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Weather		
	HIGH	LOW
November 6	80	37
November 7	79	38
November 8	54	30
November 9	57	27
Rainfall to date is 15.58 inches		

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New Corn Handling Facility Announced

Public Hearing For Paving Held

More than a dozen people showed up at the City Council for the final public hearing on Muleshoe's upcoming paving project. At the meeting to explain the project and to answer questions was Bill McMorries of McMorries and Associates, Engineers, and Mack Tubb, attorney for the paving project.

Several questions were asked, including what happens on a paving assessment for a vacant lot when the lot is not worth the price of the paving assessment. Tubb replied that it would be left to city discretion as to whether or not the lot was worth paving.

Questions were also asked concerning payment of the paving assessment. It was explained that one-fourth of the assessment would be due within 10 days of completion of the project, and an additional one-fourth each year for the next three years at eight percent interest.

It was explained that starting this week, each individual property owner will be personally

contacted as sign-up for the paving gets underway.

Private financing can be arranged with a financial institution to pay the paving off ahead of time, and Tubb said that the mortgage holder of property will often loan the money to pay for the paving and include it in the mortgage payment.

He also said that the Notice of Paving Lien Assessment has already been filed with the County Clerk and if a lot is not paved it will be released from, the lien, if the paving is done, the lot will be left on the lien as filed.

First on the paving will be in the Country Club Addition on property already approved for payment, and curb and gutter work is expected to start in the middle of this month.

Meeting with the city council was Don Harmon, developer of a new addition to Muleshoe. He presented his preliminary plat and said that the first portion of the new addition south and adjacent to the West Avenue D City Park would be 24 lots in his Parkridge Addition. He asked city aid in paving West Avenue J, to connect to Richland Hills Addition to the east side of the city park, crossing the new addition for convenience of motorists both directions.

Harmon said tentative plans call for developing both ends of the new addition at one time, and he explained that plat will contain a total of 183 lots, which will include both two-story and split level homes.

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Two weeks ago, the Mules fell to low-ranked Friona 13-7 in a sneak attack that caught the Mules unprepared. Then Friona came back last Friday and



GINNS BUSY WITH COTTON HARVEST...As wet weather hit the area this week, gins are trying to catch up on a backlog of cotton. Shown here are the three gins in operation at the Muleshoe Co-op Gin. Local and area ginners, including Co-op Gin Manager Earl

Richards, all predict a bumper crop for this year. Good weather had put a backlog of cotton trailers on gin lots until the adverse weather is helping the gins to play 'catch-up' right now.

Mules-Indians To Clash In Season's Last Game

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Veterans Day Breakfast Set Friday

Hosting the annual Veterans Day breakfast Friday (tomorrow) morning from 6-8 a.m. will be the American Legion and VFW of Muleshoe.

A breakfast of sausage and eggs, hot biscuits, homemade jelly and coffee will be served at the American Legion Hall on west Avenue B.

The American Legion and VFW said all veterans of all branches of the service will be cordially welcomed at the free breakfast, whether they are members of one of the hosting organizations or not.

pounded last year's district champion Dimmitt, 34-7.

The same night, Muleshoe slammed Olton 17-0 to assure

First Hard Freeze Recorded In Area

In case you thought it was cold Tuesday morning and throughout the day, you were absolutely right. Cold wind heralded the approach of the first major cold spell of the winter, and brought with it light rain in the Muleshoe area, mixed with a few drifting snowflakes, and heavier snow to the north.

As the cold front whistled into the area, temperatures took a drastic and quick drop from the high 60s back into the low 30s. As the front approached, light rain began falling in the area, with Monday's accumulation of rain being approximately .20. Only a trace of mixed rain and snow was received on Tuesday, and the temperature again plunged below 30 before sunup.

Around Amarillo, an accumulation of up to four inches of snow had been predicted, with another inch expected in the Lubbock area. Early Tuesday night, the Texas Department of Public Safety in Amarillo issued traveler's advisories discouraging travel east, and north of

Light Vote Has Simpson, Price Ahead

A light turnout was recorded Tuesday when only 394 of Bailey County's registered voters went to the polls to vote for a state Senator to replace Senator Max Sherman, who resigned, and for seven amendments.

Bob Simpson received 82 votes while former Senator Bob Price led the field with 125 votes in this county. Jim Brandon had 45 votes, Mel Phillips, 49 votes and Burk Whittenburg received 76.

A runoff vote is expected between Simpson and Price as the vote tightened in the counties the Senator would represent.

Bailey County voters voted approval for three amendments and voted down four of the proposed amendments. They approved amendment one by a vote of 236-139; amendment two has 203-169 and amendment three was approved by a vote of

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they would stay in the lead for the present time. However, if Muleshoe beats Morton and Dimmitt defeats Littlefield as

well as Olton downing Friona, Muleshoe will be district winner by virtue of their recent defeat of Dimmitt.

But, if Muleshoe beats Morton, Friona beats Olton and Dimmitt beats Littlefield, it will be coin tossing time to determine the district winner.

Confusing, isn't it? There are other possibilities too numerous to mention here, and other combinations of wins and losses and the effects they would have on determining the district 3-AA winner for the year.

In the district, Dean Northcutt is listed second with touchdowns, having 10 for the year, compared to 19 for first place Raymond Baiza of Littlefield. Third is Dimmitt's Thompson Mayberry.

The Mules are all in good shape for the game, and still will have to watch being too complacent as they look at Morton's winless season. Friona wasn't having that good a football year, and handed the Mules their only defeat for the year.

A large crowd is expected to be on hand for the final game of the season, and winter weather is predicted to make it a snappy evening for the final game of the season. Last year, Muleshoe's game with Morton was cancelled with several inches of

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Speech Class To Participate In Contest

Owen Jones, Commander of the American Legion Post in Muleshoe, said this week he is contacting Kerry Moore, speech director at Muleshoe High School and inviting his speech students to participate this year in the American Legion Oratorical Contest.

Conducted on a local, district, state and national level, the contest entries must be prepared by January 21, 1978. The minimum eight and no longer than 10 minute speeches will center around the theme, Americanism.

First place state winners will receive a \$500 scholarship to the school of their choice. The first place winner will receive a plaque for their school and certificates will be presented by the Department of Texas to district and division winners.

Commander Jones said the local post will sponsor the winner on a district level, and the district will sponsor the district winner at the state competition in Denton. The state winner will then compete on a national level.

He said, "The contest will help the student develop a deeper knowledge and understanding of the construction and will help the student speak clearly and intelligently as they relate the rights and privileges of Americanism."

Construction Starts East Of Muleshoe

Willard Pitman, president and founder of Valley Grain Products, Inc. a California corporation, has announced the beginning of a construction of a corn handling and storage facility in Muleshoe.

It will be located two miles east of Muleshoe, just east of the Muleshoe Livestock Auction Co. Valley Grain Products main office is located in Madera, Calif. and Pitman said the corporation has been handling corn for some twenty-two years.

"In 1958, the decision was made to move to special varieties, processing procedures, and storage of corn for the food industry," said Pitman. "At present, the company is serving primarily the west coast with corn for the snack industry and also for the Mexican food industry. The facilities in Muleshoe will offer the same type of services to the 12 western states and Southern California."

"It has been determined that the Muleshoe area has the capability of producing corn to meet the standards that the company has set as necessary to do a top job for the food industry. The company will be looking for growers to produce the corn in cooperation with the company, and associated with the company in producing top corn for the food industry," he continued.

"at present time, we plan to be operational by August 31, 1978, at the beginning of the next corn harvest," said the president of the Valley Grain Products.

"In addition to the corn processing and handling facility, Valley Grain Products, Inc. also has a division that manufactures a prepared, dehydrated masa product for the Mexican food

industry and the snack food industry.

"Provided that goals for the Muleshoe operation in regard to both quality of corn and availability of corn are realized, there are plans to construct a masa manufacturing facility on the same property in the near future," he predicted. Pitman said the masa facility would probably be built approximately a year after the corn handling plant is completed, and on the 157 acre site east of Muleshoe.

President Pitman added, "This production facility would provide masa products for sale in Texas and the eastern United States. At the present time, these products are being produced for Eastern United States including Pennsylvania and Georgia from the California facility."

"It has been with considerable thought and research that the Muleshoe area has been picked for the plant location," concluded the president of Valley Grain Products, Inc. "We look forward to a lasting relationship of mutual benefit to us and to

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Mart Long Wins First In Contest

This week, all new winners showed up again in the weekly football contest with Mart Long walking off with first place. He was the only contestant to miss only two games. He failed to correctly predict the low-Indiana game and missed out on the tiebreaker game between Clemson-North Carolina by missing the 13-13 tie between the teams.

Also all alone with is second place win was Larry Beene, the only person to miss three games. He guessed wrong on Auburn-Mississippi State, Iowa-Indiana and the tie between Clemson-North Carolina.

Several persons missed four games, but by having the closest tiebreaker score, Harold Pollard of Enochs won third place. He was only 22 points away on both tiebreakers to win third this week.

Other person who missed four games and their tiebreaker scores were James Roy Jones, 26; Mary Watkins, 28; Larry Price, 29; Morris Douglass, 34; Richard Engelking, 34; Ricky King, 36; Jose Triana, 39; Hazel Gilbreath, 42; Eufemia Torres, 42; Jim Shafer, 43; and J.K. Adams, 44.

There's still a few weeks left to enter the contest, which is presently led by Mrs. Hugh (Pat) Young. Be sure to get your entries in, and signed.

Police Report

As usual, several arrests were made during the past week by the city, county and state police located in Muleshoe and Bailey County.

Arrest records show three charged with drunk, and one each for driving while intoxicated and transporting; AWOL; driving while intoxicated; speeding; alien; aggravated robbery and drunk and disturbance.

Offense reports include a stolen 1964 Chevrolet reported by Art Mann and an acetylene welder bottle, reported by T.O. Chaney.

First Methodist Hosts Speaker From Canada

First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe continues to progress toward the Missionary Conference scheduled November 18-20.

On Sunday morning, Nov. 13, at the 11 a.m. worship hour, a film on "How God Taught Me To Give," will be shown. Dr. Oswald J. Smith is the speaker. He is the founder of Canada's largest Church, The People's Church of Toronto.

For many years, Dr. Smith has taught the Faith Promise methods on giving, according to a spokesman for the church. The spokesman said anyone interested is cordially invited to the service.

Flag Given Graves Kin By Legion

During the regular meeting of the American Legion in Muleshoe Monday night a flag was presented by Vice Commander Edd Edminston to Eldridge Graves.

The special flag was to honor Graves' father, the late Arthur Graves, who had been a member of the American Legion for the past 57 years. The elder Graves had served in World War I with the U.S. Army.

At the time of his death, he was serving as chaplain of the local post. His son, Eldridge, has been a member of the American Legion Post in Muleshoe for the past 12 years. Prior to his move to Muleshoe, he was a member of the American Legion in Oklahoma. He was in the U.S. Army in World War II in the ambulance brigade.

J.M. Hefner, adjutant, stated, "Mr. Graves upheld the American Legion as a way of life. He lived what he believed in until his death. He served honorably in the U.S. Army."



FLAG PRESENTED--As Mrs. Eldridge Graves, left, looks on, her husband received a special flag honoring his late father, Arthur, a 57 year member of the American Legion. Far right, making the presentation is Ed Edminston, vice commander of the Muleshoe American Legion.



OFFICE ON WHEELS--State Rep. Bill Clayton, right, and district assistant Bill Sarpalius of hereford, will travel Clayton's legislative district in Bailey, Castro, Cochran, Deaf Smith, Lamb, Oldham, and Parmer counties, in a mobile office to provide assistance to constituents. The van will make regular stops in every town and community in the seven counties. Sarpalius was in Muleshoe Tuesday morning and will be here again on December 6.

View From The Plain

by J.D. Poor
I & F Field Officer

LUBBOCK-- November brings to mind Thanksgiving turkey, pumpkin pie, visiting relatives and other holiday images. However, November retains a special place in the minds of thousands of Texans; it marks the beginning of the state's regular hunting season for quail, deer and turkey.

It is truly an exciting time of year, especially for those young hunters who are going hunting for the first time. If you happen to be in this group, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department hopes you take more into the field than a loaded gun and your enthusiasm.

Hopefully, you will take along a knowledge of hunting safety and safe gun handling. The rifle or shotgun you will be carrying has been designed to kill, and the bullet or shot it shoots cannot tell the difference between a deer or a man.

A careful study of hunting accidents has show that most of them could have been avoided if those involved had practiced hunting safety. Careless gun handling alone is responsible for at least 35 percent of the accidents which occur in Texas each year.

To protect you and your hunting companions while hunting together with loaded firearms, there are several rules to follow that parallel common sense.

The cardinal rule is to consider every gun as if it were loaded whether in the home or afield. Guns carried into camp or home must always be unloaded, taken down (taken apart) or have actions open. It is best to case firearms while traveling from your residence to the field or from one field to the next.

Be sure that the barrel and action are clear of obstructions such as mud or snow. Even cleaning patches left in the barrel could cause an explosion. Never point a gun at anything you do not want to shoot and that includes your hunting companions, tv screens, livestock and windmills.

Be sure of your target before pulling the trigger as this can be the most dangerous time of the hunt if you haven't identified the bird or animal. Remember, if you miss your target, that bullet or load or shot will continue to travel for quite a distance.

Since many hunting accidents occur while climbing in and out of deer, and duck blinds, the hunter must be sure the gun is unloaded at this time.

Crossing fences accounts for

many accidents as the hunter becomes snared by the barbs or hooks the trigger on a post. Sportsmen hunting alone should unload the firearm and lay it on the ground with the muzzle pointing away from him. As the number of hunters increases so does the potential danger when crossing fences. In this situation, both hunters should unload their guns and while one holds the firearms, the first hunter crosses the fence then takes the unloaded guns from the second hunter. Then the second hunter can safely cross the fence.

Although Texas has no clothing requirements, the safe hunter should wear a blaze or fluorescent orange cap and vest which can be spotted by another hunter at a distance.

Mature gun handling comes with experience and training but, if you remember the safety tips, your first hunt should be only the beginning of a lifetime of fine outdoor sport.



CRAIG'S CREATIONS...Students in Mrs. Craig's class at Mary DeShazo Elementary displayed dolls they fashioned during art period. The dolls are being shown in the Library window. The dolls are made of styrofoam and gauze and the students painted and clothed them. From left are, Diana Toscano, Jearleean Lewis, Dona Flowers, Arcadio Quintanilla and Lorenzo Kirven.

Cotton Prices Show Decline For This Week

Prices paid growers declined \$2.50 to \$5.00 per bale the week ending November 4, according to Paul R. Dickson in charge of U.S.D.A.'s Cotton Classing Office in Lubbock.

Growers sold mixed lots of mostly grades 31, 40 and 41; staples 30-32 mikes 3.5-4.9 for about 42.50 cents per pound. Mixed lots of grades 33 and 43; staples 30-32; mikes 3.0-3.2 brought around 37.25 cents per pound.

Dickson said 171,000 samples were graded at High Plains Cotton Classing offices this 758,000. This compares with only 47,000 graded by November 4 one year ago, according to USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service.

Predominant grades from High Plains Classing Offices this week were grade 31 at 25

percent, grade 41 was 29 percent and grade 32 accounted for 20 percent.

Staple lengths were mostly staple 31 at 27 percent, staple 32 was 28 percent and staple 33 accounted for 17 percent.

Micronaire was mostly in the desirable 3.5 to 4.9 range and was 83 percent of the total. Around 14 percent was higher and three percent lower.

About three percent were reduced one grade because of grass.

Gins paid growers 57 to 70 dollars per ton for cottonseed, mostly 63 to 64 dollars.

Healthy

Fishing may be termed a disease with some men, but it isn't necessarily catching.

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Enochs News

We wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. Naomi Julian and family in the loss of her husband, L.B. Julian who passed away Thursday afternoon. Funeral services were Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

Mrs. Charlie Shaw was admitted to the Littlefield Hospital where she is still a patient.

Mrs. Fred Locker is home from the hospital in Littlefield where she was a patient for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Orphus Tate and sons of Cotton Center stopped in for a visit with her parents the Raymond Austins Friday evening their way to the football game at Three Way.

We wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. L.E. Pollard's family as they lost their mother, Grandma Pollard Saturday night. She had been ill for some time. Funeral services were Monday at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Enochs.

Roy Bayless of Muleshoe visited in the J.D. Bayless' home Sunday afternoon. Other guests Tuesday were Mrs. Pruda Coffman and her daughter, Rev. and Mrs. C.T. Cunningham of Pratt, Kansas.

Tracy Aillis of Georgia visited his cousin, Mrs. Carl Henderson and family Sunday.

Mrs. Kenneth Petree and children of Clovis, N.M., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Petree and attended church with them Sunday morning at the Baptist Church.

W.L. Welch has been a patient in the Medical Arts hospital in Littlefield.

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Fighting Three Way Eagles

By The Three Way School City...

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No action was taken by the council pending presentation of the final plan, along with convenants and restrictions.

Only one bid was submitted for two new patrol cars for the city police and the bid was rejected as the bidder only bid on one new car, instead of the two requested. Council members indicated they will change the specifications and request bids again.

City Manager Dave Marr was authorized to ask for bids on a new fire truck and a new backhoe for the city, and engineer McMorris was asked to contact the builders of the ground storage tank south of Muleshoe and ask them to make another inspection of the tank.

In other action, Southwestern Public Service Company was granted a 50 x 10 foot easement on city property to build new lines to Valley Grain Products and the city council handled bad debts.

Next meeting for the city council will be 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 22.

Corn...

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the community...

The corporation said the initial handling plant would be employing approximately ten persons, and more would be utilized when the second plant is completed. He also said the corporation is doing their own construction, as they use special construction and handling methods which have proven to work the best for the corporation.

Cold...

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snow on the ground and a blinding snowstorm underway. This will be the first meeting of the two teams in two years.

Muleshoe's football players echo the voices of the coaches as they express their appreciation to the support they received this year in their efforts. The young, relatively inexperienced team deserves the applause of the area for their playing during the entire season, and the coaches also deserve your praise for their leadership of the Mules.

Voter...

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324-63.

Voters turned down amendment four, 139-230; amendment five, 145-217; amendment six, 140-242 and amendment seven, 167-197.

Mules...

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was approaching the eastern New Mexico, West Texas area and was expected to keep temperatures lower.

The cold weather was expected to hold until the weekend when a gradual warming trend was predicted. Cold weather was expected to linger long enough to chill football fans for the final football game of the 1977 high school season.

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We are proud of your 7-3 record. We appreciate the fine manner in which you represented us in every game. The many hours you have spent in preparing for your season is appreciated. There has never been a time we were not proud of you and the effort you always put forth, on and off the field.

You will always be #1 in all our books.



EAGLE CAPTAINS--Able leading the Three Way Eagles as they continue to rack up great football scores are the four captains of the team. They are from left, Albert Rand, Bill Hodnett, Louis Key and Jerry Waltrip.

ATTENTION

Due to Wellman being in the football zone play-offs, the basketball games at Three Way will be cancelled for Friday night. The Eagles next game is November 15 with Cotton Center at home.

Jazzy Juniors

The Junior Class made \$277 at the Halloween Carnival last Thursday. We want to thank the parents and sponsors who helped. We appreciate all business done at the football throw and the concession stand. We will be having a bake sale November 12 at the Maple Grocery.

Camera Conscious

Colonel--So you lost half your forces by a trick of the enemy?

Captain--Yes. They rigged up a machine gun to look like a movie camera, and the boys just fought for a chance to get in front of it.

Teacher Feature

Our teacher of the week is Mrs. Joann Blakey, who teaches the fourth grade. She is married to L.R. Blakey and they have six children. Mr. Blakey is a farmer and rancher in the Dora area. Her children are: Larry 25, Kim 22, Judy 20, Richard 18, Rita 16, and Doris 13. Mrs. Blakey was born in Rogers, New Mexico.

Mrs. Blakey has taught for eight years at Causey, Dora, and Rogers, New Mexico. She has been at Three Way for five years making a total of 13 years in the profession.

Her favorite color is all colors and her favorite food is chocolate pie. Her hobbies are sewing, playing the piano and decorating.

Kindergarten Kut-Ups

Our class enjoyed the plays that the high school speech class put on for us. Mrs. Sihlan and Mrs. Johnson attended the play with us.

On Friday, we did a cheer all by ourselves at the pep rally.

Cheerleader Outline

Our cheerleader spotlight is on Sophomore Jackie Carlisle. Jackie is the daughter of Nelson and Nancy Carlisle.

Jackie is on the basketball team, a member of FHA, runs track, plays tennis, is secretary of the sophomore class, and has been voted Sweetheart by the FFA boys.

Jackie is always there to give her support and to cheer the Eagles on to victory.

Rings and Rings

"If it isn't the door bell or telephone," mumbled the busy housewife, "it's the ring around the tub."

Eagle Report

The Three Way Eagles closed out their 1977-78 football season on a winning note defeating Cotton Center by 79-60.

The Eagles were led offensively and defensively by their eight graduating seniors: Louie Key, Donny Young, Ronnie Altman, Bill Hodnett, Jason Huff, Ernest Cantu, Albert Rand and Jerry Waltrip.

The Eagle offense led by quarterback Donny Young picked up 704 yards total offense behind the outstanding blocking of Ronnie Altman, Jerry Waltrip, Ken Eubanks, Brian Roberts, Louie Key and Albert Rand.

The defense was headed up by Cantu, Huff and Hodnett. Also contributing on defense were James Simpson, Young, Rand, Key and Eubanks.

The Eagle line opened holes for Albert Rand, Louie Key and Bill Hodnett to ramble through. Rand finished the night with 435 yards total offense and 6 TD's. He carried 26 times for 254 yards, caught 1 pass for 32 yards and returned 4 kicks for 149 yards, one a 70 yard TD scamper.

Louie Key carried only 13 times but came away with 145 yards and 3 TD's.

Bill Hodnett carried 4 times for 65 yards and one TD.

Jerry Waltrip caught a 30 yard strike from Young for a TD. Three Way finished the season 7-3 and 5-1 in district play. We congratulate all of these fine young men especially our Seniors who showed good leadership, as well as leading us to a good season.

The Three Way Junior High football team lost its last regular season game against Cotton Center 38-31.

The little Eagles played will on offense but could not stop the Cotton Center offense when it counted. The Eagles led most of the game until the fourth quarter when the Elks intercepted an Eagle pass and returned it for a touchdown and went ahead 32-31. The Elks scored again late in the game to raise the final score to 38-31.

The Eagles finished the season with a 2-4 record but lost several close ones. Congratulations to you on your season.



GEM SHOW COMING UP...Jerrell Otwell of Muleshoe displays some of the jewelry and other crafts he will be showing in the Wildcat Show this weekend in Clovis for the Gem and Mineral Club of Clovis. Numerous items will be on display during the show.

Gem, Mineral Wildcat Show

The Clovis Gem and Mineral Club will conduct a Wildcat Show, Saturday and Sunday, November 12 and 13. The show will be conducted from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. on Saturday and from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. on Sunday at the

Young Recreation Center in Clovis at Seventh and Sycamore.

A spokesman said all tables have been sold and will be displaying jewelry, polished and unpolished rocks, crocheted items and other handcrafts.

No admission will be charged for the show which will give visitors the opportunity to purchase unusual and different Christmas gifts.

Proceeds from the table rental will be used for a scholarship fund to be administered by the Clovis Gem and Mineral Club.

Snazzy Senior

The Three Way Senior Class left Monday on a school sponsored trip. They went to visit TSTI (Texas State Technical Institute) in Amarillo. Their sponsor for the trip was Mrs. Wesly Pool and their bus driver was Mr. Burl Cooley.

The Seniors will sponsor a Turkey Shot Saturday and Sunday November 19 and 20. The Turkey shoot will begin at 1:00 p.m. and last until 6:00 p.m. on both days.

Around Muleshoe

Muleshoe State Bank will be closed Friday, November 11 for Veterans Day, reports President Bill Loyd.

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Bridal Shower Honors Miss Janice Tiller

A miscellaneous bridal shower honored Miss Janice Tiller, bride-elect of Michael Cox, Thursday afternoon, November 3, in the Fellowship Hall of the Bula Baptist Church.

Mrs. Dewitt Tiller, mother of the honoree and Mrs. James Cox, mother of the prospective bridegroom, assisted with opening the gifts. Coral Serett registered the gifts in the bride's book.

The serving table was laid with a white cloth under white net. A white cake, decorated with yellow wedding bells and yellow roses, centered the table. Also served was yellow punch, nuts and mints by Judy Kirk and

Carol Serett.

Out-of-town guests were Mrs. James Cox, Mrs. Jack Adudell, Mrs. Johnny Hall, Carol Serett and Cherylyn, and Mrs. John Blackman of Littlefield, Mrs. J.D. Vick of Pettit and Mrs. Erwin Neiman of Muleshoe.

Hostess gifts were a bed spread and a set of ironstone table wear in the bride's chosen pattern.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. L.H. Medlin, Mrs. John Latham, Mrs. J.R. Teaff, Mrs. Rowena Richardson, Mrs. Edward Crume, Mrs. P.R. Pierce, Mrs. E.O. Battles, Mrs. Paul Young, Mrs. Tommy Kirk,

Miss Welch, Bush Wed In Midland

Miss Laura Lane Welch of Austin, and George W. Bush of Midland, were married by Reverend Jerry Wyatt in the Glass Chapel of the First Methodist Church in Midland.

Miss Welch was born and raised in Midland. She is a 1968 graduate of SMU and received a Masters in Library Science from the University of Texas at Austin in 1973. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Welch of Midland.

Bush graduated from Yale University in 1968 and received a MBA from Harvard in 1975. He currently lives in Midland, and is a candidate for the Republican nomination to the U.S. Congress from the 19th Congressional District. His parents are Ambassador and Mrs. George H.W. Bush of Houston.

After a brief trip to Mexico the couple will return to Midland to live and continue to campaign for the seat being vacated by Congressman George Mahon.

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Richard Nathan, urban expert, on Urban Program Bill:

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Michael Clint Bernatis Honored At Coffee

A get-acquainted coffee was held for Michael Clint Bernatis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bernatis of Midland, Saturday morning, November 5, in the home of Mrs. Ben Chapman, the grandmother.

The serving table was laid with a cloth of blue, green, red and yellow flowers with green trim.

A centerpiece of maroon mums was used. Coffee cake, apple cake, sausage rolls, Dutch twist, coffee and spiced tea were served from crystal and silver appointments.

Mrs. J.K. Adams and Mrs. Farene Harris helped to serve.

Michael Clint was born October 10, Mrs. Bernatis is the former Mary Jane Chapman.

Leading the all male cast as Andrew Wyke is Jim Goodhue who lends an air of eloquence and sophistication to the English writer's role. Matching him wit for wit as the ill-fated Milo Tindle is ALT newcomer Bill Crenshaw. Stu Wilson as inspector Doppler reminds Amarillo audiences again of his amazing versatility as the unrelenting bloodhound. Completing the cast are John Caldwell as Detective Sergeant Tarrant and Bob Jordan as Police Constable Higgs.

Amarillo Little Theater To Perform "Sleuth"

"Sleuth" opens Friday night November 11 for a six performance run through November 19. Evening performances begin at 8:15 and there will be one matinee Sunday, November 13, at 2:30. Tickets are \$4.50 for adults and \$2.00 for students and children. Reservations may be made by calling the Little Theatre box office at 2019 Civic Circle, open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 - 5:00.

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West Plains Medical Center Briefs

ADMISSIONS
 November 5: Lola Pylant, Jose Moreno and Cody Clark
 November 6: George Williams
 November 7: Fred Beene, Myrtle Guinn and Alfa Laney

DISMISSALS
 November 5: Renda Logsdon, Josefina Marquez, Paula Pineda, Verline Baird, Wayne Hawkins, Louis Manasco, Manuel Valencia and Patsy Merritt.
 November 6: Guadalupe Mendoza, Joan Green, Raymond Gaede and Jason Perry
 November 7: Essie Hall and Onan Robinson



MR. AND MRS. W.F. CREAMER

Golden Anniversary Fetes Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Creamer

Willie Forest (Buck) Creamer and Ina Myrtle Davidson were united in marriage on November 6, 1927 at 3 p.m. in the home of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Davidson in Tennessee Valley community in Cottle County, Texas. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Cramer of Chalk, Cottle County, Texas.

Performing the Sunday afternoon ceremony was Robert C. Jones, pastor of the Church of Christ in Kirkland.

For several years following their marriage, they resided in Paducah, where he was a deputy sheriff and Mrs. Creamer was employed as a bookkeeper in Hall-Scruggs Department Store.

Last Sunday, the children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Creamer honored them with a Golden Wedding Anniversary reception at the Primitive Baptist Church in Muleshoe. Daughters and granddaughters served gold punch, cake, mints, and nuts from a table laid with gold net over a gold cloth. The serving table was centered with a fall arrangement of gold, bronze and yellow. A gold cloth was underlaid a hand-crocheted cloth on the registration table, which was presided over by granddaughters. The honorees were seated at a table which had a picture made on the day they were married and a recent picture of the couple, displayed on a hand crocheted lace over gold cloth, centered with a gold floral arrangement.

From Paducah, the family moved to Earth where he served as a deputy sheriff, then moved to Muleshoe, January 1, 1949, where he also served as deputy sheriff before being named Muleshoe's first Chief of Police. Later, he managed Western '66' at Needmore until ill health forced his retirement in 1969. The Creamers are members of Senior Citizens, the Needmore

Singers and attend the Primitive Baptist Church. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Their children include Tommie Mart, who died ten and a half hours after birth and buried at Paducah; James, Rock Springs, Georgia; Cleta Williams, Muleshoe; Mrs. L.R. (Sue) Kemp, Amarillo; Mrs. Jerry (Phyllis) Chaplin, Las Vegas, Nev.; Mrs. Kirk (Carolyn) Herrington, Cozad, Neb.; Mrs. Weldon (Monnie) McBride, Forest Creamer, Las Vegas, Nev.; Henry Creamer, San Francisco, Cal.; Travis Creamer, Farmers Branch and Mrs. Johnny (Jan) Schneider, Cozad, Neb.

A large number of family friends and relatives attended the reception during the afternoon to visit the couple, their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



MRS. MICHAEL ARMSTRONG

Baby Shower Fetes Mrs. Michael Armstrong

A baby shower was given in the honor of Mrs. Michael Armstrong, Thursday evening, November 3, in the Fellowship Hall of the 16 and Avenue D Church of Christ.

The serving table was laid with a white lace cloth and a stork was used as the centerpiece.

Refreshments were served from crystal appointments.

The hostesses gave the honoree a baby book and money.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. H.E. Reeder, Jr., Mrs. Fred Clements, Mrs. Robert Clar, Mrs. Darlene McMurry and Mrs. Alton Parker.

ESA Radiothon At KMUL Station November 12

Epsilon Chi and Epsilon Delta chapters of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority will conduct a Radiothon on KMUL radio auctioning homemade baked goods, Saturday, November 12.

The members of the chapters will be manning the microphone at the radio station from 6:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The proceeds from this auction will be donated to the Methodist Day Care Center and to the "Jaws of Life".

CYO Elects New Officers

The Catholic Youth Organization of Muleshoe met Wednesday, November 2, to elect officers for 1977-78. President is Maria Pacheco; Vice-President is Christine Vela; Secretary, Ninfa Castorena; Treasurer, Stella Lopez; Parliamentarian, Kent Rempe; and Historian and Reporter, Larry Lopez.

The youth sold raffle tickets for an AM/FM digital clock radio. R.S. Perez of Edinburg won the clock radio on Saturday, October 29.

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MIDLAND LIONS CLUB QUEEN...Miss Carla Delane Lambert of Midland, was recently chosen Lions Club Queen of 1978. She is the 17 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Lambert, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lambert of Muleshoe. She is a student at Midland High School, where she is a writer on the Bulldog newspaper, a member of the French club and is currently studying voice and modeling.

Music Makes Big Hit At West Camp

The West Camp Family Night held Saturday, November 5, in the Community Center, provided an evening of assorted music. Host couples were Mr. and Mrs. Leldon Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Mason. 121 people enjoyed the gathering.

Sandwiches, salads, cakes and cookies were served to those attending from Muleshoe, Dimmitt, Littlefield and Big Spring. Happy Birthday was sung to Miss Tonya Nowell and Dillard Morris.

The evening of music consisted of "oldies", religious and country and western. The musicians were Leldon Phillips, Weldon and Grace Findley, C.O. (Dutch) Larue, Ashley Davis, Dan Atkins, Joe Howell, Truman Cotton, Joe Dunn, John, Dunn, Coy Dunn, Francis Grasier and A.H. Howell. Others with the band were Gene Ivey, Herbert Dunn, Virgil and Geveva Justice, Dena Larue, Ruby Atkins, Tina Davis, Maggie Dunn, Nora Dunn, Alvin Frasier and Ellen Howell. Those attending were Mr. and

Mrs. Ed Althof, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Austin and Clint, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shaw, Delia and Darin, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hukill, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. George Wheeler, Tommay and Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ramm, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sinnacher, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Eby Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Wilson and Brandon, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Herington, Jay and Karan, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Nowell, Larry, Tammy and Tonya, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lunsford, Sally, Betsy and Susan, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Susan, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Scoggin, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rhodes, Lavon and Dusty, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Willis James, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Murrah.

Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Turner Payne and Velda, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jones, Corey, Jeremy and Kristi, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kelsey and Corrie, Mr. and Mrs. Boy Landers, Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Wilson, Mrs. Dalton Harris, Mrs. Elmer Downing and Twila, Mrs. Robert Hunt, Curtis and Tori, Mrs. C.E. Grant, Kevin, Laurie and Clay, Mrs. Alva Sparks, Mac Phillips and Randall Hamilton.

Grand Chapter OES Held In El Paso

The 95th Annual Session, the "Sun-A-Source of Light-Life-Fruitfulness" Session, of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, was held in El Paso, October 24 through 27, under the supervision of Mrs. Joyce Roberts, El Paso, Worthy Grand Matron and Perry Smithwick, Fort Worth, Worthy Grand Patron, with an attendance of 4,094.

The ESTARL (Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership) Worship Service was held Sunday Morning, with 56 scholarships being awarded. Muleshoe Chapter was credited for two full scholarships. \$1,015.15 was contributed. There are 471 Chapters, including Muleshoe, that are 100 percent in International Temple Fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Phillips, Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Muleshoe Chapter, participated in the Welfare Program, with Muleshoe Chapter leading other Texas Chapters with 800 percent in Welfare.

Muleshoe Chapter received three Grand Appointments of Mrs. Derrell Nowell, member of Home Endowment Committee; Mrs. Wyle Bullock, Founders Day Committee and Mrs. Mary Farley, Time and Talent Committee.

Others attending from Muleshoe were Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Nowell.

The newly installed Worthy Grand Matron is Mrs. Mary

Brown of Lexington, Texas, and worthy Grand Patron, Murray Watson, Jr., of Mart, Texas. Grand Chapter in 1978 will be held in Houston.

RECIPE

By Sarah Ann Sheridan

Apples continue to be a favorite in fall desserts. Combined with cranberries, they make a delicious tart pie.

Cran-Apple pie

- 1/2 c granulated sugar
- 3 T cornstarch
- 1/4 t salt
- 1/4 c light corn syrup
- 1 1/2 c washed cranberries
- 2 T butter or margarine
- 1 1/2 t grated orange peel
- 1 1/2 c chopped, pared, cored, cooking apples.
- flaky pastry for two crust 9-inch pie or 1 pkg. piecrust mix

In saucepan, mix sugar, cornstarch, salt; gradually add corn syrup, 1/4 cup water. Cook, stirring, until mixture thickens slightly and boils. Add cranberries; cook until skins break. Add butter, orange peel; cool. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Add apples to cranberry mixture; pour into lined 9-inch pie plate. Adjust top crust. Bake 40 to 50 minutes. Serve plain or with slices of cheese or a commercial whipped cream. Serves 6 or 8.

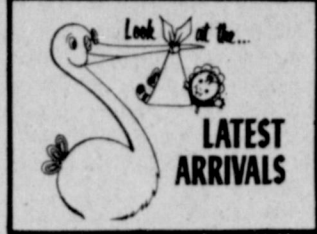


RECIPIENTS OF RADIOTHON...Proceeds from the ESA Radiothon, to be held Saturday, November 12, at KMUL radio station, will help to fund the Methodist Day Care Center. The "Jaws of Life" project will also be a recipient of the Radiothon.

WHO KNOWS?

1. Where is the Welland Canal?
2. What is a yak?
3. Define ideogram.
4. What is Indiana's State motto?
5. Identify an interferometer.
6. What was President Andrew Jackson's nickname?

7. When was the first "Model T" completed?
 8. Name the six Presidents born in October.
 9. When was the first English Bible printed?
- Answers To Who Knows**
1. In Canada, joining Lake Ontario and Lake Erie.
 2. The wild ox of Asia.
 3. Picture writing, early form of writing.
 4. The Crossroads of America.
 5. An instrument to measure the length of light rays.
 6. "Old Hickory."
 7. Oct. 1, 1908.
 8. John Adams, Hayes, Arthur, Theodore Roosevelt, Eisenhower and Carter.
 9. 1535.



Danny Carl Baird, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Carl Baird of Friona are the proud parents of a new baby born November 4, at 12:55 a.m. in West Plains Medical Center. The baby weighed seven pounds and six ounces and was named Danny Carl Baird, Jr. The couple have one daughter, Denise.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Warren Elbraden of Friona and Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson of Mountain Home, Ark.

Gabriel Erike Mendoza

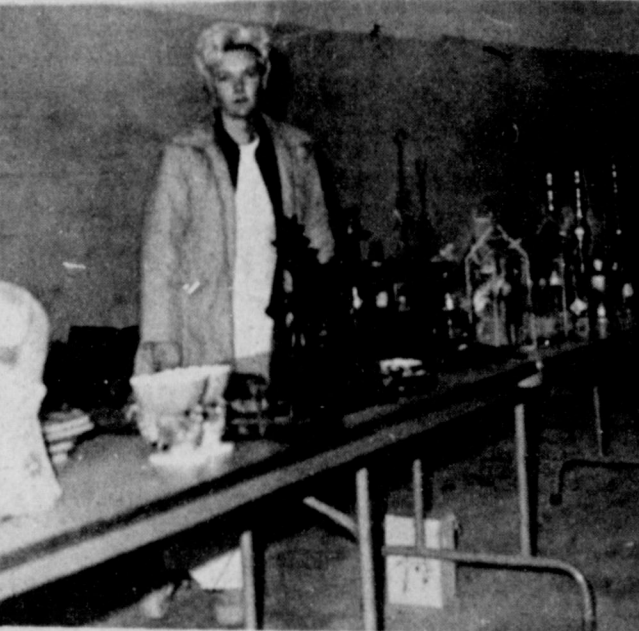
Mr. and Mrs. Heriberto Mendoza of Muleshoe are the proud parents of a new baby boy born November 4, at 4:15 a.m. in West Plains Medical Center. The baby weighed eight pounds and five ounces and was named Gabriel Erike Mendoza. The couple have two other children, Gernardo and Ana Marie.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Juan Gutierrez of Muleshoe and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Mendoza of Mexico.



Gabriel Erike Mendoza

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WHITE ELEPHANT BAZAAR...Llano Estacado Civic Club will hold their annual White Elephant Bazaar this Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the old Anthony's building. Baked goods, Arts and Crafts, Children's booths, clothing, Do-it-yourself, Spin art, and lots of Christmas decorations will be available.

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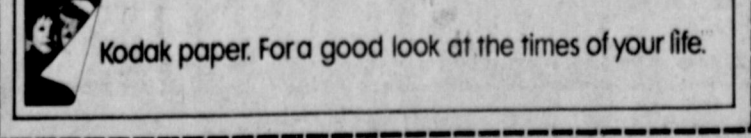
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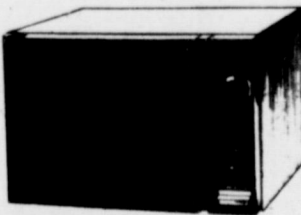
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George Gauna Has Training At San Diego

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During the 11-week training cycle, he learned the basic of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork

CAT ESTATE TO CHURCH

AMESBURG, MASS. -- "Tippy" the cat died earlier this year and her estate--which produces an annual income of \$7,000--went to a church in New Hampshire. Tippy was one of eight animals left behind when Amesbury's one and only woman selectman, Annie Webster, died in 1964.

FLAWLESS FALL

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIF. -- The space shuttle Enterprise, America's hope for future manned space flight, performed its fourth free flight so "superbly" enthusiastic NASA officials announced only one more test will be needed.

and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.

He joined the Marine Corps in July 1977.

Former Resident Died Sunday In California

Funeral services for Margaret Selmons, 76, a former resident of Muleshoe were conducted at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe with Rev. David Hamblin, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Bailey County Memorial Park under the direction of Singleton-Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Slemmons was born January 11, 1901 in Rockford, Ill. and moved to Muleshoe from Ellendale, N.D., in 1955. In Muleshoe she taught second grade at Richland Hills School until she retired in 1966. Her husband, Senn Slemmons preceded her in death in 1968. In 1971, Mrs. Slemmons moved to Escondido, Cal. where she resided at the time of her death. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe and the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include two sons, Dr. Barton Slemmons, Gaithersburg, Md. and Dr. Dan Slemmons, Escondido, Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. Ann Bauder, Grand Rapids, Minn.; two brothers, Arden Henry, Atlanta, Ga. and Russell Henry, Peoria, Ill. and 12 grandchildren.

Jaworski, some attempt to cover-up Korean gifts.

Henry L. Ivy Funeral Held In Bovina

Henry L. Ivy, 73, a longtime resident of the Lazbuddie community, died at 6:58 a.m. Saturday at the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona where he had been a patient for several days.

Henry L. Ivy was born November 10, 1903 in Blue Ridge, Tex. and moved to Parmer County in 1925 from Westminster, Tex. He was a farmer, and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Bovina. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Army. He was married to Grace Patterson on October 2, 1946, in Lampasas.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the First United Methodist Church in Bovina with Rev. James Putman, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Bailey County Memorial Park under direction of Singleton-Ellis Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Grace; two sisters, Mrs. Onita Wagon, Muleshoe and Mrs. Juanita Garrett, Las Cruces, N.M. and five brothers, Olan Ivy, D.B. and Shanks Ivy, both of Lazbuddie; Tony Ivy, Vanita, Okla., and Hopper Ivy, Dimmitt.

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Three Way News

By Mrs. H.W. Garvin

Mrs. Rayford Masten honored Mrs. Addie Masten Friday with a birthday party on her 86 birthday. Coffee, punch and cake were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Carter and girls from Lovington visited

Gregory Rites Conducted Last Monday

Brandon Wayne Gregory, seven month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gregory, was dead on arrival at West Plains Medical Center in Muleshoe at 12:15 p.m. Saturday. He had been ill since shortly after birth in a Clovis hospital on March 18, 1977.

Funeral services for Brandon Wayne Gregory were conducted at 4 p.m. Monday in Singleton-Ellis Chapel of the Chimes with Rev. David Hamblin, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe and Rev. Roy Sikes, pastor of Richland Hills Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Bailey County Memorial Park under direction of Singleton-Ellis Funeral Home.

Survivors other than his parents include one brother, Shannon, of the home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gregory, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Guinn, all of Muleshoe and great-grandmother, Mrs. Myrtle Guinn, Muleshoe.

their sister Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wheeler last Sunday.

We wish to express our sympathy to the family of Elwin Julian, who was found dead at his home Thursday evening and

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wheeler from Comanche visited their son and family, the Joe Wheelers last Wednesday. They also visited Mrs. Sally Robinson and Mrs. H.W. Garvin.

The Three Way junior high football team played Cotton Center Thursday evening on the home field with Cotton Center winning the game. Friday evening the high school team played Cotton Center at Cotton Center with Three Way winning.

Mrs. George Tyson visited her daughter, Mrs. D.A. Williams Sunday afternoon.

The Goodland cafe is under new management now with Mrs. Elmer Lee operating it.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Wittner and Mrs. Ed Neutzler went to Coynosa Saturday night to move their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Emerson back to Maple.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carter from Levelland spent Saturday with their daughter, the Joe Wheeler family.

Mrs. Bulah Toombs spent last week visiting her brothers and sister near Austin.

George Tyson spent Sunday in Lubbock with the Tommy Durhams.

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Nursing Home News

By Annie Brown

Those playing "42" Tuesday were Wayne Marlow, Mrs. Rosie McKillip, Walter Dameron, Arthur Perkins, Mrs. Onnie McDaniel, Mrs. Mae Wilterding, D.B. Head, Mrs. Myrtle Guinn and Mrs. Betty Jackson.

The musicians from Plainview came Wednesday and played the piano and sang songs for us. Everyone enjoyed it.

The Needmore Singers came Sunday afternoon and sang many songs.

Mrs. Ora Roberts is in the Home for a months stay. She is recuperating from surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Brock of the Home celebrated their 72 Wedding Anniversary Sunday. Several of their children came and they received lots of phone calls.

Mrs. McCamish spent Saturday and Sunday in her hometown, Bledsoe and attended a family reunion.

Mrs. Myrtle Guinn's great-grandchild, Brannon Gregory, died Saturday. The funeral services were Monday afternoon in the chapel of the funeral home.

Ray Edwards visited Mrs. Barbara Case and Mrs. Myrtle Guinn Saturday.

Mrs. Benoit and daughter spent Sunday with Mrs. Orteg. Her daughter and family and many others had dinner with her at the Corral.

Mrs. Martha Williams spent Saturday with her son at Progress.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wilson of Breckenridge, formerly of Muleshoe, visited with Mrs. Effie Bray last week. Sunday, Mrs. Bray had several visitors, Mrs. Mildred Neely, Mrs. Ruby Garner, Mrs. Betty Jackson, Mrs. Mary Finley and Mrs. Sherman Inman.

Mrs. Alma Altman of Enochs visited Mrs. Linnie Doyle Sunday. Her son, Earl Doyle of Bonham, also visited Sunday. Mrs. Blanche Cash was also a visitor.

Hazel Randolf of Earth and granddaughter, Juan, visited Mrs. Randolf's mother, Mrs. Mattie Glasscock, Sunday.

Mrs. Ora Roberts had her guests Sunday her son, J.D. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Sim Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sullivan, Mrs. Marie Darnell, Connor Burford, Mrs. Ruby Garner, Mrs. Martha Stroud and daughter, all of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jones and son of Farwell, Sheryl Kinney and son of Sundown and Melba Clark of Muleshoe.

Mr. and Mrs. H.P. Stotts of Winslow, Ark., visited her mother, Mrs. Annie Nicholson Sunday. Mrs. Nicholson has been confined to her bed for several days due to a fall. She is feeling better now.

Claude Coffman and Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Moraw of Needmore visited Mrs. Onnie McDaniel Sunday, also.

Mr. and Mrs. J.U. Embry and Mr. and Mrs. D.B. Head visited Miss Dottie Wilterding Sunday afternoon.

WHO KNOWS?

1. Who is Washington's "Happy Warrior"?
2. Who was named the 1978 Rose Parade, Bowl Queen?
3. Identify a brontosaurus.
4. Where is the largest U.S. Indian reservation?
5. Name the 33rd President.
6. On what river is Mount Vernon located?
7. How tall is the Washington Monument?
8. When was the Suez Canal opened?
9. When was Queen Elizabeth II married?
10. Where is Rice University?

Answers To Who Knows

1. Senator Hubert Humphrey.
2. Maria Caron.
3. A huge, extinct American dinosaur.
4. Arizona, 23,467,727 acres.
5. Harry S. Truman.
6. Potomac.
7. 555 ft. 5 1/8 inches.
8. Nov. 17, 1869.
9. Nov. 20, 1947.
10. Houston, Tex.

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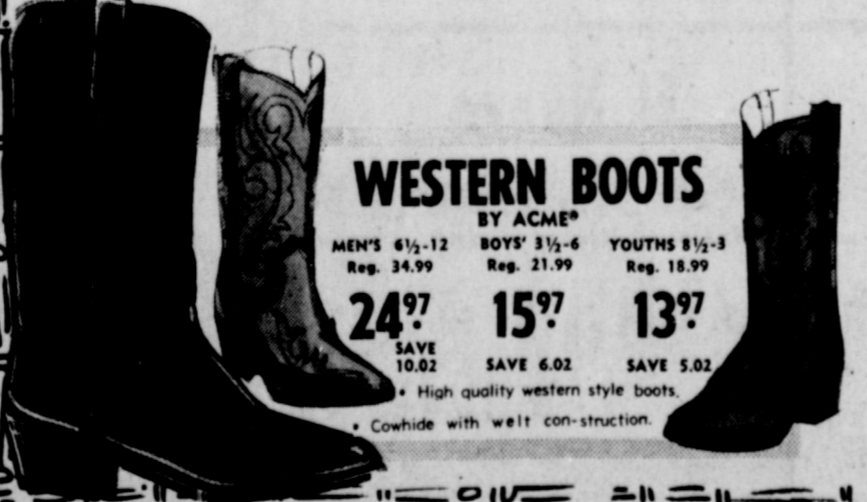
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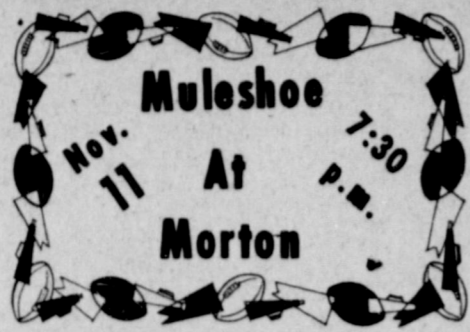
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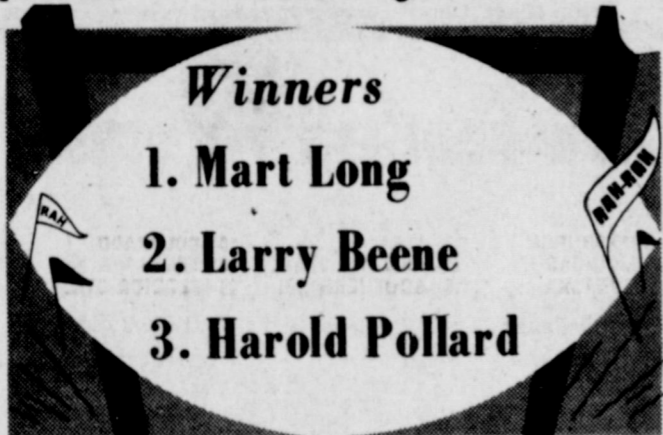
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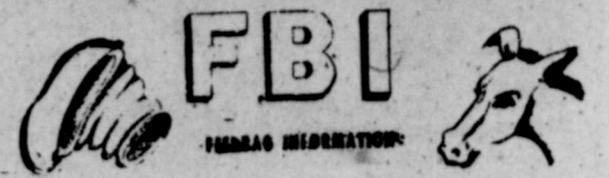
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At Muleshoe Junior High



Player Of The Week

Eighth Grade



LAVON RHODES

The 8th grade player of the week is Lavon Rhodes. She has been doing a great job of hustling the last few days. Lavon shows great enthusiasm whether she is doing drills or in a real game situation. She has been doing a good job on defense and we are expecting even more out of her in the future. One of the coaches commented that Lavon works with a team effort and not as an individual which is an asset to any squad.

We would like to congratulate Lavon in all her efforts!!!!



MICHELLE TOWNSELL

The eighth grade player of the week is Michelle Townsell. She has been doing a good job of hustling the last couple of weeks. Michelle probably has as much ability as any coach could ask for as an eighth grader. The coaches will be pushing her as much as they can to put all her talent to work for the team. Michelle can not only rebound and shoot well, but works well with the other girls to get the best plays. The team will be expecting her to steal the ball for them a lot on the press with her quickness.

Coach Flowers and Coach Scott said, "The team can be proud of Michelle and expect a lot of hustle from her as the season approaches."

We would all like to Congratulate her on all her efforts, enthusiasm, and hustle.

Player Of The Week

Seventh Grade

7th grade player of the week

This weeks 7th grade player of the week is Abbye Kennedy. Abbye has shown a lot of enthusiasm & hustle during the last couple of weeks. The coaches say that she is doing a good job with the basketball shooting and rebounding, they are looking forward to the coming season and working with her. Coaches are expecting to see lots of hard work and determination from Abbye in the next few months.

The Journalism Staff would like to congratulate Abbye for her hard work and determination!!!!

Historical Group Makes Area Trip

Jr. High Historical society trip
On October 14 the Muleshoe Jr. High Historical Society traveled to the Deaf Smith County Museum at Hereford, Texas. The museum at Hereford was organized in the late 1960's by the county historical society. The museum was soon financially supported by their interested county. Now the commissioner's court supports and approves funds for the museum. Some of the exhibits include a half-dugout, Indian artifacts, the county store, and the chapel.

Afterwards, the group traveled on to the West Texas Historical Museum at Canyon, Texas. At the museum they visited the Pioneer Hall, the Hall of Southern Plains Indians, the Pioneer Village, and the Hall of Historical Fashions. Those attending were: Belinda Clayton, Annette Crabtree, Lori Del Toro, Sherry Ellis, Kristi Etheridge, Kim Farmer, Martha Flores, Michael Foss, Patty Garcia, Riche Garcia, Beth Harmon, Todd Holt, Tori Hunt, Jackie Kutzli, Becky Lobough, Berna Lopez, Jay Pearson, Misti Prater, Lori Stroud, Joni Suddeth, Denise Wilson, and Roger Unrein.



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Card Of Thanks

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8th Mules Win 12-8 Over Friona

Last Thursday, October 27, the 8th grade Mules traveled to Friona to play the Friona Chiefs. The Mules put forth what was probably their finest effort of the season Thursday as they came from behind to defeat a fine Friona team 12-8. Friona wasted little time in gaining the lead as running back Cabellero blasted loose from several Mule defenders and scored on a 70 yard run only about two minutes late into the game. But, as it has done all year, Muleshoe's defense then stiffened the rose to the occasion, holding Friona scoreless throughout the remainder of the game. The Mules have now given up three Touchdowns in six games and stand 4-1-1 on the year, with the possibility of winning district hanging in the air. Touchdowns for the Mules were scored by Trent Kirven and Monty Hysinger with Hysinger's score coming as the clock wound down to 1:45 in the fourth quarter, at which time the Mules trailed 8-6. Muleshoe next opponent will be the Olton Mustangs who travel to Muleshoe for a Thursday night encounter, beginning at 5:00. Olton will be another tough opponent as they follow up a big win over Littlefield, the only team to defeat the Mules thus far this season. If the Mules are to have a chance to win district, they cannot lose again. The Mules plan revenge over Olton because of their last years loss to Olton 22-0.

Olton 8th Falls 16-14 To MJH

Last year the Muleshoe 7th graded traveled to Olton to play the Olton Mustangs. At the end of the ball game the score read, Olton 22- Muleshoe 0, as the year went on the Mules must have done a lot of improvement because last Thursday, November 3rd, the Mules defeated Olton 16-14. The 8th grade game was an extremely hard-hitting affair. The Mules were bruised but happy following a hard-fought 16-14 victory over Olton. Lupe Rosales and Trent Kirven scored touchdowns for Muleshoe and all players did an outstanding job in the come-from-behind win. Muleshoe now stands at 5-1-1 for the season and must defeat Morton in the season final game next Thursday, if they are to remain in contention for the district championship. To win district the Mules need to beat Morton next Thursday and hope that another team in the district beats Friona Chiefs late in the end of the football season ends. The Mules will try to make their record 6-1-1 when they travel to Morton next Thursday November 10, at Morton. Coaches were pleased with Thursday nights effort.

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Kentucky Wildcats Tied With Alabama

Just how good are the surprising University of Kentucky Wildcats? Fran Curci's once-beaten 'Cats are tied with

Starla Black Named Queen

The 1977 Halloween Carnival was held Saturday, October 29th in the bus barn. Several organizations had booths, such as bingo, nail drive, dart throw, bucking barrel, football throw, ring toss, dunking machine, go fishing, hay ride and everyone's favorite, the spook house that the bank sponsored. Many hours of work went into these booths for the enjoyment of the Halloween spectators.

Frona Drops Little Mules In 30-0 Loss

Muleshoe seventh grades had an extremely rough night as they fell to Friona by the score of 30-0, and saw their seasons record drop to 0-5.

Happy Birthday

The Journalism Staff would like to wish the following students a happy birthday.

November 4-Paula Williams, Lincoln Smith
 November 5-Gibert Fabela
 November 6-Michael Foss
 November 10-Daniel Garcia
 November 11-Danny Seales
 November 12-Estaban Mata
 November 13-Sue Andrina
 Laura Andringa.
 November 15-Mike Huerta
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

8th Grade Wins Hall Decorations

The Junior High Student Council sponsored a hall decoration contest for the last home game played. It was judged by November 3rd by the varsity cheerleaders. The results were announced at the pep rally Thursday by Dani Dunham, varsity head cheerleader. 1st place was presented to the 8th graders, while the 7th graders received 2nd, and the 6th 3rd place. It was a fine project that got the students and faculty sponsors closer and more willing to do group activities. Everyone was real proud of how many stayed after school to work on the decorations. The Journalism staff would like to offer congratulations to all the students and sponsors for having the winning spirit they did. **CONGRATULATIONS!!!!**

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Top Twenty all season, and have a 4-2-1 record, beating Georgia this past week. Kentuck' is favored to stay unbeaten in the conference, whipping Florida by 14 points.

And the Tigers of Clemson come off their very important Atlantic Coast Conference game with North Carolina to face Notre Dame. This will be the first time these two schools have ever met on the football field. Clemson, beaten only by Maryland in the opening game of the season, will definitely be a challenge for the Irish. Much more so, no doubt, than at the time the game was originally scheduled. The game will be played in Clemson, but the home advantage may not pay off. Notre Dame will win by eighteen points.

Cheerleaders Hold Rally

Thursday, November 3, the M.J.H.S. cheerleaders held a pep rally in honor of the last home game. Robin Burgess welcomed everyone and the Fight Song was played as the football teams entered the gym. A few chants were done, then Dani Dunham, varsity head cheerleader announced that the 8th grade won 1st in the hall decorations, 7th won 2nd, and 6th grade got 3rd. Susie Pierce introduced Monty Hysinger who had a speech prepared for the

8th grade football boys. Denese Peterson (mascot) introduced Scott Campbell for the 7th grade boys.

Everyone had a lot of spirit in the rest of the cheers. Robin held up the spirit stick in front of each grade. Mr. Mardis, the judge told her and she announced that the 7th grade would have the spirit stick. Berna Lopez encouraged everyone to come to the game. The last pep rally for the 1977 football season was concluded.

Olton Wins An 8-6 Ball Score

Muleshoe seventh grade Mules played their best game of the season Thursday night but still fell to Olton's mustangs by the score of 8-6. Alex Navejar scored for the Mules. The extra point try fell short. The seventh grade Mules played an outstanding game. Improvements was shown and if such improvement continues, things will become better for the Mules.

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3-OHIO STATE	8-PITTSBURGH	13-L.S.U.	18-COLORADO
4-NOTRE DAME	9-ARKANSAS	14-ARIZONA STATE	19-TEXAS A & M
5-OKLAHOMA	10-NEBRASKA	15-SOUTHERN CAL	20-FLORIDA STATE

Saturday, Nov. 12 - Major Colleges		North Alabama	24 Mississippi College	33
Alabama	38 Miami, Fl	Pine Bluff	26 Bishop	30
Albany State	22 Prairie View	Presbyterian	28 Carson-Newman	15
Arizona	27 New Mexico	Salem	20 West Va State	13
Arkansas	24 Texas A & M	Shelphord	22 Salisbury	6
Arlington	25 Arkansas State	South Carolina State	27 Wofford	17
Baylor	25 Western Michigan	SE Louisiana	22 Nicholls	13
Boston College	22 Syracuse	Southern State	20 Arkansas Tech	19
Bowling Green	28 Ohio	Tarleton	20 Austin Peay	14
Brigham Young	31 Arizona State	Tennessee Tech	28 Howard Payne	13
Brown	21 Columbia	Texas A & I	24 Eastern New Mexico	17
California	28 Oregon	Texas Lutheran	19 Colorado College	7
Central Michigan	27 Toledo	Trinity	25 Emory & Henry	14
Citadel	26 Appalachian	West Va Wesleyan		
Colgate	31 Northeastern			
Colorado State	24 West Texas	Albright	20 Uxala	12
Dartmouth	17 Pennsylvania	Alfred	22 New York Tech	10
Dayton	20 Eastern Kentucky	American Internat'l	23 Hofstra	20
East Carolina	22 William & Mary	Amherst	20 Williams	7
Eastern Michigan	23 Illinois State	Boston U	21 Maine	10
Florida A & M	23 Southern U	Bowdoin	23 Colby	15
Florida State	24 Memphis State	Bucknell	24 Rochester	20
*Fresno State	31 Fullerton	Central Connecticut	28 Southern Connecticut	17
Georgia Tech	27 Navy	Clarion	23 Slippery Rock	13
Grambling	28 Norfolk	East Stroudsburg	27 West Chester	20
Iowa State	24 Kansas State	Franklin & Marshall	21 Muhlenberg	30
Iowa	24 Wisconsin	Gettysburg	16 Washington & Lee	

Lazbuddie Longhorn Stampede



By Judy Lust

The Lazbuddie Longhorns traveled to Valley last Thursday night to play their last football game of the season. The Horns beat the Patriots by a 18-16 score in a very close game.

The Horns final touchdown was made on a 4 yard pass from Jr. quarterback Charleson Steinbock to Sr. Rayburn Wenner with 12 seconds left in the game. The touchdown was set up when the Horns caused Valley to fumble on their own 10 yard line and then recovered the ball.

Valley was the first to score with a 41 yard run in the second quarter. They then completed a pass for the 2 extra points making the score 8-0. Just before the half Dennis Steinbock caught a touchdown pass from Andy Rodgers to make the score 8-6. The PAT attempt failed.

In the third quarter the Longhorns took the lead when Charleson Steinbock made a 30 yard run for a touchdown. The kick failed making the score 12-8. In the last quarter Valley again took the lead after they scored a touchdown and 2 extra points. This made the score 16-12. Right after his the Horns caused the fumble that set up their last touchdown.

The Horns had 220 total yards of offense while Valley had 251 total yards. Valley had 14 first downs and Lazbuddie had 13 first downs. The Patriots completed 1 out of 3 passes and had 1 pass intercepted. Lazbuddie completed 7 out of 13 passes, two of which were touchdowns. The leading tackler of the night

was Freshman Russell Windham, who had 6 unassisted tackles and 16 assisted tackles, and 1 interception. Mike was also the leading ball carrier with 85 yards on 24 carries. Jr. Charleson Steinbock had 46 yards on 11 carries, and ran for one touchdown and threw for another.

Valley was ranked number 14 in the state and had been in the top ten all year until week before last. They outweighed out players almost 45 pounds

per man and our boys had to play above their heads. The Horns controlled the line of both offense and defense, and had enough poise and composure to play a really close ballgame and to be able to score under a lot of pressure.

The Longhorn team has been really super this year, not only in their playing, but also in their attitude and their actions. The boys have had a great spirit this year and under the leadership of some wonderful coaches and

players the team took on a whole new look.

There were six Seniors on the team this year. They were Mike Windham, Rayburn Wenner, Randy Smith, Mark Mimms, Randy Copeland, and Dan Copeland.

We would like to thank the boys for what they have shown us this year and feel like the whole community should be very proud of them.

The Lazbuddie girls played their first basketball game Tues.

Nov. 1st at Whiteface, with both the J.V. and Varsity losing. The J.V. score was 37-24 and their leading scorers were Angela Matthews and Sabrina Vincent with 6 points each. The varsity's score was 54-59 and their leading scorer was Judy Lust with 21 points. Although both teams lost they played very well and everyone was pleased with their playing. The Horns next ballgame will be Nov. 15 at Pep and the Varsity boys and girls will play starting at 5:30.

The Junior High boys won their last football game last Tuesday when they played Lubbock Crist the King. The game was played at Lazbuddie and the score was 35-6.

The Lazbuddie FHA and Young Homemakers are sponsoring a Tasty Tea and Style

By the time the average man has learned the value of study, he's lost his eyesight.

Show Thursday night (tonight) at 7:30. It will be in the school cafeteria and admission will be \$1.00. The FHA girls and the Young Homemakers will be modeling the latest winter fashions from stores in Muleshoe and Clovis and Everyone is invited to attend.

The Jr. High boys and girls played their first basketball games last Monday night at Happy. The girls won by a score of 35-25 and Susan Glover

scored 16 points for them. The boys lost by a score of 35-13. Bart Elliott and Shain Vincent each scored 4 points, Mark Lust had 3 points, and Jeff Jesko had 2 points.

HEART GRAFT FAILS
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA -- Doctors at Groote Schuur Hospital here attributed circulatory failure for the death of Benjamin Fortes, the first man to have a chimpanzee's heart grafted into his chest to back up his own failing heart.



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Lazbuddie News

Mae Davis has a new great-grandson, born Nov. 3. His parents are Curtis and Pam McBride. His name is Jordan Chase and he weighed 7 pounds when he was born.

Lori Bradshaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bradshaw, turned 2 years old Thur. Oct. 27, a birthday party was given in her honor on Sunday afternoon at her home in Lazbuddie. They played games and had cake baked by her mother. Those attending the party from Amarillo were Mrs. Margaret Hudson, Vickie and Chad Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Davis, and Tim Patterson. Those attending from Lazbuddie were Charlotte and Susan Redwine, Marsha, Traci and Cristi Colum, Joyce, Lisa, and Amy McGeehee, and her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bradshaw, and her big brother Casey.

Lori would like to thank all of her friends for the presents and cards and would like to send a special get-well wish to her Ma (Mrs. C.W. Bradshaw).

Todd Gregory was in a truck-motorcycle accident last Sat. morning. He suffered a broken leg and a broken wrist and has been in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Sympathy is extended to the families of Cliff Layman and Henry Ivy on the death of their loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Winders recently moved to Channing, TX, where they will be managing a ranch.

Mrs. Paula Tarter is a patient in Rm. 230 in Highland Hospital in Lubbock where she is recovering from phlebitis. She would be glad to hear from any of her friends.

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From Cowboy To Plowboy - A Story Of Progress

Bailey County's early history could be called—from cowboy to plowboy. At the turn of the century, there was no farming in Bailey County. The nine residents were all cowboys who resided in line camps for the XIT and other ranches.

However, as the land started to be broken up to provide room for farmers from Nebraska and other states who wanted to take advantage of the lush land and adequate water, the cowboy began to phase out of the picture.

In September 1904, E.K. Warren and Sons were on the

Muleshoe Ranch west of present-day Muleshoe and purchased cattle. Records show they paid \$25 per head for cows, \$16 for two year old steers and \$50 for bulls. Selling cattle at Kansas City, brought the following prices, three year old steers, \$34; and yearling steer calves at \$12.50 per head.

In 1910, irrigation was beginning to come to Bailey County in primitive stages, and Bailey County's first alfalfa crop was planted. However, windmills still provided much of the water, as evidenced by a former XIT hand, Williams O. Fuqua, who

said he looked after the windmills around the Yellow House division of the XIT. He said it took seven days a week just to look after the 49 windmills under his care on a small portion of the ranch.

With the passage of years, 371,323 of the 532,480 acres of land in Bailey County became farmland. Grass acreage includes 148,065 acres. More than 165,000 acres of the farm land included irrigation land as farmers irrigate from the Ogallala formation which is believed to be the largest interconnected underground body of water in

the world. From 1906 until 1912, real estate men in the midwestern states, with home offices in Kansas and Iowa, bought land excursions to Bailey County and began selling the land for farms.

Many of the agents were men of character and fully believed in the territory they were trying to sell. Others were willing to use any scheme in order to sell the land. The two companies that did colonization work in Bailey County were the Coldren Land Company and the Vaughn Land Company.

The first settlement other than

just the cow ranches began in Bailey County in 1907. The principal part of the settlement came in the spring of 1908. The Coldren Land Company was responsible for this first settlement.

Seeing the possibilities of Bailey County as an agricultural land, Stevens A. Coldren bought the tillable land in Block Y and A. Franklin Peddie bought the tillable acres in Blocks X and Z from the Bovina Cattle Company. This land was originally a part of the XIT Ranch. The Bovina Cattle Company had bought it from the

Freehold Land and Investment Company. The Coldren Land Company was in active charge of selling the Acreage. XIT had its home office in Kansas City. However, its operation spread over several states.

Farmers in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Indiana and other midwestern states were worrying about high land prices. They had seen land rise from \$25 to \$90 an acre. Steven A. Coldren saw the wonderful possibilities of selling the land in Bailey County to these farmers who wanted cheaper land and a place to build their homes.

Before the land was put on the market, the company spent three or four years making a detailed study of it, testing irrigation, preparing propaganda, making maps, and contacting real estate men in towns in several states. It was not uncommon in the midwestern states for a real estate man to advise a person to go to the Texas county Plains where bananas could be raised. The land was advertised extensively in newspapers and periodicals.

The Sante Fe Railroad Company ran excursion trains for the Coldren Land Company twice a

month in 1907, 1908 and 1909. The company would furnish two cars for the excursionists; a pullman and a dining car. The trains originated in Kansas City and picked up individual home-seekers all along the line. They ran on their own schedule, the trips to the Plains from Kansas City usually taking about two days. Two days were normally spent in inspecting land. All the excursionists' expenses were paid from the time they left Kansas City until they had returned.

From the time they boarded

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Muleshoe Progress Edition

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New Hospital Becomes 'A Dream Come True'



HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION—Termed "A Dream Come True" was the opening of Muleshoe's new hospital in June, 1977. The new structure was built adjacent to the old hospital. Presently, the old

hospital is being reconstructed into a clinic, doctors offices, pharmacy, x-ray complex, lab and emergency rooms. Completion is expected early in 1978.

Heartbreak to triumph could be the best words to describe Muleshoe's new hospital. From groundbreaking on July 4, 1976, the first phase of the new West Plains Medical Center Hospital was opened on June 20 of 1977. This followed several years of frustration, the closing of one hospital in Muleshoe, loss of one doctor right after another and hours and weeks of study and planning.

A hospital district was voted in then voted out by county voters, and numerous residents objected to constructing a new hospital. Then, following a campaign, funds were obtained to start construction of the new hospital and medical complex. The first phase, the hospital and operating room facilities were opened in June. Immediate construction began on a rebuilding program for the older part of the hospital to rebuild it into a clinic and pharmacy, complete with complete x-ray facilities and a laboratory.

As construction continues on the clinic, local residents, along with patients from outlying areas utilize the hospital facility. The new and larger hospital is equipped to encompass almost anything necessary to take care of a multitude of illnesses, surgery and accidents.

Featured is the bright new surgical complex, complete with facilities for two simultaneous operations if necessary, surgical clean-up rooms and sterilized supplies accommodations.

The surgical complex is just off the area that will be the new emergency rooms on completion of the renovation process of the former hospital adjacent to the new facility.

Also featured is a separate maternity ward and nursery with two semi-private rooms and a patient delivery room. The nursery is equipped to handle 18 infants at one time.

Already used numerous times is the ICU-CCU (Intensive Care Unit-Cardiac Care Unit, with three separate rooms, private with glass fronts, facing the nurses' station for constant attention. Very strict visiting rules are in effect in the ICU-CCU. Visitors hours are five minutes every two hours, and only two member of a patient's immediate family will be allowed in the unit.

Modern and up-to-date life-

saving equipment is featured in the unit, including telemeters, computerized EKG for constant and instant read-out on heart patients and other lifesaving equipment.

Larger and more convenient patients rooms are also in the new hospital, complete with carpet, wallpaper, shower and a bath, built-in oxygen outlets, a

private shower and bath and color TV in each room, along with a telephone beside each bed. Separate temperature controls are in the double rooms.

Semi-private rooms have cubicle curtains for additional privacy and the beds are all electronically operated for patient ease and comfort.

Guest beds are available in

private rooms at no additional charge, with the hospital furnishing lines for the pull-out beds from small couches in the rooms.

Large nursing stations are located in the regular patient area and IVAC electronic thermometers are in use. Limited access is allowed in the separate isolation room in the patient complex. The special room for suspect or confirmed communicable disease has a special entry with sterilized clothing and wash-up facilities in the entry.

Strict visitor hours are enforced. Regular visitors hours are from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. daily, and no children under the age of 14 will be allowed in any patient room.

In the x-ray department, a new x-ray has been placed in use in conjunction with the x-ray already owned by the hospital when the new portion was built. Under construction is a large x-ray waiting room, to eliminate patient congestion in the hallways. When completed, the lab will have all new and more accurate equipment to aid the technicians.

Renovation of the old part of the hospital is in full swing, with new doctor's offices, the emergency rooms, clinic waiting room, pharmacy, lab and x-ray rooms to be completed during the next few months.

Telephone Company Reaches Milestones

During the past twenty-six years, several milestones in telephone service improvements have been attained for Muleshoe customers, according to General Telephone Customer Service Manager, James D. Newby.

October, 1951, marks the date that Muleshoe telephone service was changed from a three position, 310 line, magneto switchboard to the most modern to dial telephone service.

The new system was "cut over" with 550 terminal per line switching equipment with eight long distance trunks to Littlefield, and two trunks to Clovis, New Mexico.

The equipment was upgraded and modernized in 1965, to terminal per station equipment

which allows a customer to move around within the exchange service area without having a telephone number change.

"Then, on October 27, 1976, Mayor Ken Henry placed the first long distance call over the new direct distance dial service," Newby said.

"During the past ten years and nine months, the number of total telephones in Muleshoe have grown from 2,435 to 3,532, and the number of main stations have grown from 1,549 to 2,435," Newby added.

"The main stations can be related to customers, and the 26.8 percent growth compares favorably to the approximate 16.8 percent population growth of Muleshoe for this same period," Newby concluded.

Coal-Fired Electric Plant Will Be Near Muleshoe

Southwestern Public Service Company has announced that it will invest in excess of \$200 million during the next four years for the construction of a new electric generating station on the South Plains of Texas.

SWPS's new plant will be located approximately one mile south and two miles west of Nickels Gin on Highway 70 east of Muleshoe. The new plant will be located 11 miles east of Muleshoe and west on FM 303. More than 200 people will be employed at the plant when it is completed, and workmen who will be constructing the plant will be looking for housing while in the construction stages, according to a spokesman for

SWPS. Construction of the new plant will begin early next year, and is scheduled for completion in 1982. Plans also call for a second \$65,000 kilowatt unit to be completed in 1985, apparently at the same location.

Both plants will be seven miles west of "Plant X" which was constructed in 1948-49 south of Earth in Lamb County, according to SWPS.

The announcement was made by Bill Esler, SWPS vice president of engineering and construction. Esler said the new plant will be located on the James Ranch, east of Muleshoe. He also said the new plant will

be called "Talk Station" in honor of Ray Talk, chairman of the board of SWPS, and will have a generating capability of 565,000 kilowatts. Primary fuel for the station will be low-sulfur coal which will be brought in by unit train from Wyoming.

Lamb County and Lubbock County both tried for the new plant, with Lubbock County losing out when they wanted to use "effluent" to power the plant in exchange for the SWPS pure water supply. SWPS planners did not feel the supply of effluent would be assured to power the new facility and granted construction to Lamb County.

Labor Housing Construction To Start Soon In Muleshoe

In the past, when people moved to Muleshoe, they have found a definite housing shortage. Some 20 percent of the housing in Muleshoe is either inadequate, antiquated or dilapidated.

This was all due for a turnaround recently, when Congressman George Mahon announced that Farmers Home Administration had approved a grant of \$810,000 and loan of \$90,000 to construct a housing project in Muleshoe.

The labor housing project will be constructed on East Sixth Street, across from the old city park.

Harmon Elliott, chairman of the Muleshoe Housing Authority Board commented, "I am very pleased that the application has been approved and believe the project will be very helpful to Bailey County. We have secured the services of Whitaker and Hall, architects. They have submitted plans that have been

tentatively approved and bids are expected to be let very shortly.

"Construction on the 53-unit housing project will get underway shortly as ground clearing is ready to begin."

Elliott said the Muleshoe Housing Authority board has acquired approximately 10 acres of land across the street east of the old city park, and expects the acquisition to be adequate for future expansion of the housing project. The property is formerly the location of Edwards Gin Co.

The chairman explained, and emphasized, "This will not be free housing and will be rented to the people who live in them. The rent will be paid by the week. A manager will be hired and income from the rental will liquidate the \$90,000 loan over a period of 33 years at one percent interest."

Elliott praised the work done to prepare the huge stacks of

paperwork concerning the loan application and grant and said the new labor housing was expected to fill a definite lack in adequate housing for people in this area.

"We had our first meeting to consider the need for housing in Muleshoe on March 30, 1976," he said. "A group of farmers and businessmen, along with Clinton Kennedy, representing Farmers Home Administration in Muleshoe; Glen Williams, representing the county commissioners' court; Lonnie Meriott, representing the Texas Employment Commission; and Max King, representing the City of Muleshoe, met with an interested group of people during an open meeting and discussed the need for housing."

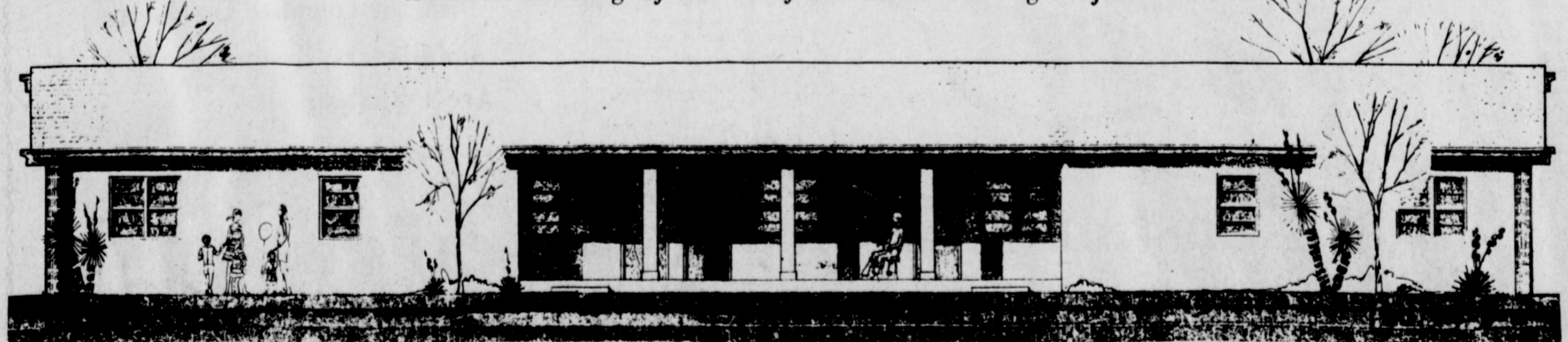
"From that meeting, it was decided for Kennedy and myself to go to Plainview and look into their labor housing facilities. Later on, members of the commissioners court and mem-

bers of the city council returned to Plainview to make another appraisal and investigate the housing facilities there.

"After the city council and county commissioners decided on the project, and agreed that there was such a need for this and felt it would be an asset to our community, the Muleshoe Public Housing Authority Board was organized and members appointed," he said. "I was named chairman and board members approved included Tim Campbell, Myron Pool II, Jesse Leal and Jim Cox."

Housing for workers is expected to be near completion by the time the new Southwestern Public Service Company \$200 million project is ready to get underway 11 miles east of Muleshoe. More than 200 workers will be looking for housing during the construction, as well as adequate housing for permanent workers once the project is completed in 1985.

Architect Drawing Of A Unit Of The Labor Housing Project



Cowboy...

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the trains until the time they were back in Kansas City, the prospective buyers listened to the stories of the land agents proclaiming the wonders of Texas. As they listened, they could see what wonderful possibilities that awaited them in a country where they had never been.

Many of the landseekers who came on the excursion trains bought homes.

Some never came to the country to live; but the ones who did brought their household goods, teams, wagons, chickens and cows with them. They would leave the train at Bovina, hitch their teams to their wagons and go to their new homes. In many cases, the men came before their families and built houses. The lumber was hauled from Bovina.

When the drought of 1909-1912 came, the land did not produce. Many of the people became discouraged and moved away.

The landseekers were, as a rule, of the highest-type farmer, and many outstanding citizens of Bailey County are these Oldren Land Company excursionists and their families.

In 1909, M.C. Vaughan of Waterloo, Iowa, bought a tract of land that originally had been patented to Melvin, Blum and Blum in 1883. The Vaughan Land Company sold their land for farms. The company's home office was in Iowa. Plans were carefully worked out before the land excursions were begun. Real estate men in small towns were contacted to solicit prospects.

A townsite known as Virginia City was plotted on Section 52 in Block B of Melvin, Blum and Blum surveys. In the plans for a town, a lot was reserved for the future courthouse of Bailey County and trees were set out around it.

Twelve lots were reserved for church sites, two and one-fourth blocks for schools, and one block for a city park. Several houses were built. A hotel was constructed to take care of the company's excursion parties.

The Denver-San Antonio Railroad Company was organized to build a railroad from Texico, New Mexico to Virginia City. A town, which was to be named Montezuma, was to be established between the two places.

The company employed a man to promote the railroad scheme. When the promoter arrived in Farwell driving a large car, he was quite a curiosity to the cowboys and farmers. He wore a "stove-pipe hat" carried a cane, wore a beard, and described him as resembling an Englishman.

A working crew with 50 teams was employed to do grading of the road bed. The promoter furnished the feed for the teams and would tell the crew he would pay them as soon as he could. After the man had worked about 90 days, he ran off with all the money that had been raised.

The Vaughan Land Company took its excursionists to Portales, N.M. Buggies, automobiles and hacks were used to take them to Virginia City. The company also paid all expenses from the time the prospect left his home in Iowa until he returned.

When the inspection was completed, the prospective buyers were taken back to Portales just in time to catch the train. They were not allowed to talk to a cowboy or a native. At one time when a prospect managed to talk to a cowboy, he asked what the principal crop was. The cowboy replied, "suckers."

Most of the land had been filed along the state line in New Mexico and had been put into cultivation by 1906. During the years 1907-1909, the crops were bountiful because there had been so much rain. The agent showed these to prospective buyers. The lakes were full of water, and the pastures were green. Everything looked prosperous.

Many town lots in Virginia City were sold and farms were sold

to the excursionists and also to people who never saw Bailey County because of the "dream" that was placed before them. The promoter's road caused many people to lose everything they had.

The northerners, who came to work the farms they had bought, brought large steam tractors to break the land. Before a year had passed, they realized that the major crop was indeed, "suckers." Many of them had to send to their old homes for money to return to their former homes.

The only things left to remind us of them are the old tractors, two large corner posts that a Mr. Keyser erected on his land, the old railroad bed, and the very faint roads and signs of the now defunct ghost city of Virginia City.

Barry & Young

Barry & Young Equipment at 803 West American Boulevard in Muleshoe, has served the area west of the Mississippi, including Parmer, Bailey, Lamb and parts of Curry Counties, since September, 1970.

The farm and agriculture related business, owned and managed by Delbert Barry, John Young and Jim Young, sell and service tractors, corn drying systems, construction equipment and motors.

The company, along with its 15 employees, are active on the Airport Board and assist with civic and youth activities. They are also looking at the future growth of Muleshoe and their business and feel the Muleshoe area is exceptionally good, as good as can be found anywhere. There expressed concern is for more airport facilities.

Muleshoe Was A Part Of World's Biggest Ranch--XIT

EDITOR'S NOTE: When the 14th annual XIT reunion was held in Dalhart in 1950 the old XITers, who were former XIT cowhands, and their wives, almost demanded that Mrs. Glenn Dunn make the memorial address. Mrs. Dunn and her family at that time lived in Parmer County on land which was once encompassed in the 3,000,000 acre XIT Ranch, and near the XIT division headquarters located near Lazbuddie. Mrs. Dunn is literally saturated in XIT history. The Dunsns were personal friends of B.P. (Press) Abbott of Bovina, one of the most colorful of the XIT old cowhands. She attended the XIT reunion with Abbott and the older XIT'ers just about adopted her. Mrs. Dunn, having moved to Muleshoe with her family several years ago, continues to enjoy living on the former XIT Bailey County land in Muleshoe.

By the late Mrs. Glenn Dunn. "We live in the past by knowledge of it's history and in the future by hope and anticipation."

Daniel Webster

It was a warm sultry day in the summer 1888. The courtwain square began to fill with men

and boys, while the women folk stopped. Two strangers were holding the attention of most of the men with loud-talking and great hand-waving. This was an uncommon sight in Weatherford, Texas, for strangers rarely stopped there.

At all, slight of build, dark haired lad of 17, with clear blue eyes and straight set shoulders edged closer and closer, and leaned forward, so as to, hear every word as the strangers told of three men in Chicago making a deal to build a State House in Austin. One was Colonel Amos C. Babcock another Charles B. Farwell, a member of Congress, who had enough political pull to borrow Military Equipment from Fort Elliott to make an inspection tour in West Texas. Col. Babcock, along with his son-in-law, Abner Taylor who was a contractor and builder in Chicago, and two brothers.

John V. and Charles B. Farwell, wholesale merchants and prominent figures in Illinois, had entered a contract to build "a magnificent capitol building at Austin" in exchange for a single tract of land in the Panhandle embracing approximately 3,000,000 acres, starting in the north west corner of Texas, extending south along Texas and New Mexico stateline for nearly 200 miles, and that his company planned to develop it.

"Develop it?"
"Yes, we will either plant colonies or stock it with cattle and sheep, or maybe bring in farmers to help develop it and sell it. But I must see the land first, before I decide definitely."

Mr. Mabry, the land surveyor of old Tascosa scratched his head, spit tobacco juice into the old tobacco box, which was almost filled with ashes, cinders and tobacco juice, and squinted at the black pot-bellied stove as if he'd never seen it before, then in a booming voice said,
"You mean you traded for 3,000,000 acres of land 'sight unseen?"
Col. Babcock looked down his nose at the man, who needed a shave and maybe a hair cut, and very icily assured him that he and his partners were learned men and had spent the most part of a day studying the surveys before they made a deal.

Malbry saw at once that these men, who had enough influence with U.S. government to borrow a big sand colored ambulance pulled by four mules and a big wagon loaded high with supplies, would want no part of the information he was just itching to tell him.

When the look on the colonel's face softened a little, Mabry did venture to say that no farmers had the courage to tackle these parts, and that ranchers, who wouldn't stop short of anything to find good grass (and especially if it was free) had only been there a few years...It was really the last place in Texas to be inhabited, since it was high, dry and lacking in wood and water.

Even if farmers came from Chicago and made a bumper crop, there would still be no place to market it then. Lumber to build houses would have to be freighted in from over 100 miles away. The winters were long and rough with howling blizzards; the summers were hot and dry. After frost in the fall the danger of fire was very great. Then too, there was the strip of land called "No Man's Land" which was not even in the jurisdiction of a federal court, so with no law enforcement officers it was an ideal and convenient hide-out for out laws of the West.

The young man pushed his way to the side of one of the strangers, and asked to hear more about this new country that was to be settled, and most of all-how far was it? Did they need men to work?

It wasn't so hard to speak to his father of his wishes to go west and work on a ranch. The old man said,

"Press don't you think you're a mite young to be going so far from your family and kin?"
Even as he spoke a far-away remembering, look came into

his eyes, for just twenty-five years before he had started in search of his own new frontiers.

Telling his mother was just a little harder and somehow different, for he was the youngest of three children. He knew he'd never go away if she were to be upset. But his mother was of pioneer stock too, and with a smile that belied her deep feelings, she cautioned him of getting a bad cold, that she'd heard of rattlesnakes in West Texas, to always be careful of his conduct, and not to forget to read the small Bible she pressed into his hand--and to write real often.

Getting to Fort Worth wasn't much of a problem for freight wagons came by most every day; but it was disappointing to learn that the freight wagon for west Texas had gone the night before he got there.

After almost a week hanging around the wagon yards, looking for a familiar face or a freight wagon heading west, finally, just before giving up in despair and starting back to Weatherford, he heard a man talking loud and long about the Great Western Plains. He knew he was talking about the new ranch country in West Texas, so without too much ado, he asked if he could join on and work his way west on the freight wagon.

The work of loading and re-arranging and packing the freight seemed very slight compared to the thrill of heading west.

XIT

He had not known that the Big Ranch had been named XIT and

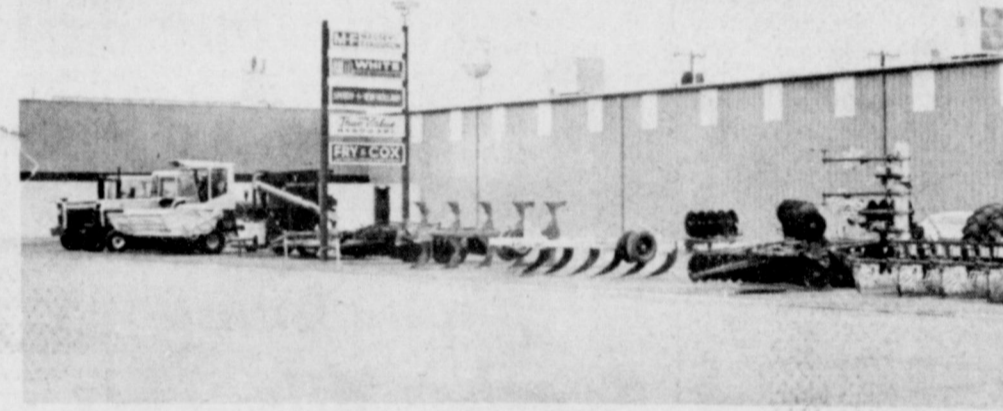
that it was divided into seven divisions: Buffalo Springs, Middle Water, Ojo Bravo; Rita Blanca; Escarbada, Spring Lake, Yellow House and Bovina. Each division had its own fre-

ight outfit of six to eight good mules, two good heavy duty wagons, which could haul ten to twelve thousand pounds of freight, and could travel 20 to 25 miles a day, in good weather.

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ORIGINALLY FRY AND COX--The first Fry and Cox was opened at this location in the 1920s. The owners purchased the A.W. Coker Filling Station for their first location. They later moved to the present location, at the corner of West Avenue D. and South First Street.



FRY AND COX--Recently completely renovated and enlarged is Fry and Cox Implement at the corner of West Avenue D and South First Street. The store, which was opened in Muleshoe in the 1920s, features a complete line of farm equipment repairs and parts.

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XIT...

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This freight wagon belonged to the Spring Lake Division, but was carrying freight to Dimmitt in Castro County. What was in all the boxes and packages? Each time they make camp, so many boxes had to be moved around, that finally he couldn't stand it any longer and began asking questions about each one. As he learned a part of the contents from the invoice, he lost interest in a hurry. One item was one quart castor oil, others were two bottles of cod liver oil, 20 gallons boiled linseed oil, one dozen heavy brooms, two boxes Smith and Wesson cartridges (.44 caliber) one Stetson hat-six and seven eighths such as sells for \$9 to \$10, and bacon, corn and oats, and if there were any tree sprouts or room for something else-bring a few lumps of coal."

The days were getting shorter and the weather much cooler by the time Press along with Uncle Charlie, the Mule Skinner, reached Dimmitt. Press already had learned what it was like to sleep on the open prairie, see herds of antelopes through hazy mirages, hear the coyotes howl mournful, lonesome serenades to the moon, but he was impatient to be a cowboy and work on a ranch, have his own horse and draw his pay. He was told that there was plenty work at Spring Lake headquarters.

Spring Lake gets its name from the lake, shallow, not very large and only a few inches deep in water. No one had been known to have a herd of cattle drink it dry. This is one of the few places in the country where the water bearing sand comes out on the surface of the ground, along the water course of the Black Water River. It is not unusual to find the water sand with in a foot or two of the surface of the ground. This proved to be a life saver, as many times the cowboys could dig down with a spade and find enough water to water the cattle and horses.

There was work a plenty and Press started at Springlake, it didn't take long to learn that a cowboy had to learn to cook or eat it raw, and that the romance of the range well, there wasn't any, and it was just plain hard work.

XIT SUPERLATIVES

XIT history is a triangle of superlatives. The XIT Ranch is the largest in the world, under

fence; Texas, the largest State in the union (at that time).

The Farwell brothers borrowed money in England to develop the ranch, and on this face probably was hung the one-time myth, that the ranch belonged to Englishmen (The debt was liquidated in 1909).

Ab Blocker, a South Texas trail driver, with the assistance of B. H. (Barbeque) Campbell, first general manager of the ranch worked out the XIT brand for which the great ranch was named.

"Barbeque" Campbell didn't last long as general manager of the ranch. According to J. Evetts Haley lie was big-faced, overbearing, loud mouthed and stocked the ranch with hands whose operations were sometimes questionable.

Colonel A.G. Boyce was selected as general manager. Many of the men were fired, however the honest men were recognized and praised for that quality.

Col. Boyce was a religious and courageous man and in the 18 years he served as general manager of the XIT Ranch is said to have exerted a greater civilizing influence in the High Plains country than any other man. He was stern, but his heart was big. Those who worked for him, as well as all who knew him still speak of him with highest respect.

Many times he called his men together at noon or in the evening for a religious service. His favorite place was Springlake headquarters where the men gathered in the shade of the trees to hear Col. Boyce or John Farwell read from the big Bible which was always on a table in the front room.

Springlake Hotel was a central gathering place for ranch officials and visitors—one of the favorite side trips for the visitors were the Sandhills of Bailey County. They always explain now that the ranch rejected that wasteland, little realizing that was the part of Bailey County with a wealth of underground water.

Fencing this vast ranch was a big undertaking and took almost four years. There was 260 miles of four-strand wire, 150 miles without a curve or turn, and it cost \$181,000.00. The wire was a special patented wire. As late as 1942 some could still be recognized along the edge of the Sandhills just south of Muleshoe. Some 100,000 posts were used and set 30 feet apart. It

took five boxcars to bring the heavy wire stays, placed in the fence between the posts. One box car load of gate hinges. The fence was needed, not so much to keep intruders out, but keep XIT cattle at home.

More than 110,000 cattle were bought the first year, all of this was big business. But there's lots more to running a ranch than raising the money to buy it and stock it with cattle.

Rustlers and lack of rain, range fires, believed to have been set

because of ill feeling toward the Ranch and some of its foreman, cut deeply into the profits. Expenses continued to climb, wells had to be dug. Windmills set and kept in repair, and some kind of reservoir for the water for days the wind didn't blow.

Earthen tanks were made, but the water disappeared. They even tried a thin coat of cement—but cattle would break through; then tar was used to coat the bottoms, but this too, was not the thing.

There were three Dyer brothers who dug these earthen tanks. Of these brothers Gene Dyer later came to Muleshoe and went into business and lived in

Muleshoe until his death.

His son Roy, and daughter Mrs Bennie Meadors still live Muleshoe. These brothers hit on the idea of letting the cattle pack the sand in the bottom of these tanks. They found they held the water fine. In 1941 two of these tanks were still in use in Bailey County.

What is now Bailey County was one of the hardest hit by the Big Burn which started in the late fall of 1894, in Eastern New Mexico and covered a strip 70 to 100 miles wide all across Bailey County on across Lamb, taking the tall grass which had been saved for winter feed on the Spring Lake Division, also part of the Yellow Division, also part of the Yellow Houses and nearly all of the Escarbada.

The miracle of the Big Burn was that all the cattle were not killed. The exact count of cattle lost was not known but the fire losses, followed by a hard cold winter, on over crowded range to the north, along with a couple of short calf crops were placed at 4,000 head of the best breeding stock on the range. It was not unusual to see cows chase pieces of wastepaper blown from the trash at Springlake headquarters.

Rumors had it that the fire

wasn't an accident, and rustlers began to hit, and fences were found out. So Col. Boyce asked the Texas Rangers to come to his aid. Fire arms were handed to the cowboys to help protect the interest of the XIT.

The arming of the cowboys brought sorrow to the Farwell Brothers (for whom Farwell, Texas, in Parmer County is named). They were feeling very heavily the responsibility of a business deal that was losing money and not even able to pay the interest monies borrowed in England. They had always been peace loving, religious men. Dwight Moody was a great preacher friend of theirs. They were encouraging former baseball player Billy Sunday to give up baseball and preach the Gospel.

John Farwell wrote Col. Boyce that something had to be done. The XIT was a large outfit, but he didn't like the idea of an armed camp on the XIT.

"A better way might be to take God as a partner in this business, and start practicing the 'Golden Rule,' for without practical religion we have very little left," Farwell said.

Col. Boyce thought it was easy for John Farwell in Chicago to see the easy way to do things in Texas. But after thinking that even an army could not keep an enemy from slipping in and dropping a match, he decided to try the Christian way.

An abruptly gun law ended on the XIT.

"Let the nesters turn their cattle in with ours, it will make them our friends," they said.

When a fire cleaned out a small rancher in the south part of Bailey County, Col. Boyce said "Give this man all the hay he needs."

The XIT had transformed the Panhandle and nearly all the cow country, now the XIT, itself was transformed. XIT had fewer fires, than anytime since its beginning. All of them were accidental, very few stock were reported stolen and a friendliness and helpfulness prevailed and was working better than the previous rough-shod arrogance.

The memory of the Big Burn and how hard they'd worked and how long they'd gone without sleep was still fresh in their minds, when the boys at Spring Lake begged the good natured foreman Mac Huffman to give them a dance. Huffman, knew the Farwells to be religious, so he said ask Col. Boyce, Boyce couldn't refuse that small a favor - so he said, "Sure, and invite the neighbors."

Each one had an idea to make the dance a success, but the

main thing is "We gotta' have girls - PLENTY OF GIRLS."

The cowboys went in every direction, stopping at every settlement, inviting everyone, especially girls within traveling distance of Spring Lake. They hired a band called "The Fiddling Four" one fiddle, one guitar, one mandolin and one banjo. By good sun up on the big Day, hacks, buggies, wagons and men and women on horse-back headed into Spring Lake. Dancing, eating and drinking coffee ("No likker allowed") A little sparring continued all day and night and the second day and night till three in the morning. Charlie Lea, the cook, said he'd put out grub to 212, and that was the start of the social gatherings on the XIT. Another king of flame on the prairie.

LEASING

Cattle prices dropped and the northern cattle were preferred over Texas range cattle. Even losing money on each beef sold did not lessen the faith that John Farwell and A. Taylor had in the great XIT. But grasping at anything to pull out of the red and pay off some of the English creditors and stay off receivership at least temporarily, they decided to lease some range in South Dakota and trailed a herd of 15,000 - 2, 3, 4 year old steers to the new pasture.



GO NAVY!—Even at the turn of the century, sailor boys could be found on the streets of Muleshoe.

Historical Group Sells Place Mats

The place mat displayed at the bottom of this page was compiled by the Muleshoe Junior High School Historical Society. Three different types are available from the Historical Society at MJHS or from the junior high school library.

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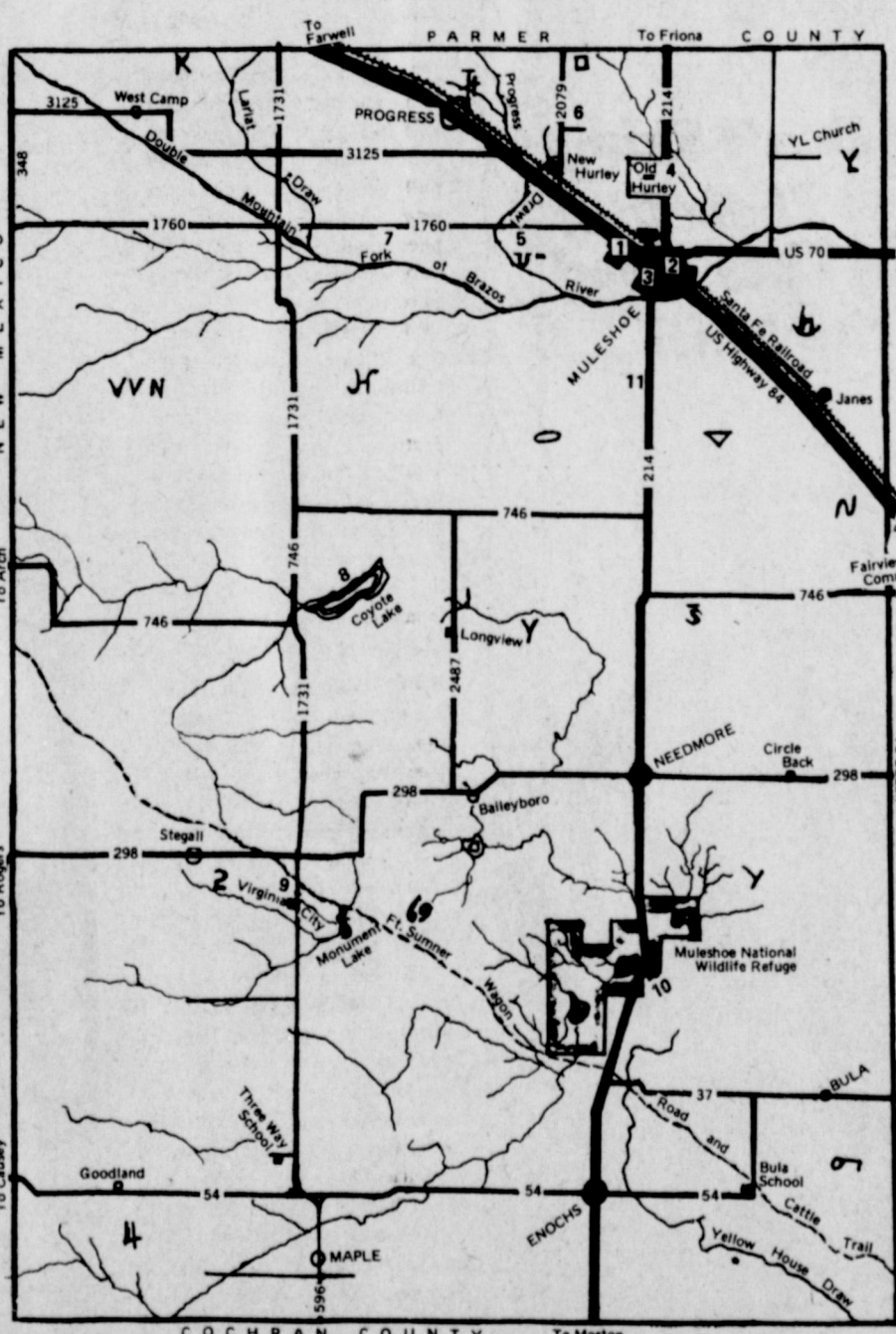


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8. COYOTE LAKE
9. VIRGINIA CITY
10. NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
11. XIT SOUTH LINE

- 1915—McKelvey & Ely, Figure Four Ranch, brand was recorded. Muleshoe Independent School District was created from the Muleshoe and Hurley Districts.
- 1916—First cannery in county was built along the railroad at New Hurley—sold canned vegetables under "Hurley Best" label.
- 1916—John Jones, Rocking Chair Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1917—Greenfield, Bar Four Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1918—Bailey County was organized as an independent county. First officials of county elected in a November general election. Harden A. Douglass was elected sheriff.
- 1919—A cemetery association was formed to provide a legal burial ground.
- 1919—First Commissioners' Court held in January. Muleshoe was selected county seat by a specially held election.
- 1919—First jail cell purchased from Parmer County, Texas.
- 1919—\$2,450 contract let for the first frame court house.
- 1919—First Bailey County newspaper, "The Booster", was published.
- 1919—"The Bailey County Bugle" soon replaced "The Booster".
- 1919—After Bailey County was organized, the first marriage license issued was to Melvin Rutherford and Rosa Dyer.
- 1920—County population: 517.
- 1920—A. L. Davis, Bar S, brand was recorded.
- 1920—YL Ranch headquarters used as show place for "prospects looking for land" First Baptist Church was organized. Had 9 members.
- 1921—Welton Winn, Running N Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1921—Baileyboro Post Office was established.
- 1922—Halsell Cattle Company, Mashed O Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1923—The first doctor, Dr. C. C. Matthews, came to the county.
- 1923—The first cotton gin was built by R. L. Brown.
- 1923—The first bale of cotton ginned was for R. G. Fort.
- 1923—Goodland and Baileyboro school districts were created.
- 1924—The newspaper, "The Muleshoe Journal", was born.
- 1924—The present court house was built for \$60,000. It replaced the earlier frame court house.
- 1924—Fairview, Watson and Stegall school districts were created. A \$50,000 Muleshoe Independent School District school building was completed.
- 1924—First Muleshoe school football game was recorded.
- 1925—J. M. Jackson, Y Ranch's cattle brand was recorded.
- 1925—The first mail was delivered on the rural route.
- 1925—Bula and Longview school districts were created.
- 1926—Muleshoe was organized. The town got electricity and the first telephones.
- 1927—West Texas Gas began construction of a natural gas pipeline serving Muleshoe.
- 1930—County population: 5,186.
- 1930—First meetings of Muleshoe Church of Christ members were held.
- 1935—Texas' oldest National Wildlife Refuge was established for waterfowl.
- 1935—Muleshoe Home Demonstration Club was organized.
- 1939—County had 200 irrigation wells.
- 1939—Second doctor, Dr. L. T. Green, moved to Muleshoe.
- 1939—The Walter Damrons' home was the first to receive electricity from Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association.
- 1940—County population: 6,318.
- 1941—Record rainfall of 43.52 inches fell. Flooding caused the railroad bridge of town to be washed out. Average rainfall is 17.43 inches.
- 1950—County population: 7,592.
- 1950—First Christian Church was organized.
- 1957—Immaculate Conception of Mary Catholic Church has its dedication services.
- 1960—County population: 9,090.
- 1960—Irrigation well numbers increase to over 2,000.
- 1961—Muleshoe Episcopal Church held its first services.
- 1965—On July 4th, the National Mule Memorial Monument became a reality.
- 1970—County population: 8,487.

OLD HURLEY

According to statement by Russell Bearden on November 20, 1976: Jim Johnson of Dorchester, Nebraska bought section and laid out townsite on entire section. He also bought and built a house which was located in Old Hurley. In 1922 or 23 the house was moved to its present location on the John Young place on the Friona highway, just one mile north of the Northeast corner of the Old Hurley townsite. Carl Elrod bought and moved the house there.

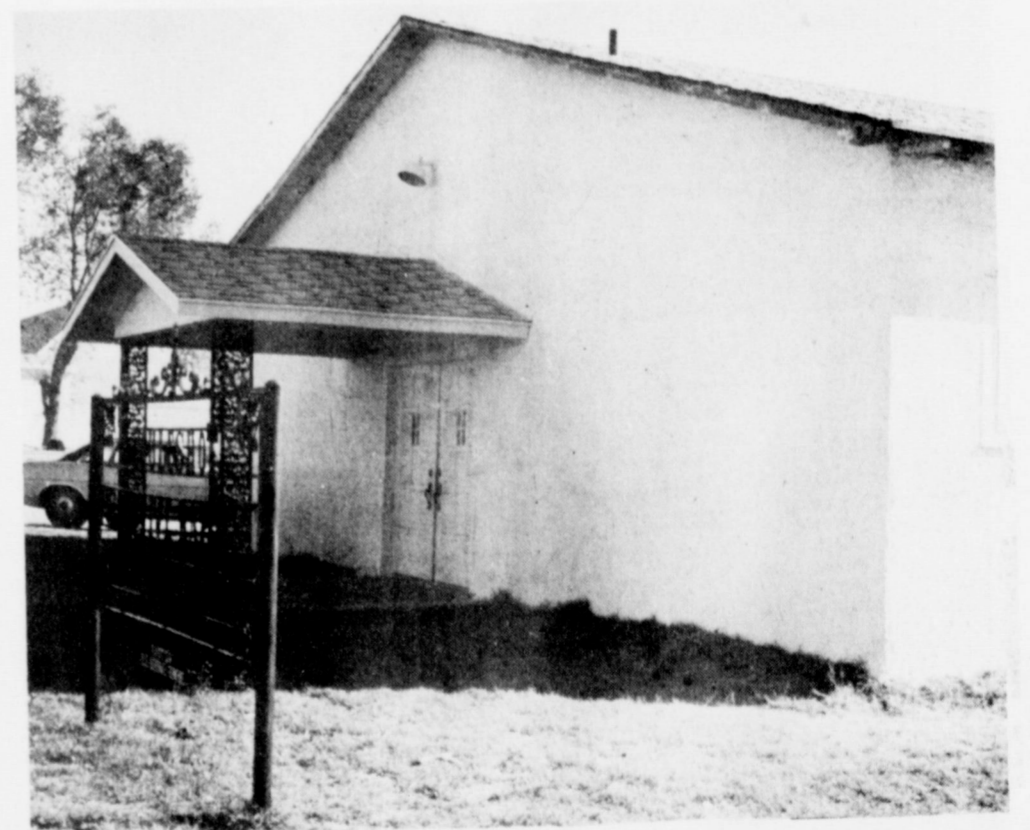
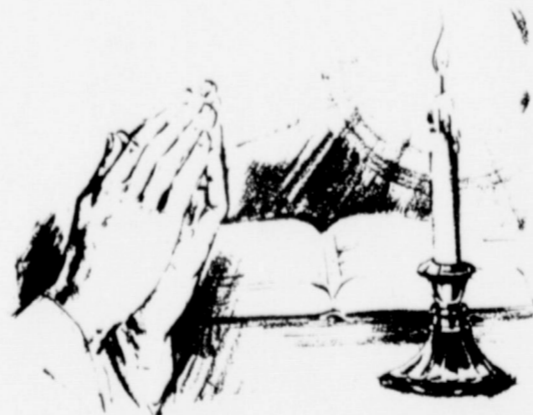
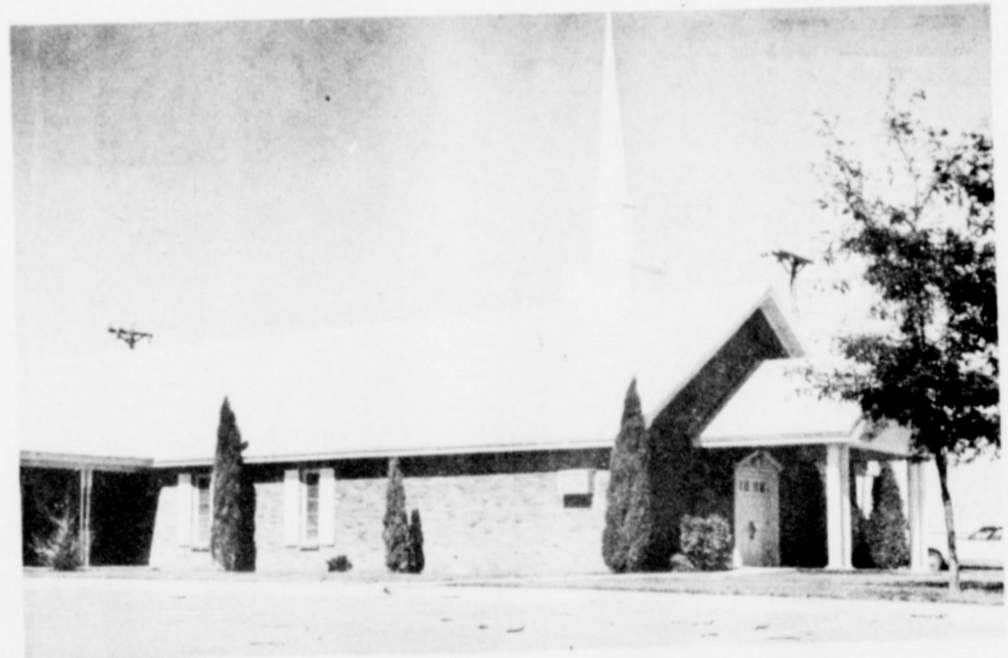
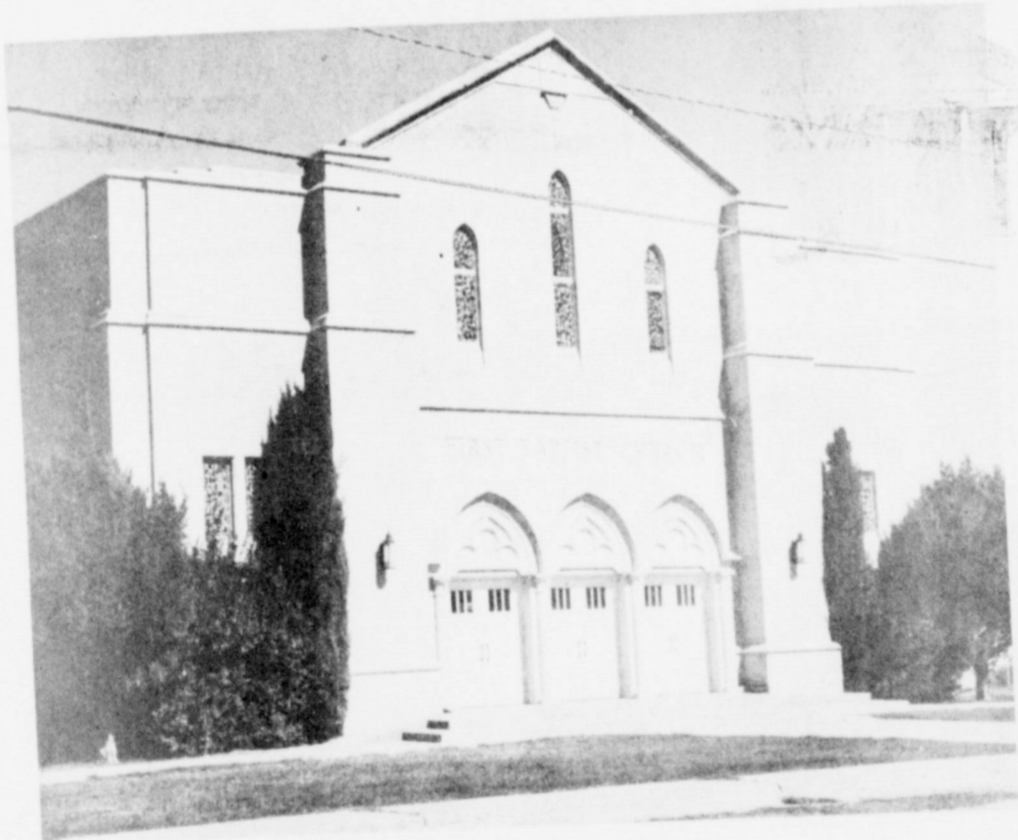
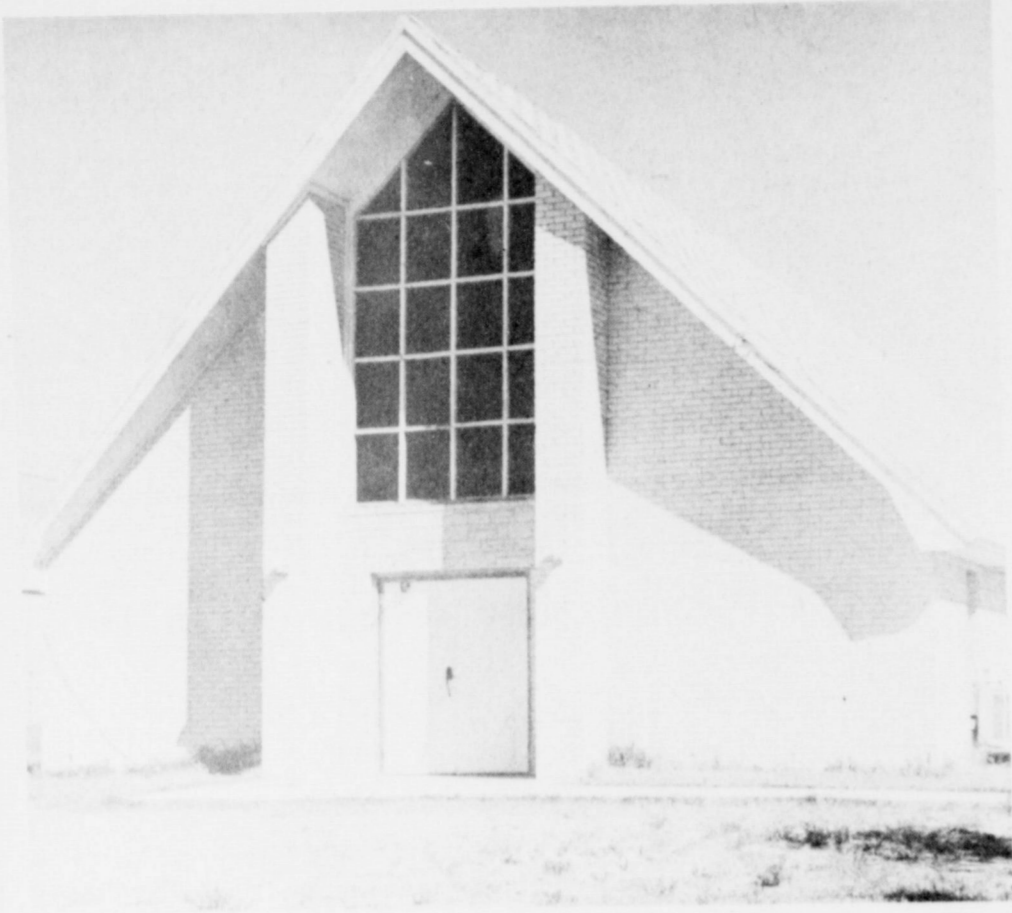
Townsite laid out in 1908 or 1909. Location: Section Block Y — Hotel; SE corner of NW4; Store: NE corner of SW4; School: Center of SE4; Church: center of NE4; Garage: NE of hotel; Livery barn: N of hotel.

OUTLINE OF BAILEY COUNTY HISTORY

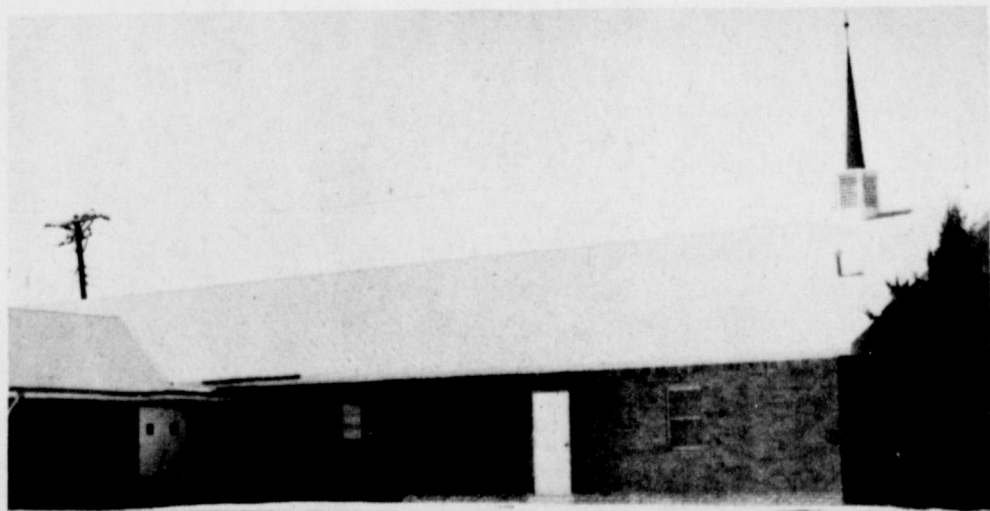
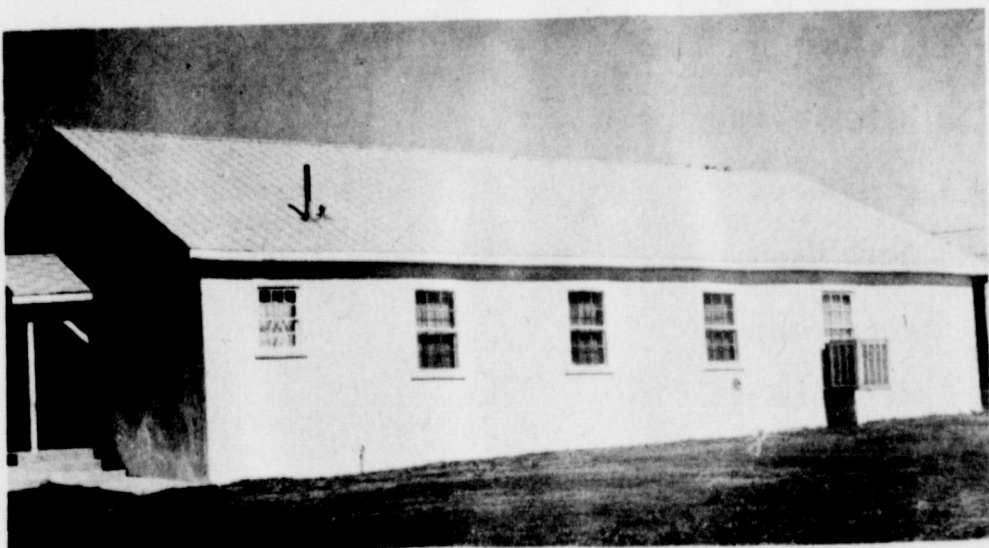
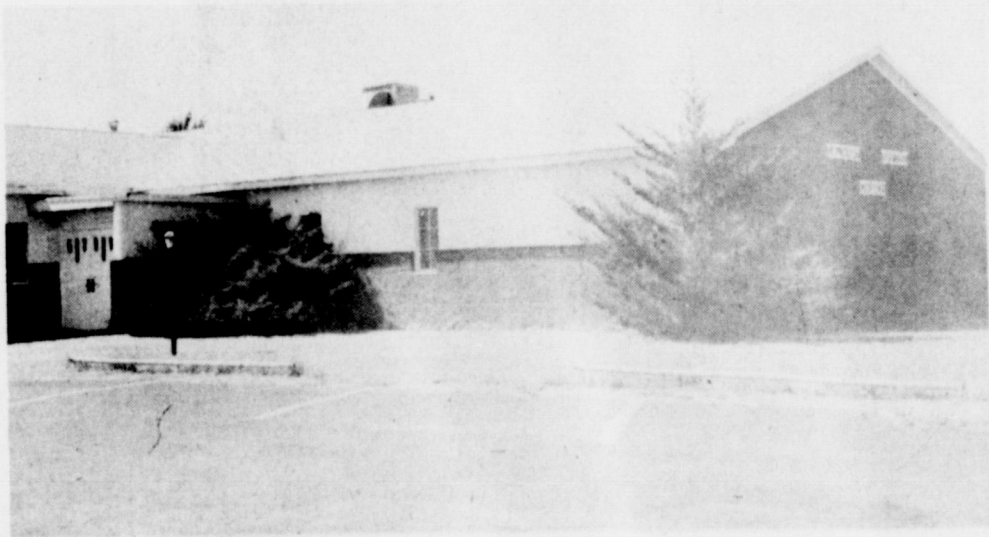
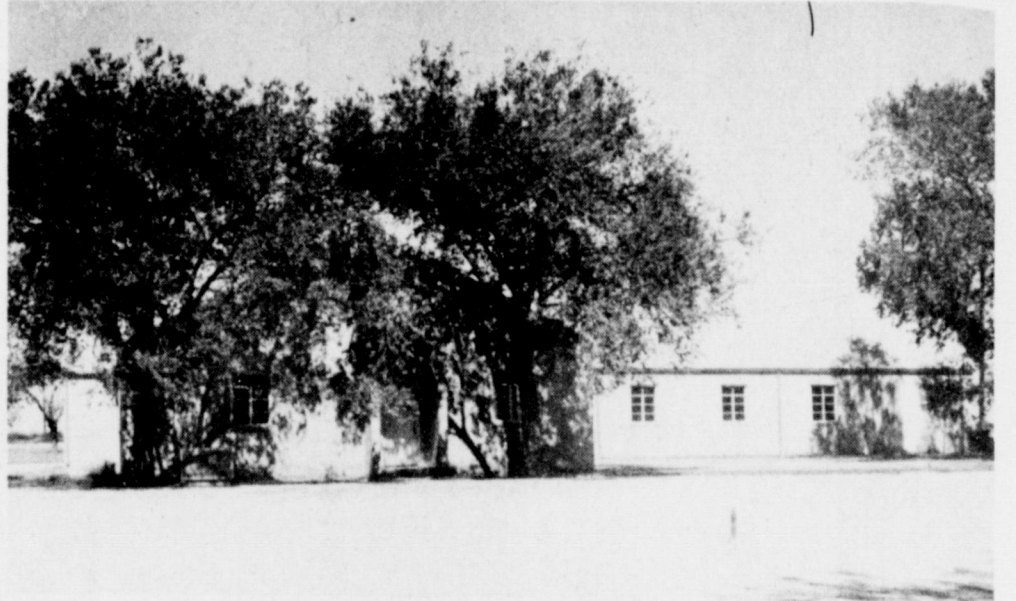
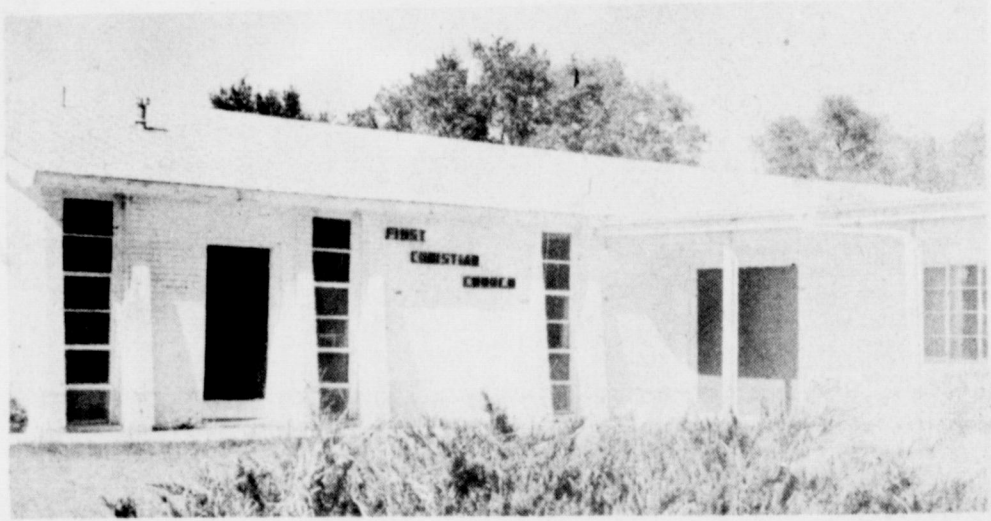
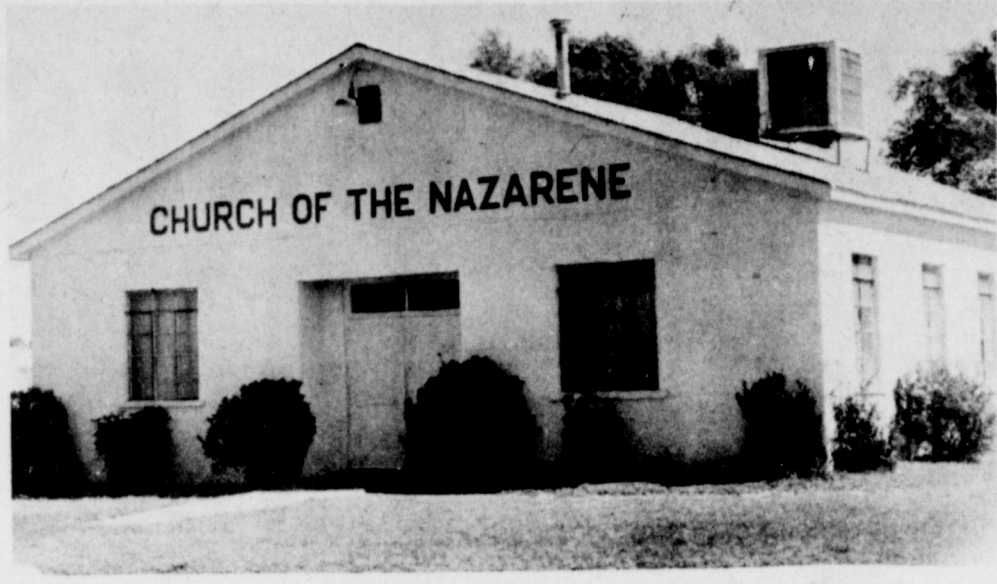
- 28000—In the late Pleistocene period, giant beasts, called mammoths, roamed this area. In 1962 a sewer line digging crew dug up these animals' bones, just east of Muleshoe, near the old Edward's Gin.
- 8000 B.C.—Indians roamed the area. The last to occupy this section were the Kiowas and Comanches.
- 1876—Coronado, while searching for the golden city of Quivira, passed one mile east of Muleshoe, perhaps along the Blackwater Draw, a tributary of the Brazos.
- 1870—Buffalo hunters came into this area and killed so many buffalo that by 1877 the animals were almost extinct.
- 1876—Bailey County, along with 53 other counties, was created from Bexar Territory. The county was named after Peter James Bailey, a Kentucky lawyer, killed while defending the Alamo.
- 1882—First ranching in the county occurred when Tom Lynch drove a herd from New Mexico to a Spring Lake camp near Muleshoe.
- 1882—XIT Ranch was established. Present site of Muleshoe was a part of the Spring Lake camp.
- VVN Ranch was first deed recorded—is oldest document recorded in Bailey County. Ranch was bought by J. L. Birdwell in 1948.
- 1885—Coyote Lake served as a watering hole for the huge XIT Ranch.
- 1886—XIT Ranch ran cattle on present site of Muleshoe.
- 1892—John and Jarrett Jones established the Jones Ranch east of Muleshoe.
- 1894—Big Burn, a 70 to 100 mile wide prairie fire crossed Bailey County.
- 1898—Pecos & Northern Railroad built through Bovina, in Parmer County. It became the nearest railroad for the Bailey County area.
- 1900—County population: 4.
- 1901—O'Keefe & Kiser, owners of the O Lazy L or Door Key Ranch, recorded the first cattle brand in the county.
- 1902—Old Muleshoe Ranch cook house was bought and moved to present location.
- 1903—The E. K. Warren, YL Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1903—Bovina Cattle Company, K Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1904—Farmers and settlers began to move into the northern part of the county.
- 1907—Old Hurley, first town established in Bailey County, was located 2½ miles north of present day Muleshoe.
- 1908—First Bailey County Fair held at Old Hurley.
- 1908—First school was started in Bailey County at Old Hurley. There were 25 pupils. First School district established and called Progress School District. Old Hurley was the birthplace of Methodism in Bailey County.
- 1908—First boy born in Bailey County was Francis B. Gaede; first girl born was Mary Snyder.
- 1909—First irrigation well was dug.
- 1909—Virginia City was established seven miles southwest of present day Baileyboro and eight miles east of New Mexico's eastern state line.
- 1909—Denver-San Antonio Railroad Company built a roadbed from Texico, New Mexico to Virginia City.
- 1910—County population: 312.
- 1910—Kiser & Kirk, Figure Two Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1910—Circle Back School district was created.
- 1911—Most severe drought ever known in Bailey County occurred.
- 1911—The Muleshoe Cattle Company, U Bar Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1911—The Victor Van Natta, VVN Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1911—Bivins & Jersig, Sixty-Nine Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1912—There were ten irrigation wells in the county.
- 1912—New Hurley town was plotted 3 miles northwest of present day Muleshoe. The town of Jones was plotted 6 miles southeast of present day Muleshoe.
- 1913—Santa Fe Railroad built the Coleman Cutoff through present Muleshoe site. Muleshoe townsite was laid out.
- 1913—The town of Muleshoe was plotted just east of New Hurley by E. K. Warren. It never became a town.
- 1913—First merchant, M. P. Smith, arrived in Muleshoe.
- 1913—Liberty and West Camp school districts were created.
- 1913—Congregational Church building was built in one day at New Hurley. Building was also used as a school.
- 1914—Muleshoe Post Office established, and Muleshoe School District was created.
- 1914—Paul Brother, Tumbling T Ranch, brand was recorded.
- 1914—Black Water Valley Bank opened for business.
- 1914—First Methodist Sunday School in Muleshoe was held in railroad depot.
- 1914—First Sunday School held in YL Ranch bunkhouse dining room. YL Methodist Church was organized.

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Churches Play An Important



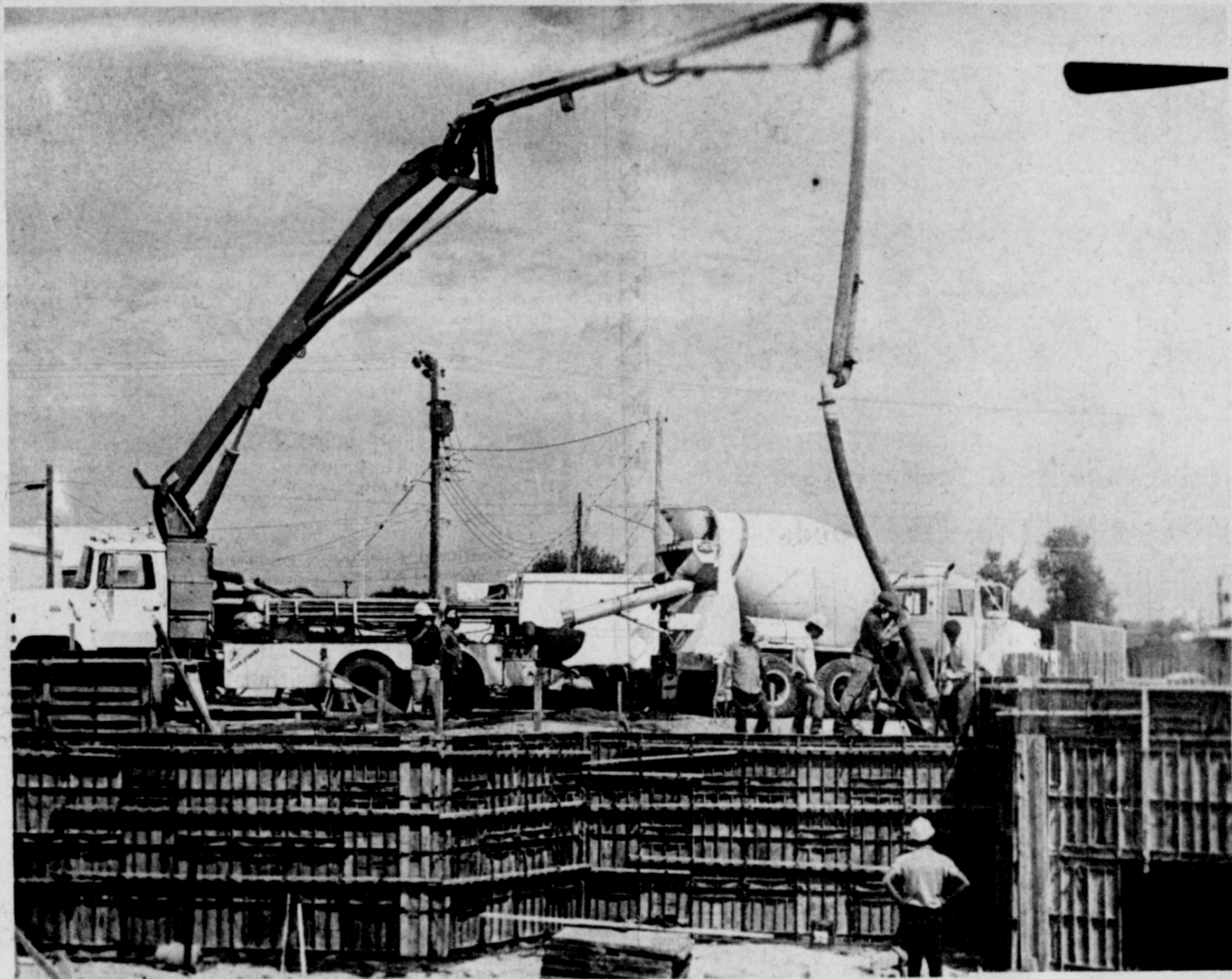
Role In Community Progress



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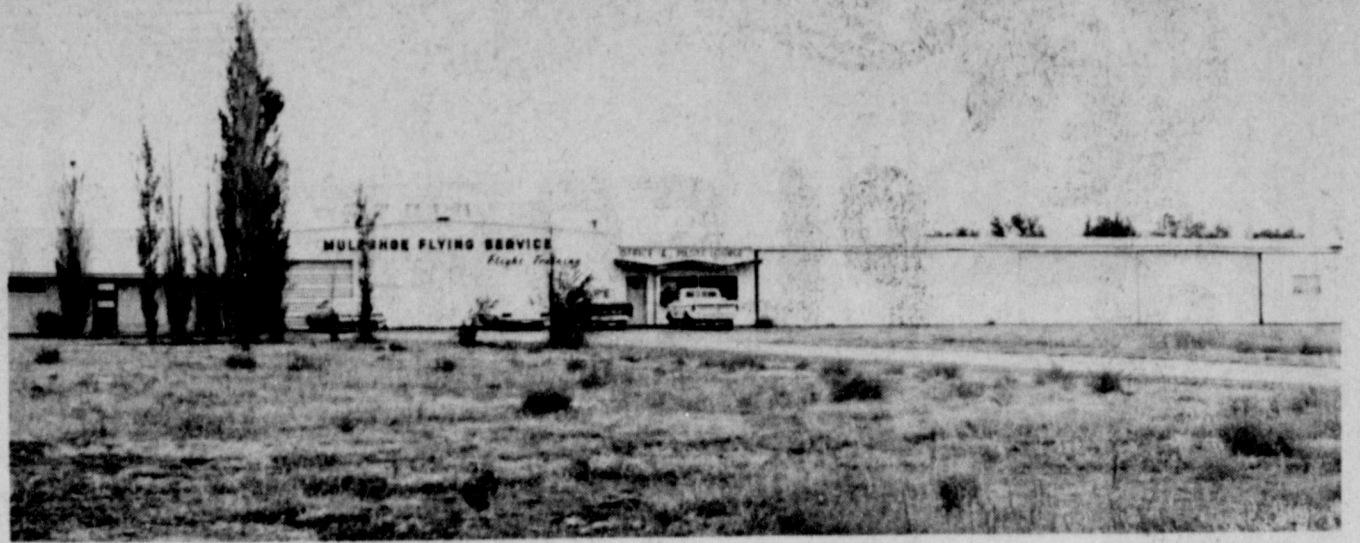
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Maxine Donaldson	Kevin Tucker
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Muleshoe School System Has 'Full' Curriculum

PLAN OF ADMINISTRATION

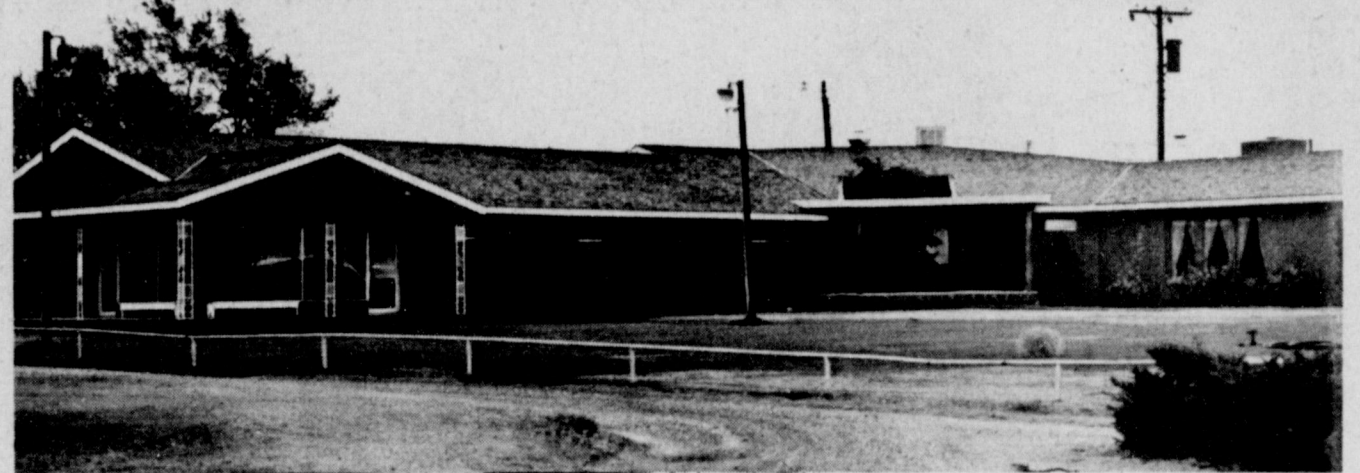
I. BOARD OF TRUSTEES	1
II. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS	1
III. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL	
A. Directors and Coordinators	3
B. Principals	4
C. Assistant Principals	1
TOTAL	9
IV. TEACHERS	
A. Pre-School	4
B. Bilingual	3
C. Primary (Grades 1-2)	9
D. Elementary (Grades 3-4-5)	16
E. Junior High (Grades 6-7-8)	20
F. Senior High (Grades 9-10-11-12)	26
G. Special Education	3
H. Nurses	2
I. Librarians	4
J. Music Teachers & Band Directors	3
K. Counselors	3
L. Special Reading Teachers	9
M. Special Math Teachers	2
Total	104
TOTAL OF PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL	113

V. OTHER GENERAL PERSONNEL	
A. School Secretaries	4
B. Administrative Secretaries	2
C. Teacher's Aides	12
D. Migrant Clerk	1
E. Community Aides	1
TOTAL	20
VI. BUSINESS PERSONNEL	
A. Bookkeeper	1
B. Tax Assessor & Collector	1
C. Payroll Clerk	1
D. Maintenance Supervisor	1
E. Bus Foreman	1
F. Lunchroom Supervisor	1
G. Cafeteria Employees	18
H. Custodians	10
I. Bus Drivers, 12 - Teacher-Drivers, 2	14
TOTAL	47
PERSONNEL GRAND TOTAL	179



MULESHOE AIRPORT—Morgan Locker operates the airport and his Muleshoe Flying Service has private flights, as well as flight instruction for this area. Complete renovation of existing runways is scheduled, along with the addition in the near future of a longer

runway to handle larger planes and jets. The builders at the airport house the offices, guest quarters, radio equipment and hangars for private aircraft as well as those owned by Muleshoe Flying Service.



MULESHOE COUNTRY CLUB—Following a fire a few years ago, the Muleshoe Country Club was completely rebuilt. It features a dining area, offices, lounge and a complete golf shop. Surrounding

the Country Club is a fine 18-hole golf course, renowned for its good playing course. A swimming pool is also a feature of the facilities at the Country Club.

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HIGH SCHOOL

GRADES 9-10-11-12
Quarter System

- I. VOCATIONAL PROGRAM: 6 Vocational Courses
2 Homemaking I, II; HECE; 4 Agriculture I, II, III; Ag. Occupation; 2 Distributive Education Cooperative and PEL. TOTAL 9 courses of Study.
- II. SCIENCE: Biology; Physical Science; Advanced Science; Chemistry.
- III. SOCIAL STUDIES: World History; American History; Free Enterprise; Civics.
- IV. MATH: Introductory Algebra I; Algebra I; Algebra II; Geometry; Trigonometry and Elementary Analysis; F.O.M. I.
- V. ENGLISH: English I, II, III, IV; Literature and Grammar.
- VI. BUSINESS: Typing I; Typing II; Shorthand; Bookkeeping; General Business; Journalism.
- VII. FOREIGN LANGUAGES: Spanish I.
- VIII. FINE ARTS: Art I, II and Crafts; Band; Drama; Speech (Debate, Persuasive Speaking, Prose, Extemporaneous).
- IX. INDUSTRIAL ARTS
- X. DRIVERS EDUCATION
- XI. AUTO MECHANICS
- XII. PHYSICAL EDUCATION
- XIII. ATHLETICS

JUNIOR HIGH

CURRICULUM (Grades 6-7-8)
Quarter System

- Math 6-8; Science 6-8; English 6-8; Social Studies 6-8; Reading 6-8; P.E. and/or Athletics 6-8.
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| ELECTIVES | SPECIAL PERSONNEL |
| Art I, II, III | Librarian |
| General Music | Special Reading 1 |
| Band 6-8 | Oral Language 1 |
| Speech 7-8 | Special Education 1 |
| Journalism | Math Station |
| Spanish 8 | |
- SPECIAL ORGANIZATIONS AND EVENTS
Science Fair, History Fair, Bailey County Spelling Bee, Student Council Variety Show (Spring), Student Council, Junior Olympics, U.I.L. Events, Historical Society.

MARY DeSHAZO

SPECIAL PERSONNEL - Grades 3-4-5

- Counselor, 1; Librarian, 1; Nurse, 1; Special Reading Teachers, 4; Special Math Teachers, 2; Music Teacher, 1; Playground Supervisor, 1; Teacher's Aides for Migrant Children, 3. 1 Bilingual Teacher; Third Grade, 5; Fourth Grade, 6; Fifth Grade, 5; Special Education, 1; Career Education, Drug Education, and Safety Education integrated in regular curriculum.
- SPECIAL EVENTS
P.T.A., U.I.L., Junior Olympics, Career Education Display, P.T.A. Coffees, Bailey County Spelling Bee, American Heritage, T.V., N.Y.C. Aides, Halloween Carnival.

RICHLAND HILLS

SPECIAL PERSONNEL K-2
Counselor, Librarian, Nurse, Special Reading Teachers, Aides, Playground Aide.

- CURRICULUM
Kindergarten - All five year olds MFP - 4 classes - 1 Bilingual; Bilingual Aides for K. Migrant Children
First Grade - Four Classes - 1 Bilingual with Aide.
Second Grade - Six classes - 1 Bilingual with Aide.
- SPECIAL CLASSES
Reading Resource Rooms, 3 - Special Education, 1 - T.V.
Special emphasis is placed on Career Education, Drug Education, and Safety Education, but correlated with the regular Curriculum.
- SPECIAL EVENTS
P.T.A.; Spring Round-up; P.T.A. Coffees; Oral Language and Reading (Migrant Pilot Project); Student Teachers from Colleges; N.Y.C. Aides.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1976-77

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| Nov. 16 | End of 2nd 6-weeks period—End of 1st quarter |
| Nov. 19 | Inservice Training - ALL TEACHERS |
| Nov. 25,26 | Thanksgiving Holidays |
| Nov. 29 | Resume School |
| Dec. 23 - Jan. 2 | Christmas Holidays (Inclusive) |
| Jan. 3 | Resume School |
| Jan. 11 | End of 3rd 6-weeks period |
| Feb. 23 | End of 4th 6-weeks period—End of 2nd Quarter |
| Feb. 24,25 | Inservice Training (2 days) - ALL TEACHERS |
| April 7 | End of 5th 6-weeks period |
| April 8 - 12 | Easter Vacation (Inclusive) |
| April 13 | Resume School |
| May 20 | Commencement & Baccalaureate - 8:00 p.m. |
| May 26 | End of 6th 6-weeks period - End of 3rd Quarter |
| May 27 | Inservice Training - ALL TEACHERS |

Tri-County Savings & Loan Adds To Muleshoe's Growth

Tri-County Savings & Loan Association, located at 304 Main Street in Muleshoe, has progressed much throughout the years. In addition to opening three branch offices in 1975, 100 acres have been purchased south of the city park and plans are being made for development.

Saving account deposits and loans to individuals in Bailey, Lamb and Parmer counties for the past 13 years have made Tri-County an indispensable business in Muleshoe. With 18 employees, Tri-County Savings & Loan has an annual payroll of \$200,000. They are sponsors of Little League, Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce and Water, Inc.

A Terrible Situation
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Bates-Just the opposite. His job is so easy that he hates to rest because it's too much like work.

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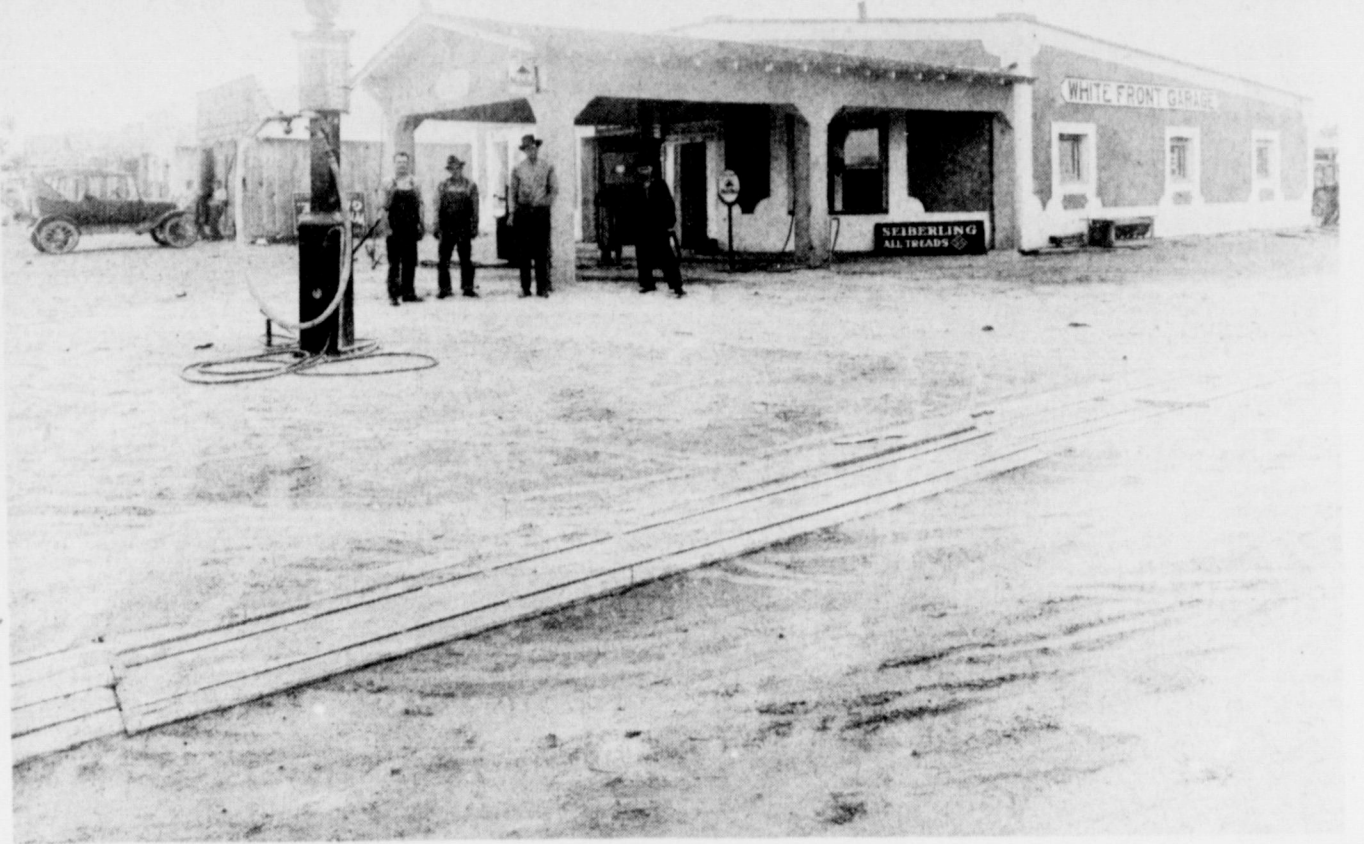
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Seed Dept. 122 W. Amer. Blvd.

Muleshoe



BOARD SIDEWALKS MARK EARLY DAYS--Looking north from U.S. Highway 84 in the early 1920's, a board sidewalk is noted on the unpaved streets. From right to left in the picture, where St. Clair's parking lot is presently located are A.W. Coker Filling

Station; T.B. Fry's Blacksmith Shop; Wood-Panter Land Co.; A.V. McCarty Drug Store; Lud Taylor's Barber Shop and Elmer Hoskin's Cafe.



ST. CLAIR'S TODAY--The board sidewalks are gone and a parking lot replaces the former garage and service station. The older

buildings were torn down to make room for additional parking adjacent to St. Clair's Department Store.

Muleshoe Motor Company Supports Muleshoe's Growth

Muleshoe Motor Company, Inc., located at 1225 American Boulevard in Muleshoe, has been serving Muleshoe and the surrounding Tri-County area since 1928.

Robert Hooten, owner since 1962, has under his employment 25 automotive sales and service people. Ford and Mercury automobiles are sold and serviced, along with Ford irrigation engines.

Hooten, Director of Texas Automobile Dealers Association and past director of Ford Dealers Advertising Fund of Dallas District, encourages his business to sponsor many activities and clubs in the Muleshoe area, such as the Little League

Mustang team, Miss Muleshoe contest, Junior Livestock shows, 4-H Youth Leadership program, Senior Citizens, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Salvation Army, United Fund, Future Farmers of America, Fords annual Punt, Pass and Kick contest for youth, Chamber of Commerce and the Hospital Action Fund.

The recipient of such honors as Ford Motor Company's Distinguished Achievement Award for recognition of progressive management, modern sales and service facilities, sound merchandising practices, high quality standards and continuing interest in rendering superior services to Ford owners since 1962; Ford Leadership Citation Award; Ford Golden Shovel Award-for new facilities; Customer Relations Citation;

Business Management Awards for Accounting Excellence for 20 years; Bronze Medallion Manager Award for excellence in Parts Management and Bronze Medallion Award for outstanding achievement in Service Management, Muleshoe Motor Company also received new facilities in 1973.

Employees of Muleshoe Motor Company feel Muleshoe is the largest town of 5,000 population anywhere in the world.

XIT Steakhouse Still Growing With Muleshoe

XIT Steakhouse at 200 West American Boulevard in Muleshoe has been under the present ownership of Stan Black for the past four and one half years.

Just one of Muleshoe's finest restaurants, the XIT has a complete beef menu including prime steaks, hickory smoked barbeque, and just recently added, an extensive burger selection, all from the finest beef available and carefully processed.

Stan and his staff of 15 employees are active members of the Texas Restaurant Association. They serve people in West Texas, eastern New Mexico and tourists from around the world. And they are making plans to expand their catering and special occasion business.

"Muleshoe is an exciting place to do business, says Black. The economic growth of our area has been terrific over the past few years. Our merchants have energetically risen to the occasion and have offered the people of our area more attractive and spacious shopping, and a marvelous selection of merchandise, from the unique and unusual to the basics. Muleshoe is truly on the go and on the grow, as our area shoppers more and more depend on Muleshoe as their place to shop and dine."



KMUL RADIO--Muleshoe has a modern up-to date radio station. The station which features both AM-FM offers currently popular and western music, along with the news and sports coverage.



MULESHOE ROTARY CLUB...Members of the Muleshoe Rotary club encourage civic projects. Here, members of the organization are shown following a recent meeting. The Rotarians formed to conduct civic and philanthropic activities in the area. John Blackwell is president of the Muleshoe Rotary.

City Growth 'Keeps Up' With The Changing Time

BY JACK EADES,
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
The City of Muleshoe, County Seat of Bailey County, lies at the intersection of U.S. Highways 84 and 70, approximately seventy miles northwest of Lubbock and thirty miles southeast of Clovis, New Mexico. The 1970 census placed Muleshoe's population at 4,525 persons. Current estimates now range from 5,000 to 6,000 persons.

The City government adopted the current Council-Manager form when the home rule charter was enacted in 1960. In the Council-Manager form of government, the City Council establishes policy and enacts legislation, and appoints the City Manager who is responsible for the execution of the laws and administration of the government of the City.

The past decade has seen the city of Muleshoe take important steps for the future needs of its citizens. In 1967-68, the first Comprehensive Plan for Muleshoe was developed. This plan sets twenty year goals and guidelines for Muleshoe's growth and development in areas such as community facilities, utilities, streets and thoroughfares, housing, business and economic needs and land use and population projections.

Arising from the plan in 1969 was a major capital improvements program. This program proposed the issuance of \$835,000 in general obligation and revenue bonds for major improvements to the water and sewer systems, parks, streets, and construction of a new city hall, library, fire station and community center. Virtually all of the improvements in the program had been completed by 1977. The City is currently in negotiation with Bailey County for completion of a Community Center and fire station, two of the items in the 1969 program.

In 1974, additional capital improvements were made in the water system with the issuance of \$210,000 Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds and \$265,000 Certificates of Obligation. With these funds, new lines were laid, new wells dug and a 500,000 gallon overhead storage tank added to the system.

These improvements give the City an adequate water supply for a 30 year period.

The City's water supply is obtained from eight deep wells producing from the Ogallala Aquifer. The water requires no treatment other than chlorination.

In 1972, a new sewage treatment plant was constructed. The system is comprised of primary and tertiary treatment and will provide for the anticipated disposal needs for the City through the year 1994.

The City is served by an excellent system of paved streets. Currently, there are 23 linear miles of paved streets with a major paving program underway at this time.

The City Police Department is comprised of six full-time uniformed officers. In 1977, the Police Department installed a high-speed video telecommunications terminals as a part of the Texas Law Enforcement Telecommunications Network.

The City and County are both served by the Muleshoe Volunteer Fire Department. There are thirty-five volunteers in the department. The City funds the

formal training received by the members at Texas A&M University and other local fire fighting schools. The equipment and trucks are purchased and owned by the City.

The Parks system in the City has received major improvements within the last decade. This system currently has three lighted baseball and softball diamonds, one lighted pee wee football field, four lighted tennis courts, two basketball courts, and one golf course, and one swimming pool. In all, the City parks comprise approximately 130 acres of land.

Other important areas of operation for the City are the municipal airport, Edward Warren Field, and the Muleshoe Housing Authority. Planning is currently underway for construction of a new runway at Edward Warren Field and construction should begin soon on 50 units of farm labor housing as announced by the Housing Authority. The Housing Authority was created in 1975 to provide housing opportunities for Muleshoe.

National budget deficit total now \$41.5 billion.

Irrigation Used 50-Plus Years In Bailey

By 1939 in the Blackwater Valley surrounding Muleshoe the great expanse of underground water has been tapped by approximately 200 irrigation wells which lifted the water from 500 to 2,000 gallons per minute.

Through irrigation the farmers began turning to truck crops, sugar beets, and fruits as new source of income. At the time those crops found a ready market from 200 to 400 miles away.

However, this means whereby man can overcome the deficiencies of rainfall was not new in the county in 1939.

Irrigation was started soon after the first colonist came. In 1906 when Stevens A. Coldren was making plans to sell his land, he made a survey to obtain information concerning the depth, quantity, and quality of the water. Many colonists bought acreage because of the shallow water.

In 1910 was the red-letter year for the first irrigation wells to be drilled and completed.

In her story elsewhere in this issue Mrs. E.H. Buhrman tells the details of the large well her husband, and one of the first county commissioners, drilled in the summer of 1910.

Also in 1910 an irrigation well was drilled on J.D. Burns place; though smaller than the Buhrman well, it may have preceded it a few months. "Burns was the first person to make an extensive water survey of the Black Water Valley in Bailey County, and with a son and neighbor, was the first to install power plants to lift the water to the surface at the rate of 500 to 1,000 gallons per minute, and to use it for irrigation purposes," according to a 1913 Steven A. Coldren booklet entitled "In the Land of Underground Rain".

When the Burns well was completed a "water carnival" was held to celebrate the



ALFALFA PROCESSED--As a large lift digs into a stack of alfalfa at Protein Processors east of Muleshoe, the plant is framed in the background. Much of the alfalfa produced in the area is shipped to overseas points. Up to six cutting of the fields per year make this a good alfalfa producing area.

occasion. Everyone took a basket dinner. This was the case when each of the early wells were completed, when everyone was invited to attend. Many visitors came from the adjoining counties and New Mexico. This type celebrations lasted several years.

In 1913 the Fairview Land and Cattle Company drilled a well which irrigated about 40 acres at Hurley. Two acres were rented to each person for truck farming. Later three more wells were drilled.

Well irrigation declined during World War I and was comparatively inactive immediately after the war, during the years of more than average rainfall.

Interest was revived during the period of several dry years beginning with 1927 and 1934 the number of wells had slowly risen. The rate of development increased materially in 1935. It was accelerated to some extent in 1936 and became still more

rapid in 1937, but the rate-increase declined in 1938.

In 1939 there were approximately 200 farms using irrigation for farming purposes, and there were more than 500 acres in truck gardens, besides wheat, cotton and grain sorghums watered. The average size of irrigated farms was nearly a quarter section.

H.E. Musson had one of the largest and best irrigated farms in Bailey County in 1938; with a 2,320 acre farm with sixty acres in vegetables. He also had a fair-sized acreage of sugar beets, grain sorghums including maize and kafir corn, sudan and other crops.

The Muleshoe Canning Factory, an enterprise sponsored by local business men and owned by Carl Case, had its first run in the fall of 1938. This caused more wells to be drilled in the spring of 1939 and was responsible for 1,200 acres of tomatoes being planted in the spring. A

Ernest Kerr's Thoroughbreds Well Known

Ernest Kerr, who originally came to Bailey County from Illinois, said he has always been interested in horses. He said he started riding for pay when he was only 12 years old, and the racing blood fever somehow got tangled up permanently in his system.

He said he still loves good horses and the races.

By the time he was 16, he was too heavy for the sport of kings. "And that day," he admits dolefully, "was one of the saddest days in my life, the day I got too heavy to ride."

Kerr, who is the manager of the Federal Land Bank in Muleshoe, says that this may be the automobile age, but horses were never more popular. "The racing industry as a whole is growing throughout the country," he claims, "and more people are owning, or wanting to own, horses today than ever before."

He points out that there are 50 percent more horses in Bailey County and Parmer County today than there were five years ago, adding that there would be

more if Texas permitted pari-mutual betting. "Even without betting, the horse industry is flourishing in Texas," Kerr points out, and "Anyone of the top breeds is the Thoroughbred. People want his bloodline even in rodeo horses. "So horse racing will continue to be a major entertainment source," he concludes.

Incidentally, he points out that the word Thoroughbred is strictly the name of a breed of horses, there can be no Thoroughbred pigs, for instance.

Kerr Thoroughbreds is well-known in a wide area and especially in Bailey County where the Kerrs make their home.



FILLING SACKS AT T.J. POWER PRODUCE...Estimating proved to be true for T.J. Power Produce when they predicted a great potato harvest. Here, workers fill sacks to be tied and shipped.

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School Located At 'Old' Hurley

In the fall of 1909 Hurley consisted of a two story hotel, a store, a church meeting house, a livery stable and a school house. The pupils came in from every direction and a few hard eight or ten miles to travel twice daily. Some walked, others rode burros or horses or came in one horse hacks. The animals were left during school hours, at the livery stable. The young sixteen year old teacher assumed her duties with twenty-five pupils. Several of the children were larger and older than the teacher. The grade range covered the first eight grades. The school room was equipped with double desks, a strip of blackboard, crayon, erasers, and a water jar. After three months and seventeen days of school, the teacher and most of the pupils were stricken with scarlet fever and the term ended abruptly.

Muleshoe, which was established in 1908, consisted of one store, a blacksmith shop, and a few small buildings. At a special session of the Commissioners' Court on January 16, 1919 Muleshoe was designated as a county seat Bailey County.

For some time efforts had been made to get a railroad through the county. Three men, who wanted the railroad to go by their farms, went to Austin to try to secure the permit for the rail road.

One man was so anxious for the line to pass his farm that he took a bag of Bailey county soil (taken from his farm) to show that this sandy soil was especially suitable for a road bed. When Mr. Mardis who was one of the Bailey County men in Austin at this meeting, learned of the bag of sand that was to be displayed in the court room, he slipped the bag out, emptied it and refilled it with black, tight Austin soil. When the man who took the sand, got on the witness stand, gave his argument why the line should go by his farm and emptied his sample of Bailey County soil, he was quite surprised at its contents as it was so different from the description he had given. However, in 1913, the Santa Fe railroad, known as the Coleman Cutoff, was built, and the county began to grow more rapidly.

on the plains. Nutritious grasses on the vast grazing lands favor extensive beef cattle and sheep raising, and there is some hog raising and dairying. Cotton, wheat, kaffir, grain sorghums, oats, and alfalfa are raised extensively. The Black water Valley, situated in the northern half of the county, contains one hundred thousand acres of rich land that can be irrigated. Now (1940) there are one hundred irrigation wells in operation that

Cashway Grocery Grows With City

Cashway Grocery has been an active part of Muleshoe's history for over forty years and for over 32 of those years, T.R. White has been the manager, and later, owner of this long established retail grocery store.

On October 31, 1945, White moved his wife, Marie, and their two children, Jerie Nell and Clifford, to Muleshoe and assumed the duties of manager. The small grocery store prospered under his direction and hard work and in a span of six years Cashway moved south down Main Street three times seeking larger and better facilities for their expanding business. They have been in the present location for 26 years, adding to the original brick structure on one occasion, and in 1962, and 1970, undergoing extensive remodeling throughout the store and installing new fixtures and equipment. Also at that time land south of the plant was purchased for additional parking area.

In 1959 White purchased the store from his former employer and partner, G.E. Gollehon. There have been few policy changes over the years as White has continued extending credit to people of good reputation and dependability, (and some not so good) providing free delivery service within the city limits, and always endeavoring to bring the finest and freshest produce, the highest standard of top quality beef, pork and related market items, as well as competitively priced canned goods, frozen vegetables, fruits and meats to his customers. The only change in the format of the

pump from five hundred to two thousand gallons per minute each, lifting the water from twenty to forty feet. Truck crops flourish luxuriantly. In 1930 the buildings and land were valued at \$7,459,125.00 The population had increased from 4 in 1900 to 5,186 in 1930. The county has had much to look forward to in the development of natural resources and educational progress.

business came in 1971 when the store was incorporated after the death of Mrs. Marie White in January 1970, and Mrs. Joe Pat (Jerie) Wagnon, Captain Clifford White and Jor Pat Wagnon were made stockholders and officers in White's Cashway Gro., Inc. with T.R. White being principal shareholder and president.

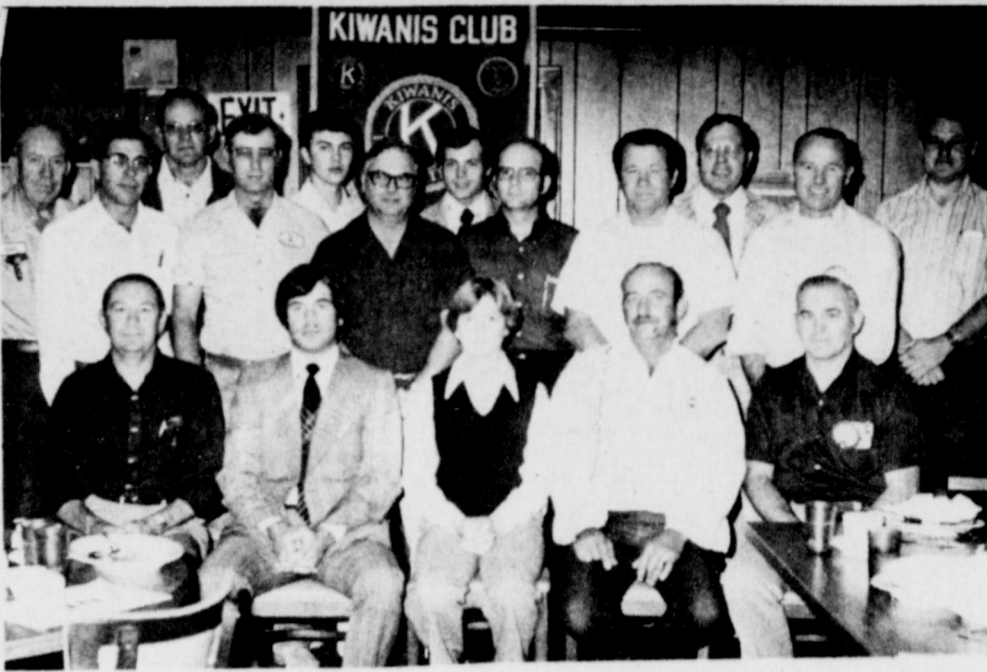
Cashway has always been an active and prominent backer in the promotion of Muleshoe, the various school organizations and of all the civic and social clubs of Muleshoe and the surrounding trade area. White's Cashway is a firm believer in the progress and growth potential of Muleshoe and their plans include being here serving their customers in the Muleshoe community and trade area when Muleshoe observes it's 100th birthday in 2013!!!

Western '66' Served Area 28 Years

For more than 28 years, Elizabeth King and her children have owned and operated Western '66' Company in Muleshoe. They specialize in fertilizer, chemicals, petroleum products and seed. They also do custom application of fertilizer and chemicals.

For a 30 mile radius, the 12 employees of Western '66' Company operate on a \$170,000, plus, yearly payroll.

The Kings say their investment has quadrupled during the past five years and they are presently engaged in a new process of making fluid fertilizer suspensions and are constructing a new



KIWANIS CLUB...President Gary Dale of the Muleshoe Kiwanis Club is lavish in praise of his group. The group meets each Friday morning at 6:30 a.m. at the Corral Restaurant. Kiwanians are very active in many facets of city and surrounding activities. Benetta Roming is Kiwanis sweetheart.

Full Line Drugs Offered Here By Western Drug

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Waddle and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilbanks own and operate Western Drug Company in Muleshoe. The retail drugstore with prescriptions and a full line of front end merchandise has been operated in Muleshoe for the past 27 years.

Five employees conduct the day-to-day business of drugstore which specializes in fast, excellent service with free delivery. They also have charge

accounts, a 24 hour prescription service and a record plan for all prescription drugs, and serve the Muleshoe trade area.

They are contributors for all civic, school and youth activities in the area and are members of the Texas Pharmaceutical Association, the American Pharmaceutical Association and National Association of Retail Druggists.

TRIS SUBSTITUTE

WASHINGTON -- As many as 3 million pair of children's nightgowns set to be sold this fall and winter have been treated with a flame-retarding chemical presumed to cause cancer said a recognized authority in the cancer detection field.

Ogallala Formation Is County Water Source

Muleshoe has a water supply from six deep wells producing from the Ogallala formation. Four of these wells are located in the city limits of Muleshoe, producing from an estimated 1200 acre area of influence. The other two wells produce from 1900 acres of water rights located adjacent to and south of the City of Muleshoe.

These water rights yield water of high quality and should, following full development, provide the city with an adequate water supply for a 30 year period. No water treatment facilities are required for water produced from the Ogallala formation, other than chlorination.

Other major elements of the city's water system such as booster pumps, ground storage and the distribution system are in good condition and are considered to be adequate for the next five years.

Muleshoe has two new water storage tanks, with a capacity of more than a million and a half gallons. One of the new overhead storage tanks was opened for general use in the summer of 1976. It is located at the west of

Every individual owes society more than can be repaid in one lifetime.

Muleshoe, and holds over half a million gallons. The other storage tank is just south of the Muleshoe city limits.

Antenna Company Still Grows With Area

Since 1959, Muleshoe Antenna Company has operated in Muleshoe, bringing a distribution of television signals for the local area. Manager Merlyn Neel said the system has been completely rebuilt and was finished in 1970. He added, "Since that time, we have been in a continuous rebuilding program and plan to continue to upgrade the system as economic conditions will allow."

He also said, "This is a very good area to do business in, although we do lack in facilities for air travel."

The four employees of Muleshoe Antenna Company have an annual payroll in excess of \$31,000 per year.

In 1963, 700 subscribers received the coaxial signals, and this had more than doubled to 1,469 by 1977.

Members of Muleshoe Antenna Company are active in the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture and other civic clubs.

Cobb's Store Still Changes With The Area

Cobb's Department Store at 218 Main St. in Muleshoe, was first opened here nearly 30 years ago, and has been in the same location since that time.

Over the years, Cobb's had undergone extensive renovation and updating of merchandise displays and the storefront and store windows.

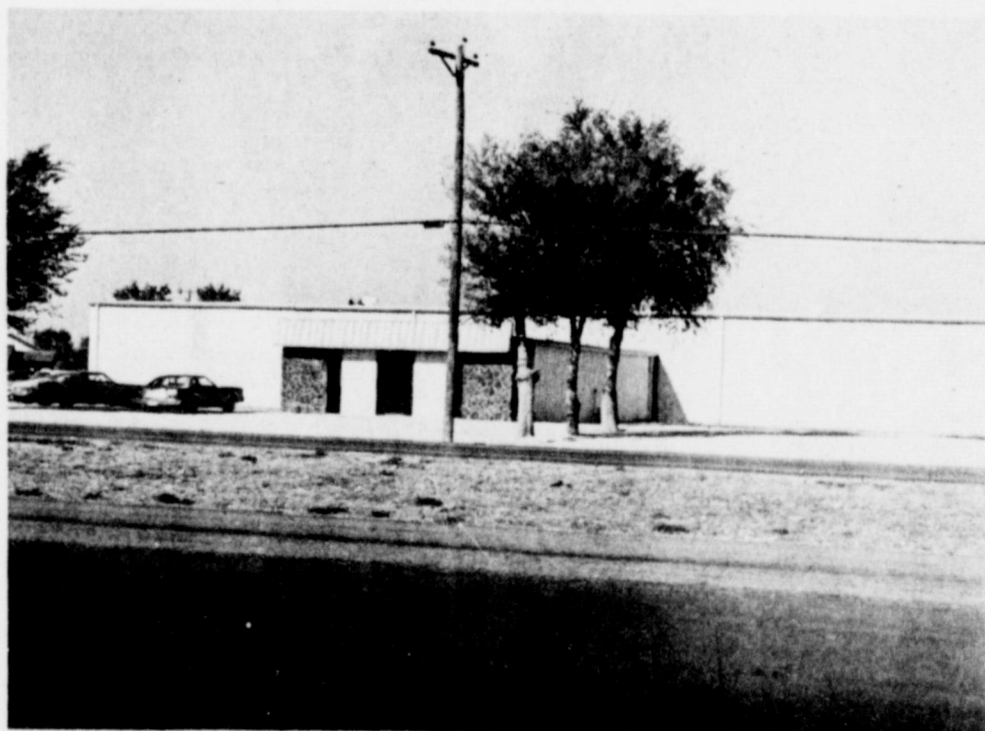
Present manager Ralph and Bonnie Enrein say the store has an annual payroll in excess of \$75,000 for their ten employees serving the local area.

The family clothing store said they hope to continue with Muleshoe's steady growth.



FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVE--Muleshoe's Volunteer Fire Department has saved many extra dollars in insurance premiums for homeowners and business people here. From left, Danny McNeil, Fire Chief H.E. Reeder, Bill Kinard and Jack Rennels represent the nearly 40 members.

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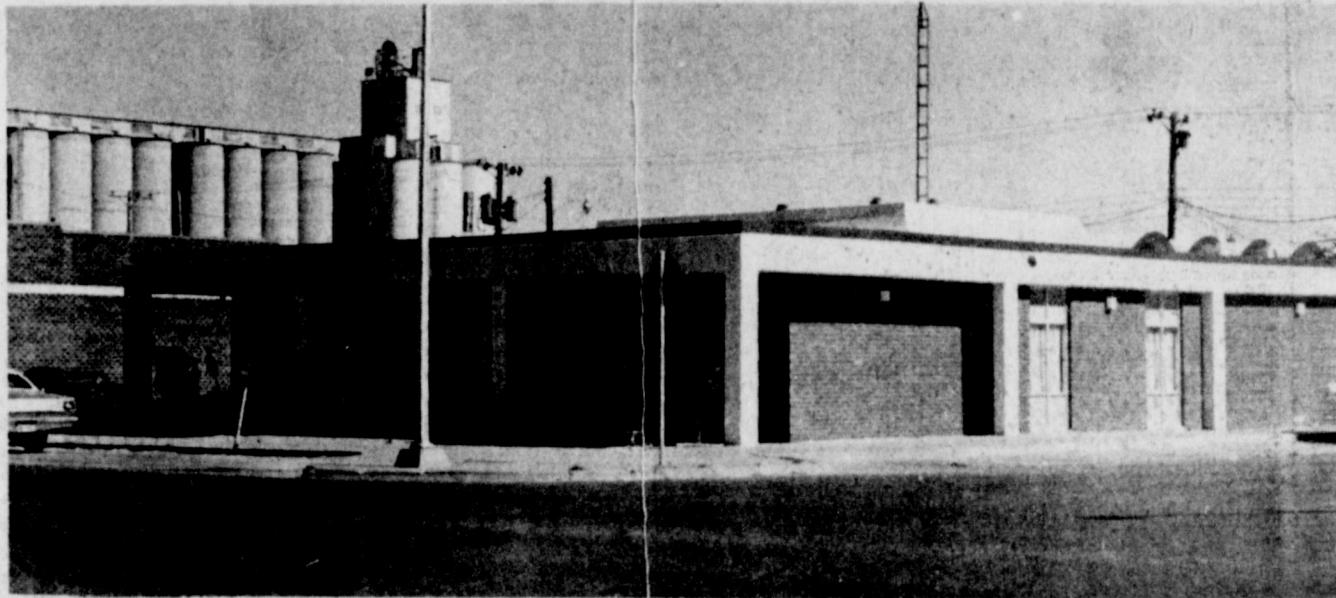
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City Hall, Law Center Opened In November, 1969



MULESHOE'S CITY HALL AND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OFFICES...In February, 1970, the new city hall and Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture offices were formally opened. The city hall had moved into the new structure in

November, 1969. The city hall was approved by voters in September, 1968, when they passed a bond issue approving construction of the new facility. Incorporated also in the offices is the office of Jesse Click, city/school tax assessor/collector.



BAILEY COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER...In November, 1969, the new Bailey County Law Enforcement Center in Muleshoe was opened. It incorporates city and county police, the driver's license office, city judge and justice of the peace and the county jail. The complex was constructed to the west side of the

Bailey County Courthouse following approval of a bond issue in September 1968. Extensive remodeling of the jail facilities has been underway in order for the jail to conform with newly set standards by the Texas Jail Commission.

Farming Goes 'Modern' As County Progresses

Surrounded by packaged processed foods, many of us have forgotten that farmers and sunlight create the essentials for the farmer to grow his crops and the rancher to keep his stock healthy. If conditions are normal, chances are that production will be substantial. But if the weather turns sour, all the technology in the world cannot change the fact that fields can be flooded, hail can devastate a crop, and blizzards can kill livestock. Thus, there are no positive assurances that agricultural products will get to the market.

Natural and economic conditions have brought about great changes in the past fifty years. Because of the growing demand for a plentiful supply of food at a relatively low cost, the modern farm has become a complex business enterprise, dependent for success on wise use of capital, management techniques and technology. Over the past 20 years, the average farm size has increased because of improved farming practices. Producers must keep well informed through journals, market reports and personal contacts with agricultural leaders and organizations to boost production and profit.

Changes have also influenced methods of ranching, one of Texas' oldest enterprises. New breeds have been developed, and in recent years, feedlots have risen in importance to the meat industry. Time and labor saving equipment have been designed for the farm and ranch alike. With increased labor migration to the cities, such tools are not just for convenience, but are a necessity. Great combines, for example, can harvest 50 acres of a silage crop for livestock in one day, an operation that once took weeks by hand.

ed breeds and has saved many cattle that once were lost to disease. Trucking livestock to market or feedlots is far different from the early cattle drives. Today, Texas is the third largest agricultural state in the nation and for ten commodities our state is a national leader. One of the areas with the natural richness of the land and availability of the water is the Texas High Plains in Bailey County. Although the soil type of Bailey County varies and water supplies are falling, today's farmer can choose a number of crops to plant, but profit per acre is narrowing.

Bailey County is one of the few areas of the United States that can produce many different high quality farm commodities such as: cotton, wheat, corn, grain sorghum, soybeans, castor beans, hay, peanuts, cabbage, peppers, lettuce, tomatoes, carrots, onions, potatoes, peas, beans, as well as beef, pork and sheep.

Today's modern farmer has to be a businessman and profit manager if he is going to survive the pressures of weather, winds, weeds, diseases, insects, declining water supply, high energy cost and the overall inflation cost. Farmers and ranchers have increased production through utilization of research information from various colleges, universities, research stations, county demonstration plots, farmer ideas, plus the many improvements brought on by commercial agricultural companies.

Wise conservation practices used in farming have helped producers realize more profit from their farms. Some of these are crop rotation, terracing, windbreaks, irrigation and application of fertilizers. Farmers are more aware now of the benefits of using quality seed,

much of which is resistant to certain diseases and insects. Many factors cause profit loss and yield reductions which the farmer must cope with each year. Energy costs for pumping irrigation water and powering farm machinery and equipment is the newest concern facing farm crop profit. A couple of years ago, high prices of fertilizers seemed to be the number one concern. The control of weeds, diseases, insects, always cause additional expenses and producers are required to change varieties, and select new pesticides and herbicides.

Farming today means big investments and high capital outlay. Therefore the farmer is required to keep accurate records of production costs. In most cases, an agricultural producer must maintain a strong relationship with a financial backer. It is extremely difficult for the young farmer to gain financial support needed to establish himself in the farming business.

Retail prices do not always indicate what the farmer is making on his crops and livestock because the marketing of agricultural products has changed. Present methods involve many more people from the farm to supermarket where the consumer finally buys the products. Between these two steps there are freight, storage, and handling charges in addition to the packing or processing costs.

"Contracting" crops is another method of marketing whereby early in the season, the farmer may contract to sell his crop to a buyer at a certain price before it is harvested. Both are taking a chance that after harvest the market could be higher or lower than the agreed upon price. However, many farmers are able to lock in a profit and can stay in business for another year

with this type of marketing tool. Today, the farmer's share of the retail food dollar is less than 40 cents. Usually the prices paid for food increase faster than the farmer's share. Between the sale of the farm produce and the supermarket, 51 percent of the cost of food is added.

Agriculture is big business and adds billions of dollars to the Texas economy each year. However, in a farming community such as Bailey County, the standards of life, and welfare of its citizens are nearly one hundred percent dependent upon the agricultural economy.

The future is uncertain for today's farmer because of the complex business in which he is engaged and the narrow profit returns and low prices. But, the American people are dependent on the farmer to overcome production problems and provide an abundance of food which keep each of us fed and clothed.

As in past years, since Bailey County was first formed, and farmers moved into the area to take advantage of the good water and soil, the farmers and ranchers of this county and area are expected to continue with their time-honored profession of providing food for our nation and area.



On September 10, 1968, Muleshoe voters trekked to the polls to vote on a major bond issue for Muleshoe. Included in the bond issue were a new water system, library, law enforcement center, city hall, civic center, and park improvements, along with a new fire station.

By a margin of almost six votes to one, 678-168, the construction of a city hall was approved to replace the old, small inadequate facility. Voters also approved by a vote of 308-216, the construction of a law enforcement center to consolidate local law enforcement agencies.

Construction got underway in the fall and the new \$175,000 law enforcement center and county jail was completed and occupied in November, 1969.

At the time it was opened, the law enforcement center housed the city police, sheriff's office, driver's license office, Texas Department of Public Safety, justice of the peace, and county jail.

The Department of Public Safety moved to the courthouse and are now housed in the former offices of the county sheriff, and the city judge has moved from the city hall to the law enforcement center. Also, civil defense also has an office in the Bailey County Law Enforcement Center.

Cooking for prisoners is done in the basement kitchen of the

law center and where the prisoners were formerly fed two meals a day, they are now fed three times a day.

Bailey County Sheriff Dee Clements and his four deputies serve as county law enforcement and court offices. Deputies include Pete Black, Tom Beal, and Government paid deputies James Williams and Monty Phipps. Williams and Phipps were hired on a one-year training program and both have now completed their basic law enforcement classes at Plainview. Black has been with the sheriff's office for the past nine years, and Beal has been a deputy her for the past seven months. He is a former Texas Highway Patrol trooper.

Irene Splawn has been office deputy for Sheriff Clements since he first took office some 21 years ago. She serves as dispatcher, court officer and handles secretarial duties for the sheriff's office.

City Police Chief Buddy Black is a former deputy sheriff in Bailey County. Assistant Chief is J.R. Carpenter and patrolman include Forist Williams, Wayne Holmes, Gary Burkhardt and Leroy Sandefur.

Louis Cardinal has been stationed in Muleshoe for more than four years with the Department of Public Safety. Recently, he was joined by Larry King, who just completed training at the DPS academy in Austin.

License and weight DPS officer is Lyndon Huckaby.

County Judge for Bailey County is Gen Williams; K.B. Martin and Frank Ellis both serve in the justice of peace office and Linda Huckaby is the municipal judge. Constables include Wendell Young, John Blackwell and Tommy Black.

CITY HALL

Both the city offices and the offices of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture are housed at the Muleshoe City Hall. The new city hall is a \$105,000 structure also completed in November, 1969, and dedicated, along with the law enforcement center on Monday, February 9, in ceremonies conducted in Muleshoe.

City funds in the amount of \$89,000 were also spent during construction of the facility.

The former city hall had been a small, cramped building on East Avenue B, a location now serving as meeting rooms for the Muleshoe Volunteer Fire Department. Long out-dated, the new city hall has offices for the city manager, Dave Marr; Assistant city manager, Jack Eades; City Secretary, Mary Watkins; city water offices; and the city/school tax office, with tax assessor/collector Jesse Click.

Also in the city hall are the offices of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture with Tommy Black as

executive director. Another feature of the city hall is the council chamber, which also utilized as a meeting place for local functions.

An intensive public information campaign was undertaken before the bond issue vote on both the facilities, and hundreds of people attended the dedication and open house ceremonies to see the facilities their votes had approved.

Special speakers during dedication ceremonies included both Speaker of the House Bill Clayton and then lieutenant governor of Texas, Ben Barnes. At the time of the dedication, Albert Field was city manager of the City of Muleshoe and Jerry Hutton was manager of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce. For the city police, Harrold White was chief and Don Cihak was county judge.

Construction on the long-awaited civic center, which was also approved during the same bond issue is underway, along with storage facilities for the Muleshoe Volunteer Fire Department. The water improvements are long completed as is the library, and Muleshoe continues their growth.

The best way to get somewhere in life is to know where you're going and get up sufficient steam for the journey.

'Dust Storm Days' Start Soil Conservation Practice

Do you remember the 'Dust Storm Days'? Those days in the early '30s when dust engulfed the entire nation, starting out on the Great Plains and sweeping off the coast of New York and at least 300 miles out into the Atlantic Ocean are well-remembered.

It was reported in 1925 that 20 counties in the Texas Panhandle had planted one million acres of wheat. By 1929, the acreage had risen to two and one-half million acres.

Along with removing the grass and planting crops, came the horrifying dust storms that blackened the skies and suffocated many people.

On February 19, 1937, Guyon, Okla. reported "Dust clouds lifted over the drought-plagued Oklahoma Panhandle and light rains settled the blowing topsoil in most of Texas, but a new 'black blizzard' threatened."

"For the first time in six days, residents in Guyon could see far down Main Street. Only a light haze remained to remind them of yesterday's light-obliterating storm."

"An ominous black pall hung to the north, however, indicating another was sweeping in."

"As the dust respite came here, the wheat planter suggested martial law to force farmers to fight blowing soil with forage crops."

"The plowed prairies continued to blow for the sixth consecutive day, the longest sustained period in memory of pioneers."

"Dr. B.F. Garst, a pioneer Panhandle physician, who has a large wheat acreage suggested that strong measures be taken to make farmers 'toe the mark.'"

"I think they should put the whole Panhandle under martial law," he said, "and make us fellows toe the mark and plant forage crops to stop the dust."

"I had 600 acres of wheat planted and it looked pretty good, but it's all blown away now."

On the same day in Shreveport, La., two Army pilots ditched their expensive army plane when the dust created no visibility to land the aircraft.

East coast residents felt the fury of the Great Plains dust storms in 1934 when the dust curtailed air service and created driving hazards in Chicago. And in Washington, D.C., it was

reported that the eastern seaboard got its first look at a dust storm as the dust blotted out the sun for five hours over New York, Baltimore and Washington.

Dust sifted into the White House and covered the President's desk and furniture.

This was followed in April, 1935, by the signing of H.R. 7059, creating a Soil Conservation Service in the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The bill, introduced by Rep. John J. Dempsey of New Mexico, passed both houses without a dissenting vote.

The new law (Public 74-46) stages a preamble that "the wastage of soil and moisture resources on farm, grazing, and forest lands of the nation, resulting from soil erosion is a menace to the national welfare..."

It also asserts that the policy of Congress is "to provide permanently for the control and prevention of soil erosion."

The law authorized the new agency to conduct research on the causes and prevention of soil erosion and to carry out preventative measures and conduct demonstration projects.

During its first three years of

operation, about 60,000 Civilian Conservation Corps youth annually constructed about 500 conservation project areas in 44 states.

Although from one to six inches of topsoil was reported to be blown from 1,388,300 acres of land in Texas, southeastern Colorado and New Mexico, as well as Oklahoma, this was cut drastically by 1952 through conservation practices put into use by the Soil Conservation Districts.

Then, in 1974, the USDA Soil Conservation Service reported that as much as nearly half of the "new" land going into crop production in 1974 would be subject to excessive soil erosion. As SCS field survey showed that 9.5 million acres of forest, grasslands or set-aside acreage converted to crop use during the year, and that erosion losses on 5.2 million acres of this will be within the allowable loss limit of four tons per acre per year, or less.

Erosion losses would be much higher, on the remaining 4.3 million acres according to SCS.

The most critical of these areas says SCS officials, is in the high plains of western Texas and Oklahoma and eastern New

Mexico, were unprotected land and lack of rainfall could produce soil losses from wind estimated at from 50 to 300 tons per acre per year.

However, Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District was organized in Bailey County on March 20, 1941. The original directors, E.L. Smith, N.C. Moore, W.L. Patton and M. Witterding encouraged county participation in the soil saving measures offered by SCS.

Enduring practices applied from 1941 through 1976 have included 2,712,570 feet of irrigation pipelines; 627 irrigation systems; 39,703 acres of land planted into pasture and 6,941,832 feet of terraces.

Jerry Wenmohs, manager of Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District in Muleshoe, said SCD continues the work to assure more productive lands and less erosion in this county through sound practices.

The people of the world won't agree unanimously. What we must learn to do is to disagree harmoniously.



WILL ROGERS VISITS COUNTY--A frequent visitor to this area up to the time of his death was Will Rogers, who visited the Mashed O Ranch. Here he is assisting in routine work on the W.E. Halsell Springlake Ranch near Muleshoe. Friends of longstanding during their lifetime, Rogers and Halsell were friends and neighbors in Oklahoma. According to the late Johnny S. McMurtry, "Will Rogers is the most tireless roper we have ever seen, working through the langes branding without a pause. He handles the largest and most varied loops and is fairly good with all of them. His endurance is remarkable."

Bailey County Had Only One District

Mrs. Leota Wilterding states that the first school in Bailey County started in September, 1908, at "Old" Hurley, with 25 pupils—some large, some older than she, who was only 16 years of age at that time. Miss Leota Bearden, who later married Harry Wilterding, adds that this first school district comprised the whole county.

She had 25 pupils, who came from Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, some had not been in school for some time, and she taught 33 classes a day—grades one through eight. Miss Bearden was hired for \$45 a month but as Bailey County had no school funds at that time the Dimmitt Bank discounted the amount and she received \$35 per month for her services.

During her first summer, after arrival in "Old" Hurley in June, 1908, Miss Wilterding studied at home on Texas History,

which she found rather difficult as the former Nebraskan was not used to the Spanish names. Cora Hutchinson and Miss Wilterding took the Teacher's examinations in Dimmitt before school began; both passed and received a second grade certificate. The school term commenced. Teacher and subjects accustomed themselves to ways of a pioneer school, but the school term 1908-1909 was dismissed in January when Miss Bearden and part of the pupils became ill with scarlet fever.

During the years since the creation of the first school in Bailey County 13 school districts have been created. The breaking up of the ranches into large and small farms necessitated more farm owners and tenants which led to an increase in school attendance. As a result, various sections of the county began to create their own districts.

Six of the school districts of Bailey County were created while the county was still a part of Castro County.

In 1908 the county was made into one huge school district centered around "Old" Hurley. The first district was called the Progress school district in the early Texas Department of Education records.

Two years later number two school district, now known as Circleback, was created. In 1913 Liberty and West Camp, districts three and four, were created. In 1914, Muleshoe school district number five, was created and on May 10, 1915 was consolidated with Hurley district number six and retained the name of Muleshoe Independent School District.

Bailey County was organized in 1918 and since the five school districts then existing were in-

adequate Goodland and Baileyboro districts were created on August 23, 1923.

In the following year Fairview, Watson and Stegall districts were created. In 1925 two more districts, Bula and Longview, were created and the following year the last school district to be created was Wilson.

The school districts vary in size from 33 sections in the Wilson district to 132 sections in the Stegall district, which is the largest district in the county. The statistics for the district are few, even though the district is large due to the fact that it is the region of large ranches.

In the extreme northwest of the county there is West Camp, a four-teacher, nine-months school; Goodland is an eight-months school and has three teachers; Circleback with five teachers maintains a nine-months school.

Baileyboro with 50 sections, Fairview with 51 sections, Longview with 50 sections, Watson with 60 sections, and Wilson with 33 sections are all located in the central part, lying north and south throughout the length of the county.

Among the teachers prior to the organization of Bailey County were Leota Bearden, Chester Williams, Mrs. Pearl Boone Grady, Mildred Gibert, who taught at Pleasant Valley; Fern Churchill and Welthea Johnson, who taught at Buhrmann school; Miss Opal Copenhaver, who taught at Bunk House; Bess Nance, Miss Caldwell, Elizabeth Harden and W.C. Woodburn, teachers at Muleshoe; Matilda Tindenburg and Stacy Easter, teachers at YL; and Evelyn Mounts who taught Circleback ranch school; J.E. Adams, one of the Bailey County judges, Goodland.

Another early day teacher in the county schools was Miss Elizabeth Harden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I.W. Harden, who taught at New Hurley from 1918-1919. At that time she had a total of 18 pupils, of all ages and grades through the eighth.

Miss Harden reported that she taught in Muleshoe during the 1919-1920 term, in the one-room school house. Cooper Woodburn was principal and teacher of ages five through eighth; Miss Harden taught the lower grades.



WINDING UP TOMATOES—Two workers show some of the tomatoes which are produced commercially in this area. Tomatoes have been a big crop for many producers in recent years and are shipped to Arkansas and other points for juice and soup, as well as canning tomatoes. Early freezes for the past two years have shortened the time for tomato harvest, but excellent yields have been reported.



MULESHOE'S CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT—Serving the City of Muleshoe are six city police officers. They work around the clock, with three patrol cars, to assure the safety of local residents. They are, from left, Forrest Williams, Leroy Sandefur, J.R. Carpenter, assistant police chief, Wayne Holmes, Garv Burkhardt and Buddy Black, chief of police. All the city police are natives of the Muleshoe area, except Sandefur, who is a native of Morton.

Douglass Was First Sheriff; Served 11 Years

Law enforcement for the town of Muleshoe and Bailey County started after the area began to acquire more settlers and eventually it's first sheriff in 1919 after the county was officially organized.

General Ranald S. Mackenzie and his "Raiders" put the quietus on marauding Indians across the plains in the 1870's. Law "strayed" up on the High Plains with the Texas Rangers and neighboring counties' law officials. The ranchers had "codes of ethics" of their own; the settlers brought their "codes" from Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, et al. Judicially, before Bailey County was officially organized, the county was under the law enforcement and the court of law of Dimmitt, Castro County.

Such was the beginning of law enforcement in the Muleshoe area.

**H.A. DOUGLASS
FIRST SHERIFF**

That first local law officer was Sheriff H.A. Douglass, Sr., who served one of the longest terms of any sheriff in the area—from January 1, 1919 until December 31, 1930—some 11 years.

U.S. citizens and Cuban relatives arrive in U.S.

At the November 1917 election citizens of Bailey County elected another set of county officials, who incidentally were the ones they had elected also on May 11. Sheriff Douglass was sworn into office as the first sheriff and also delegated as tax collector. His salary was set at \$500 per year by the first Bailey County Commissioners' Court.

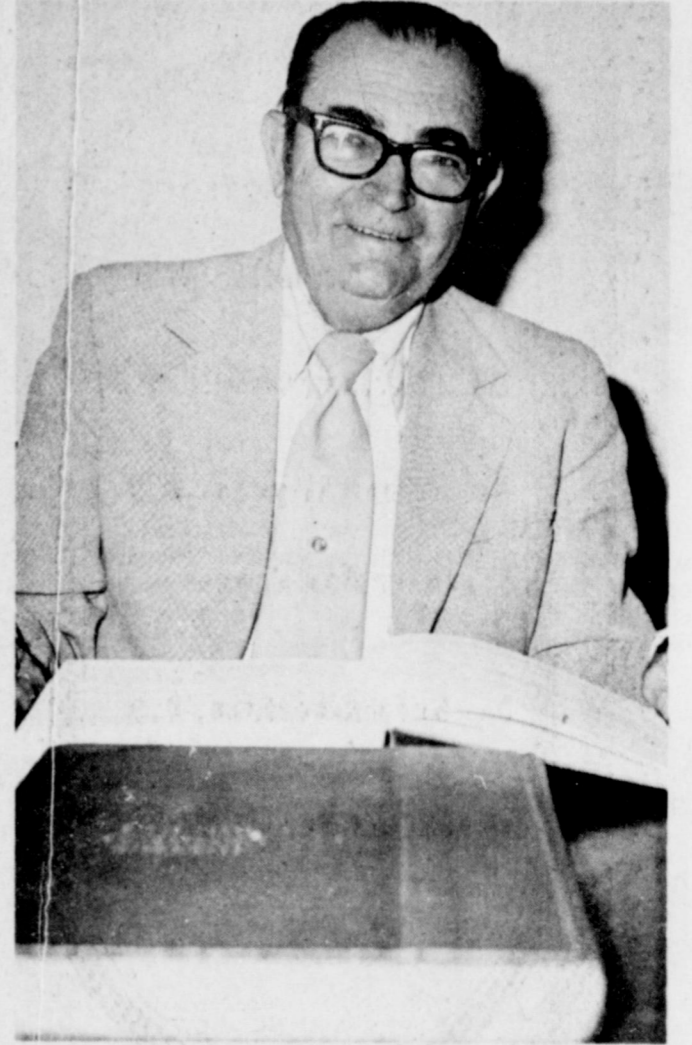
Part of the first county jail, of which the cell was bought for \$100 at one time was a part of a garage belonging to Douglass, and is now a part of his widow's home.

H. Sterling served as second sheriff from January 1, 1931 until May, 1932. He was followed by Jim Cook, who served as law enforcement chief from May 1932 to December 1, 1938.

A well-known sheriff, who was active during some of the most interesting criminal cases in Bailey county history, was W.E. (Raz) Renrow. His term ran from January 1939 until October 31, 1944.

From November, 1944 until December 31, 1948, J.C. Buchanan was sheriff, with Hugh Freeman sworn in January, 1949. Freeman served until December 31, 1956.

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On this salute to the growth and progress of Muleshoe we wish to take this opportunity to also salute our founder... Joe Damron... In 1932, he opened a store in Muleshoe and continued to devote his untiring efforts to every worthwhile civic and personal project that would mean a more rewarding future for his friends, neighbors, customers and family. Although he is no longer with us, we his family, feel that no edition concerning the progress and development of Muleshoe and Bailey County could be complete without recognizing "Joe's" familiar encouraging message and contribution to our community.

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The Ranching Era Preceded Agriculture In County

BY:
THELMA WALKER STEVENS
1939

The definitely known history of Bailey County begins with the ranching era. There were originally four ranches that controlled the land in the county. These ranches were the VVN, located in the southwestern part of the county; the Snyder Ranch, in the southeastern section of the county; the ranch owned by the Bovina Cattle Company, which was in the north and northwestern part of the county; and the YL Ranch, smallest of the four, located in the extreme northeastern section of the county.

The land controlled by the Bovina Cattle Company was originally a part of the great XIT Ranch. This ranch had its beginning when the Constitution of 1876 set aside three million acres of land for a new capital of Texas. Three years later the Legislature passed an enabling act appropriating the land in Dallam, Hartley, Oldham, Deaf Smith, Parmer, Castro, Lamb, Bailey, Cochran and Hockley counties for the capital reserve. When the land was surveyed, the best land in the survey was secured for the state. That was the reason part of the Capitol Syndicate land was located in the northern section of Bailey County and some in the extreme southeastern part.

When the old Capitol burned November 9, 1881, the need of a new building became imperative. Bids for the building were opened on January 1, 1882, and the contract was awarded to Matheas Schnell. It specified that Schnell was to receive the three million acres already set aside in payment for the building.

Schnell, with the consent of the state, assigned three-fourths of his interest in this contract to a company in Chicago, composed of Abner Taylor, A.C. Babcock, John V. Farwell and Charles B. Farwell. In May, 1881, he assigned the remaining equity to the company. The next month the company reassigned the interest to Abner Taylor as its representative. Patents to the

company on the land were conveyed at various times after construction started. The northern part of Bailey County and the southeastern part were patented by the State of Texas to Abner Taylor.

The company had originally planned to colonize its land, but decided to establish a ranch until farmers came to the Panhandle-Plains area. At that time money was scarce, and the cattle business was on a decline. John V. Farwell went to England to borrow money for the company, but an English company had to be formed in order to get the needed amount.

In 1885 the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company, Limited, was organized with a capital of three million pounds which amounted to approximately fifteen million dollars in American money. John Campbell Hamilton Gordon, Earl of Aberdeen, Quinton Hogg and Sir William McArthur were the first trustees for the debenture holders. During the time the company was in existence there were always three trustees. This state of affairs continued until 1909 when the American interests completed redemption of the debentures issued in England. The Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company went out of existence and the Capitol Freehold Trust was formed for the disposal of unsold land.

Fencing of the vast ranch began in 1884. The fencing was done in Bailey County in 1885 and 1886. Part of the old XIT fence is still being used on the Muleshoe Ranch.

The first herd of cattle, driven by Ab Blocker, came from the Fort Concho country and reached the ranch in 1885. The XIT brand is said to have been designed by Blocker. The story is told that the design of the brand stands for "Ten in Texas" because the three million acres of the ranch touched that many counties in Texas along with the New Mexico and Texas state line.

There were eight divisions of the ranch. Part of the ranch land in Bailey County was in the

Spring Lake division, part in the Yellow House and some in the Bovina division.

In 1902 the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company sold a tract of land in Parmer and Bailey Counties to the Bovina Cattle Company, which was a partnership firm composed of R.D. Gage, F.W. Johnson, Thomas Houghlan and W.D. Johnson. The Bovina Cattle Company paid eighty-five thousand three hundred eighty-eight dollars for forty-one thousand forty-four acres of land. This was about two dollars and eight cents per acre. On the same day the Freehold Land and Investment Company also sold another tract of eighty-four thousand six hundred thirty-four acres to the cattle company for one hundred seventy-four thousand two hundred eighteen dollars. The Muleshoe brand was used on this ranch. Later the ranch took the name of the brand.

R.D. Gage quit claim to the Bovina Cattle Company in 1906. Thomas Houghland sold his interests in the company to W.D. Johnson in 1904. After Gage and Houghland sold their interests, the company was composed of W.D. Johnson and F.W. Johnson. They subdivided their land into ninety-five separate tracts.

The Johnsons sold thirty-seven thousand acres of the non-tillable land that lies in the draw and the sandhill section to E.K. Warren February 26, 1907. Warren used the U Bar brand on the cattle that he ran on this land. Today this is a part of the Muleshoe Ranch. It is not as large as it was at one time. When the farmers and the railroad came to the county, parts of the ranch were sold and given away for different purposes. The townsite of Muleshoe is located on this ranch.

The old Muleshoe ranch house is about four miles west of the town of Muleshoe. The ranch had two camps for convenience in working cattle. One was west of the headquarters and the other was east. They were called West Camp and East Camp.

There is an elementary school located at the old West Camp quarters which goes by the name of West Camp. There is nothing to show where the East Camp was located.

T.L. Clark of Tennessee bought forty thousand acres of the Capitol Syndicate land lying in the counties of Bailey, Parmer, Lamb and Castro from the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company, January 22, 1902. He paid two dollars per acre, which amounted to eighty thousand dollars. He kept it about seven months and then sold it to E.K. Warren for one hundred thousand dollars, or for two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

In the short length of time that he owned the ranch, Clark did no leasing nor stocking of the land. After Warren bought it, he began ranching immediately. He never lived in Texas, but he always had a foreman in charge.

The brand that was used by the ranch was YL. The ranch became known as the YL Ranch, and the brand was emblazoned upon the old barn, which is still there, the gate, the chuck wagon, and the bunk house. The school, that was built on a part of the old ranch soon after the close of the World War, was named Liberty, but it has never gone by that name except in records. Everyone calls it YL.

Much of the land in the YL Ranch was fertile, and Warren sold that part for farms. The part that he did not sell was combined with the non-tillable acres of the Syndicate land that he bought from the Johnsons and is now known as the Muleshoe Ranch.

Some of the foremen of this ranch were Press Abbot, Bob Moorehead, Fletcher McDonald, Elmer Hoskins and Tom Clayton.

The oldest document recorded in Bailey County deals with the land in VVN Ranch. H.S. Melvin sold his land in the county to Eon H. Blum, Hyman Blum, and Sylvain Blum, August 1, 1887. Adjoining this land the Blums bought one hundred four acres each from the State of Texas 1883. The Blums

leased their land to different people for grazing purposes.

D.F. White leased a part of it September 1, 1892, for five years and eight months. When the lease expired in 1898, he leased the land for another five years. White made a contract with the Eddy and Bissell Live Stock Company to pasture cattle for the company on the land leased from the Blums. In 1897 the Eddy and Bissell Live Stock Company sold fifteen thousand head of the VVN cattle located on the lease to Thomas J. Moon, Heskiah G. Williams, and William G. Good.

The Blums sold one hundred fifty-seven thousand six hundred eighty-two and four-tenths acres to J.R. Counts for one dollar per acre. Different ranches leased land from County. He never ran any cattle on it himself. After his death, his wife sold eighty-five thousand eight hundred forty-four and ninety-five hundredths acres to William Hart for two dollars and twenty-five cents an acre. She later sold the remaining land for ranches and farms. The McCelveys bought twenty sections, and W.H. Fuqua bought all of Block A. Most of the land that Counts owned is now in cultivation.

D.H. J.W., and Thomas S. Snyder had the largest ranch in the county. Most of the land in their ranch was leased for three cents an acre. Their brand was LF on the left side.

The DDDDDDD leased land from the Snyders. This ranch began operations in the county about 1883. At first its headquarters was on what is known as the Swisher County School land. Later they moved to a place on the Ford Company School land which is due west of Circle back.

The DDDDDDD, which was a beef company, would drive cattle from the lower country to Bailey County and fatten them. Then the cattle were driven to Montana and the Dakotas to be butchered. It would take three months to make the drive. Four or five herds were taken each year. The company quit operation in the county in 1887. It drove all the cattle that it had on the ranch at that time to Montana.

Some of the other ranches that

were cut out of the original Snyder Ranch were operated by John R. Goode, Enoch and Flowers, Paul Brothers, J.H. Jennings, and Newsom, Whatley and Jones.

The ranches passed through many trials together, such as droughts, blizzards, sandstorms, prairie fires, poor market prices, ravages of wolves and the coming of the settlers.

One of the worst blizzards in the county was in the winter of 1904 and 1905. It began one afternoon in February, lasted the night, the next day, and the next night. There was a whirling, blinding mass of snow, rain and sleet. Snow was over two feet deep. It was so cold that the dry cattle died while asleep. Thousands of cattle died; hundreds of antelope froze to death. As long as the poor yearlings kept moving, they kept alive, but their feet froze. After the storm the cowboys examined them and thought they were all right. But when the yearlings would run, their feet would break off.

A Mr. Hoover, freighting for the Yellow House, carried two thousand hides to Portales, New Mexico, for that one ranch. He said that half the cattle were not skinned. All the ranchmen were left bankrupt. Their stock was gone, and they had nothing left but a few horses and the ranches.

Another bad blizzard came in the winter of 1911 and 1912. As long as the cattle traveled, they kept alive. However, the fences halted them. The cattle bunched close together as for a last protection, and helplessly dropped in their tracks and froze. There were piles of them. This blizzard, too, put many a ranchman out of business.

During the ranching era there were no wagon roads. People traveled mostly on horseback or in wagons, using cow trails for roads. Neighbors in those days were "closer" than they are today, in spite of the great distances between them. At Christmas and other holiday periods they all gathered at the home of one another of a group, like relatives in other places and times. They had great fun and pleasure together.

For pastime the cowboys hunted antelopes, coyotes and wild mustangs. They also had contests to see who was the best

call roper, bronco rider and steer roper. After the settlers began coming to the county, the cowboys would stop by a farmer's house and visit with the daughters of the family. These men would take part in the colonists' social gatherings.

In the early ranching days the cows depended on the native grass for food. Corn was brought to Bailey County from Kansas City for the horses. The first wire posts and lumber were freighted from Dodge City and Colorado City. Each ranch had its own freighter.

After the railroad was built to Amarillo in 1887, supplies were freighted from there, a distance of one hundred miles. As soon as the railroad was completed between Amarillo and Clovis in 1895, supplies were freighted from Hereford, a distance of fifty miles.

In the early days of the ranching era, the cattle were driven to Montana and Wyoming. Later they were driven to Amarillo and then shipped to market. As soon as the railroad was built to Clovis, the cattle were shipped from Bovina. At one time Bovina was the largest cattle shipping point in the world.

Hands with trail herds were paid about thirty-five dollars a month and board. Ranch hands received twenty-five dollars. Some foremen got fifty dollars, other sixty dollars a month. Land leased for three cents an acre.

A round-up was held on each ranch once a year to gather up the year's crop of calves. Some times the branding was done on the open range. Instead of throwing the cattle into a corral, the cowboys held them "under herd" on the ranch while the other cowboys roped and dragged the calves away from the other animals to a convenient spot near a branding fire. On some ranches the calves were driven into a large corral into which a chute opened. In this passage way the actual branding was done.

During the branding season the cook had breakfast ready for the cowboys before daylight, when the real work of the day began. A short time out was taken for a noon meal, after which the work was continued until dark.

Each cow carried its life history in signs burned deep into its hide. Cattle that passed frequently from one owner to another were scared with many branding irons. There is the joke that an owner often placed brands all over the side of an animal, put a hyphen on the tail, and continued the brand on the other side.

No where else in the world have brands been so important to people or so closely interwoven in their lives as on the ranges of the Texas Panhandle-Plains. The history of the Panhandle-Plains is written in the symbols that the cattle bore. These symbols are also branded on the lives of the people and the towns.

In the President Hotel in Kansas City there is a RoundUp Room, and on its door is a collection of noted Texas cow brands. Among them are Two Bailey County brands, the Mule Shoe and the Mashed O.

A story is told of the origin of the Muleshoe brand. A man, while on a trip with his wife, found a small mule shoe between Amarillo and Bailey County. When they stopped at a new ranch in Bailey County, they asked in the name of the ranch. The foreman replied that it hadn't been named. The woman, believing in the luck that it was supposed to bring, showed him the shoe and asked him to name the ranch for it. The shoe was soldered to a straight iron rod.

Captain W.J. Good and Sons bought the 69 brand from Tom Bugbee in 1896 and ran it in Bailey County. Later Good resold it to F.W. Jersig and Loe Bivins who ran it in the county for several more years. A branding iron with a six on the end made the brand.

The Mashed O was used in the Panhandle prior to 1905. It has been used for several years by the Halsell Cattle Company of Muleshoe, Texas.

Many brands are on "rockers," as the Rocking Chair brand. It was started in 1878 and was used by John H. Janes from 1914 to 1930 in Bailey County. Janes' ranch took the name of the brand.

E.K. Warren began using the YL brand in 1903 and used it until most of the old YL Ranch had been cut into farms for Cont. on Page 6B



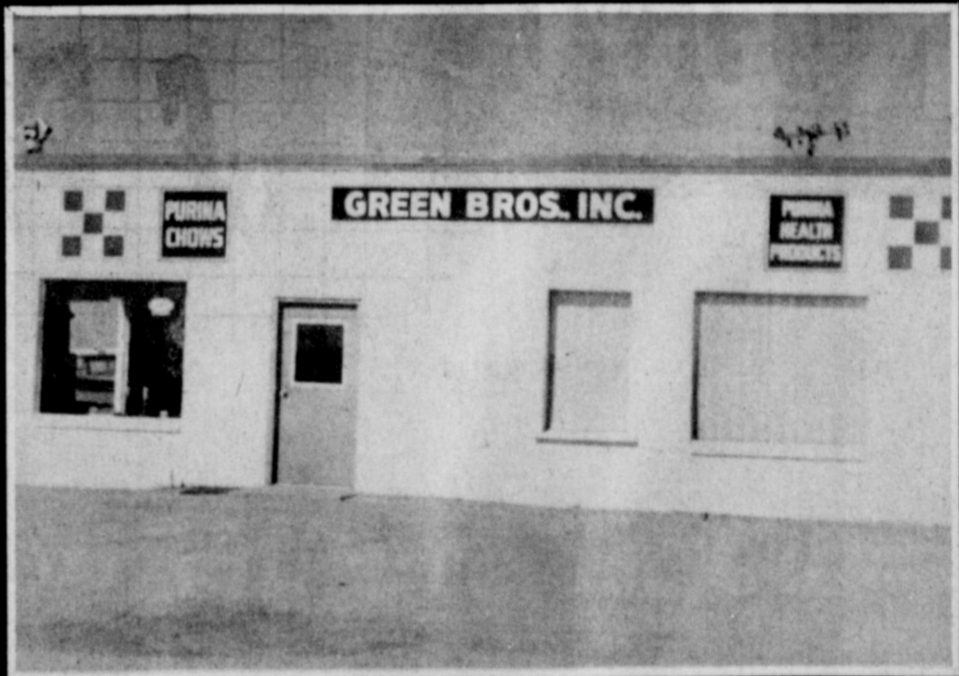
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Windmills Conquered By An Early Settler

The difference between the late Andy Hicks of Muleshoe and Don Quixote of fiction was Quixote never conquered his windmills, Hicks did and along with other pioneers of this area proved that determined men stay.

Hicks was considered an absolute authority on windmills. For more than a decade he was the windmill repairman on the 46,000 acre Muleshoe ranch which was spotted with some 40 windmills. Later he was foreman of the ranch; headquarters of which were located about three miles southwest of Muleshoe.

A native of Alabama, Hicks came to Texas in 1886 to satisfy his urge to work on ranches. He was on The Spade when Frank Norfleet, now retired and living in Hale Center, was foreman. He "milled" for a short while on

The Yellow House and finally settled on "U" the original old Muleshoe headquarters.

Andy Hicks worked the windmill string, living in a camp wagon and tent, sleeping where night caught him and eating when he became hungry.

The ranch didn't favor any one make of windmill which made each repair job a little different and doubly aggravating when a half-dozen windmills broke down and none of the parts were interchangeable.

In an interview in 1931 with a newspaper woman Hicks recalled his favorite span of houses which he used to pull his camping rig and windmill rods. "They were better help than most me, with a 'ho' or 'whoa' they knew when to hold the line tight, take it on, or quit," he stated.

"But you know what," he

asked, "that was just as smart as those mules ever got. I never could get them to pick up the ropes and bring them back to me. Beth and Jude were my favorite mules. Sometimes I had to fill in around tanks to keep the water from overflowing and ruining a well. Those rascals got on to how it worked and they would jump over the water pipe like rabbits as we went around with the Fresno and dumped dirt."

When a man traveled alone in those days he either learned to cook or he starved. Hicks cooked substantial food, beans, sowl-belly, potatoes and biscuits. He was very proud of his sour dough biscuits.

"I made my own starter with warm water and flour, no yeast, just water and flour," he related during the interview. "In warm

weather I set the dough so it would work and then I was careful to keep it protected in cold weather so it wouldn't die. I used a two-gallon stone jar and threw back a chunk of dough from every bread making and added warm water."

Hicks stated more than 30 years ago, "I keep trying to make a starter, just like I used to do and I can't even get a bubble. I believe it's because the flour we have now isn't natural like it was then."

MARRIED A JESKO

He and Miss Celia Jesko of Bovina were married in 1924. Mrs. Hick's father Stephen Jesko moved to the Bovina area in 1908. He was the first and only Catholic in the area at the time. He and his family came to the United States from what was then Alsace Lorraine and settled near Michigan City, Ind. He was married to the former Martha Dreyer who came from Poland. Seven children were born to the Jeskos in Indiana and two were born after they moved to Texas.

The Jesko family came on train to Friona, and Celia Jesko Hicks remembers that there was nothing in this part of the country except the Mashed O Ranch and Bovina shipping center—"that was it back in 1908."

When Jesko first came to Texas he purchased 160 acres of land, and when he died at age 65 he had 1,120 acres. At one time the Jesko family had 11 sections of land under lease, with all of the lands helping with the farm work.

This pioneer family lived at the Muleshoe Ranch some 33 years, until 1954 when Warren estate sold the ranch and Andy Hicks bought his own place two miles west of Muleshoe where Mrs. Hicks continues to live since the death of her husband on December 29, 1961.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks were instrumental in helping establish the Catholic church in Muleshoe, and Mrs. Hicks is still an active parishioner.

Celia and the late Andy Hicks are the parents of Jack, their oldest son, who was followed by the twins Alice and Alfred and then Ethel Maye. Both girls are registered nurses and the boys are stock farmers. Jack formerly lived at the Muleshoe Ranch headquarters house.



COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT--Bailey County is divided into precincts, which a commissioner to serve each precinct. Shown here from left, standing, Rudolph Moraw, Precinct Four; Bob Sanders, Precinct Three; and seated from left are Bailey County

Judge Glen Williams; Matt Dudley, Precinct One and Loyd Stephens, Precinct Two. Commissioners court meets the second day and the second Monday of each month.

Bailey County Has Varied Landscape

Coming onto the South Plains of Texas means leaving rolling land and mesquite bushes behind to find almost flat, slightly sandy farmland. Bailey County is located in the Northwest Texas High Plains, part of an area commonly called the Panhandle of Texas. This is so named because of the resemblance of the map of Texas to a pan with the northwestern portion symbolizing the handle of the pan. The county covers 832 square miles.

Bailey County is one of the fifty-four Panhandle counties created from the Bexar District by the Texas Legislature in 1876. The County was organized in 1917 and named for Peter James Bailey, a defender at the Alamo.

Early economy was dominated by ranching, including portions of the XIT and Muleshoe Ranches, until irrigation farming commenced in the 1930's. These large ranch holdings and fre-

quent droughts delayed settlement of the county.

The 1900 U.S. Census of Population recorded only four people in Bailey County, and these four people were at an XIT Ranch line camp. However, the migration westward started shortly after 1900, and by 1910, there were 312 people listed on the rolls for the young county, by 1910, more people were beginning to come into the county, checking out the good availability of water supplies. Ten years later, in 1920, the population had increased by 61.4 percent to 517 people.

Prior to 1900, a shortage of above-ground water appeared to possible hamper future growth of the county, but water wells and earthen tanks began showing up to ease the shortage, and cattle began to have adequate water supplies.

The Comanche Indians roamed the Bailey County area in the 1860s and had a well established trade in stolen cattle and horses

with Mexicans in the New Mexico territory. Ranching had little chance for security and stability until 1874 when the Comanches and Kiowas were finally placed on reservations in Oklahoma. In 1877, there were only a handful of ranchers west of the 100th meridian.

Muleshoe is named after the cattle brand of the Muleshoe Ranch that once flourished over the range land now occupied by the townsite of the City of Muleshoe. This same Muleshoe Ranch was started in 1844 by the Oliver family of Red River County. In 861, the Olivers registered the Muleshoe Ranch brand in Nueces County where it was still being used by the family as late as 1950.

However, the original Muleshoe Ranch began to be divided into farms about 1910, and today, very little ranching is being done in the county.

Muleshoe is the largest municipality in Bailey County; other community centers are Good-

land, Enochs, Bula, Baileyboro, Stegall, Progress, West Camp, Maple and Fairview. The 1940 census listed Bailey County with a population of 7,592. By 1960, it had reached 9,090, and the 1966 estimated population was 9,850. This figure had dropped slightly to 9,200 by the late 1970s.

Muleshoe is the center for shipping on the Panhandle and Santa Fe Railroad. It maintains grain elevators and for several years has been one of the principal markets for grain sorghum, wheat, cotton and corn produced in Bailey and surrounding counties: Muleshoe is in the middle of one of the world's largest shallow water underground formations, the Ogallala. Hydrologist tests and independent reports show the irrigation water under the Ogallala to be one of the strongest and most consistent suppliers of underground water in not only Texas, and the United States, but in the world.



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Colorful Is The Word For Bailey County's Past

[Reprinted from The Muleshoe Journal of April 18, 1940.]

Editor note: The Journal takes pleasure in publishing the following history of this county. It is one of the most accurate compositions on this subject coming to the notice of the newspaper.

In submitting the history for public perusal, Mrs. Copley expresses her appreciation and indebtedness to those who have curiously assisted her in securing much of the data contained in this composition, being especially grateful to Miss Mary Elmore Rankin for material loaned as contained in her thesis, History of the elementary Schools of Bailey County.

by MRS. A.W. COPLEY

Bailey County, one of the last pioneer units in Texas, is bordered by New Mexico on the west, Farmer on the north, Lamb on the east, and Cochran on the south. Hockley county touches the extreme southeast point, Bailey County, lying on the plateau of the Great Plains, is one of the highest counties in the state, reaching in several places an altitude of four thousand feet or more. It has an area of one thousand thirty square miles, being one of the smallest counties in this section of the state. A large percentage of the

land is rolling plains with shallow valleys, interspersed by narrow strips of sandhills that have been piled up by strong prevailing winds of this section. However, level and dark soils predominate. The drainage system is formed by draws which form a part of the upper water shed of the Brazos river. The few natural lakes are usually dry, even though situated in the shallow water belt.

The county was part of the Bextar Territory along with more than a hundred other counties from 1836 to 1876. The Texas Constitution of 1876 set apart three million acres of land for the purpose of the erection of a new State Capitol. Later in 1879 Texas made a contract exchanging the three million acres of land, which included Bailey County, for the construction of the present State Capitol.

At this time a scattered and meager population lived only in East and South Texas. This large state had more land than people and there was much truth in the timeworn saying that she was land poor. The western part of Texas was known as the Great American Desert and not considered of much value.

After the last conflicts in Texas with the Indians when General MacKenzie captured the last of the Comanches in the Palo

Duro Canyon and took them to the Indian Reservation across Red River, the history of this country became the history of the cowboys and early settlers. Buffaloes, antelope, deer, coyotes, and jack rabbits roamed these plains.

On August 2, 1876, Bailey County was created and was named for a hero of the Alamo, Peter James Bailey, 1812-1836, a young Kentucky lawyer, who joined the doomed company in time to give his life, the following day, defending the Alamo.

Twenty-four years after the county was created (1900) the first census report on its population appeared which was four inhabitants, only one of whom was a qualified voter. Ten years later, 1910, the cheap school lands, free federal lands and enterprising land companies had enticed three hundred twelve venturesome pioneers into the county.

The year previous, 1909, marks the beginning of the struggle of the settlers with non-resident land owners for county organization. The general tax rate at this time was ten cents on each hundred dollars valuation. All land owned by absentee land lords was exempted from taxation and the other value was so low that sufficient money for the maintenance of schools and the

building of roads was not available. The territory was attached to Castro county for judicial purposes and any legal transaction requiring presence at a county seat consumed at least three days of valuable time. It required one day for the forty-five mile trip to Dimmitt, more to history of Bailey county the county seat, driving in a spring wagon, or buggy with a good team; another was spent in the transaction of business while the third day was needed for the drive home. The conditions aroused in the minds of the people an insistent desire and demand for their own county seat and officials.

Hence, in 1909 one hundred twenty-seven people, representing themselves to be qualified voters of the county, drew up and signed a petition requesting that Bailey County be organized in accordance with the provisions of the revised Civil statutes of Texas. When this petition was presented the Commissioners' Court of Castro County they considered the plea and granted the request, marked of the boundary lines for four precincts, and set the date for the election of officials for June 19, 1909. Some of the voters were so enthusiastic over their apparent independence that the entire night of June 18 was spent in



NEW CITY BARN--As Muleshoe grows, so do facilities to take care of the ever increasing needs of residents. Approximately three years ago, a new city barn was erected on the east side of Muleshoe

to take care of the added equipment owned by the City of Muleshoe. The structure houses shops and storage for city vehicles and equipment. L.M. Bell is foreman of the city maintenance operation.

celebrating the anticipated day of election. But the day brought a crushing disappointment in the form of an injunction served on the voters, prohibiting the selection of a county seat and local officials. The rich non-resident land owners, who had been watching the efforts to secure local government knew that if the attempt were successful and county taxes were levied, they would suffer financial loss. J.A. Oden and B.P. Abbott, representing the non-resident land owners, were instrumental in serving the injunction which stated that there were names of

many persons on the petition who were not qualified voters of Bailey County. That after deducting the names of minors, women, and children there remained less than one hundred fifty qualified voters of Bailey County, and that this was the result of a conspiracy and a deliberate design of Stevens A. Coldren and others to organize Bailey County and establish the Town of Hurley as the county seat for the purpose of giving an enhanced or speculative value to land in and near Hurley and that the names of women and minors were placed on the petition to

deceive the Commissioners Court. This action on the part of the property owners was accepted with resignation by the residents of the county because they knew that their list of voters would never pass rigid inspection by a court. In fact, the old timers of the county later humorously admitted that they were accused (perhaps justly) of not only adding names of minors, but also pets and animals. However, they settled down to watchful waiting and systematic planning for any opportunity that might present itself in the future.

The years 1916-1917 marked the fruition of the voters' plans that were put into action in 1918. The called session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature was the first legislative body to serve the purposes of the citizens. A fund of \$1,500 was raised and Wm. G. Kennedy and E.D. King were sent to Austin to secure the passage of a new law changing the number of qualified voters for county organization from one hundred-fifty to seventy-five. On March 16, 1918 the Legislature passed an emergency law, making the desired changes which became effective immediately. This enactment on the part of Bailey County voters by a second petition for organization was drawn up and signed by one hundred and ten people who represented themselves to be qualified voters of the county. After the signers had been summoned and examined by the district court, eighty-four legally qualified voters were found, and therefore, the petition was duly presented to the Commissioners' Court of Castro County, April 8, 1918. The court spent the entire day and most of the following one in careful consideration of the request. On April 9, 1918, the court granted the plea and Bailey County, for the second time was marked off into four precincts, as required for an election. It was further ordered that the election be held throughout Bailey County, Texas on May 11, 1918 for the selection of a county seat and county officers.

The opposing non-resident land owners again protested and a law suit was filed, but the election ordered for May 11 was held before the Commissioners' Court could canvas the returns the opposers had a temporary injunction served on the court which prevented the said court from counting the votes. Thus Bailey County, though organized, existed for six months without a county seat or officials. At the following session of District Court the injunction was ordered dissolved and the law suit was appealed to the court of Civil Appeals. Before a hearing could be secured the regular election on November 5 was held and Bailey County official were elected a second time. For some unknown reason the plaintiffs failed to serve an injunction upon the election of this set of officials and after they were sworn in on the second Monday in January, 1919, they decided to secure their county records from Castro County immediately and set up their own county government.

Hoskins, who represented those non-residents, succeeded in having a hearing set for January 18, in Plainview, and so two days before that date the following newly elected officials went to Dimmitt after their records: W.M. Wilterding, County Judge; C.C. Mardis, County Clerk; H.A. Douglass, Sheriff and Tax Collector; J.A. Greenfield, Tax Assessor; G.P. Kuykendall, County Treasurer; T.L. Snyder, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; J.B. Diggs, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; C.E. Dotson, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; Floyd Davenport, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; E.R. Hart, Justice of the Peace.

These men started out early in the morning through snow and frozen mud, some were riding

and others walking part of the way. They reached Dimmitt about nine o'clock the night of January 16, and were permitted by the County Clerk to spend the night in the court house. The next day they arranged and compiled the need records and after "bunking" for another night in the court house, left at 4:00 o'clock on the morning of January 18 for Muleshoe. The records were carried by H.N. King and E.R. Hart. The eleven officers scattered in every direction in order to confuse any officers who might be sent from Plainview to intercept them. The cold, wet journey was made without mishap to the records which were deposited in the vaults of the Muleshoe Bank for safekeeping.

The majority of the officials listed became active in the management of school affairs for the next two decades and they were well prepared to cope with the difficulties that arose. The county records remained in the bank vaults until a more appropriate place was provided and the men took up the work of their offices in makeshift buildings without office equipment and learned to run the county government by actual experience. The people of the county, believing that their problems of local county government were in the hands of capable men, gave all their energies to the task of developing the natural resources of the county.

Schools had existed in the county for 10 years before county organization was effected and throughout this period salaries were low and numerous small schools were conducted in each district.

The first school was established in 1908 in District No. 1 at Hurley in the northwest corner of the county and given the name "Mardis". For over a decade the educational center of the county was organized in and around Hurley which became a center of rivalry and later that source of community and neighborhood disputes and bitter quarrels.

Two young girls, Leota Bearden and Cora Hutchinson, both graduates of Nebraska high schools, who had come with their respective families to settle in Bailey County, applied for the teaching position created by the establishment of the first school district. They went to Dimmitt to take the county examination given here in August, 1908 and each secured a second grade county certificate. The trustees decided to choose the young lady whose average of the grades was the highest, and Miss Bearden got the position.

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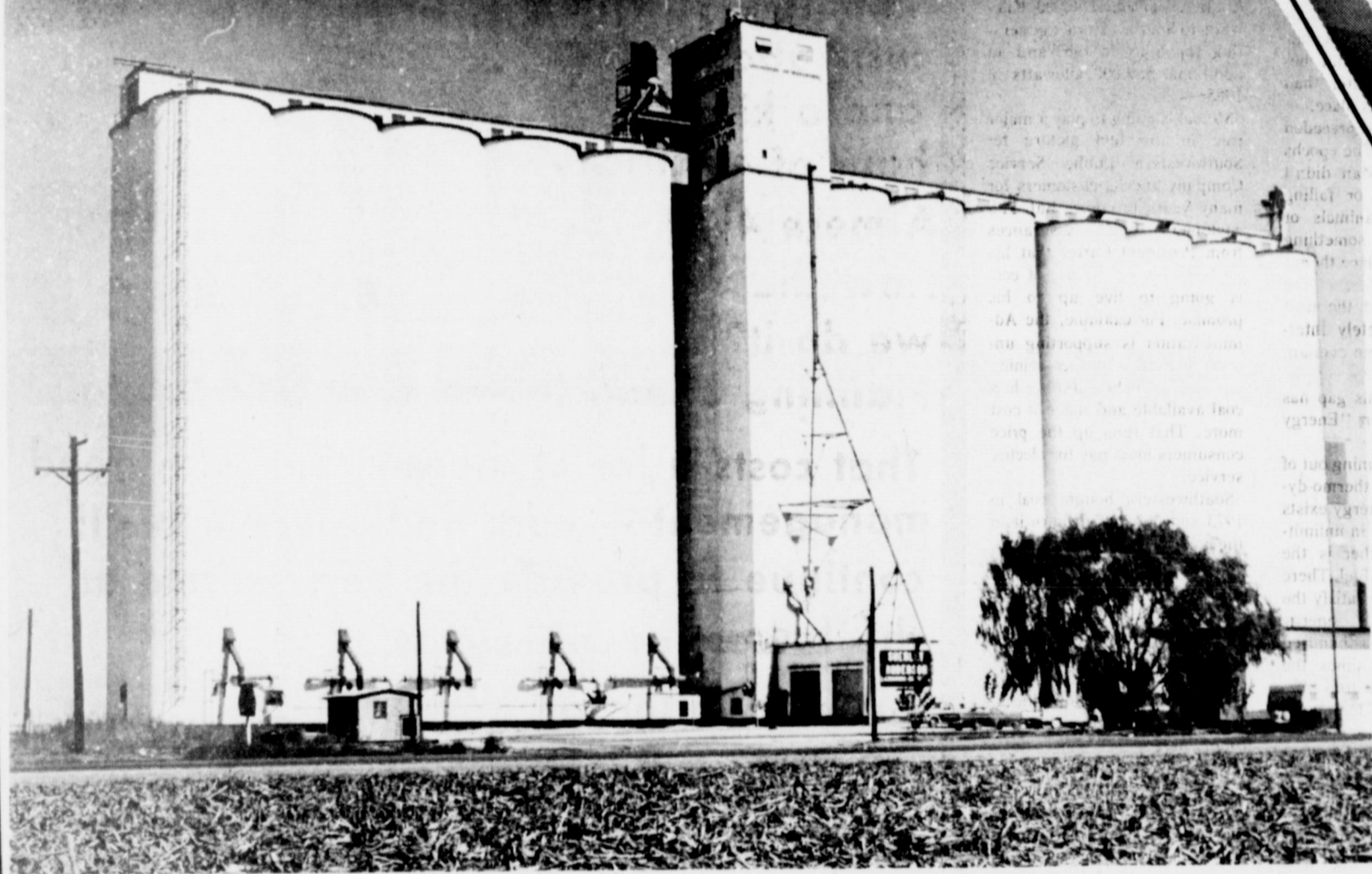
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cultivation. The capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company registered its brand in the county December 29, 1896. It was an X on the right hip of cattle, with the brand division on shoulder and jaws. The earmark of XIT cattle was "Swallow-fork the right," or a swallow cut in the right ear of the animal to be marked.

Four others brands that have been used in the county and have given their names to the ranches they were used on are: DDDDDDD, which was used by a stock company; Bar N Bar, owned by Newsom, Whaley and Jones; VVN, which was used in the county as early as 1890; and the Circleback.

The Snyder brand was LF on the left side, E.K. Warren and Sons used the UBar brand.

Maxwell D. Taylor, retired Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff: "I would be very concerned with tampering with the wording (of the treaty)."



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Remember When Muleshoe Got Electricity? It Was In May, 1926, Utility Company Says

In 1882 a man's white shirt cost 39 cents and a kilowatt-hour of electric service cost 24 cents. This was the year the electric industry was started and Thomas A. Edison opened his Pearl Street Generating Station in New York City.

Today, a man's white shirt costs 30 times more than it did in 1882 and a kilowatt hour costs 5 times LESS than it did the year this great industry started.

Southwestern Public Service Company has used the expression "Electric Service is the Biggest Bargain in your Family Budget," for many years. Compared to the increased cost of other necessities, that statement is still true.

This is the story of the contribution made to American living by the nation's business-managed, tax-paying electric light and power companies.

Beginning at the southwest corner of Kansas, stretching across the Oklahoma and Texas Panhandles, swinging down on to the South Plains of the Lone Star state, and then moving westward to the Pecos Valley and Clovis-Portales regions of New Mexico, is an area that some call, "The Golden Spread", others say is "America's Most Promising 45,000 Square Miles", while still others describe it as "America's True Frontier".

Whichever phrase suits your taste is apropos, because in each of them there is an indication of progress, future, and continued growth.

The first electric distribution system in Muleshoe was built in 1926 and was energized in May of that year. Electric power came to Muleshoe following the construction of a 22,000 volt electric transmission line which ran from Lubbock to Farwell. The Texas Utilities Company, which was later known as the Texas-New Mexico Utilities Company, and, still later, became part of the Southwestern Public Service Company, built the transmission line and the distribution system.

The original order for meters to serve Muleshoe customers called for the delivery of 88 units, indicating that less than 100 customers were put in service when the distribution system was installed. By comparison, there were 2331 electric customers in Muleshoe the first of August, 1977.

The first power source for Muleshoe, and nearly all other communities in this West Texas area, was a small power plant located in Lubbock, which had a capability of less than 3,000 kilowatts. Today there are motors located in single plants and industries in this area that require more generating capability than that. By comparison, Plant X, located 20 miles east of Muleshoe, and the second largest of Southwestern Public Service Company's generating stations, has a capability of 2,746,800 kilowatts. An additional 256,000 kilowatts are under construction at Harrington Station, northeast of Amarillo.

Speaking of Plant X people have many times asked how that name was chosen.

When the plant was in the planning stage, it was given the designation, "X", but it was thought that it would have a more formal name when it went into service.

But "Planet X" caught on across the country, in combination with the name of the community closest to it, Earth. Whenever Southwestern executives went to other sections of the nation, they were asked "How is Planet X at Earth coming along?"

In 1942, a number of small electric companies in this area, including the Texas-New Mexico Utilities Company, which had been the Texas Utilities Company, were merged into a single, free-standing, operating company, the Southwestern Public Service Company. This provided this region, at the very moment at which it embarked on its period of greatest growth, with a strong area-wide, area-operated electric company to take care of its rapidly expanding electrical needs.

During the latter part of 1970, three major projects were completed. A transmission line serving Muleshoe from the Lamb County Interchange was re-routed from east of Muleshoe to the Bailey County Interchange and the transmission line of American Boulevard was removed. This improved the appearance of the facilities east of the City Substation along busy Highway 84. An unneeded 69 KV switch was removed and this too, helped improve the appearance of the facilities.

The remaining two projects completed during 1970 involved



LOCAL DPS OFFICERS—Three Department of Public Safety officers are stationed in Muleshoe. They are from left, Larry King, Highway Trooper, a recent graduate of the DPS Academy at Austin. Muleshoe is his first station; Lyndon Huckaby, license and weight officer for this area; and Louis Cardinal, a native of Floydada, who has been stationed in Muleshoe for approximately four years.

the rebuilding of primary and secondary distribution facilities. Five blocks of distribution lines between Main Street and East Third required new poles, transformers, conductor and cross-arms. Completion of this job improved clearances and voltage drop percentage. A voltage drop improvement at the High School from 9.1 percent to 4.5 percent was the result of new conductor that was installed in the line in the alley between West 5th and West 6th Streets.

In November of 1971, the site for a new substation was purchased and preparations began for building the new substation. In 1972, approximately 1200 feet of 69,000 volt line was built to feed the new East Muleshoe Substation. This line also provided a backup source of power for the city. In September of 1972, SPS installed two blocks of a 3-phase primary and four sets of solid blade disconnects to provide a second power source for the Muleshoe Hospital and to improve service to other city facilities. This line will also become a part of a loop around Muleshoe planned for the future.

Later in 1972, approximately four spans of 3-phase primary line was installed in Avenue G between 1st and East 4th Streets. This provided an alternate feed to the Muleshoe sewer lift and was also a part of the planned loop.

The new East Muleshoe Substation, located at 6th and Avenue B, was completed in January of 1973 and provided Muleshoe with an additional source of electric power. The new substation is capable of providing service for all customers in the event the City Substation is out of service due to transmission problems or maintenance. Normally the East Muleshoe Substation will carry about one-third of the customers in Muleshoe. The City Substation is also capable of providing service for all customers in the event the new East Muleshoe Substation is out of service.

In March of 1973, a south circuit from the new East Muleshoe Substation was built and a portion of line from Avenue E to Avenue J along Main Street was rebuilt. Both projects formed a portion of the future loop. With the completion of these circuits, the hospital and residential area in the south part of town received their electrical service from the new East Muleshoe Substation. The circuit formerly used to serve the hospital and residential area, then became an alternate, or second method of furnishing electrical service to the hospital and south area of Muleshoe in the event the principal source of power was lost.

To further improve electric service from the City Substation and the new East Muleshoe Substation, the circuit from American Boulevard to Avenue I between West Second and West Third Streets was completely rebuilt in October 1973, and this completed the originally planned loop.

During the latter part of 1973, a concrete block decorative fence was installed at the Muleshoe City Substation and made a major contribution to the beautification program along American Boulevard (Highway 84). The fence is lighted and is adorned with a mule and Reddy Kilowatt sculptured by Tom Warren.

The final project completed during 1973 was the installation of a gas operated air breaker switch at Avenue I and West 3rd. This new switch improves the operation of restoring service when an outage occurs at

either the City or East Substation.

Improvements are still going on today so that Southwestern Public Service Company can continue to provide its customers with the electric service they need.

The world today is in the midst of a momentous transitional storm between the two great energy epochs -- the fossil-fuel and a future energy era. And the impact of the dramatic episode is being felt throughout the world.

In all previous transitions, man moved from one fuel epoch to the next, not because the old source was depleted, but because something better had been found to take its place.

Discovery of the new preceded depletion of the old. The epochs were interlocking. Man didn't run out of muscle or falling water or wind or animals or wood. He found something more efficient to replace them.

But today it is different. The fossil-fuel epoch and the next age are not completely interlocking. There is some overlap, but there is also a large supply-demand gap, and this gap has become known as an "Energy Crisis."

The world is not running out of energy. The laws of thermodynamics prove that energy exists and will always exist in unlimited abundance. Neither is the world running out of fuel. There are fuels available to satisfy the world's predictable energy needs for at least a hundred billion years -- ten times the estimated age of the universe. There is, however, a temporary shortage of the technological expertise to convert available fuel sources into working energy.

In this circumstance, there are three clear imperatives: Conservation, development of new technologies and the use of abundant energy.

Conservation -- wise customer utilization of electric service -- has been the principal under which SPS has built its business for more than a quarter century. All customers, residential, commercial and industrial, have been offered the skills of specialists whose sole reason for being at work was to make certain that the customer got the biggest value possible out of the dollar spent with SPS. These specialists -- power sales engineers, home service advisors, electric heating specialists, to name a few -- are still working today.

Conservation, however, is neither an end nor a solution. It is a necessary expedient to buy time.

The second imperative is that the nation must "invent." It must hasten the development of new conversion technologies in every way it can. Southwestern is a charter member of the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation (TAERF). This organization of ten investor-owned electric companies in Texas has been working since 1957 to develop the nuclear fusion theory. Using deuterium from sea water as the fuel, this process seems to be the ultimate solution to the world's energy problems.

The third imperative is that we must use the most abundant energy forms -- coal and nuclear fission -- for which conversion technology is already available.

The Carter energy policy puts great emphasis on coal as a fuel of the future. So does the policy of Southwestern Public Service Company. In fact it was seven years ago in 1970 when the decision was made to shift from gas to coal as the basic fuel for electric generation. The number

two unit at Jones Station in Lubbock was under construction at that time and it was to be the last gas-fired plant that Southwestern would ever build. As a result, SPS now has a 350 megawatt coal-fired plant on the line and making kilowatts at Harrington Station, northeast of Amarillo. The second 350 megawatt unit is under construction and scheduled for completion next summer while still a third unit of the same size is planned for operation in 1980.

The recently announced Tolk Station, to be located in Lamb County, will add 556,000 Kilowatts to Southwestern's generating capability in 1982 and an additional 556,000 kilowatts in 1985.

So coal is going to play a major role in the fuel picture for Southwestern Public Service Company and its customers for many years to come. But SPS customers need assurances from President Carter that his performance on the use of coal is going to live up to his promise. For example, the Administration is supporting unduly restrictive surface mining legislation which will make less coal available and make it cost more. That runs up the price consumers must pay for electric service.

Southwestern bought coal in 1973 and planned to burn it in the boiler at Harrington Station. Not one pound of that coal has been delivered because of delays caused by nuisance law suits and inaction by Congress. As a result, it was necessary for SPS to acquire an emergency coal supply, at higher prices, and that simply costs its customers money.

The destiny of electric utility companies -- of the Southwestern Public Service Company -- is being increasingly determined by forces operating on a national level. And although these forces derive from a number of national organizations and groups, the most influential by far is the Federal Government.

If history is a guide, both the Administration and Congress will move deeper into the issue of energy and thus government influence can be expected to intensify even further.

Southwestern Public Service Company will continue to concentrate on keeping electric service the biggest bargain in the family's budget. Southwestern's average residential customer in Texas, as of January 1, 1977, was spending only forty-four hundredths of one percent more of his available spendable income for electric service than he spent six years ago, yet he was using 16 percent more electricity.

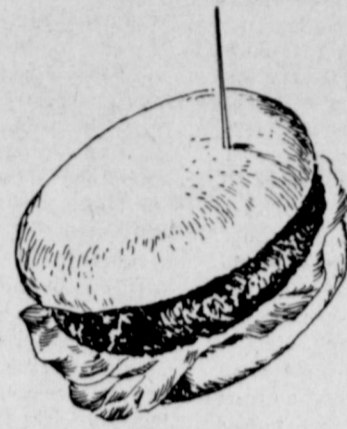
SPS is going to concentrate on keeping energy costs down wherever possible. And, Southwestern and its customers, must individually and collectively focus on conserving energy in all its forms.

Southwestern Public Service Company is striving in every way to help its customers through this difficult period while at the same time seeking to preserve America's resources for our children, and the generations to come.

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CITY CONCIL AT WORK--Muleshoe has a "home rule" charter which includes a mayor and five council members. Pictured here from left are Terry Field, council member; A.V.

Wood, council member; Ken Henry, mayor; Bob Finney, council member and Max King, council member. They regularly meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Muleshoe City Hall.

Local, Area Banks Deposits Increased

Despite low farm and crop prices, all nine area banks checked at the close of business on September 30, reflect an increase in both deposits and loans.

Deposits in the nine banks were up \$12,994.25 over the same time last year. On September 30, 1976, the banks showed a total deposit list of \$118,409,178.55, compared to \$130,852,172.80 at the same time this year.

At the same time, loans increase by more than \$18 million in the banks. Loans on September 30, 1977 were \$98,505,625.49, up \$18,168,339.76 over the \$80,337,285.73 loaned at this time last year.

In the two Muleshoe banks and

the one saving and loan institution, both deposits and loans reflected an increase over last year. Total deposits at the banks at their closing on September 30 this year show an increase of \$9,390,962.45 over the same time last year and loaned were up by \$12,946,656.14.

On September 30, 1976, Muleshoe State Bank showed deposits of \$17,509,000.00, compared to \$19,382,000.00, for an increase of \$1,873,000.00. Their loans were up by \$3,562,000.00 with loans of \$12,042,000.00 on September 30 last year and \$15,604,000.00 on the same date this year.

First National Bank in Muleshoe loaned \$4,290,264.01 more during the past year than they showed at the end of business on September 30, 1976. On that date, loans were \$8,669,662.13, compared to \$12,959,926.14 on the same date this year.

Deposits at First National Bank were up more than \$2 million, with deposits of \$17,673,734.62 on September 30 this year, and \$14,781,683.86 on the same date this year for a difference of \$2,892,050.76.

Tri County Savings and Loan showed deposits of \$19,771,519.22 on September 30 of this year as compared to deposits of \$15,145,607.53 on September 30 last year for a difference of \$4,625,911.69. At

the same time their loans were up more than \$5 million. On September 30 last year, Tri County showed loans of \$15,521,731.44, compared to loans of \$20,616,123.57 on the same date this year for a difference of \$5,094,392.13.

Citizens State Bank at Earth had increases in both deposits and loans, as reflected by the figures for the past year. They show increases of \$1,131,630.57 in deposits during the year and an increase of \$692,306.09 in loans for the same period of time.

In 1976, their deposits were \$7,433,889.17, compared to \$8,565,519.74 on the same date this year. Loaned were \$5,867,626.19 on September 30, last year, compared to \$6,559,932.28 on the same date this year.

At Bovina, First State Bank reported loans of \$5,125,829.98, compared to \$4,944,403.75 on the same date last year, for a difference of \$181,426.23. At the same time, their deposits were up \$444,761.94 for the year with \$6,683,482.47 on deposit at the close of business on September 30 this year and \$6,238,720.53 on deposit at the same time last year.

Friona State Bank showed a slight increase in both deposits and loans for the past year. On September 30 of this year, loans

were \$17,883,439.67, compared to \$17,309,278.21 at the same time last year, for a difference of \$574,161.46.

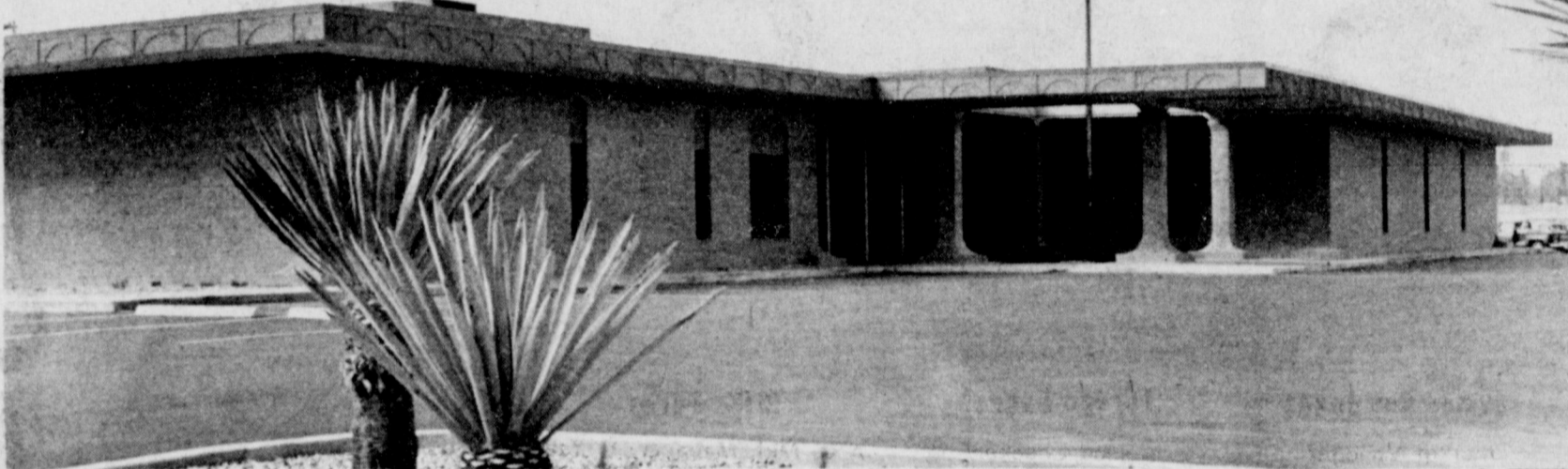
Deposits at Friona State Bank increased by \$1,698,930.09 with deposits of \$23,488,058.66 on September 30 of this year and \$21,789,128.57 at the same time last year.

At the First National Bank in Sudan, deposits were up slightly for the past year with deposits of \$4,936,933.96 on September 30 this year, compared to \$4,809,791.25 at the same time last year for an increase of \$127,142.71. Loans were also on the increase with loans of \$1,860,499.00 on September 30 this year and at same time last year, loans were \$1,818,542.31, for a difference of \$41,956.69.

In Morton First State Bank reported an increase of \$602,745.77 in deposits with \$12,437,000.00 on deposit on September 30 of this year, compared to \$11,834,254.23 at the same time last year. Loans increased by \$262,348.41 at the bank with loans of \$8,023,651.59 on September 30, 1976 and at the same time this year, loans had increased to \$8,286,000.00.

The only area bank to show a decrease in deposits was Security State Bank, Farwell. They dropped \$943,179.28 with deposits of \$17,913,924.13 on September 30 of this year and at the same time last year, their deposits were \$18,857,103.41.

At the same time, loans at Security State Bank increased by \$3,469,484.74. Loans on September 30 of this year were \$9,609,874.85, as compared to \$6,140,390.11 at the same time last year.



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Journals Continue Spirit Of First County Newspaper

The Muleshoe Journal and The Bailey County Journal continue the spirit of the first county newspaper, The Booster:

"BE a Booster. Why NOT? The world is going to move on--with your help or without it. So is Bailey County."

The two 1963 newspapers further endorse the purpose of the first Muleshoe Journal as stated editorially March 1, 1924: "The Journal is proud of the expressions of confidence and faith received from people of (Muleshoe and) Bailey County and with the continued cooperation of every citizen... We are here to stay, and it is our aim to boost the County and surrounding country."

THE BOOSTER

The first Bailey County newspaper, The Booster, was published in 1919 by Turner L. Smith, a congregational minister at Hurley.

The Booster, financed by advertisements, was published monthly in behalf of the religious and other community interests of the county. It was sent to every family in the county.

Reverend Smith used a hand press to print the paper, which was a four page, three column edition. Only three editions were printed.

Firms advertising in the first edition included The Newett Mercantile Company of Hurley; Gupions and Wiggins, Muleshoe; O.C. Snyder, Hurley; R.E. Curd and Company, Texico, N.M.; Texico Garage in Texico; and McGuan and Presley of Farwell.

BAILEY COUNTY BUGLE

The Booster was followed by a paper called The Bailey County Bugle, and was first published for several months in Farwell with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sigler as publishers. It was purchased from them by Captain

E.E. Hull of Clovis. In about 1922 the Muleshoe news editor for The Bugle was Levi Presley, an attorney. As The Bugle proprietor and publisher Hull owned no equipment, the paper was printed in Clovis.

A four page, four column paper, it contained advertisements in its second edition of Blackwater Valley State Bank; A.V. McCarty, Drugs; Farmer's Trading Merchandise; Josh Blocher, "The Old Reliable Land Man"; Bailey County Elevator, Ray Griffiths, mgr.; Gupton and Son, Groceries; Bailey County Abstract, J.S. Barton, mgr.; White Front Garage, H.G. Rhodes, mgr.

On the front page of the second issue, January 26, 1923, was a streamer headline announcing "The Best Thing That Has Come to Muleshoe Since Heck Was A Pup," which, upon reading down the column, is found to mean the starting of a newspaper for the town of Muleshoe. It contained quite a bit of local news also.

A local reporter was stationed in Muleshoe during the time the paper was published in Farwell and Clovis.

THE MULESHOE JOURNAL

Hull and Presley, with several others, said Muleshoe was large enough to support a newspaper. Thus, then, five years after its predecessor, (The Booster and The Bailey County Bugle) had opened the newspaper field in the county, The Muleshoe Journal was born on February 23, 1924.

Later in 1924 the paper was sold to R.B. Boyle, who installed the first printing plant in Muleshoe. This first Journal shop was located in a building (with Barry Lewis, abstractor and Dr. A.E. Lewis, dentist). The Muleshoe Journal was an eight-page paper, four pages of which

were printed by Boyle with the other four pages being "ready print" All machinery in the plant was run by a gasoline engine.

Boyle remained in charge until November 4, 1927, when C.S. Holland became owner-publisher. A few weeks after his arrival, Holland installed a linotype machine and electric motors were added to the existing equipment. The Journal became one of the most modern plants on the plains at that time. Holland did not use any "ready print", but printed all the paper himself at the Muleshoe plant.

In 1930 Jess Mitchell bought The Journal from Holland. He installed a new linotype machine in 1933.

"The Legend of the Sandhills" was compiled, written and published by Mitchell, under his pen name of Zep.

C.S. Holland re-purchased the paper from Mitchell in 1941 and published it until his death in 1944. He sold a half interest to E.Q. Perry, E.B. Miller and H.I. Hilburn of The Plainview Herald-News. Later he sold a part interest to R.L. Jones. When Holland died, J.M. Forbes came to Muleshoe and bought the Holland interest in The Journal from Mrs. Holland.

On September 15, 1961, Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Hall bought the interests of the four partners and formed The Muleshoe Publishing Company, which continues to publish The Muleshoe Journal each Thursday.

THE BAILEY COUNTY JOURNAL

Publisher Hall added the first full-size, regular Sunday edition on March 31, 1963. The expanded publication was christened The Bailey County Journal and is published each Sunday. Home delivery in Muleshoe was established with the Sunday paper's appearance.



CUCUMBERS SHIPPED--A workman at Robert Ruiz Inc. shows off one of the prime cucumbers shipped from Robert Ruiz this year. Cucumbers are shipped to a wide area for table use and pickling. Cucumbers are one of the vegetables produced throughout the area for shipment.

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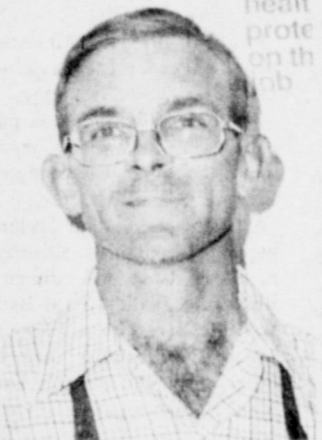
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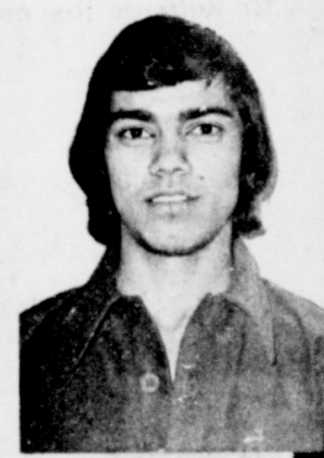
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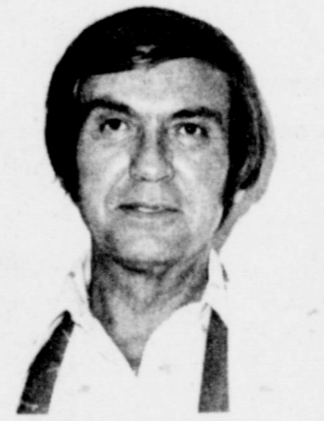
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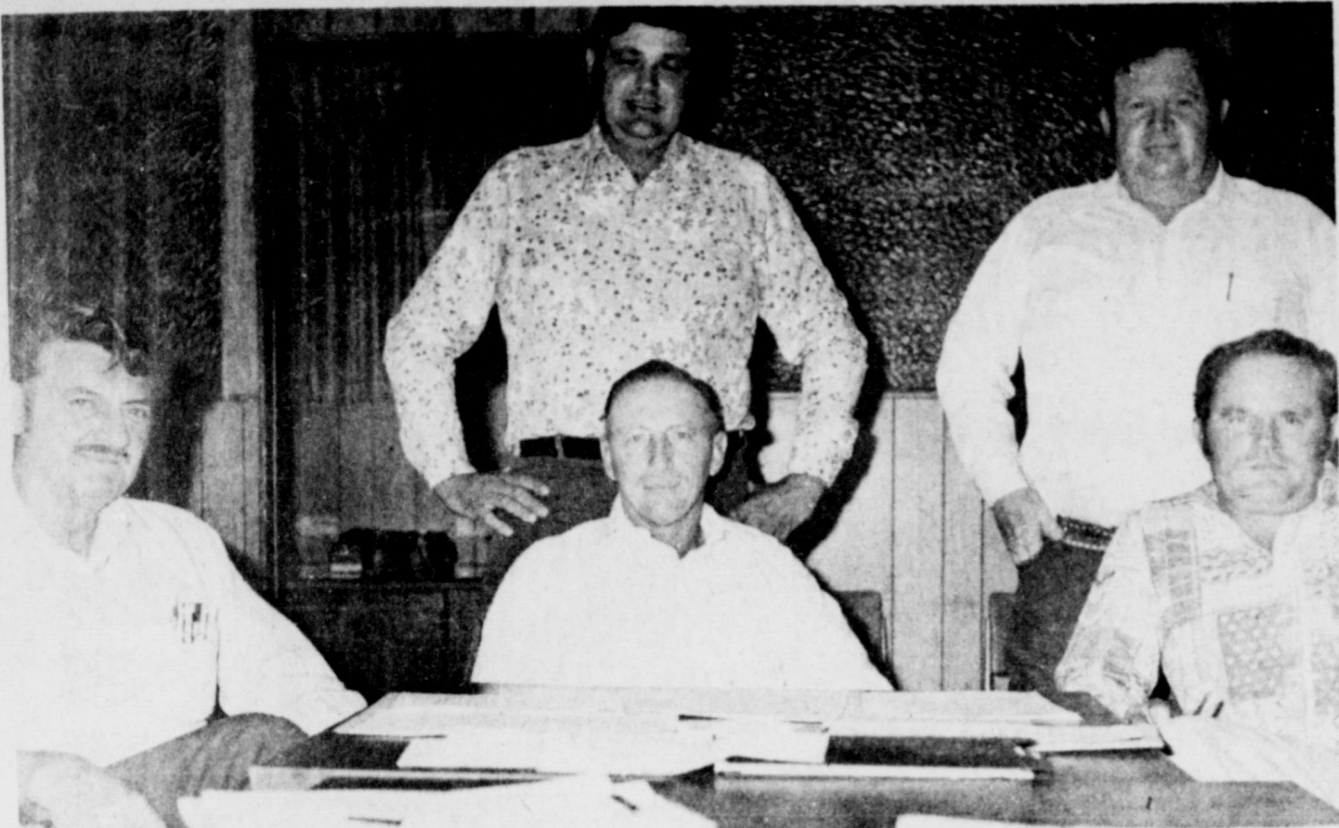
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MULESHOE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT—Seven members make up the Board of Trustees for the Muleshoe Independent School District. Five of the members shown here from left, standing, Ronnie Holt and R. D. (Tub) Angeley; seated, from left are Jim Shafer, Ernest Ramm and Doyce Turner. Not present for the picture are members, H.D. Hunter and Don Harmon. The school board regularly meets the second Monday of each month.

To The Plodding Pioneer -- A Salute For Progress

By VERA ENGELKING

If we could turn back the wheels of time and listen to the howl of the coyote, hear the wind whistling over the prairie, and watch the Longhorn cattle grazing peacefully, these would be realities of yesteryears, but instead we can only reminisce.

Many families came to Bailey County from Iowa in 1918 to make their home on land of the old YL headquarters, which the community is named after, and a somewhat new and different life was a part of the pioneering.

Muleshoe then consisted of a general merchant store and post office combination, a bank, depot, elevator, garage, Magnolia Petroleum wholesale plant, a school used also for church, a hotel, and a few people. There also was a meager means of communication, a telephone system maintained by the people of the community with the switchboard in a Muleshoe home.

It must be remembered that the progress of Muleshoe is due to water for irrigation which attracted people to agriculture, for without ample water the county could not have become the farming area which it now is and might still have been ranching.

The Coldren Land Company helped develop the county by its excursion trips into the area. They company maintained their office at the bank house of the YL ranch and my mother Mrs. Celia Matthiesen, wife of the late William S.F. (Bill) Matthiesen who was elected the first county commissioner for precinct number 1, did the cooking for the company's men after we came to the area.

Each year more new faces were seen and more sod broken. Some of the people became discouraged and left to return later, and some never to return; because times were hard and the pioneers had to keep fighting from the bottom rung toward the top for progress and advancement.

The first irrigation wells were pulled by one-cylinder Dempsters and sometimes brought discouragement to the diesel hot ball and pit pump farmers. Each spring to start the irrigating it was necessary that the farmers not having Dempsters go down the ladder into the pits and wrap the pulleys to keep the belts on until water was drawn to pump level. They were always accom-

panied by a few waterdogs which made the work move a little faster. Always some improvements to raise the moral of the farmers and to make a great change over to the present on top of the ground pumps was necessary.

My father shipped a Rumley tractor, plow and threshing machine down from Iowa. With these he did custom sod breaking and also threshed small grains such as sudan and a variety of sorghum grains.

Some farmers headed the milo and then threshed it. Others preferred to sell it in the head. Of course, there were always Jack, Jim and Pete, the mules and horses, to be fed and they consumed considerable as farming was done by them pulling the different implements while more and more tractors came into use and took their place until now when the most modern machinery is used to harvest.

OWN ENTERTAINMENT

The people of the community made their own entertainment, such as dancing, school and church socials, and the never to be forgotten singings; they never lost faith with God to carry them through.

The fourth of July usually was an area affair with such events as a picnic, baseball games, and rodeos which were enjoyed very much by everyone.

Then the trails turned to the laid-out roads and advanced as the need came until now the black topping is in the farm

areas. Also, as the county became more populated, came the need for bigger and better schools. The one and two-room schools were deserted or torn down and some became the community centers of today, until now we have the consolidated school system.

In 1924 Bailey County saw the need for a new court house and the need became a reality with the construction of the building which is still being used for that purpose. My father was elected as commissioner for precinct number 1 in 1920 and served the county for ten years.

The late R.L. Brown, local realtor and one time mayor of Muleshoe, was the "father" of cotton ginning in this area and cotton really began to be grown. Some had to be hauled to distant gins. The first gin was built in 1923 and the first bale ginned for R.G. Fort.

All the time new businesses were springing up and when the mail was delivered on the routes for the first time in 1925 it was a real joy. Before then all the people had to ride or drive to town for their mail and provisions. The first carrier on route one was George Dodson who was replaced by Gil Wollard who carried the mail until his retirement. Through mud and snow they continuously brought the mail, through it be joy or sorrow, they continue to bring it.

Then finally came a country doctor by the name of Dr. Matthews who since has passed on with his job well done.

Finally through Levi Pressley, and attorney, Muleshoe, Bailey County and the area had its own newspaper, "The Bailey County Bugle."

All the time new businesses were being established and finally a theatre, a new entertainment, first the silent pictures and talkies and on and on until WOAG in Amarillo brought radio into the area which provided more and more of the happenings.

The old kerosene lamps started fading from use as lighting and more people purchased Delco systems and wind chargers until the REA brought the reality of the modern day and back again came telephones, with electric lights and our modern day television.

All the progress came about by the pioneers plodding away until now those of who remain look back at the reality which has come true. For myself, who grew up along with the county and surrounding area, I want to keep looking forward to a better future and to the younger generation. How fortunate they are to have all the grandeur and splendor. They must remember the credit due the pioneers.

NOT RAIN BUT FLEAS

CHARLOTTE, N. C. ... Snow, rain, sleet and gloom of night may not be able to stop the mail, but apparently a flock of aggressive fleas can. Twenty-four homes in a two-block stretch of west Charlotte didn't receive mail for nearly four weeks because fleas were attacking mailmen.



LIONS CLUB ACTIVE IN EYE CARE...Muleshoe Lions work extensively in eye care, along with other civic matters. They purchase eyeglasses for needy persons, provide guide dogs and are active in their eye bank. Darrell Turner is president of the Muleshoe Lions, and Connie Harmon is Lions Club sweetheart.

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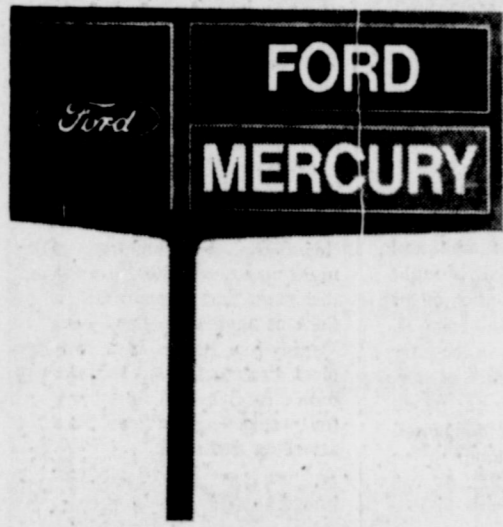
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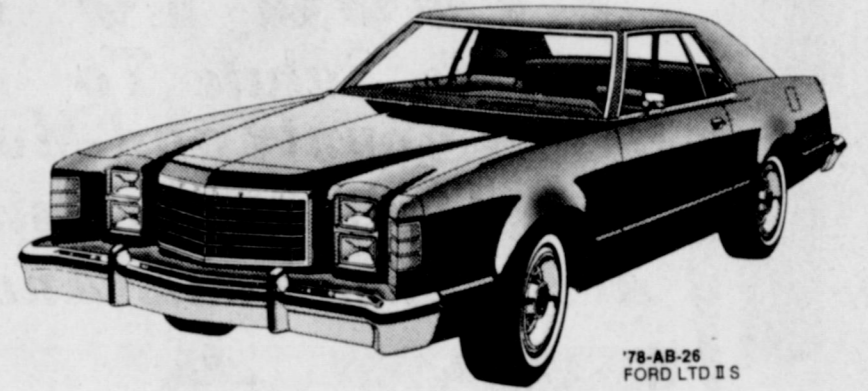
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How Bailey County Stacks Up To Date

By Glen Williams
Bailey County Judge

Bailey County was created in 1917 from Bexar Territory and was named after Peter J. Bailey, a hero killed at the Alamo. It was attached to Castro County for two years and became a separate County in 1919.

Bailey County covers an area of approximately 832 square miles. A band of sandhills approximately ten to twelve miles wide extends from east to west across the north central part of the county, the remainder of the county is fertile loess soil and is a productive agricultural area. The northern part of the county is practically all irrigated and the southern part is dry land. A diversity of crops is produced such as cotton, corn, milo, wheat, vegetables, hogs, cattle, horses, etc.

Muleshoe, the county seat, is the only incorporated town in the county, but there are a number of villages in the rural areas. The progress of the county, as far as economical development is concerned, has been quite remarkable during recent years. When this writer came to Bailey County - Febru-

ary 1, 1929, there was virtually no irrigation, there were no paved roads, the town of Muleshoe had about 1,000 population, and no streets were paved.

With the exception of Muleshoe, all schools were rural. The high schools were un-accredited, with only one or two teachers for the four high school grades.

In the late 1940's, the county valuation was approximately \$6,000,000.00. Three Commissioner's Precincts owned two motor graders each, and the other precinct owned one. In addition, there was one caterpillar tractor and scraper for county-wide use. There was no other road building equipment in the County. The operating budgets for each Precinct ranged from \$7,000.00 to \$10,000.00 per year.

At that time the sheriff also served as Tax Assessor/Collector, he and his deputy drove their own automobiles. And the County and District Clerk was one office.

Today the county valuation is more than \$45,000,000.00. The

Sheriff and Tax Assessor/Collector are separate offices. The County and District Clerk are separate offices. The Sheriff's Department operates three county owned automobiles. We have a County Agent and County Home Demonstration Agent. The county furnishes a pickup for the County Agent, and also keeps an automobile for use by other county officials. A twenty-four hour dispatching service is operated jointly by the County and City.

Each Commissioner's Precinct now has three motor graders, a front end loader, a dump truck, a pickup and other items of equipment. More than 180 miles of Farm to Market roads has been paved, and eight more has been designated. Highway 84 has been four-laned across the County.

A new radio communications system has been recently installed.

A modern teletype system is operated with related crime reporting services.

The County owns a new ambulance unit, and together with the City, subsidizes its operation.

Prepaid medical care for indigents has been arranged for on a long term basis.

A four County Bookmobile services based in Muleshoe is being operated.

A criminal investigator works with the District and County Attorneys Offices.

A new Law Enforcement Center was recently constructed that provides jail facilities, and offices for County-City and State Personnel.

Bailey County is in the process of constructing a new Exhibition Center and Coliseum that will provide a nice meeting hall, and adequate room for livestock shows, banquets, concerts, and many other types of activities.

Other services, not operated by the County, but made available to its people include:

A new modern, attractive library.

New City Park

New City Parks.

Little League Baseball Parks,

Tennis Courts,

New Medical Center,

Texas Health Resources,

Homemaker Services,

Program for the Aging,

Senior Citizens Groups.

An outreach office of the Plainview Mental Health/Mental Retardation Center.

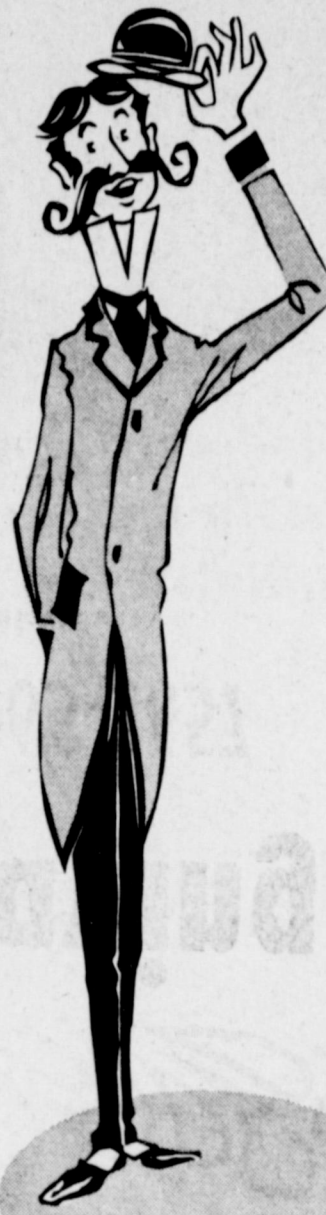
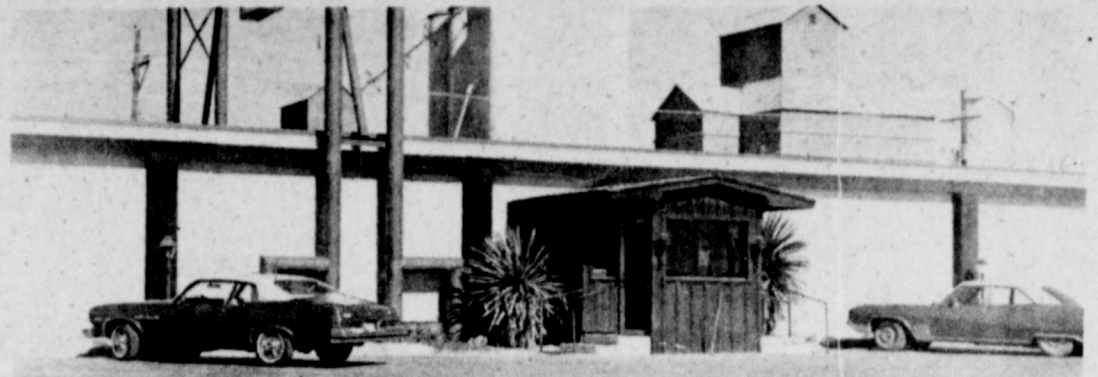
Food Stamps,

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Social Security representative,

WIC Program (women, infants and children),

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BAILEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE--In Bailey County, Sheriff Dee Clements and his staff of five serve the county. They include in the picture from left, Sheriff Clements and deputies Irene Splawn, Monty Phipps, Pete Black, Tom Beal and James Williams. Both Phipps and Williams were hired earlier this year on a one-year

government program. They recently completed basic training school at Plainview. Sheriff Clements and Mrs. Splawn have been in the sheriff's office for 21 years; Pete Black has nine years law enforcement experience and Tom Beal has 11 years experience.

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Muleshoe Progress Edition

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New Library Culminates Years Of Study, Planning



MULESHOE AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY... It was considered a major accomplishment when the Muleshoe Area Public Library moved from its one small room in the courthouse to a larger building on East Ash Street. Then, with the passage of a bond issue, and a grant, this modern facility was constructed at the

corner of West Second Street and Avenue D. From less than 2,000 books, the library now has more than 25,000 books, along with tapes, film-strips, children's activities and the Bookmobile, which serves four counties. A large number of people utilize the public library and is considered one of the better assets to the city.

From one room in the county courthouse to an ultra modern, \$116,989.13 building in just seven years is the success story the Muleshoe Area Public Library, which was dedicated on Sunday, April 23, 1972.

The first library in Muleshoe was established in 1939. It was located in the courthouse by the Muleshoe Study Club and the long since non-existent 1939 Study Club. The first record of a librarian's salary in county employees records was recorded on February 2, 1945. During County Judge Cecil Tate's term, the librarian's salary was set at five dollars per month. In 1956, the salary was raised to \$30 per month.

In 1963, the public, realizing the deplorable conditions in the tiny, one-room library, organized The Friends of the Library Association with the late Mrs. Gil Lamb as its first chairman.

First Officers of The Friends of the Library were Mrs. T.M. Slemmons, president; J. Frank Peery, first vice president; David Branson, second vice president; Mildred Davis, secretary and the late Opal Boothe, treasurer.

Then, in 1964, the inter-county relations of FLA prepared for the bookmobile program. It was headed by Joe Harbin and assisted by the Chamber of Commerce. The Bailey County Commissioners, Lloyd Stephens, R.P. McCall, Bill Eubanks and Ike Stinson, approved the Bookmobile program on February 11, 1964, and were followed by the county courts of Parmer, Cochran and Lamb Counties.

The bookmobile makes stops at 30 schools and communities and is housed at the new library. Bookmobile librarian is Mrs. Joe Sooter.

Mrs. Georgia Pena was the first bookmobile librarian. Mrs. Pena is now a teacher at Muleshoe Junior High School. Soon after the Bookmobile program began, citizens were talking about a permanent library, and plans began to form. Many money making projects were held, headed by various local civic clubs and individuals. The first five businessmen to contribute \$100 to the permanent library were presented life memberships. They were Fred Johnson, Charles Lenau, Pat Bobo, Sam Fox and June Wagon.

On March 13, 1964, a \$115,000 building was purchased. The building had formerly housed an electrical company. The deed was signed by Pat R. Bobo, Rev. Peery, Bobby Airhart, Roald

Johnson, Roy Davis, Lester Howard and Mrs. T.M. Slemmons.

The library was opened on March 10, 1964, when Mrs. Bernis Camp, the present librarian was hired. Only 1,065 books were moved from the courthouse where the late Mrs. E.R. Wright was librarian for 22 years. Now, more than 25,000 books are in the collection.

On September 10, 1968, the citizens of Muleshoe and Bailey County approved a \$40,000 bond issue to construct a new public library. Matching funds of \$50,000 were received from the state.

Groundbreaking for the new library was in May 1971, when Mayor Irvin St. Clair and Anne Camp officially performed groundbreaking ceremonies. Assisting with the ceremonies were Jessica Perry Hall, Friends of the Library president and member of the building committee; Joe Harbin, Muleshoe Area Public Library vice chairman; Jeff Smith, FOL vice president; and David Sudduth, building committee chairman.

Four lots were purchased for the building of the new library. Bids for the construction of the octagon-shaped structure were opened at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 1971, with the City Council approving the negotiated bid of \$110,227 from Lubbock Contractor Jerry Galley. Architect of the new library was Bill Contrell of Lubbock and consultant was Ray Janeway, head of the Texas University Library.

The council also approved the low bid of \$10,691.90 for equipment from the Library Bureau of Dallas, although over \$10,000 was allotted for equipment and furnishings, this was still not nearly enough to completely furnish the new library.

This is when the whole community, local civic clubs, sororities and Friends of the Library members came out in full strength to help raise money to furnish the library.

More than \$25,000 was raised by FOL through individuals, organizations and businesses. Most went for building payments, utilities, and repairs until public support through the city was increased. From increased city funding, \$10,000 was given to purchase memorial books.

Finally, on December 15, 1971, a community dream became a reality with the opening of the doors to the new Muleshoe Area Public Library.

Some of the many services of the library include: over 22,000 books, filmstrips, records, record player for the blind, a complete recording of the Bible, books featuring large type which can be used by the aged and other people who have difficulty reading.

The library loans books to kindergartens and provides books to the nursing home and the hospital. Books are also available through the inter-library loan service of the Texas Library Network.

The 6,000 square foot library includes a basement and a patio. Regular children's story-hours are held in the basement, along with other children's activities.

When the library dedication was held, more than 200 people attended the open house and dedication and heard Gooch, the speaker, extoll the efforts of the concerned citizens of Muleshoe and acquisition of the facility.



Civic Center Construction To Finish '78

In September, 1976, Bailey County Commissioners put the final 'stamp of approval' on a plan to construct a civic center and exhibition center in Muleshoe.

In May, 1977, the commissioners formally approved Pharr

Construction Inc. of Lubbock as builders of the facility at a total cost to Bailey County of \$345,594.

At the onset of planning stages, the commissioners talked of constructing the facility with Revenue Sharing Funds, which is the federal tax rebate to

cities and counties. However, as plans grew, and various residents and organizations requested additional improvements to the basic structure, the construction 'outgrew' Federal Revenue Sharing Plans available. It was decided to issue

general certificates of obligation for \$300,000 and use \$45,594 Revenue Sharing Funds to construct the new building.

With the signing of contracts to have the facility build, the commissioners also signed an authorization to levy a tax to pay for the \$300,000 certificates of obligation.

In the construction, which is of

....
A philosopher is a man giving other people advice about troubles he hasn't had.

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The greatest effort made by some workers is to look busy while doing nothing.

....
Most people can stand tragedy but few can master the small irritations of life.

steel and aluminum, along with concrete and masonry, the large arena portion of the building will be 150 x 150 feet and will have a concrete floor. The large arena will be free span construction with large doors and a permanent fixed grandstand area. The grandstand will be constructed to hold 650 persons.

A brick-faced front will incorporate another large meeting room and smaller rooms, including office, foyer, concession stand, kitchen and restrooms.

Outside, and adjacent to the building, will be a cattle wash, additional restrooms, and another multi-purpose room.

As planners for the facility rejected plan after plan, and heard requests for additions to the proposed civic center, they often became discouraged before the final approval of the plan to construct the long-awaited facility. Many plans were drawn, and much time spent

visiting other locations where such buildings had been constructed.

Originally starting out with 'just an arena' the facility has grown, and construction started on a multi-purpose building which is expected to host horse and cattle shows, automobile and farm equipment shows. Banquets can be scheduled and large and small meetings incorporated in the ultra-modern civic center and show barn.

Although the contractors did not begin on the building as soon as they had originally planned, construction is expected to be completed and the building ready for occupancy in early 1978.

Local civic and other clubs will be contacted to help with fundraising projects to equip the building with kitchen and concession stand equipment and appliances and other necessary supplies to have it ready for use.

Ruiz Inc. Expands Business

Just over six years ago, Robert Ruiz Inc. opened their first vegetable processing plant in Muleshoe. From his initial operation in a small, older building on East Highway 84, he now operates out of a large modern structure approximately two miles west of Muleshoe.

"We produce quality vegetables and ship out only quality vegetables," said Robert Ruiz Sr., who along with his sons, operate Robert Ruiz Inc.

"I see that we are in a good growing area, and we see a great future for the farmers, for us and for the community of Muleshoe," he added.

When Ruiz opened his operation in Muleshoe, he had 40-50 workers in the packing shed and another 100-150 workers in the vegetable fields. Now, he employs 80-100 packing shed workers and 250 people in the field harvesting vegetables.

Robert Ruiz Inc. in Muleshoe is a branch operation of his main plant in Edinburg, which was opened several years ago. The Edinburg plant is operated approximately seven and a half months each year, while the Muleshoe plant is in operation for approximately three months a year.

Produce packed by his operation is shipped all over the United States, but most produce goes to the East Coast.

Ruiz said he first started in the vegetable business in 1953, when he first came to West Texas. He said he started buying vegetables as an independent trucker and began meeting the vegetable producers in the area.

Self-employed since the age of 15, he was one of the first men in West Texas to go exclusively into the vegetable business. After becoming well acquainted

with vegetable growers, he started his own business by selling to produce sheds, and from there steadily increased his operation.

Ruiz brings in most of his field hands and explains that he built housing for his workers this year on a portion of his property near his plant. He said that when vegetables reach their peak and are ready for harvest, he needs workers immediately. Ruiz added that in order to have the workers available when needed, he constructed the housing units.

Ruiz also works right with the producer, helping him work out his production problems. He uses his knowledge of vegetables to help the producer make top yields and adds that by working right with the farmer, has added yields and quality for both.

Railroad Established Muleshoe To Develop Surrounding Area

The Muleshoe station of the Sante Fe Railway opened for business January 9, 1914. The line from Lubbock to Texico was completed and became a part of the Pecos and Northern Texas Railway Company on March 1, 1914.

Surveying of the line started as early as January, 1907, however, it was 1910 before the route was firmly established, and grading was not begun until July, 1912. The laying of track took place between March and November, 1913, and tri-weekly train service started November 14, 1913, between Lubbock and Texico, the next month the Railroad Commission of Texas ordered regular train service as a common carrier, on a tri-weekly basis.

Completion of this segment of trackage, a portion of the Coleman-Texico cutoff, closed the gap between lines running to the Gulf of Mexico and those heading to the Pacific Coast. This placed in service the shortest route between Galveston and Los Angeles-San Francisco.

Original plans provided for a railway station at Janes, with a private spur at Muleshoe (first spelled Muleshu before being changed to Muleshoe) for E.K. Warren, but this plan was soon abandoned and a townsit was carved out of portions of Sections 39 and 54, lying just south of and adjacent to the rail line. The land was secured from E.K. Warren by warranty deed dated September 29, 1913.

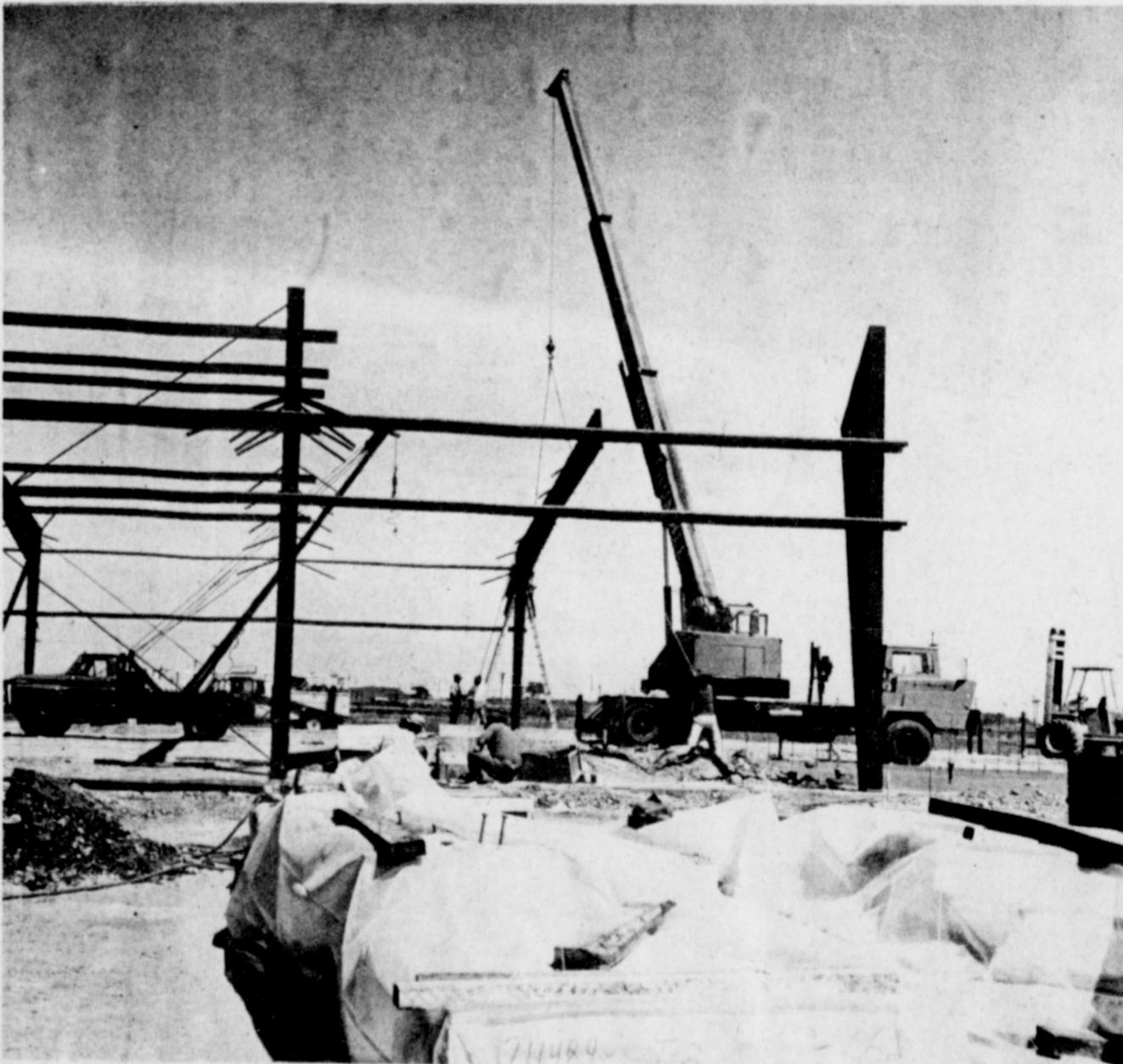
The townsit of Muleshoe, the county seat of Bailey county, was established by the railway company for the purpose of developing the surrounding country, and not as a speculative venture. Lots were very moderately priced to accomplish this development. Muleshoe was named for the Muleshoe Ranch which was owned by Warren and Sons of Three Oaks, Michigan.

A number of lots were donated by the railroad for religious and municipal use, including 12 lots donated to the Methodist church July 19, 1920; 24 lots to the Catholic Church on December

30, 1920; 12 lots to the Baptist Church on February 2, 1925, and two blocks to the Town of Muleshoe for parks in 1932.

A number of men have served the Sante Fe as agents at Muleshoe, beginning with M.H. Rees, 1915; W.C. McCalmont, 1916-17; J.F. Haynes, 1919; L.L. Hall, 1920; D.E. Cox, 1921; E. Pavlicek, 1923; J. Cooley, 1924; D.E. Cox, 1925-26; H.A. Eckler, 1927-37; O.B. Carthen, 1938; J.G. Blair, 1938; H.O. Barbour, 1939-57; H.G. Holt, 1958-75; and L.E. Landers, March 4, 1975 to date.

The Sante Fe expanded and built lines of railway for various reasons-some to serve oil fields reasons-some to serve oil fields, mining deposits and forest areas. Other mileage was built to provide shortcuts, speed service and reduce expenses. Much new construction was intended to develop hitherto railroadless agricultural areas, such as the lines laid down in the Panhandle. This has developed a far-flung system to serve the nation from Chicago to the Gulf and Pacific Coast.



CIVIC CENTER CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY. After many months of meetings, and checking of civic center facilities in a large area, the Bailey County Coliseum and Civic Center construction got underway at the west edge of Muleshoe. The large facility will be a

multi-purpose building, incorporating an arena section, along with a smaller meeting room, kitchen and concession stand facilities. It is expected to be completed in early 1978.

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Methodism Here Started At Old Hurley

Most things start "in the beginning". This is a proper way to begin an article tracing the history of the Methodist church in Bailey County and Muleshoe.

In the beginning the original town of Old Hurley was the birthplace of Methodism in this community in August 1908. Old Hurley was about 2 1/2 miles north of present-day Muleshoe on the Friona highway number 70.

This first church building, which was used as a community church for many years, was built by Steven A. Coldren of the Coldren Land Company, developers of Bailey county. The building was made from heavy oak timbers cut and sawed in Michigan and shipped in, all ready for erection at Hurley.

The church in Old Hurley held the Methodist services only once a month, as the church was on a circuit with Bovina, Summerfield and Black in 1908. The pastor was Rev. V.H. Trammel who was known as the Cowboy Preacher and Rev. G.S. Hardy was the president elder of the district, this position now being known as the district superintendent.

The Methodist families of this first organization in the Bailey county Methodist church were: W.M. Wilterding, John Wilterding, R.B. Canfield, J.T. Lindsay, Elmer Grush, a Mrs. Miles, Edward Barnhill, A.C. Gaede and Mrs. W.H. Kistler. The last two still live in Bailey County and attend the Muleshoe First Methodist church. Miss Dottie Wilterding, who attends the YL Methodist church, was the first organist and was Sunday School teacher for many years. John Metsker, who ran the store and was first post-master at Hurley, led the singing at the Community Church while Miss Dottie played the organ.

MOVE TO MULESHOE

In 1913 the coming of the Sante Fe Railroad brought many changes. One was the formation of a new town named Muleshoe and when the railroad did not pass through Old Hurley, the land company decided to move in the spring of 1913 the Community Church building down to Muleshoe, where the train stopped.

The heavy timbers made it a terrific task to move the oak structure through sand so deep

the teams could not get through. So it was left in the sand until Muleshoe was established. Mrs. Beulah Carles, who came to Bailey county in 1911 and now lives in Oklahoma City, and Miss Dottie Wilterding told The Journal in 1954 that there were many families there with their teams to try to help move it; among the families were Mrs. Belle Snyder, Mrs. Carles, H.B. Bearden, Vern Bearden, and Mrs. Leota Wilterding. But it proved too heavy for the teams and stood on the praries for several days and was finally moved by all of the teams with the help of Bob Morris' Rumley tractor, the only tractor in Bailey county at that time. It was moved to a lot in the east part of town, now the location of the new Latin-American Methodist church - "The Church of the Divine Savior." The old church building continued to be used by all denominations, as a Community church and as a school for several years.

When the Old Hurley Methodist congregation moved into Muleshoe in 1914, Sunday School was held in the Sante Fe

depot, while the old building was being repaired, with Rev. Watenbarger, a Congregational minister presiding and A.C. Gaede as Sunday School superintendent.

A letter addressed to Mrs. Carles from Rev. W.M. Pearce gives much interesting information; Mr. and Mrs. M.P. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Gwynn and Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Tayes were listed in the re-organization of the Methodist of Muleshoe, June 1914. Muleshoe was taken off the Bovina circuit in the fall of 1914 and did not have a pastor for three years. In 1917 Gaede wrote asking that a pastor be sent to Muleshoe and telling "that new Methodists were moving in all the time-the Hardens, the Harts, and many others" - so in November, 1917, the Conference sent to Muleshoe Rev. D.C. Ross, who came up from Lubbock on the train twice a month.

The late Mrs. I.W. Harden told The Journal back in 1954 that she recalled the Missionary society, as the WSCS was called in those days, met regularly in the homes of members.

In July 1920, after the Sante Fe had deeded the present lots owned by the Methodist church (which had been deeded to them directly from E.K. Warren when the town was first surveyed), the old church building, twice moved, was purchased by the Muleshoe Methodists from Coldren Land company and moved to its present location by L.F. Willman, and he had a Rumley Tractor too. Union services were continued until 1925 when the parsonage was built and Rev. J.D. Farmer became a full-time resident pastor. At that time A.C. Gaede again became Sunday School superintendent.

As the town and community grew so grew the church. The building was remodeled many times - in 1929 it was stuccoed; 1937 it was remodeled and enlarged - and in 1942 the present Fellowship Hall was built.

PRESENT EDIFICE

The needs for an adequate church plant had long been felt by the entire congregation. Under the general chairmanship of Noel Woodley, and associates Sam Fox, Bess Edwards, Bill Moore and D.B. Lancaster the present modern building was announced in November 1954 and dedicated on June 24, 1956, when the congregation moved into the present edifice under the leadership of Rev. Clarence Stephens. Bishop William C. Martin was present for the first worship service in the new building. Certainly this was a day long to be remembered by Methodists. Here was a church rich in the history of service to humanity standing on the threshold of new beginnings.

The official building committee for the new building was headed by Sam Fox, with Horace Edwards, Buford Butts, Inez Bobo, and Bess Edwards on his committee.

As a reminder of this faith of the fathers, the old bell rings from the tower as it has been doing for 53 years. Rich in tone and melody its resonance continues to call people to the great calling in Service to the Master. "The Cathedral of the Black-water Valley" is a testimony to Christian love and faith, known as "The friendly church with a spiritual emphasis." The church is debt free in 1963. The old church bell, which was given by E.K. Warren was transferred to

the present church building which incorporated portions of the old structure.

The ministers who have served Methodism here are: V.H. Trammel, J.P. Swinney, A.H. Hussey, W.M. Pierce, D.C. Ross, C.A. Duncan, Raymond Van Zandt, George R. Fort, Preston Florence, I.D. Farmer, Payne, W.B. Hicks, E.C. Raney, J.F. Luker, R.S. Watkins, Jim Sharp, R.N. Huckabee, George Turrentine, T.C. Willett, W.B. Vaughn, T.G. Craft, H.W. Hanks, Clarence Stephens, Edwin L. Hall, Horace Brooks, Jr. Frank Peery, J. Waid Griffin, C.B. Melton, J.B. Fowler, H.F. Dunn and David Hamblin.

PARSONAGE

In 1955 the parsonage was built. It is ideally situated on a corner lot across from the church property. This parsonage was built through the generosity of three families of the church and Homer Sanders, Jr., was the contractor. Another number gave the lot and brick fence around the patio. His house was 2,600 square feet of floor space and a double garage and is beautifully appointed with the best of furnishings.

It is valued at \$35,000.00 and no indebtedness, truly one of the most beautiful parsonages in Methodism.

GROWTH

The Men's Bible Class of the First Methodist Church of Muleshoe has initiated a scholarship fund for students going from this church into full-time life service of the church. The scholarship will provide \$500 per year to students in need, for tuition and scholastic fees at an accredited college or university. To date four students have made use of the fund.

Membership in June 1963 is 680 members, with an average of 300 in church school this year. The church supports mission work in 30 areas of conference national and world mission fields.

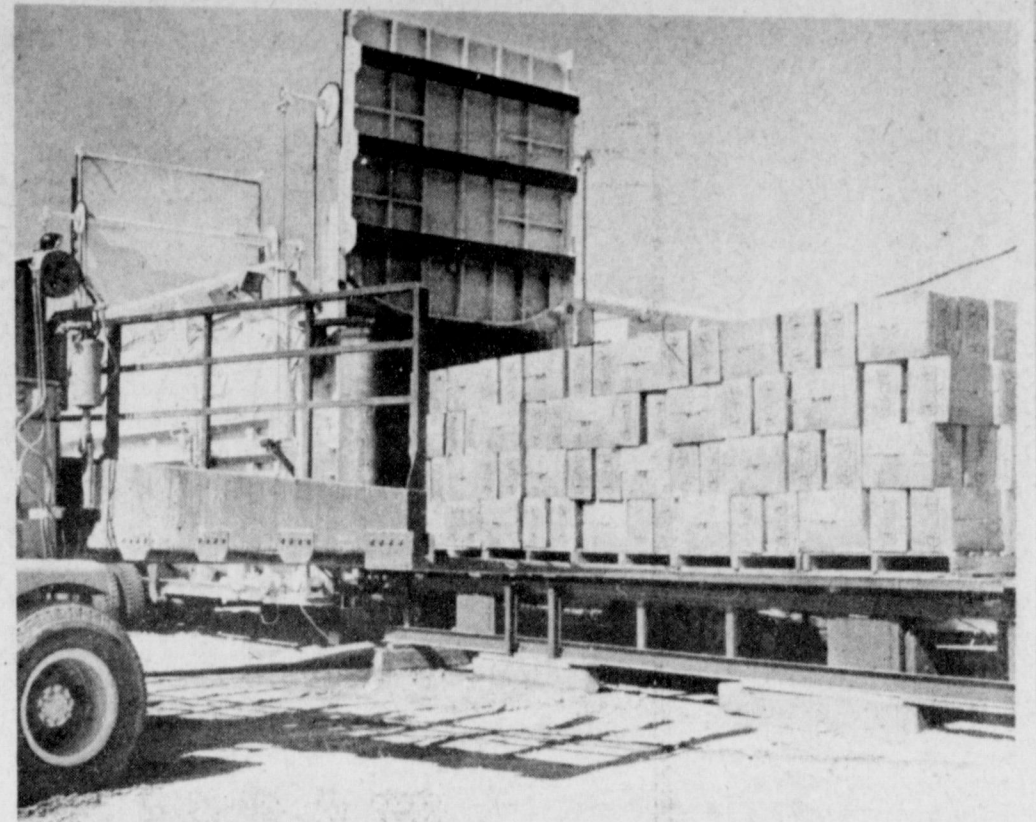
The First Methodist Church built a Fellowship Hall-Educational unit in 1964 at a cost in excess of \$175,000.

She Divided

The lovesick swain was discussing his love affair with a sympathetic friend.

"You say she partially returned your affections?"

"Yes, she sent back all my letters, but kept the jewelry."



LETTUCE DOUBLE CROPPED...Many area farmers have double-cropped this year. They have followed potato and onion crops with lettuce, which is presently being harvested. The lettuce is shipped to Philadelphia, Baltimore, Houston and the East Coast.



LUMBER COMPANY FORMER LANDMARK...E.R. Hart had one of the early businesses in Muleshoe. His lumber company served a wide area, and lumber and supplies were used to help build Muleshoe.

Western Auto In Muleshoe For 23 Years

Western Auto Associate Store was opened in Muleshoe 23 years ago and has been in continuous operation here since that time. Located at 320 Main Street, it has been owned by the late Earl Harris, and is operated by his son, Royce Harris.

With three full time, and two part time employees, the store serves Muleshoe and the surrounding areas, including Springlake, Earth, Lazbuddie, Needmore and Sudan.

A home and auto retail store, they carry televisions, appliances, furniture, auto parts, tools, bikes and sporting goods.

One Qualification

Paul-They're looking for a balloon dancer for the new Broadway show.

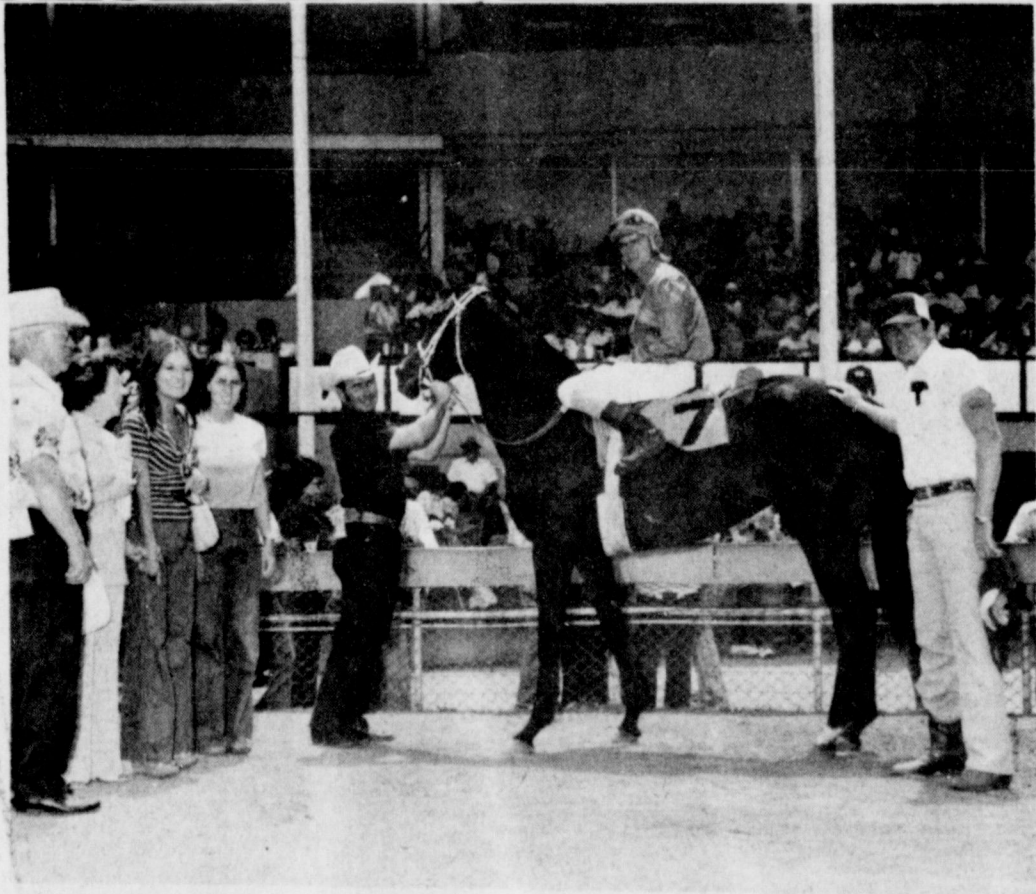
Amos--Then maybe you can hire my wife.

Paul--Oh, is she a dancer?

Amos--No, but she's shaped like a balloon.



EARLY IRRIGATION WELL...A trio of early residents of Bailey County check one of the first irrigation wells in the area. Farmers started moving into the county to take advantage of the good water.



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WESTERN AUTO STAFF--Pictured from left to right are: Royce Harris, Kay Harris, Larry Parker, Anita Davis and Jack Rials.

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First Baptist Church Has Grown Through The Years

When we think of painting a picture, craving a statue, building a structure or molding a life, too many times we consider only the immediate present or near past when in reality the foundation has been laid years in the past. Such is the case of the building of the First Baptist Church.

The First Baptist Church was organized July 11, 1920, with a membership of nine, namely, Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Gupton, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Starnes, Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. L.S. Barron Sr., and John Stovall, all of whom at this time are deceased except me and maybe Mr. Mayfield, whose address is unknown. I still live in Muleshoe and am active in First Baptist Church work. The above nine members laid well the foundation of Christian service in Muleshoe.

The first pastor and organizer of the church after organization met in the old courthouse which has long ago been torn down. A

year or so later the church moved to the grade school building, now known as the Mary DeShazo School, where they organized their first Sunday School in the year 1922 with L.S. Barron Sr., as their first superintendent.

As best remembered there were four classes, a ladies class, a men's class, a young people's class and a children's class. I was the teacher of the young people's class and Byron Griffiths was one of my most loyal and faithful members. Brother E.J. Barb was serving as pastor at that time. The church had services on Sunday. Barb resigned the church in order to continue his education and Brother Stewart replaced him.

FIRST BUILDING

After Brother Stewart came, it soon became evident that the church must have more adequate facilities, due to the

growth, and a need for more Sunday School space, so on February 2, 1925, a deed from the Pacos and Northern Texas Railway Company was granted to C.D. Gupton Sr., Ray Griffiths, and L.S. Barron Sr., trustees of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe for a consideration. The church voted to build a basement as a place of worship.

In the early part of 1926 the church moved to the new location which is the basement of the old church which now stands on West Avenue D, and was continuously used until the year of 1961. The basement did not have a baptistry, therefore at times the candidates were carried to Littlefield for baptism, and some times carried out to the Bud Morris where there was a large water tank and baptism was administered to the candidates there.

Because of ill health Brother Stewart resigned. He was succeeded by Brother Strickland and later by Brother C.A. Joiner.

The church voted to build an auditorium on top of the basement, where they were presently worshipping. In 1935 the contract was let for the erection of the building at a cost of \$2,365.89 and repair the basement for Sunday School rooms. The building still stands on the corner of West Avenue D, though, not know in use.

Brother L.S. Jenkins followed Brother Joiner as pastor and served the church from July, 1933, until March, 1936, when J. Manley Reynolds became pastor. He was followed in July, 1938, by Brother E.B. Hamilton, Brother M.M. Shaw, and then in 1943 Dr. W.R. Hornburg became the pastor. During these years the church had increased in membership to 362.

In February 1944, at Dr. Hornburg's suggestion the deacons made a recommendation to the church: "That a bond committee be elected to receive bonds to be purchased and given to the church to be placed in a building fund. Immediately the challenge to "Buy a Bond" was met by a class of 12 year old boys who were taught by Bryon Griffiths. One Sunday morning early in March of the same year, John Crow, in behalf of the "Men of Tomorrow" really are the "Men

of Today".

Dr. Hornburg accepted the bond, and then in his own inimitable way said, "Well boys, mother and I had intended to give the first bond, and then in his own bond but you boys, bless your dear hearts, have beat us to it." After graciously accepting the bond Dr. Hornburg then added his own to it, making \$100 to start the fund. At that time in April, 1945 the membership had grown to be 385.

In November, 1945 Brother A.W. Blaine, a friend of Brother Hornburg came. Many of our older folks today who were blessed by his bringing his record player, a gift of the church, to them in the afternoon's after his sermon of the morning, which he always recorded, and playing the sermon to them will ask "How is Brother Blaine? I will never forget him."

Because of the steady growth of the town and also of the church, plans were made to build again, this time a large auditorium. On October 5, 1949, the building committee made the following recommendation to the church, "That Doc Wilhite be employed to build the auditorium and walls and roof only of the educational building. Ground breaking ceremonies were held in October, 1949. Byron Griffiths gave a brief history, and Ray Griffiths and I turned the first shovelful of dirt.

The church had to borrow enough money to finish the auditorium and the rest of the educational building which were all finished in mid-January, 1951. The West Plains Workers Conference met with the church January 28, 1951, for the first service in the new auditorium.

The recommendation in January, 1954, was approved to erect the building for a nursery and also to rent or build a building in the east part of town for a mission of the church.

Brother E.K. Sheppard came in August, 1954.

On February 23, 1955, the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe was free of debt for the first time in many months.

DEDICATION SERVICE

Dedication services were held for the First Baptist Church Muleshoe on May 8, 1955. Mrs. Byron Griffiths brought a brief history and George Hicks sang "Bless This House" accompanied at the piano by E.H. Kennedy. A large crown was present for the services. By this time the church had grown to a membership of between 750 and 800 members.

In April of 1955 the Church voted in conference to build a new parsonage for the pastor, which was duly completed.

On January 1, 1956, First Baptist had the joy of seeing one of their dreams come true; the Trinity Church was or became a fully organized church supporting herself. The First Baptist entered into another mission project beginning a mission for the Spanish speaking people of



MULESHOE JAYCEES HAVE MAJOR PROJECTS...Members of the Muleshoe Jaycees say they are proud of the projects they have conducted to help the area and city. More than 60 strong, the Jaycees aid with many civic and charitable projects throughout the area. President of the Jaycees is Monte Dollar. He praised the Jaycees for their activities.

Muleshoe and surrounding area.

In the following October Brother E.K. Sheppard resigned the pastorate to accept the pastorage of Bloomfield Colorado

After Brother Sheppard left for the church we were pastorless for nearly a year, then in March,

1961, Brother Don Murry came. The new educational building was moved into in October of that same year.

Brother Bob Watts, Music and Educational Minister, came January 7, 1962.

The Church surely was blessed by the ministry of these two great men of God, and continued a marvelous growth.

Rev. D.C. DuBose served as pastor from 1968-1974 and Rev. J.E. Meeks has served the church since that time. Also

serving as associate pastor is Rev. Kenneth Carter.

New remodeling underway includes a new entryway and nursery. Completed are a new pastor's office, business offices, parlor and the church has new carpet and has been repainted.

St. Clair's Grow As City Grows

From the time they opened the doors of the first St. Clairs Store in Muleshoe in 1930, they have expanded from the original 25 foot store front into a booming 10,000 square foot building incorporating some of the best clothing in the area.

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Serving the tri-county area of Bailey, Parmer and Lamb Counties, Johnny St. Clair and his eleven employees said they plan to continue to offer the Muleshoe area the finest in service, quality and economy.

Their present employees include Clifton Finley, Lela Mae

Sullivan, Marie Allen, Maria Pacheco, Martin Nowlin, Eddie Mae Weeks, LaVonne Malouf, Joyce Wallace, Dorothy Mathieson, Elsie Goss, Bob Wallace and Johnny St. Clair.

Irvin St. Clair, present owner of the store is a former mayor of Muleshoe and has long been known to be active in civic affairs of the city. His son, Johnny, is continuing with his father's tradition and the store sponsors a Little League team, a Babe Ruth team, and they have continued to be heavy contributors to all local charities and fund drives.

At the time the store was opened in 1930 as a five-and-ten cent store, the family resided in back of the store for a number of years, before moving to their home on West Seventh Street.

The store has continuously been improved over the last 47 years, and have expanded from their original 25 foot building to the present size.



VARIETY STORE OPENED...St. Clair Variety Store opened their doors in a 25 foot store in 1930. From that time, the store has grown into its present size of 10,000 square feet. Irvin and Bill Jim St. Clair are shown in front of the original store, with living quarters in the back of the store.



BIG LOAD OF PUMPKINS...Mrs. W.H. Lee shows off a trailer load of pumpkins which were raised by Tim Campbell. She said the "excellent" crop will be shipped to Dallas, Los Angeles and Oklahoma City. Pumpkins are one of the larger vegetable crops produced in Bailey County.

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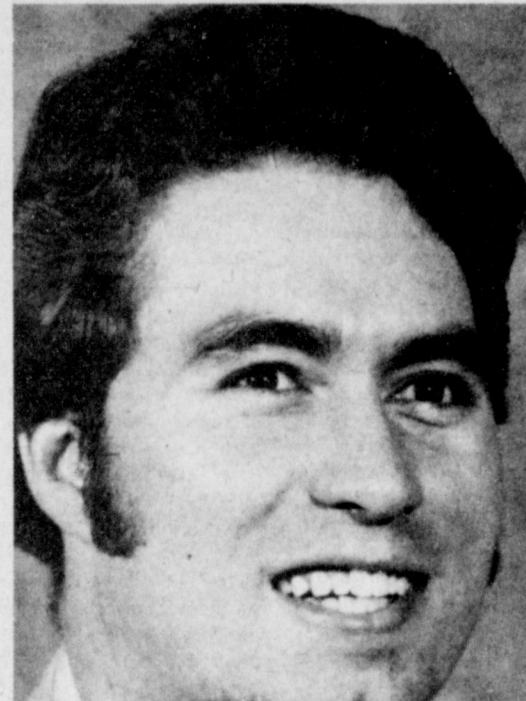
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<i>Ely Walker</i>	<i>Old Maine Trotters</i>	

Farm Programs Aid Progress In County

The USDA branch, currently carrying the nomenclature of ASCS (Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service) has changed as rapidly in title (i.e., the triple A; Agricultural Adjustment Administration) as have the programs in order to meet the demanding transitions of our times. The amendments and changes are so profuse in scope that it is literally impossible to describe or define their nature in this short preview; however, we will point out some of the programs of yesteryear in comparison to our current date.

The current price support program administered, as other programs of ASCS, under direction of the County Committee came into being by the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. The new features of this legislation included nonrecourse loans for corn, wheat and cotton. Grain sorghum was later amended into the legislation for price support loan, in 1940.

Today, loans on grain sorghum, corn and wheat are considered "nonrecourse"; if the market goes up, on his mortgaged grain he simply repays the loan and sells his commodity. However, if the market goes down, on his mortgaged commodity, he is guaranteed the current loan rate amount.

Seed cotton in loan today, is considered "recourse"; that is, the loan amount must be repaid, regardless of market fluctuation, no later than the maturity date. Baled Cotton in the loan is considered as "nonrecourse", the same as the small grain in the loan.

Marketing quotas are currently established, only on peanuts, in Bailey County. However, these quotas were amended into the Act of 1938 on April 3, 1941, not only on peanuts but also on cotton and wheat. Each marketing quota, to be effective for the current year, must carry by a national two thirds majority vote. The peanut marketing quota referendum became effective in 1949 and is still effective in Bailey County.

The cotton marketing quota referendum was effective for the years 1950 and 1954-1967.

The wheat marketing quota referendum terminated in 1963. By MQ is referred that a

producer could not plant outside of his effective allotted acres or, if he chose to do so, subjection to a heavy penalty would occur. However, a producer could plant up to 15.0 acres of wheat with no allotment, and not be subject to a penalty because of its definition as a food grain. Today, a producer can plant as many acres as desired, except peanuts, and not be penalized, except in case of disaster where allotments, not overplanting; disregarding substitution of feed grains for wheat or vice versa, are protected.

In the late 1930's till the early 1940's, marketing quotas had to carry by the two thirds in order to be eligible for price support. Today, all nonconserving program crops (i.e., feed grains, wheat, cotton) are eligible for price support, provided USDA specifications are met by the commodities tendered for loan.

In 1969, the wheat export marketing certificates came into being under the Act of 1938. By this is meant the Marketing Allocation Percentage, representing a given years wheat crop, was multiplied by the bushels for domestic consumption which, in turn was multiplied by the effective allotment for the given farm. This yielded the net return, in addition to his market sales, for his wheat crop.

The current program (began in 1974 and terminates around November 1977) provides a comparable payment (on other commodities as well as wheat); however it is designated to provide more benefits to the producer than did the marketing certificates. This deters from Price Support and is referred to as the Production Adjustment program, whereby a producer may receive a "disaster payment" for loss of production on the inability to plant due to a natural disaster, such as drought. In 1976, Bailey County producers alone receive over \$3.0 million in disaster payments.

In 1958, there were 368,000 cultivated acres in Bailey County, eligible for price support and other program benefits. Today, there are over 400,000 cultivated acres eligible in our county for program benefits. The price support loan rate varies, in accord to supply and demand

and export markets and so forth, from one year to the next. As far back as our knowledge permits, the year 1967 carried the commodity approximate price support rates, to indicate variability throughout the years, of: Corn-\$1.13 bu.; Grain Sorghum-\$1.61 Cwt.; Wheat-\$1.69 bu.; Cotton-\$3.099 lb.

The current Bailey County loan rates, subject to variabilities, are: Corn-\$2.07 bu.; Grain Sorghum-\$3.35 Cwt.; Wheat-\$2.26 bu.; Cotton-\$4.460 lb.

Price support on Wool began in a referendum in 1966. Payment under this program may be made when the sales falls below the price level.

The Soil Bank, established by the Agricultural Act of 1956, was in many respects similar to programs of the 1930's. It was first enacted in Bailey county in 1956 and terminated in 1965. It was designed to bring about adjustments between supply and demand for agricultural products by taking farmland out of production. Farmers who participated in this program, received adjustment payments and technical assistance.

Another conservation reserve program entitled Cropland Adjustment Program, began in 1966 and ended in 1976. There were 9,556.6 acres in Bailey county designed to conserve soil and water resources. It was essentially administered in the same manner as was its predecessor, the Soil Bank program, only the "projected yields" per acre were used as the basis for producer payments. Projected yields are still used in making payments, only now under the previously mentioned disaster program rather than a conservation program.

Out of the Soil Bank and CAP programs branched other conservation programs, as Rural Environmental Conservation Program (RECP) and Rural Environmental agricultural Program (REAP) administered by ASCS in the early 1970's. Today, they have been replaced by the Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP). Some cost share practices paid to producers by the ASC County Committee includes irrigation systems, reservoirs, permanent sod waterways, and vegetative cover. The cost shares paid to producers

since 1972 by the Bailey County ASC Committee approximate over \$600,000.00.

The above mentioned are only a few programs administered by ASCS, through the Committee System which has been existent ever since the beginning of ASCS, and each program is general in scope and barely delve below the surface. However, for over 40 years, price support and adjustment programs have had as important impact upon the farm and the national economy. Consumers

have consistently had a reliable supply of farm products for a smaller proportion of their income than anywhere else in the world. Farmers have been assured of at least specified minimum prices for their products. The prior legislation and oncoming programs, beginning early 1978, have been modified to meet varying conditions of depression, war, and prosperity and have sought to give farmers, in general, the opportunity to attain economic equality with other segments of the economy.

Immaculate Conception Church Here Had Its Dedication In March, 1957

By Fr. Clifton J. Corcoran

Sunday, March 18, 1957, was the dedication and blessing day for the Immaculate Conception of Mary Catholic church in Muleshoe. A large number of Catholic church men and other people were witnesses of this important day for the Catholics of this area.

So now Muleshoe, Texas, had a Catholic church of its own but the Catholic clergy out of Littlefield still has to come over to Muleshoe to care for the Catholic population here.

With the approval of the Catholic Bishop of Amarillo, the Most Reverend John L. Morokovsky, a permanent priest, came to Muleshoe on the First Friday in February, 1960, with the chapel in Olton as part of the Muleshoe Catholic Parish; later in May, 1961, St. Peter's Chapel in Olton was turned over to the Immaculate Conception of Mary Catholic Church in Dimmitt so that the people in Muleshoe and a new colony in Earth could get a more complete spiritual formation.

Now we have our history only to the present but there is a past that deserves our attention and thanksgiving.

As soon as the railroad got its right of way into Muleshoe, the Sante Fe Railroad officials helped the Catholic settlers with a site for a Catholic church, half block north across from the present Mary DeShazo school. Later was sold to Johnny Johnson. Then a block of land was

purchased from Leon Smith; later sold to the schools - where the Junior High School is partly on this block. Then through the help of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Hicks, the estate of E.K. Warren gave the church land at the junction of highway 70 and Friona Road 214 - the church still owns this land. Monsignor W. F. Bosen of Littlefield purchased the present site from D.L. Morrison.

Before this when the town was surveyed, the Catholic, as well as Congregational, Methodist and Baptist churches were each given six lots to be used for church purposes. These deeds were made directly from E.K. Warren to the church officials, it is reported.

Catholic priests as far away as Slaton came into Muleshoe from time to time to have Mass for the people and to care for other spiritual needs. In those days the Catholics met in the homes of their members and the Priest offered Mass, preached and administered other Sacraments as needed. One of the first Catholic priest to come into Muleshoe was Father Michael French, then pastor of the Catholic church in Slaton. Father French was a chaplain in World War I, who died in Brooklyn, N.Y., in 1957. Some of the meeting places for Catholic services were in the homes of the late Tony and Fred Determan and in the home of Anna Moeller. Catholic services were



1920 VIEW OF MULESHOE...Under sparkling, bright skies, Muleshoe was no more than a wide spot in the unpaved road in 1920. This is a view of Main Street in Muleshoe, looking north. Note the very few buildings in the small town at that time. Most of what can be seen in the picture are local businesses at that time.

at the most once a month in those pioneer days.

As we move into the 1920's the Catholics in Littlefield established their parish. The people around Muleshoe then went to Littlefield, after 1950 when the church in Littlefield became inadequate for the parish, the Catholics around Muleshoe went to Clovis for Mass until the summer of 1955.

Late in the year 1954 Monsignor Wilfred Bosen became pastor of the Sacred Heart Church in Littlefield and definite plans were underway to reactivate Catholic living in Muleshoe. In the summer of 1955, Monsignor Bosen started celebrating Mass in the Palace Theatre on Sunday afternoons.

Late in 1955 Father Vincent Dignitis came to Littlefield to help Monsignor Bosen with his widely scattered parishioners in Amberst, Olton, Sudan, Leveland and Muleshoe. Father Vincent offered Sunday Masses in the Moeller Theatres until the present parish church was ready. He made many other between-Sunday trips here to Muleshoe for sick members or emergency baptisms. Certainly Father left a good example of faith to his people. Histories of the Church so

often bypass the largest numbers in the congregation, the people. Certainly the people in pews sacrificed much to keep their Catholic faith with so many trying obstacles.

After Father Corcoran moved to Vega, he was replaced by Father Robert O'Leary. He served until his retirement and presently Father Tim Schwertner serves the church.



LONG GONE GARAGE...Poynor's White Stores is presently located on the corner where this early garage was located around 1930. Note the unpaved street, which is the corner of Main Street and American Blvd.

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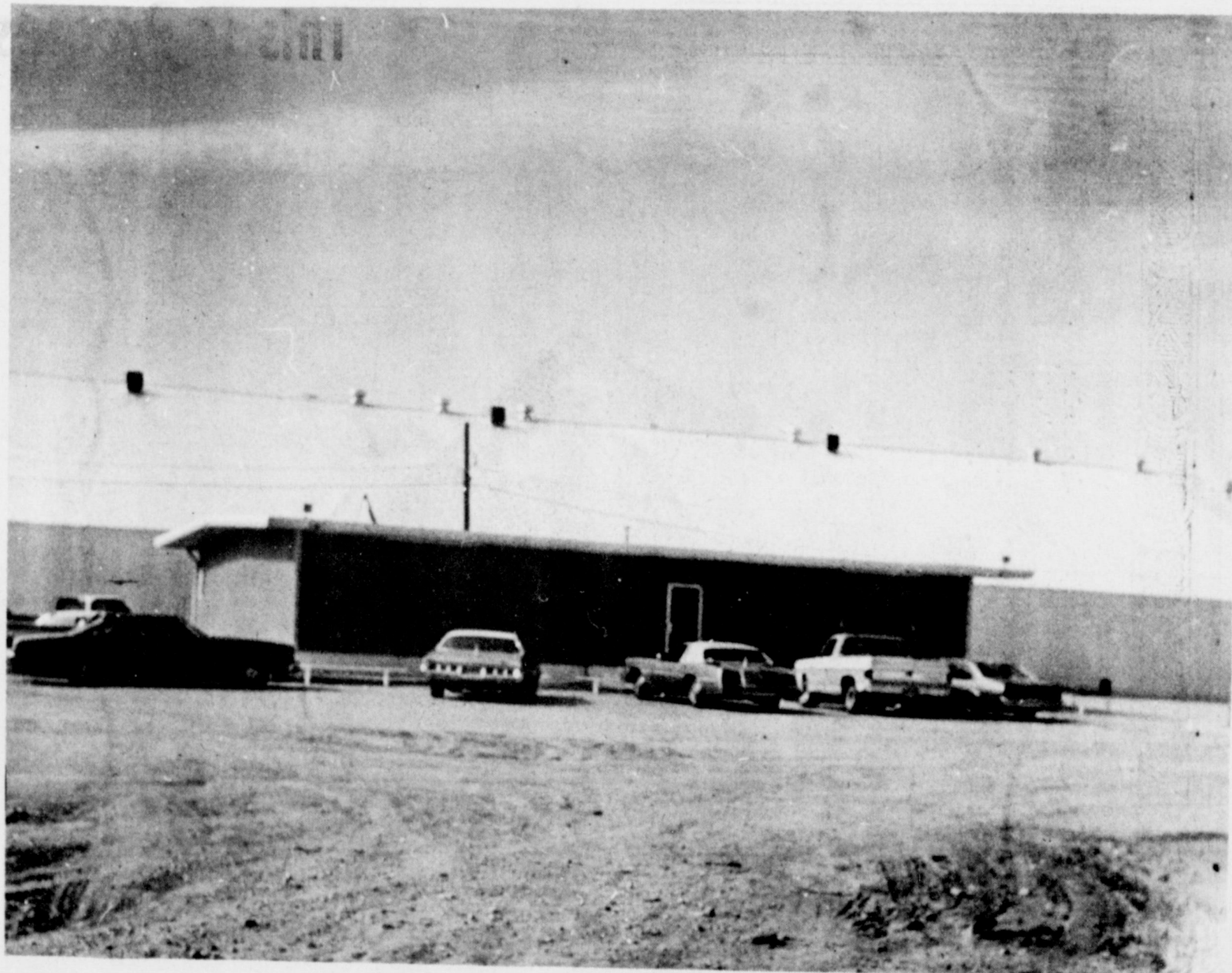
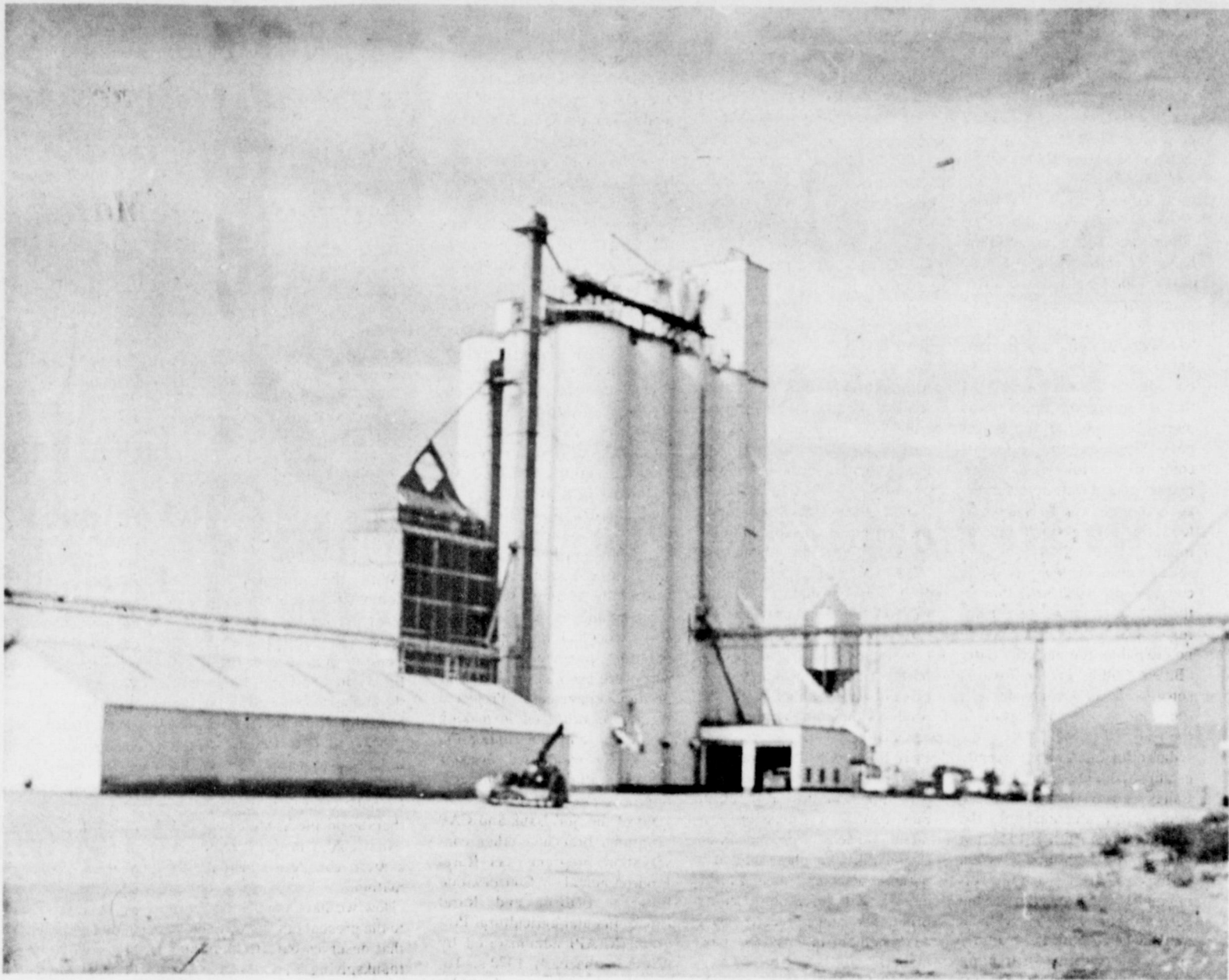
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Being a semi-arid county, the average rainfall in Bailey County is 17.44 inches per year, with low drought years only 7.75 inches being reported. A large number of small, intermittently dry lakes provide additional moisture for watering cattle and for irrigation purposes.

Monthly and annual rainfall is characterized by extreme variability as illustrated by the wettest and driest years. In 1941, 43.52 inches were recorded at Muleshoe while only 7.75 inches fell during the drought year, 1954. Every ten years, on an average, the county may expect one year with less than 11.2 inches, and one year with more than 25.0 inches.

Rainfall occurs most frequently as the result of thunderstorm activity rather than general rains. This spotty, shower-type rainfall accounts for the extreme variability in amounts. Maximum rainfall occurs during the months of May and June, corresponding to the peak thunder-

storm period, while 68 percent of the average rainfall occurs in the five month period of May through September.

Hail may accompany almost any thunderstorm; however, damaging hailstorms are rare and normally over a small area. Periods of no rain for several weeks are rather common, and periods of 30 days or more without rain have occurred in all months of the year except July and August. There have been several occasions where no rain was reported for two consecutive months, and from December, 1929, through March, 1930, no rain fell for four consecutive months. By way of contrast, the last spring and early summer rainfall in 1941 was exceptionally heavy, with 24.55 inches falling in the three month period, May through June.

Wintertime precipitation falls as snow or rain or sometimes as rain and snow mixed. Snowfalls are generally light, with the snow remaining on the ground for only a short time. On rare occasions, extremely heavy snows do occur, hence the record snowfalls of January, 1936 and February, 1956, are explained.

Temperatures, like rainfall, show extreme variability, especially during the colder six months of the year, November through April. Fast moving cold fronts pushing southward from the northern plains cause rapid drops in temperature, while strong southerly and southwesterly winds cause rapid rises in temperatures. Relatively cold fronts may push rapidly southward in late spring with a disastrous effect on new spring vegetation, as they may follow several weeks of mild weather.

This type of weather pattern discourages the growing of fruit trees in the area, and penalizes those who plant tender crops too early. The daily fluctuation averages about 30 degrees F during all months of the year. Summer days are hot but the humidity is generally low. Summer nights are relatively cool, with minimum temperatures in the low 60s.

Average wind speeds are high, generally. The strongest winds are associated with the more severe thunderstorms of late spring and early summer. The strongest continuous winds generally occur in March and April, with some years showing high winds in February. These winds often occur and produce severe sandstorms and duststorms, but the increased cultivation of the sandy strip near the New Mexico border has reduced the effects of wind erosion locally.

The prevailing winds vary from south to southwest.

Humidity is low compared to Central and East Texas. In summer, 6 a.m. readings may be expected to average from 75 to 78 percent, while 6 p.m. readings fall to within a range of about 35 to 39 percent.

The drawback is a fairly short growing season, with 181 days between the average date of the last occurrence of 32 degrees F in the spring and the average date of the first occurrence of 32 degrees F in the fall.

Sunshine is abundant the year round. Evaporation is high, as would be expected in the semi-arid region. Average annual lake evaporation is approximately 69 inches.

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FORMER GARAGE AND CAFE--The late Jack Cox is posed in front of the D.O. Smith Garage, and adjacent Bill's Cafe, which was operated by Bill and Margaret Collins. At the time the picture was made, the garage and cafe were located where the present St. Clair's Department Store is in Muleshoe.

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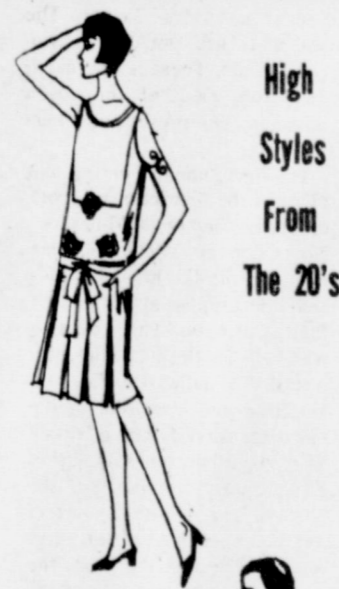
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From Modest Beginning Here In 1938, Electric Co-op Now Serves Hundreds

By DEANN ADRIAN

In 1932, Benjamin Franklin organized the first cooperative in the United States. Since that time there have been many other cooperatives organized to serve many different people. The Bailey County Cooperative was organized because the people in the rural parts of this area needed electricity to help run their farms. The only way to get electricity to these people was through a cooperative program.

To start a cooperative, a number of people who are interested in the work must organize. Some of the first people to become interested in the Bailey County project were Walter Damron, William G. Kennedy, I.F. William and Levi Churchill. They began to organize about June 1, 1938, and to find out all they could about the rural electric association.

The first members to sign up for the organization agreed to pay a membership fee of five dollars and to use the cooperative's electricity. The first of these members were such men as Damron, Mathis, Kennedy, William, and Churchill.

CORPORATION SET UP
August 30, 1938, a group of members met and drew up the articles of incorporation for the Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association. These articles were approved by the Secretary of State. After the articles were approved, the local people met at 2 p.m. in the court house here September 21, 1938, and accepted the articles. They also wrote the bylaws and elected a board of directors.

At a special meeting of the directors November 7, 1938, the board appointed Cecil Tate as lawyer for the project. Tate went right to work to get permission to rent an office, buy furniture, and to set bonds and insurance.

He helped the board secure the first loan contract from REA November 30, 1938, for \$178,000. They signed mortgages, and made deeds of trust notes for the organization for amounts up to \$1.5 million. These loans are now made for 35 years. The Muleshoe State Bank was named depository for the money and W.G. Morrison, Waco, was named as consulting engineer.

Cecil McLaury was hired as the first project superintendent, at a salary of \$120 a month. The plans for the first section were presented by the engineer December 5, 1938, and were approved. The construction was awarded to J.E. Morgan & Sons, El Paso, December 15, 1938.

LINEMAN HIRED

After the first lines had been staked in February of 1939, Tom Berry began working for the cooperative, there were only two workers in the main office, himself and the bookkeeper, Miss Delia Typton, who was sent to Dallas to a bookkeeping school. There was, also, only one pickup truck but no radio equipment in the truck. One night when Berry had been in Bledsoe and had just returned to Muleshoe, he was told that the lines were down at Bledsoe again, so he turned right around and went back to fix the line.

Berry built a bed on his pickup so he could set poles for which the holes had to be dug by hand. When he got a helper, he had to teach him how to climb. He put up a pole in the yard behind the office. McLaury, who was superintendent of the cooperative, did not know how to climb. One day he decided to try to climb the pole when he was alone. As he was climbing up, he slipped and slid down the pole. As he was going down he grabbed the pole; thus, he was the first man to "burn" a pole. The terrible thing about this was that the pole was called the "Porcupine Pole" because it was filled with splinters.

"ROUGH" JOB

At this time in the cooperative the linemen had to do everything from reading meters to riding lines. One night in March it began to rain about 7 o'clock; the wind was out of the north-east; the lines went out some where down the line so Berry went to the substation where he found that a fuse was burned out. The poles were covered with ice, but he had to climb the pole to put in a new tricity, another fuse went out. When he turned on the clec-main breaker switch, also, tripped. By this time he was soaking wet, so he went home to change into some dry clothes. When he left to ride the line to the south to find the trouble, Mrs. Berry went with him. After quite a long time they found the trouble and fixed it. They finally got back home at about 6 o'clock in the morning.

were having a party at the Damron home when Berry snaked outside and turned on the electric lights. Everyone was very surprised and some had to help Mrs. Damron to sit down. Before the cooperative, the Damrons' home was powered by their own plant which produced only 32 volts. The only electrical appliances were radios. Damron had to buy all the equipment to wire his house. He spent about \$35 for the equipment which would cost about \$150 today.

SOME SAID NO

After the Damrons' house was wired for electricity, many others began to receive the service soon. Most of the people were glad to get the electricity, but some did not want it. They gave such excuses as, "We have used kerosene lamps for all these years why change now?" or, "I raised all my children by a lamp and did just fine, so why should I use electricity?" The members of the cooperative told these people that they had started driving cars which was a modern convenience and they, also, would enjoy using electricity. Another reason some of the people did not want the electricity was because they had to pay \$2.50 a month whether they received that much service or not.

When the members first began to get people to sign up for the cooperative, they went in groups to people's houses. The people who wanted the service paid a \$5 membership fee and agreed to take electricity. They also signed a contract which would hold them to these promises.

When the first lines were finished, they ran south from Muleshoe for about 100 miles. The first lines were beginning to be staked in February of 1939. Soon there were almost 300 miles of line, and through the years more lines have been put up until today there are almost 2,000 miles of lines serving five counties, Parmer, Bailey, Cochran, Castro and Lamb.

SEVEN ON BOARD

The first board of directors was a group of seven members of the cooperative and first officers were president, William G. Kennedy; vice-president, Walter Damron; and secretary-treasurer, I.F. William. There were also four more members on the first board of directors including two women, Mrs. Snider and Mrs. Rector. The members are elected for two-year terms. There is one member from each of the seven districts. The present members districts.

The first annual meeting took place in the district court room of Bailey County in Muleshoe, November 30, 1938. At this meeting, the 126 members present had a supper and discussed their business. This meeting was help for the following purposes: To authorize the construction and operation of the electrical services along certain lines; to authorize mortgaging of all property owned by the cooperative; and to take care of any other business of the corporation. Through the years the annual meetings have remained the same, except that they are now much larger. There has been an annual meeting every year, except one - 1943 - since 1938. This was during the war and there was not a quorum of members present, so they could not have a meeting.

For the past 38 years, Bailey County Electric Coop has continued to grow and to serve, an ever widening area of West



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Texas. Their 50 employees, and a payroll of \$512,000 per year, help assure continued service to their customers.

Providing electrical service to rural customer, Bailey County Electric has 145 miles of transmission lines; 16 substations; 2521 miles of distribution line. They serve 1,800 homes, 2,800 irrigation wells, 20 cotton gins, 10 elevators, three schools and feedlots and other agri-businesses in rural locations.

They operate by purchasing at wholesale electric energy from Southwestern Public Service Company and distributing to approximately 5,900 meters in a portion of five counties at retail rates.

They service an area of approximately 1,600 miles in Bailey, Castro, Cochran, Lamb and Parmer Counties. They presently have the Earth 115,000 Volts to 69,000 volt Interchange, 10,000 KVA Dodd substation and 10.5 miles of 69,000 transmission line under construction. For 1977 and future growth, they will include one more substation to be built somewhere in the Muleshoe area.

A spokesman said, "Since we have a total agriculture economy, we are happy to have the opportunity to serve the total area with electric energy and have a small part in the production, processing and marketing of crops grown in the area."

With an investment of \$187,000 invested in a plant to serve 127 customers in November 1939, the plant had enlarged in August 1977 to a \$14,139,608 plant to serve 5,917 customers. Bailey County Electric Cooperative is a member of the Texas Electric Cooperatives Association and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. They have been active in all youth activities, including 4H, FFA, FHA, Boy and Girl Scouts, Young Farmers, Young Homemakers, Nurses Auxiliary, rural schools, churches, community centers and many other clubs. Bailey County Electric Cooperative assists with stock shows, rodeos, dress revues and style shows. They also put up the Christmas Tree for the community tree each year on the Sante Fe Square.

Awards have included from the State Association of Young Farmers and Young Homemakers, citations from the American Heart Association and the Texas 4-H Foundation have been received.

October is Cooperative month. Governors of many states issue proclamations saluting cooperatives. Local co-ops hold open

house, place ads in newspapers and stage special programs. State and national cooperatives groups plan receptions and other events to remind legislators and the press of the importance of cooperatives.

Over 50 million people are members of the more than 40,000 cooperatives in the United States. Rural people obtain credit, electricity and telephone service from cooperatives.

A cooperative is a business voluntarily owned and controlled by its member-patrons and operated for them on a non-profit basis. Each cooperative member has an equal voice in his organization and shares in benefits according to the amount of his patronage.

As community-oriented institutions, cooperatives help build stronger communities and develop leadership. They often serve as the focal point in programs to preserve the environment, conserve resources and energy and achieve a more favorable trade balance through export of farm products.

Forty years ago, only 10 percent of American farms had electricity, although most cities had long enjoyed this vital service. Rural telephones were not dependable, and as many as 20 families were forced to share a line. People began to realize that if they pooled resources and worked together, many things that could not be accomplished could be done. With the help of their Government, they started establishing cooperatives. Electric cooperatives helped liberate the countryside from the backbreak of farm chores and telephone cooperatives helped modernize and extend communications to remote rural sections.

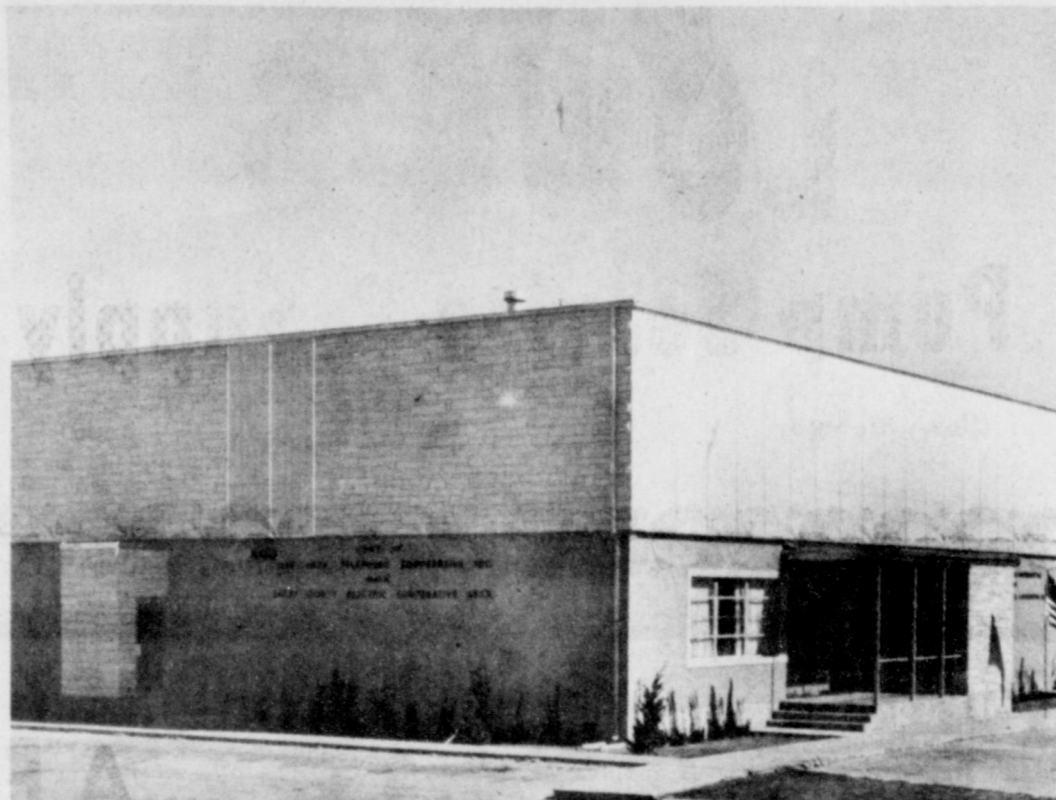
Rural electric and telephone cooperatives provide utility services to more than 26 million people located in 46 states. Today, 98.6 percent of the farms have electric service and over 90 percent boast modern telephones.

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1940 Pole Truck



1977 Pole Truck

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STACKED PLANT...Boxes of Potatoes and sacks of potatoes stacked high at T.J. Power Co. west of Muleshoe shows what Pat Power was saying when he said this year's potato crop was the largest ever. He said the market is up good and the yield was a top yield to keep workers busy at the plant.

Muleshoe's Predecessors-Four Of 'Em!- Are Now Disembodied Townsites Of Past

Four long-departed, disembodied townsites appear in Bailey County's history as apparitions of the past and as predecessors of the city of Muleshoe, this year celebrating its 64th anniversary.

Least well-known and almost forgotten is a townsite filled in 1912 - by the name of Muleshu. Attempting to duplicate the name of the Muleshoe Ranch brand which had never been put into writing, Muleshu was a natural. But it never existed except on the paper of the deed records of August 28, 1912.

When the railroad came to the county in 1913, an excited townsite war began. The only town in the county, prior to 1913, was "Old Hurley. As it was not on the railroad route, it was soon killed after an existence of six years.

Janes and Hurley townsites were established by land agents. Janes was located in the sand hills and nearly everyone moved from "Old" Hurley to Janes. When the railroad company and the Hurley townsite company could not come to an agreement, Muleshoe was established on October 11, 1913. Hurley contested the selection of Muleshoe as the railroad townsite for several years. During these years area residents were given free vacation trips to

testify in court. After Bailey County was organized in 1918, Muleshoe won a county-seat election which proved to be the final blow to Hurley.

The townsite fight between Janes and Hurley, as told by old timers to Cecil Davis, is recalled that the railroad got land from Warren and established the depot at Muleshoe because Janes was too sandy and the Hurley townsite company and the railroad could not come to an agreement. The railroad settled the squabble by building a depot about half way between Janes and Hurley - Muleshoe. Mills Switch, whether established at the same time or later was put in as a switch for and by the railroad, between Muleshoe and Sudan. There is presently a railroad marker sign designating "Mills Switch". There have been no buildings, townsites wise or otherwise recorded.

These four then, are the forerunners antecedent to the history of Muleshoe, Texas - ghost towns left from Muleshoe's townsite battles.

"OLD" HURLEY
"Old" Hurley, approximately three and one-half miles north of the present location of Muleshoe, was Bailey county's first town. It was established in the latter part of 1907 by the Coldren Land Company in order

to take care of its land-seekers when the excursions were made from Kansas City to Farwell. Mrs. Harry Witterding related to Thelma Walker Stevens.

Hurley consisted of one store, post office, school house, livery stable, ice house, hotel and a church. John Metsker owned the store and was the postmaster. F. Perrin ran the hotel for the land company, and employed H.B. Bearden as proprietor of the hotel in 1908. Bearden also had charge of the ice house. Joe Rutherford ran the wagon yard. The population was approximately twenty-five in 1908.

The first church building in the county was built in "Old" Hurley by Steven A. Coldren in 1908. He agreed at that time to deed it when a Congregational Church was organized, E.H. Bearden said. The Congregational Church was never organized, but the Methodist and later Baptists did organize and used this building, many times moved as a community church. E.K. Warren gave the bell, presently housed in the belfry of the First Methodist Church and some of the seats for the church. He also hired the preachers.

The mail was carried from Bovina to "Old" Hurley three times each week: Josh Blocker

carried it the first three months until a star route was established. At first he used a bicycle but later carried it in a cart.

Mrs. W.G. Panter recalls that they had to come to Hurley to get their mail in 1910 as this was the post office used by all settlers in this area. In fact, she says, when they came to Bovina by train from Nebraska, "Hurley was the only thing in these parts except Bovina."

Hurley sponsored four county events in 1908, a Fourth of July picnic, county fair, Christmas tree, and a children's day. Each of these events drew visitors from Parmer county and New Mexico, as well as Castro county, of which Muleshoe-area were a part then. One hundred seventeen men, women and children were at the picnic.

Mrs. Stevens also relates that the cowboys cooperated with the "nesters" in every way. When donations were called for, the boys would always do their part. They attended each of the celebrations held in Hurley.

There was no resident physician at Hurley. When anyone was ill, Mrs. H.B. Bearden would wait on him. If she thought a doctor was needed, someone would go to the Muleshoe Ranch headquarters and telephone to either Bovina or Farwell for a

doctor. Telephone service was poor, and frequently connections could not be made with either Bovina or Farwell. In that case someone would have to go to Clovis or Hereford for the doctor.

When the surveys were made for the railroad in 1912, one survey was through "Old" Hurley but three and one-half miles south now the location of present-day Muleshoe.

An excited townsite was begun when the Pecos and Northern Texas Railway, a branch of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe lines, starting laying track through Bailey county in 1913. The only town in the county, prior to 1913, had been "Old" Hurley. As it "lost out" in the placing on the railroad route, "Old" Hurley was soon killed. Land agents started two new towns, Janes and Hurley, which were both plotted on the railroad survey.

Nearly all buildings at "Old" Hurley were moved to the new townsites in order that they might be nearer the railroad. The hotel was sawed in two parts and moved to Janes. The church building was to go to Janes but the sand was so deep that it was impossible to get the building there. It was left in the sand until Muleshoe was established. The store and the post

office were moved to the townsite on the railroad that had been named Hurley. The other buildings were moved to Muleshoe when it was plotted.

JANES

When the contract was let for the railroad to be built through Bailey county, a railroad townsite was given by E.K. Warren in 1912. It was named Janes, Texas, the Janes or Rocking Chair Ranch.

M.P. Smith built a general store and the post office was in the store. James Johnson moved his hotel from "Old" Hurley to Janes. John Janes, owner of the Rocking chair or Janes Ranch, established a bank for the town. W.O. Lawrence once commented that the bank never had any depositors but Mr. Janes.

When Paul Coldren of Coldren Land Company, saw that the town would never grow, and that the Hurley Townsite company and the railroad could not come to a decision, he persuaded E.K. Warren to dedicate the Muleshoe townsite which was located between Hurley and Janes, according to Bailey county historian Stevens.

After Muleshoe was plotted M.P. Smith moved his store to the new location. He owned the first building in the new town of Muleshoe. James Johnson moved his hotel to the new town



LOADING CABBAGE...Workmen from Robert Ruiz Inc. load bags of cabbage into a truck for shipment to points from Muleshoe. Robert Ruiz Inc. also produces and ships cucumbers, peppers and onions.

also.
There is no trace of Janes, Texas, today.

HURLEY

When the Pecos and Northern Texas Railway survey was made, the Fairview Land and Cattle company organized the Hurley Townsite Company, Inc. for speculative purposes. The company bought land from W.D. and F.W. Johnson through which the railroad survey had been made.

The Hurley Townsite Company plotted the town of Hurley three miles northwest of the present location of Muleshoe. It was located where the residence of the late Jess Mitchell, former editor of the Muleshoe Journal was situated, and is presently the Walter Harrison property. It is across the highway from Blondie Puckett's.

The Townsite Company plotted Hurley, thinking it would make a fortune. The Company wanted more for the right-of-way than the railroad company would pay. It was during the fight between the two companies, that Paul Coldren asked E.K. Warren to donate land for a railroad townsite between Hurley and Janes. Warren agreed to this, and the town of Muleshoe was established.

The trains would stop at Muleshoe and not at Hurley. Claud Hayes, president of Hurley Townsite Company, did everything that he could do to make the railroad do as he wanted, but he never succeeded in the enterprise. Hayes would give free trips for people to go to Austin and testify in the company's behalf. Likewise the railroad company sent its representatives to Austin. The railroad company won, and a crane was established at Hurley for the trains to leave the mail. However, the citizens of Hurley would have to go to Muleshoe for parcel post.

Many nights soap was put on the tracks at Hurley to make the trains stop. One night Hayes told Mrs. Beula Carles that he had a chance to sell out with \$20,000 profit for the townsite property holders, but he said, "I am a fighter and I always win." Of course the property holders lost everything they had invested.

L.R. Cox was the real estate man and leading citizen, according to Mrs. Stevens. At one time the town had a population of approximately one hundred people.

John Metsker moved his general mercantile store and post office from "Old" Hurley to

Hurley in 1913. He sold his store to a Mr. McDonald soon after he went to the new townsite. McDonald's son was the postmaster.

The mail was carried by Star Route from Bovina to the new location until the Government made a contract with the railroad company to carry the mail on the new road, according to Mrs. Beula Carles.

A Congregational Church was built in 1913. Money for the building was raised by public subscription. It was a frame structure with a canvas roof, which was built in a day and services were held in it that night. Mrs. Carles said, Reverend Wattenbarger, a Congregational minister, organized the church.

Hurley existed until the county was organized in 1918. Muleshoe won the Bailey county seat by receiving seventy-four votes to Hurley's thirty-six which was more than the required two-thirds majority. The outcome of the county seat fight was that the town of Hurley joined the other ghost cities in Bailey county. That might have been the fate of Muleshoe had the county seat election gone the other way, commented historian Stevens.

In search of original townsite deed records, attorney Pat Bobo rediscovered that a townsite for MULESHU was filed on August 28, 1912 and consisted of 39 blocks. It was plotted on both sides of the present Clovis (Number 84) highway just this side of "Old" Hurley, but all on the west side of the railroad tracks. The original townsite was just south of Blondie Puckett's place, about at the location of the tomato shed buildings.

This is a hitherto unknown fact to many residents of the present day Muleshoe. The townsite of Muleshu is recorded on "another page of history" from the original deed record of the Muleshoe townsite which was filed October 11, 1913 by Edward K. Warren and which he dedicated on September 29, 1913.

These four-Muleshu, "Old" Hurley, Janes and Hurley-are the historical pre-decessors, now ghost-towns, in the establishment of the city of Muleshoe, Texas.

Job Vs Work

Some people are inclined to quit looking for work the moment they find a job.
-News, Charleston, S.C.

Watson Alfalfa Grows With Muleshoe Area


"People are common, friendly and interested in their community," said Howard Watson, who along with his wife, Judy, are the owners of Watson Alfalfa southwest of Muleshoe.

Watson said they along with a new shop and office building

constructed in 1975, have future plans to buy more sophisticated equipment as it becomes available for their hay cubing operation.

Watson has been in business for the past 10 years and conducts his alfalfa cubing operation throughout West Texas. He explained that the growth from a \$100,000 business in 1969 to a \$750,000 business in 1977 is done by purchasing standing alfalfa from farmers, cubed in the field and sold to area feed-lots.

He has an annual payroll of \$100,000 for his 13 employees and expects future expansion. Watson Alfalfa sponsors the Eagles, a Little League team. Watson is president of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, immediate past president of the Muleshoe Kiwanis and has received numerous awards for his multi civic activities, including Citizen of the Year.




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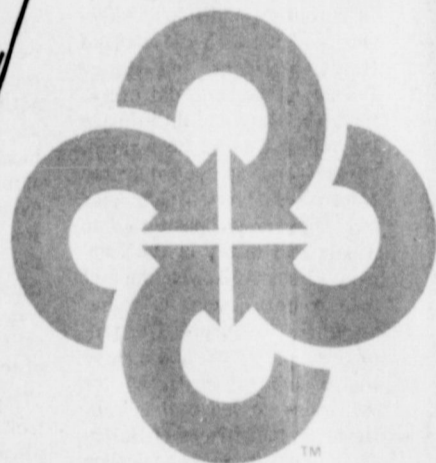


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