

A LOOK BACK AT HUTCHINSON COUNTY HISTORY



Isom, Texas

Isom was founded in 1898 by John and Maggie Weatherly. They gave their town the name of Granada. Maggie later renamed it Isom after her former home in West Virginia. In 1900, the Weatherlys opened a store in their ranch house which also became the area's first post office. John and Maggie moved to Panhandle, Texas in 1922, but wisely retained ownership of the townsite. When oil was discovered in early 1926, they returned and relocated the town to be nearer to the new railroad spur south of what is now Borger.

All lots south of First Street were in Isom and all streets north were in Borger. From June to December of 1926, the towns were rivals. The town had a railroad depot, and several oil-well supply warehouses, but Ace Borger convinced the U. S. Post office to open a branch in his town and Isom merged with Borger disappeared into history. ■

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