

Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,

I'm writing you this letter even though many people say you are not real. I know you are!

You are the spirit of giving and charity. You are alive in the hearts of young and old alike. You are the spirit of unselfish giving of the most precious of all gifts, love. You are the smile of an excited child, and the laughter of families gathered to celebrate the birth of the Christ

Child.

I hope you will not find my "Santa's List" too hard to fill.

I'd like a big stocking full of love

and caring for all God's children. I'd also like a big red ribbon tied around peace and understanding among all men.

And, please Santa, leave a big box of charity under each Christmas tree. Your Friend!

All of us at the "Devil" would like to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you a very Happy Holiday Season! We hope that your stockings are filled with everything that brings you happiness and peace. And, our sincerest best wishes for a fruitful New Year!

Thank you for your support and patronage this past year!
The Staff of The Devil's River News

Santa's Coming

Santa Claus will be coming Saturday afternoon December 22nd. Santa will be at the Community Christmas Tree after the drawing at approximately 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. Candy will be given to all the kids!

The Community Tree was donated by Charlie Hull and Charlie McDonald of the Brackettville Ranch. Tom Metzger and Les Robertson used Ken Braden's truck and Carl Teaff's trailer to get the giant tree. Don

Dolley furnished the bucket truck to put up the light and Tommy Shook used the City bucket truck to set up the tree.

Many Thanks go out to those who made this fine Christmas tree possible.

Don't Miss Santa At The Hurry-Up 4-7 p.m. Today

The Devil's River News

Eighty-Eighth Year, Sixty-Ninth Week

Wednesday, December 19, 1979 The Devil's River News Sonora, Texas

25 cents

Highway Route Still Pending

On Wednesday, Dec. 12, a story entitled "Lubbock, Angelo Link Pending" appeared to quote A. Sam Waldrop, Chairman of the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission as saying the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation is still considering

several alternate routes for the proposed roadway, including two that bring the road by San Angelo. The story then named four possible routes, none of which would serve the Eldorado-Sonora-Del Rio communities.

In an interview with the Devil's

River News, Mr. Waldrop assured the people of the communities south of San Angelo that the placement of the projected highway through their communities has not been ruled out.

He emphasized that no decision had been made on the projected route. "We had twenty-seven routes under consideration," he said, "and we still have twenty seven routes under consideration. None have been eliminated." Waldrop further emphasized that no decision on the routing would be made until such time as funding is made available from federal sources, and at this point no such funding is in sight.

4 Band Members Named To All-Region

Four members of the Mighty Bronco Band earned All-Region Bank honors at the U.I.L. Bank competition held at Cisco Jr. College on Saturday. Winning spots in the All-Region Band were: Flute - Mickey Mooney; Cornet - Armando

Martinez; Trombone - Anna Martinez; and Cathy Poloczek - First Chair Clarinet. Of the group, Cathy Poloczek wins the right to go on to Area Band tryouts to be held in Austin in January.

Annual Winter Concert Scheduled For Tonight

The Annual Winter concert for the Sonora Bands has been scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 19th, in the New Gym of the High School. To be featured in the Concert are the Sixth

Grade, Seventh Grade, and Eighth Grade Bands. Also, the High School Symphonic Band will end the evening. The Annual event is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m.



These Sonora Elementary School First and Second Graders decorated the Community Christmas Tree Tuesday during lunch.

The Weather

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16		60	32
17		50	22

The Devil's River News And West Texas Sunday Shopper Announce Deadline Changes

The Devil's River News wishes to announce a change in deadlines. This change is an effort to bring you a better paper, and to give those of us at the paper more time to prepare The Devil's River News and the West Texas Sunday Shopper.

The new deadline to have display advertising in the

office is 3:00 p.m. Monday. Classified word ads should be in by 10:00 a.m. Tuesday.

News stories should be in by 5:00 p.m. Monday. Any story brought in on Tuesday will be put in the paper only if time allows. We will continue to cover important meetings that occur on Tuesday mornings.

The display advertising and classified word ads will be taken up at 11:00 a.m. on Friday for the Sunday Shopper. News stories for the Sunday Shopper should be in by 5:00 p.m. Thursday.

Your help with these deadlines will help us provide you with a better newspaper.

City Council Meets

The Sonora City Council met Tuesday, December 18. The primary topic of discussion was the Auditor's Report.

The General Fund showed to be closer to budget than the previous year.

The Electrical, Water and Sewage Funds were in good condition except for an unaccounted for loss of kilowatts. The loss was probably due to an increase of street lights and non-metered usage at the rodeo arena and the baseball parks. Mayor Doyle Morgan suggested that meters be installed at the parks to meter usage even though there will be no

charge for the electricity.

Bonds outstanding are in the amount of \$496,000 which is a per capita amount of loss than \$100. This amount is considered very good.

The auditor reported that the City is in extremely good condition financially.

The Annual Financial Report for the year ended September 30, 1979 and was prepared by Chorpene, Jungmann and Company of San Antonio.

City Manager, Jim Dover, complimented the city staff for their excellent work in helping keep

Sonora in such good condition.

An Electric Ordinance Revision was accepted by the Council. The previous ordinance was written in 1960.

The Council approved their support of the Senior Citizen driver at a 50/50 cost share with the County.

In final action, the Council accepted a bid from Ken Braden Motors for a 3/4 ton pickup for the electric department. The Braden bid was \$6390. Also bidding was Sonora Motors whose bid was \$6590.

The Council then adjourned to executive session to discuss personnel.

John David Fields, Jr. Announces For Commissioner Precinct 3

John David Fields, Jr. has announced that he will run for the office of County Commissioner, Precinct 3 on the Democratic ticket.

Mr. Fields is a lifetime resident of Sutton County. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Fields, Sr.

Mr. Fields is married to the former Carla Whitworth, also a long-time resident of Sonora, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Whitworth. Mrs. Fields has been employed by

Charles Sherrill since he moved here and opened a law practice in 1977.

Fields was graduated from Sonora High School in 1965 and was active in football and track. He then went to Southwestern University in Georgetown where he earned a degree in Economics in 1969. While at Southwestern, Mr. Fields was active in the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Mr. Fields was an assistant direct-

or of Pi Kappa Alpha in Memphis, Tennessee from 1970-1972. From 1972-1973, he was a partner with his father in the ranching business. Mr. Fields is also a commercial photographer. Mr. Fields presently owns and operates Ranger Aviation Enterprises, Inc. in Tom Green County.

Mr. Fields and his family reside at 508 East Second Street here in Sonora.

Four Injured in Monday Wreck

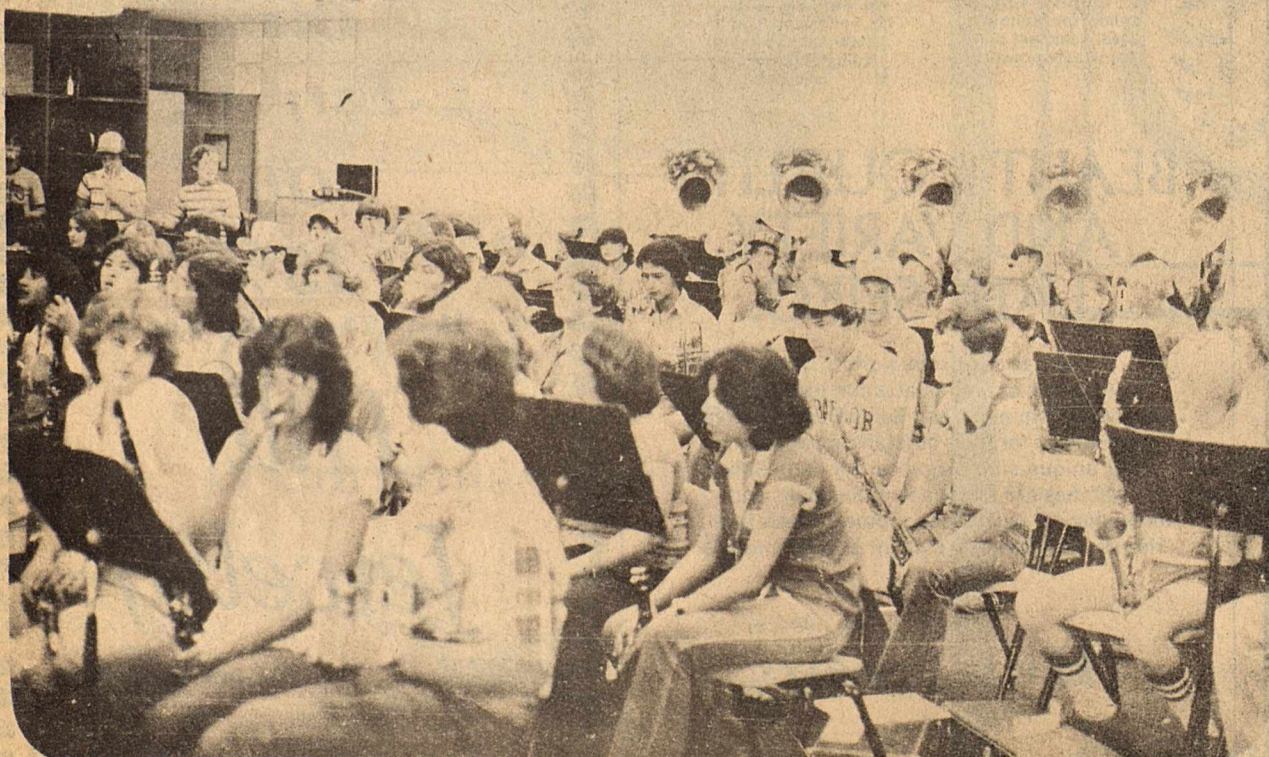
A wreck between two trucks occurred at 4:06 a.m. Monday, December 17, at the off-ramp of IH-10 and Highway 277 North. A 1979 Ford F700 truck owned by Rider Trucking Company had exited IH-10 West bound and stopped at the stop sign on U.S. 277 and the north service road. A 1978 Transstar Truck exited IH-10 West, but when

the brakes were applied the vehicle failed to stop. The Transstar Truck then collided with a car being towed by the Rider truck pushing both the car and truck into the intersection. The Transstar truck then turned over in the service road spilling its cargo of acetylene tanks.

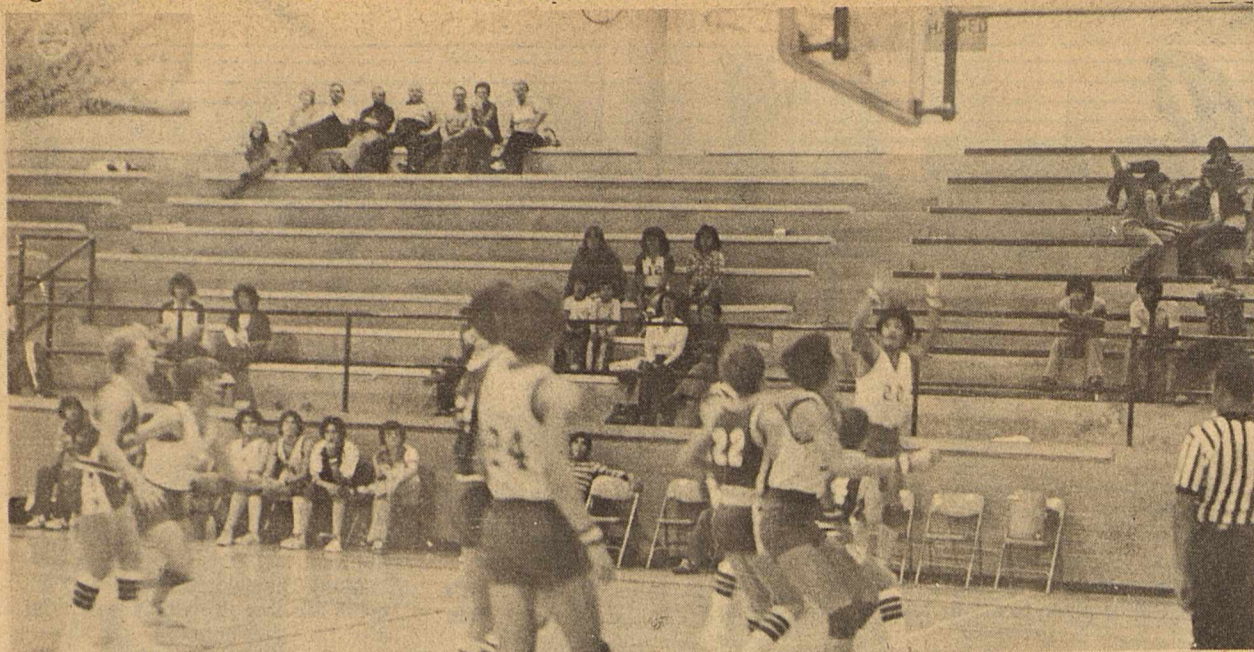
The driver of the Rider truck was Herbert Lloyd Ashby of Portland, Maine. The driver of the Transstar

was Samuel Todd Bennet, Jr. of Denham Springs, Louisiana.

Four people were taken to Hudds Hospital for minor injuries. Kenneth Demois of Toledo, Ohio was a passenger in the Rider truck and Glen Duncan of Denham Springs, La. a passenger in the Transstar truck were injured along with the two drivers. All four men were treated and released after observation.



The Mighty Bronco Band Prepares For Winter Concert tonight - 8:00 p.m.



David Creek, Kent Cagle, Jerry Don Classcock watch as Eddie Favila takes a shot. The Broncos were playing Wall.

Bronco Boys Lose To Winters

In tournament action this week-end the Sonora Bronco Boys played for consolation and lost to a fine Winters team, 43-55. The Broncos could not get their offense untracked in the first quarter and trailed at the end of that period of play 4-12. In the second period the Red Hoss offense got tough putting in fifteen points to the Blazers twelve, but still could not gain the lead and went into the dressing rooms

19-24. The second half was all Winters as they outshot the Broncos 31 to 24 points, making the final score 55-43. Jesse Vela had top scoring honors for the Broncos with twelve, David Creek and Kent Cagle added ten each.

In the first round of play the Broncos lost to the Brady Bulldogs 49-57. The Sonora squad fell early to the Brady team trailing six points until late in the fourth quarter when the

Bulldogs made five of six from the charity line putting the game away. Creek and Cagle tied for scoring honors with eleven each in the contest.

In the second round of play the Broncos squeaked by the Rotan Yellowhammers 50-48 in a double overtime. The Broncos led 22-18 at the half, then saw their lead vanish as the Rotan squad scored eight points and holding them to four in the third stanza. In

the last period the teams exchanged baskets, and as the final buzzer sounded, were tied at forty each. In the first overtime the Broncos could only manage two as Eddie Favila put in one from the field. Then in the second overtime, the Broncos got two from the floor and four from the free shot line to give them the game. Eddie Favila was high scorer with sixteen in that game. The Broncos are 5-5 for the season.

Echoes From The Devil's River News

Do you ever wonder what was going on around Sonora years ago? Here are some pre-Christmas Echoes from the Devil's River News.

Friday, Dec. 16, 1949 Wesley Sawyer Jewelry and the Home Gas Co. were named winners of the Lion's Club window decorating contest.

R.A. Halbert was elected vice president of the National Western Polled Hereford Association at a convention in Denver.

20 Sonorans turned out to form a company of infantry reservists headed by Captain Tom Darrow.

Thursday, Dec. 19, 1957

A local survey showed that most local merchants were ahead of average Christmas sales. Some considered the low mohair market to be the reason that the Christmas buying was not up even more.

The Sonora Art Club, hosted by Mrs. A.W. Awalt and Mrs. H.V. Morris, held their annual Christmas party in the Parish House.

Joe David Ross was named to A&M University's Who's Who list.

Cleve T. Jones exhibited the grand champion steer at the Sutton County 4-H

Club Fat Steer Show. The reserve champion was shown by Claire Jones.

There must have been a lot of flu going around that December. The letters to Santa expressed concern that Santa or his reindeer might have the flu. (Most of the letters were worried about the reindeer.) The letters were full of expressions of love for Santa and there was plenty of food left out so Santa wouldn't have to go home hungry. The most popular requests were guns and dolls.

Thursday, Dec. 21, 1967 Part of Sonora was left without electricity as ice

laden lines broke, causing some damage to residences. E.B. King, Soil Conservation Technician, estimated the moisture from the ice and drizzling rain amounted to about 1.25 inches.

Mrs. Francis Archer claimed a \$500 merchandise prize at the merchant's drawing held on Saturday, December 16.

The Bronco basketball team christened their new gym with a 63-37 win over the Ozona Lions.

The most popular requests in the letters to Santa included Sting Ray bicycles and, again, dolls.

TV GAME

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TV GAMES FROM \$69⁹⁵

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Christmas fills the air with love ushering in this season of great joy and contentment. Thanks to all. We wish you every happiness.

Neville's Dept. Store

Downtown Sonora

Sonora Art Club Has Christmas Party

Sonora Art Club held their annual Christmas party at the HNG Building, December 10. The hostesses for this festive occasion were Mrs. Maxine Holt, Mrs. Cheryl Skains, Mrs. Glenda Short.

After enjoying the traditional turkey and ham with the other delicious dishes brought, gifts were exchanged. Santa even appeared unexpectedly to the delight of all those attending, bringing with him a special gift for Mrs. Mattie Ruth Garrett from the members.

The rest of the evening was spent playing bingo with Santa and visiting.

Members present were: Mrs. Carmen Adams, Mrs. Jean Brown, Mrs. Darla Fincher, Mrs. Mattie Ruth Garrett, Mrs. Vivian Gilbert, Mrs. Gloria Gordon, Mrs. Rita Hale, Mrs. Etta Hill, Mrs. Ethelda Holland, Mrs. Nora B. Kiser, Mrs. Nancy Schenkle, Mrs. Wilma Schwiening, Mrs. Bernice Williamson, Mrs. Dorothy Cusenbary and Mrs. Holt, Skains, and Short.

5 Days Til Christmas

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And

Happy New Year!

Marilyn & Frank Adkins

Firemen's Auxiliary Meet

Members of the Sonora Firemen's Aux. met Tuesday Dec. 11, 1979 for their regular monthly meeting. After the meeting everyone played Bunko with Karen Ogburn as hostess. Players: Trewin Luttrell, Jean Humphreys, Donna Keese, Cheryl Cearley, Jinx

Taylor, Linda Odom, Melba Stokes, Nona Olenick, Frances West, Melissa Teaff, Lou McMillan and Karen Ogburn.

winners:
Bunko: Donna Keese
Hi: Jean Humphreys
Lo: Melissa Teaff

All Christmas Decorations 20% Off

Including Candy, Bows, Ornaments, Cards, Lights, Tensil, All Decorations, Wrapping Paper and More!

Christmas Books
1/2 Price
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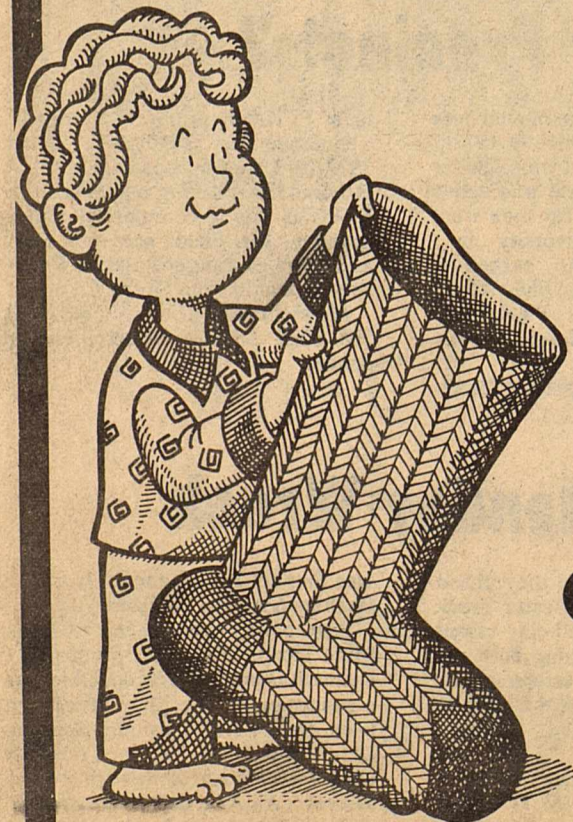
Christmas Flowers (Poinsettas)
19¢ To 99¢

1980 Wall Calendars
\$1.69

Sonic frazer **\$9⁹⁹**
Were \$13⁸⁸

Live Christmas Trees
Were \$11⁰⁰ **\$9⁹⁵**
To \$16⁹⁵

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For Last Minute Stocking Stuffers

Shop At

C.G. Morrison's

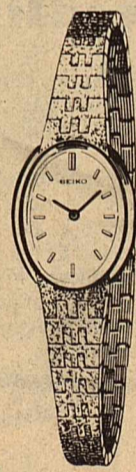
Variety Store

Downtown Sonora

SEIKO



No. YJ010M—\$225.00. Yellow top/stainless steel back, gilt dial, adjustable bracelet.



No. ZW928M—\$120.00. 17j, yellow top/stainless steel back, gilt dial, adjustable textured bracelet.

BEAUTY, QUALITY AND VARIETY. **LADY SEIKO.**

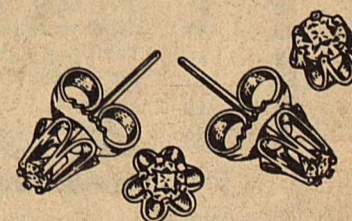
Seiko has one of the world's largest collections of both quartz and jewel-lever watches for women. Lady Seiko Quartz watches are known for their outstanding accuracy and unique slim elegance. All Lady Seiko watches are famous for good looks and technological excellence. Come choose from a rich variety of styles: elegant or sport models.

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Downtown Sonora

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All Diamond Earrings

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Mon. Thru Dec. 24th

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Cindy Cavaness

Cavaness - Fields Announce Engagement

Mrs. Francis Archer and Mr. Milton R. Cavaness wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage to their daughter Cindy to Mr. Tryon Fields.

Tryon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fields.

The couple plan to unite in marriage February 16, 1980.

Cindy and Tryon were graduated from Sonora High School and Angelo State University. Both, Cindy and Tryon, have a Bachelor of Science degree in Education.

Cindy was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority and Tryon was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

Tryon is a local rancher and Cindy is a teller at the First National Bank.

The Old Shop

has the wonderful selections that

Claire and Steven Parks

Katie and Gary Johnson

Carolyn Page and Willis Price III

have made for their wedding

Come see them soon

Open Saturdays until

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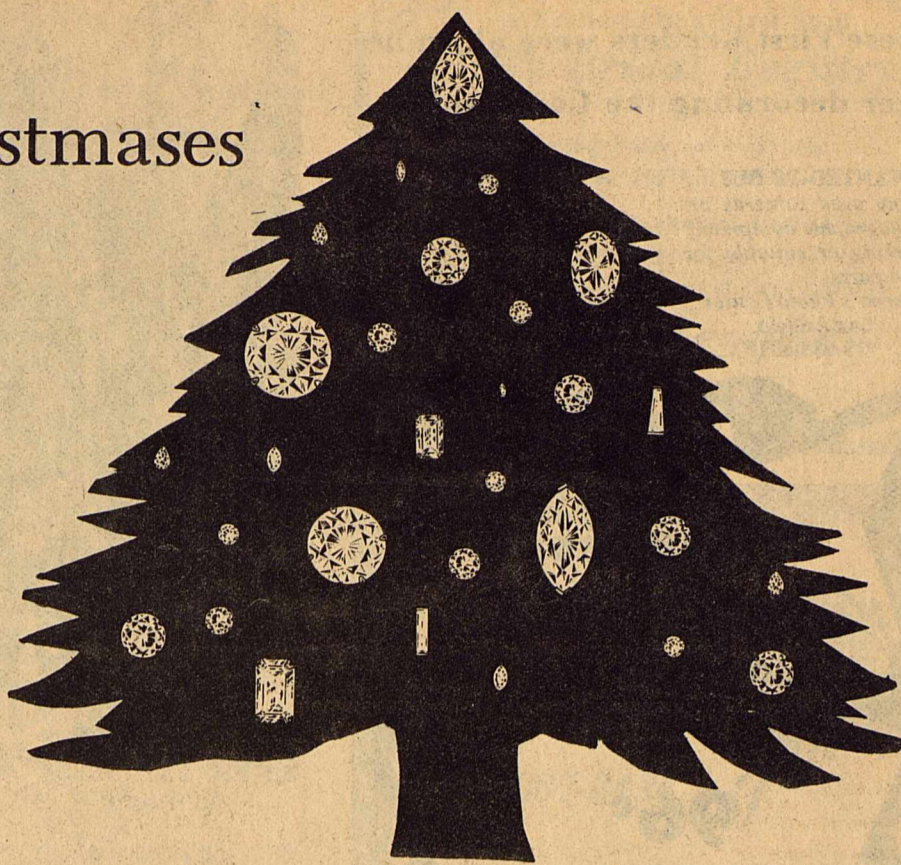
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2140 Hunt Street
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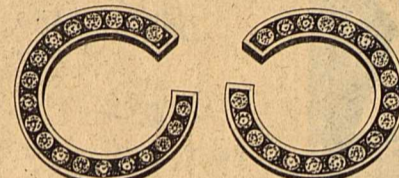
Diamond Christmases

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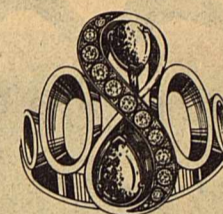


She'll stop wishing when you give her our stunning diamond wish-bone necklace. In 14 K yellow gold with 3 brilliant diamonds. .36 total wt.

\$1,100



Circlets of diamonds, a fabulous new design in earrings, will make this her best Christmas ever. 38 diamonds set in 14K yellow gold. 1.14 cts. of diamonds. \$2,120



A swirl of 11 diamonds separate two magnificent pear shape opals, all set in a 14 K yellow gold ring to slip on her finger Christmas morning. She'll never take it off. \$610

*Jewels
of the
Season*



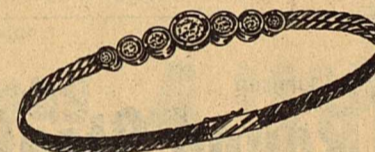
Go straight to her heart this Christmas with our wear-with-everything heart ring. 14 K yellow gold and 11 brilliant diamonds, a beautifully designed reminder of your love. \$590



For him, our ruggedly handsome 14 K yellow gold ring with a quarter-carat fine brilliant diamond. He's probably wanted it for years. \$1,590



For the most disarming surprise under the tree, choose either of these flexible 14 K bracelets handcrafted with diamonds. Choose the rope with 19 diamonds atop the wrist. .57 ct. total weight \$1,530



Or the herringbone with 7 tube-set diamonds. .50 t.w. \$1,340

[The matching necklace is also available at \$1,590]

MERRY CHRISTMAS



A Gift From
The Old Shop
Is Christmas Itself!

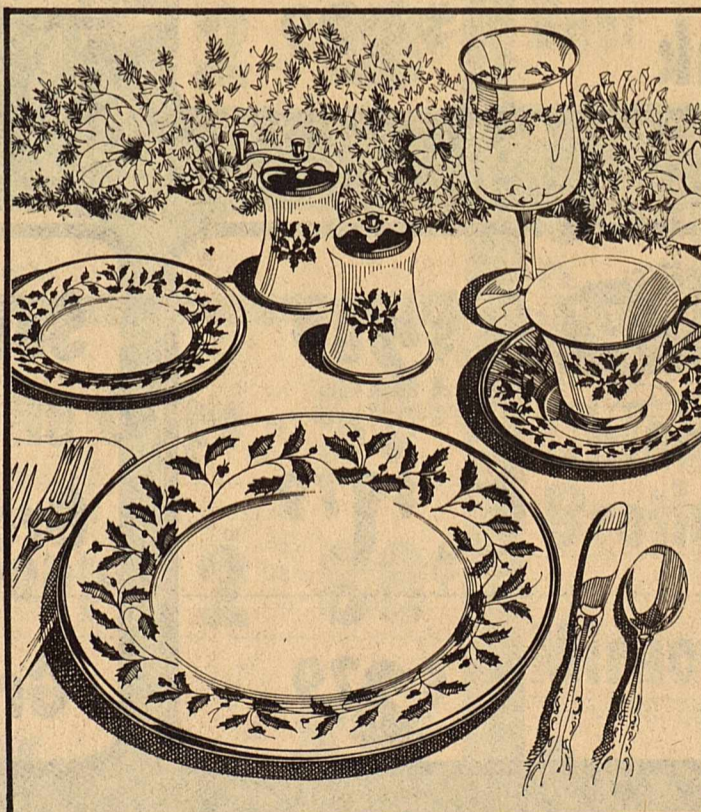
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Lenox Holiday, used year after year at Christmas, seems to make

The times more festive,
The memories richer,
The home fires warmer.

Isn't this the year to start yours?

Lenox Holiday China:
3-pc. Buffet/Place Setting, \$48⁰⁰
5-pc. Complete Place Setting, \$72⁰⁰
Salt & Pepper Mill Set, \$55⁰⁰

Lenox Holiday Crystal:
3-pc. Place Setting, \$52⁵⁰

Tedford Jewelry

Downtown Sonora

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These First Graders were all smiles after decorating the Community Christmas Tree.

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Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
and Monday Double S & H Green
Stamps Wednesday, Friday, and Monday
with \$5.00 purchase or more
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AND ALL THROUGH THE
SAVE ON HOLIDAYS
PLUS GREEN STAMPS... G

Round Steak	\$2.09	lb
Boneless Round Steak	\$2.19	lb
Tenderized Round Steak	\$2.29	lb
Boneless Top Round Steak	\$2.39	lb
Boneless Bottom Round Steak	\$2.29	lb

Coca Cola, 7-Up,
Mr. Pibb, Rondo,
Tab, Fresca &
Diet 7-Up

Soft Drinks
89¢

2 liter btl

Dankworth Shank Portion Smoked Ham	\$1.19	lb	Riverside Turkeys
Dankworth Butt Portion Smoked Ham	\$1.29	lb	Swift Premium Bacon
Swift Premium Butterball Turkeys	99¢	lb	Swift Premium Franks
Royal Rock Turkeys	79¢	lb	Swift Premium Bologna

Boneless Sirloin Tip Steak	\$2.89	lb
Boneless Pikes Peak Roast	\$1.79	lb
Boneless Sirloin Tip Roast	\$2.79	lb

Knuckle Soup Bone	\$1.09	lb
Ground Round	\$2.09	lb
Ground Chuck	\$1.99	lb

Kraft Marshmallows	88¢
2 7 oz Jars for	



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7:30 AM to 6:30 PM

Del Monte Sweet Peas	3	303 Cans for	\$1.00
Hunts Whole Tomatoes	3	300 Cans for	\$1.00



These Second Graders enjoyed their lunch break Tuesday and helped decorated the Community

Christmas Tree in front of the courthouse.

Cecil Westerman Would Like TO BE YOUR Pharmacist

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A Bride-to-be's First Stop
Hill's Bridal Registry
 The following brides and brides-to-be have made their selections with us...
 Bertha Galvan, bride-elect of Carlos Gutierrez
 Susan King, bride-elect of Dale Bounds
 Gloria Gomez, bride-elect of Hector Perez
Hill's Jewelry
 Downtown Sonora 387-2755

Tedford Jewelry
Bridal Registry
 387-2434
 Cindy Cavaness, bride-elect of Tryon Fields
 Gloria Ann Gomez, bride-elect of Hector Perez
 Carolyn Page, bride-elect of Willis Price III

CHRISTMAS STORE SPECIALS
 MORE!

"Rick" Iceberg **Lettuce** 49¢ head
 California Sunkist Navels **Oranges** 29¢ lb
 U.S. No 1 **Potatoes** 5 lb bag 79¢

Loose or Vexar Bag **Tomatoes** 49¢ lb
 East Texas **Yams** 3 lbs for \$1.00
Imperial Mixed Nuts Or **Jumbo Walnuts** 99¢ lb

89¢ lb
99¢ 12 oz pkg
89¢ 12 oz pkg
\$1.29 1 Lb. pkg

Kraft Minatures **Marshmallows** 3 6 1/4 oz for 89¢
 Crisco **Shortening** 3 lb can \$1.79
 Mrs. Smith **Pie Shells** 2 ct pkg 9 5/8" size 69¢
 Ruffles & Potato Chips Reg. 99c **Chips** 69¢

Powdered & Brown **Sugar** 3 1 lb box for \$1.00
 Oleo **Parkay** 2 1 lb 1/4's pkg for \$1.00
 Kraft Great For Making Caramel Apples **Caramel Candy** 14 oz pkg \$1.09
 Golden Krust Brown & Serve **Rolls** 12 ct pkg 2 for 88¢

Washington Red Delicious & Golden Delicious **Apples** 39¢ lb
 Del Monte Golden **Bananas** 4 lbs for \$1.00
 California Stalk **Celery** 3 stalks for \$1.00
Anheuser Busch Natural Light Beer 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans \$3.29

Schlitz **Beer** 6 Pk 12 Oz. Cans \$1.69

Ocean Spray Jellied **Cranberry Sauce** 2 303 Cans for 88¢

Solo 16 Oz. **Plastic Cups** 24 ct Pkg. 59¢

Swanson **Chicken Broth** 4 300 Cans for \$1.00

Del Monte Crushed, Sliced & Chunks **Pineapple** 2 1 1/2 Cans for 88¢

Kraft **Miracle Whip** \$1.09 qt. jar

Gold Medal **Flour** 5 lb bag 89¢

Del Monte Cut **Green Beans** 2 29 Oz. Cans for \$1.00

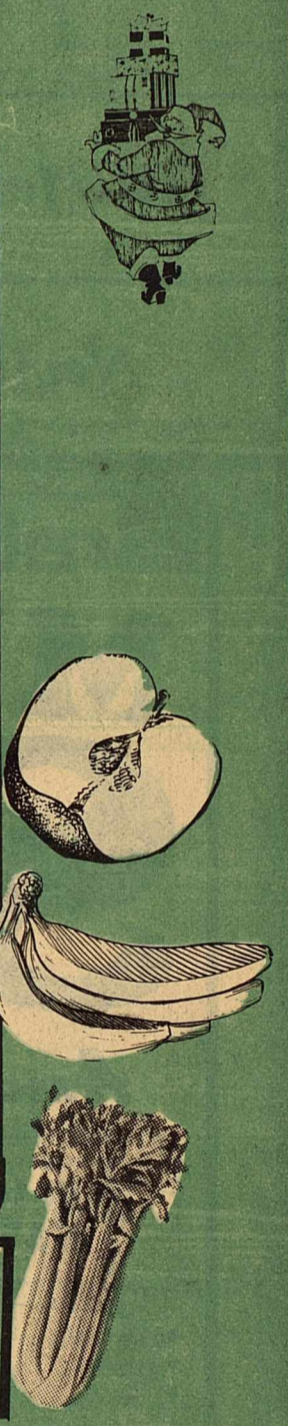
Myco **Mandarin Oranges** 2 11 oz Cans for 88¢

Aluminum Arrow **Foil** 12"x25' Box 3 for \$1.00

Del Monte **Fruit Cocktail** 2 303 Cans for 88¢

Viva **Napkins** 140 ct pkg 59¢

Kraft Cream Cheese 69¢
Gandy's Egg Nog 79¢ qt.
V.I.P. Cool Whip 9 oz tub 2 88¢ for
Gandy's Sour Cream
Gandy's Whipping Cream 3 \$1.00 for



Mary Snelson In Thailand To Help With Refugees

Mary Jim Snelson, a former Sonoran, is presently in Thailand for a month to help with the refugees from Cambodia. She is a registered nurse who is on leave from the New Lincoln Hospital in Toledo, Oregon.

Mary Jim is the daughter of Mrs. Jim Caldwell and the late Jim Caldwell of Sonora. She was born and raised here in Sonora and attended Sonora Schools before going to the nursing school at Houston.

Mary Jim has over the last several years visited Germany, Austria, England, China, Japan, Ireland, and Russia. In Russia she toured two hospitals, one in Moscow and the other in Leningrad.

The following is an article from the newspaper in Toledo, Oregon sent in by her sister Betty Sue (Caldwell) McGregor. Almost everyone has seen them. Pictures of Cambodian children, their hollow eyes

gazing out of shrunken sockets, skeleton-like frames that appear too weak to support their heads. Somehow the pictures evoke sympathy and provoke anger at the same time. Most who see them want to help, yet few are able to.

Mary Jim Snelson is one of the few. "About the middle of this month I saw an advertisement on TV asking for volunteers for Northwest Medical Team to go to Thailand.

"Five or six days later (after applying) I got a call asking if I could be ready in eight to 10 days to go to Thailand and now I'm going," explains the 49-year-old registered nurse. "This is to help the refugees coming from

Cambodia and Laos, says Snelson.

Today (Wednesday) Snelson, who works at New Lincoln Hospital in Toledo, will board an airplane in Portland and fly out of the country. Final destination—Thailand.

She doesn't know what route her plane will travel or how long it will take to get there. She doesn't appear to care either.

"I don't know," she answers, when asked why she is doing this, "other than the fact that these people need help and I, with my nursing skills, could possibly help them."

Snelson didn't take much time to make up her mind about making the trip when Northwest Medical asked.

"My husband and I talked it over and decided between the two of us that

this is a way we can contribute," she explains.

New Lincoln Hospital is helping by giving her some supplies to take along.

The hospital also is granting her a 30-day leave of absence that will be the length of her stay in Thailand.

"...about 30 days is as much as anyone can handle at one time because it's pretty bad," says Snelson.

She says she knows little, if anything, about what her living and working conditions will be like.

Most of her information comes from a friend who has helped in a previous such effort in Thailand.

"She tells me it's much like India. There are so many people it's hard to realize that that many bits of humanity can be crammed into one space," says

Snelson.

"Her impression was they don't have much regard for human life... To us it seems very important, we hold human life in high regard. They don't see it that way."

While Snelson hopes to help as many of the refugees as she can, she has a realistic idea of what to expect in a medical sense.

"Many of them, if they get medical care now, will live... and of course some won't... it's too late for most of them."

Snelson denies there is anything noble about what she is doing.

"I'm not a do-gooder," she contends.

Most people would disagree.

Sonora Churches

Primera Baptist Church Rev. Basilio Esquivel Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Training Union 5:30 p.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. WMU Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.	Hope Lutheran Church Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Adult Inquirer's Class 6:00 p.m. Saturday Confirmation Instruction 9:00 a.m.	First Assembly of God Rev. Ned Smith, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Serv. 7:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m.	The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian 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) (Session and Diaconate meet at 7:30 on the 3rd Wed. of each month)
First United Methodist Church Rev. Paul Terry, Pastor Church School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.	Jehovah's Witnesses Sunday Public Talk 10:00 a.m. Watchtower Study 10:50 Tuesday Theocratic School 7:30 a.m. Service Meeting 8:30 p.m. Thursday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.	St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. John Waldron Sat. Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m. Sunday Masses 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Holy Day Mass 7:00 p.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. Serv. 7:30 p.m.
First Baptist Church Rev. Clifford Hancock, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m.	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Bishop Ray Hendershot Joe Moran Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Priesthood 10:00 a.m. Relief Society 10:00 a.m. Sacrament Mtg. 11:00 a.m. Visitors Welcome.	Saint John's Episcopal Church Rev. John W. Fritts, Pastor Sunday 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (2nd and 4th Sun. MP) Wednesday 7 p.m. Holy Eucharist Holy Days as announced	(Continued from previous page)

A Sonora Minister Speaks

By Paul Terry

Sonora United Methodist

'Tis the season to be jolly, and although there are many who still know sorrow and pain, I am grateful for the Christmas season. This is a time when we tend to forget the little things which distort our thinking and see the larger view of life. Yes, we are bombarded from every side by advertising which urges us to remember our loved ones with gifts of every description, but I am grate-

ful that we live in a free society where we have the privilege of wide choice.

My one regret about the Christmas season is that the spirit which tends to spread through society at that time seems to stay for too short a time. Would it not be wonderful if each month there was the sharing of love and concern which we see at Christmas. Not the giving of material gifts, but the intangibles of

love and good will which really make Christmas what it is. Too many times we pack that spirit away with the decorations, and don't bring it out until next Christmas.

And let us not forget that all of this is a result of the greatest gift the world has ever known; the Incarnation of God in human life expressed in the birth of a baby in Bethlehem. The love revealed then is still in

the world, and we are privileged to be a part of it as we share love with those among whom we live. Never let a day go by without telling someone you love them, for love is the most health-giving medicine the human race has ever known. It erases the lines of care and fatigue, and puts a smile on the lips of the lonely.

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Mrs. Tecana Cook Rites Tuesday

Rites for Mrs. Cook (Jackie) 37 were Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. at Kerbow Chapel. The Rev. Paul Terry officiated with burial in Sonora Cemetery.

Mrs. Cook was fatally injured Friday night about 8:20 in a head on collision on Hwy 277 9 miles south of Loma Alta. Mrs. Cook, a nurse, has

been employed by W.B. (Bill) Whitehead for 2 1/2 years.

Her employer a polio victim was a passenger in the car she was driving at the time of the collision. He sustained leg and facial

injuries. Survivors include her five sons and a daughter who resided with her on the

Whitehead Ranch. Her mother, Mrs. Maude Hackney, who resides in Indiana was in Sonora for the funeral.

Holy Eucharist Will Be Held On Christmas Eve

On Christmas Eve there will be a celebration of the "Great Thanksgiving" or Holy Eucharist at Saint John's Episcopal Church. Carols and hymns will begin at 11:00 p.m. and the Holy Eucharist will follow, celebrating the Nativity. A creche, depicting the night when Christ was born, will be set up in the Church, evergreens will be in evidence and poinsettias will be on the table behind the altar. A Gospel Procession will take place before the reading of the Gospel According to Saint Luke. Familiar hymns and carols will make possible congregational singing and portions of the Eucharist will be sung. The community is invited to attend.

May your Christmas celebration produce an abundance of glorious pleasures. To you and yours, our thanks.

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Reports from Washington

INFLATION UPDATE: NOT THE WHOLE STORY

Practically ignored in the news of recent weeks because of serious unrest and uncertainty in the Middle East are some equally disturbing reports about the state of our economy. They lead to a conclusion most American consumers are only too well aware of: that inflation is continuing on a double-digit rampage, despite the Administration's so-called "anti-inflation" program.

In fact, judging from a report issued by the President's own Council on Wage and Price Stability, a group set up specifically to monitor wage and price trends in this country, the "anti-inflation" program has been a complete failure. Prices are still on the upswing — at 12 per cent a year based on findings of the first nine months this year — and predictions for a downturn anytime soon have been few and far between. If we believe that report, things are not as bad as they seem.

For example, the report states, by subtracting the price increases for energy, for housing costs, and for food over the past nine months, inflation drops to a respectable 7 to 10 percent! Not that bad, the report would have us believe!

Well, if you are like me, such economic word games are simply nonsense. They in no way diminish the seriousness of our current economic problems, and they don't help one iota with solutions to some of the real causes of inflation.

There is no denying that inflation is the greatest threat to our economic security. It restricts the growth of business and reduces real income. It dries up job-creating investment, and worst of all, burdens most, those least able to afford it.

It is crippling our capacity to control our future and limiting our choices. And if we allow it to continue, inflation

will reduce us to just another nation among nations.

Real solutions to inflation require recognizing real causes. The President's report on the current levels of inflation ignores most of them.

To be sure, energy prices represent a significant contribution to inflation. They will continue to do so as long as this country remains dependent on oil imports from the Persian Gulf, at prices dictated by a foreign cartel. Reducing that dependence — and the higher prices certain to be imposed by OPEC — will require the decision to invest American dollars, in American jobs, to produce American energy.

It is a decision we have put off making far too long!

In my view, if we are going to point a finger at the real reason for higher prices, we need look no further than the Federal government, despite what the President and his economic advisers say.

commensurate fiscal restraint, only runs the risk of making a bad situation worse. The first step is to cut government spending and balance a budget which is staggering in its current proportions.

In addition, a most direct and most important step we can take is to increase employment, savings and investment. That means increasing the rewards on the next dollar an individual earns from working, saving, or investing. Cutting income taxes increases disposable income, stimulates business activity, and enhances the creation of productive, real jobs for all Americans who want to work.

Reducing Federal spending, balancing the Federal budget, and cutting income taxes must be our objective because they will work in halting inflation.

Things don't have to get worse. They don't even have to stay as bad as they are. But they will as long as economic policymakers continue to make the wrong choices for the wrong reasons.

Federal Parity System For Yuletide Giving

The following story is from the December 19, 1957 edition of the Devil's River News

Editor's Note: The Devil's River Philosopher on his bitterweed ranch on Devil's River won't get anywhere with this idea, but that's his concern not ours.

Here it is, the Christmas season is upon us again and still Washington hasn't done anything about my proposal to get yuletide parity in the exchange of Christmas gifts.

Under the present system, when a man starts in buying gifts for everybody on his and his family's list, including the in-laws, he has no more idea whether the gifts coming in will equal the gifts going out than a rancher knows when he starts ranching whether he'll come out even or not.

Under my proposal, the government would step in and make up the difference.

Say you whittled your list down to the bare minimum, bought presents for those you felt you simply had to, on the basis of they're the ones you figure will give you a present, but when all the unwrapping is completed on Christmas Day you find out you over-estimated some of your relatives and friends and while you sent them a gift, all you got in return was a dime-store Christmas card, some of them clearly held over from last year.

Obviously, you're below parity, and the Federal government ought to make up the difference, because next year you're going to remember those who skipped you, in turn skip them, and if the thing snowballs from year to year the custom of giving gifts will wither and die and stores will lose business and you know what that will do to the economic index.

You might say what concern is it of the Federal government, but I'm here to tell you about a third of the entire income tax Washington gets from many firms is piled up in December, as a direct result of Christmas business, and you take away that much income and we'll never get a satellite launched and without a satellite, I don't see how the United States can keep its head up much longer, although if these guided missiles can do all they say they can, the nation with its head ducked may be the one that lasts longer.

If you think this Christmas parity idea has any merit, I will appreciate your getting in touch with your Congressman before the new session starts in January. It's too late for this Christmas, but regardless of how the Russians feel about Christmas, I figure there'll be others. It'll probably be observed long after the Russians are gone.

Merry Christmas, Yours faithfully, J.A.

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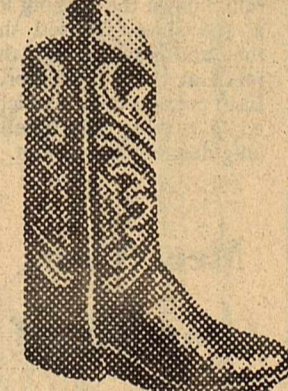
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Plane Crash Kills Two

A weekend plane crash in Sutton County took the lives of two men. Gary Glenn Loftice, age 25, and Michael Andrew Hatfield, age 21, were killed when their plane crashed about 12:05 a.m. Saturday, December 15. Loftice was from Dallas and Hatfield was from Wylie.

The crash occurred approximately 32 miles East of Sonora on the Lee Foster Ranch. The crash site was

found Sunday morning by a rancher and his ranchhand.

The men were coming to Sutton County for a hunting trip.

The crash was investigated by Department of Public Safety Officer Carlos DeLaRosa. Sutton County Sheriff W.W. (Bill) Webster, and Deputy Sheriff Joe Fincher. The FAA investigation is underway and no further details were available at press time.

Reminder To Turn In Food Show Forms

All 4-H's and 4-H Food Leaders are reminded to turn in the Food Show Forms to the County Extension office Thursday, Dec. 20. The forms that are needed are the Entry Form, District 13 Food Record or Project Information Sheet, and the Day's

Menu. These forms are needed now so the 4-H Food Show Cook Book can be prepared and so preparations can be completed for the Food Show. The Food Show will be Saturday, January 5th at the Fire Hall.



Annabelle Gonzales (right) and Jessica Robledo (left) were named to the All Tournament Team at Ballinger

Mayor Doyle Morgan cut the Ribbon for the opening of Jack Hearn Insurance and Les Williams Barber Shop last Wednesday. Left to right are Jack Hearn, Linda Hearn, Doyle Morgan, Ed Carrasco, Debbie Metzger, Leola Wiseman, Lou Thomas, Peggy Dover, Les Williams, Jan Robertson.



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Kenneth was raised in Richland Springs and moved here from San Angelo, where he attended Angelo State University.

Kenneth is Chairman of the Salvation Army, on the City Board of Equalization, and is a member of the Sonora Fire Department. He's a member of the Lions Club, Jaycees, Sonora Chamber of Commerce, Director, Golf Club, Secretary-Treasurer Bass Club and Sonora Booster Club. Church affiliation is the Church of Christ.

Kenneth's hobbies are hunting, fishing and golf.

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mentary upon the Estate of Lee B. Fawcett, Deceased, were issued on the undersigned on the 14th day of December, A.D. 1979, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the County of Sutton, State of

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Any person within the following counties who is engaged in the business of producing or causing to be produced, mohair for commercial purposes is eligible to vote, including owners of farms and their tenants and share croppers if such person is required to pay the assessment that is collected on mohair within the following counties:
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Any person qualifying to vote in the election may place his name in nomination for membership on the Texas Mohair Producers Board by application to the above organization, signed by himself and at least ten (10) other persons eligible to vote in the election. Such applications must be filed at least thirty (30) days prior to the election date in order to have his name placed on the ballot.
The election will be held by mail ballot which will be provided to all eligible voters not later than two (2) weeks prior to the election. Ballots must be mailed to the polling place (Texas Mohair Producers Board office, Post Office Box 5337, San Angelo, Texas 76902) before midnight on the date of the election.
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Letter To The Editor

I think it's time we reminded our "non-committal" friends to the north that, yes San Angelo, there is a Sonora.

Recent articles appearing in the San Angelo Standard-Times have left people in a large area of Southwest Texas with the impression that the Texas Highway Commission has abandoned any consideration of routing what we call "Highway 27" to Sonora. Nothing could be further from the truth, but the continued implications that the highway won't come here could hurt. Perhaps its time we let those folks up there know how we feel. The San Angelo Chamber of Commerce Board of City Development would be an excellent place to start. It is the San Angelo Chamber and the BCD who have claimed neutrality in determining the routing

from San Angelo to Interstate 10. They claim it doesn't matter to them. Well, if we are going to believe that we'll have to ignore the mounting facts.

Like the fact that when San Angelo made its appeal for routing the highway through their city, the San Angelo delegation was accompanied by a GROUP KNOWN AS THE Highway 87 Committee which would route the highway through Brady and onto I-10 at either Junction or Comfort. Like the fact that a member of the BCD has recently been named as the chairman of the Highway Com-87 Committee. Like the fact that the BCD's manager has been named the secretary-treasurer of the Highway 87 Committee. They have a funny way of not endorsing something.

The next time you go into a business in San Angelo to

make a purchase find out if the business is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. If the answer is yes then tell him or her that you are from Sonora and ask their feelings about the routing. If you don't like the answer, don't make the purchase.

Then make your feelings known to the Standard-Times. The methods used in reporting events influence public opinion as much if not more than the facts. Remind the Standard-Times that their editorial endorsement of any route other than through Sonora from San Angelo is economically irresponsible. Remind them that ignoring such a proposed route when writing about the highway is exactly the same as endorsing other routes. Remind them that Sonora is a part of their circulation area and that they do, from time to time, call on us for

advertising dollars. Make a noise, we need to be heard.

For the record, as far as I have been able to determine, the Highway Commission started with 27 proposed routes for the highway and there are still 27 proposed routes. None have been eliminated from consideration.

Let's make San Angelo, and the rest of this area, listen. Any route from San Angelo to I-10 other than through Sonora would be a waste of tax dollars, our dollars, at a time when dollars are so very tight. Any other route would probably cost at least \$30 million more to build and untold hundreds of millions more to maintain in the future.

Yes San Angelo, There Is A Sonora.
Robert Brown

Bronco Bits

Tonight, at 7:30 p.m. in the New Gym, the Bronco Band present an All-Band Christmas Concert.

Thursday, December 20, the JV and Varsity boys and girls basketball teams play Eldorado here at 5 p.m. The Elementary Music Program will be held in the High School Auditorium at 7 p.m.

Friday, December 21, High School Students report to 5th period for roll

call. At 1:00 p.m. a movie will be shown in the Auditorium, admission is one wrapped present marked "Boy" or "Girl". School will be dismissed at 2:30 for the Christmas Holidays, buses will run shortly thereafter. Students will return to regular schedule on Wednesday, January 2, 1980.

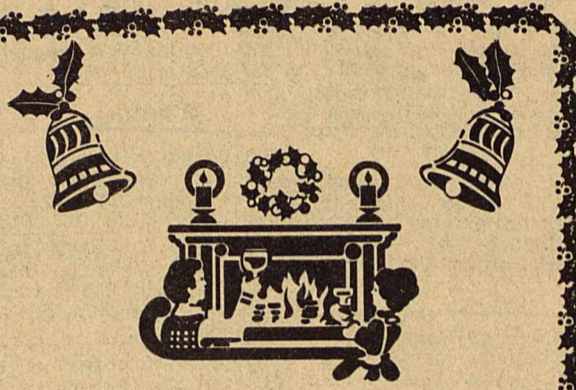
Merry Christmas Sonora Broncos and have a Happy New Year!

Yorbas Have Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Yorba proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Nelda Patricia born Dec. 7, 1979 in the San Angelo Community Hospital. She is welcomed home by her three brothers, Joe, Chuckie and Ricky. Also by

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Her grandparents are Mrs. Mario Leija, Mr. Pedro Gomez from Lecate, Baja California and Mr. and Mrs. Jose Yorba from Pouay, California.



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Chamber Chatter

by Lou Thomas

Santa Claus will be coming to the Sutton County Courthouse lawn on Christmas Eve, December 24th at 1:30 p.m....free candy for the children.

City Hall, Chamber of Commerce and County offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24th and 25th.

Looking back: Hershel Davenport presided at a C of C meeting on May 20, 1974, at which the following directors were elected: Dr. Joe David Ross, Lemuel Lopez, Charles Graves,

James Smith, J.R. Turnbull, Royce Mears, A.W. Saunders, Tim Thorp, Tommy Thorp and Bob Reiners. Graves was elected president.

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security Office will be in Sonora on January 17 at the County Courthouse from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

Thanks to the Devil's River News for the free Santa Claus logo-urging Sonorans to Shop Santa in Sonora.

Kenneth Land stated that

N.L. Acme Tool Company joined the Chamber of Commerce as a business membership, making total membership to date 142. Land joins Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and members in welcoming the company into membership and thanks for its support.

Lou Falks, American Cancer Society volunteer, left information at the Chamber office for donations to ACS and a call from Santa Claus to your child/children.

The 3-in-1 Grand Opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for Les, The Barber, Real Estate House and Farm Bureau Insurance brought out a number of citizens, despite inclement weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hearn, Dr. and Mrs. Joe David Ross, County Judge

Charles Sherrill, Mayor Doyle Morgan, City Manager Jim Dover, C of C President Glen Fisher, C of C Board members Darrell Rasberry, Ed Carrasco and Steve Swift were among citizens attending.

Red Carpet members attending were Peggy Dover, Leola Wiseman, Debbie Metzger, Jan Robertson, Chris Rasberry and Nancy Johnson. Johnson and Rasberry were both snapping pictures of the 3-in-1 event.

President Glen Fisher met with the owner of a sign-painting company regarding the sign on the Eldorado highway.

In a recent brochure, published by the Texas Tourist Council, was noted that in the 1963 Legislature, the Council was the

prime architect and guiding influence in the Legislature finally establishing the Texas Tourist Development Agency, and appropriating funds for national advertising to attract visitors to

Texas. Texas caught up quickly those first few years. No state had previously had such rapid growth.

In 1978, visitors to Texas paid \$173 billion in state taxes. If these visitors had not "contributed" to our state coffers, every Texan would be paying more taxes! Another reason TTDA reminds us to practice our state motto: The Friendship State.

J.T. 'Happy' Shahan is a director of the Texas Tourist Council. Shahan is from Bracketville and has served

in this capacity a number of years. Since the Council was chartered, tourism income in Texas has quadrupled! Last year, it represented income to Texas of over \$4.3 billion - being totally new money, it is very significant in building a vibrant economy in Texas.

From December 10 through the 13th, there were seven inquiries for rental property. If you have rental property, please call the C of C office at 7-2880 and list your property.



Most poets need inspiration. Schiller's was the smell of rotten apples, which he always kept on his desk while writing.

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Urias Candidate For District Attorney

J.F. (Franklin) Urias, a 5th generation local son and Ft. Stockton Attorney, has announced his candidacy for the 112th Judicial District Attorney's post in the 1980 elections. Franklin Urias will file for the office on the upcoming date for filing for the Democratic nominations.

Mr. Urias was graduated from U.T. at El Paso in 1973 with a Bachelor of Business Administration and later Matriculated from the University of Texas School of Law of December 24, 1977, with a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree. Franklin was graduated from F.S.H.S. in 1966.

Franklin has worked at C.R. Anthony Co. in Fort Stockton. He was also a Deputy Court Clerk in Austin, Texas, and issued arrest warrants, bonds, and acted as bailiff. Further

practical education included being a staff student attorney for the Travis County Legal Aid and Defender's Society. A Law Clerk for the Hon. Malcolm Greenstein, and associate of the law offices of Paul W. Haneman, and a Permian Basin Area Advisor for the John Hill for Governor Campaign.

Currently, Franklin is a noon Lion, a committee member of the Penal Code and Criminal Procedure Committee of the State Bar of Texas, admitted to practice in the State and Federal Bars, and a member of the American Bar Association.

Prior to this announcement, Franklin was President of the East Austin Democrats and a candidate for Democratic Chairperson of the Travis County Democratic Executive Committee.

Franklin is the Son of Anita Urias, F.S.I.S.D. Trustee and past president of the R.S. Hospital Board, and Joe R. Urias, Manager of the C.R. Anthony

Co. dry-goods store and prominent Fort Stockton Businessman.

Franklin's platform at this time is a reform ticket, being a fiscal conservative for the taxpayer, and local Law enforcement for better service to the business person and citizen. His campaign slogan is the same as the slogan carved on the Supreme Court Building in Washington; 'Equal Justice Under Law'. J. Franklin Urias formally announced his candidacy at the monthly meeting of the G.I. Forum on the 6th day of December, 1979.

J.F. Urias, Esquire 102 First Street-Suite A Ft. Stockton, TX. 79735

Christmas Safety Tips

Glass Christmas tree ornaments definitely are *not* recommended for baby's diet this holiday season.

Absurd statement? Of course. But not as absurd as you might think. A good many small tots will pop a shiny glass bulb or ornament into their mouths this Christmas season, as always.

Christmas is a time of bright little lights on a tree in the parlor, of shiny glass ornaments and decorations, of spun glass filaments, of toys that sometimes have sharp, rough edges, of lots of candy, nuts and other rich edibles.

These all are a part of Christmas, and no one is suggesting there's anything wrong about it. But the American Medical Association once again points out that there are safety hazards at the Christmas season that aren't usually encountered the rest of the year.

Check your old strings of tree lights and discard those that are worn or brittle. If there are very small children around discard burnt bulbs with caution, making certain baby can't retrieve them from a waste basket.

Keep glass ornaments and filmy glass "angel hair" out of baby's reach. The ornaments crumble readily into sharp slivers.

Select toys with a minimum of sharp, rough edges, toys that won't burn quickly if flicked through a candle flame, toys that are large enough so that baby can't swallow them.

Electrical toys should be selected with safety in mind. Is the wiring intact and strong, or is it loose and flimsy?

Air rifles, sling shots, archery sets and other missile throwing toys are obviously dangerous if carelessly used. Set up target ranges and make certain the youngster is

taught to use the toy properly and safely.

The list could be continued, but you can make your own. The prime objective of an article such as this one is to remind parents that in the bustle and excitement of Christmas accidents can happen. Certainly no one wants to spoil a holiday with undue worry about safety. Make your plans for a safe Christmas, then enjoy it to the hilt.



3 Ways To Manage Credit Cards

Cut credit-card costs and maximize spending power by managing credit-card use in three specific ways.

Efficient credit-card use depends on payment methods, date of purchases and number of different cards used.

Payment Methods
When possible, always pay the full amount due rather than the minimum--this will mean no finance charges added to the bill. Also, extend credit by waiting to pay a bill until just before the due date--but be sure to allow enough time for the post office to deliver the payment and for the company to process it. Generally, consumers have 20-30 days after the closing date to pay a bill.

Date Of Purchases
Plan purchases according to the closing date on an account. Make purchases just after the closing date to extend the time between purchases and payment.

Also, if it will be a "must" to pay a finance charge computed under the average daily-balance method, try to plan purchases to lessen the number of days any purchase is on account.

Number Of Cards
Lumping purchases onto one card can save money on postage and make record keeping easier.

Also, if a card holder has a higher credit limit on one account--for example, \$800--it is more economical to charge all purchases on

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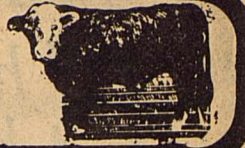
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Sheep & Goat Industry News

Compiled by Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association is disappointed in U.S. Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland. Not that Bergland is likely to care too much, but the fact just needs stating. The most recent reasons for the disappointment begin with the Secretary's opposition to the Loeffler lamb meat import quota bill. Things have gone downhill since then. First, the lamb quota bill. It is beyond us to comprehend Bergland's reasons for opposing lamb meat import quotas. His basic objection probably makes sense from a politician's viewpoint, but it doesn't carry a drop of water from the standpoint of the real world. Bergland has said he objects to lamb quotas because limiting imports conflicts with other trade promises the Carter Administration has made. There you have the politician's way of looking at things. As for reality? Well, not that reality could be expected to intervene in matters of politics, particularly in an election year (they're

actually about 18 months long these days), but a productive and essential U.S. industry simply can't be expected to compete on an even footing with a similar foreign industry that lacks most of the government-imposed hardships found here and enjoys government support completely nonexistent in the U.S. The truth is that U.S. sheepmen are tangled up in the most miserable mess of red tape, regulations and artificial hindrances west of Detroit. Their foreign competitors are not. In fact, lamb exporting countries are known to subsidize the sale of their industry's products on the American market.

Can that honestly be called "fair competition?" Not in a pig's eye, or should we say, a ewe's eye? But, say Bergland, not only can U.S. sheepmen not expect any relief from federal meddling, they shouldn't expect those same federals to allow them even a slight chance to even the odds. That's one of the reasons

we're disappointed in old Bob. If that were all, we could just pass it off as a traditional sacrificing of fair play to political expediency, but Bergland's slighting of

the U.S. sheep industry goes deeper than that.

Take his much-ballyhooed series of public meetings to discuss the "structure of American agriculture." Scheduled speakers for the public meetings are hand-picked by U.S.D.A. Guess what segment of the agriculture industry was not picked to air its views at the recent Wichita Falls session? That wasn't hard to figure, now was it?

Even though TS&GRA president Martin Wardlaw submitted the requested information, Bergland's boys passed the sheepmen over. They took a lot of other folks, though, including a fellow who demanded the same type of coercive union power for migrant workers that has crippled production in states like California and left countless millions of dollars worth of valuable food rotting in the fields. And a nun

from Louisiana who argued straightfaced for banning farm machinery and outright confiscation of private land so that farmworkers wouldn't have to take jobs they didn't like.

Wardlaw did manage to submit his views on paper. Among sore spots, he noted inheritance taxes and monetary policies which make it difficult for young people to enter ranching. Other problems he pointed out include unrealistic trucking regulations, as in the predator control policies, and the aforementioned need for lamb import restrictions.

Those are two reasons we're disappointed in Bergland. Both have to do with his attitude toward the sheep industry, but his apparent attitude toward ranchers and farmers in general may not be much better. He's the first U.S. agriculture secretary in decades who's actually been a farmer, but sometimes it appears he's forgotten his roots.

Take the Wichita Falls "structure" session. In his introductory statement, Bergland said he came not

to speak but to listen to others speak. That's not the way it looked to those who attended, however. To them, it looked as if Bergland really came just to make the speakers look silly.

Each scheduled speaker was allowed five minutes to state his or her views, then later "cross-examined" by Bergland. The way he handled some of the cross-examinations could have raised the hackles on a proclain pig. It was the sixth such session, so he'd had a chance to come up with a stock set of perplexing questions. The speakers had had no such opportunity to polish up on their answers, and some of them ended up looking little better than simpletons. In all, it was not an inspiring affair. It was instead a somewhat shoddy way to treat the people Bergland is supposed to be concerned about.

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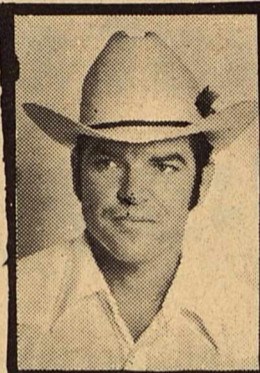
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Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

Country folk in just about every community in West Texas has their favorite watering hole or more properly known as their coffeeshop hangout. And that crowd that drops in and out day in and day out has become as close as family. Being a traveler of 50 counties in the big homeland, this writer can just about name all the hangouts by town and if pressed I could name most of the players.

On most mornings when the sunrise greets daybreak and several pots of brews has been routed toward the kidneys, the world problems have been solved. If the President could have sit in and the TV camera been planted in a nearby plastic floor, the unrest across the world would be at peace today. Or worse, we would be at the damnest war ever known.

In one of those sessions the other morning, Jamie

Glasscock looked down at his eggs and back across at me. "Well, I don't know much about that mess over in Tehran, Iran, but I do know for a fact it is dry around Sanderson and points in between," he stated. "Our last rain was June 21 and not a drop since. We are feeding everything."

John Powell says the same for Menard County. A lot of ranchmen are going to be dodging deer hunters bullets to feed livestock on Christmas morning, 1979. Billy Dan Sorrell of Eden frowned as he commented: "We just as well stop looking for rain and start looking for spring."

Saw Mary Murr and daughter-in-law, Jane Stevenson Murr, in a coffeeshop having lunch the other day. Both reported a dry Copperas Creek in Kimble County and a poor Santa Claus as well with most earned income going to the feedstore.

And there's no stopping there. The local feedman is just another middleman and his profits are little more than a living. Stopping in to visit with W.F. Houston at the Paint Rock Feedstore the other day, I discovered him out at the ranch feeding.

All hands at the feedstore on the Concho River were busy loading feed on pickups. "It comes in from the mill and is hardly stored before its gone," said the Paint Rock Feed bookkeeper. "Matter of fact, the mills can't keep up with the outgo."

Talks of a troubled world at this holiday season around all coffeeshops gets lost in the dust on the way to the feedgrounds. Yet, if the dreams of a White Christmas comes true in West Texas this year, all ranchmen will be at peace with themselves, their banker, their feedstoremen, and the Lord. Merry Christmas.

Glen Fisher's Wool and Mohair Report

The mohair market has been very quiet for several weeks with very few sales. Prices have been around \$3.75 for adult with really no firm offers to buy even at that price. Most of the mohair remaining in Texas is in pretty strong hands and very little will sell unless the price is at least

\$4.00. There is still a fairly large weight of spring mohair left. Estimates of total weight left in Texas at this time puts the holding at near 2 million pounds.

South African sales have concluded for the season and they have a little over 1 million pounds left unsold. That is in very strong hands

and will not move below their upset price. Their last sale was large and only about 55 percent was sold with prices generally around 5 percent lower.

We believe that this puts our price at very near \$4.00 when conversions are made from their last prices.

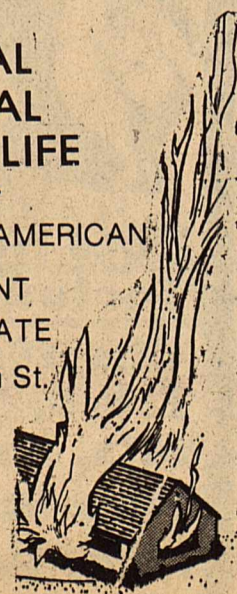
The Australian wool market has been down considerably the past 4 or 5 sales and right now is only about 5 percent above last spring's levels.

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RRC Trims Production Rate For Talco Fields

The Railroad Commission has trimmed the legal rate of oil production for the Talco Field in Titus County by 38 percent to bring its allowable nearer to deliverability.

Chairman John H. Poerner and Commissioners James E. (Jim) Nugent and Mack Wallace Monday ordered the cut in the production allowable from 25,000 to 9,500 barrels daily during the weekly

conference on Oil and Gas Division matters. The cut-back was recommended by Senior Staff Engineer George F. Singletray Jr., who conducted a public review hearing last May on the most efficient rate of

production for the 43-year-old Northeast field. At the hearing, Exxon Corp. recommend a reduction in the allowable to 10,050 barrels daily. Mobil Oil Corp. proposed that the allowable be pared to 10,500 barrels daily, Ten-

neco Oil Co. to 11,500 barrels daily, and Texaco Inc., to 10,052 barrels daily. In his findings of fact, Singletray reported to the Commission that: --Production from Talco

Field at a depth of approximately 4,300 feet has declined from 25,000 barrels daily to 9,227 barrels daily as of last Nov. 1. --The field produces under the influence of strong water drive.

--Water production varies from 94 to 97 percent. The Commission order reducing the Talco allowable states that the legal flow rate shall be adjusted periodically according to well status reports and that

any new wells or wells which are recompleted or reworked which would increase production over the 9,500-barrel limit shall be allowed to produce over that ceiling until the next well status report is effective.

Willimack Appointed Director Of Special Projects

Larry C. Willimack, Director of Administrative Services of the Railroad Commission since 1971, has been appointed director of special projects in the RRC's Oil and Gas Division.

Chairman John H. Poerner announced today. The special projects post is a newly created position which, Poerner said, has been necessitated by the Oil and Gas Division's

greatly expanded responsibilities in regulating petroleum production, promoting conservation and enforcement of environmental state and federal laws and regulation.

processing programs, Willimack is eminently qualified for this most important task," Poerner said. In his new position, Willimack will coordinate the activities of all departments of the Oil and Gas Division with the Automatic Data Processing Division as relates to computer programs and problems. Also, he will

be establishing data programs under the Natural Gas Policy Act and federal underground injection programs as pertain to state oil and gas regulatory responsibilities.

design all existing ADP programs of the Oil and Gas Division. Willimack joined the Commission in 1955 as a proration assistant. Before his promotion to administrative services director, he also served as assistant director of production and proration in the Oil and Gas Division.

The Commission chairman said James W. Walker Jr. will continue to work in the Oil and Gas Division's processing and computer programming activities.

A native of Iowa, Willimack holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Texas. He studied engineering at the University of Iowa prior to coming to Texas.



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RRC Approves Application

The Railroad Commission has approved the application of Texaco Inc. to operate the Gando (Deep, Hanna Ross) Field in Jackson County as a unit and to initiate a secondary water-flood recovery project there.

Chairman John H. Poerner and Commissioner Mack Wallace approved the Texaco proposal during Monday's weekly conference on Oil and Gas

Division matters. Commissioner James E. (Jim) Nugent abstained. Approval was recommended by Legal Examiner Roger Schultz, who with Hearings Director Billy D. Thomas conducted a public hearing on the application.

Evidence presented at the Nov. 15 hearing indicated that unitization and waterflooding of the Hanna Ross reservoir will result in

the recovery of an additional 450,000 barrels of oil. The field was discovered in 1941 and has produced from an average depth of 6,360 feet. It has produced more than one million barrels of oil.

Presently, the field has one producing well and 13 shut-in wells. The lone producer yields an average of 13 barrels of oil per day plus 12.3 barrels of water.

Oil And Gas Well Reports

Texas oil and gas wells produced 581,965,929 Mcf of gas in September 1979, up 5.70 percent from fields run a year earlier. Marketed gas production totaled 493,773,084 Mcf and reflected a 6.77 percent increase from the September 1978 volume. Marketed production is the total gas to transmission lines, carbon black and plant fuel and lease use.

Gas exported from Texas in September totaled 265,820,320 Mcf. Natural gas Pipeline Co. of America was the month's largest exporter, moving 74,792,580 Mcf of gas which 35,217,542 Mcf was Texas-produced gas. Exports of Texas-produced gas in September totaled 194,034,411 Mcf and reflected a 26.37 per-

cent increase from the year earlier month. Texas gas production in September came from 200,374 oil and gas wells. In August 1979, Texas wells produced 608,552,025 Mcf of gas. Marketed gas production in August totaled 519,479,372 Mcf. August exports of Texas-produced gas totaled 168,276,384 Mcf.

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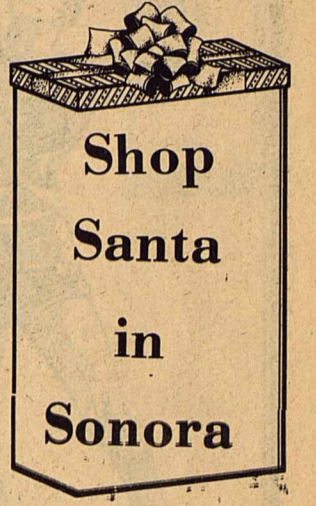
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Varsity Girls Bring Home Second Runner-Up Trophy

The Sonora Varsity Girls brought home their second runner-up trophy of the season as they were edged in the championship game by Ballinger 54-51 in the Ballinger Tournament last week-end. The Sonora squad behind 10-16 at the end of the first period of play scored seventeen po-

ints in the second quarter to lead 27-24 at the half. They managed to keep their lead in the second half going into the fourth stanza with a four point edge 39-35. Then with fifty-four second left to play in the game, and with a three point lead, the Broncos made three quick miscues giving the Bearcats six easy points. Then

the Bearcats got a chance for two from the charity lines making the score 54-49. As the buzzer sounded Janie Gold put in two for the Broncos, but the effort was not enough and the Broncos had to settle for the second place trophy. The Red Hosses had two in the double figures with Paige Pollard and Jessica

Robledo scoring sixteen and fourteen respectively. Jamie Condra had eight, Annabelle Gonzales six, Stacy Chandler three, Janie Gold and Paula Friess had two each. Annabelle Gonzales and Jessica Robledo were named to the All-Tournament team and were each awarded a plaque for the honor.

In the first round of play the Girls met the Wall Hawks; their third meeting this year, overcoming them 49-44. The Hawks started out strong and led at the end of the first quarter 8-10, but the Broncos offense came back and managed to tie the score going into the half at twenty-five each. The Broncos came

back in the second half totally dominating the ball game, and the Hawks never had another chance to pull the game out. Gonzales and Pollard had sixteen and ten each to lead the Sonora drive. In the second round of play the Broncos met the

Rotan Yellowhammers, and soundly defeated them 77-60. Sonora had four girls in the double figures with Annabelle Gonzales, nineteen, Jamie Condra, sixteen, Paige Pollard, fourteen, Jessica Robledo, eleven. The Bronco girls are now 10-2 for the season.



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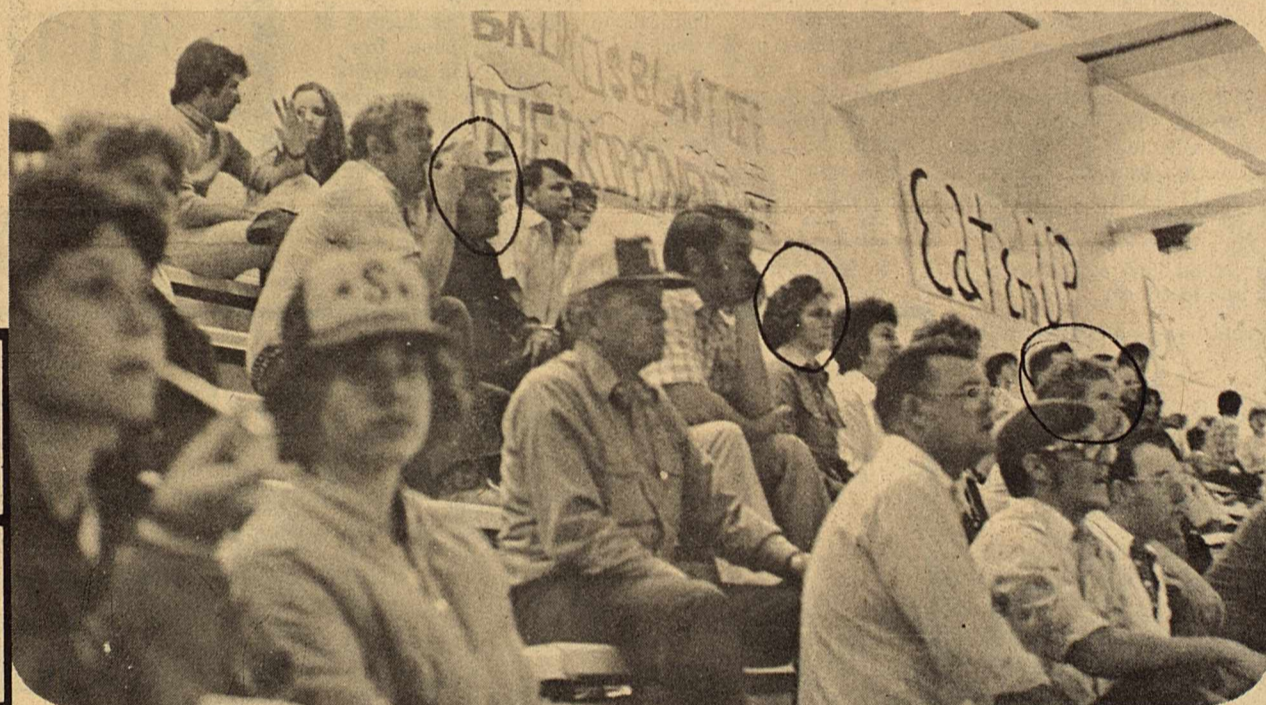
1st Place - \$10

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BASKETBALL



Each week that there is a home basketball game, we will take pictures of the Sonora Fans. The picture will run on the Basketball page with 3 faces circled. The first person to identify their own face and come in to the Devil's River News will win \$10. The second person to come in for identification will get a \$5.00 meal at Sonic Drive In. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE! Support the basketball teams with your attendance and be a winner, too!

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