindi Roberts, Jazz Walls and Brette Hadley.

Named Honorable Mention were Lauren Boazman and Sissy Loper.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Mike, I sure do like the "expanded" version of the SLT! You're doing a great job covering the area's news.

Thanks!
Iris Smith
Killeen, Texas

Burns nabs fair grand championship

Texico School students excelled at the Eastern New Mexico Regional Science Fair at Roswell last week.

Ricky Burns won the Overall Grand Championship, qualifying him to compete at the International Science Fair in Portland, Ore., May 9-15.

Only 12 New Mexico students will get the opportunity to attend the international fair this year. Young scientists from throughout the world attend it, with more than \$3 million worth of scholarships awarded.

Other Texico winners were:

• Senior Division

Katy Tucker, a student in Wayne Anderson's biology class, won 2nd place in the Senior Medicine and Health. She received a Navy Research Award, and qualified for the New Mexico State Science Fair.

Ricky Burns, a student in Wayne Anderson's biology class, took 1st place in senior zoology; won the Clinica Research Cash Award; won an Army medalion - senior division Grand Champion Award; won the American Vacuum Society Cash Award; and qualified for the New Mexico State Science Fair.

• Junior Division

Jonathan Hill, a student in Mrs. Peabody's science class, took 1st place in junior medicine and health, and qualified for the New Mexico State Science Fair.

Shay Anderson, a student in Mr. Doolittle's science class, took 1st place in junior microbiology; won a Clinical Research Cash Award; received the Air Force Grand Junior Division Grand Champion Award; won a Women in Science Research Award; and qualified for the New Mexico State Science Fair.

Bovina

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Sheena.

Also, Peter Hiebert, Sandra Ortiz, Cinthia Muñoz, Audrie Terrones, Aaron Ramon, Jaime Chavira, Jesus Guevara, Marisela Garcia, David Segovia, Trent Quintana, Elizabeth Muñoz, Jacob Torbert, Mauricio Garcia, Daniel Segovia, Lucero Saucedo, Anna Rodriguez.

In recognition of their excellent performance, the school treated all the middle school UIL contestants to lunch at Ci-Ci's Pizza in Clovis on Feb. 18.

The Texico Community Activities Organization has reprinted the Texico Woman's Club cookbook, Volume 1.

They cost \$8 and are available from TCAO members, the Texico Fire Department, former members of the Texico Woman's Club, the New Spur Restaurant, the Beauty Box, the Citizens Bank branch in Texico, or by calling Ann Cooper at 482-9074.

All proceeds will go toward buying playground equipment for KKR Park in Texico.

Bovina

She pled guilty and receive deferred adjudication, while having to make \$100,000 restitution to the city, at \$850 a month; plus 320 hours of community service, and community supervision for 10 years.

In December, the court received a letter from the city that Ms. Brito was four months behind in her payments.

Parmer County probation officer Teresa Ancira reported to the court Tuesday morning that Ms. Brito had paid \$625 last week, then brought in \$4,000 more that day to get caught up on her payments.

A meeting has been called to discuss Bovina's complaints over how its ambulance services is being treated by the Parmer County Community Hospital has been set up.

The Plains Regional Planning Commission has scheduled a meeting for

EMS Report

On March 5, a possible cardiac was reported at the Farwell Medical Clinic.

The Farwell EMS was unavailable, so Texico EMS handled the call.

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all interested parties for 6 p.m. on March 12 at the Friona community Center.

All are invited.

On March 9, city manager Ernest Terry, councilmen Jessie Stone and Stan Miller, and EMS Director Larry Mitchell met with the hospital board to discuss issues concerning the Bovina ambulance for hospital transfers.

Friona made about 100 transfers in the past year, while Bovina made 7.

The fact that the hospital was in Friona's EMS service area was discussed. And the hospital pays monthly stipends to Friona (\$1,000) and Bovina (\$250) for their services.

The hospital officials expressed their need for obtaining timely ground

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transfers for their patients, having to depend on Friona and other area ambulances for their help.

Bovina's position is that the Bovina EMS is an all-volunteer organization responsible for its own EMS service area.

Bovina doesn't have any paid employees. When they are called out on an ambulance run, they have to take time away from their jobs, personal time and families, which they do enthusiastically and professionally, said Bovina officials.

It is hoped that the March 12 meeting works out details for a county-wide mutual support agreement. Currently, there are no agreements in writing, said Bovina officials.



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Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer
8 p.m. winter

First Baptist Church of Farwell
Rev. Randy 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.

Lariat Church of Christ
Sam Billingsley - minister
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter
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Church of God in Christ, Mennonite
James Koehn - minister
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.

Bovina United Methodist Church
Rev. Quita Jones
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday study, 7 p.m.

Assembly of God Church, Texico
Bob Burris - minister
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 6 p.m.

Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church
Worship Service - 9 a.m.
Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Bovina Church of Christ
Mike Prather, minister
Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. - Bible class - 7:30 p.m.

St. Ann's Catholic Church
Fr. David Contreras
Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m. in English; Noon in Spanish.
CCD - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Mass: 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wed. - Fri.

First Baptist Church of Bovina
Aaron Reed, pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.

Lazbuddie Church of Christ
Nathan Crawford - minister
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 10:20 a.m. & 5 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

Lazbuddie Methodist Church
Rev. Randy Thomas
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina
Rafael Marin, pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.

San Jose Catholic Church, Texico
Sunday Mass - Noon
Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m.
Community Meal - 1:15 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie

Farwell Convalescent Center
Bill Bridwell - chaplain
Sunday services - 9 a.m.
Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
Jim Peabody - minister
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter
7:30 p.m. summer

New Light Baptist Church
J.R. Shiner - minister
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

United Pentecostal Church of Texico
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Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 11:15 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 8 p.m.

St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat
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Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.

Farwell Church of Christ
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Worship; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.
In Search - 7:30 - Ch. 4 Sun.

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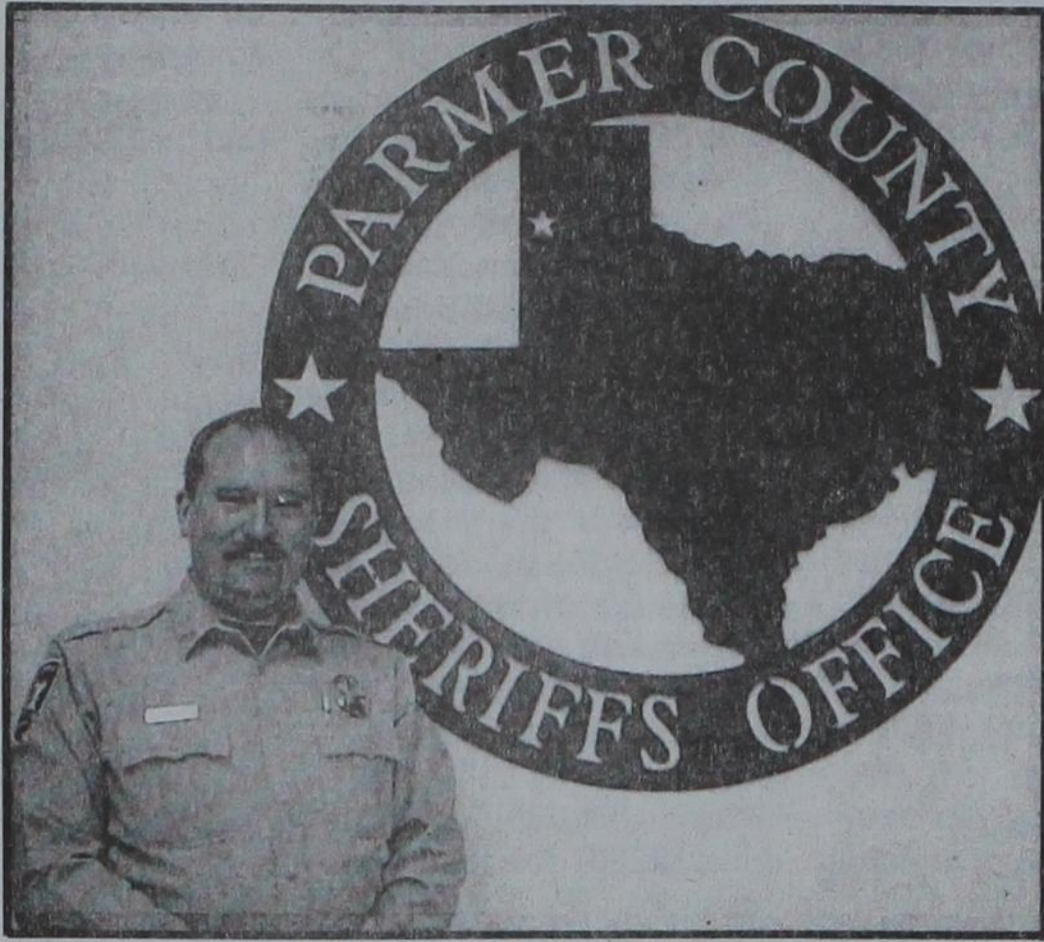
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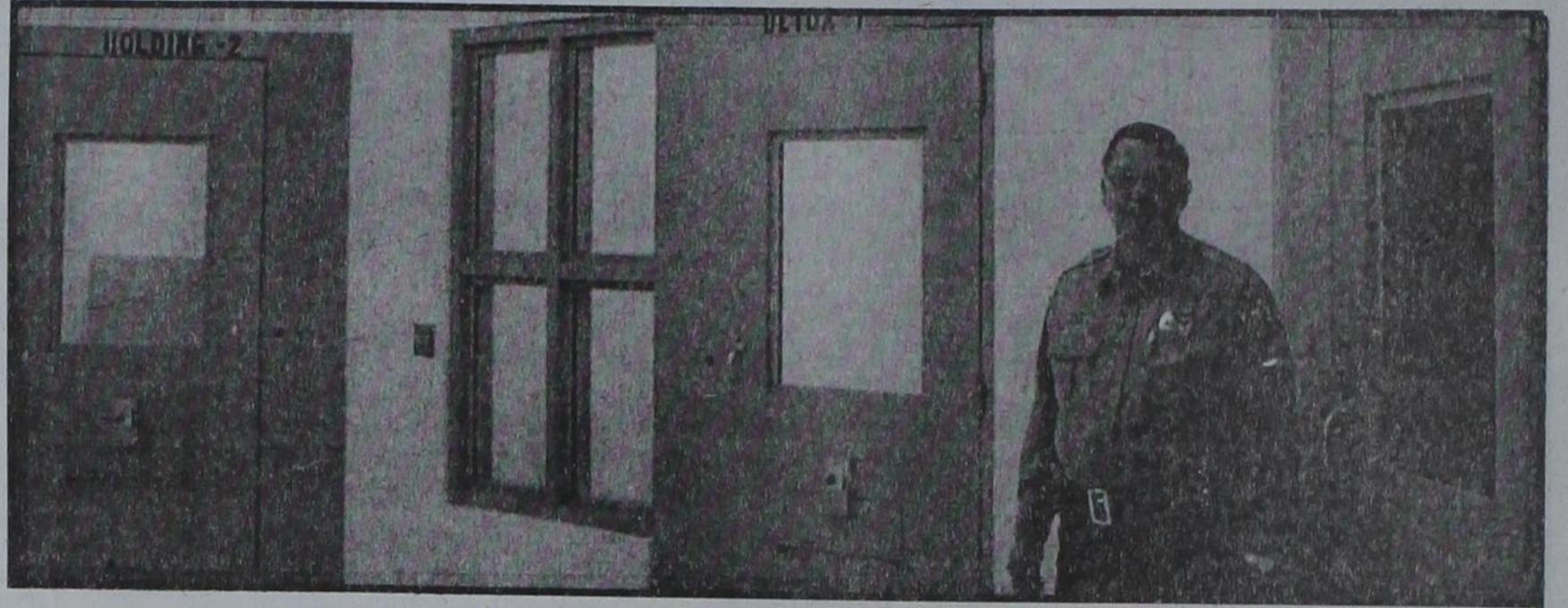
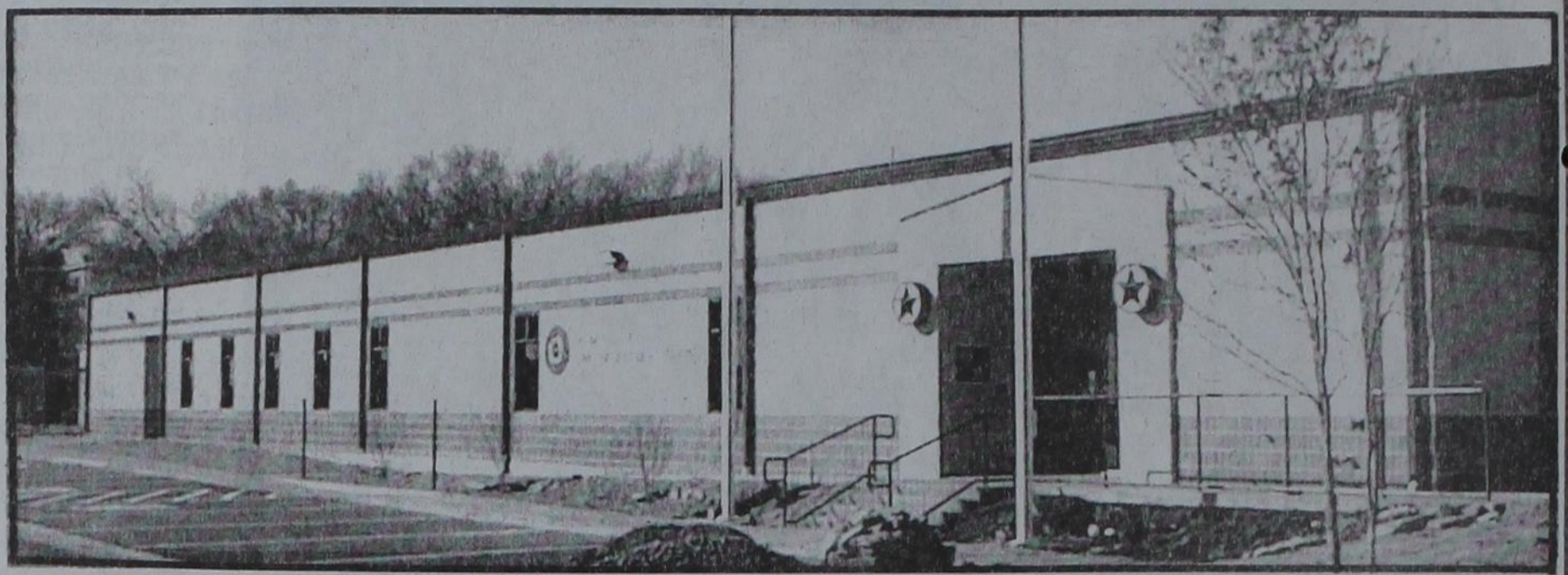
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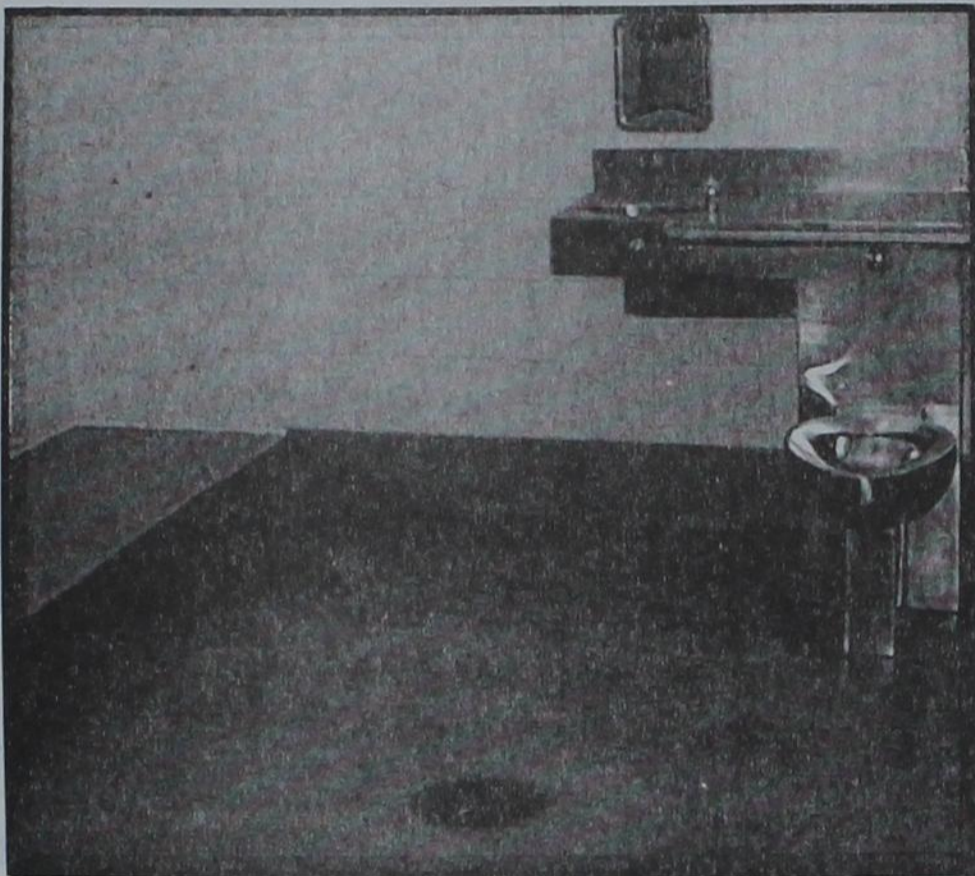
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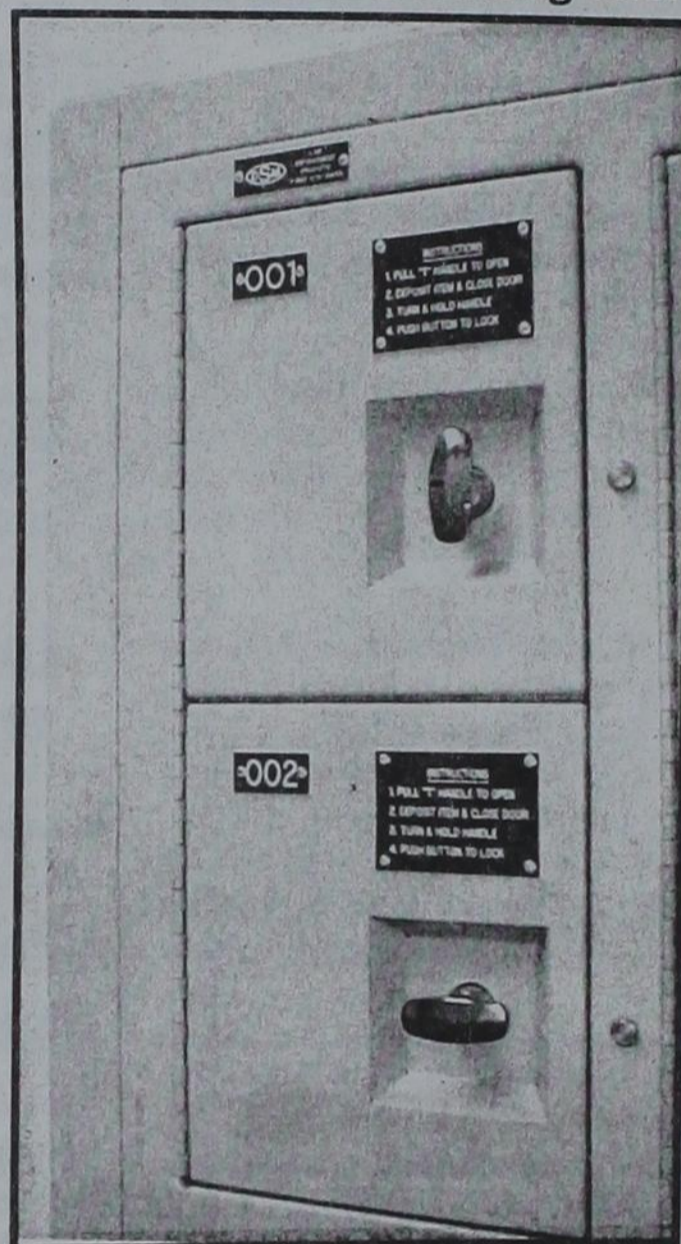
The law enforcement center lobby with Sheriff Randy Gerles next to the county seal.



Chief Deputy Wayne Gruben is shown outside the 2 detox and 2 holding cells



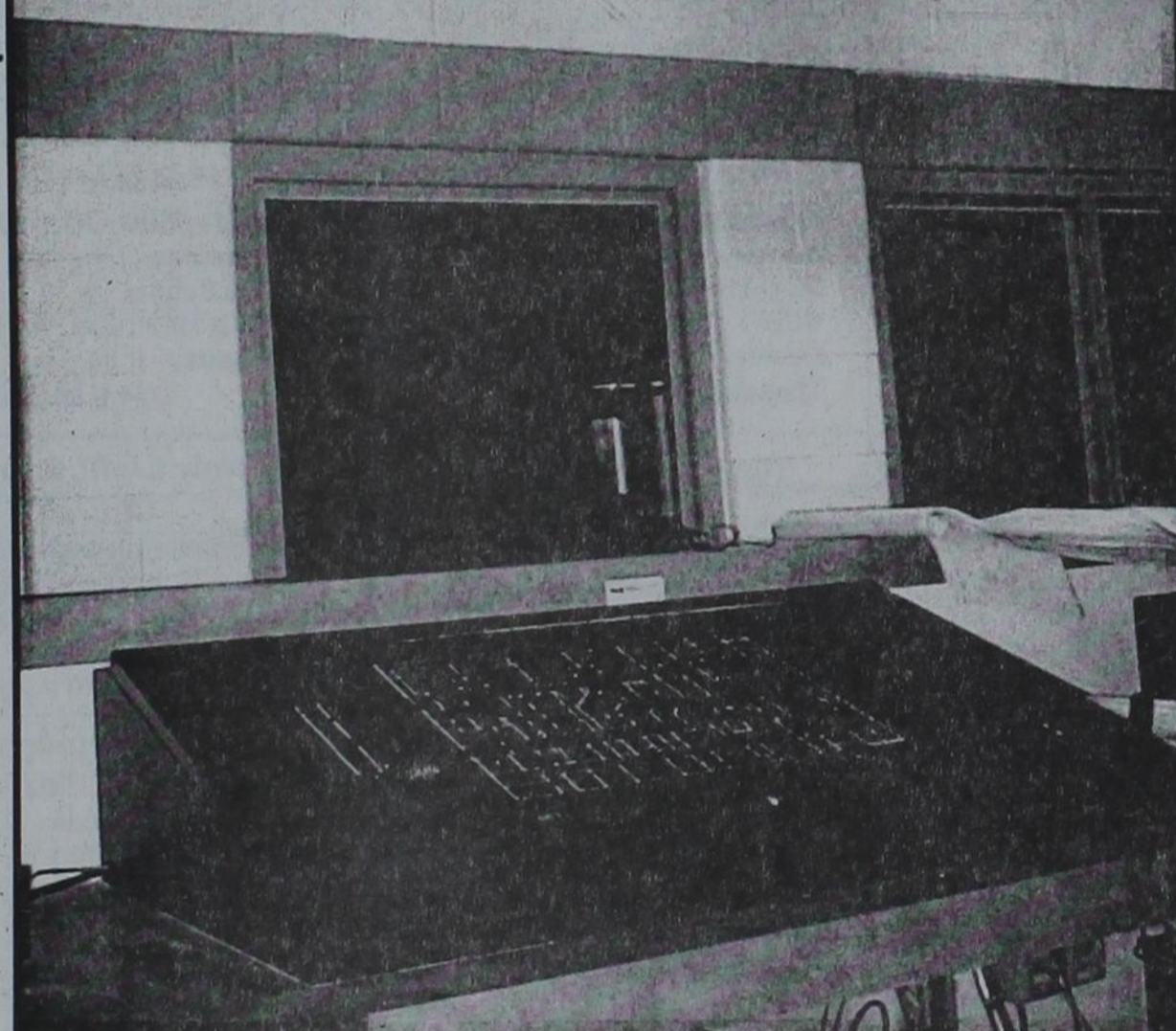
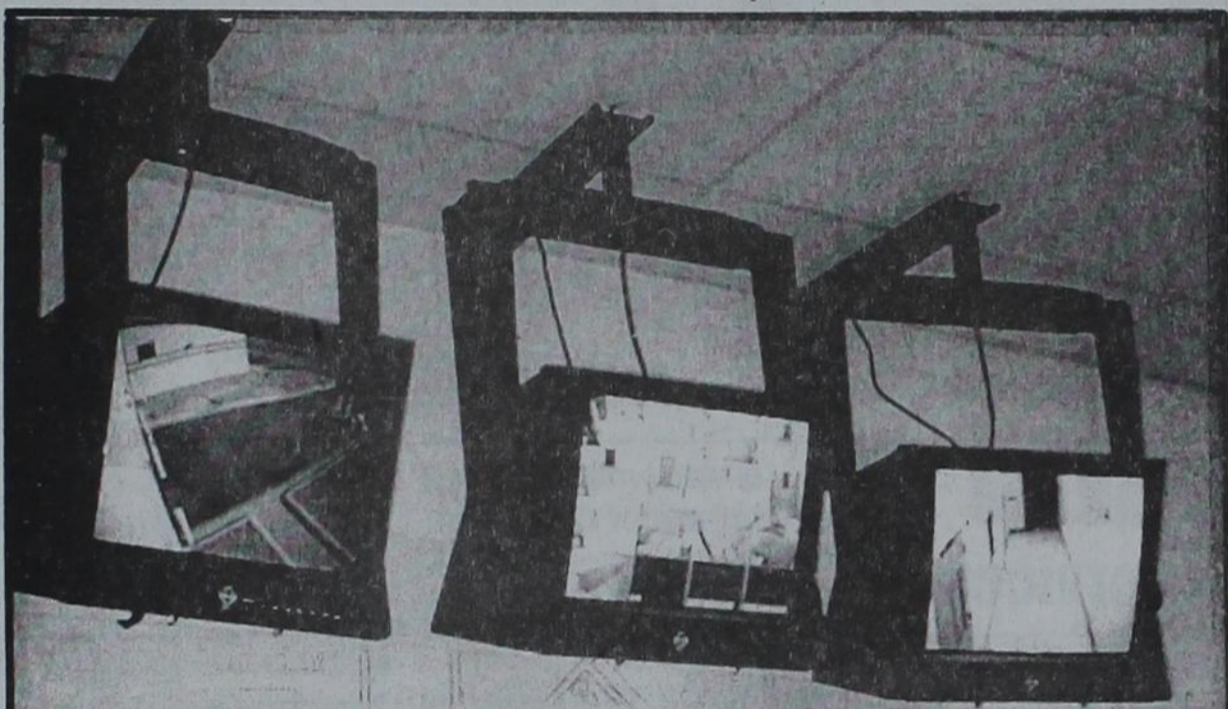
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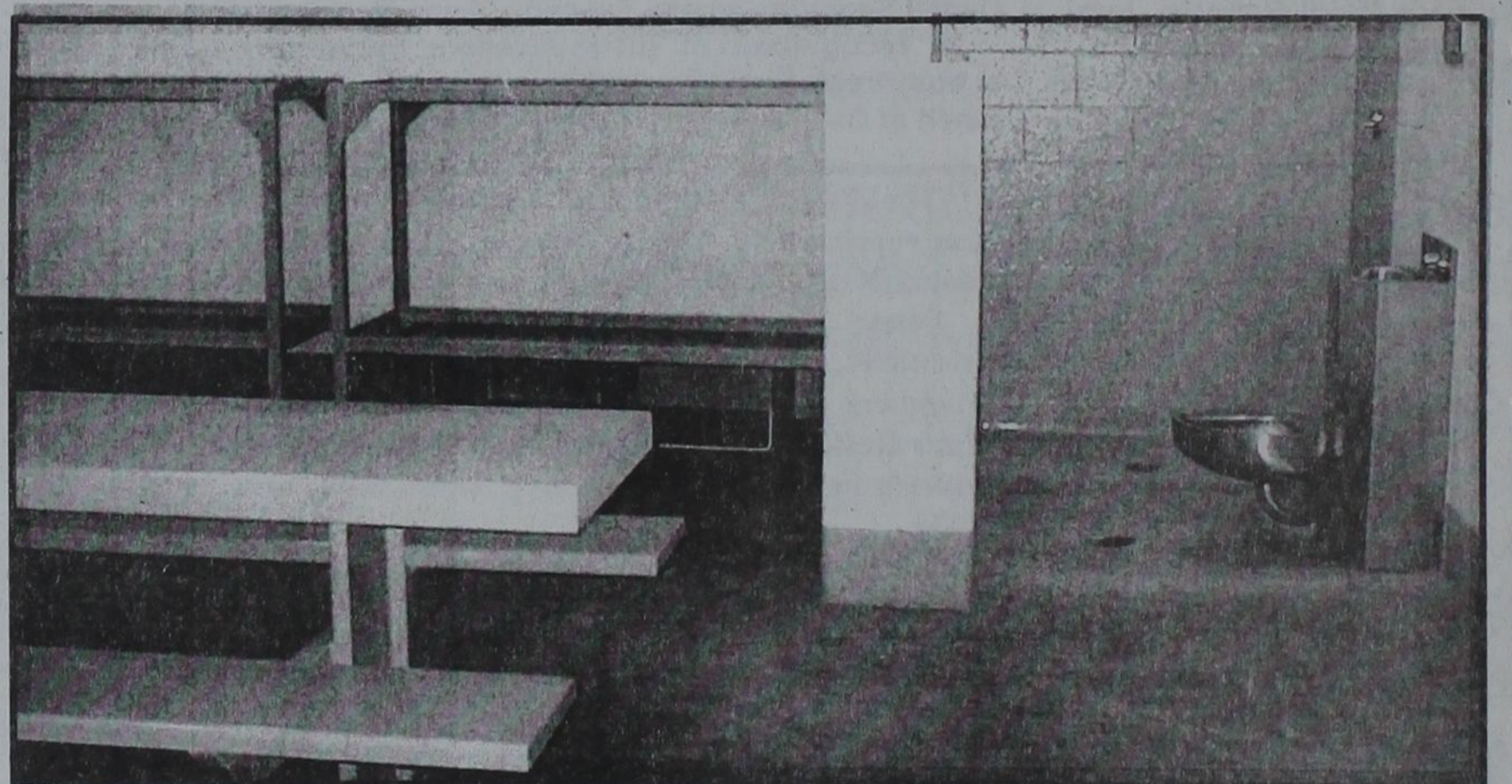
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The laundry room



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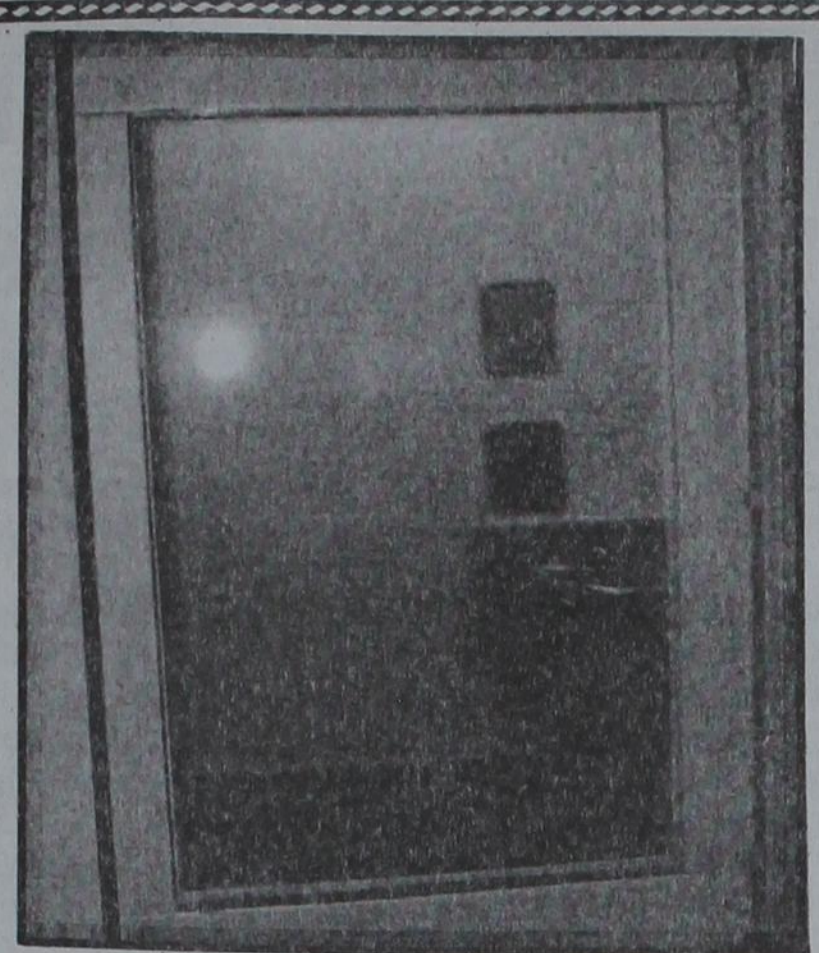
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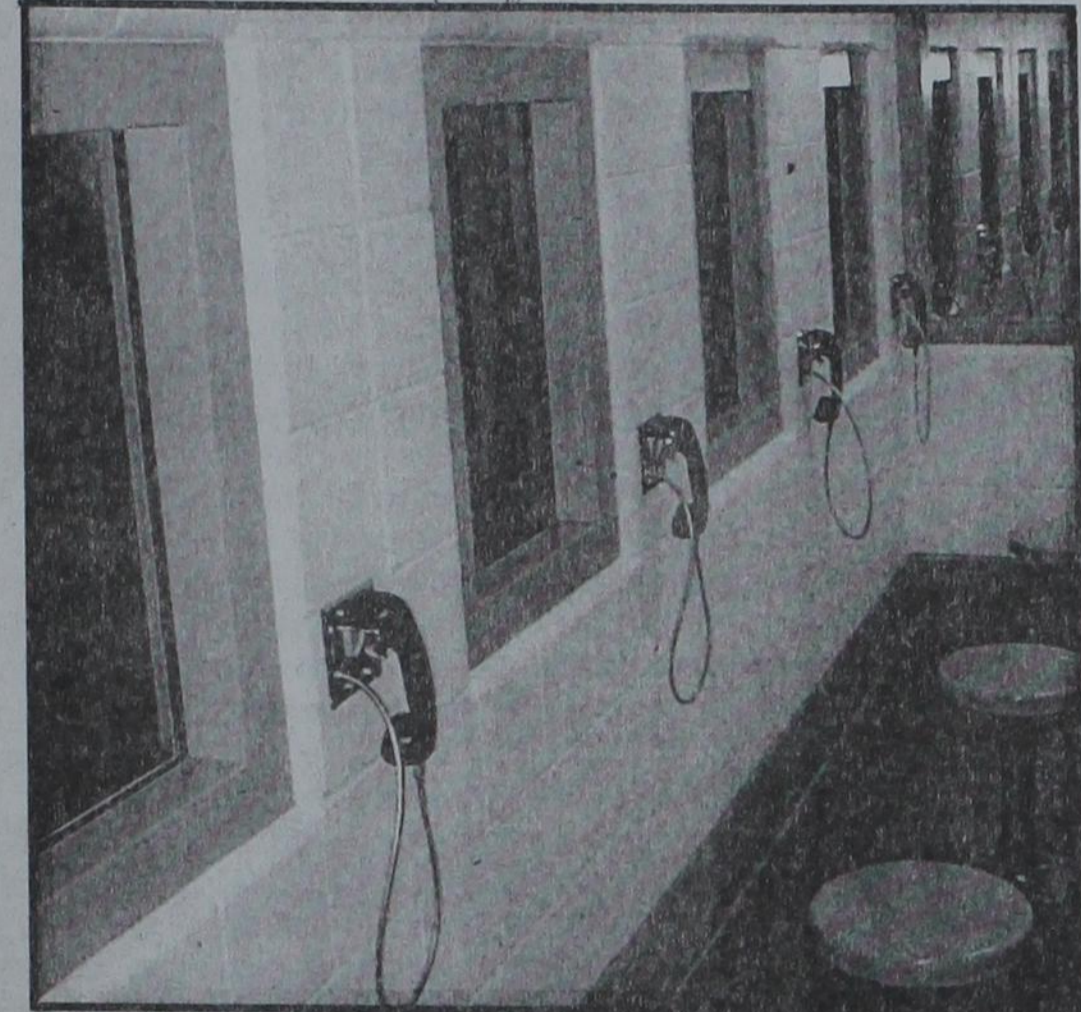
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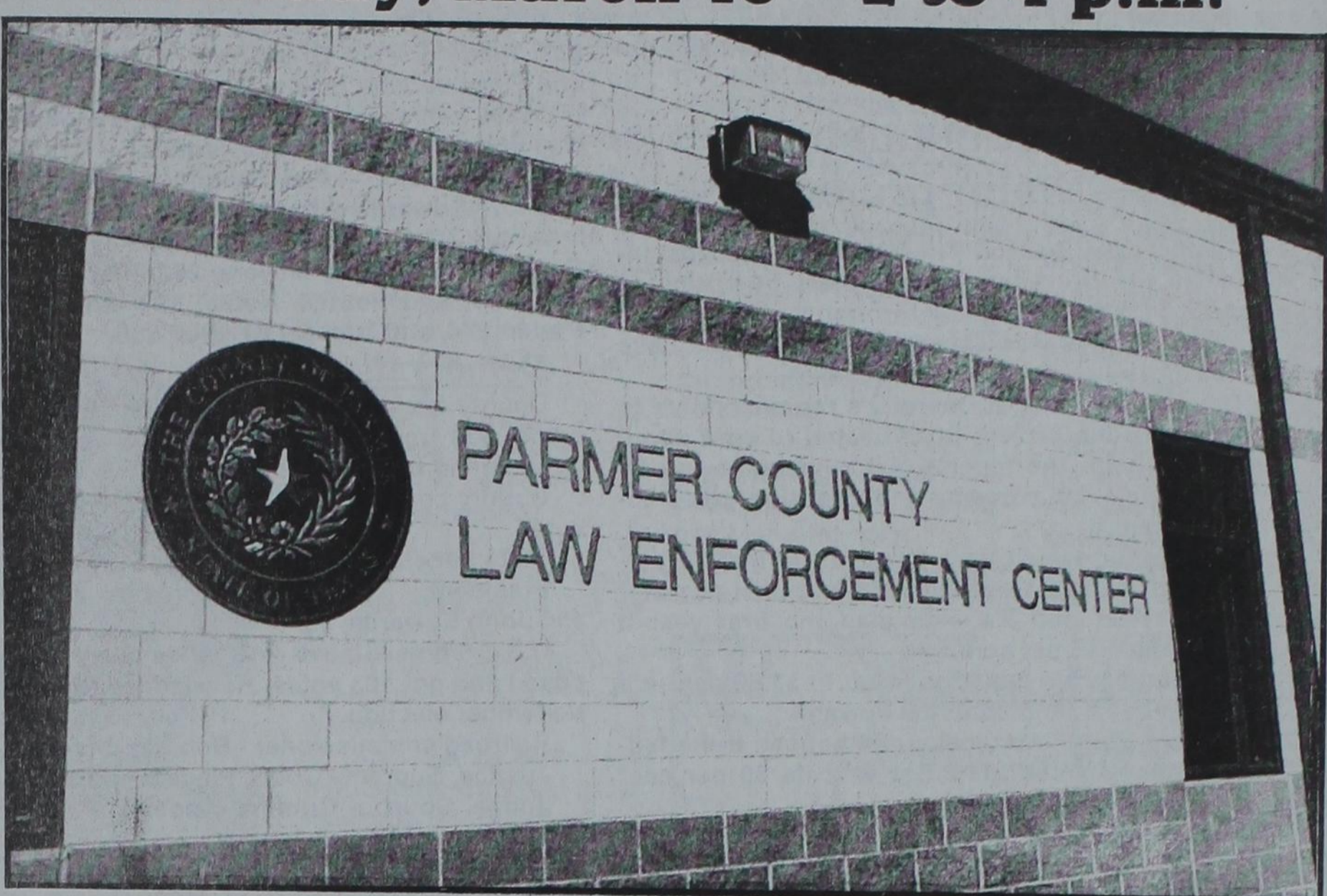
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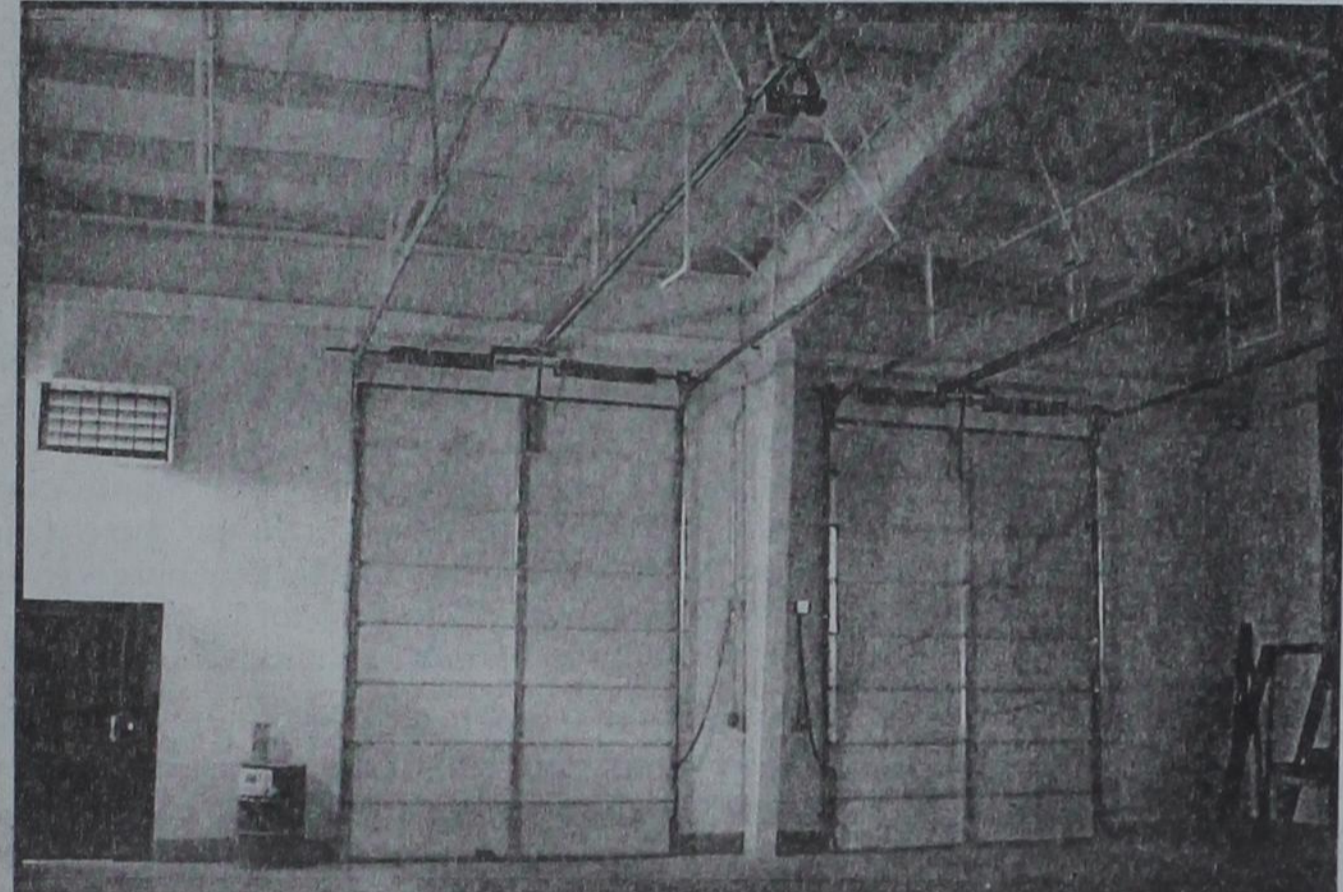
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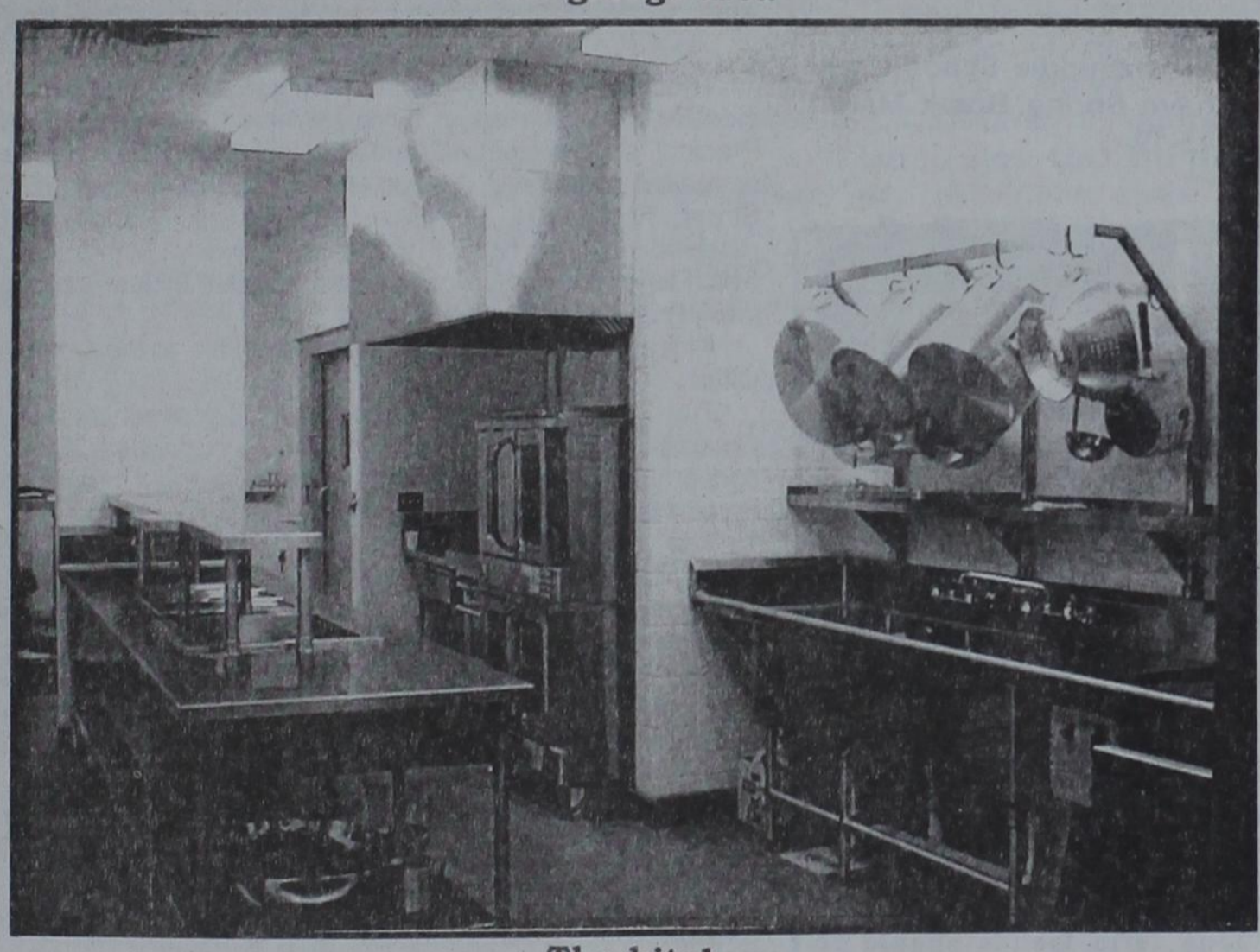
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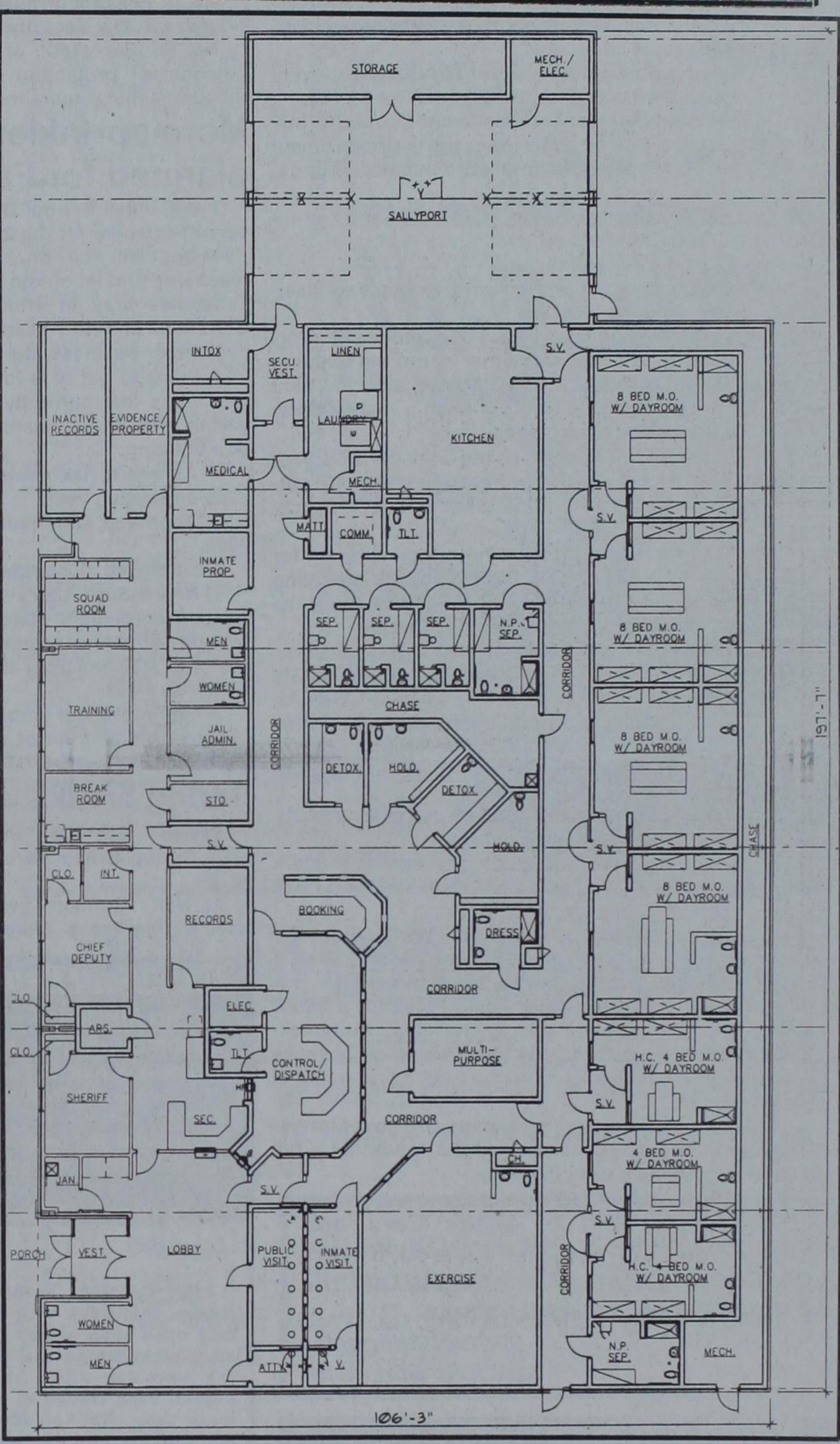
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and is unopposed in the November election.

County commissioner, Pct. 3 -- Ronald Byrd was unopposed and got 97 votes. As stated, he will face Michael Haseloff in November.

County chairman -- John Armstrong was unopposed and got 566 votes.

President -- George W. Bush was unopposed and got 756 votes.

Texico votes continuation in Ute Lake water project

The Texico City Council Tuesday continued its involvement in the Ute Lake water project by voting to spend about \$1,500 to buy water through it.

Previously, money was asked to "reserve" Ute Lake water. This has been changed to purchases.

Fire Chief Lewis Cooper, the city's representative to the project, said the project is estimated to cost about \$300 million -- with the federal government paying 80 percent, the state 10 percent, and the nine cities involved 10 percent.

Texico's portion would be 1.4 percent of that 10 percent for construction. Texico has 258 acre feet of water reserved per year, and it's estimated the first year it would cost Texico \$6 per acre feet.

The graduated scale would then go to \$7.50 per acre feet the second year, and continue upward.

Cooper said that the project won't happen if the federal government doesn't come up with its 80 per cent share.

In other business, the council:

-- Heard City Clerk Teresa Harth report that the new city hall is virtually finished, awaiting a permanent certificate of occupancy. City workers likely will move in after the parking lot is completed.

-- Accepted an asbestos removal bid (for the current city hall, which then would be demolished) for \$9.750.

-- Okayed an emergency request from Cooper to buy medical supplies for the EMS. He said the department has run low on supplies due to a large number of transports recently.

-- Held an executive session on personnel at councilwoman Sharon Askew's request.

-- Agreed to Brown well repairs.

-- At the next meeting, will act on two requests dealing with the community center:

1) Mrs. Harth asked that persons using the center forfeit their deposits if they didn't either return the building key promptly after usage (or exchange it with the next person to use it). She said this has been a real problem getting the key back or exchanged.

2) Ann Cooper, a resident, asked that the policy of not being able to rent the center be moved from the current 90 days to between 6 months and a year. Councilman Oran Jay Autrey said he supported this.

-- Purchased a burn trailer for the fire department for \$83,550 (including options). A FEMA grant is providing \$67,500, and the fire department has funds to cover the rest, said Cooper. It will arrive in about 15 weeks.

-- Adopted a cemetery ordinance without discussion.

-- Once again tabled the heavy vehicle ordinance. City building inspector Terry Martin was not present. City Attorney Marion Ty Rutter said he is still waiting to get an updated ordinance proposal from Martin.

-- Okayed sending the two street department personnel to a 3-day vector control seminar.

-- Purchased a new phone system for the new city hall from Plateau Telecommunications.

-- Accepted the resignation of city assistant clerk Glenda Mosier. She announced her retirement, on April 16, after working for the city for 23 years.

-- Told Amber Robinson, to talk with Martin about her seeking to bring a trailer house into the city. Martin would have to approve the aesthetic review permit.

-- Discussed a request from Rocio Perez for a liquor license. Building a dance hall is the idea. Rutter explained that Texico is "dry" (meaning no liquor licenses are allowed), and he believes that the county (outside of Clovis) also is.

-- Heard Cooper report that unless the governor vetoes the bill this week, Texico will get funds for a fire department administration building.

U.S. Representative -- Incumbent Randy Neugebauer was unopposed and got 663 votes.

Railroad commissioner -- Douglas Deffenbaugh, 111; Robert Butler, 199; K. Dale Henry, 78; and Victor Carrillo, 202.

Supreme Court justices -- Place 3, Harriet O'Neill, 539; Place 5, Paul Green, 418, and Steven Smith, 177; and Place 9, Scott Brister, 524.

State representative -- Incumbent Warren Chisum was unopposed and got 583 votes.

State senator -- Kel Seliger got 602 votes. Second was Kirk Edwards with 106.

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals -- Place 2, Guy Gray, 259; and Larry Meyers, 262; Place 5, Cheryl Johnson, 313; and Patricia Noble, 193; and Place 6, Steve Porter, 274, and Michael Keasler, 236.

Democrats

County tax assessor-collector, Incumbent Bobbie Pierson was unopposed and got 215 votes. She has no opponent in the November election.

County chairman - Robert White, unopposed, got 185 votes.

State Senator -- Elaine Miller got 137 votes.

President - Top vote-getters were John Kerry, 114; and John Edwards, 38.

U.S. Representative - Charles Stenholm was unopposed and got 163 votes. He will face Neugebauer in the November election.

Railroad commissioner - Bob Scarborough, 139. Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9 - David Os, 129, Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6 - J.R. Molina, 140.

There were two referendums on the ballot:

No. 1, For (37) or against (196) any efforts to end or privatize Social Security and Medicare programs.

No. 2, For (150) or against (79) a constitutional amendment protecting taxpayers by prohibiting state mandates that require local property tax increases.

More sprinkler systems planned for Farwell Schools

The Farwell School Board on Tuesday approved the school calendar for the 2004-2005 school year.

School will start on Aug. 17 for students (Aug. 16 for teachers), and let out on May 26, 2005. The usual holiday schedules stay in effect with a two-week break for Christmas and New Year's.

In other business, the board:

-- Plans to get bids for sprinkler systems for all campus areas that currently don't have them -- the kindergarten area, the elementary school and the administration building.

-- Agreed to tax vehicles for 2004. This is automatically done each year.

-- Approved state-recommended textbooks for 2004-2005.

-- Employed all certified personnel.

-- Heard Supt. Larry Gregory report that the current student enrollment stands at 485. This is up from the first day of school total in 2003 of 470. And that 470 figure was well up from the first day of school in 2002, which was 443.

A higher student enrollment is vital to school districts because the amount of state funding is based on average daily attendance.

Spring breaks upcoming

Texico Schools will have Spring Break March 15-19.
Lazbuddie Schools will have Spring Break March 22-26.

Farwell Schools will have Spring Break March 15-19.

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LIVE CATTLE: Futures prices traded to both extremes this week with news that the Canadian Border may open soon, which dropped prices over 200 points on Wednesday to the opening of the Mexican Border the next day which shot prices back up 200 points higher. Cash traded at \$85 this week and numbers remain tight. Technically, long term trends should remain higher into August.

FEEDER CATTLE: Cash prices were higher this week though futures prices have been reluctant to follow. The news and emotion have been more than this market can decipher. Either way, numbers are tight which should be supportive and long term trends remain higher as well. Targets for the March contract should be closer to the \$90 level in coming weeks.

CORN: Prices broke early this week for a day when the U.S. Dollar broke out to the upside. This created some fear that export demand may dwindle? Short term trends turned down, but with some of the tightest world stocks seen in 30 years, the market will remain vulnerable for another run back up to re-test contract highs. Any problems into planting may drive prices higher?

SOYBEANS: This market dropped on fears of a rising U.S. Dollar this week but so far, prices have held inside a tight trading range. A move below \$9.24 basis the May contract will turn short term trends down and possibly take prices down to lower levels until a Spring planting rally occurs. Tight supplies and a strong demand will turn all eyes on the U.S. as we get closer to planting.

WHEAT: This market is still on the decline even in the face of Chinese buying which should have helped to support prices. Most of the trade is now focused on improving weather conditions throughout the major wheat growing areas and the fact that most analysts are raising their world production estimates for this coming crop year. There is some support at current levels.

COTTON: Prices have traded up and down inside a 300 point range all week. Once prices broke, apparently because of fears the U.S. Dollar is on the rise, prices have become extremely volatile. Most of the attention has now turned away for any future business with China and is now focused on increased world production. Improving weather conditions are also being blamed for the drop.

Futures and Options Trading involves risk of loss and may not be suitable for everyone.

Texico to offer more activities

The Texico School Board Tuesday continued assessing its student programs.

What the board seeks is to have more school activities offered for students who are not currently involved in them. Next year, new activities may be offered, such as a mechanics club and a drama club.

Supt. R.L. Richards and his staff are continuing to work on the ideas presented by students and staff, that were reported in previous issues of the Tribune. Also, the "Seniors Helping Seniors" program, whereby 12th graders help elderly folks in the community, will be kept.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that the current student enrollment is 536. This compares to 530 on the first day of school.

-- Heard Supt. Richards report that the state has given two major grants to Texico: \$81,000 for kindergarten renovation, and \$80,000 for auditorium renovation. Other state funds that have been received will go toward a lot of remodeling and renovation this summer, including resurfacing the track, work on the academic learning lab, and installing sprinklers in grassy areas around the buildings.

-- Discussed ways to memorialize former School Supt. A.D. McDonald, who died recently. A monument may be built. Or, as it appears the board is leaning, a premier Texico scholarship would be offered in his name. Then a plaque would be placed on a school wall acknowledging the recipients of this top honor. A final decision may be made next month.

-- The annual academic awards programs in the high school and junior high were discussed. A couple of changes were made. In the high school, the students with the highest grade point average will be again honored, along with the "most improved" in each class. At the junior high, the students with the highest grade point average will again be honored, along with students who score highest on a 10-point scale rated by teachers. The 10 points would include categories like character.

-- Head that the principals have been rehired -- Buddy Little, high school; Wayne Anderson, elementary; and Rick Stanley, junior high.

-- Discussed a policy involving out-of-district students. The board is trying to decide if they should allow Texas students to enroll. This has been discussed for several months, and there are some questions they will need answered by an attorney before a decision is made.

-- Still waiting to hear from the state if funds are available to buy another activity bus. To and From Bus Co. needs another bus. They are using their spare bus now.

-- Heard Supt. Richards say that due to the increased enrollment over last year, two or three teachers will need to be hired. Last year, teaching cutbacks were made. Interviews will begin shortly.

-- Hired three persons as substitutes.

-- Said that dancers from Clovis will no longer be allowed to participate during games. There have been some concerns in this area.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Parmer County Commissioners Court is currently accepting bids for the purchase of three (3) new Motor Graders for use in Precinct #1, Precinct #2 and Precinct #4. Bids must be brought or mailed to Bonnie Clayton-Heald, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, PO Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 11:00 A.M., Monday, March 29, 2004, at which time bids will be considered. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your bid packet.

A copy of the bid specifications is on file at the County Judge's Office.

The Equipment to be considered for Trade-In is one (1) 1999 Caterpillar 140H Serial No. 22K04068, Precinct #1. Any questions concerning the trade-in should be directed to Commissioner Kirk Frye at 806-250-3713 or 806-265-7514.

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Bids must reflect the total cost of the equipment.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie Clayton-Heald, County Judge.

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Howard Reagan Looney, Deceased, were issued on March 4, 2004, in Cause No. 2590, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Marcella Lynn Cabe and James E. Cabe.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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Dated the 4th day of March, 2004.

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Teresa: can you spell 4-0?

From Teresa Mesman: I have something to share with you. On Thursday, March 11, at 6:24 p.m. I will officially turn 40 years old. GASP! EEGADS! Yep, I've hit the first big one...and it's not really that painful. I've been asked repeatedly over the last several days if I'm bothered by turning 40. Should I be? There's the adage

about birthdays that states: Age is mind over matter...if you don't mind, it doesn't matter! I don't mind the birthday; but somehow, it sort of matters. I've been looking at my life in a new way. I've accomplished many things in a seemingly short amount of time. I'm married to a wonderful man, that I fall in love with more and more each and every day.

I have two amazing children that are my precious treasures here on earth. I have traveled far and wide and have met truly incredible people along the way. I am blessed with good health, steadfast friends and a loving, supportive family. So what's in store for the rest of my life? The greatest times of my life? Challenges?

Hardships? Who knows? I'm excited about my future...and whatever it brings me. I've never been one to shy away from a challenge and I've never been one to give up during times of hardship. I've got a lot of things left to do with whatever time I have left. I'm not one to sit around being bored. A friend of mine grieved over turning 40. She's kind of ticked off at me for not falling apart over my 40th birthday. "You'll change your tune when you wake up and your eyesight is shot," she jabbed. So I get new eye-glasses in a more fashionable style and I get to sit closer to the action! "Your body begins to ache and fall apart!" she wailed. So I get to make appointments with that great massage therapist and I actually take better care of myself than I ever have! "You're hair goes gray!" she lamented. My hair has started turning very gray, but I'm loving it. I may choose to highlight here and there in the future, but isn't that part of the fun of going to the salon and being pampered for a few hours? And I'm proud of my gray hair. I don't stand a fighting chance of being anything else. My entire family has a legacy of "silver foxes." Whoo-hoo! I've been taking an advanced Emergency Medicine class for the past six months and I'm about to test for an advanced license. Several of my friends think I'm crazy for "going back to school."

And besides, every-one is free to change their minds about what they want out of life. The day I was handed my degree didn't padlock me into that one job or category for the rest of my life. Variety is the spice of life! And, I'm the type that wants to do it all. And I'm doing it...on my terms. I'm not the type of person motivated by fame or fortune. I'm motivated by accomplishing a job well done and helping someone along the way. I'm not perfect and never will be. I'm not

glamorous, fashionable or a beauty queen. I'm myself and I like myself just the way I am. I'm proud to have made it to 40 without too much mishap. (My mother may differ from this opinion!) The events of my life have shaped me into who I am. So the remaining days, months or years that I have left are looking pretty eventful. With laughter and curiosity I go forth into the next phase. It's a new wrinkle in time for me, but with all the anti-aging face cream that I've bought over the last few weeks, it ought to go pretty smoothly for me!



Parmer County Senior Spelling Bee winners were, from left, 1st, Lauren Hughes, 8th grader, Friona; 2nd, Brittney Schacher, 8th grader, Lazbuddie; and 3rd, Christian Meza, 6th grader, Farwell. (Photo courtesy by Darla Sealey)

Spelling bee champions



Parmer County Junior Spelling Bee winners were, from left, 1st, Landry Actkinson, 5th grader, Farwell; 2nd, Taylor Lane, 4th grader, Bovina; and 3rd, Olivia Schilling, 3rd grader, Farwell. (Photo courtesy of Darla Sealey)

Farwell Junior High to host book fair

Farwell Junior High School will host a scholastic book fair March 22 to 26, from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day. Parents, children, teachers and the community are invited to "Dig Up Great Books" at the "Book Fair Treasurer Hunt," the fair's theme. On March 24 at 7:30 p.m., there will be a special family event. Parents are asked to attend and bring their children. Students will only be allowed to attend with an adult from 7:30 to 8 a.m. Free doughnuts will be served.

There will be other exciting events during the week, including:

- Free posters given to persons whose names are drawn from the elementary and junior high schools.
- An Underwater Coloring Contest.
- Guessing the number of shells in the fish bowl.
- A chewable gold coin given to each student who visits the book fair.

Williams assigned to California

Airman Erna Linda Williams Chavez graduated from basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio on Oct. 17. She then attended Air Education Training and Command at Keesler AFB in Biloxi, Miss., where she got instruction in operating Unmanned Aerial Systems, specifically the RQ-4A Global Hawk. Her first permanent duty station is at Beale AFB in Marysville, Calif. The first Global Hawks will arrive there later this spring. A 2003 Farwell High graduate, she is the daughter of Cheryl Lira, and the granddaughter of Mary Williams, both of Farwell.

Texico Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief John Mares: On March 6, during a traffic stop, Richard New, 44, of Friona, was arrested on charges of defective equipment on his motorcycle, and possession of paraphernalia.

Meet Texico's Class of 2016



Jessica Hardisty is a Texico kindergartner. Her birthday is Jan. 8. Parents are Dennis and Sheri Hardisty. Her sibling is Sammie Jo. Grandparents are Dan & Barbara Hardisty, and Fred Emery and Iris Emery. She likes to ride in rodeos, and play with the dogs. Her favorite color is red. Her favorite foods are macaroni and cheese. She doesn't like getting shots.

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If you have been thinking of serving, please file. We need you.

A first today for me: a review of a TV show.

But "Stephen King's Kingdom Hospital" that debuted in a two-hour segment last week just about did me in.

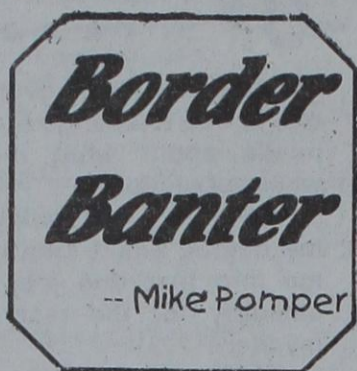
Here it is, 2004, and someone would put on the air a really stupid show. Way to go, TV moguls!

Here it is, a multi-story, huge hospital -- and all I saw were 3 patients. And a waiting room without anyone running it. And a security guard doubling as a custodian. And handicapped folks doubling as security guards, and kitchen help.

And 2 patients going up in elevators by themselves, without a nurse or tech to help them. Yeah, right.

And the hospital head is "Jesse James." And the maintenance honcho is "Johnny B. Goode."

Oh, my gosh, could it be more inane.



Yes, it was. The hospital head and a physician, apparently the main character, use a private fraternity-type greeting, where they stick their thumbs in their mouths, and wave their pinkies.

Folks, does this all sound really stupid to you, too? I never saw the entire two-hour show, I couldn't take it anymore.

Suffice it to say the key to the show is that the hospital was built over a factory which burned down, killing lots of folks and unleashing lots of ghosts.

Sounds better, doesn't it?

Okay, it's time for my annual baseball prediction.

Now, as you know, I have joked over the years about my beloved Cubbies winning the World Series.

But last year, I said it "was for real." And I was right, as the Cubbies were within a few outs of being in the World Series.

Same goes for this



A great season

The Texico Lady Wolverines had another successful year, with a second place in district. Congratulations, ladies! And here is the fun photo that the Tribune takes each year.

year -- the Cubs will edge out the Astros to be in the Fall Classic.

Who will they face? For the past decade, I have been picking the Yankees each year. And most of the time I have been correct.

Nothing changes here, either. The Yankees in a walk.

As long as the Lords of Baseball allow the sport to play on an uneven field (i.e., no salary cap), the Big Market teams with money to spend (re; Steinbrenner and the Yankees) will dominate the sport.

That is so very sad.

Next week marks National Agriculture Week, and since this area depends on agriculture for its future, I thought it would be a good idea to use this column space to show how Texas agriculture packs quite a punch.

Here are some stats we received from the Texas Department of Agriculture:

- Texas is the 2nd largest ag state in the U.S., accounting for about 7 percent of the total U.S. ag income.

- The food, horticulture and fiber industry is the 2nd largest industry in the state, and generates \$73 billion a year for the

economy.

- Eighty percent of the land in Texas is in some form of ag production.

- Ninety-two percent of Texas' ag operations are still run by individuals or families.

- Twenty-nine percent of ag producers were women in 2002; the number of women who were principal operators increased 7 percent from 1997.

- Although ag employs 1 out of 5 working Texans, less than 2 percent of the population is involved in day-to-day farming or ranching.

- Texas farmers grow more than 60 different commercial fruit and veggie crops.

- Texas ranks 1st in the nation in the number of cattle and calves, accounting for 15 percent of the U.S. total. Texas is the top producer of cotton, sheep, wool, goats, mohair and horses. The state's top crops also include veggies, citrus, corn, wheat, peanuts, pecans, grain sorghum, hay and rice.

- Besides livestock and crops, the state's ag industry includes timber/forestry, aquaculture, bees/honey, and nursery/greenhouse.

- Texas is one of the leading exporters of ag

commodities. Texas' top ag exports are live animals and meat; cotton and cottonseed; feed grains and products; hides and skins; wheat and products; and feeds and fodder.

- Each Texas farmer grows enough food and fiber for 128 people -- 94.3 in the U.S. and 33.7 abroad.

- Texas' 1 million horses, representing about 15 percent of all horses nationwide, makes the state a leader in the U.S. Texas also leads the nation in the number of registered American Quarter Horses, American Paint Horses, Appaloosa horses and American Miniature Horses.



Sittin' in the Corner by Wade Cargile

Some quick facts: Insurance is too high, politicians still have no clue as to what's going on, and my grandson gets cuter every day.

Speaking of insurance, I just read an article in the paper that states that the two largest insurance companies in Texas are limiting the amount of money spent on claims(?) and limiting their agents to signing up no more than ten new clients each month(??). I guess that says it all!

I usually don't discuss politics, but I can't resist something I recently learned. Why are politicians so worried about what the Sodomites think? Sodomites make up no more than 5% of this country's population, so why not do what's right and put their lifestyle where it belongs (in the garbage) and get on with important issues.

Also, what if our local candidates campaigned like the real fake ones do, it would be hilarious! I'm glad we can vote for our local candidates based on what their abilities are, and can they do the job, instead of how much TV coverage they can buy.

Every great country or civilization allows two shameful things to happen before their downfall: the killing of innocent babies and allowing sodomy to run free. Look at history and you'll see, not only that this is true, but also a few God-blessed kings who avoided disaster by disallowing these two abominations.

Let's pray for our leaders, each other, and this country that God forgive us of our shortcomings and that he heal our land. (Deut. 7:14).

I desire that my grandson grow up in a safe environment and be able to enjoy freedom that we once did. I encourage us to humble ourselves, pray to God, communicate with our leaders, and be neighbors once again, that God heal our land and we live in a manner that is pleasing to Him and edifying to each other.

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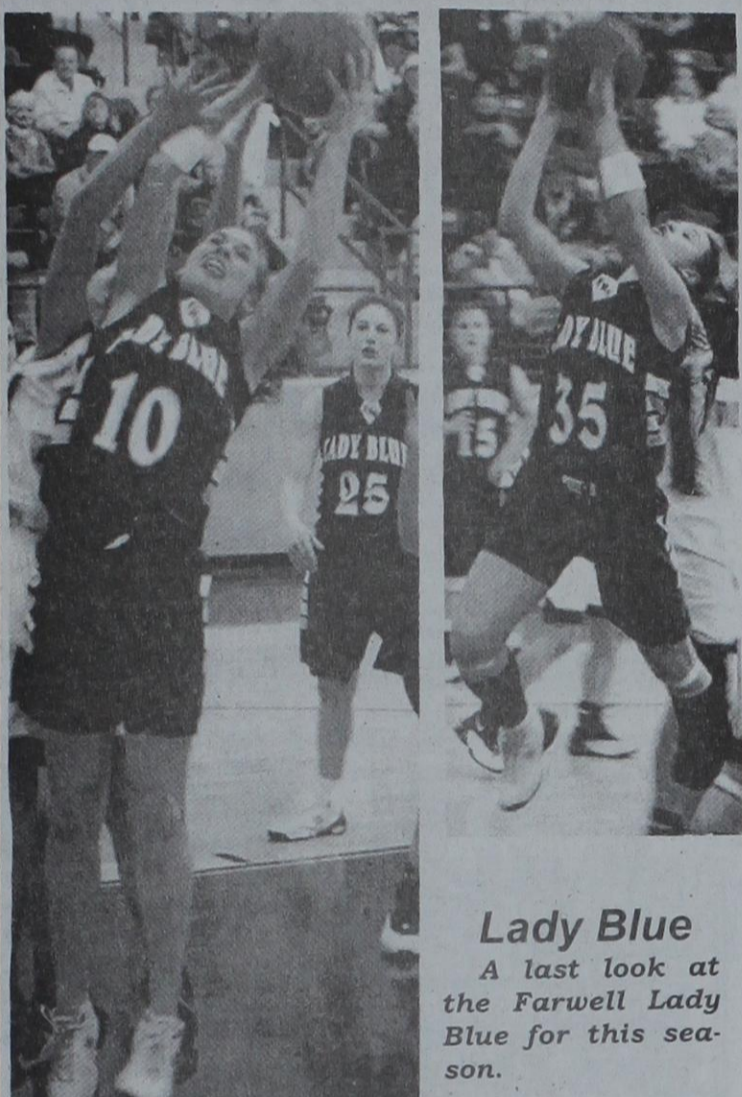
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The Latest

Vandals struck Texico Schools over the weekend.

They broke into the high school, junior high and educational complex.

They concentrated on breaking into desks and cabinets in the secretaries' offices, apparently looking for money.

Stamps and keys were taken.

Damage is estimated in the thousands of dollars.

Monnie Cunningham, of Texico, is the new manager of the Town & Country convenience store in Texico.

Mildred Cooper, formerly of Farwell, reports that her sister, Chris Morse, of Yuma, Ariz., died Feb. 29.

Youths from Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church are heading to Taos, N.M., this weekend

for their annual ski trip.

Farwell's Tyler Myers and Grant Gregory have been picked to play in the Golden Spread All-Star basketball game in Amarillo April 8-10.

Players from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma are chosen for the games, which also feature a slam dunk contest and a 3-point contest.

Gregory won't be able to participate due to prior commitments to other school activities.

Myers will play on the "West" team.

Gordon Travis, a former Texico resident, now living in Maple Falls, Wash., is running for a seat on the local water district board.



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After a good snow last week, the rains continued.

Estimates throughout the area ran from 2 to 3 inches of moisture overall.

There will be a meeting of the Farwell Little League Board of Directors on March 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Java Loft in Clovis.

Anyone interested in the Farwell Little League baseball program is invited to attend this meeting. This is the first meeting of the pre-season and on the agenda will be setting a date for player sign-ups, charter information, fund-raising and other league business

and season information.

The Java Loft is located in the Master's Center on 21st and Prince Streets in Clovis.

For more information, contact Jack Kirkland at 481-3321 or Teresa Mesman at 825-3830.

Courthouse Notes

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Linda Kidd - Mark Kidd, L5 B10 Staley.

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JUST LISTED -- 3 bedroom, 1 bath home, in good neighborhood in Far well. PRICE TO SELL!!

JUST LISTED -- In Farwell, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 story home with central heat & refrig. air. Cute home.

160 acres irrigated south of Bovina. Good farm.

JUST LISTED -- 1 1/2 bedroom brick home in Farwell with 1-car garage. Good neighborhood.

JUST LISTED -- 330 acres irrigated northeast of Farwell. One circle sprinkler and two 8" wells. Good farm.

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640 acres irrigated south of Bovina on FM 1731, 5 irrigation wells, 3 sprinklers.

400 acres northeast of Farwell. 2 irrigation wells. Some grassland. Also has Valley sprinkler.

Nice 3 bedroom, brick home on 2 acres with horse barns and corrals. Good location on highway. Near Oklahoma Lake.

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Lamb-Castro County Line -- 470 acres. 3 sprinklers, excellent soil, very clean, lays good. House, barn and 10 acres. Could go with 310-acre tract. 160 acres can be sold separately. **SOLED**

Northwestern Lamb County -- 208 acres with sprinkler. 600 gpm from 2 wells. Lays good. **SOLED**

Parmer County -- High area. 320 acres, 2 sprinklers, 1000 g.p.m. from 2 wells. Good allotments & yields. A very good, clean farm. **SOLED**

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Parmer County -- 152 acres northwest of Lazbuddie. 1 well, sprinkler. Very good soil.

Lazbuddie Area -- 160 acres, 1 well, 1 sprinkler, other im-
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* Roosevelt County -- 230 acres, 2 wells, 3 sprinklers. Lays well. Highway frontage. Call for details!

320 acres south of Farwell -- 2 electric sprinklers, 4 wells, lays well, highway frontage.

JUST LISTED -- *Curry County, 320 acres SE of Clovis, lays well, large Zimmatic sprinkler system, 4 submersible wells, approx. 900 GPM, highway frontage. Ready for immediate sale!

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Sheriff's Report

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

On March 2, Aracely Vega, 29, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI with child. Case is pending before the grand jury.

On March 7, Teresa Jarboe, 29, of Phoenix, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. Case is pending before the grand jury.

On March 7, Lonnie Burgess, 44, of Phoenix, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. Case is pending before the grand jury.

On March 7, Thomas Hernandez, 19, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. Case pending in county court.

In 287th District Court on March 2, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Debra Darlene Selman, 26, of Amherst, Texas, charged with a Class B misdemeanor (reduced from 3rd degree felony theft), was sentenced to up to 180 days in county jail, probated for 6 months, \$303 court costs, \$200 fine, \$350 attorney fees, \$75 restitution, and 24 hours of community service.

-- Wade Joe Kelley, 37, of Dimmitt, charged with burglary of a habitation, was sentenced to 6 years in the Department of Criminal Justice, probated for 6 years; confinement in a substance abuse felony punishment facility as a condition of probation; \$303 court costs; \$2,500 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$665 restitution; and 400 hours of community service.

On a charge of violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver - cocaine), Kelley had his community supervision continued, 6 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for 6 years; confinement in a substance abuse felony punishment facility as a condition of probation.

-- Christy Lee Villareal, 18, of Bovina, charged with Class A misdemeanor assault (reduced from injury to a child), was sentenced to up to 1 year in county jail, deferred for 1 year; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$386 restitution; and 80 hours of community service.

-- Tamisha McClendon, 21, of Fort Worth, 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; \$350 attorney fees; \$3,350 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

-- John Colby Pena, 18, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

-- Victor Manuel Garcia, 17, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property), was sentenced to 180 days

to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

-- Claude Tamez II, 19, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$2,176 restitution; and 120 hours of community service.

-- Jonathan Bruce Chisom, 17, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

-- Bennie Joe Shepherd, 19, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property) was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution; and 120 hours of community service.

-- Jeremy Ruben Gomez, 17, of Bovina, charged with retaliation, was sentenced to 3 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees, and 160 hours of community service.

-- Maria Rosario Moore, 18, of Oklahoma City, charged with possession of marijuana, was sentenced to 6 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, deferred for 6 years; \$278 court costs; \$1,500 fine; \$350 attorney fees, \$140 restitution, 160 hours of community service, and obtain counseling at own expense.

-- Debra Hudson Abeyta, 47, of Friona, charged with DWI with a child in the vehicle, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs; \$500 fine; \$350 attorney fees; 120 hours of community service, and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

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Amarillo Globe-News needs a newspaper carrier in Farwell. Call 800-692-4052, ext. 3456 and ask for Wendall Smith.



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Meet Farwell's Class of 2016



Angel Martinez, a Farwell kindergartener, has an Aug. 2 birthday.

His parents are Jesus and Maria Mezaz. He has a brother, Jesus Jr. Grandparents are Juan and Manuela Meza, Jose Calderon and Sandra Calderon.

His hobby is getting wet. His favorite food is hamburgers. His favorite color is blue.

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6th grade UIL competitors



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Juan Roldan and Adriana Ramirez are two of the Bovina School students who have completed the course and are working at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona as Certified Nurse Aides. The other students pictured also are CNA's.

Students learn nursing skills

Rachel Avalos, the registered nurse serving the Bovina Schools, has a most interesting program going.

She offers a course during the 7th and 8th periods where students can learn nursing skills.

By passing the course, students are approved for a CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) certificate from the state of Texas.

They also become CPR certified.

The first year of the program saw six students

participate. The second year the number climbed to nine.

This year, the total for the year-long course skyrocketed to 19.

Students learn basic skills, dealing with activities of daily living. This includes dressings, bathing, and ambulating.

Students go to Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona where they do their clinical work, giving actual care to residents there.

Jo Blackwell, Prairie Acres administrator, called the program "fantastic. Ms. Avalos does a superb job."

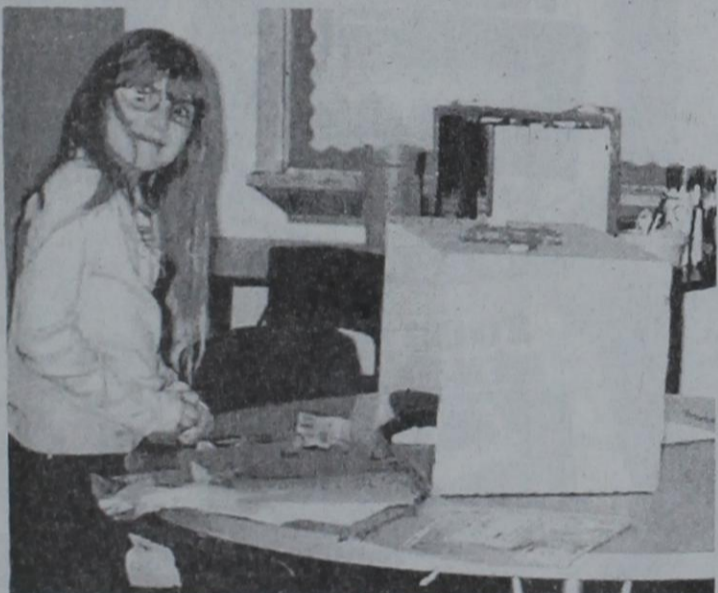
Mrs. Blackwell said the students get on-the-job training, giving residents baths, and working as nurses' aides under adult supervision so they learn proper methods.

About half a dozen of the students are now working part-time evenings at the nursing home.



7th grade UIL competitors

Pupils learn budget, record-keeping skills



Heather Miller works on her habitat.

Mrs. Acevedo's 3rd, 4th and 5th grader Advanced Services Class at Bovina Elementary School has been working on a project designed to enhance students' budgeting and record-keeping skills.

Students are designing a habitat for a newly-adopted pet walnut.

They have each been given a bag of money and a price list so that they may purchase materials from "A-Mart" to use in their design.

Students are required to keep a ledger sheet of all expenses and a record of how much money they have left.

Students Heather Miller, Jake Brozek and Mariana Guevara are doing a great job and having lots of fun creating their habitats, said Mrs. Acevedo.

The habitats, ledger sheets and price lists will be displayed in the Advanced Services display case once the projects are finished.

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8th grade UIL competitors

Bovina Latest

Bovina Police Chief Leon Saddler's surgery went well on Monday in Lubbock.

Former Bovina City Clerk Sarah Brito did not have to appear on March 9 in 287th District Court for a scheduled hearing on community supervision violation report.

The hearing was cancelled because Ms. Brito paid the funds owed.

She was convicted last year of misapplication of fiduciary property (more than \$200,000), a first degree felony.

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Casas honored

Bovina Mustangs' Jeff Casas, a junior, was named to the All-District Team.

Bovina Middle School students vie at UIL meet

Students from Bovina Middle School competed in academic UIL in November at the District Meet in Sudan. Overall, Bovina placed 4th at the district level. Middle School Principal Tommy Boatwright praised the students -- and teachers who coached them, for an outstanding effort and excellent representation of the school.

Individual results were:

Hannah Miller, 1st, maps, graphs and charts, math, spelling and number sense; 2nd, ready writing; 3rd, calculator applications, dictionary skills; 6th, science.

Jesus Anaya, 4th, reading writing, maps, graphs and charts, and spelling.

Isaias Castillo, 6th, impromptu speaking.

James Lara and Abriel Terrones, 5th, dictionary.

Jeremy Curtis and Christy Thatcher, 5th, listening skills.

Other students who competed were Jonathan Roldan, Rodrigo Zapata, Angelica Andrade, Jesus Rodriguez, Francisco Guevara, Jeanette Varela, Yoselin Rueda, Michelle Lara, Ricky Sanchez, Daniel Rivera, Angelica Gallagher, Francisco Garcia, Daniela Flores, Daniel Silva, David Saucedo, Danna Guerrero, Jesus Rocha, Jack Prather, Denise Larrea, Robert Knoll, Jason

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