A Texas Cafe

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In every little town from Dalhart to Laredo There's a corner cafe' with an open sign in the window As soon as you walk in a waitress greets you with a grin And says make yourself feel right at home Old men sit at a booth telling tall tales and stretching the tr uth Bragging how bad the good ol' days used to be They're all too tired to plow besides their tractors are rusted now So they order hot apple pie with a cup of coffee

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There's a Wurlitzer jukebox full of old forty fives Playing three songs for a quarter or one for a dime The cook said he was a boy when it was brand new To him it seemed like yesterday but it was 1962

There was a family owned five and dime next door That could not compete with a chain discount store On the outskirts of town the drive in theater is shut down With a screen without a hero since Audie Murphy

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There are fields with no grain, railroad tracks with no train And an old courthouse with nobody left to blame Town square is boarded up and brick roads are worn down But the chicken fried steak special is still around

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