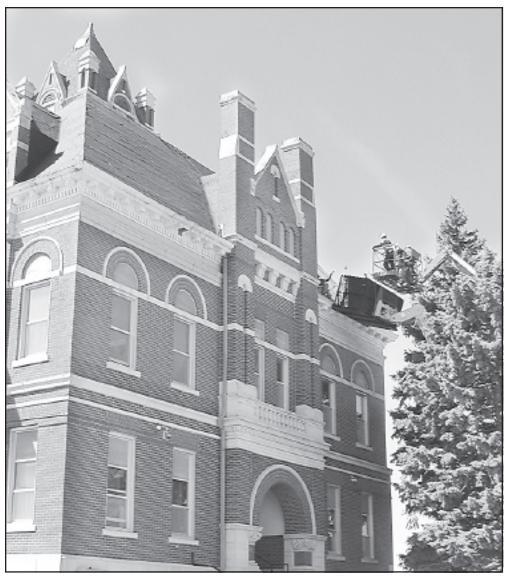
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The hundred-year-old Thomas County Courthouse has undergone many repairs and renovations over the years, including these recent repairs to the building's roof.

storied history

in 1906 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Union Pacific Railroad came through in 1887, and the Rock Island in 1888. Transportation has played an important role in the development of Colby.

The original plans for Interstate 70 did not have the highway coming through Colby, but through political pressures in the Senate, those plans were changed, and today, the interstate can be credited with the traffic that helps to support the economy of Colby.

Agriculture is "King" in Thomas County. Main crops are wheat, irrigated corn, milo and sunflowers. Livestock production and dairy also have a part in the local economy.

Although agriculture tops the economic

scale, the hospitality industry ranks high on the list. Throughout it's history, Thomas County and Colby's citizens have been progressive and forward thinking. Evidence abounds in such things as the college, medical community, the public school system, the airport, its state of the art waste water treatment system, and new 5-bay fire station.

The geographical location is ideal for business and industry wanting to relocate to an area with ample water, clean air, and the accessibility to cross the nation north to south, traveling U.S. 83, and east to west by travel-

Probably most visitors to the area would say one of the greatest assets to Thomas County is the people who live here.

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