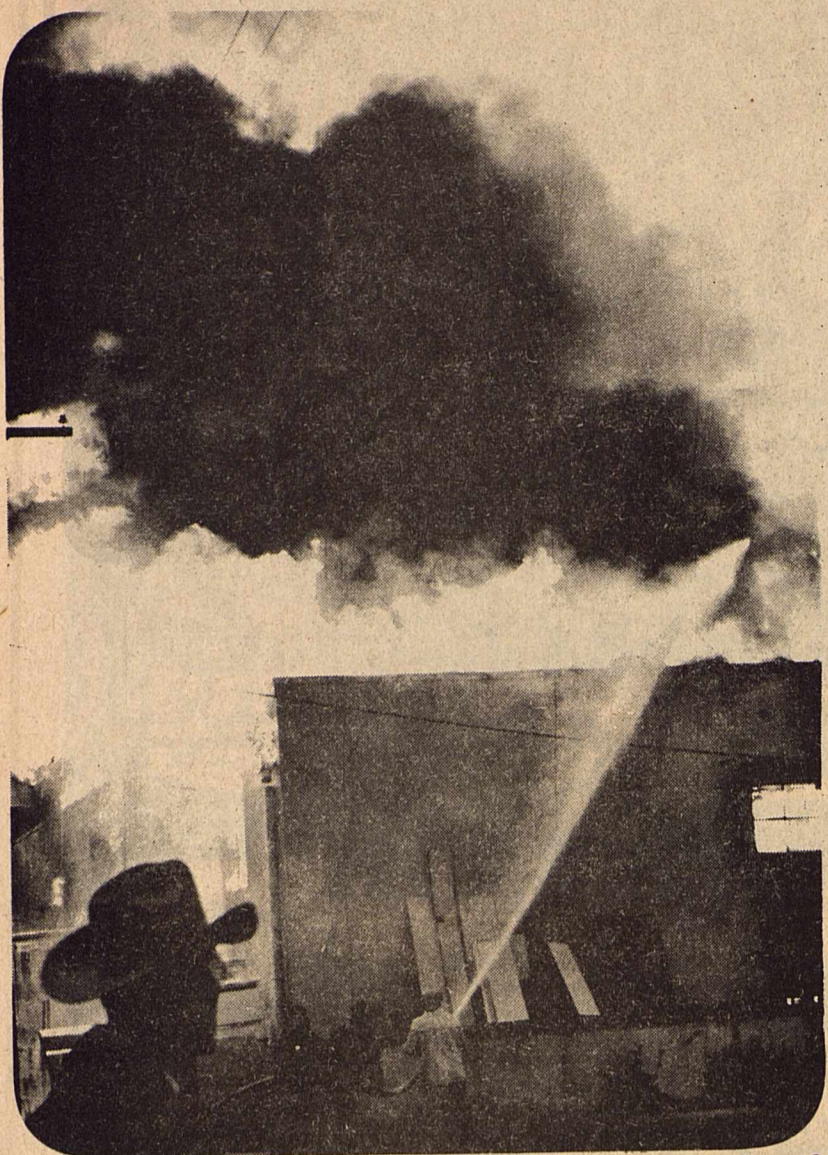


# White's Auto Burns



Sonora Police Department Officer Roy Gladden looks on as members of the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department fight to control the blaze at White's Auto from spreading. The picture was taken shortly before an explosion ripped out the front wall of the building. (Photo by Kay Holdridge)

The Deputy State Fire Marshal from Austin was expected to arrive in Sonora yesterday afternoon to begin an investigation into the cause of the Sunday afternoon fire at White's Home and Auto Center.

The investigation was requested by the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department, who battled the inferno for over two hours amid explosions and discharging ammunition.

The fire, considered by many to be the largest since a blaze destroyed most of downtown Sonora in 1902, was reported about 5:15 p.m. and was not extinguished until more than 20,000 gallons of water had been used at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The Sonora SVFD responded with all five units and 26 firefighters and were assisted by three firemen from Eldorado and nine from Ozona.

The combined effort of all the firemen was credited for keeping the blaze from spreading to neighboring buildings including the Sonora Wool and Mohair warehouse.

An Ozona crew was placed on the roof of the warehouse to protect the wool and mohair storage buildings. Damage at the Wool House was limited to exterior paint and a cracked wall that may have to be replaced.

The front wall of the building--formerly Stockman's Feed Co.--

exploded into the street about 6 p.m., and ammunition, paint, spray cans, Coleman fuel and other incendiaries exploded at the height of the fire.

The smoldering continues from old cottonseed hulls and cottonseed meal, and firemen were called out again at 5 a.m. Tuesday to extinguish the smoldering cottonseed when it flamed again.

Bill Harle, owner of White's, had no exact dollar damage estimates, but the building and all contents were a total loss.

James Hunt, of H and P

## Water Project Set

### For Completion

### Next Monday

Jim Dover, city manager, stated Tuesday that the city's water project has been completed and that water pressure within the City of Sonora from the elevated water storage tank will increase Monday, December 11 at 10 a.m.

The booster pumps that are to be used along with the storage tank, will not be turned on at this time.

Persons who might have old water pipes or hot water heaters are advised to check on these as the increased water pressure might cause some leakage.

Livestock Co. who owns the building, estimated the replacement cost of the structure at \$250,000 and another \$100,000 in feed processing equipment was destroyed.

Harle stated that anyone having sale receipts or layaway receipts for items in the store that were lost in the fire should contact him at his home, and he will see that the merchandise is replaced as quickly

as possible. His phone number is 387-3164.

According to Hunt, the hadite block structure was built in the early 1930's by H.B. "Buzzy" Stokes and was used as a feed store under various managements until 1974.

White's has occupied the building since last June, and Harle said he was in the process of looking for a site to build a new store.



The Eldorado Eaglettes accept their first place trophy in the Sonora Girls Invitational Tournament after defeating Lakeview in the Championship Game Saturday night. See Pages 4B and 5B for more pictures and details.

# The Devil's River News

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## Drawing Winners Named

Stella Gamez and Cleora Beall were the winners of the prizes in the first of four "Buy It In Sonora" drawings held last Saturday.

certificates from Morrison's, a \$25 gift certificate from Food Center and a \$25 gift certificate from Tedford Jewelry.

have two prizes worth \$125 each.

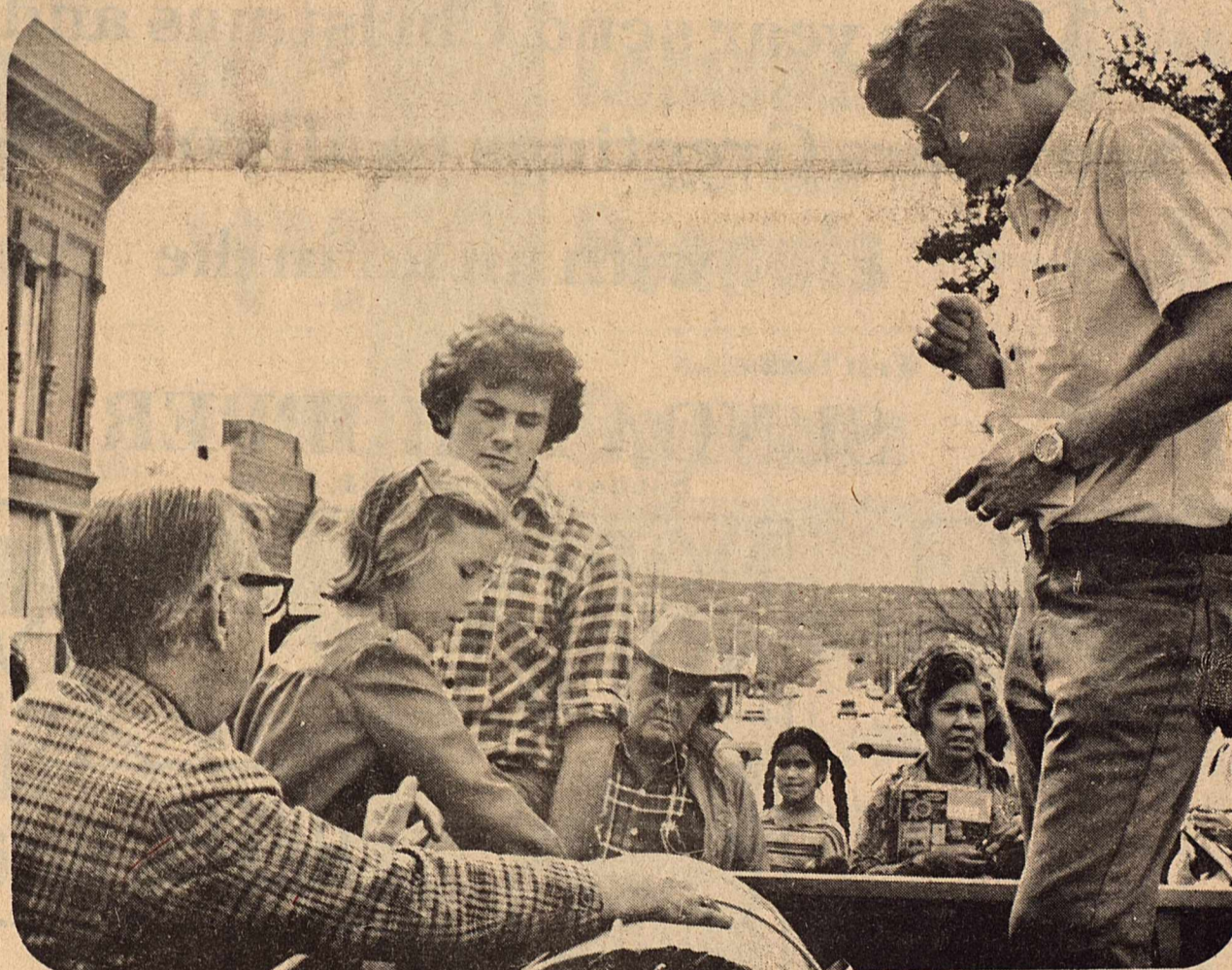
The prizes for the first drawing will include a \$25 gift certificate from Morrison's, a \$50 savings bond from the First National Bank, a \$25 gift certificate from Neville's and a \$25 gift certificate from Ruth Shurley Jewelry.

The second drawings will be for a \$25 gift certificate from Morrison's, a \$25 gift certificate from Westerman's, a \$25 gift certificate from Gosney's, a \$25 gift certificate from Food Center and a \$25 gift certificate from Ruth Shurley Jewelry.

Time for the drawing is 2 p.m.

## Band Booster Meeting Set For Tonight

An important Sonora Band Boosters meeting will be held tonight at the band hall according to Booster President Virgil Polocsek. "We will be discussing some very important items," Polocsek comments, "and we need every band parent to help make these decisions."



Lori Webster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Webster, draws the first ticket in last Saturday's drawing. Also shown are [left to right] Lester Farmer, manager of

Morrison's, Stephen Chandler, and John Tedford, owner of Tedford Jewelry.

## Winners Named for Sutton County 4-H Food Show

Fifty-three 4-H members competed in the County Food Show Saturday at the 4-H Center. The divisions were beginners (age 8); preteen (ages 9-10); junior (ages 11-13); and seniors (ages 14-18).

In the beginner division the rosette winners were: Julie Jackson, side dish; Jennifer Ramirez, bread and desserts; and Anna Balch, snacks and beverages.

Also, Jennifer Ramirez was the high point beginner.

The rosette winners in the preteen division were: Janet Barlemann, main dish; Trudy Dell Taylor, breads and desserts; and Carrie Cox, snacks and beverages. Carrie Cox was the high point preteen.

Receiving rosettes in the junior division were: Darren Halford,

main dish; Rebecca Powers, side dish; Ronnie Wright, breads and desserts; and Houston Powers, snacks and beverages. Darren Halford and Houston Powers tied for the high point junior award.

Senior rosette winners were Marla Van Hoozer, main dish; and Jackie Johnson, breads and desserts. Marla Van Hoozer was high point senior.

Individual placings are as follows:

Beginners: blue ribbons-Jammy Cearley, Cindy Doran, Michelle Olenick, and Jennifer Ramirez. Also, Anna Balch, Dena Smith, Ginger Steed, Traci Teaff and Darla West. Receiving a red award in the beginner division was Nelda Castaneda.

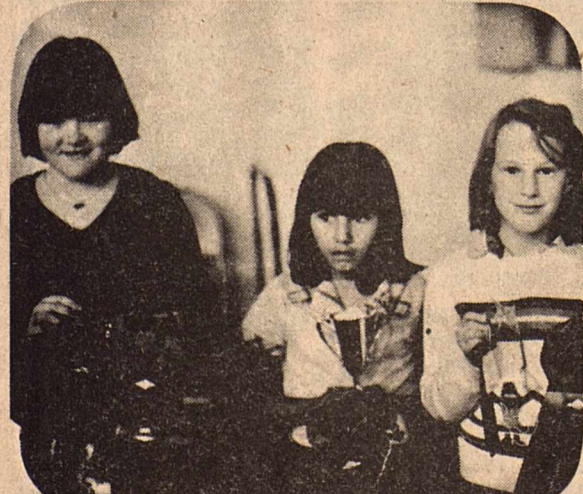
Preteens: blue ribbon-Tammy

Holguin, Shanna Payne, Tooter Olenick, Sondra Merrill, Janet Barlemann, Terry Duren, Trudy Dell Taylor, Emily Gonzales, Mary Ross, Sean Mathews, Bonnie Jackson, Carrie Cox, and Davy Ross. Receiving a red award was Lori Webster.

Juniors: blue ribbons-Cindy Steed, Angel Cearley, Clalene Stewart, Darren Halford, Judy

Merrill, Timothy Schabel, Chad Stewart, Tessa Joy, Lora Lee Kordzik, Jody Luttrell, Rebecca Powers, and Cathy Doran. Also, Michael Dunn, Ronnie Wright, Monty Porter, Anita Balch, Wayne Hill, and Houston Powers. Juniors receiving a red award were Tammy

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Winners in the Beginner Division at the Sutton County 4-H Food Show last Saturday were [left to right] Julie Jackson, side dish; Jennifer Ramirez, breads and desserts; and Anna Balch, snacks and beverages. Ramirez was the high point beginner.



Winners in the Pre-teen Division at the Sutton County 4-H Food Show last Saturday [left to right] were Janet Barlemann, main dish; Carrie Cox, snacks and beverages; and Trudy Dell Taylor, breads and desserts. Cox was the high point pre-teen.



Winners in the Junior Division at the Sutton County 4-H Food Show last Saturday were [left to right] Houston Powers, snacks and beverages; Darren Halford, main dish; and Rebecca Powers, side dish. Halford and Powers tied for high point junior.



Winners in the Senior Division at the Sutton County 4-H Food Show last Saturday were [left to right] Jackie Johnson, breads and desserts, and Marla Van Hoozer, main dish. Van Hoozer was the high point senior.



## Reflections...

by Rev. Jim Miles  
No historical event occurs in isolation, but rather is a result of other occurrences along the continuum of space and time. The Christmas event,

unfortunately, is often portrayed, especially to our young people solely as a point in time: a manger scene, the Christ Child, Mary, Joseph, shepherds, angels, and maji. We

often fail in conveying the true significance of this event. The Bethlehem story must be seen in its relationship to that which came before it and that

which followed it. Just as Kunta Kinte's descendants in Haley's "Roots" found it necessary to continually remember their heritage—so should we recount the story of our God with us.

We must tell of the creation; the fall; of the time when "our father was a wandering Aramean". We must recall the patriarch stories and tell how the nation Israel came to live in Egypt. We must let our children know of the mighty deliverance—the Exodus.

We should tell them the stories of the evolution of the kingdom of Israel and Judah.

We should read to them from the books of the prophets so that they can hear just who this Jesus was to be. Then, if we put the Bethlehem story within the context of the political and theological context of its day, we can at once tell that story, relating it to past history, and pointing it toward the cross and the empty tomb.

In this way we can be sure that for our descendants the words of a story can come crashing through as THE WORD of God.

## Food Show...cont. from page 1

Duren, Debbie Shannon, and Thomas Schabel. Receiving a white award was Leah Evans.  
Seniors: blue ribbons—Clara Arredondo, Maria Van Hoozer,

Myron Halford, and Jackie Jackson. Adult and junior 4-H leaders from Schleicher, Crockett and Val Verde counties served as judges. Donating awards for the show

were: Downtown Lion's Club, Flowers by Irene, Gosney's Dept. Store, O'Bryan's Fashions, San Angelo Savings Assn. (Sonora Branch) and The Bright Spot.

# Sonora Churches

**Primera Baptist Church**  
Rev. Guadalupe G. Pena  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Praying Union 5:30 p.m.  
Worship 7:00 p.m.  
WMU Tuesday 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Services 7:00 p.m.

**Hope Lutheran Church**  
John E. Hafemann, Pastor  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Adult Inquirer's Class 6:00 p.m.  
Confirmation 9:00 a.m.

**Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal**  
Rev. Kenneth Doyle, Pastor  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Eve. Worship 7:30 p.m.  
Wed. Services 7:30 p.m.

**Church of God of Prophecy**  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Eve. 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday Eve. 7:30 p.m.

**Methodist Church**  
Rev. Paul Terry, pastor  
Church School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 10:45 a.m.  
**First Baptist Church**  
Rev. Clifton Hancock, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship 10:50 a.m.  
Eve. Worship 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Services 7:00 p.m.

**Church of Christ**  
Bible School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Youth Group 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday Eve. 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Eve. 7:00 p.m.

**St. Ann's Catholic Church**  
Rev. John Waldron  
Sat. Vigil Mass 7 p.m.  
Sunday Masses 8 a.m.  
10 a.m.  
7 p.m.  
Holy Day Mass 7 p.m.  
**St. John's Episcopal Church**  
Holy Com. 11:00 a.m.  
1st and 3rd Sundays  
Morn. Prayer 11:00 a.m.  
2nd and 4th Sundays

**The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian**  
The Rev. Jim Miles  
Sunday: Church School 10:00 a.m.  
Fellowship 10:45 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
(Communion on first Sunday of each month)  
Inquirer's Class 7:30 p.m.  
(Session and Diaconate meet at 7:30 on the 3rd Wed. of each month)

**Ruth Shurley Jewelry**

**Kerbow Funeral Home**

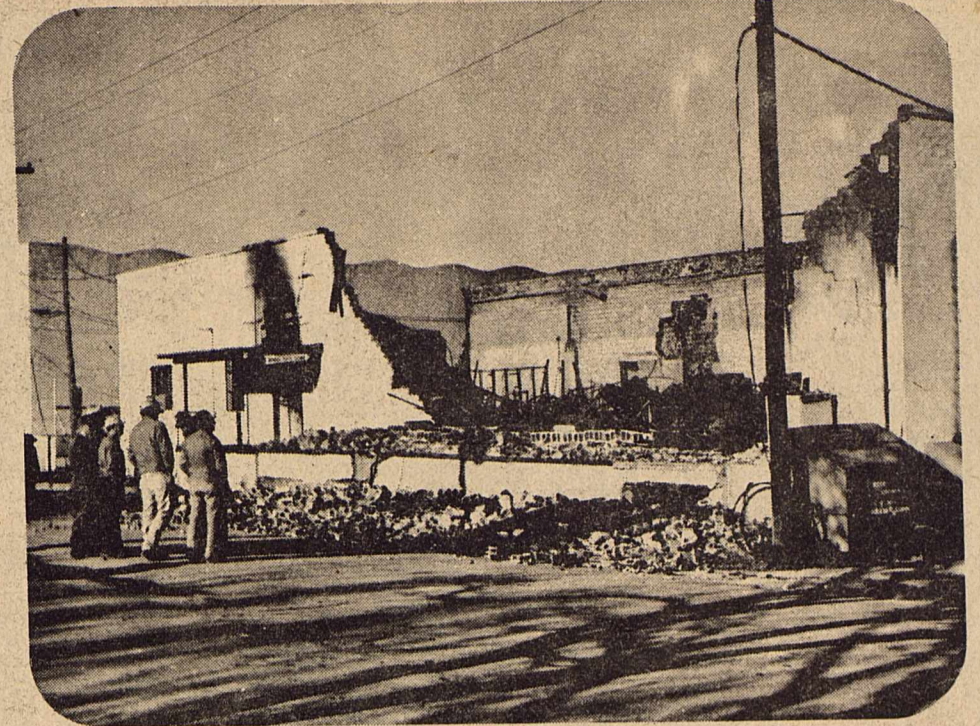
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## Fire Guts White's...



Members of the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department survey the damage done during last Sunday's fire at White's Home and Auto Center. The building and all the contents were a total loss.

## Sonora Minister Speaks

Christmas is a time of giving and receiving, though there are perhaps times when we put entirely too much emphasis on receiving.

The life that continually receives without giving in return is a life which has grown stale and useless. The Dead Sea is dead simply because it has no outlet; all the water it receives is kept, and none lost except by evaporation. Thus the water of the Sea continues to become saltier; salt cannot evaporate. Perhaps this is a visible expression of the truth of what was meant by Jesus when he said "he that loses his life for my sake shall find it, but he who

tries to keep his life will lose it."

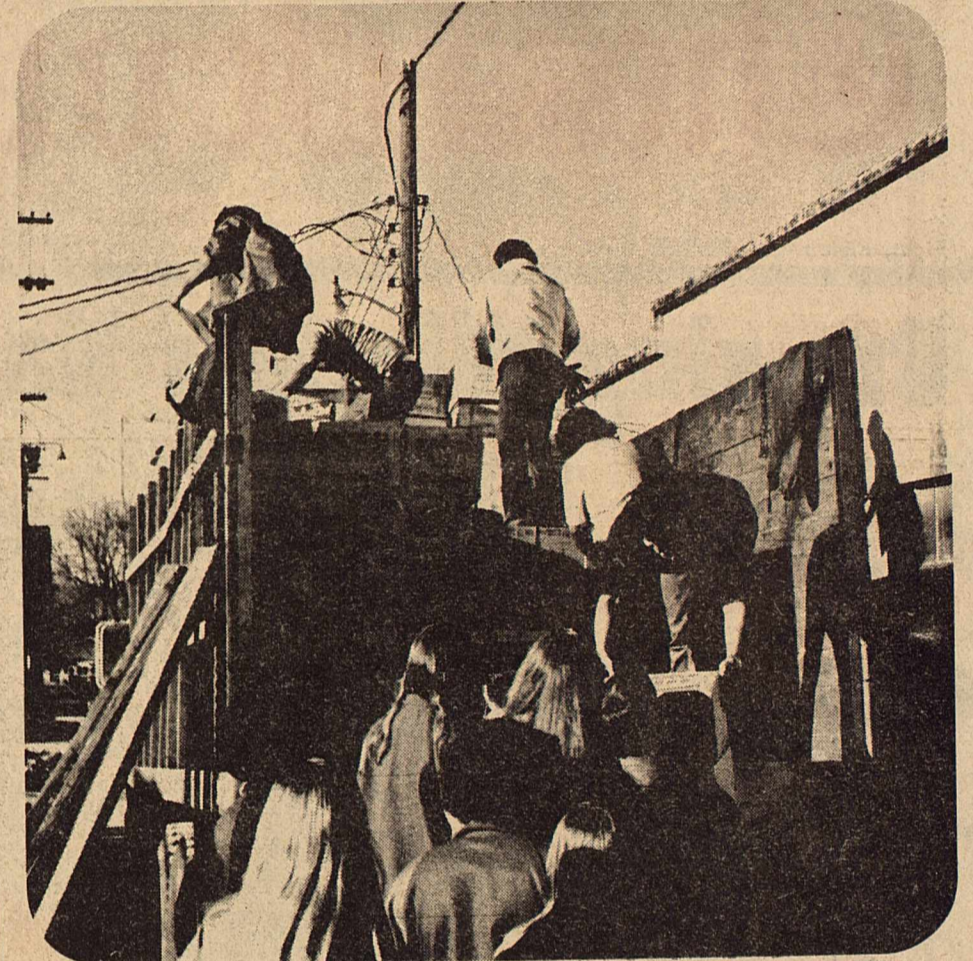
It is the giving that brings meaning and worth to life, the pouring out of one's being in those pursuits which enrich human life for all people. The giving individual is never bored, for there is always an opportunity

somewhere for an individual to give of himself or herself in service to others. There are volunteers needed for many services in every community, and the time given by those who have it is more than repaid in the sense of self satisfaction which such giving brings.

The life which receives graciously and gives generously and gladly is doubly blessed. Even as we have received abundantly from God, may we give joyously to others this Christmas season.

Paul Terry, pastor  
Sonora United Methodist Church

## D.E.C.A. Students Distribute Fruit



## SHS Science Fair Scheduled For Dec. 13

Sonora High School will be presenting a science fair this coming Dec. 13 and 14 in the science rooms of the new gym building.

Students who take part

in a science fair receive several benefits. They gain an increased interest in science as well as an increased knowledge in the area of their project. They learn to use a systematic method for solving problems which can be used in many decision-making situations in life. Some students find that they have a special interest in science because of their participation and choose a career in science.

Heading up the science fair is Mrs. Marlene Hawkins, physical science teacher. Mrs. Hawkins holds a Master's Degree from North Texas State University and has 13 years' teaching experience.

There is a great deal of interest in the science program at S.H.S. this year and we are looking forward to the upcoming fair. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Hunters Report Deer Kill



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Libb Wallace, Joe Bacon and Tony Renfro display the 10-point mule deer bucks they killed on a recent hunting trip in Brewster County. Bacon said all three of them bagged the quarry within an hour after going out.

Robln Roberts, an employee of Sun Oil Company, shows the 10-point buck he killed opening weekend on the George Wallace Ranch. The buck sported an 18½-inch spread.

This year send Christmas and New Years Greetings to all your friends with an ad in the

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Sunday, December 24, 1978



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Of course you'll still want to mail cards to your closest relatives and dearest friends just as you have in past years, but an attractive, yet inexpensive greeting ad appearing in our December 24 issue will still allow you to express your sentiments to everyone in the community.

In fact, a greeting ad will reach many of those people who you had not previously reached via mailed greetings.

Just a visit to our office is all it takes. You can choose from hundreds of beautifully illustrated and worded messages, or if you wish, for a slight additional cost, we can prepare a special greeting illustrated with your favorite family photograph.

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<b>Steak</b> Top Round	\$1.89 LB	Ground Chuck	\$1.29 LB
<b>Steak</b> Bottom Round	\$1.79 LB	Knuckle Soup Bone	49¢ LB
<b>Steak</b> Sirloin Tip	\$2.19 LB	Dankworth's Sliced Slab Bacon	\$1.29 LB
<b>Steak</b> Cubed	\$2.19 LB	Dankworth's German Sausage 12-oz pkg	\$1.09

Oranges Sunkist Navels	3 lbs for	\$1.00
Lettuce Cello Wrapped		39¢ ea
Potatoes Baking Size	US No. 1 Russet	15¢ lb
Apples Red & Golden Delicious		39¢ lb
Lemons Sunkist	10 for	\$1.00
Peanuts Houston's Roasted	12-oz pkg	69¢
Bananas Golden Ripe	4 lbs for	\$1.00

Del Monte Cut Green Beans	3 no. 303 cans for	88¢
Del Monte Fruit Cocktail	2 no. 303 cans for	88¢
Del Monte French Cut Green Beans	3 no. 303 cans for	88¢
Del Monte Spinach	3 no. 303 cans for	88¢
Del Monte Sweet Peas	3 no. 303 cans for	88¢
Del Monte Pineapple Juice	46-oz Can	88¢

Star Kist Tuna Chunk	6 1/2-oz Can	69¢
Miller's Lite Beer	6-pk 12-oz Cans	\$1.59
Hunt's Catsup	32-oz Jug	79¢
Carpet Fresh	14-oz Can	\$1.79

Soft-N-Pretty Bathroom Tissue	4-Roll pkg	75¢
Welch's Grape Jelly	4-lb Jar	\$1.59

Pace Picante Sauce	8-oz Jar	49¢
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Mrs. Paul's Ocean Perch Fillet	8-oz Box	99¢
Mrs. Paul's Combination Seafood Platter	9-oz Box	99¢
Mrs. Paul's Fish Sticks	9-oz Box	99¢
Mrs. Paul's Fish Fillets	14-oz Box	\$1.19
Mrs. Paul's Fish Sticks	14-oz Box	\$1.19
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# SJHS Announces Six Week Honor Roll for Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades



A luncheon was held this week at the James Hunt home with Mrs. Rosa Clossen as a special guest. Mrs. Clossen [seated right] is a dealer in antique English porcelain and is from Delaware Watergap, Pa. Among the visitors at the luncheon were [seated left to right] Mrs. Belle Steen, Mrs. Rex Cusenbary, Miss Doris Johnson, of Camp Walderman Hunt; Mrs. James Hunt, Mrs. Clossen and [standing left to right] Miss Ellen Easley, Camp Walderman Hunt, Mrs. Bud Estes of Junction, Mrs. Mark Mertz of Eldorado, Mrs. Joe Bean of Ozona and Mrs. Frank Junell of San Angelo.

Sonora Junior High students making the honor roll for the past six weeks have been announced by Principal Smith Neal.

Sixth graders making A's and one B were Chad Stewart, Shawn Williams, Aimee Middleton, Michael Dunn, Wayne Hill and Patsy Perez.

Fuentes and Perez. Sixth graders making A's and one B for the quarter include Middleton, Melanie Williams and Hill.

and Drew Wallace.

Seventh graders making A's and one B for the quarter include Barry Graves and Jennings.

one B include Philip Kemp, Joe Shannon, Albert Chavez, Veronica Garza and Gina Reyna.

Sixth graders making all A's were Lea Whitehead, Anita Balch, Rebecca Powers, Joe Will Ross, Cathy Doran, Doug Martin, Carol Cayce, Victor Fuentes.

Sixth graders making all A's for the first quarter include Powers, Balch, Ross, Stewart, Williams, Doran, Dunn, Tim Schabel, Martin, Cayce,

Seventh graders making all A's for the second six weeks were Mike Poloczek, Darren Smith, Tom Dean, Eugene Gonzales, Kathryn Parker, Kristi Hill, Nancy Benson, Larry Jennings

Seventh graders making A's and one B for the six weeks were Lora Lea Kordzik and Lynn Duckworth.

Eighth graders making all A's for the second six weeks were Marney Sorenson, Esy Whitehead, Tanna Tyler, Zee Wootan and Rodney Jackson.

Eighth graders making all A's for the first quarter include Sorenson, Whitehead, Tanna Tyler and Chavez.

Those making A's and one B for the quarter include Clalene Stewart, Kemp, Wootan, Garza and Jackson.

## Firemen's Auxiliary Plan Christmas Sale

The Sonora Firemen's Auxiliary will be taking orders by phone for Christmas cookies and cupcakes. Orders must be received by Saturday, Dec. 16, and items may be picked up the following Thursday at the fire station from 5-6 p.m.

Cakes will be decorated and will be ideal for Christmas parties at school.

Prices will be \$2 a dozen, and orders may be placed by calling Melissa Teaff at 387-2773; Nova Olenick at 387-2411; Jinx Taylor at 387-2253; or Linda Odom at 387-2437.

## CHRISTMAS CRAFTS BRIGHTEN HOLIDAYS

Let creativity light your holiday table this season with handcrafted salt sculpture candlestick holders.

All it takes is a bit of salt, flour and water—and imagination to garner rave reviews for your decor as well as your food.

To make the candle holders, begin with a ball of aluminum foil about the size of a baseball (larger or smaller depending on the size of candle to be used). Press candle firmly into the top of the foil ball until it stands by itself.

Then, roll out dough on a piece of wax paper until it is about 1/4 inch thick. Use a spade-shaped cookie cutter to make the leaves. About one dozen leaves should be enough.

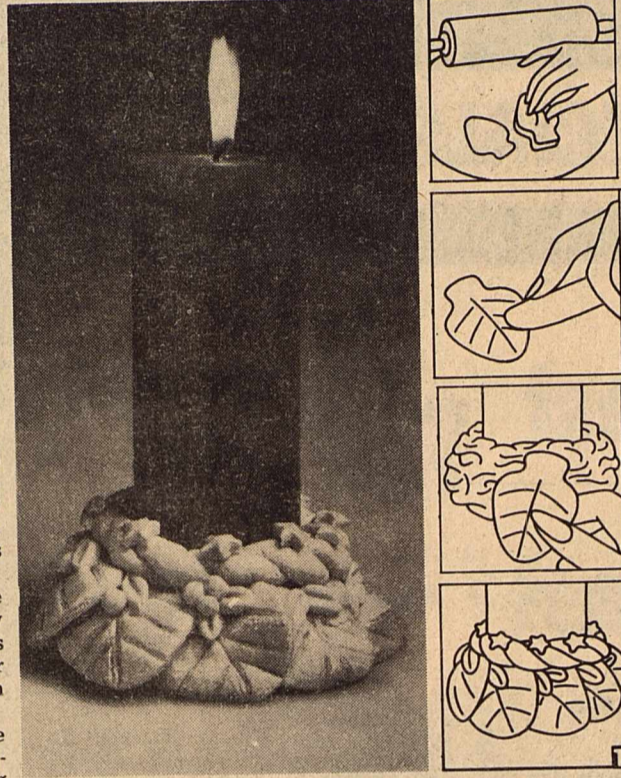
Next, add a vein-like pattern to each leaf by making slight indentations with the edge of a butter knife, or any other kitchen utensil.

Apply leaves around the base of the candle and aluminum foil ball, overlapping as shown. Moisten each edge with water as leaves are overlapped to make sure they stick together.

Next, roll out two long pieces of dough for the top. Braid or twist them together, moisten the bottom edge with water and attach to top edges of leaves. Add smaller leaves, berries and stars (made with a mint cutter) for decoration.

Then, remove candle and bake. For a natural brown finish, brush the holder with egg or milk during baking. Or, paint it with bright Christmas colors after it has cooled. Remove foil before painting and finishing.

A coat of varnish, shellac, or lacquer will protect the sculpture from humidity and moisture.



For the brand new salt sculpture book, send four Morton labels and 50¢, or just \$1.50, to "Morton's Dough-It-Yourself® Handbook Rises Again," Box 9140, Kankakee, Ill. 60901. Allow up to six weeks delivery. Void where taxed, restricted or prohibited by law.

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2 cups flour (not self-rising)  
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1 cup water

Combine flour and salt in a large flat-bottomed bowl, and mix well with spoon.

Next, add water (a little at a time) mixing as you pour to form the dough into a ball. Additional water may be needed, depending on the

humidity. Take care not to add too much so dough becomes sticky. Knead 7 to 10 minutes until dough has a smooth, yet firm, consistency. Place dough that will not be used immediately in a plastic bag to keep it from drying.

Place finished pieces on foil-covered cookie sheet and place in 325-350 degree oven. Allow to bake one-half hour for each 1/4-inch of thickness, or until golden brown. If sculptures pull up, reduce oven temperature by 50 to 75 degrees and poke piece with pin or toothpick to release air.

Remember: These creations are art, not food. For that reason, we urge, please don't eat the art.

## SHS Honor Roll Named

The Sonora High School honor roll for the past six weeks has been announced by Don Jones, principal. Seniors making all A's were Denise Neal, Chase Snodgrass, Pat Street and Becky Boyd.

Seniors making A's and one B were Carol Brandon, Mendy Holt, Billy Bob Galbreath, Jackie Perez and Jeannie Wilson.

Juniors making all A's were Jamie Condra, Linda Smith, Emily Elliott, Rae

Ann Bible, Debbie Perez, Micky Mooney and Stephanie Short.

Juniors making A's and one B were Alissa Adkins, Maria Gonzales, Raquel Salazar, Hillary Hunt, Bruce Bartz, Nora Galindo and Paige Pollard.

Sophomores making all A's were Valerie Tedford, Marche Lane, Annabelle Gonzales, Kandis Carta and Lee Burch.

Sophomores making A's and one B were Lynne Nadrachal, Yolanda Reyna and Lydia DeHoyas.

Freshmen making all A's included Gina Thompson.

Freshmen making A's and one B were Pam Merrill, Julie Stewart, Scott Savell, Nanette Sanchez, Rick Powers and Tonya Ridgeway.

## Band Members Honored

Five members of the Mighty Bronco Band took part in the competition for All District South Zone All-District Band.

Making the All-District Band were: Cathy Poloczek, clarinet; Scott Savell, Alto Sax; Armando Martinez and Brenda Carroll, Cornet; and Craig Cooper, Bass.

Dave Pennock from Abilene Christian Univer-

sity was the clinician for the All-District Band. A concert was presented in the Llano High School Auditorium.

## Humphreys Hosts Meeting

Jean Humphreys served as hostess at the Auxiliary's meeting last Tuesday.

Winners are 42 were Frances West, 84; Melba Stokes, high; and Donna Keese, low.

Other members present were Jennie Willman, Trevlin Luttrell, Melissa Teaff, Karen Ogburn, Rhonda Blackman, Vicki Cearley, Nova Olenick, Linda Odom, Mollie Hite, Vicki Zech and Jinx Taylor. Mozelle Wright was a guest.

## Hospital Notes

Patients receiving treatment at Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital during the period from Wednesday, November 29 thru Tuesday, December 5

include the following:  
Evelyn Minter\*  
Esther Richardson  
James Bishop\*  
Mary Lawson\*  
Edna Crittenden  
Mary Bruton  
Abilino Ruiz\*  
Jackie Jones  
Kenneth Reeder  
Bobby Nichols\*  
Mary Lou Quillen\*  
Bobby Newsom\*  
George Kisselburg\*  
Inez Ortiz\*  
Baby Girl Ortiz\*  
Connie Malik\*  
Zane Powers  
Maricella Ramirez  
\*Patients dismissed during the same period.

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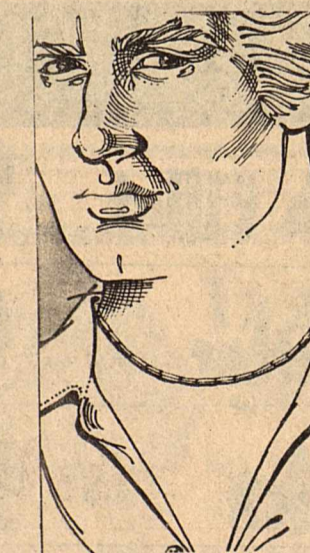
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Mrs. David W. Rooker, nee Karen Hemphill  
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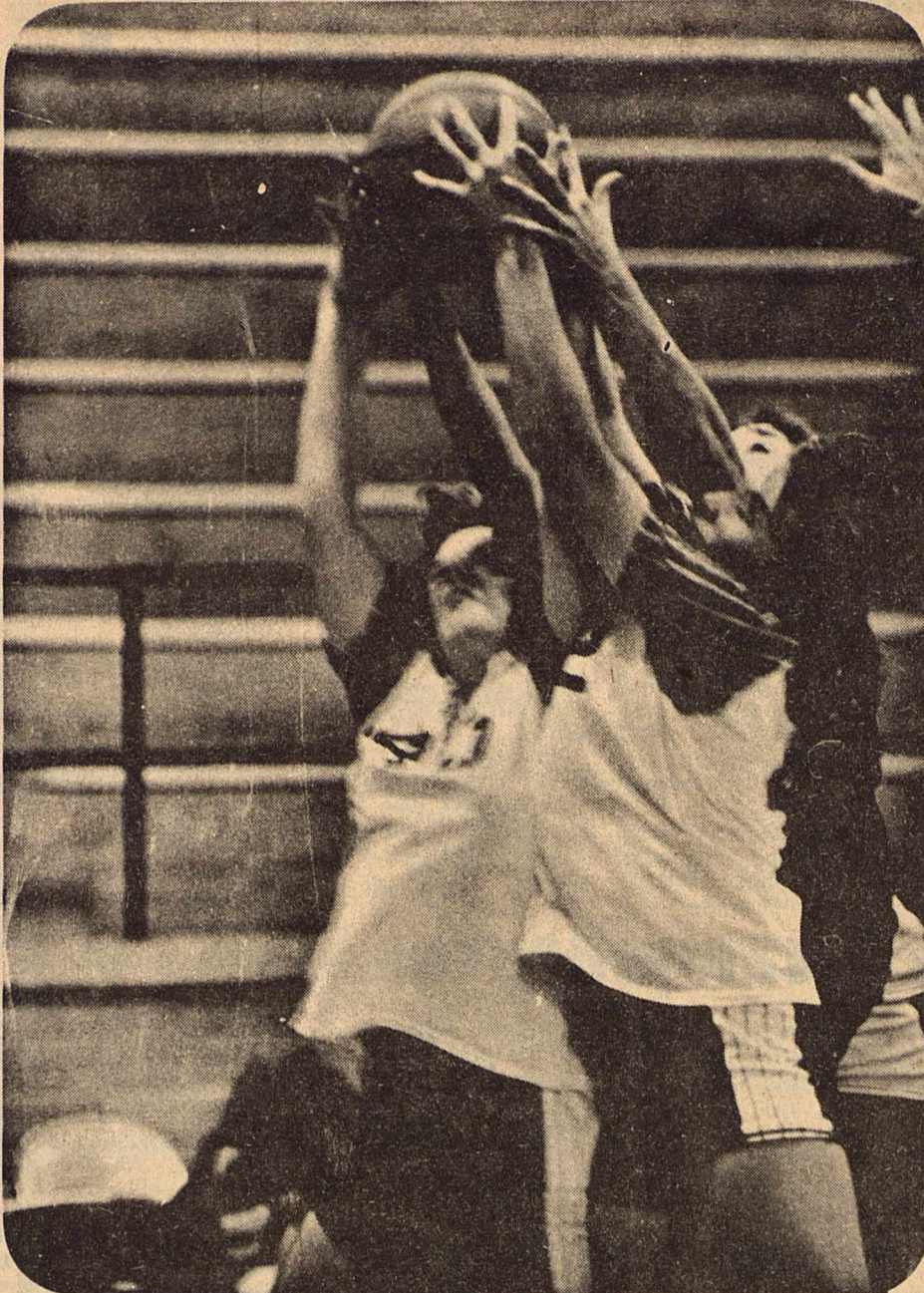
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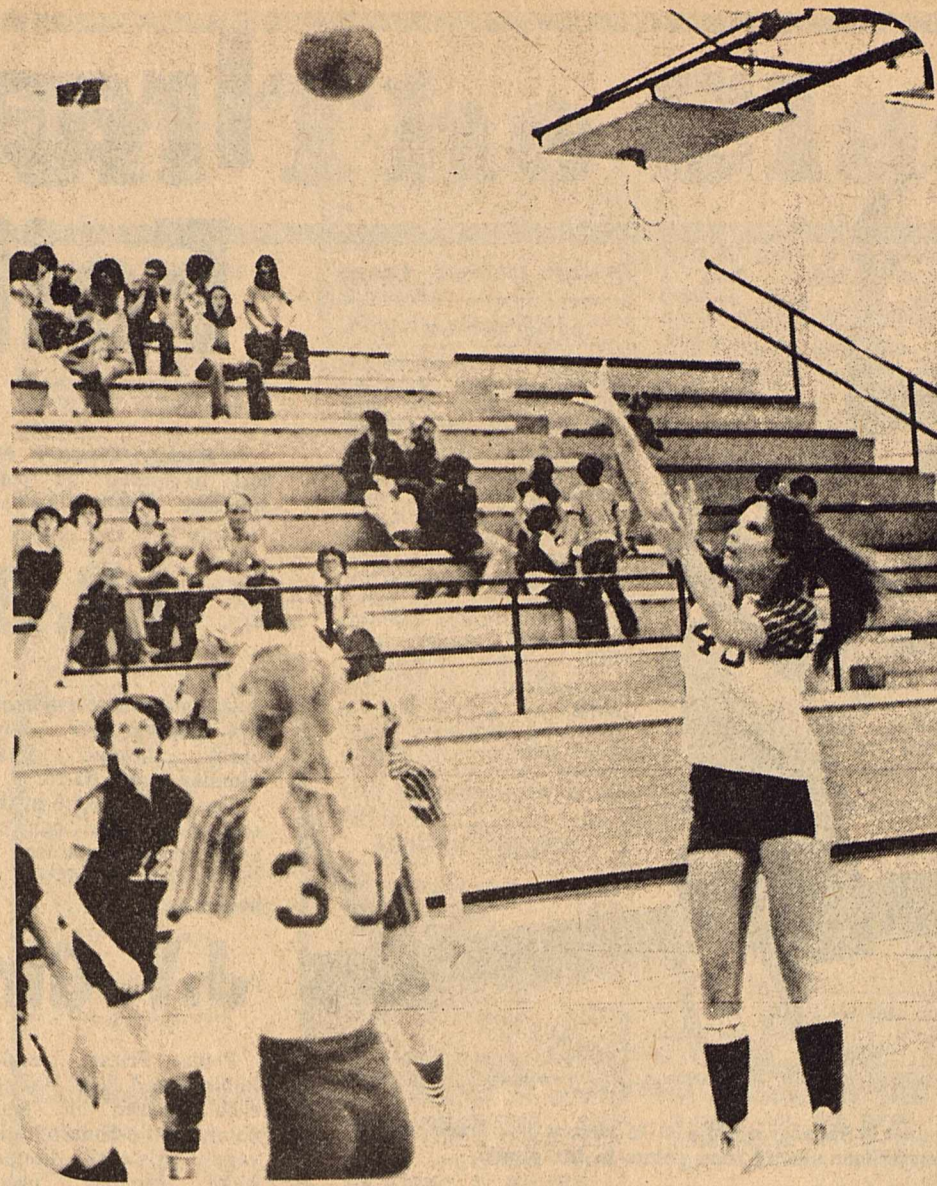
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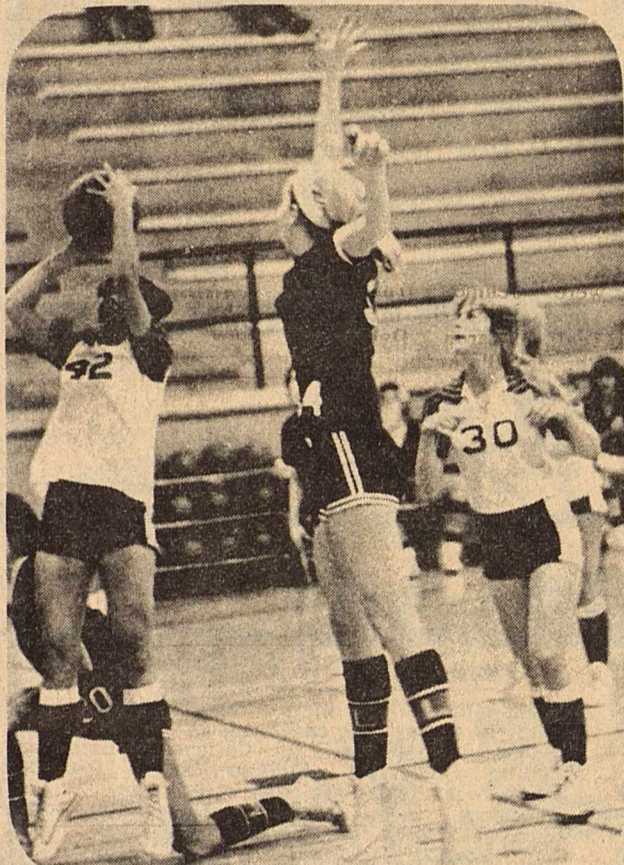




Judy York [40] and Janie Gold [42] battle an Iraan player for a rebound in Monday night's 36-27 loss to the Braves.



Judy York [40] puts up one of the three straight set shots in the second quarter that helped to keep the Bronco girls in the game with Iraan Monday night. Sonora dropped the game, 36-27. Looking on are Paige Pollard [30] and Pam Powers [background].



Janie Gold puts up a shot in Sonora's opening round game of the Sonora Girls Invitational Tournament last weekend. Also looking on is Paige Pollard [30].



Mary Kay White goes in for a layup in Saturday night's championship game of the Sonora Girls Invitational Tournament. Eldorado won the title over Lakeview, and White was named to the All-Tournament team.

The Sonora eighth grade girls held on just long enough as they nipped Brady Monday night, 22-21.

The girls trailed 4-2 at the end of the first quarter, then outgunned their hosts to take a 10-6 halftime lead.

The Colts edged their lead higher, 16-10, then held off a desperation rally to win.

Sonya Ridgeway was the leading point maker with eight, and Delma Noriega added six, and Debra Zapata and Anna Mata each had four.

The girls also won easily in Iraan last Thursday, 35-12.

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## Seventh Grade Girls Colts Take First Win of Season

The Sonora seventh grade girls finally got the scoring punch they had been missing all year as they won their first game in five outings over Brady 28-14.

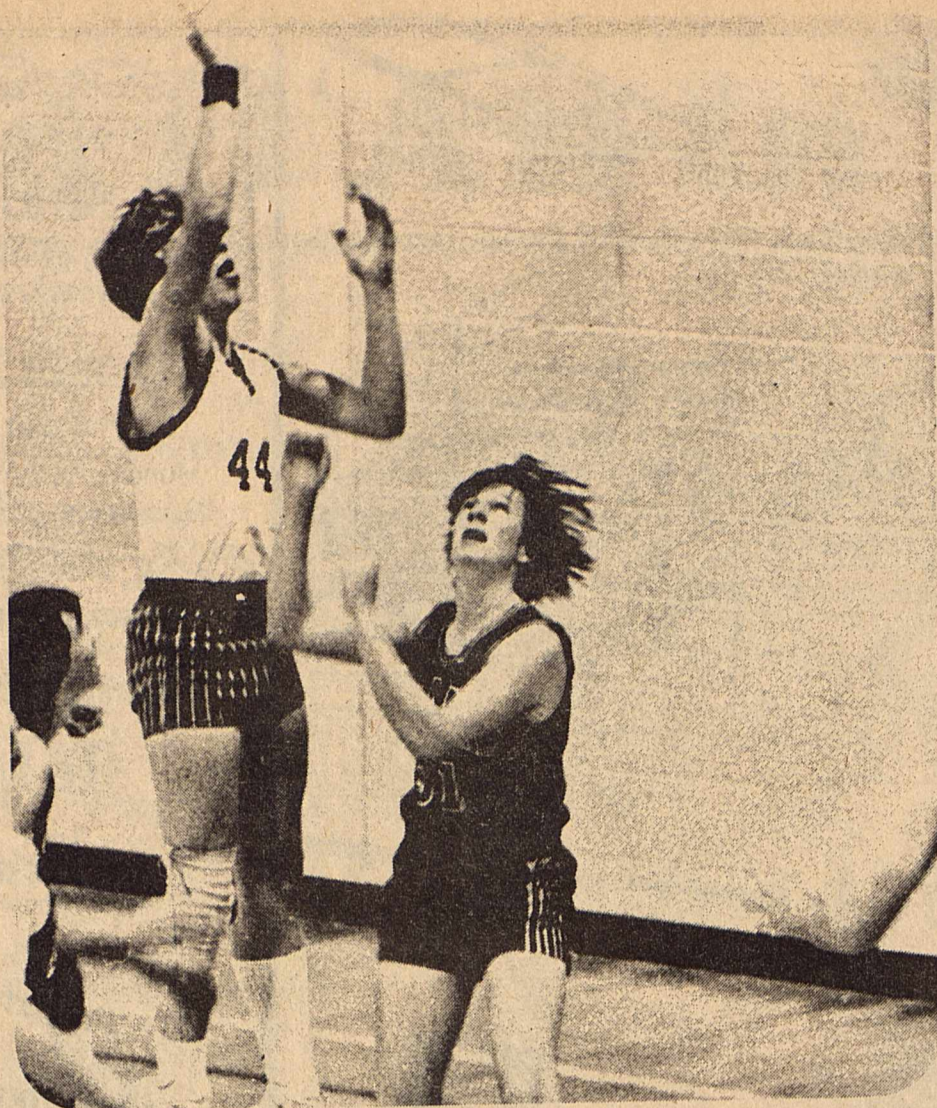
The girls jumped to an early 6-0 lead through the first quarter, then increased the gap to 14-4 at halftime.

Both teams played evenly through the third period, each scoring six, before the Colts iced the game in the final stanza.

Theresa Marlow was the leading scorer in the game with 14 points.

Other scorers included Kate Parker, six; Kristi Hill, four; Lora Lee Kordzik and Judy Merrill, two each.

The seventh graders lost in Iraan last Thursday, 24-12.



Wesley Wilson puts up a shot in Monday night's 35-15 victory over Iraan by the Sonora junior varsity boys. Wilson scored nine points in the game.

# Iraan Come Back Foils Bronco Win

A strong defensive effort hampered by cold shooting finally proved their downfall as the Sonora Bronco girls were downed by Iraan, 36-27.

The Broncos held the Braves strong offense in check, trailing only 6-4

after the initial period of play.

Three straight 15-foot set shots by Judy York near the end of the first half pulled the locals up to only a one-point deficit, 14-13, as the buzzer sounded.

The third quarter was a defensive battle supreme as both teams were scoreless until Pam Powers hit two free throws to give Sonora its only lead of the night.

The Braves finally got the hot hand though and the Broncos could not buy a bucket as the visitors opened up a 29-19 lead early in the final period.

York was the leading scorer in the Monday night game with 10, while Powers and Paige Pollard each added six.

Other scorers were Janie Gold and Cody Gold with two each and Stacy Chandler with one.

The girls faced Menard at Bronco Gym last night, and will face Wall at 10 a.m. in the first round of the Ozona Tournament tomorrow.

## J.V. Boys Take Iraan

Using substitutes freely the Sonora J.V. boys easily downed Iraan Monday night, 35-15.

The boys led 11-5 at the end of the first quarter, and although outscored in the second period, led at halftime, 14-13.

They widened the gap to 23-15 by the end of the third quarter before adding the final touch in the fourth stanza by outscoring the Braves, 11-3.

Johnny Doan was the leading point producer with 11, while Wesley

Wilson added nine and John Blankenship added six.

Other scorers were John Pollard with three, Jerry Don Glasscock and Scott Savell with two, and Lance Love and Joe David Favila with one.

## J.V. Girls Swamp Braves

Paula Friess, Jessica Robledo and Rosa Noriega each poured in eight points as the Sonora junior varsity girls easily dumped Iraan Monday night, 41-29.

The Broncos struggled

in the early going with the first quarter ending with the score tied, 4-4.

The girls managed to open a 14-10 gap at halftime, then widened the margin to 29-16 by the end

of the third period.

Other scorers for the Broncos were Debbie Kemp, six; Tonya Ridgeway, five; Gina Thompson, three; Kandis Carta, two; and Daphney Smith, one.

## Seventh Grade Boys Lose

The Sonora seventh grade boys found themselves down 11 points at halftime, then finally got the hot hand only to see their rally fall short, 21-19 in Brady.

Eldorado 40, Iraan 39 [3 of] Eldorado 8 6 2 15 6 3 40 Iraan 10 8 8 5 6 2 39

Scorers Eldorado: White, 15; Niblett, 10; Iraan: Elliott, 16; Lafoon, 10.

Consolation Game Wall 49, Ozona 28 Wall 12 26 4 7 49 Ozona 4 3 6 15 28

Scorers Wall: Kvapil, 22; Ozona: Clayton, 9.

Third Place Game Iraan 41, Reagan Co. 31 Iraan 9 8 10 14 41 Reagan Co. 3 8 10 10 31

Scorers Iraan: Lafoon, 17; Elliott, 14; Reagan County: Askey, 11.

Championship Game Eldorado 49, Lakeview 43 [OT]

Eldorado 10 12 10 7 10 49 Lakeview 5 16 8 10 4 43

Scorers Eldorado: S. Jay, 17; Helmers, 10; Lakeview: Herndon, 12; Phillips, 12.

Brady, using a zone defense unfamiliar to the Colts, jumped to a quick 8-0 lead by the end of the first period and stretched it to 16-5 at halftime.

The Colts outscored their hosts 10-2 and 4-3 in the final two quarters, but the effort proved to be too little, too late.

Jeff Brittain and Ronnie Pollard led the Colts scoring with eight points each, while Wendell Yarborough added three.

The loss was the second straight for the Colts after winning their first three outings.

They were defeated by Iraan last Thursday, 31-16.

## Eighth Grade Boys Win

The Sonora eighth grade boys traveled to Brady Monday and brought home the top end of a 40-37 thriller.

The Colts took a narrow 11-10 first quarter lead, then surged ahead 27-14 at halftime.

Brady started a comeback effort that nearly succeeded as the hosts outscored the visitors 13-8 and 10-5 in the final two points.

Chris Reynolds and Jeff Harlin, both in double figures, hit for 15 and 10 points respectively in the contest.

Other scorers were Marney Sorenson with eight, David Chandler with five and Espy Whitehead

with two. The eighth grade Colts also won their Thursday night game in Iraan, 16-11.



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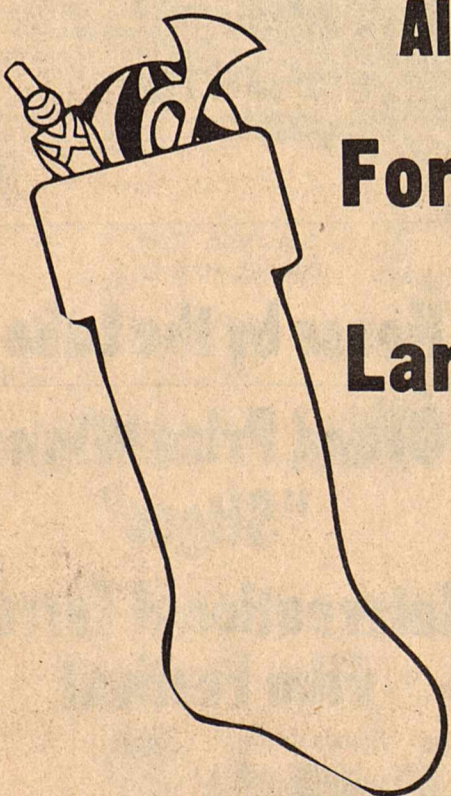
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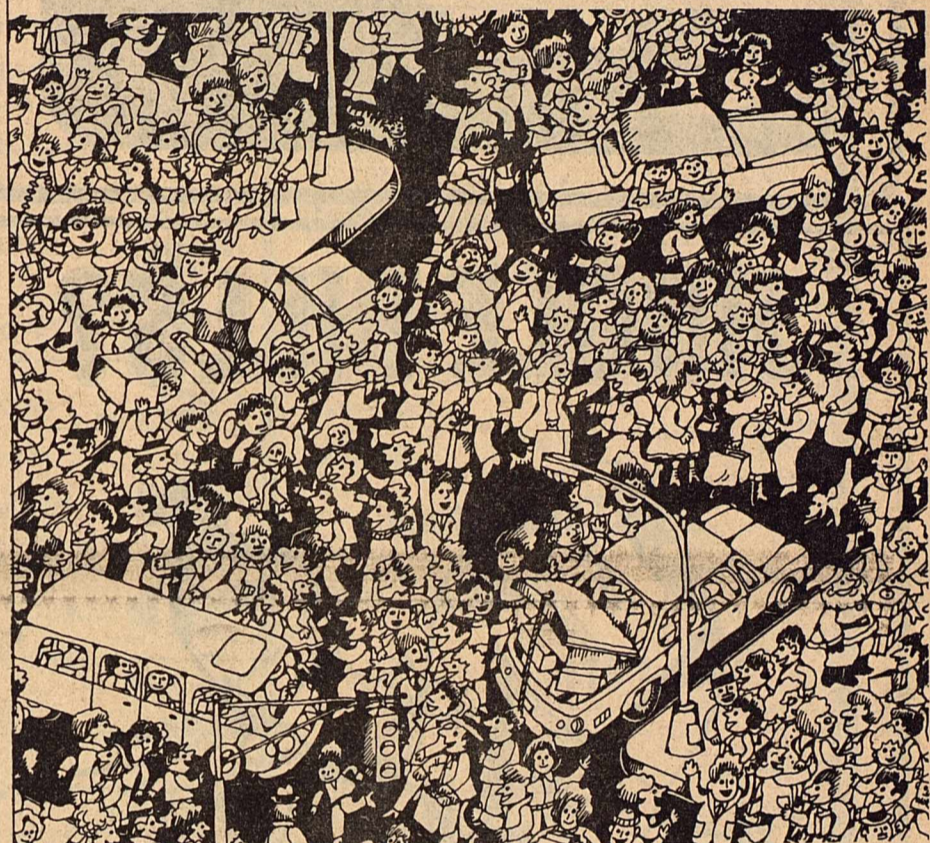
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### Bronco Bits

by Annabelle Gonzales

Everybody thought football season was a busy time of the year. Well, the SHS students had a total of 11 basketball games last week.

The first games took place in Junction last Tuesday night. The J.V. girls pulled through with another victory as they defeated the Eagles, 44-29.

Rosa Noriega had the best offensive game as she netted 16 points. Vickie Sheppard had a strong eight points. Other scorers were Paula Fries and Jessica Robledo with six points each, Tonya Evans, five; and Tonya Ridgeway, three.

The varsity girls fell to the Eagles, 31-34. Scorers for the game were Paige Pollard, 16; Annabelle Gonzales, six; Stacy Chandler and Janie Gold, three; Judy York, two; and Emily Elliott, one.

The varsity and J.V. boys had a fine first performance. The J.V. boys went into overtime with a tied score of 34-34. The Broncos had the lead in the opening seconds of overtime, but Junction came back with two free shots to win, 40-38.

David Creek was high point with 16, Eddie Favila, 10; John Blankenship, six; Johnny Doan and Allen Stewart, two each; and Jerry Don Glasscock, one.

The varsity boys were just short of victory as the Eagles defeated the Broncos, 43-38.

Pat Street was high point with 17, Dan Lawson, nine; Cody Savell, six; Johnny Reyna, Jesse Vela and David Reyna, two.

In the first round action of the Sonora Girls tournament, both the J.V. and varsity girls were defeated.

Eldorado beat the J.V. 58-18, and Lakeview defeated the varsity, 49-45.

In the second round of the J.V. lost to Wall by a score of 63-32, and the varsity lost to the Ozona Lions, 32-31.

The J.V. and varsity boys traveled to Reagan County last Thursday. The J.V. was defeated 51-27, and the varsity lost, 53-38.

The high school had an Indian art assembly to provide education and entertainment at the same time.

The FHA will hold a Christmas Banquet and Dance at the 4-H Center on Dec. 13. Each FHA member will invite a person and their escort. The invitations must be presented at the door.

Mark your calendar for the band Christmas concert to be held Dec. 20. More information will be given later.

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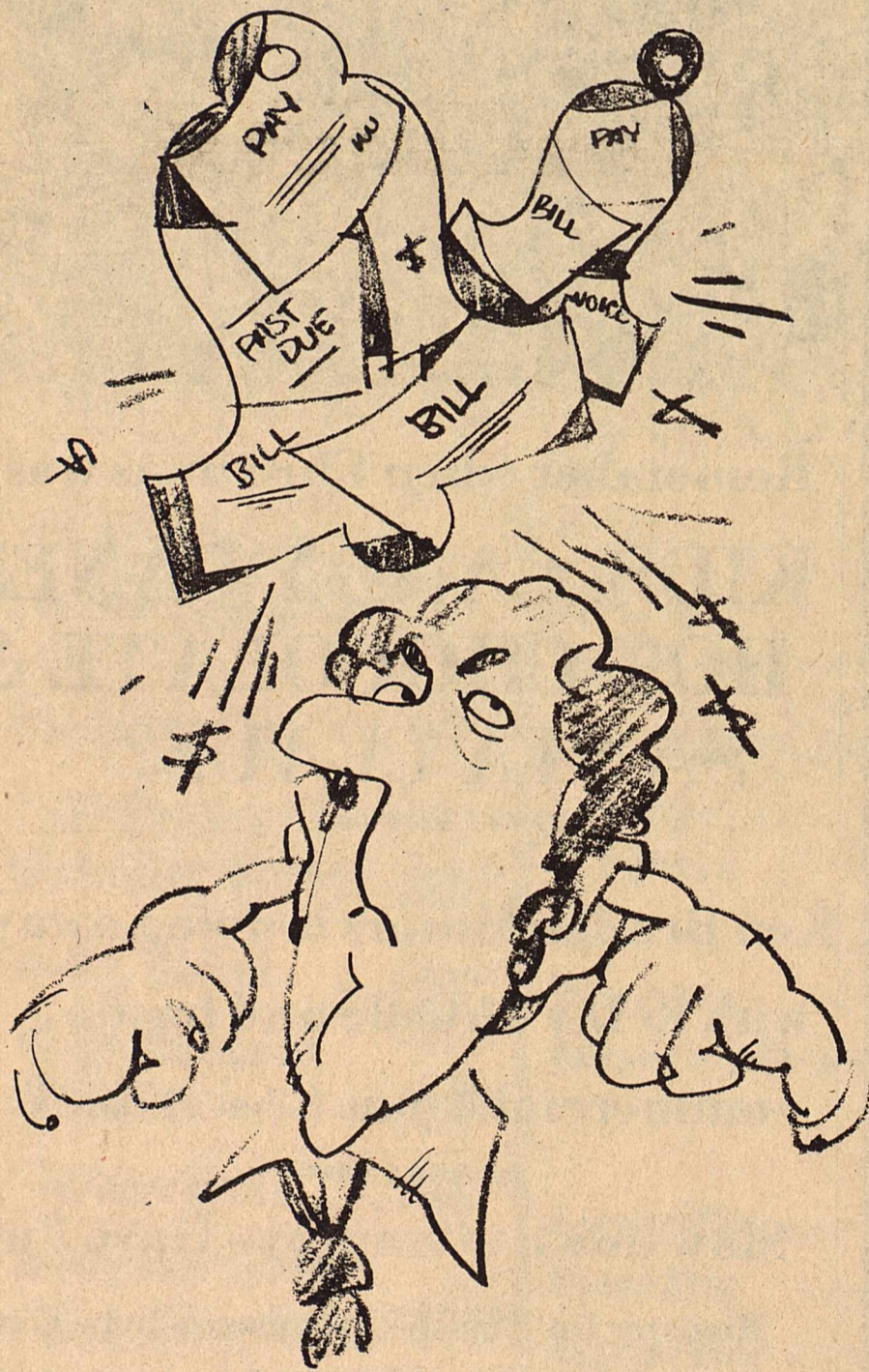
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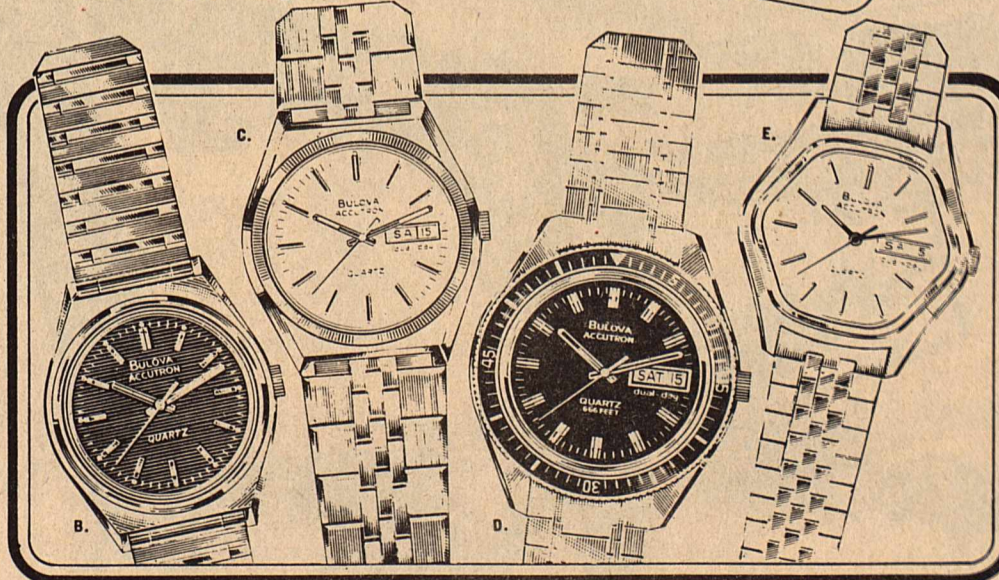
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December 3, 1978

Units 20, 30, 40 and 70 responded to a house fire at 11:45 a.m. Men on the trucks were R. Cearly, Donaldson, Flores, Humphreys, Favila, Keese, Guzman, Luttrell, Malicoat, Martinez, McLaughlin, Odom, Olenick, Smith, Stokes, West, and Zech.

December 3, 1978

Units 20, 30, 40 and 60 responded to White's Auto Store. 24 of the 26 firemen were at the scene for approximately 5 hours.

December 5, 1978

Units 20 and 40 responded to a second call at White's. A small blaze had started again. Men on the trucks were Blackman, Favila, Keese, Luttrell, Malicoat, Odom, Ogburn, Teaff, Thorp, and Zech. The call came in at 5:00 a.m.

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Visits Sonora

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office has scheduled his visits for Sonora and Eldorado for the first quarter of 1979.

He will be glad to assist persons in filing an application for Social Security retirement, survivors, disability, medicare or supplemental security income benefits.

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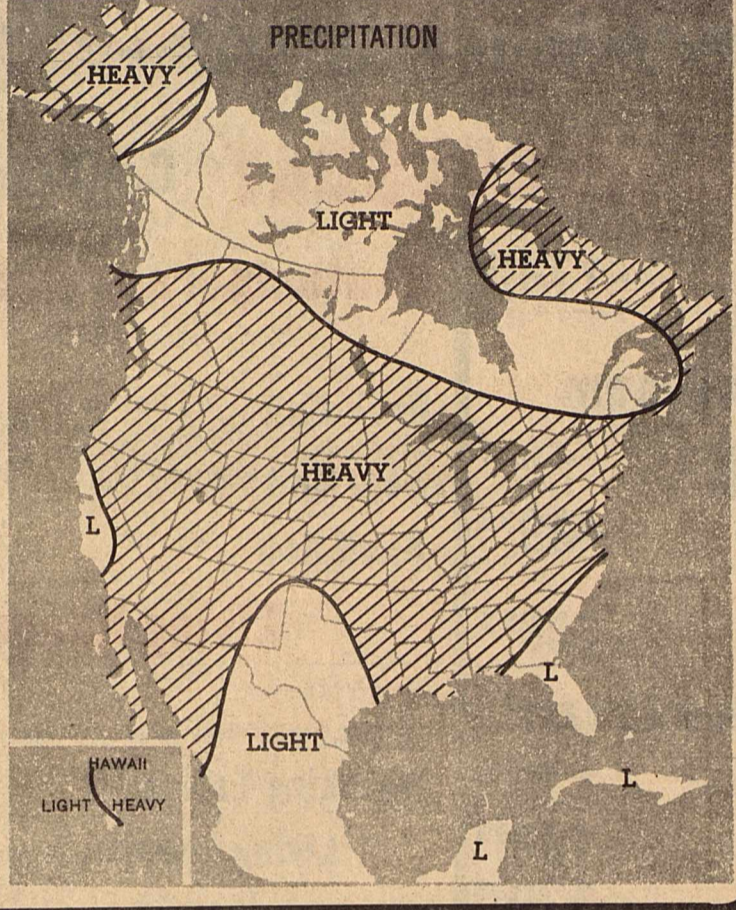
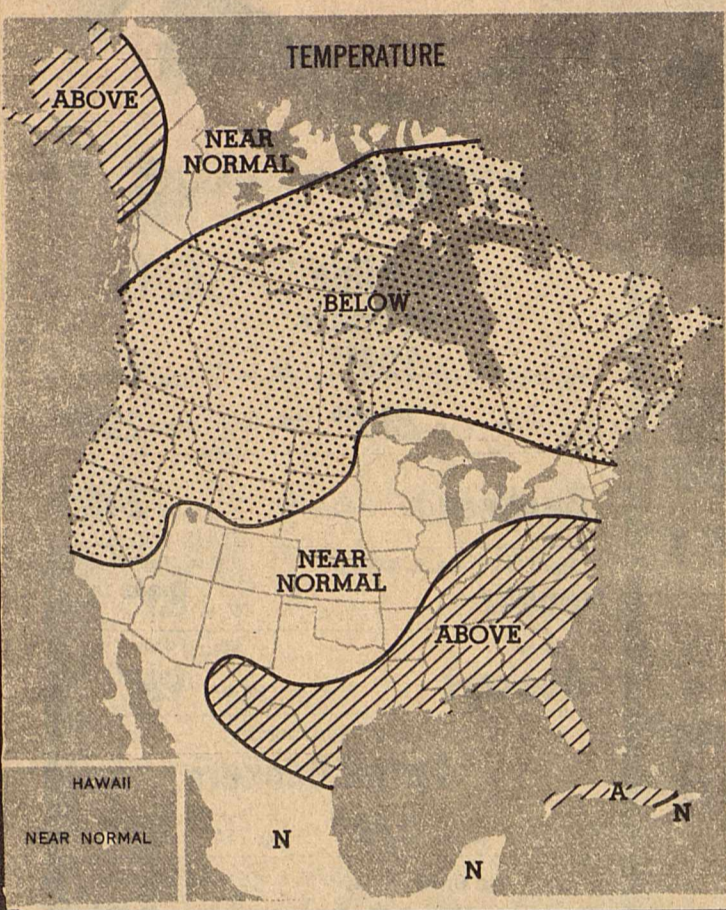


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## Rousselot, TSGRA Oppose Eagle Plan

The federal government spends millions of dollars warning people of the hazards of high blood pressure, then turns right around and spends more of our dollars printing such garbage as the recently-released "Golden Eagle Management Plan", guaranteed to raise blood pressure at least 50 points.

Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association president Norman Rousselot described the plan as "totally inadequate". Rousselot says it's "absurd that the Department of the Interior expects sheep and goat producers of Texas to try to protect their livestock in the manner described."

Just what manner is described? Essentially nothing. The "plan" concentrates almost certainly on increasing eagle numbers. Most of the balance of the paper is given over to outlining ways of increasing law enforcement in eagle country, and only as an afterthought do the Interior staffers ad-

dress the real problem—that of golden eagle depredation on livestock. The paper lists six alternatives: first, do nothing about anything; second, issue kill permits for depredating eagles; third, provide federal compensation for stock losses; fourth, provide insurance, for stock losses; fifth, continue the current (non) program; and sixth, develop and implement a golden eagle management plan. This last item is more than a little strange

because the publication it's printed in is supposed to be just such a plan. But never mind. Only the last two options are actually recommended. The option of issuing kill permits is soundly denounced and was apparently included only as an excuse to do so. Permits were, by the way, recommended by Interior's field staff (the only ones who know anything about eagles) but vetoed by the brass. TS&GRA's executive

secretary, Bill Sims, says Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus "just ignored his field people and did what was politically attractive to him." As for continuing the existing program, page 11 of the "plan" says this will include "hazing techniques such as aircraft, rockets, exploders, recorded distress calls, distress chemicals and other sight and sound repellants." Live trapping and relocation "may" be included. Three pages later the report states that these same techniques "have not been effective for reducing eagle depredations to an acceptable level," which is obviously what, then, do they propose? More study. Oh, yes, they also presume to tell stockmen how their land should be used and their livestock managed. On page 10 of the report, the bureaucrats have the audacity to tell producers that they must "plan lambing dates to avoid eagle migrations."

Undoubtedly the most infuriating thing about the "plan" is its obviously antagonistic attitude toward producers. On page five the planners state that depredation control assistance "will be commensurate with the number of requests" for that assistance. In plain English this means that no assistance, not even the next-to-nothing kind they propose

to give, will be offered without a whale of a demand for it. The first item under "law enforcement" however, requires Animal Damage Control personnel to notify law enforcers "of all requests for assistance." In other words, the only way a producer can get any help at all is to hound ADC about his problem, thereby setting himself up to be watched like a hawk (pardon by the law enforcement people. Considering the type of assistance he can expect to receive, the producers will still have the same problem after he receives it. If he then becomes frustrated enough to break down and help himself, the law enforcers will be forewarned and waiting to cart him away. In the end there are likely to be precious few requests for assistance/surveillance and the Interior boys can chirp, "See, there've been no requests so there must be no problem."

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## TSWCRA Blasts USDA Guidelines

United States Department of Agriculture has shown a disregard for the cattle industry's wishes when it adopted new guidelines for improving department regulations, Don C. King, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association secretary-general manager, said Nov. 22.

"Although USDA has asked for industry suggestions on how to improve the process of creating new regulations, its final report shows that virtually none of the suggestions were taken. Instead of making the rule-making process simpler and easier to understand, USDA has maintained its past course of making the process more complicated and more burdensome."

"In short, USDA has given us a formula for more complicated procedures for producing regulations instead of its stated goal of simplifying the decision-making process," King said.

USDA began the revision of its rule-making process after President Carter directed all his executive agencies to

"improve regulations." USDA asked for suggestions from industry groups like TSCRA, but in the end, it seemed to incorporate none of the suggestions into the new procedures, King said.

In presenting suggestions for improving the rule-making process, TSCRA has asked that "the rule-making process should be responsive to public opinion, free from decision-making of administrators and bureaucrats, conscious of the interests of Congress and, most of all, simple and understandable to the average citizen."

King also said that "We are adamantly against misuse of public tax monies through subsidizing agency-desired testimony from specific individuals or groups."

Paying for testimony from witnesses led to the resignation of Robert Angelotti, administrator of USDA's Food Safety and Quality Service on Aug. 4.

"Despite our suggestions," King said, "USDA agreed to continue paying witnesses for expenses incurred when giving

testimony. And we feel sure that expenses will be paid with public tax money only when testimony supports the USDA official position."

"We asked for a rule-making process that the public could have a hand in, one that would be responsive to the needs of the persons that USDA serves. But instead, it maintains its position of keeping all decision-making processes within the bureaucracy."

"We asked for less duplication among agencies, but the department has seen fit to increase the paperwork between agencies which will only increase duplication and waste of public tax money."

"And we asked for regulations that would be easy to understand and still follow the intent of statutory law and Congress. What we get instead is an order to assign responsibility for simpler regulations to agency administrators--the same bureaucrats who are responsible for the jargon that regulations are written in now."

King said that the newly adopted guidelines are in direct contradiction to President Carter's executive order to "improve regulations."

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# Oil Producers Make Recommendations to RRC

Major and independent producers who account for 90 percent of Texas' oil output urged the Railroad Commission to adopt federal Environmental Protection Agency effluent ceilings and sampling techniques as they pertain to disposal of oilfield brines. Specifically, the producers recommended that the Commission:

- Limit the amount of oil and grease per liter of brines disposed of in any one day, in tidal, estuarine and inland waters to a maximum of 72 milligrams, which is virtually the same as 72 parts per million.
- Require a sampling frequency at disposal points of once a month with four samples taken within 24 hours.
- Direct operators to report their brines disposal volumes and levels of oil and grease content to the regulatory agency on a quarterly basis.

The producers submitted their recommendations through representatives of the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association during a morning-long public hearing to consider the establishment of limitations on percentages of oil and gas permissible in oilfield brines discharged into coastal and onshore waters.

Three Oil and Gas Division hearings examiners—Senior Legal Counsel J. Brooks Peden, and Senior Staff Engineers George F. Singletary Jr. and Bishop McKendree—accepted testimony from four expert witnesses testifying in behalf of the association, another industry witness who supported the association stand and a representative of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.

Tom Chandler of Parks & Wildlife's pollution

surveillance read a letter from the department's director, Henry B. Burkett, stating:

"It is the belief of this agency that, if such (oil and grease) limitations are established, fish and wildlife resources will be better protected if a maximum limitation of 20 parts per million oil and grease is allowed for most discharges. Since receiving waters can vary in sensitivity, however, it is hoped that each application for an exception to Statewide Rule 8 will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis with the invited input of the Parks and Wildlife Department."

Statewide Rule 8 is the Commission's water protection regulation.

In his letter, Burkett acknowledged that some flexibility in limitations may be desirable to allow for varying conditions across the state in respect to habitat suitability for fish and wildlife resources.

Guy T. Buell, attorney for Amoco Production Co. at Houston who directed the association's presentation, told the hearing examiners in his summary statement that "overwhelming" evidence had been submitted showing the limitation proposed by Parks and Wildlife is not necessary and that there is no way to achieve the 20 parts per million level.

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## For Texaco Refinery RRC Authorizes Gas Use

The Railroad Commission last Wednesday authorized Texaco Inc. to use purchased natural gas to fuel its giant Port Arthur petroleum refining complex so that uninterrupted manufacture of gasoline, heating oils and other products can be assured.

The authorization came in the form of an interim order granting an exception to the Commission's Docket 600 gas-use phase-down directive which allows Texaco to consume and Houston-based United Texas and Houston Natural Gas

Corp. to deliver natural gas to the Port Arthur facilities.

Chairman Mack Wallace and Commissioner John H. Poerner granted the exception during an emergency conference on Gas Utilities Division matters. GUD Hearings Examiner Jo B. Campbell recommended the action. Commissioner Jon Newton did not attend the session due to an out-of-town trip.

The exception will be in effect until the Commission adopts a final order on the application of United Texas and Houston Natural Gas.

Campbell advised the

Commission that "the urgency of the need for purchased gas by Texaco requires an interim order prior to a hearing." She further noted that "the essential facility (at Port Arthur) in which the gas will be consumed" was in existence prior to the entry of the Docket 600 order nearly three years ago.

United Texas and Houston Natural Gas stated in their application that they are negotiating with Texaco to supply the natural gas requirements for its Port Arthur refineries and that deliveries are to commence on Dec. 1.

Texaco does not propose to increase the quantities of gas used for boiler fuel to an amount greater than that used in the 1974-75 base year cited in the Docket 600 order, according to the applicants.

Today's interim order holds Texaco to a base-year volume.

Since 1964, Texaco has used its own federal domain gas at the Port Arthur complex. Recent orders of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, however, require Texaco to phase out the use of all federal domain gas at the Port Arthur plants.

By next Jan. 1, Texaco is required by the FERC to reduce its use of federal domain gas at the Southeast Texas complex by 20 million cubic feet daily.

In signing the interim order, Chairman Wallace commented on the federal ban against Texaco, observing that the federal government "has said it does not want interstate gas used in Texas" and that it "wants us to use our intrastate gas to manufacture (petroleum) products for the Northeast."

Poerner stated that he was "pleased" to sign the order "that will reduce our dependence on imports" of foreign oil and also reduce the country's balance of payments deficit.

Wallace directed Director Joseph J. Piotrowski Jr. of the Gas Utilities Division to prepare a letter to Texas Senators Lloyd Bentsen and John Tower for his signature, "protesting the federal attitude that interstate gas cannot be used to manufacture products for interstate users."

## OIL PERSPECTIVE

By John M. Houchin

The Petroleum Industry has been made a scapegoat in government circles. It has been blamed for energy-related problems that actually stem from government interference and regulation. Some of this criticism, especially the accusation that the Petroleum Industry is responsible for the increasing cost of gasoline, has been accepted ignorantly by much of the consuming public.

But, actually, the oil and gas industry should be praised for selling gasoline and other petroleum products at prices ridiculously low compared to prices for most other commodities. For example, during the early 1930s, gasoline sold at approximately 16¢ per gallon with little or no federal tax. Double that to 32¢ per gallon, and add the 8 to 12¢ per gallon tax, and you have around 40 to 43¢ per gallon, which gasoline was selling for before the energy shortage surfaced in the 1970s.

During this span, while gasoline prices, less tax, were doubling, the cost of housing went up five or six times, and automobiles had a six to seven times increase in price.

This bargain in gasoline prices was made possible because the industry was selling, out of stock, oil found in shallower depths and produced at less cost during the earlier years; and also because oil from foreign sources was available at a cheaper rate.

Currently, gasoline, less government tax, on the average, is about four times its price during the 1930s decade; whereas automobiles and housing, along with many other commodities, are up eight to ten times.

By comparison, the consumer has always had a real bargain in gasoline and other petroleum products.

For the future, the consumer

should be more concerned with the availability of gasoline, rather than its cost. He seems to be doing this with housing and automobiles.

If the industry could be free of government control and the forces of the free market allowed to work, the best interests of the consumer and our nation would be served.

In spite of the government's short-sightedness and harassment, the Petroleum Industry is going ahead and drilling more wells this year than in the past twenty years.

The industry is also developing new technology, which is being displayed to the Oil Industry through such media as the International Petroleum Exposition whose next event is to be held September 10-13, 1979 at Tulsa, Oklahoma. This largest of the on-shore international expositions will exhibit before some 35,000 to 40,000 oil men the latest improvements in technology in equipment and methods for finding and producing more oil.

Our private enterprise system is working, as witness that the International Petroleum Exposition exhibitor list shows 37 percent of exhibitors already signed have not shown before at Tulsa. This indicates that the prospect for new products is enhanced when private enterprise sees a developing market.

When competition gets into the act from a private enterprise standpoint, the consumer always benefits. When the government gets into the act, the consumer usually loses, and ends up paying higher prices.

Note: Mr. Houchin is retired president and chairman of the Phillips Petroleum Company and current President of the International Petroleum Exposition.



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Named to the All-Tournament team for the Sonora Girls Invitational Tournament last Saturday night were [left to right] Amy Lafoon and Laura Elliott of

Iraan, Larnell Phillips of Lakeview, and Mary Kay White and Cherie Niblett of Eldorado. Terry Kvapil [not pictured] of Wall was named Most Outstanding.

# Eaglettes Win Tournament

Sammye Jay and Lori Griffin each poured in four points and Jolynn Jay added another basket as the Eldorado Eaglettes out-gunned the Lakeview Maidens in overtime to take the Championship Game of the Sonora Girls Invitational Tournament Saturday night.

Only one of the overtime baskets—a jumper from Griffin—failed to come off the fast break as the Eaglettes took the tournament title, 49-43.

Although never holding a very wide margin, Eldorado led throughout most of the contest until the Maidens scored two quick layups to knot the score at the end of regulation play.

Eldorado led 10-5 at the end of the first quarter, although the Maidens narrowed the gap to 22-21 at halftime.

The Eaglettes outscored the Maidens 10-8 in the third period, and appeared to have the game on ice until midway through the final quarter as Cherie Niblett fouled out and Paige Helmers went down with an ankle injury, with an apparent momentum shift to the San Angelo squad.

With Mary Kay White and Lorrie Powell leading the charge, the Eaglettes utilized their fast break to perfection in the overtime to destroy any Lakeview title hopes.

Sammye Jay was the leading scorer in the game with 17, and Helmers also hit in double figures with 10.

White added eight, Niblett, six; Griffin, four; and Powell and Jolynn Jay, two each.

The Eaglettes had no easy time getting to the finals as they downed Iraan—a team they had beaten 45-31 earlier in the week—in triple overtime, 40-39.

In a supreme defensive battle, Eldorado trailed the Braves 26-16 going in to the final stanza, but put on a furious fourth quarter rally to knot the game at 31-all.

White with six points, Sammye Jay with five and Niblett with four were responsible for the 15-point comeback.

The teams played through one scoreless overtime, and both squads added six points each in the second extra period

before White popped in three charity shots to win the game.

White was the leading scorer in the game with 15 points and Niblett poured in 10 more.

Other scorers were Sammye Jay with nine, and Powell, Helmers and Jolynn Jay with two each.

White and Niblett were both named to the All-Tournament team along with Larnell Phillips of Lakeview and Amy Lafoon and Laura Elliott of Iraan. Terry Kvapil of Wall was named the Most Outstanding Player.

In other action the Wall Hawks down the Ozona Lions, 49-28, in the Consolation Game, while Iraan defeated Reagan County, 41-31, in the Third Place game.

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Mary Gomez is a 5-0 guard for the Bronco basketball team. She is an 18-year old senior and has also been involved in cheerleading and track. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gomez, she is a lifetime resident of Sonora.



Pam Powers is a 5-5 guard for the Bronco girls varsity and has lettered for two years. Her other activities include track, rodeo and cheerleading. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Powers and has lived in Sonora all her life.



Janie Gold is a 5-6 senior post for the Bronco girls, and this is her first year on the varsity. She is also a cheerleader and a member of the tennis team. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lee Gold, Jr., she has lived in Sonora 2 1/2 years.

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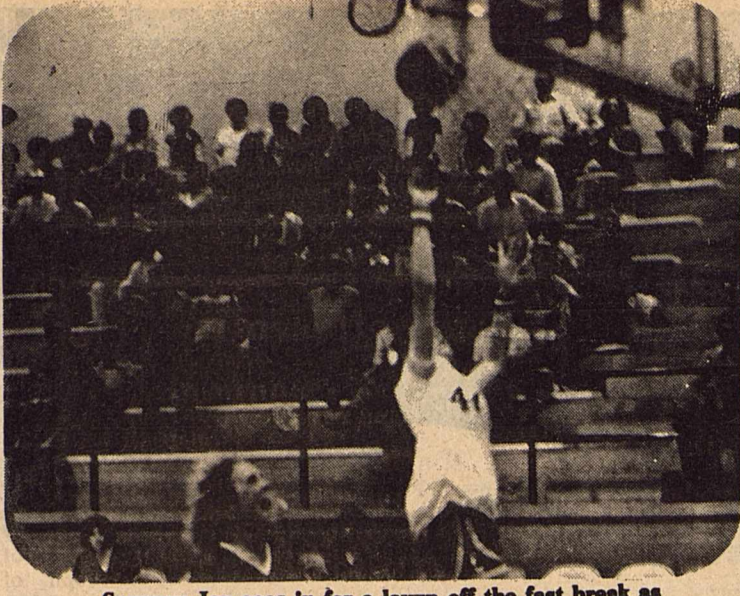
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Sammie Jay goes in for a layup off the fast break as Eldorado blew by Lakeview in overtime to win the championship of the Sonora Girls Invitational Tournament Saturday night. Jay had four points in the overtime and was the high point individual with 17.

## Sporting Chance....

by Don Holdridge

It still seems funny to be making football predictions after watching 2,000 basketball games last week, but since my needle is stuck on it I might as well make this scratch on the record a little deeper.

Speaking about basketball, I keep overhearing people talking about the new full court rules for girls high school basketball. Unfortunately most of the comments are unfavorable, although I have to agree in many respects.

It's not that I don't agree with the five-player rule, its the fact that the level of play is not what it has been in past years and games have possibly lost some of their excitement.

This is not the fault of the rules changes, at least directly. The game is in a transition period now. Many girls who have played their entire career and never shot a ball are suddenly being presented with the opportunity, and it's no wonder the games are not at the peak they were before.

It will probably take two years to reverse the trend and get the game approaching its former level of excitement and another two or three years to really see the type of athletic prowess many of our female

athletes are capable of showing.

Old habits are hard to break for players and fans alike. Let's give the girls a chance to prove they can't play the full court rules before we start clamoring for a change.

My picking improved slightly last week as I hit 13 of 20, but dropped my season percentage even lower, .711, nailing 185 winners out of 260 games.

I knew I should have given up when I hit 19 of 20 two weeks in a row.

**Kermit vs. Childress**

I really don't think the Yellowjackets can pull this one off. If they do win, it will mean they are one of the top four teams in the state, so what does that make Sonora? Childress 24-10.

**Angelo State vs. Western State Colorado**

The Rams get a little tougher test this week, but I can't honestly believe it could be any stronger than some of those they faced in the Lone Star Conference. Angelo State 31-14.

**Philadelphia vs. Dallas**

The Cowboys are due for a letdown after clinching the title, and the Eagles are still hoping for a playoff spot. Besides the Eagles are always tough in Philadelphia. Philadelphia 17-13.

**New Orleans vs. Houston**  
Earl Campbell will be back this weekend, and I wouldn't bet against any team he played on as long as he was healthy. Houston 21-10.

**Atlanta vs. Washington**

Both teams got trounced last weekend, but they both have an outside shot at the playoffs and the Falcons have been looking stronger. Atlanta 10-6.

**Chicago vs. Green Bay**

This should make an excellent upset for the week choice. I've about decided the best way to pick a winner is to figure out who's supposed to lose. Chicago 28-21.

**Miami vs. Oakland**

Both teams are struggling, but just a glance over the previous games seems to indicate a home field advantage for NFL teams, so I'll give the Dolphins the nod. Miami 21-20.

**Other Picks...**

St. Louis over New York Giants, 31-28; New York Jets over Cleveland, 34-24; Pittsburgh over Baltimore, 20-13; Minnesota over Detroit, 13-6; San Diego over Seattle, 14-13; New England over Buffalo, 44-21; Denver over Kansas City, 17-14; San Francisco over Tampa Bay, 7-6.

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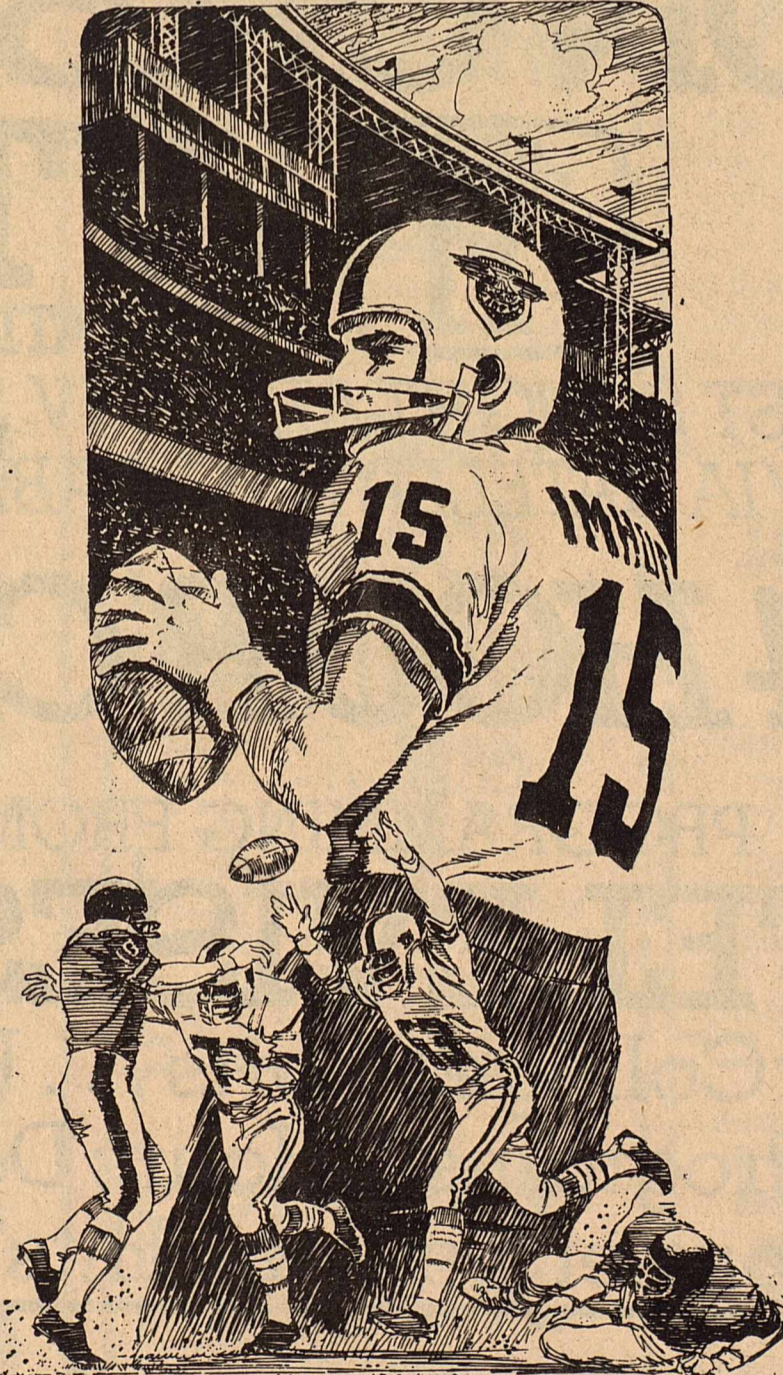
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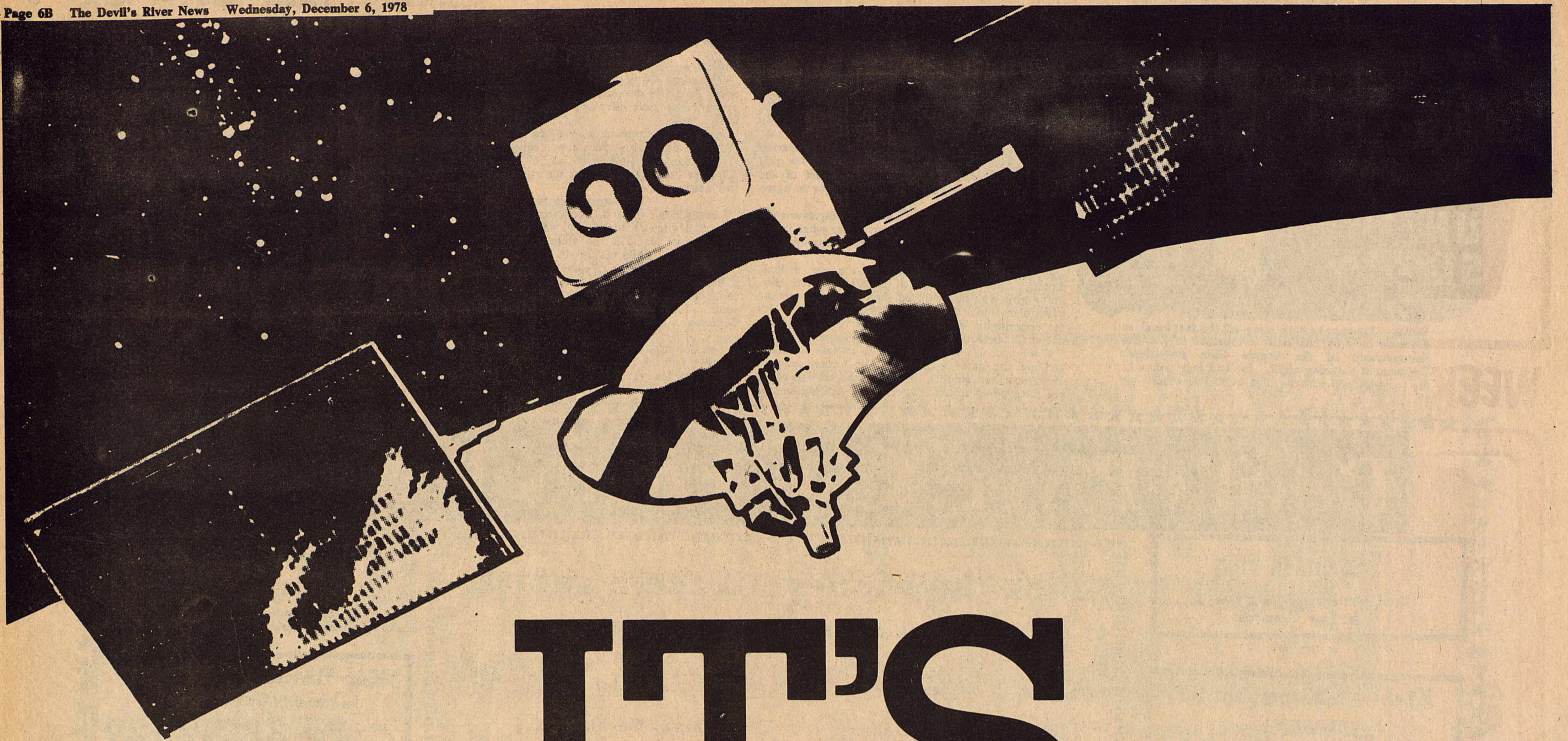
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