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#203 Harvey McCoy House, 725 Pioneer, ill. 39

4. Owner: Wallace L. Gray, 725 Pioneer.

7. Description: Rusticated, dark brown, ashlar sandstone foundation; Flemish/common bond walls; projecting brick sills and segmental arches with projecting brick hoods (1st) or continuous wood lintel/eaves board (2nd); alternating bands of hexagonal or flat wood shingles. Fruit cellar beneath house.

Located in an area of agricultural land and very recent residences, north of Highway 550, four blocks north of the original town site.

8. Significance: The Harvey McCoy house stands on land originally homesteaded in the late 1870s by G. W. McCoy. McCoy sold a portion of his land to his brother Harvey who prospered as a cattle and orchard man and was a leading supporter of the railroad boom. In 1906, he employed Clarence Brown to build this house for him. The asymmetrical massing and mixture of materials reflect the waning influence of the picturesque house types, while the hipped roof and enclosed eaves hint at the more recent Neo-Classical trends. The locally made brick is used to good effect, especially over the facade window group with its splayed segmental arch, keystone and projecting hood. Although the area was platted in 1979 and contemporary houses have begun to appear, the Harvey McCoy House stands as a strong reminder of the prosperity of an early homestead family.

10. Acreage: under 1 UTM Reference: 13 233000 4079900
Boundary: Lots 1 and 2 of Block 1 of Long's Addition.