

First Week Of Spring Finds Twin Cities Residents At Work, Play



Saturday, March 20, was the first day of spring, and the new season has ushered in a whole host of activities in the Twin Cities as residents thaw out from winter and prepare for the warm summer. Farwell-Texico citizens could be found this past week at work, at play or just enjoying the blossoms and beauty of spring. Symbolizing spring house cleaning is Mrs.



Ed Goode of 825 Lamar St., Texico. Actually Mrs. Goode is "spring moving" as her family recently moved to Texico from Arkansas. Her husband has been assigned here as city manager for Texas International Airlines at the Clovis Airport. Showing that springtime is not all work is Larry



McDorman, Jr., 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry McDorman, Sr. of 609 First St., Farwell, as he enjoys the weather and Farwell Schools' spring vacation by taking a bicycle ride around the city. Also springing to life the past few days are flowers, shrubs and trees all over the area. This blossoming bush is located at 207 Third St. in Farwell.



How odd that in news media stories the decisions of bureaucrats are always taken as absolutely correct. Our rather limited experience had led us to conclude that most bureaucratic decisions are open to serious question as to their validity.

The latest example of this has been the Robert "Bo" Callaway embroilment. It seems to be the unspoken assumption that the bureaucratic decisions denying Callaway's application was the correct decision. Maybe this is not true - maybe it was not the correct decision and somebody needed correcting.

Our experience has been that after a brush with bureaucracy we have said to ourselves, "I wish I were in a position to give that so-and-so a fit." Probably we would have summarily fired the object of our wrath as incompetent.

In other words, it's very possible that someone in a higher position needs to use influence in correcting the decisions of one of the lower echelon red tape merchants.

Anyway, we have no idea whether "Bo" Callaway acted right or wrong in his particular case, but we think that anybody ought to be given the benefit of the doubt when it comes to bureaucratic wrangling.

Callaway was summarily reported, tried and convicted by the news media all in one story. Fooie on such biased reporting.

One of our happier moments each week is reading a locally written column in the Deming Graphic, a newspaper in New Mexico. "Tough" Biggs is the author of each week's whimsy. The following is an example of author Biggs' humor:

It was 100 years ago this month that Alexander Graham Bell made his first workable telephone. It didn't make much of an impact on the worlds of science and business.

I think had Bob Tobey been interviewing Mr. Bell at that time for our local radio station the conversation might have gone something like this:

Mr. Tobey: I wish to congratulate you, Mr. Bell on this truly earth shattering invention.

Mr. Bell: I feel, Sir, you may be over reacting to this little gadget of mine which is little more than a toy.

Mr. T.: Do you mean you don't feel it will come into common usage?

Mr. B.: I wouldn't say that exactly. I do believe that every major city will have a few of them in the next 100 years.

Mr. T.: Why not a more wide spread usage?

Mr. B.: Well, to begin with you must have a direct wire from phone to phone. If by some fantastically weird estimate New York City should install 10,000 of these things and everyone was wired to call every other it would require 100 million overhead

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FIRE SHOWS 'FAIR' YEAR - J. W. "Indian" Crim of Muleshoe points out the direction of the smoke from his weather forecasting fire. Each year for 54 years Crim has watched the drift of the smoke in order to make his annual weather prediction on March 22. He saw a "fair" crop year for 1976.

54th Prediction - -

Crim Forecasts 'Fair' Crop Year

A chill northwesterly wind whipped the early morning fire as J. W. "Indian" Crim of Muleshoe told the anxious crowd that this year would be better than last.

The spectators gathered at sunrise Monday, March 22, on the "old homestead place" near Clay's Corner to watch Crim read the signs of the Indian gods and make his 54th annual weather prediction.

"We'll have a little dry spell then maybe a little wet spell," Crim said as he looked intently upon the smoke drifting from the fire.

Although the wind would occasionally shift from the northwest to the northeast, Crim read it as chiefly a northwest wind which means a "fair" crop year. Some of the spectators tried to get Crim to read

it as a northeast wind, but he stuck with his forecast.

A northeast wind means that there will probably be a bumper crop during that year; a north wind is considered good and a northwest wind is only fair. Winds out of the west, south or southwest indicate a poor crop year.

Crim did observe that Monday's wind was "flaring a little to the northeast."

Crim, who conducted his first ceremony in 1922, is somewhat of a legend in weather forecasting. He has attracted considerable attention since making the ceremony public in 1952.

Crim learned the technique from his father who worked on the railroad and every March 22 noticed several smoke fires set by Indians in the area. The

Indians would not discuss the goings-on, so Crim's father asked a shepherd in the area and was told the significance of the fires and what the Indians were trying to accomplish.

The fire Crim uses for his forecast consists of pieces of wood and limbs placed in the shape of a teepee and then ignited.

Crim came to this area in February of 1922 and worked on a section of land which his father had purchased near Clay's Corner. Crim built a house on the home place in 1923 and it is here that he makes his annual prediction.

Crim, who is now 76, retired from farming in 1967 and moved to Muleshoe. Each year he makes the trip to the old home place to be ready for the ceremony at dawn on March 22.

Water, Sewer, Garbage - -

Texico Postpones Hikes

The Texico City Council Tuesday night, March 23, temporarily postponed hikes in rates the city charges for water, sewer and garbage services after several persons showed up to question the increase.

The rates had been raised during a special meeting of the council on Tuesday night, March 16. Although all rates were increased, the hike was larger for services provided outside the city limits.

At this week's meeting, the council unanimously agreed to delay action on the rate increases until the trustees' next regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. MST Tuesday, April 13, in city hall. "Those present (this week) were asked to try to come up with a better solution in the meantime," according to City Clerk Clara Wiehl.

The council members cited several reasons for proposing the rate increases. These included: a new well for the city, a tentative July 1 deadline from the Environmental

Protection Agency to come up with a better system for disposing of solid waste, and needed repairs to the Santa Fe Railroad's water storage tank which is used by the city.

City officials also pointed out that the last New Mexico Legislative session cut off about \$5,000 which Texico has been receiving annually from the state.

Mayor Manfred Turnbough thanked those who attended this week's meeting and extended an open invitation to anyone who would like to attend the meetings. He said, "The only way the board of trustees knows what makes the citizens happy or unhappy is for them (the citizens) to be at the meeting."

The council members also announced that the city had finished paying for the ambulance and community residents were thanked for their donations. Since September, many Texico citizens have voluntarily paid an extra dollar per month on their utility bill. Seventy-five cents

went for the ambulance and the remaining 25 cents were placed in the Texico Volunteer Fire Department's recreation fund which is used for various civic purposes.

The council agreed to leave the \$1 donation on the utility bill with all future donations going to the recreation fund. Again the donations will be voluntary.

In other business, the council adopted a joint powers agreement with Curry County regarding city street repair. In addition to Turnbough, trustees present were Vane Doshier, Bill Thigpen, Marie Christian and Ruby Goforth. City employees present were Billy Hammit, Willie Ronquillo, Clara Wiehl and City Attorney Harry Patton.

Attending to discuss the rate increases were: Norma Sanders, Grace Sanders, Mrs. Kay West, Mrs. Alma Hendrix, Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Reid, George Herrington, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Autrey and Milton Autrey.

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Wyatt To Speak - -

Farwell Chamber Banquet Monday

Kenneth Wyatt, a well-known artist and humorist from Tulia, will be guest speaker for the Farwell Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet to be held at 7:30 p.m. CST Monday, March 29, in the Farwell High School Cafeteria.

Wyatt speaks to some 75 major audiences each year and is in such demand that he is forced to turn down many invitations, generally limiting his appearances to his home area. He was well-known as a humorist when he was a member of the Knife and Fork Club circuit and his reputation has grown from year to year.

He is president of the Texas Cowboy Artists Association and it is Wyatt's ambition to paint 5,000 paintings in his lifetime. The acceptance of his works by cattle and horse oriented people of the Great Plains is a tribute which has been equalled few times in the art world.

More than 1,400 of his paintings have been sold to more than 600 patrons in the past eight years. Forty per cent of these own more than one

painting. The list of owners includes such political figures as Congressman Bob Price, George Mahon, Sen. Jack Hightower and in the show and television world Ken Curtis. "Festus" of Gunsmoke fame, and his wife may claim credit for Wyatt's discovery as an artist. Other boosters include Judy Lind and Charley Pride.

Prize winning sculpture and best selling Christmas card subjects are further spreading Wyatt's fame.

Wyatt was born and reared in Stephenville and became an ordained Methodist minister when he was 14.

His training in the religious field is extensive and after service in the Navy he held pastorates at Paducah, Chillicothe, Texline and Morton. For the past few years he has served as conference evangelist for the Northwest Texas District Conference. His speeches and his paintings are witness to his lifelong ministry.

Wyatt and his wife, Veda Mae, were college sweethearts and married soon after their

graduation. They have two children Mark, who graduated from Tulia High School in 1974, won enough honors as a high school golfer to get several college scholarship offers, Jill, a student in high school, often is a help around their large Spanish type home in Tulia as her father's secretary.

The family takes an active role in community and church affairs as well as doing their bit in regional activities. Mrs. Wyatt taught in the Tulia schools until the family activities became too heavy a few years ago.

Wyatt has done covers for the Quarter Horse Journal, the Texas Beef Feeders Annual, the Panhandle Grain Producers News and many other magazines and publications. Always adept at drawing and illustrating, he credits Dimitri Vail, the great portrait painter, for sparking his desire to

become an artist.

Tickets for the banquet are \$5 each and may be purchased from any member of the chamber's board of directors.

Farwell's "man and woman of the year" will be named at the annual event, and chamber officers and directors for 1976-77 will be installed.

Newly elected directors are J.B. Sudderth and W.M. Roberts. Holdover directors include: Bo Bartley, Toby Booth, Jerry Monk, Johnny Atkinson, B.J. Roberts, Gil Pat-schke and Pudge Rose.

Chamber officers for 1975-76 are: Rose, president; Atkinson, first vice-president; Pat-schke, second vice-president; Bob Anderson, treasurer, and Dutch Quickel, secretary.

The menu fare for the banquet includes: rib eye steak, tossed salad, baked potato, hot rolls, cherry cobbler and tea or coffee.

At Texico - -

Book Fair Set March 29-31

Texico High School National Honor Society will sponsor a student book fair from Monday, March 29, until Wednesday, March 31. Students and the public will be able to browse and purchase books. The fair will be open during the hours of 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. MST in the high school library.

The book fair committee invites all students, parents and visitors to attend the fair. The fair will encourage student interest in reading and in building home libraries, and will also contribute to a worthwhile project, according to committee members. All profits are to be used for books for the school libraries. The Honor Society is spon-

soring this event with Mrs. Juanita Hadley serving as book fair chairman. Committee members include Mrs. Sylvia Burgett and Mrs. Kay West.

The fair displays will include new books from many publishers in all popular price ranges: books to read or to give as gifts. All reading interests will be represented, including classics, fiction, biographies, adventure stories, science, nature, crafts, mystery and reference books.

The committee is working with Educational Reading Service, a professional book fair company, to furnish an individual selection of books for the fair.

Fireworks Are Ordered

The Twin Cities Independence Day Celebration Committee met last week and ordered \$500 worth of fireworks for the Bicentennial Fourth of July celebration to be held Saturday, July 3.

Lewis Cooper of Farwell, chairman of the committee, said the group has already raised \$497 and expects an additional \$300 to be donated to help pay other celebration expenses. The committee scheduled its

next meeting for 8 p.m. CST Tuesday, April 6, at Clara's Spur Restaurant. At that meeting, the group will try to prepare a complete schedule of events and determine what each civic organization wants to sponsor.

Cooper also invited any person with ideas for or wanting to help with the celebration to attend the group's next meeting. He said participants need not belong to any local civic organization.



BANQUET SPEAKER - Kenneth Wyatt, artist and humorist from Tulia, is shown beside one of his many paintings depicting the West. Wyatt will be guest speaker for the Farwell Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet to start at 7:30 p.m. CST Monday, March 29, at the Farwell School Cafeteria.

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Curry County - -

Young Farmers & Ranchers Organize, Elect Officers

Curry County Young Farmers and Ranchers held an organizational meeting recently at the Pleasant Hill Community Building.

Several couples enjoyed a covered-dish supper which was followed by a business session. David Hovey, chairman of the group, presided at the meeting. Pat Jones was elected vice-chairman, LeAnn Mon-

roe, secretary-treasurer, and Nancy Jones, program chairman.

Special guests introduced were L. E. (Pete) Davis of the Ranchvale Community; James Williams, Grady; Ken White, Jr., Clovis; and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Plank of the Grier community.

Regular meeting time for the organization was set for

the first Thursday night of each month at 7:30. The group also discussed a bake sale as a money making project.

Farm Bureau is to furnish signs, free of charge, with the members' names printed on them, to mark their farm or ranch.

Pete Davis and James Williams presented the program. Both are members of the Na-

tional Commodity Advisory Committee which makes recommendations to the AFBF. Williams is on the National Wheat Committee while Davis is representative to the National Feed Grains Committee.

Davis told the young farmers attending that they should be optimistic about the future, regardless of all the problems facing agriculture today. He spoke of the time when he started farming and of problems he faced.

He said there were 32,000 items on the grocery shelves today that weren't even in existence 10 years ago. He urged the young agriculture producers to increase their interest in marketing knowledge. He spoke of the need for more convenience foods as our life-style changes, with more wives working and more people eating out.

"What is a family farm?" was also discussed. He told the members that they were living in the best place in the entire world (southwest part of the U.S.) where there are more opportunities than any other place in the world. He also urged them to become involved in the "Political Education Program" (PEP), to get active in their party, be concerned and to work for the men wanted in office.

Williams, who is also state chairman of the Tax Study Committee of the AFB, spoke on "What Happened in the Last Legislative Session in

Santa Fe." He said the second session was limited to tax bills and appropriation bills and as far as New Mexico agriculture was concerned, the "Lease Hold Tax" was of main concern.

This tax not only affects the farmers and ranchers leasing property but city municipalities, as well, that have built facilities which are leased to corporations for the purpose of improving the economic status of the area.

In closing he spoke of the Sovereign Immunity Bill which grants an elected official the right to buy liability insurance.



FARM GROUP ORGANIZES - Curry County Young Farmers and Ranchers organized and officers were elected at a meeting held recently in the Pleasant Hill Community Building. Pictured, left to right, are Pat Jones, vice-chairman; Nancy Jones, program chairman; James Williams, guest speaker; LeAnn Monroe, secretary-treasurer; David Hovey, chairman; and Pete Davis, guest speaker.

Court Says - -

Dumpers, Litterers Face Prosecution

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met Monday, March 22, and issued a warning to persons who are using public roads and highways as "a dump ground."

The Commissioners pointed out that such littering and dumping is a misdemeanor and upon conviction a person "shall be fined not less than \$15 nor more than \$200."

The commissioners said, "We respectfully request that all residents of Parmer County refrain from such dumping of trash, and we would inform all individuals of Parmer County that a violation of the...statute will be prosecuted."

The court also took action on several savings certificates of deposit (CD's). A CD for the general fund in the amount of \$100,000 which was to mature March 25 was to be reinvested as follows: \$50,000 on a one-year CD and \$50,000 on a 90-day CD.

A right-of-way fund CD maturing March 19 was to be distributed as follows: \$25,000 to be transferred to the farm-to-market fund and \$60,000 to a one-year CD.

The commission discussed the possible creation of a child welfare board and entering into a contract with the state regarding child welfare. Roberta Edwards of Amarillo and Rita Hoffman of Dimmitt met with the court and discussed the possible contract in detail. No action was taken and the court agreed to look into the situation at a later date.

In other business, the commissioners:

- paid Bookmobile insurance in the amount of \$218.
- issued a check for \$908 to Bobby Rodgers, a court reporter, for recording grand jury testimony.
- and approved a utility adjustment U-9600 in the amount of \$7,209.

Court members present included: Charley Jefferson, Tom Wellen, Jimmy Briggs, Cecil Atchley and Judge Paul Fortenberry.

Board Meets - -

Texico Principals Offered '76-77 Contracts

The Texico School Board held its monthly meeting Friday night, March 19, and offered contracts for the 1976-77 school year to Texico's three principals, according to Supt. Jim Pierce.

The principals also made

their annual reports to the board. The principals are James Harding, high school; Kenneth Shaw, junior high, and George Herrington, elementary.

The board hired Chris Billingsley as a teacher aide for the kindergarten program and employed Arthur Salguero as a janitor to replace Walter

Curd who resigned because of his physical condition, school officials said.

The board also agreed to ask the State Department of Education for approval of a resource room at the high school and reapproval of an existing resource room at the junior high. Pierce said resource rooms are used for

such things as tutoring and helping students who are behind in classes.

A special board meeting was slated for 7 p.m. MST Friday, March 26, at the high school to give final approval of the budget.

The State Finance Division will consider Texico schools' budget in a public hearing scheduled at 10 a.m. MST Tuesday, April 20, in the high school library.

Board members present for the meeting included: D. Smith Day, president; Arlye Crooks, vice-president; Roy Richardson, secretary; and David Turner and Ronnie Curry, both members.

CofC To Meet

The Farwell Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly meeting at noon CST Tuesday, March 30, at Clara's Spur Restaurant, according to Pudge Rose, chamber president.

The agenda includes discussion of the highway situation, dues, nursing home, housing and the physician and dentist situation.

Purely Personal

wires. Why, the city would be virtually under a steel mesh ceiling.

Mr. T.: Then you don't feel this will effect Mr. Morse's telegraph?

Mr. B.: Absolutely not! Old Sam hasn't a thing to worry about. Mine is more of a gadget for teen agers. If you want to see something momentous, wait about 3 years till Tom Edison invents the electric light.

Mr. T.: What do you think of this fellow Marconi who claims he can send a message over a great distance without any wires at all and says someday they'll even send pictures through that medium?

Mrs. B.: Ridiculous! All that pasta and Dago red has given him hallucinations.

Mr. T.: What practical use can you see for your instrument?

Mr. B.: Not much really, I can see where it might be handy between a business man and his broker, but the words are so garbled they'd sound like a couple of tobacco auctioneers. My wife wants me to install one between the office and the house, but I'll never do it. She'd be calling every day with things like, "Alex, stop at the bakers on your way home and pick up a loaf of bread" or "Alexander

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Graham Bell, if you stop at the saloon with those drunken pals of yours, I'll break your head when you get home!"

Mr. T.: How do you think it will affect the southwestern part of the United States?

Mr. B.: How could it have any effect at all? There's nothing down there but horned toads and gila monsters and there never will be.

Mr. T.: What about this young fellow Don Ameche who, I understand has been working along the same research lines as you?

Mr. B.: He's nothing but a ham trying to imitate me. Not a scientific bone in his body. The only person he could frighten might be John Barrymore.

Mr. T.: Well, I want to thank you for chatting with me, Mr. Bell. If you're ever down in New Mexico give me a ring.

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BAND AWARD - Lynn Burton, Farwell band director, hangs the plaque which the Farwell High School Band received for a Division I rating in sight-reading at the University Interscholastic League Concert Contest held in Plainview last week. The band received a Division II rating in concert.

Farwell High Band Gets I, II Ratings

The Farwell High School Band received a Division I rating in sight-reading and a Division II in concert at the University Interscholastic League (UIL) Concert Contest held at Wayland Baptist College in Plainview Friday, March 19.

The three judges for concept were Lynn Low of Cisco, Richard Crain of Belton and Bill Bradley of Big Spring and they gave the Farwell band I, II and III ratings respectively. The sight-reading judge, Bill Spencer of Abilene, called the Farwell band a "very nice looking (and) very well disciplined group."

Farwell Band Director Lynn Burton said, "I felt the judges were extremely tough on the Class B schools and Class A schools. No Class B schools received a 'I' Division. I also felt they were very lax on the Class AA schools."

"The Farwell band students did an excellent job at their contest and I wish to commend them on their attitude and participation in the overall contest," Burton added.

In addition to Farwell, other Class A bands and their ratings in the contest included: Kress, IV; Hart, III; Petersburg, I; Hale Center, I, and Bovina, III. Class AA ratings included: Dimmitt, I; Friona, I; Olton, I; Idalou, I; Floydada, I; Littlefield, I, and Lockney, I.

The Farwell Junior High Band will be preparing for its contest when school resumes. The junior high band will be participating in a UIL contest in Lubbock at Monterey High School on April 8.

After contest, the bands will be preparing for their Pops Concert to be held Thursday, May 20.

Outsiders Tournament Title Taken By JJ's

JJ's Mobile Homes topped the field of competitors in the Texico Invitational Outsiders Basketball Tournament conducted last week at Texico.

Grabbing second place in the competition was the State Line All-Stars and third place went to the Texico All-Americans with the Wolverines of '76 sliding into fourth place.

Two All-Tournament teams were selected following play with members of the first team being Charles Lee, Brad Jones, Roger Pace, Eddie Smith and Barry Lindley. Members of the second team are Mike Spearman, Monty Lambert, Wes Clark, David Turner and Craig Chumley.

Members of the teams participating were:

TEXICO EXES - Armstrong, Curry, Autrey, A. Autrey, Benton, J. Autrey, Kent Armstrong, Ortiz and Craig Chumley.

JJ's - Terry Yell, Ketcherside, Harrison, Clark, Lee, Lindley, Steward, McDaniel

and Mahaney.

FRISKY FARMERS - Moreland Harrington, Eddie Harrington, Arlye Crooks, David Turner, Rucker and Ronquillo.

STATE LINE ALL-STARS - Brad Jones, Smith, Gregory, Mike Spearman, Cooper, Dennis Gerber, Rickstrew and Billingsley.

WOLVERINES OF '75 - Roger Pace, Steve Harrington, Ortiz, Winkles, Autrey, Cain and Terry Reid.

WOLVERINES OF '76 - Barry Lindley, Jones, Gonzales, Galvan, Rucker, Steve Turner, Robbie Bradley and Sanchez.

TEXICO COACHES - Cecil Davis, Kenneth Shaw, Randy Lyons, Ray Manly, Roy King and Eldon Smith.

TEXICO ALL-AMERICANS - Dane, Turnbough, Autrey, Christian, Pearce, Hughes, Lambert and D. Autrey.

In championship game action, JJ's pushed by the State Line All-Stars 70-68. High point man for JJ's was Lee with 18

4-H'ers Top Horse Judging

The Texico 4-H Club won several honors at the Melrose 4-H and Future Farmers of America Judging Contest held Saturday, March 20, when they competed against approximately 20 teams.

Three different Texico 4-H teams judged livestock and horses. This was the first time in several years a Texico 4-H team had entered judging.

Terry Curry, Jeff Dunsworth, Kevin West and Alan Moss won first place in horse judging. The team also placed 10th in the livestock division.

Placing third in horse judging were Ronnie Dunsworth,

Steve Kittrell, Carla Moss and Danny Reid. This team placed ninth in livestock.

Taking sixth place in horse judging was Marylita Dorris, David Cain and Judy Robinson. Alan Hadley, David and Judy placed third in livestock judging.

In horse judging, Terry Curry was first high individual, Steve Kittrell was eighth high individual and Jeff Dunsworth was 10th high individual.

The Texico judging teams were coached by Eddie West and several FFA members. Several team members at-

tended Curry County judging clinics for livestock and horses. The team also visited the Carl Moss farm to judge sheep.

In addition, FFA members Richard Hadley, Levi Dorris, Justin Gaddis, Monty Leavell, Chris Eshleman and Vicki Snodgrass also coached the groups in preparation for their first judging activity.

Sponsors Mrs. Carl Moss and Mrs. Kay West accompanied the group to Melrose. Jim Pierce, club sponsor, was unable to attend.



VOLLEYBALL WINNERS - This Treider Electric team from Lazbuddie captured first place in the men's division of the recent 1976 Farwell Jaycee Volleyball Tournament. From left to right are, front row: Jimmy Seaton, Robert White and John Agee; back row: Jerry Engelking, Hoppy Jennings and Ricky Seaton.

Lazbuddie Team First In Tourney

The Treider Electric team from Lazbuddie took first place in the men's division of the 1976 Farwell Jaycee Volleyball Tournament held last week.

Members of the winning team were Jimmy Seaton, Robert White, John Agee, Jerry Engelking, Hoppy Jennings and Ricky Seaton.

Others placing in the men's division were Black Water Ag of Muleshoe, second, and Tide Products of Clay's Corner, consolation.

Winners in the women's division were Wilson Drilling of Muleshoe, first; Friona State Bank, second, and Treider Electric of Lazbuddie,

consolation.

Men's teams entered this year included: NWAS's, Drinking People, Black Water Ag, Hart's Implement, Treider Electric, Morton, Tide and Smyer Construction.

Participating in the women's division were: Friona State Bank, Tidettes, Ag Chem Farm Service, Foster Fertilizer, Friona Star, Clovis National Bank, Candy Stripes, Teddy Bears, Friona Seniors, Wilson Drilling, Henry's 66, Treider Electric, Decorator Floral 216, Curry County Sprayettes, Brownsabouts and Ladies of Lariat.



TAKE FIRST PLACE - The Texico 4-H Club horse judging team of, from left, Jeff Dunsworth, Kevin West, Terry Curry and Alan Moss took first place in judging at the Melrose 4-H and Future Farmers of America Judging Contest held March 20. This was the first time in several years a Texico 4-H team had entered judging and they competed against approximately 20 other teams.

Absentee Voting Deadline Near

The absentee voting deadline for school and hospital board elections is Tuesday, March 30. Regular balloting will be on Saturday, April 3.

Absentee voting in the Farwell Hospital District Board election will be each weekday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., CST at 204 Avenue D.

Absentee voting in the Farwell School Board and Parmer County School Board elections will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., CST on weekdays at the office of Parmer County Clerk Bonnie Warren in the courthouse.

Council To Meet

The Farwell City Council will hold its regular meeting at 5:15 p.m., CST Monday, March 29, at city hall. An agenda was expected to be prepared later this week.

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By John Ricci

Branding with confetti is making things rougher for grain thieves. Grain producers are picking up the old practice of marking small slips of paper with identifying numbers and mixing the confetti with their stored grain crop. According to producers who have been using the confetti method for some time, it takes only about seven pounds of the paper to adequately mark and identify 50,000 bushels of grain. Although the small slips of paper are virtually impossible for thieves to separate from the grain, mill operators report they have no problem in removing the confetti during their washing process. Agricultural authorities in areas where the grain identification program is used extensively report a remarkable decline in the number of grain thefts.

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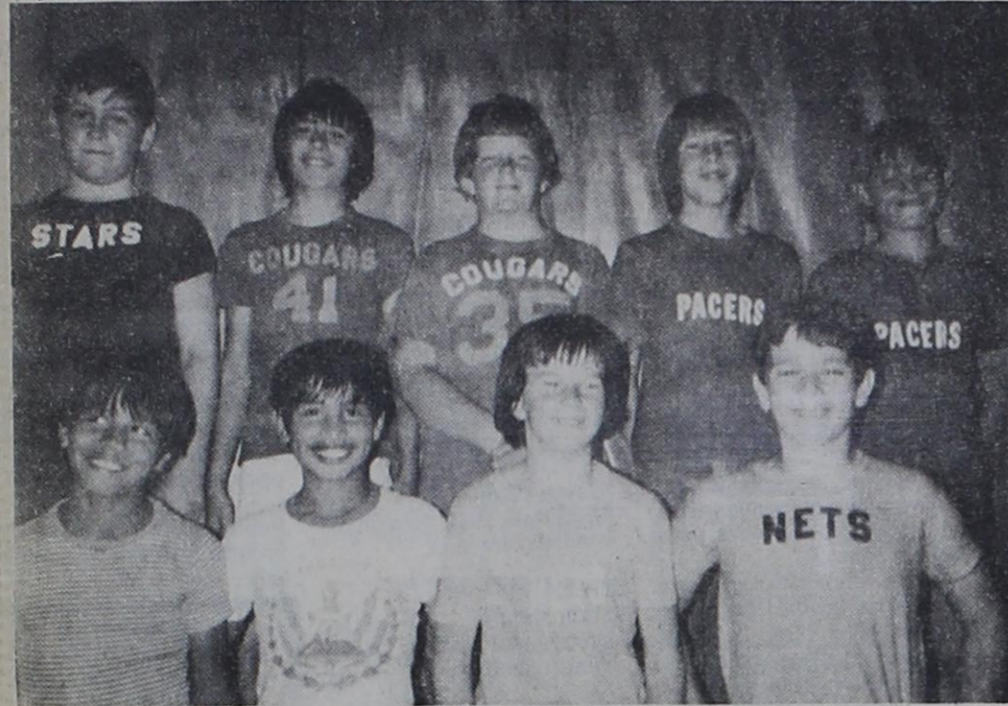
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ALL-STARS - The 1976 session of Little Dribblers has closed with the All-Star team named to play in the regional tournament to be played in Dimmitt in April. Members of the All-Stars are, from left, back row: Steven Smith, Blake Buchenau, Rocky Ford, Billy McClinton and Darren Darby; front row: Frank Cantu, Manuel Cantu, Allan Eubanks and Doug Cole. Not pictured are team members Nicky Liethen and Dale Sides and All-Star coach Jerry Yows.

Little Dribblers All-Stars Named

Little Dribblers All-Stars for the 1976 season of competition were named this week with the honor team to compete in the Regional Tournament to be held April 8, 9 and 10 in Dimmitt.

Named to the All-Star team were Steven Smith, Blake Buchenau, Rocky Ford, Billy McClinton, Darren Darby, Frank Cantu, Manuel Cantu, Allan Eubanks, Doug Cole, Nicky Liethen and Dale Sides. Serving as coach for the team will be Jerry Yows.

In Little Dribblers action Thursday, March 18, the B Cougars slid by the B Pacers 12-4 with the B Nets losing to the B Stars 14-12.

In other game action, the A Pacers slapped the A Cougars 15-13 and the A Nets slammed the A Stars 34-26.

It was reported that the Farwell Jaycees, sponsors of the Little Dribblers program, wish to thank all of the volunteers who helped run the program and they encourage the community to support the area All-Stars in the regional tournament in Dimmitt.

Texico Students Eye Weekend

Texico students will be participating in several events this weekend.

The Texico Invitational Track Meet will get underway about 9 a.m. MST Saturday, March 27. Visiting schools sending both boys and girls teams include: Dora, Fort Sumner, Melrose, Logan, House, Floyd, Tatum and Grady. Girls teams will be sent by San Jon and Elida.

Texico Junior High School boy tracksters will be traveling to Portales Saturday for a seventh, eighth and ninth grade track meet.

Also, today and Saturday, March 26-27, the Future Farmers of America district judging will be held in Portales.

4-H'ers Take Places In Spring Show

The final livestock show of the 1976 spring season was held on March 14-17 in Lubbock. This was the Southwest Junior Livestock Show, a regional event for youngsters in the Panhandle-South Plains area. Parmer County 4-H members exhibited barrows and lambs in this show. These youngsters included Laura Widner of Bovina, along with Russell Widner, Todd Gregory, Terri Clark, Steffan Moore, Keiham Smith, Sherrie Seaton and Barbie Seaton of Lazbuddie.

In the barrow show, Todd Gregory won third with his heavyweight Spot. Terri Clark placed sixth and eighth with her two heavyweight Chester Whites. Keiham Smith exhibited the fourth mediumweight Poland China and the 11th mediumweight Hampshire.

Russell Windham won eighth with his heavyweight Hampshire and ninth with his heavyweight crossbreed. Barbie Seaton placed 13th with her mediumweight crossbreed while her sister Sherrie won fifth in the lightweight Hampshire class and 12th in the heavyweight Hampshire class.

Sheriff's Report

The office of Parmer County Sheriff Charlie Lovelace investigated one theft incident this past week. Irrigation risers were stolen either Friday or Saturday, March 19 or 20, from the Charles Corn farm, two miles north of Bovina.

Prison Sentence Given

R.M. Walker pleaded guilty to three charges in Parmer County District Court this past week and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary on each charge.

Walker pleaded guilty to two counts of forgery and one charge of burglary. District Judge Pat Boone Jr. gave Walker a five-year sentence in the penitentiary on each charge with the sentences to run concurrently.


The jury was still out Wednesday morning, March 24, in the trial of Al H. Hilmus on a theft charge.

The trial of Arturo Ortiz on a burglary charge was scheduled to start Wednesday morning.

Ricky Clark was expected to go to trial Thursday, March 25, on a delivery of marijuana charge, and Ricardo Flores was scheduled for trial today, March 26, on an aggravated assault charge.

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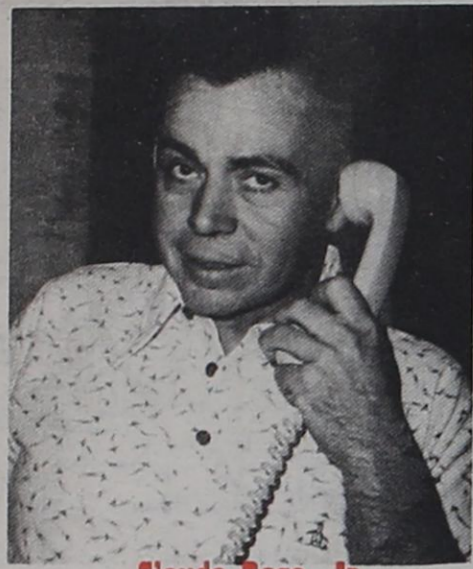
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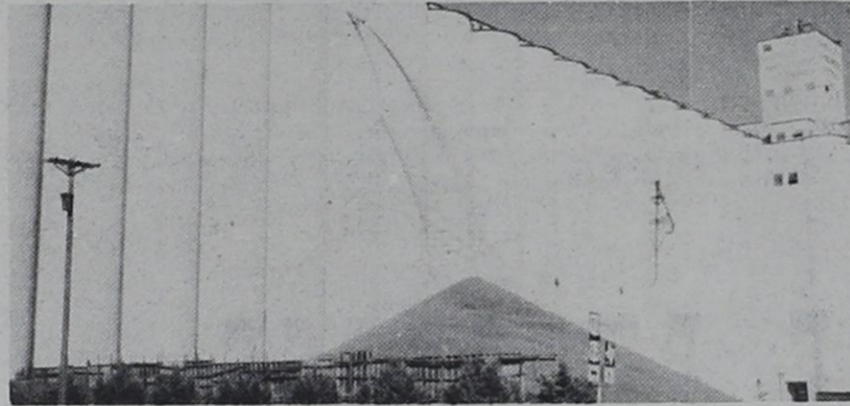
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CITY COUNCIL -- Farwell has a three-member city council which helps guide the community's development. Members are from left to right: Councilman Fred Chandler, Mayor Gil Patschke and Councilman Ralph Franse.



OVERFLOWING -- Symbol of the prosperity of Farwell and the region are grain elevators filled to overflowing. Here wheat is being stored in a pile outside the already stuffed elevator.



STATE CHAMPS -- Farwell is proud of its athletes. This high school girls golf team took first place in 1975 for Class A schools in the University Interscholastic League State Tournament.

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Decorations [Bicentennial Theme]	Theta Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha
Master of Ceremonies	Claude Rose, Jr. 1975-76 Chamber President
Invocation	Gil Patschke Farwell Mayor
Introduction of Out-of-Town Guests	J. L. Getz
Special Award Presentation	Rev. W. T. Perry
Woman of Year Award Presentation	Gwen Hughes 1975 Woman of the Year
Man of Year Award Presentation	Gil Patschke 1975 Man of the Year
1975 Progress Report	Claude Rose, Jr.
Introduction of Speaker	James Perkins
Speaker	Kenneth Wyatt Artist and Humorist, Tulia
Thanks to Outgoing Board, Introduction of New Board and Officers	Claude Rose, Jr.
Benediction	James Wilbanks

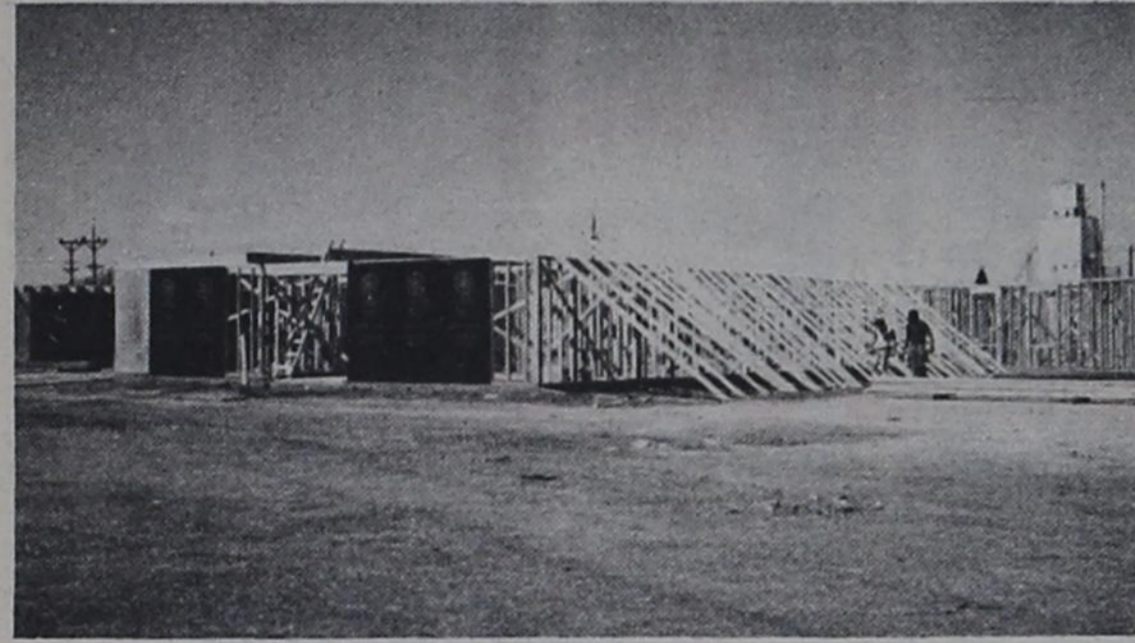
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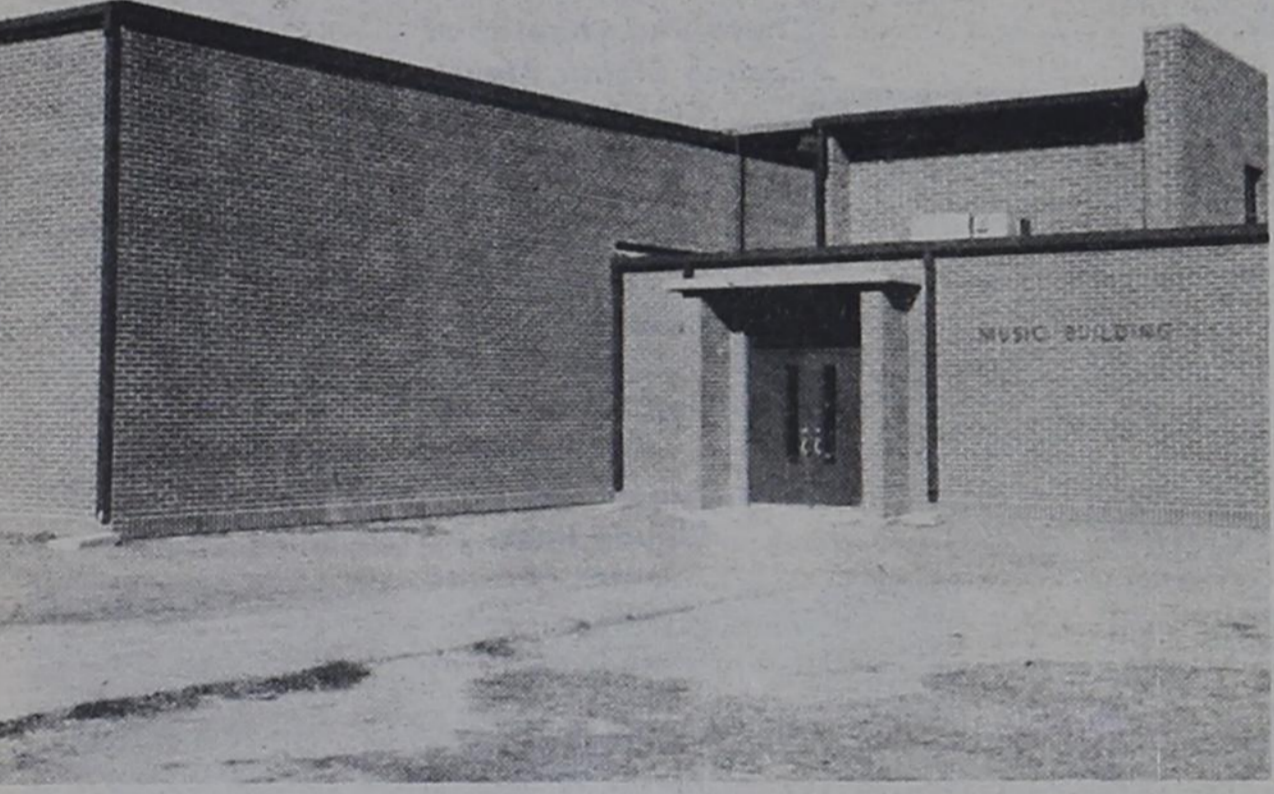
1975 — A YEAR OF



HOME GOING UP — Work is currently underway on the 100-bed Farwell Nursing Home. Construction began Jan. 12, 1976 and the contractor plans to complete the project in 165 calendar working days at a cost of about \$560,000.



BRANCH FARWELL — Tri-County Savings and Loan Association moved into Farwell earlier this year with this new branch office at 205 Ave. D. Tri-County, which is headquartered in Muleshoe, now has branches at Farwell, Friona and Littlefield.



MUSIC BUILDING — Education is important in Farwell and students are assured of having among the very best facilities. This music building was constructed during 1975.

THE STORY

Farwell's economic indicators pointed up in 1975, but the first few weeks of 1976 seem off to an even better start.

Bank deposits at the close of 1975 were \$21,057,315, compared to \$18,044,238 at the same time in 1974. Total bank assets on Dec. 31, 1975 were \$23,101,367, compared to \$19,926,801, at the end of the previous year.

Farwell Post Office receipts for the first nine postal accounting periods of fiscal year 1976 total \$34,371, compared to \$29,477 for the same period of fiscal 1975. The post office's fiscal years start about June 20 and include 13 accounting periods of four weeks each.

Private construction picked up in 1975 after a poor showing in 1974 when only one triplex and some local remodeling were completed.

During 1975, two single-family houses valued at a total of \$52,000 were completed, one triplex valued at \$38,000, three industrial buildings valued at \$95,000 and four residential-garages and carports valued at \$7,650.

Three mobile homes also were added to the community and some additions and remodeling were completed during 1975, however, city officials do not maintain values for these items.

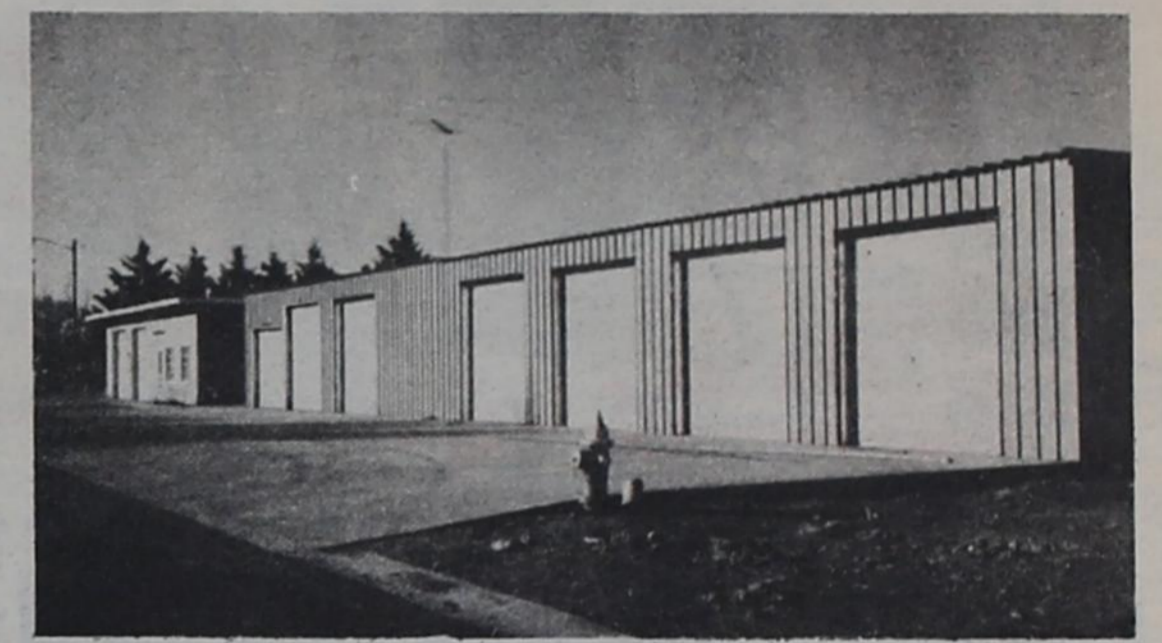
Public projects also added to the 1975 construction figures. The Parmer County Law Enforcement Center costing \$277,715 was opened during the year, and some \$260,000 worth of work was done on the Farwell schools including a new music building.

In addition to other economic booms which hit Farwell was the expansion of two long-time businesses. Farwell Pipe and Iron expanded into another field of service when Lunsford Auto Parts opened. The second expansion was that of J.B. Sudderth Realty. The business

PROGRESS IN FARWELL



NEWEST FACILITY — The newest major facility to open in Farwell is this Dairy Queen located on the Northwest corner of Avenue A and Ninth Street. The structure contains some 2,500 square feet and has inside seating capacity for 64 persons. It opened March 1, 1976.



NEW ADDITION — During February 1976, a \$14,799 addition of some 1,800 square feet was completed at the Farwell City Barn. The addition, which is the portion of the building with the four garage doors in the foreground, will increase the total barn area to about 3,300 square feet.

OF PROGRESS

moved to new and larger quarters and made the addition of Farwell Chemical Company to the line of services offered the public.

But if 1975 was an improvement over 1974, then 1976 apparently will be an even better year if information to date is any indication.

During the first 10 weeks of the current year, four new houses have been completed, four additions to residences have been constructed, a large drive-in restaurant has been completed, a new savings and loan association was opened, an addition to the city barn has been finished, and work has begun on a 100-bed nursing home.

The Farwell Nursing Home is being built on the block east of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church and south of the Farwell Church of Christ. Work on the structure began Jan. 12, 1976. The contractor, Convalescent Enterprises,

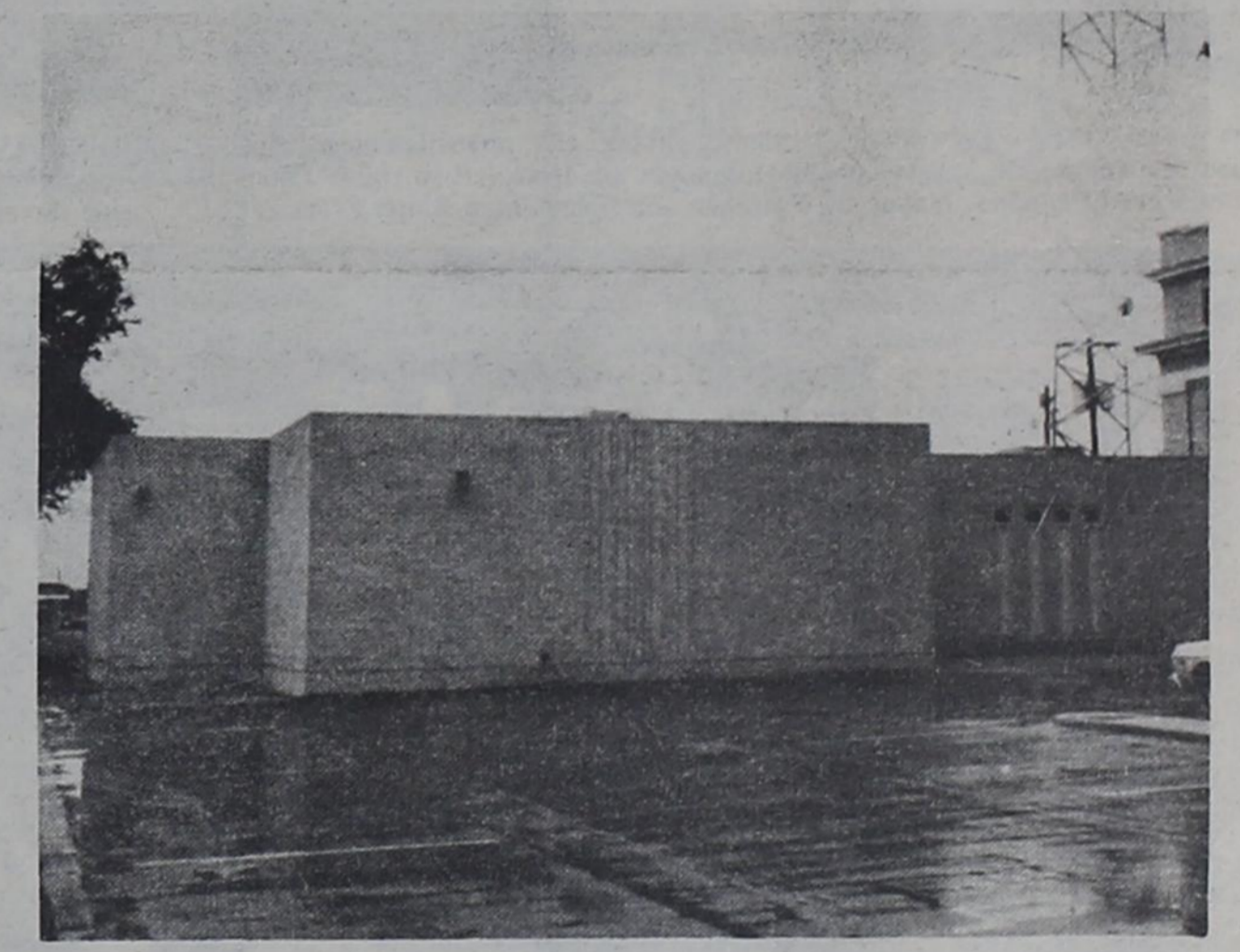
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A \$14,799 addition to the Farwell City Barn also was recently completed. The addition contains some 1,800 square feet of space.

And, finally of course, the healthy economics of Farwell's urban and rural neighbors have made significant contributions to the welfare of both the Farwell community and the entire region.



LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER — A \$277,715 addition to the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell was opened during 1975. The addition houses the county's Law Enforcement Center.

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