

Cochran County Towns & Communities
Edwards, Cochran County, Texas

Edwards was located in the northeastern corner of Cochran County, west of the Yellow House Ranch and was the location of the first known store in Cochran County.

It is unknown when the store was founded, but its existence was first reported in 1892 by Vance Greer, a rancher from New Mexico. The store was established by the father of Plainview Judge Solon Clemens, who obtained supplies for the store from Amarillo. The store was also used as an unofficial post office for the collection and distribution of mail of area residents.

The store was later owned by Edward P. Kirkland and on May 3, 1905 a post office was officially established there and Kirkland was named postmaster. The post office was named Edwards after the owner and a phone line was run to the store from Littlefield. The Edwards Post Office served a vast area, including parts of New Mexico. Carrie Hewitt was named postmaster in March 1913 after Kirkland resigned.

The Edwards Post Office was discontinued on May 15, 1913.

*Sources: Texas' Last Frontier: A New History of Cochran County by Elvis E. Fleming and David J. Murrah
The Houston Post, Houston, Texas, March 13, 1913 and Texas State Historical Association*

Ten Months Rainfall	
The following report is sent us by E. P. Kirkland, of the rainfall at Edwards, Texas. He stated that he did not claim the report was absolutely correct but very nearly so and as correct as it could be with the means of measurement at hand. He stated further that the fall was ample for range purposes as well as for growing of crops had it not been for the exceedingly hot dry weather three weeks the first of August, which caught the crop right at the wrong stage: Precipitation at Edwards, Texas for the past ten months of	1911.
	January..... .14
	February..... 2.41
	March..... .06
	April..... 1.87
	May..... 1.39
	June..... .57
	July..... 3.45
	August..... 2.25
	September..... 2.77
	October..... 1.65
Total inches 16.56	

Article Source: The Lubbock Avalanche, November 9, 1911

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