

Kit Community Store



In 1855, Jonathan Story and family moved from Illinois and were among the first settlers in what would become the Kit community in northwest Dallas County. Jonathan's brother, Ike Story, opened a store in the area in the 1880s. He also established a post office in the store. The post office was designated as the Kit Post Office, and the community became known as Kit. Pictured here are Ike and his wife Nancy in front of the store. Note the use of the human eye in place of the letter "i" in the spelling of Kit.



1907 Compliments of
"Uncle Ike"

I. H. (Uncle Ike) STORY
Was born in Illinois 67 years ago, but has been a resident of Dallas County, Texas, for 51 years. In the "Forks of the Trinity," at the X-roads known as Kit (K-i-T), he has spent the most of his life. Still at his little store at his old stand

K-i-T

Call on him often each month during 1907

Pictured on the left is the Kit store and Ike Story and his family, c. 1910. On the right is an advertisement from the Dallas newspaper for the Kit store, 1907.



By the 1930s, the community store had given way to more modern conveniences. This photo of the Kit Service Station is from 1934. Owner J. C. Revier poses in front of the station. The filling station replaced the old Kit store, but continued to use the old-style spelling with the human eye taking the place of the letter "i". The spelling can be seen on the large Conoco sign.