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County Commissioners Discuss Realignment At Regular Meeting

The County Commissioners held its regular monthly Commissioners Court Monday, December 14.

County Auditor Charles Graves announced that \$20,000 had been budgeted for reappointment of precinct lines. He also explained to the Commissioners the possible realignment the lawyers in Austin had decided upon.

The Commissioners also accepted six bids for vehicles for different departments of the county.

A bid was accepted for the county extension office. A bid from Ken Braden Motors for a full size 6-cylinder pickup for the extension agent was accepted.

Three bids for road and bridge vehicles were accepted.

A bid from Ken Braden Motors for a patrol vehicle for the sheriff's department was accepted.

Preston Faris, County Extension Agent reported that a bid from Thomas L. Wood Metal Buildings in

Odessa had been accepted for the additional building for the 4-H Club. The building will cost \$84,000 and should be ready for the county stock show in January.

The purchase of an auxiliary power plant for the jail was discussed. Action was postponed until additional bids could be accepted.

The Commissioners accepted a motion to purchase a Xerox copier for the jail. The copier will \$129 per month for five years.

Speech Squad Attends First Tourney

The Sonora Speech squad competed at its first tournament last weekend at Richfield High School in Waco. Fifty schools were entered

and 900 students were competing. 35 of the schools were AAAAA size schools from Houston, San Antonio and Dallas.

In Debate, Brad Johnson and Espy Whitehead placed 10th and were octo-finalists in their division which had 64 teams in standard debate. In the ninth grade division Victor Fuentes and Airnee Middleton were semi-finalists, placing 3rd. Joe Will Ross and Chad Stewart placed fifth. These are all first year

debaters.

In Individual events Jennifer Spencer reaches finals in both poetry and prose. Louise Ingham was a

semi-finalist in poetry. Brad Johnson, Louise Ingham and Vicki DeMarco missed semi finals by only one ranking in other events.



Tonya Ridgeway was named Band Sweetheart and Allen Stewart Band Beau at the band concert Monday.

Adkins, Browne Win Drawings

Marilyn Adkins and Maxine Browne were the winners of the Retail Merchants "Shop Santa in Sonora" drawings held Saturday.

Each win \$180 in the drawings in merchandise.

The third drawing will be held Saturday, December 19, at 2:00 p.m. in front of the courthouse on Water Street.

Participating merchants are Food Center, First National Bank, Hill's Jewelry, Gosneys, Spain's, Inc., Westernman Drug, Ashley's Western Outfitters, and Western Auto.



De Voe Smith sings his solo during the choir concert Thursday.

Two Arrested For Assault After Fight At Local Bar Thursday

Two persons were arrested for assault on police officers and three others arrested for disorderly conduct after a fight at Big Un's Thursday night.

Armando Noriega was arrested for aggravated assault and criminal mischief and Lorenzo Eduardo Noriega for aggravated assault after the fight.

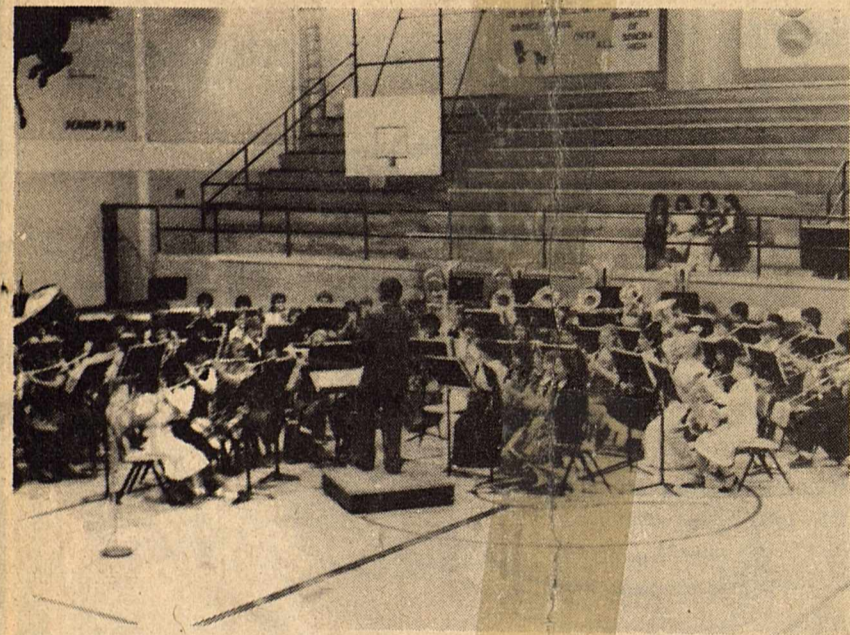
Police officers Tom Caldemeyer and John Little were dispatched to the restaurant about 10:00 p.m. Upon arrival, the officers found that two of the persons had another pinned against the wall. Caldemeyer said that he stepped between the two to break it up. He also said that one of the men started to choke him and the other hit him in the nose and

mouth.

A felony was charged to one of the men after over \$200 damage was done to the police car while being taken to jail.

Felonies were also charged to the two men by Big Un's for considerable damage to the restaurant.

The two men were released on \$7,500 bond for each charge for both persons.



The sixth grade band performs Thursday during the Christmas band concert

One Man Arrested For Counterfeit Bills In El Paso

One man has been arrested for passing counterfeit bills and another is still being searched for, announced Federal Secret Service Agent Bill Marlow.

Several of the bills were passed to local businesses during the Thanksgiving holidays.

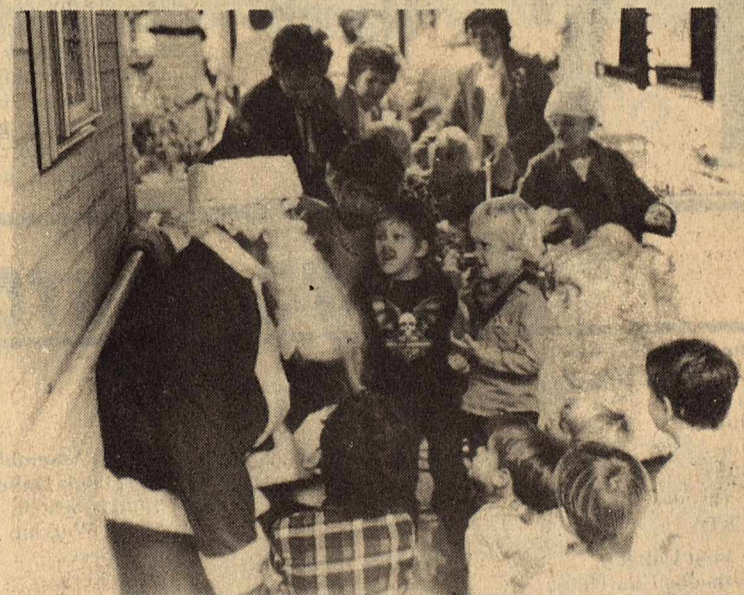
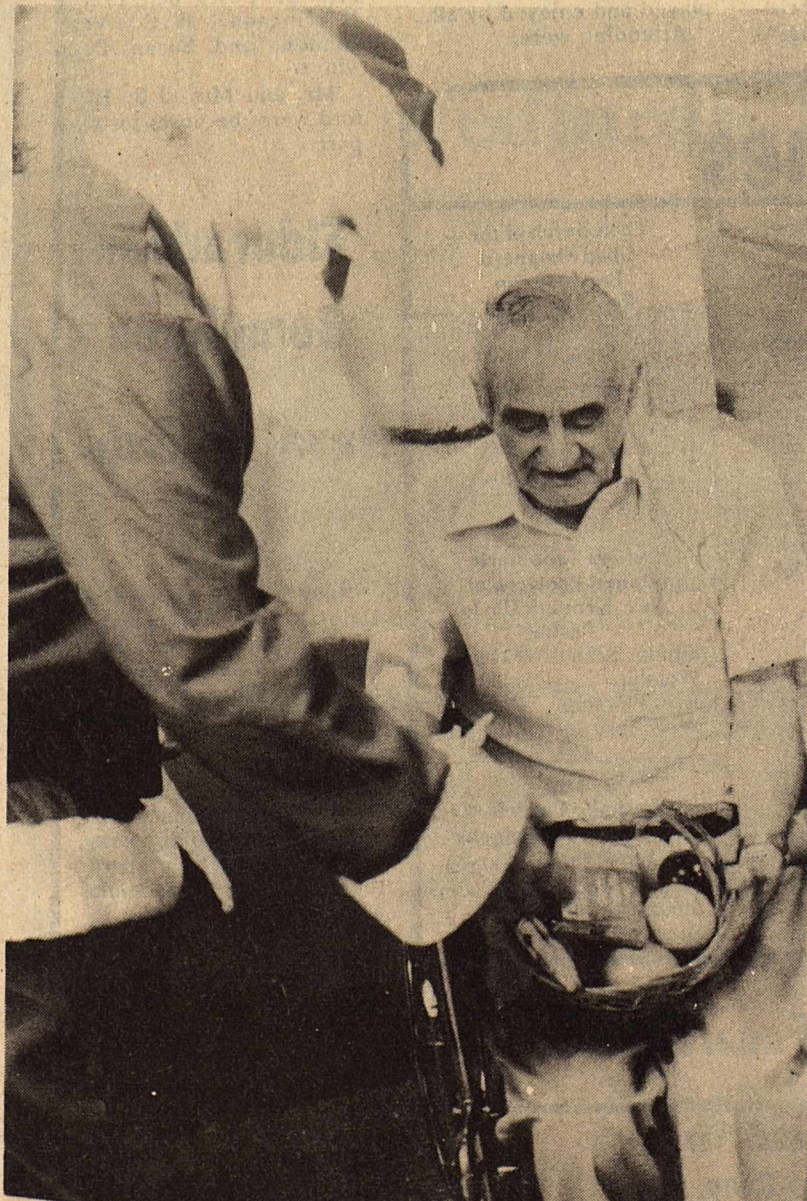
Ronald Dean Harrell, 31, was arrested in El Paso on December 4,

after he tried to pass \$1,030 in counterfeit bills.

Federal agents are still looking for Ray D. Harrell.

The men are from Houston and Marlow also said that the processing plant in Houston had been shut down.

The bills are still coming in from sites between Houston and El Paso.



Santa Claus hands out presents and listens to Christmas requests from

Ronda's "Macho Men" during the senior citizen Christmas party Monday. See page 11.

Baptist Church To Hold "Night Of Miracles"

The combined choirs of the First Baptist Church will present "Night of Miracles" at 7:00 p.m., December 20.

The musical, written by John Peterson, will be a "living picture" presentation, and will be held outdoors, just west of the church's

educational building on Crocket Street.

The Music Ministry of First Baptist Church extends a community

wide invitation for all to come and join in this celebration of the birth of the Savior, Jesus.

A Salute To Law Enforcement Officers Inside

DPS Estimates 89 To Die On Highways During Holidays

The Department of Public Safety has estimated that as many as 89 persons may perish on Texas streets and highways during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director, asked Texas drivers to make this holiday season the safest in recent years. "Nothing would please

us more than to get through these holidays with far fewer fatalities than we project," Adams said.

"We can reduce the number of fatalities if more drivers will moderate the speed, refrain from using alcohol or drugs if they plan to drive and make sure everyone in the vehicle wears a seat belt." The DPS estimated that

51 persons would die in motor vehicle accidents during the Christmas holiday weekend and another 38 people would be killed during the New Year holiday weekend. Both holiday periods are 78 hours long.

Adams said 64 persons died in traffic crashes during the Christmas holiday period last year. Motor vehicle accidents claimed 58 lives over the New

Year's holiday weekend. During the first nine months of this year, 151,261 persons received injuries in Texas traffic accidents.

"That's an increase of slightly over 10 percent compared to the same period in 1980," Adams said. "More than 19,000 of those people received serious, incapacitating injuries." Traffic deaths over the same period totaled 3,378,

an increase of almost six percent compared to the first nine months of last year.

The DPS director said that during the first six months of 1981, more than 98 percent of the persons killed in passenger vehicles were not wearing seat belts.

"A head-on crash at only 30 mph hurls a person's body forward with the same

force as a fall from a third story window," Adams pointed out. "A buckled seat belt keeps passengers from striking their head or another part of their body and prevents serious injury."

Adams also recommended that before traveling, children under four years of age or weighing less than 40 pounds should be strapped into an approved child

restraint seat. "This would be a very sensible and perhaps life-saving gift for an infant or small child from a caring parent or grandparent," he said.

The DPS director said all available troopers would be on patrol duty during the holiday counting periods. For Christmas, the count will begin at 6 p.m. Thurs-

day, December 24 and end at midnight Sunday, December 27. The New Year's period starts at 6 p.m. Thursday, December 31 and ends at midnight Sunday, January 3, 1982.

The DPS headquarters in Austin will release information on the various accidents as part of the "Operation Motorcade" program.

Around Town

By Hazel McClelland

The Sonora Women's Club met at the home of Mrs. Norm Rousselot. Mrs. Beverly Caldwell, who teaches music in the Sonora public school and her high school choir, sang and played Christmas carols and entertained the club.

The Idle Hour bridge club met Tuesday, Dec. 8 with Mrs. W.T. Hardy. Apple pie and coffee was served to members Mrs. Guila Vicars, Belle Steen, David Taylor, Elizabeth Cusenbary, R.A. Halbert, Lena Belle Ross and one guest, Mrs. Ruby Dameron.

Mrs. Vicars won high score, Mrs. Taylor won second high and Mrs. Halbert won the Bingo prize.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace entertained the Couple Bridge club Tuesday with a Christmas supper.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gosney, Bill Morriss, Clay Cade, Jim Cusenbary, Jack Kerbow, Mrs. James Alexander, and Mrs. Clayton Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Morriss won the club high score prize and Mr. and Mrs. Cusenbary won high guest prize.

Paige and Johnny Hicks have moved from Carlsbad N.M. to Odessa. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lonnie Pollard.

Mrs. Guila Vicars, Davie

Taylor, Belle Steen and Mrs. Robert Halbert were visitors in San Angelo Wednesday.

Mrs. Marguerite Turney is in the Shannon Hospital where she had surgery Wednesday. Bill Frank Turney of Clyde, Meredith Joy and Hazel McClelland were in San Angelo to be with her. Marguerite is doing fine.

Mrs. John Mittel is in the Shannon Hospital where she had surgery Wednesday. John Mittel was there with her.

Mrs. Warren Hemphill entertained the Tuesday Bridge Club at the home of Mrs. Dean McLain.

Those present were: Mrs. Jim Cusenbary, Pete Thompson, Dean McLain, George Wallace, Glen Richardson, Lonnie Pollard and Hazel McClelland. Mrs. Wallace won high club prize, Mrs. Pollard won second high, Mrs. Cusenbary won the Bingo prize and Hazel McClelland won the traveling prize. Apple pie and coffee and tea were served.

Mrs. John McClelland and Hazel McClelland were in San Angelo Friday.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Terry visited friends in Sonora Friday. Paul and Catheryn live in Eden but they still love Sonora.

Mrs. Charles Shannon and Mrs. Bernice Savell were shopping and visiting in San Angelo Wednesday.

Mrs. Jack David Wardlaw and Mrs. Gwen Wardlaw were visiting in San Angelo Thursday. Also in San Angelo Thursday were Mrs. Martha Keng, Ethel Turney, Jaunita Buntyn, Mrs. Adele Wilson and Mrs. Jerry Don Balch.

The Quilting Bee met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Joan Cusenbary. They also had a cookie swap and had lunch at the Jones House. Those attending were Mrs. Lucy Coleman, Julie Pollard, Grace Allen, Peg Dover, Liz Hemphill, Cynthia Ward, Marty McLain, Bernice Savell, Vickie Shannon, Mary Lou Gilly, and Barbara Savell.

Mrs. Vestel Askew and Mrs. Bobby Fawcett honored their mother, Mrs. Robert Halbert with a surprise luncheon at the Jones House Dec. 14.

For eleven years, on the first weekend in December, the Jing-A-Lings have their annual party. This year they stayed at the Driskell Hotel in Austin, Texas. Friday night they were entertained with a body wrap demonstration followed by the Christmas tree. Saturday featured a shopping trip along Red River and 6th Street, lunch at George's and Ester's Follies. Two members participated in the live entertainment. Jing-A-Lings attending were hostess Frankie Whitesedes, Grace Shafer, Mildred Smalley from Austin, Dorothy Jefferson, Doris Kensing from San Angelo, Betty Holliday from Fort Worth, Billie Richardson of Lake Whitney, Jan Thomas of Amarillo and Joan Cusenbary of Sonora. Sunday morning included a breakfast which husbands were invited to attend before goodbyes were said. Merry Christmas to all from the Jing-A-Lings.

The Bronco Varsity Boys Basketball team returned home with a second place trophy Saturday night after a 3-day tournament in Ozona. After taking 2 victories, the boys advanced to the championship bracket where they were barely defeated, 44-43, by Crane. John Blankenship

Sometimes we win, sometimes we lose. But it's more fun to win!

That's one thing that the JV and Varsity Girl's Basketball teams discovered this week as they traveled out of town twice. Last Tuesday they traveled to Christoval and Friday they rode to Junction.

The JV had a double victory week as they took Christoval JV 50-32. High scorer was Patricia Bible with 16, followed by Debbie Bible with 11. Lea Whitehead hit for 9 points as team mate Debbie Shannon

was named Most Valuable Player of the tournament while teammate Ronnie Anderson was named to the All Tournament Team.

The first step made by the Broncos was taken when they beat Ozona's JV, 72-31. High scorer for the game was Anderson with 20. Scott Savell added 12 while Blankenship put in

11. Devoe Smith scored 9, Espy Whitehead 8 and Joey Samaniego 6. Allen Stewart, Armando Martinez and Jeff Brittain all added 2.

The next battle was with Wall which the Broncos took with an easy 52-39 victory. Anderson and Blankenship both contributed 14 points, while

Smith hit for 11, Stewart for 6, Brittain for 5 and Whitehead for 2.

The championship game was a thriller as the scoreboard went both ways through the game. The Broncos went out after the 1st quarter 6 points down but came back the second quarter to play catch-up and to have a 28-27 half-

time lead. The score see-sawed through the third quarter. The final score turned out 44-45. The Broncos did an excellent job on the free throw line, shooting 66 percent to a 55 percent Crane average. Over-all, they had a good hustling game and should have a good season ahead.

Boys Varsity Wins Second In Ozona Tourney - John Blankenship Named MVP

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LiveOak Baptists Hold Christmas Party

The fire hall was the sight of the Live Oak Baptist Church adult Christmas party on December 10. A supper of turkey, dressing with all the trimmings and deer meat was served. Afterwards games were played and enjoyed by all. Attending were:


Rev. and Mrs. D.R. Prives, Mr. and Mrs. Curti Weant, Mr. and Mrs. Jerr Spinks, Mr. and Mrs. Bolby Dickenson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Poston, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Trimm, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cascadden, Frar Herrington, W.C. Va Houton, and Susan Prives.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Harford were the hosts for the party.

Eldoradoan Completes Naval Trainin

Navy Seaman Apprentice Dale R. Gawryschowski, son of Richard E. and Nancy C. Gawryschowski of Box 555, Eldorado Texas, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego.

During the eight-week training cycle, trainees studied general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields. Included in their studies were seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course if instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene. He is a 1981 graduate of Scheicher County High School.



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| Primera Baptist Church Rev. Morriss Villarrea Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Training Union 5:30 p.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. W.M.U. Tuesday 6:00 p.m. V.M. Serv. 7:00 p.m. | Hope Lutheran Church Dennis McKain - Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Hymn Study 10:00 a.m. Worship Serv. 11:00 | First Assembly of God Rev. Louis Halford - Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Serv. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m. | The Church of the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Rev. Jim Miles Church School 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 10:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. (Communion first Sunday of each month.) PCUS/UPCUSA |
| First United Methodist Church David W. Griffin - Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:55 a.m. K.V.R.N. 98 AM 11:00 a.m. Children's Choir Children's Choir 5:00 p.m. U.M.Y.F. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Chancel Choir 7:00 p.m. | Jehovah's Witnesses Sunday Public Talk 10:00 a.m. Watchtower Study 10:50 Tuesday Theocratic School 7:30 pm Service Meeting 8:30 p.m. Thursday Bible Study 7:30 p.m. | First Baptist Church Rev. Clifton Hancock Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:30 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m. | Sonora Tabernacle United Pentecostal Rev. Kenneth Doyle Pastor Sunday School 10: a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Eve. Worship 7:30 p.m. Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m. |
| Saint John's Episcopal Church Rev. John W. Fritts Pastor Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. (2nd and 4th Sunday MP) Wednesday Holy Eucharist 7:00 p.m. Holy Days as announced | 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 | Church of Christ Bible School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sun. Night 6:30 p.m. Wed. night 6:30 p.m. | St. Ann's Catholic Church Rev. Gilbert Rodriguez Sat. Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m. Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. Holy Day Mass 7:00 p.m. |

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Obituary

Theodore (Theo) Cahill, 76, died at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital on Monday, December 7, at 12:30 p.m.

Funeral Services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 at Kerbow Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. David Griffin officiating. Interment will be at Sonora Cemetery.

Mr. Cahill was born July 31, 1915 in Comanche County, Oklahoma.

He was married to Doris Ray on October 14, 1939 in San Angelo. He moved to Sonora in the 1930's where he was engaged in trucking. He later retired from the Sutton County Maintenance Department.

He is survived by his wife, Doris; two sisters, Ruby Jernigan of Wichita Falls, and Irene Sander of Elgan, Oklahoma.

His nephews will serve as pallbearers.

Finance Com. Approves Bentsen's Resolution

The Senate Finance Committee approved Wednesday a resolution by Senator Lloyd Bentsen opposing any effort to limit the amount of home mortgage interest that can be claimed as a federal income tax deduction.

Bentsen's Sense of the Senate Resolution, cosponsored by 25 Senators, was approved unanimously by the committee. It would put the Senate on record in opposition to a proposal now being studied in the Senate Budget Committee that would place a cap on the home mortgage interest deduction.

"We have for some years now had a national goal of affordable housing to Americans, but we have been moving further and further away from that goal," Bentsen said.

"Only one new family in 20 can now afford to purchase the average priced new home. We should be seeking ways to make it easier, not more difficult, for young Americans to buy their own home."

"Yet, in some quarters, it has become trendy to downplay housing needs, to argue that it is more important to invest in manufacturing than in housing."

"The fact is, the U.S. has a lower rate of housing investment than any other Western nation except England."

"The fact is, residential mortgages in the 1970's claimed a smaller share of this nation's credit than in the 1950's or '60's; falling from 28.5 percent in the '50's to 24.4 percent in the '60's and 16.8 percent in the '70's."

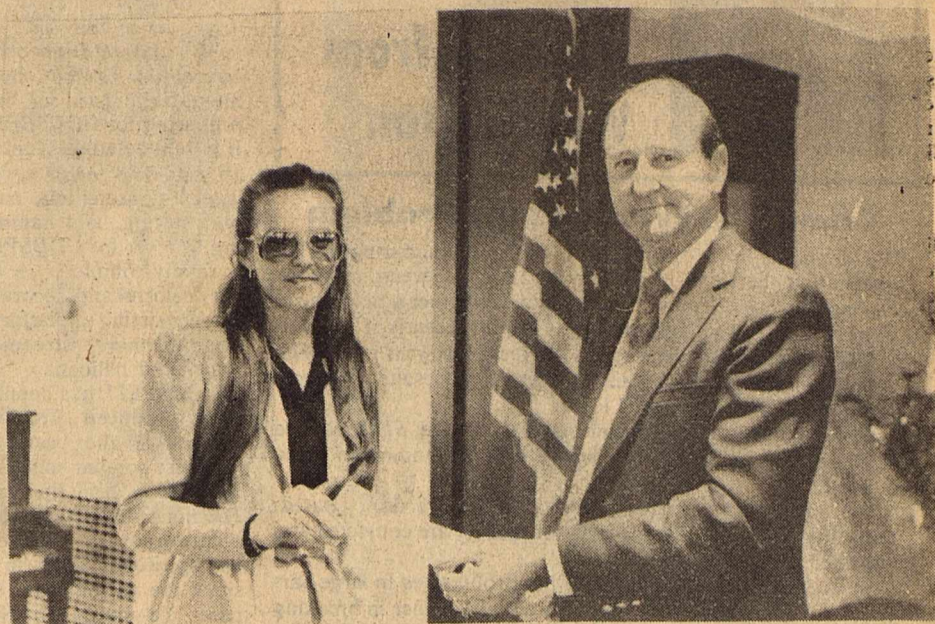
"The fact is, while this country's economy is in a recession, our housing industry is in a depression, with housing starts in September falling to an annual rate of only 918,000 units, the lowest level in 6 1/2 years," Bentsen said.

The Bentsen resolution would put the Senate on record as urging that "the present home mortgage interest deduction be retained as an essential component of a fair and equitable tax system designed in part to promote a stable and productive society."

"We want Americans to work enthusiastically to improve this country's economic output, secure in the knowledge that their efforts will translate into a higher standard of living for all of us," Bentsen said.

"One of our strengths is that a broad range of American people have historically had a big stake in their country's future. Yet today, a generation of Americans who grew up in comfortable homes owned by their parents are going out into the world to discover that they can't afford to buy any type of housing. How big a stake will these young Americans have in our economic system?" Bentsen said.

"I am pleased that the committee has agreed to oppose any proposal that would make the dream of home ownership even more impossible than it now is for the next generation of Americans," Senator Bentsen said.



Dr. Joe Andrews of the Lion's Club presents Jo Ann Wilkinson, Kappa Gamma president, with a check for a \$100 scholarship fund. The fund will be presented to a graduating senior this year.

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- Tuesday, December 22
Grape Juice
Sausage
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- Lunch**
- Monday, December 21
Italian Spaghetti
Tossed Salad
Cheese Rolls
Sliced Peaches
Milk
- Tuesday, December 22
Chili Dogs
French Fries
Orange halves
Ice Cream
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Reports from Washington

Crime: An Ever-Present Problem

Violent crime in the United States has spiraled during the last 20 years and the trend is accelerating. Almost everyone knows someone who has been a victim of a crime, whether a mild one or a serious offense. The Uniform Crime Report recently released by the FBI states violent crime rose 11 percent last year over 1979. Crime kills 23,000 Americans each year and results in at least \$8.8 billion a year in financial losses.

Every 30 minutes at least one person is murdered, 67 are robbed and 97 are assaulted, 389 homes are burglarized, and nine women are raped.

Some 50 to 60 percent of property crimes are drug related. Only 40 percent of those arrested for murder are convicted and imprisoned for their crimes.

Criminologists contend that crime has proliferated in large part because offenders know they take only a slight chance in breaking the law; they know the risk of punishment is minimal. Police make arrests in only a very small portion of the cases they have on file. Still fewer are actually convicted once in court. Sentencing is inconsistent, parole is lenient and frequent. Seventy percent of freed criminals later commit new crimes.

Under the Constitution, the federal government's crime-fighting role is largely limited to interstate, customs, and immigration matters, with the states and their local jurisdictions having the major responsibility on other matters.

Because past federal crime-fighting programs have fallen far short of their goals, the President has decided to redirect national efforts in this area to make law enforcement at once more effective and efficient. He has outlined a six-point program:

- The Administration will use the authority of the President's office to focus public attention on crime, its causes, and those who are fighting it.
- A Task Force on the Victims of Crime will evaluate the numerous proposals regarding victims and witnesses and their compensation and protection.
- Duplication of effort will be minimized and cooperation extended among federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. A Bureau of Prisons clearinghouse has been established to identify surplus federal properties suitable for use as state and local correctional facilities.
- The Administration will support several statutory reforms, including criminal code reform, bail reform and revision of rules governing admissible evidence to redress the present imbalance between the rights of the accused and the rights of the innocent. In the past certain rights afforded the accused or convicted have taken precedence over the rights of the victims!
- Drug enforcement efforts will be substantially increased.
- Violent crime will be a major priority, and federal efforts will continue to focus on more sophisticated and highly organized crime.

The most efficient deterrent to the perpetration of criminal acts is swift, certain, and impartial administration of justice. Without the certainty of punishment, the incentive for those who would commit a crime remains high because they need not worry about paying appropriate retribution for their wrongdoing.

What is the answer? New legislation and millions more dollars are not exclusively the answer. Law revisions and stricter enforcement of existing laws — from the police station to the jail — are essential. It is beyond time to expand citizens' rights under the law and stop magnifying the rights of the accused, especially when the accused is found responsible for his actions and determined guilty.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
How have you been this year? I have been a very good boy this year. And I want a Team America Stunt Biker and A "Dirt Duster" Bike and A Slotless Jam car race set and a Radio Controlled "Firebird."
Sincerely Yours,
Eliso "Papo" Fores III

My name is Thomas. I have a brother named Kevin, and a sister named Megan. I would like a Team America and a typewriter. Kevin would like colors and a typewriter. Megan would like a doll. Thank you and your elves for all the toys you bring to all the children.
Thomas, Kevin, & Megan

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Speech and Drama Classes Prepare For "Godspell"

by Brad Johnson

The Sonora High School Speech & Drama classes have been hard at work preparing for GODSPELL. It is scheduled for Jan. 14, 16, and 17. After several weeks of sketching, painting, sawing, and hammering, the set for GODSPELL is finally complete. It is a very colorful and decorative set, consisting of platforms, large banners, streamers, flags, and balloons.

GODSPELL has been the most produced Broadway musical of the year, and the most popular song from the show is "Day By Day". The music in GODSPELL is contemporary, modern, and spiritual. Songs in the show are as follows: Prepare Ye—sung by Scott Savell, Save The People—Mike Poloczek, Day By Day—Laura Preston, Learn Your Lessons Well—Jennifer Spencer, Bless The Lord—Cathy Poloczek, All for The Best—Mike Poloczek and Brad Johnson, All Good Gifts—Efrain Torres, You Are The Light of The World—Charley Carroll, Trudy Taylor, Mike Phillips, and Drew Wal-

lace, Turn Back O Man—Laura Preston, Alas For You—Mike Poloczek, By My Side—Cathy Poloczek, Laura Preston, Betsy Allen, and Clalene Stewart, We Beseech Thee—Brad Johnson, On The Willows—Brad Johnson, Charley Carroll,

Efrain Torres, and Craig Hopper, Finale—Mike Poloczek.

Charlette Wilson—musical director and Beverly Caldwell have been devoting their spare time to work with Soloists. The finale, sung by Mike Poloczek and

the cast, will bring lumps to anyone's throat as they sing "Long Live God, Long Live God!"

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Grand Paraders To Hold Dance

The Grand Paraders will hold their monthly square dance December 19 at 8:00

p.m. in the Junior H Snack Bar. Guy Leverett will be caller.



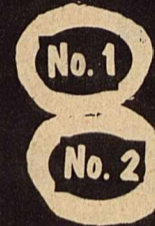
Clay Ann Cates and Tammy Hulsey work on Godspell set.

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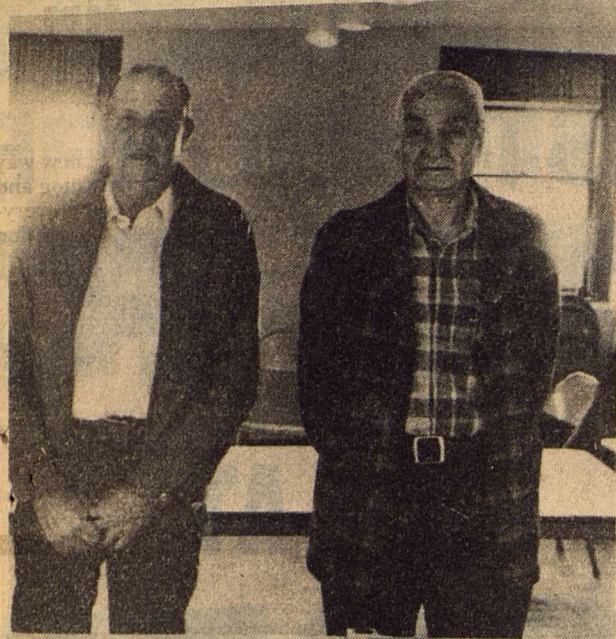
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Pictured are Preston Love, winner of first place in Western and first in other show entries, and W.T. Hardy, champion in Delmas, first place in Burkett and second in Stewart.



Alma Love had the reserve place in cakes, and first, second and third place in candy division.



Kate Mathews won first place in the Junior Food Entries.



Frances West was the first miscellaneous classification and had the champion food entry.

Results Of The Pecan Show Held Monday, Dec. 7

Junior Division

- Cake**
 1st Kate Mathews Pecan Cream Cake
 2nd Tracie Teaff White Chocolate Pecan Cake
 3rd Cindy Doran Pecan Rum Cake
 4th Bonnie Jackson Rum Pecan
- Cookie**
 1st Tanna Churchill Thumbprint Cookies
 2nd Laura Lee Barleman Fruit Cake Cookies
 3rd Vickie Anderson Brownies
 4th Jodie Luttrell Nut Logs
- Candy**
 1st Janet Barleman Holiday Delight
 2nd Julie Jackson Chocolate Pecan Bon Bons
 3rd Emily McAndrews Pecan Kisses
- Bread**
 1st Carrie Cox Pecan Rolls
 2nd Gigi Speers Pumpkin Bread
- Miscellaneous**
 1st Darla Hest Party Pecans
 2nd Angie Stewart Cherry Crisp
- Champion Food Entry**
 Kate Mathews Pecan Cream Cake
- Reserve Champion Food Entry**
 1st Janet Barleman Holiday Delight

Senior Division

- Cake**
 1st Trevlin Luttrell Apple Food Cake
 2nd Alma Love Pecan Applesauce Cake
- Pie**
 1st Alma Love Pecan Pie
 2nd Lou Falks Pecan Pie
 3rd Pam Payton Molley's Pecan Pie
- Candy**
 1st Alma Love Pecan Bon Bons
 2nd Alma Love Pecan Fantasy Fudge
 3rd Alma Love Carmel Pecans
- Miscellaneous**
 1st Frances West Cheese Delights
- Champion Food Entry**
 1st Frances West Cheese Delight
- Reserve Champion Food Entry**
 1st Alma Love Pecan Pie

Pecan Classification

- Burkett**
 1st Dr. Hardy
 2nd Mrs. Alvis Johnson
 3rd Lawrence Finklea
 4th Thomas Morriss
 5th Dennis Dunnam
- Wichita**
 1st Tommy Love
 2nd Thomas Morriss
- Delmas**
 1st Dr. Hardy
 2nd Dennis Dunnam
 3rd Thomas Morriss
- Stuart**
 1st David Griffin
 2nd Dr. Hardy
 3rd Lawrence Finklea
 4th David Griffin
 5th Mrs. Alvis Johnson
- Western**
 1st Preston Love
 2nd Lawrence Finklea
 3rd W.L. Miers
 4th David Griffin
- Other in Shell**
 1st Preston Love
 2nd Thomas Morriss
- Garner**
 1st Mrs. Alvis Johnson
 2nd Mrs. Alvis Johnson
 3rd Beverly Howard
- Squirrel's Delight**
 1st Mrs. Alvis Johnson
- Native**
 1st David Griffin
 2nd Thomas Morriss
- Success**
 1st Thomas Morriss
 2nd Thomas Morriss
 3rd Thomas Morriss
 4th Tom Payton
 5th Gerald Gartman
- Holbert**
 1st Mrs. Alvis Johnson
- In Shell Variety**
 1st Mrs. Alvis Johnson
 2nd D.H. Faulks
- Barten**
 1st Lawrence Finklea
- Mahan**
 1st Lawrence Finklea
 2nd Mrs. Alvis Johnson
 3rd David Griffin

Police Reports

December 7
 1:35 - Caller reports a U-Haul truck pulling a trailer seems to need help.
 9:24 p.m. - Caller reported loud music coming from trailer.

December 8
 7:22 a.m. - Caller advised that a truck driver requested an officer to assist with traffic control for bucket trucks to raise power lines for an over height load.
 9:45 p.m. - Caller reports a dog that is tied up barks all night long and wants officer to talk with owners.

December 9
 1:00 p.m. - Caller reports a theft at the school.
 7:56 a.m. - Caller reported he found someone's bill fold.

December 10
 12:47 a.m. - Caller at convenience store reported he just received a stolen credit card.
 5:19 p.m. - Caller at station advised of a hotrodder.
 5:55 p.m. - Caller advised that he locked his keys in vehicle.
 9:59 p.m. - Caller at lounge reported a fight in progress.

December 11
 6:51 p.m. - Caller reported that girl scouts will be staying at girl scout hall.

December 12
 1:15 a.m. - Caller reported subject causing trouble.
 2:57 a.m. - Caller reported a cow 17 miles out on 277 S. in middle of road.
 9:49 a.m. - Caller requests someone come check electricity.
 4:07 p.m. - Caller reported he had real bad water leak by meter.

December 13
 1:05 a.m. - Caller at lounge reported a fight in progress.
 10:38 p.m. - Caller requested to talk to officer in reference to accident last week.

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Calendar

- Wednesday, December 16, 1981**
 Bridge Club
 Golf Auxiliary, noon
 Edwards Plateau Soil and Water, 7:30 p.m.
 Golf Auxiliary Dec. 16, 1981, 7:00 p.m., Christmas Party, Golf Club.
- Thursday, December 17, 1981**
 Dec Ora Lodge, 7:30 p.m.
 Petrocettes, noon
- December 21, Monday
 Duplicate Bridge Club, Founder's Room at 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 22, 1981**
 Lion's Club, noon
 Hospital Board, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 23, 1981**
 Fire Dept., 8:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 29, 1981**
 Lion's Club, noon
- Thursday, December 31, 1981**
 Red Carpet Committee, 7:30 p.m./10:00 a.m.

SONORA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Financial Statement for Publication Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 1981

| | FUND | | | | Total |
|---|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| | General Operating | Construction | Debt Service | Federal Programs | |
| REVENUES | | | | | |
| Ad valorem Tax | \$ 1,897,164 | \$ -0- | \$ 197,683 | \$ -0- | \$ 2,094,847 |
| Revenues from Local Sources | 158,224 | 22,362 | 49,000 | -0- | 229,586 |
| Per Capita and Foundation | 620,451 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 620,451 |
| Transportation | 42,800 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 42,800 |
| Other State Revenues | 47,044 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 47,044 |
| Elementary and Secondary Education Act | -0- | -0- | -0- | 95,232 | 95,232 |
| Total Revenues | \$ 2,765,683 | \$ 22,362 | \$ 246,683 | \$ 95,232 | \$ 3,129,960 |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | | |
| Instruction | \$ 1,479,822 | \$ -0- | \$ -0- | \$ 81,743 | \$ 1,561,565 |
| Instructional Related Services | 182,071 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 182,071 |
| Pupil Services | 147,691 | -0- | -0- | 300 | 147,991 |
| Cocurricular Activities | 120,820 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 120,820 |
| Food Service | 13,871 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 13,871 |
| Administration | 437,952 | -0- | -0- | 2,097 | 440,049 |
| Debt Service | -0- | -0- | 199,225 | -0- | 199,225 |
| Plant Services | 296,260 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 296,260 |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction | 27,181 | -0- | -0- | -0- | 27,181 |
| Total Expenditures | \$ 2,705,668 | \$ -0- | \$ 199,225 | \$ 84,140 | \$ 2,989,033 |
| Excess Revenues | \$ 60,015 | \$ 22,362 | \$ 47,458 | \$ 11,092 | \$ 140,927 |
| Beginning Fund Balance | 1,053,594 | 76,164 | 411,184 | (3,482) | 1,537,460 |
| Ending Fund Balance | \$ 1,113,609 | \$ 98,526 | \$ 458,642 | \$ 7,610 | \$ 1,678,387 |

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Del Monte
Pear Halves 16 oz. cans **2/\$1**

Del Monte
Fruit Cocktail 16oz. cans **2/\$1**

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Peas 16oz. cans **2/88¢**

Del Monte, Cut 16oz. cans
Green Beans **2/88¢**



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Pickles 12oz. Jar **\$1.19**

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Pineapple Juice 46oz. can **89¢**

Gladiola
Flour 5 lb. Bag **89¢**

Reynolds
Aluminum Foil 12" x 25' Roll **2/88¢**

Snowdrift 3 lb. can
Shortening **\$1.69**



Duncan Hines, Layer
Cake Mix 18oz. Box **78¢**

Karo, White, Red Label
Syrup 32oz. Bottle **\$1.39**

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Pie Filling **\$1.39**



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Chinet
Paper Plates 40 Count Package **\$1.79**

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| U.S. No. 1 Potatoes | 10 lb. Bag | \$1.59 |
| All Varieties Nuts | 1 lb. Bag | \$1.09 |
| Mixed or Jumbo Walnuts Nuts | | 99¢ lb. |

2/\$1 **Cool Whip** Birdseye 12oz. **89¢**



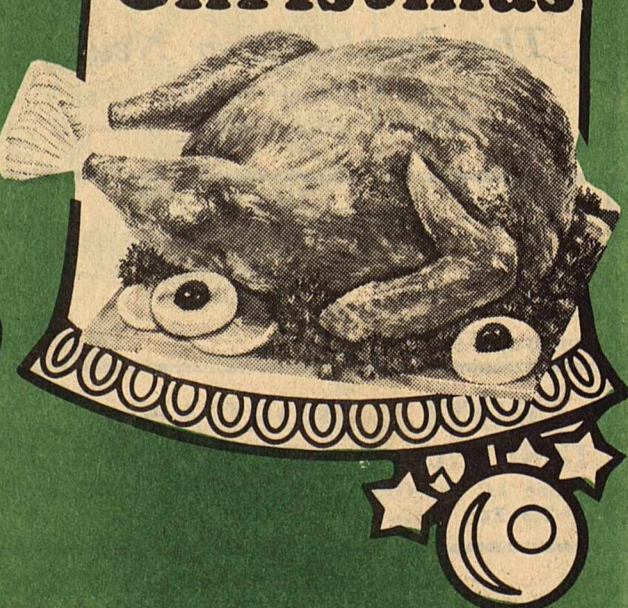
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Coke, 7up, Tab, Mr. Pibb, Rondo, Barq's Root Beer, Sunkist Orange
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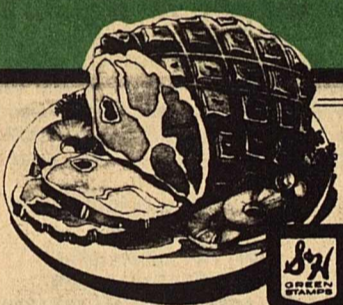



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| Chuck Steak | U.S.D.A. Beef | \$1.59 lb. |
| Arm Pot Roast | U.S.D.A. Beef | \$1.49 lb. |
| English Cut Roast | U.S.D.A. Beef | \$1.69 lb. |
| Arm Swiss Steak | U.S.D.A. Beef | \$1.39 lb. |
| Boston Butt Pork Roast | | \$1.19 lb. |
| Pork Steak | | \$1.29 lb. |
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A Word From The Department Of Public Safety

W.O. Newman

Maybe you're one of them. Are you one of the people who call me on the telephone or write to me to tell me my troopers are stopping motorists and giving them tickets for "no reason at all"? I wouldn't know--you never give your name! You tell me you're a good citizen and a safe driver just using the Interstate for what it was intended--speed. And that "dumb cop" gave you a ticket.

hope the next time you're tearing down the road at 85 miles per hour that trooper catches you again. I hope he gives you another ticket and the traffic judge takes your license before you smash into a concrete bridge abutment at 85 mph and he has to help pry your lifeless body out of that cursed speed machine of yours. I hope we can teach you a lesson with a ticket so maybe you won't cause a wreck and cost somebody

else his or her life. You really break my heart telling me you don't have time to go to court about that ticket. I wish you could come with me to the scene of a wreck sometime. I wish I could make you stand and watch a man writhe in the gravel on the shoulder of a highway while he waits for an ambulance that will be there too late to do anything but carry him to the morgue.

help scrape the bits of bone and flesh of a whole family off the asphalt and into baskets. You'd vomit--just like my troopers do; but you'd think differently the next time you climbed into that car of yours. You said you were driving safely when the trooper stopped you. The road was clear and there was no harm in edging over the speed limit a few miles per hour--you said. I'm really impressed with your ability to judge road conditions.

I'm only sorry a trooper wasn't at that place a few months ago when a man with a wife and four children had a blowout at over 80 mph. He might have slowed him down; and his children would still have a father and his wife a husband. Oh, am I getting you mad again? That man might have been mad if the trooper had stopped him. He might have written me a letter. But he'd be alive. Your letter doesn't both-

er me, friend. What bothers me is that you apparently haven't learned your lesson. You're probably going to get back behind the wheel of your car thinking you own the road and nothing can happen to you. You don't think about the other people on the road who want to go on living.

no wonder he weaves in and out of traffic, speeds, and leaves strips of burned rubber at stop lights. I hope we catch him too, mister, before we have to call you and your wife to come identify his body at the morgue. I don't want to watch your crying and wishing you hadn't let him have a car until he learned to drive maturely. I wish you could come with me to a wreck and see the seared body of a victim

after the fire department has finished its job of extinguishing 15 gallons of flaming gasoline. I wish you could go with me to her home and help me tell her husband that his wife isn't coming home because some idiot ran her off the road while trying to pass her. I want you to help him explain why mommy won't be home. You're mad because you got a ticket, and you have to take time off from work to go to court.

David Reyna Promoted

David M. Reyna, son of Frances Reyna, who is stationed in Iwakuni, Japan, was promoted to Lance Corporal in the United States Marine Corps. On Oct. 2 following the previous awards he won while still a Private First Class. On Oct. 2, 1981, he was the subject of a Meritorious Mast conducted by the Commanding Officer, Det. "A", 3rd Force Service Support Group for outstanding service performed while assigned to the Supply Operation section of Detachment "A". Despite his nonexistent knowledge or experience he skillfully learned and adapted to the demanding requirements of the technical research clerk of this command. He continually demonstrated the ability to assume tasks

and responsibilities not normally delegated to a Marine of his grade. His professional attitude, competence, and willingness to give totally of himself was frequently and favorably commended. His total devotion to duty and meticulous attention to detail has made him a certificate of commendation by the Commanding General of 3rd Force Service Support Group. Reyna was awarded to PFC Reyna for superior performance of duty while assigned as a Supply Administrator and Operation Clerk for Detachment "A", 3rd Force Service Support Group from Aug.-Oct. 1981. His dedication to duty, initiative and "can do" attitude earned him the respect and admiration

of all whom he encountered. PFC Reyna's military learning and immaculate personal appearance were beyond reproach. His knowledge and expertise in performing all assigned tasks set the example for his peers and subordinates to emulate. His professional approach to surpass what is expected and his superior performance of duty earned him the recognition as the 3rd Force Service Support Group's Marine of the Quarter for Aug.-Oct. 1981. His attention to detail and superior professional approach to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the U.S.M.C. LICPL Reyna is a graduate of Sonora High School and joined the Marines in Nov. 1980.

Primera Iglesia Bautista To Hold Christmas Program

Primera Iglesia Bautista invites the whole community for their Christmas program to be held Dec. 24 at 7:00 p.m. The title for the program will be "El Hurlano" (The Orphan). There will be a cast of 30 actors. This is the biggest program the church has ever held.

The leading role will be held by Joe Yorba, a second grader. Yvonne Gamez will also hold a leading role. Lola Salinas and Chavela Guerrero will do the two ladies roles. Ernesto Castro, the store keeper, Ricky Sanchez and Ismael Villarreal, two mean guys. Yvonne Gamez as the angel.

The nativity scene, will be: Prisilla and Jessie Gutierrez as Mary and Joe. Followed by the angels, Gina Gamez, Erica, Debbie and Sylvia Sanchez, Sara Dela Garza, Wendy Ramirez, Belinda, Connie and Veronica Aguilar, Monica Zapata, Annette Gamez. Pastors: Joshua and Philip

Villarreal. David Villarreal, Chuckie Yorba, Abel Gamez, Robert Zapata, Lingo, Peter Perez. The wisemen by Ruben Yorba, Salome Perez, and Abel Sanchez. Music director - Ricky Sanchez, lights Jorge Sanchez. Director for the Christmas program is Nelda Yorba. Co-directors are

Estella Gamez and Fela Perez. Come and see what Christmas is all about. Come feel the love and joy that waits for you and your family. Rev. Morris Villarreal is the pastor of the church. Everyone is welcome.

Primera Church Youth Group Elects Officers

Primera Iglesia Bautista Youth Group have elected their new officers for the coming year. President - Jorge Sanchez; Vice president - Ricky Sanchez; Treas-

urer - Abel Sanchez; Secretary - Yvonne Gamez. Youth counselors are Rev. and Mrs. Morris Villarreal and Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Yorba.

The Youth Group will hold a Christmas party on Dec. 19. The Youth Group also decorated the church Christmas tree and outside.

Thanks to Ruben Yorba climbing the high church and Joshua Villarreal for roof to put up the lights.

Primera Church Elects W.M.U. Officers

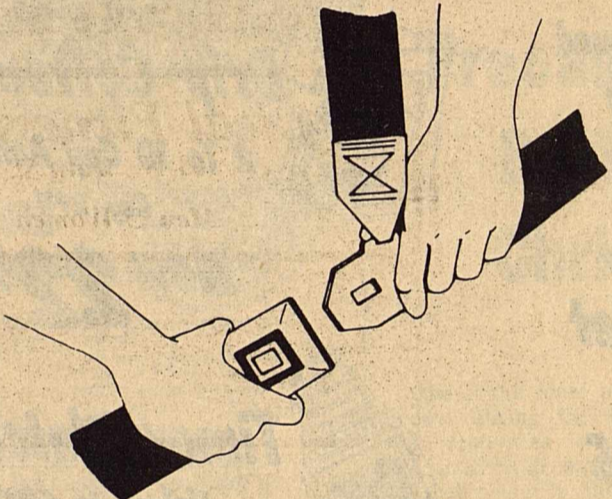
The Primera Iglesia Bautista W.M.U. elected their new officers for the coming year. President - Estella Gamez; Vice President - Nelda Yorba; Secretary -

Prisilla Gutierrez; Treasurer - Rita Aguilar; Bible study - Fela Perez; and Social director - Lola Salinas. Lala Duran - Prayer leader.

The W.M.U. will honor all the church members and friends with a Christmas dinner Sunday. Also some Christmas fruit baskets will be given to some senior citizens.

CHRISTMAS GALLERY OF BRASS
will be in Sonora Dec. 17 and 18
9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Beautiful Brass Arts
From \$ 4.00 to \$ 50.00

THIS CHRISTMAS, GET A HOLD ON LIFE... WEAR YOUR SEATBELT!



When a traffic accident occurs, there are TWO collisions. The initial crash and the second collision happens when the driver and passengers strike something inside their car or truck. Wearing your seatbelts can prevent the second and most deadly collision. The Troopers of the Department of Public Safety ask you to wear your seatbelt this Christmas and always.

(A message from this newspaper and your Highway Patrol)

Sonora

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The spectre of nuclear war has threatened the world for over 30 years.

The United States' response to the awful possibility that mankind might destroy itself has been to maintain a force designed to deter use of these weapons by others -- while at the same time seeking a way, through negotiations, to reduce the number and deployment of weapons in the world.

We demonstrated the peacefulness of our motives during the years in which we possessed unquestioned vast superiority. Never did we use even the threat of our nuclear power to further our objectives -- even under severe provocation from aggressive powers. Indeed, beginning with President Kennedy's first steps toward the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, we have sought negotiations to end the nuclear arms race.

On the other hand, the Soviet Union has engaged in a single-minded effort to build its nuclear arsenal beyond the level which would be required to defend itself under any conceivable circumstance. Their goal has not been deterrence, but superiority -- a superiority which could be used to further their stated aggressive goals in the world.

Unfortunately, the Soviet Union is on the verge of being able to threaten our security and that of our European allies. We have the national will and the ability to counter that threat through building new weapons of our own. But still we seek the stability that can only come as a result of balanced arms control agreements.

It was this goal which prompted President Reagan to propose new arms reduction talks with the Soviet Union. The United States' proposal in the start talks which began last week in Geneva is to rid Europe of intermediate-range nuclear weapons.

The Soviets have three different missile systems which fall into this category -- all with a range of reaching virtually all of Western Europe. And the Soviets continue to add one new SS-20 to its arsenal each week.

If they persist on this course, we and our NATO allies have no choice but to place comparable weapons in Europe. In this way, the Soviets would be unlikely to use their weapons because we would have the ability to effectively retaliate against their own territory. We do not currently have such missiles in Europe.

However, under President Reagan's arms reduction proposal, we would not deploy these new weapons if the Soviet Union agrees to remove their comparable ones. This is the so-called "zero option," and would be a firm step on the road to a safer world.

In fact, the President has said he views these negotiations as a first step. If they are successful, we would hope to expand arms reduction to other kinds of nuclear weapons, and even to conventional forces.

But however much we all would like to see the negotiations succeed we must remember that the threat to world peace can be reduced only through an agreement which provides for equality in forces by all relevant measure of merit. Any agreement must be verifiable, and it must be clear and unambiguous in its terms. Only an agreement which meets these stringent conditions will meet our goal of reducing the risk of war and the risk of aggression.

Drivers Required To Show Proof Of Liability Insurance

Beginning January 1, 1982, Texas drivers contacted by Department of Public Safety officers during traffic stops and vehicle accident investigations will be required to furnish proof of compliance with the new compulsory liability insurance law.

Under House Bill 197, an amendment to the Safety Responsibility Act approved this year by the Texas Legislature, all drivers must carry minimum liability coverage for medical expenses of \$10,000 per person (\$20,000 for two or more persons) and property damage of \$5,000.

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director, said troopers will accept as evidence of insurance coverage the policy for the vehicle being operated or a document issued by the insurance company.

Such a document must contain a statement that the liability coverage for the motor vehicle is the minimum prescribed by the law, Adams said. "The document must also include the name of the insurance company, name of the insured person, policy period and policy number. This document may take the form of a letter or a card, depending upon the preference of the insuring company."

Adams pointed out the DPS troopers will be enforcing the provisions of this law along highways and rural roads.

"Local police officers and sheriff's deputies also have the authority to request this information from drivers," the DPS director said. "I am sure most law enforcement agencies in our state will also be enforcing this

statute in their respective jurisdictions."

Drivers who do not maintain the specified coverage risk being fined at least \$75 for the first offense and a minimum \$200 for subsequent violations. In addition, a conviction under this new law will result in the suspension of the violator's driver license and motor vehicle registration unless the violator establishes and maintains proof of financial responsibility for five years from the conviction date.

Adams also said vehicles which are to be used in the driving test by new driver license applicants must be covered by the minimum liability insurance specified by the law. Applicants will have to certify on the license application that the minimum coverage is in effect for the vehicle before they will be permitted to take the driving test.

The DPS director predicted that more Texans will obtain the required liability coverage when the new law goes into effect.

"Current figures show that approximately 74 percent of the drivers involved in accidents carry liability insurance," Adams said. "This indicates that a substantial number of people must secure the required coverage or face the possibility of heavy fines and loss of driving privileges."

Out-of-state, government owned and self-insured vehicles are exempt from the insurance requirements of the new law.

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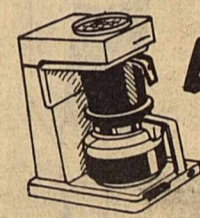
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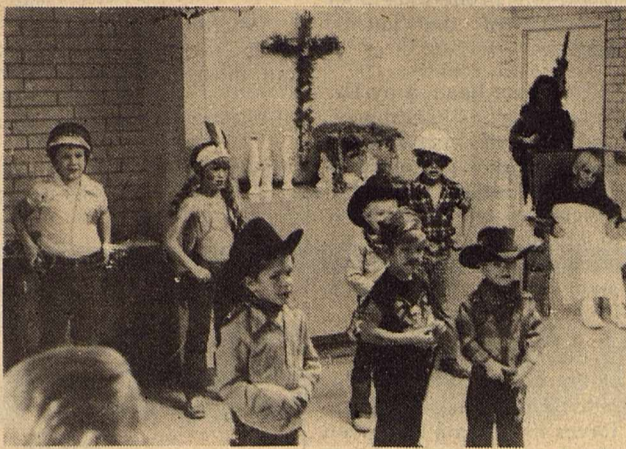


Santa hands out presents

Hospital Auxiliary Holds Christmas Party At Nursing Home.

The Hudspeth Hospital Auxiliary held their Christmas party at the nursing home Monday, December 14. Mrs. Edwin Sawyer, Alice Jones, and Justine Fields were the hostesses. Santa Claus passed out presents to all the patients and Mrs. Maxine Browne played Christmas carols on the organ. The "Macho Men" of Ronda's School of Dance put on a program.

sent were: Mrs. Elizabeth Cusenbary, Robert Halbert, Ruby Brotherton, Pauline Thompson, Harva Cooper, Charles Howard, Mary Barrow, Mrs. Vicente Cervantes, Monty Yantis, Mrs. James Dover, Hazel McClelland, Guila Vicars, Maxine Browne, Ruth Shurley, Linda Carta, and Mrs. C.T. Driskell. Sandwiches, cookies, and egg nog were served from a beautifully decorated table.



Ronda's "Macho Men" Perform

Electronic Toys Should Be Chosen With Care

Have your child's "once exciting" electronic "Merlin" or computer football come down with the "no-more-amusement syndrome?"

Before letting more recreational devices end up on the closet floor never to be seen or heard from again, learn to make an intellectual choice as to which games your children will enjoy the longest, says Linda McCormack, a family resource management specialist.

Since electronic games are usually more expensive than money can be wasted if games become boring to the child, the specialist notes. Weigh the good and bad points, McCormack suggests.

Purchasers should try out the game themselves to determine how difficult it is and if the child is capable of beating the computer, she adds.

On the other hand, the game may be too easy, she warns. An electronic game should require skill application for a child's age and ability - otherwise very little challenge exists and he may put the toy aside.

Another point to consider is if the toy is battery

operated. If so, are these batteries easily changed, and how expensive are they? You may want to consider using an adapter, McCormack suggests.

Other questions to consider include:

† Does the game require one or two people?

† Are the instructions easy to follow?

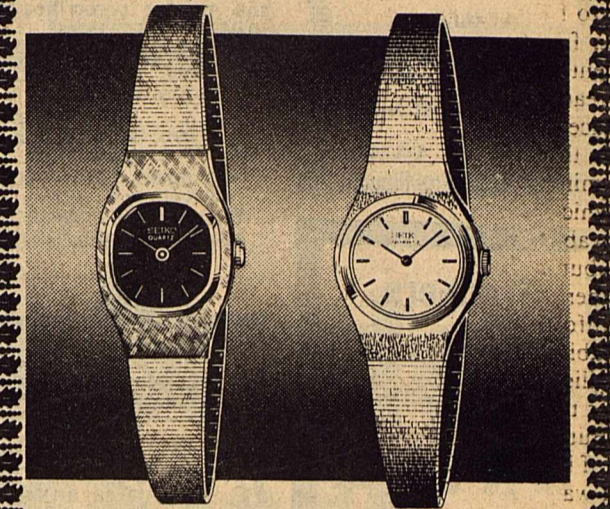
† How long does the game last?

† Are the buttons or moveable parts easy to operate?

McCormack is with the home economics staff of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

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Precautions Should Be Taken With Christmas Meal

One of the more popular events during the Christmas festivities is usually the traditional meal. As enjoyable as it is, there are precautions that both the cook and the diners should take to make sure it is healthy also.

Foodborne illness is a common problem when large amounts of food are prepared in the home, says

the Texas Medical Association. The most common, avoidable errors made in food preparation relate to time-temperature abuse. The amount of time foods are left at medium temperatures (between cooking and refrigeration) should be kept at a minimum to avoid multiplication of bacteria that may cause disease. Always keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold and return unused portions of food that have been refrigerated promptly so they will stay cold.

Many food infections are caused by salmonella germs. Almost all species of salmonella organisms grow rapidly in such foods as eggs, meat and milk from infected animals. The germs can survive for long periods outside the animal body but proper cooking renders most foods safe.

Christmas means turkey and dressing in many homes. There are several specific rules for preparing both.

A frozen, plain turkey should be defrosted for several days in the refrigerator. Defrosting at room temperature is not recommended because it encourages the growth of bacteria. Fresh turkeys should be purchased close to the holiday and stored in the refrigerator no more than two or three days.

Frozen, prestuffed turkeys should not be defrosted before cooking. Read the label to find out the ingredients and the cooking instructions.

To prevent the growth of bacteria when preparing stuffing, stuff the bird loosely just before cooking and remove the stuffing as soon as the bird is done. Better yet, cook the stuffing separately so it cooks fast enough to keep bacteria from having a chance to grow.

If you suspect food poisoning (rapidly apparent symptoms are fever, headaches, nausea, vomiting, cramps and diarrhea), seek medical attention immediately.

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Bentsen Introduces Legislation To Reduce Spending

Senator Lloyd Bentsen introduced legislation Thursday that would reduce federal spending \$3 billion over the next five years by systematically identifying government work that can be contracted out to small business. "The federal government is conducting tens of billions of dollars worth of activities today which hard-pressed small business could do better and cheaper," Bentsen said in remarks accompanying his

legislation.

"It is already government policy, as set forth in an Office of Management and Budget (OMB) circular, to use private contracting whenever economically justified. However, there is no standard, uniform program across the government to identify those areas where economic sense dictates the use of small business in place of bureaucracy."

Bentsen noted that the General Accounting Office (GAO), the investigative

arm of Congress, and the Defense Department have, since 1976, pinpointed areas where savings can be made:

† The GAO found that the General Services Administration could cut its custodial costs by one-third or almost \$430 million in 1980 alone by contracting for such services through the private sector;

† and, the Defense Department found it could cut its employment rolls by

11,000 and save \$90 million a year by transferring 264 activities to private contractors.

"According to OMB testimony before the Joint Economic Committee this year the government currently operates thousands of commercial or industrial activities with an annual operating cost of more than \$20 billion and with a similar amount of capital investment. The great majority of these activities have never been subject to

competition," Bentsen said.

"The OMB estimates that, if cost comparison studies were made, the jobs performed by 154,000 government workers could be converted to competitive contract operations for a savings of more than \$3 billion during the five fiscal years 1982-87, with the savings to continue in the years to follow."

"We have a long way to go in moving the government out of activities which

can more efficiently be performed by small business.

My legislation is designed to start us on that road by requiring the President to report annually to Congress on such activities and determine the potential cost savings to taxpayers should those activities be conducted by small business. In addition, the President's report must include a schedule for transferring such activities to the private sector where economically warranted," Bentsen said.

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Texas Oil & Gas . . .

U. S. Energy 'Crisis' Remains Big Problem

By Avery Rush, Jr., Chairman
Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association

The United States of America continues in the throes of an energy "crisis."

True, there is in the world today an overabundance of crude oil, a so-called "glut." This overabundance is the result of the combination of full production schedules in most producing countries and conservation in the larger consuming nations. The result has been more than adequate supplies generally and a decrease in prices of some oil.

But, this situation almost surely will be short-lived. Saudi Arabia has decided to institute a one-million barrel per day reduction in production. Although oil decontrol has spurred U.S. drilling, we are not finding as much crude oil as we are producing; certainly not nearly as much as we are consuming.

So, if you are an American homeowner or apartment dweller, motorist, clerk, businessman, farmer, student or housewife your standard of living, even your way of life, continues to be affected. This is because our nation's appetite for oil, as already indicated, far outdistances our ability to produce under present economic, technical, and political conditions.

The extent of the problem can be understood as it is reflected in our import figures: Even after the acceleration of oil price decontrol by President Reagan and the aforementioned return of strength and vigor to domestic drilling, this country must import six-million barrels of oil daily.

To be sure, this six-million barrel level is a significant improvement over the days when we were bringing in eight- to 10-million barrels. But, six-million barrels at \$35.00 per barrel costs \$210-million each day. That amounts to \$76-billion annually. This is not a sum that even the wealthiest nation on Earth can continue to pay indefinitely.

But, there is more than just economics to consider. There is another development — a cutoff of supplies — that could be of even greater concern to a nation that must import such a large amount of its energy, the national lifeblood of any industrialized nation.

To be denied access to that oil, with no other sources available, could wreak havoc with a country's economy. In an extreme case, a national economy virtually could cease to function.

It is for these reasons that the foremost problem facing this country today remains the displacement of this amount of imported oil with safe, secure, domestically produced oil. Only then will the energy "crisis" be a thing of the past.

Certificates of Award for meritorious equipment to be shown at the World Oil & Gas Show and Conference in Dallas December 14-17, 1981 have been made to 23 firms, according to Kenneth B. Barnes, Chairman of the Awards Committee.

Companies, and the products and/or services for which the awards were given, are: Centurian Applications, Inc., Dallas, Tx. for its oil management accounting package for oil and gas producers; Con-tromatic, a division of Litton Industries, East Hartford, Conn., for its new emergency shut-off ball

valve units; Cook Manufacturing Company, Duncan, Okla. for its CMC pumping unit - independent chain strands; Detector Electronics Corp., Minneapolis, Minn. for its micro modular fire protection components.

Ironite Products Co., St. Louis, Mo. for its Ironite mud additives (sponge iron) - the H2S scavengers; Jensen Bros. Manufacturing Co., Wichita Falls, Tx. for its new hydraulic pumping units (up to 3,648,000 in lbs.); Meriam Instrument Company, Cleveland, Ohio for its microprocessor-based flow intergrator/to-talizer; NUCORP Compressor, Inc., Abilene, Tx. for its automatic restart individual gas well compressor packages.

OTEK Petroleum Products, Inc., Longview, Tx. for its new planetary drive oilfield pumping units; Piper Aircraft Corporation, Lock Haven, Penn. for its Aerostar 602P pressurized twin engine airplanes; Porta-Test Systems, Inc., Houston, Tx. for its Porta-Texas recycling separators; Ravours, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn. for its Radac-color network weather radar.

Rickel Manufacturing Corp., Salina, Kan. for its big A3500-4500 sludge waste applicators; Sioux

Steam Cleaner Corp., Beresford, S.D. for its explosion-proof team cleaners and pressure washers; Standard Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dallas, Tx. for its 6-Pak "ATU" all terrain under-carriages.

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Western Company of North American, Ft. Worth, Texas for its research - stimulation products developments; Wilden Pump and Engineering Co., Colton, Calif. for its Kynar-Polypropylene corrosion-resistant sealless pump and to Systems Division, XOMOX Corporation, Cincinnati, Ohio its small digital controllers for management information systems.

Barnes is former Editor of the Oil & Gas Journal, a petroleum engineer and former teacher in two petroleum engineering schools.

Exhibits at the World Oil & Gas Show will cover space equivalent to five regulation football fields and a conference will present trends, the latest developments and predictions for the 80's by Chase Econometrics Analysts.

HNG Directors Report Earnings

The Board of Directors of Houston Natural Gas Corporation (HNG) Friday reported unaudited consolidated earnings for the three months ended October 31, or the first quarter of their current fiscal year, of \$1.78 per common and common equivalent share, an increase of 32 percent when compared with earnings of \$1.35 for the first quarter of fiscal 1981.

For the 12 months ended

October 31, 1981, HNG earned \$6.37 per share on revenues of \$3,100,172,000 compared with earnings of \$5.29 on \$2,449,754,000 for the period ended October 31, 1980.

M.D. Matthews, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of HNG, attributed the excellent results primarily to increased natural gas sales and increases in the volumes of natural gas transported for

others.

In other action, the Board set February 16, 1982 as the date for a special meeting of stockholders to consider and take action on the previously announced proposed acquisition by HNG of the natural gas transmission, storage, production, processing, and liquid recovery operations of Estacado, Inc. The Estacado system is located in South-eastern New Mexico. Record data for the meeting was set for December 28, 1981.

The directors also declared the following regular quarterly dividends, all payable January 1, 1982, to stockholders of record December 14, 1981: \$1.16 1/4 per share on the 4.65 percent Redeemable Cumulative Preferred Stock, 1964 Series (\$100 par); 37-1/2 cents per share on the Common Stock (\$1 par).

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The figures compares with final compilations of reported August 1981 production totaling 75,175,649 barrels and September 1980 production of 75,011,588 barrels.

Texas oil production averaged 2,426,490 barrels daily in September 1981, up from 2,425,021 barrels daily in August 1981 and down from 2,500,386 barrels daily in September 1980.

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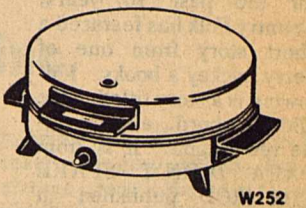
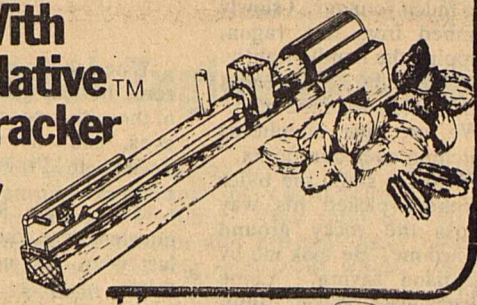
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Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

(Editor's Note-- At Christmas time each year for the past 10 years, Country Folk has featured a short story from one of Jerry Lackey's books. Following is a story titled: The Old Shepherd...and my little red wagon. It is from PAPA DIDN'T SPARE THE ROD published in 1968.)

The glowing flames provided an inviting warmth as they crawled over the logs in our living room fireplace. Although our eyelids became heavier as the evening progressed, William and I would not admit to the rest of the family that we were sleepy.

Many winter evenings we would sit around staring into the fire and listening to the adventures of Amon 'n' Andy, Fibber McGee and Molly, Baby Snooks and a host of others from the cabinet radio. Yet, tonight was Christmas Eve, and the radio programming was devoted to music. Bing Crosby and Rosemary Clooney were the "White Christmas" host and hostess.

Mom had a roll-away bed in the living room for William and me. As we readied for bed, she would make us rub our chests with a medication and slap on hot cloths. This was to drive out the winter colds.

At last, I was easing off to sleep. The last thing I remember was Papa turning out the Christmas tree lights in the dining room. Excitement filled my dreams as I envisioned a little red wagon that I wished could be mine.

Ever since William and I had played with our cousins on some rolling hills, we had wanted our own wagons. We had made roads on those hills. When we got their wagons started, we could get up enough speed to coast up and down each slope.

Tonight my dreams were full of Christmas visions. I was coasting up and down the slopes in a new red wagon when all of a sudden there appeared before me a flock of sheep. They were grazing by moonlight.

I hung one foot over the side of the wagon and let it drag in the dirt to stop.

"What are you doing out here on a cold night like this, little boy?" came a soft voice to my left.

I looked around to see three men wrapped in capes with cowls. One

looked very old, the other two much younger. I slowly climbed from my wagon, gripping the handle tightly.

"Don't be frightened, son," said one of the men. "We are just shepherds watching over our flocks."

With his staff, the older shepherd picked his way across the rocky ground toward me. He took me by the hand saying, "Come warm yourself by our campfire."

I pulled my wagon behind me as we walked over another hill to a camp. The two other men stayed to watch their sheep.

The night was clear. I inspected the sky as the old man took a stick from the fire to light his crook-necked pipe. I spotted several familiar galaxies.

All at once, an angel appeared. She spoke to the old shepherd, "A King is born on this night. Go fetch your friends who guard your sheep and go in the direction of the bright star in the east."

The angel left. And the old shepherd turned to me saying, "Wait here and I will get the others."

I looked to the east to see a star so bright, it made the moon less than a candle glow.

As we were about to leave the camp, a stray lamb lay just outside. The old shepherd told me to get some hay and make the lame lamb a bed in my wagon. The little lamb was asleep before we had gone far.

Finally we came to a place called Bethlehem. The bright star hung over an old barn. Inside were more shepherds.

The old shepherd led me to a manger. I saw there a small Babe. Like the shepherds, I was too touched for words. Walking outside, I got my new red wagon and little lamb. I presented both to the new Babe.

So long I had waited for the little wagon, but somehow I felt it didn't really belong to me after all. I knew at that moment that the real joy was in the giving and not the receiving.

A loud crackling awoke me. I glanced at the fireplace to see Papa poking at a log. Then I jumped out of bed and ran into the dining room.

Under the tree was the prettiest, shiniest little red wagon I ever saw.

Parents Should Consider Eye Safety When Buying Toys

When shopping for children's holiday gifts, beware of those that pose threats to eyes, cautions the Texas Society to Prevent Blindness.

More than 5,000 eye injuries were linked to toys last year, and nearly two-thirds of these accidents were suffered by children under the age of fifteen. BB guns, darts, and bows and arrows - "toy weapons" - were responsible for hundreds more injuries. "Ninety percent of all

eye injuries are preventable," notes Elvin Schofield, President of the Texas Society. "Safety-conscious adults can protect children from eye damage - or even the loss of an eye - by picking toys and games carefully and by teaching youngsters how to respect toy hazards and their own safety."

"Holiday gifts hopefully will bring children many hours of enjoyment without jeopardizing their well-being," Mr. Schofield added. Playthings with projectiles

have been proven dangerous to eye and should be avoided. A U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission survey of hospital emergency rooms indicates that children under 15 were the victims of eye injuries predominantly from slingshots or sling-propelled toys, toy guns and other toy weapons with projectiles, and gas, air or spring-operated guns.

Eye damage also can result from toys and games with less apparent hazards.

Building sets, skateboards and battery-operated toys were a few of those responsible for eye injuries to children last year, primarily children under 15. In some cases, the child may be too young to handle a toy. Often, too, play gets rough, and youngsters accidentally hurt themselves or playmates.

Most of these eye injuries happen, reports the Society, when children are not supervised. It's very important that parents

show their children how to use their gifts properly. Does the child understand how to use the toy? Does he or she take a "harmless" toy and make it dangerous, for example, by pulling rubber tips off darts? Do older children keep their more complicated toys out of reach of younger brothers and sisters? When dangers are explained, does the child acknowledge and avoid them?

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will be held May 15. Those not choosing to take part in that combined baccalaureate-commencement event will receive their diplomas by mail. Hemphill, of Box 153 in Sonora, will receive the bachelor of general studies degree.

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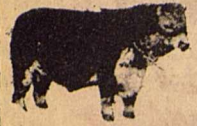
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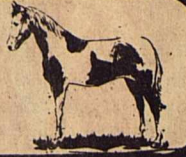
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The procedure being used is called "prescribed fire," a scientific approach to an old axiom. For hundreds of years range fires kept our western ranges virtually free of brush. Only man and his complex civilization has interrupted the natural process. It's little wonder that large trees and thick brush now grow unimpeded where brush grazing once flourished.

However, the secret of this process centers around the way pastures are burned; the methodical way ranchers and range management specialists prepare for and accomplish the regulated practice.

"Prescribed burns are not

haphazardly set fires, but carefully executed burns of prescribed areas," says Dr. Larry White, range specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "When used properly, it has the potential to improve our range ecosystem and support more stock per acre."

White, based at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in Uvalde, stresses that prescribed burns should be conducted during specific atmospheric conditions to optimize responses and management benefits. Although ideal conditions vary for different types of prescribed burns, White recommends that air temperature be 60 to 80 degrees F., relative humidity 20 to 50 percent with five to 15 mile per hour winds.

The most commonly recognized benefits from using the economical practice, he explains, are improving grazing distribution of livestock and wildlife, increased animal production, better accessibility to pastures, control of select brush and cacti species and increased production of forage and browse.

White says prescribed burning requires a "recipe." For example, the

rancher can learn the basic principles from a "cook". The cook knows that preparing a meal over the campfire, wood stove or electric stove requires different procedures to prepare the same meal. Also, the desired product requires different intensities and duration of heat. Failure to follow the recipe or lack of attention can result in an unacceptable meal.

"Basically this same approach is used with prescribed burning," notes the range specialist.

Yet, completing a successful burn isn't as simple as striking a match. Ranchers must follow several basic steps including the skilled application of fire, containment of the fire, achieve desired fire behavior and characteristics, minimize adverse effects and closely follow a properly developed fire plan. Without adhering to these basic steps, he warns, the prescribed burning program will only be a partial success at best.

If a rancher's expertise in prescribed burning is limited, cooler fires plus two seasons of burning experience are recommended. Judgement of actual fire

behavior is critical during the burn to alter the plan or prevent the fire's escape. He suggests using a test fire to evaluate conditions the day a major burn is scheduled.

Many variables must be seriously considered before beginning a prescribed burn. These include top-

graphy, fuels, weather and firing technique.

Wind, the most variable and least predictable fire weather element, can be predicted if burning is conducted under relatively stable weather conditions.

Since prescribed burning requires setting a line of fire that burns naturally

over a prescribed area, correct wind direction and wind speed prediction are essential.

Prescribed fire may kill only portions of a plant or the entire plant, depending on the amount of heat produced and time exposed. The prescription for each burn identifies the

type fire needed and firing technique to be used.

This management concept is much more complicated than meets the eye. A veteran of many prescribed burns, White urges ranchers interested in using it this winter to consult their County Extension agent for professional guidance before attempting to burn on their own.

"Prescribed fire is not a cure-all to management, but rather an opportunity to incorporate a natural force as a valuable management tool," he stresses. "Using it without proper training is a good way to really get burned."

Overall Improvement In Cattle Industry Expected

Things still point to a bright outlook for cattle prices even though the market remains weak.

The next few weeks may hold the key to what the market can expect after the start of the new year," says Dr. Ed Uvacek, livestock marketing economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M System.

Uvacek believes fed cattle prices will move slightly higher toward the end of the year and expects definite overall improvement in the cattle industry going into the new year.

His optimism for a long-awaited upturn in cattle prices stems from the fact that the number of cattle calves on feed remains down sharply from a year ago. This means that supplies of fed beef should be quite low in early 1982. Also, lower interest rates, some increase in disposable income for consumers due to the tax cut, and the likelihood of improved economic conditions could all help beef demand and consequently strengthen beef prices, believes Uvacek.

Regarding cattle and calves in the nation's feedlots, the economist notes

that November 1, 1981 totals 9 percent below year-ago levels and the lowest since 1974. October placements also were down substantially from a year ago, but the decrease was not quite as sharp as the 17 percent drop recorded during the July-September period.

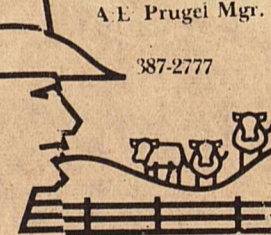
"This continued decline in numbers of cattle placed on feed reflects the fact that feedlots are still experiencing heavy losses," says Uvacek. "October break-even feedlot costs for Choice fed steers in the Plains states were \$74 to \$75 while market prices ranged from \$62 to \$64. Feedlots have difficulty operating when they're losing that kind of money."

Fed cattle marketings for the first quarter of 1982 are projected to be 5 to 8 percent below the January-March 1980 level. That means continued downward pressure on fed beef

supplies which should eventually bolster the cattle market if the general economy cooperates at all.

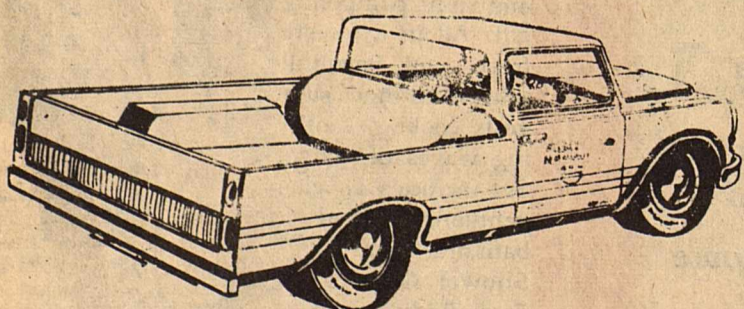
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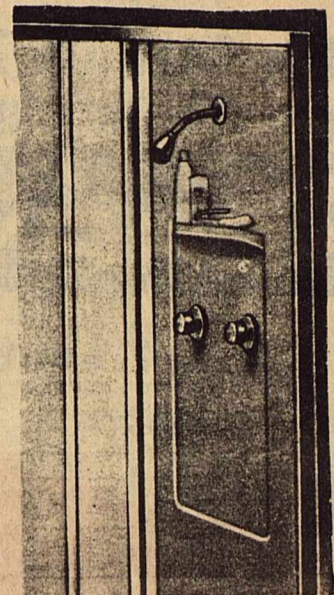
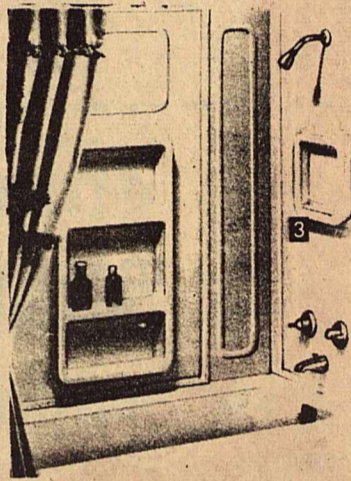
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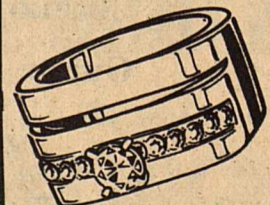
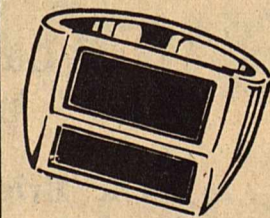
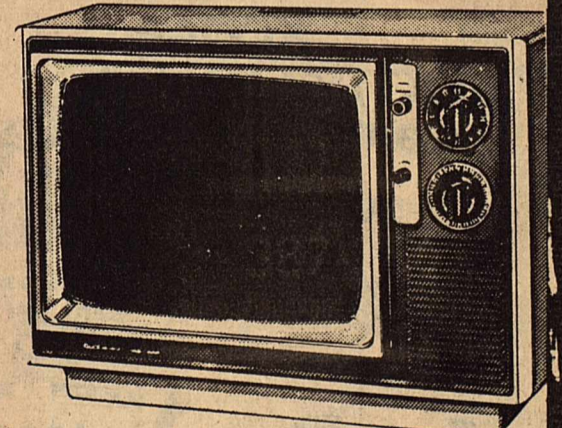
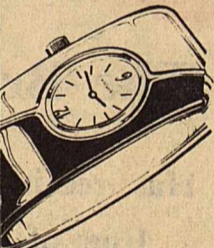
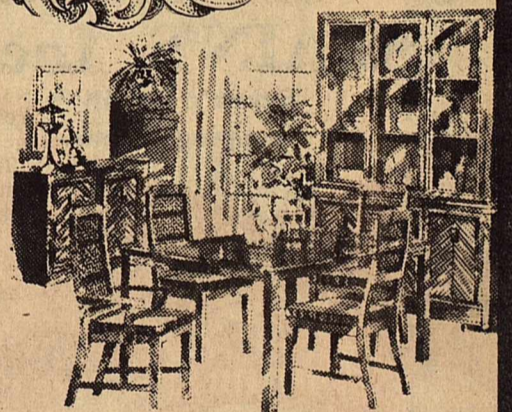
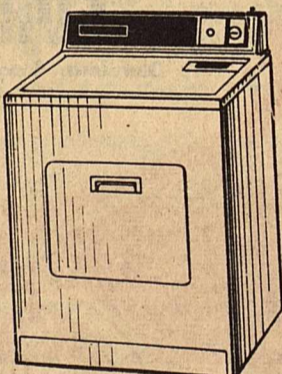
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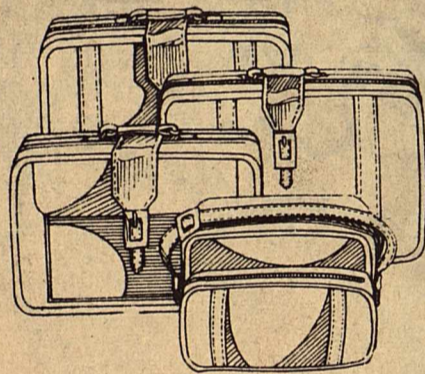
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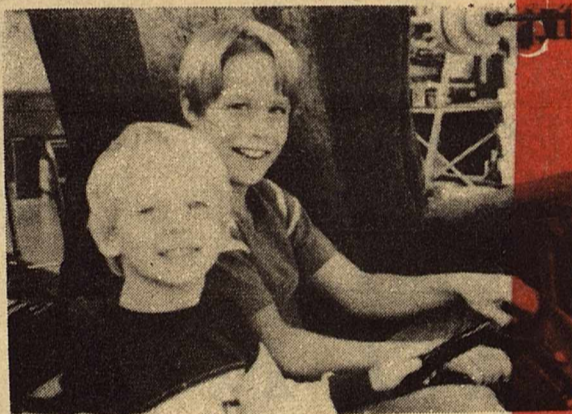
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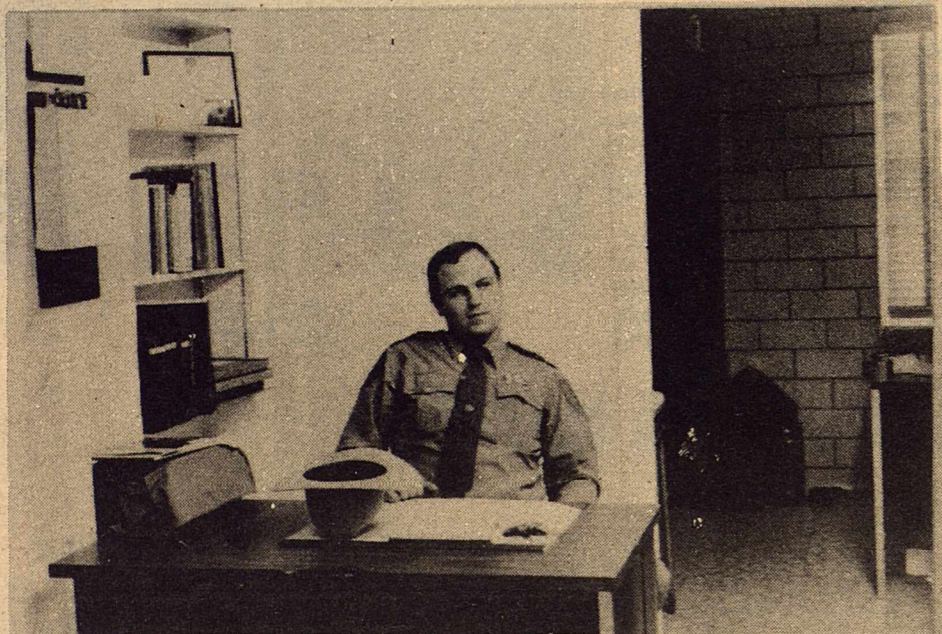
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father has been the Chief of Police in Crane for 18 years. My cousin is in the sheriff's department in Edwards County. Tommy's wife, Connie, is

employed by Heart O' Texas Savings Association. The Earps are Baptist and Tommy is a certified Emergency Care Attendant. "I worked with the ambulance crew before coming to the Sheriff's Department," Tommy added.

Tommy will be attending certification school in February in San Angelo, which lasts six to eight weeks. "We really like Sonora and plan on making it our home." Tommy added.



Dispatchers

In this special tribute to the Law Enforcement officers a great deal of recognition goes out to all the dispatchers as well, for their hard work and dedication.

As dispatchers, shifts are alternated around the clock. Calls are taken for the Sheriffs Office, the Police Department, the Highway Patrol, the Border Patrol, the J.P. and the Game Wardens. After 5:00 daily and on weekends "trouble calls" are taken for the city, which include Electrical, Water, and Sewer Problems. When there is a fire, they also page the firemen, and assist them on notifying surrounding Fire Departments when help is needed.

The dispatchers are to receive the calls quickly and calmly, and try to get as much information, as possible, from the caller. As pointed out by dispatcher Marie Hollmig, "sometimes the caller wants to give so little information which makes it hard on the dispatcher as well as the

officer to answer the calls promptly and efficiently as they desire." She also states that, "it is the dispatchers job to get this information to the officer in a manner that will protect the welfare of the caller, the public as well as the officers themselves and any or all fellow officers that might be assisting them." When a call is received it is dispatched to the units which are on patrol. It is necessary for the dispatchers to stay alert when officers check out on different vehicles, bars, fights, etc. being sure backup assistance is available to them.

Dispatcher Marie Hollmig of 209 Cornell St. in Sonora has been with the Law Enforcement department since February of 1980. She is married to L.D. Hollmig and they have three daughters, Dottie McWilliams, Ella Turner, and Laurie Arnold. Mrs. Hollmig was educated in Sonora Public Schools and is a member of the First Baptist Church

and order of Eastern Star Chapter No. 783. She mentions she has found her job to be "interesting, demanding your full attention, and very rewarding." Also dispatching is Linda Whiddon of 1009 Tavloe. She is married to J.L. Whidden. They have four children, Mark Whiddon and Kenneth, Rusty and Rodney Conger. Mr. Whiddon is employed by Basin Tank Rental as a truck driver.

Linda attended Sonora Public Schools and is a member of the Baptist Church. In past years she has been employed as a waitress for Gulf Restaurant and the Big Tree Restaurant.

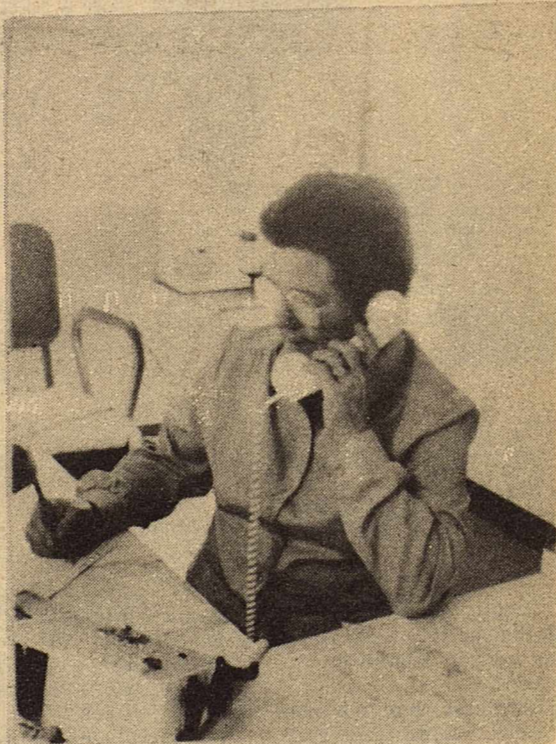
Dispatcher Andrew F. Moore of 518 E 2nd St. is a self employed rancher. He attended Sonora Schools and is a member of St. John's Episcopal Church. He is single.

Blanca De La Rosa has been employed part time at the Sutton County Sheriff's office since April of 1981. She is also presently

employed full time at the First National Bank. She previously was dispatcher for the San Angelo Police department, and the Ozona DPS, which is how she met her husband Carlos "Charlie" De La Rosa III. Mr De La Rosa is a patrolman with the Texas Highway Department is Sonora. They have one son, Bryan Gabriel De La Rosa.

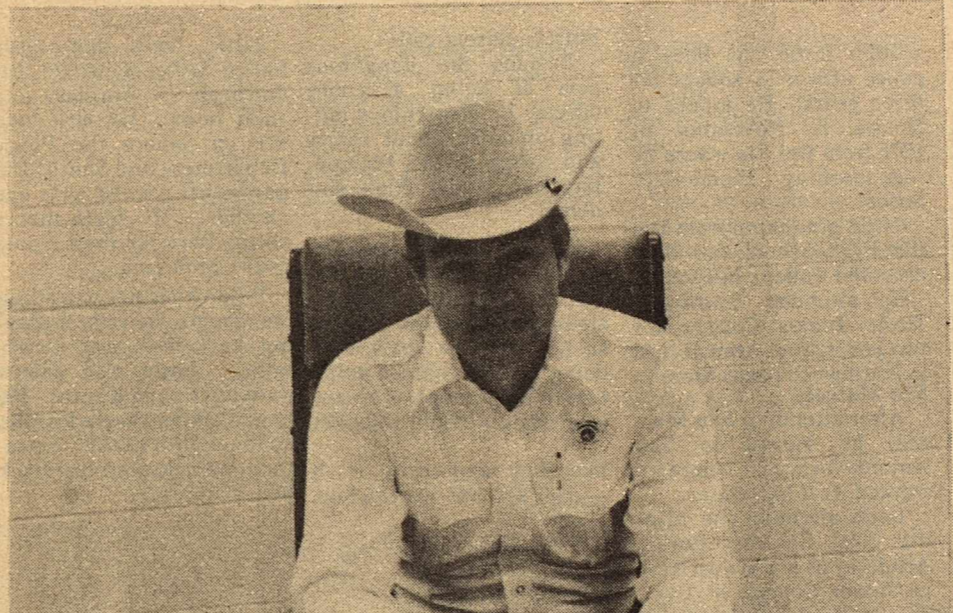
Blanca is a member of Kappa Gamma Sigma Epsilon. And states that as a dispatcher she enjoys her job very much. Also joining her husband in the law enforcement field is dispatcher Abby Gesch wife of Chief of Police Brent Gesch. She attended Rock-springs public schools and Angelo State University and has previously been employed as secretary for the Rocksprings county agent. Abby is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Sonora.

In closing, once again, much appreciation is due to these people for their concern in the safety of Sonora and Sutton County.



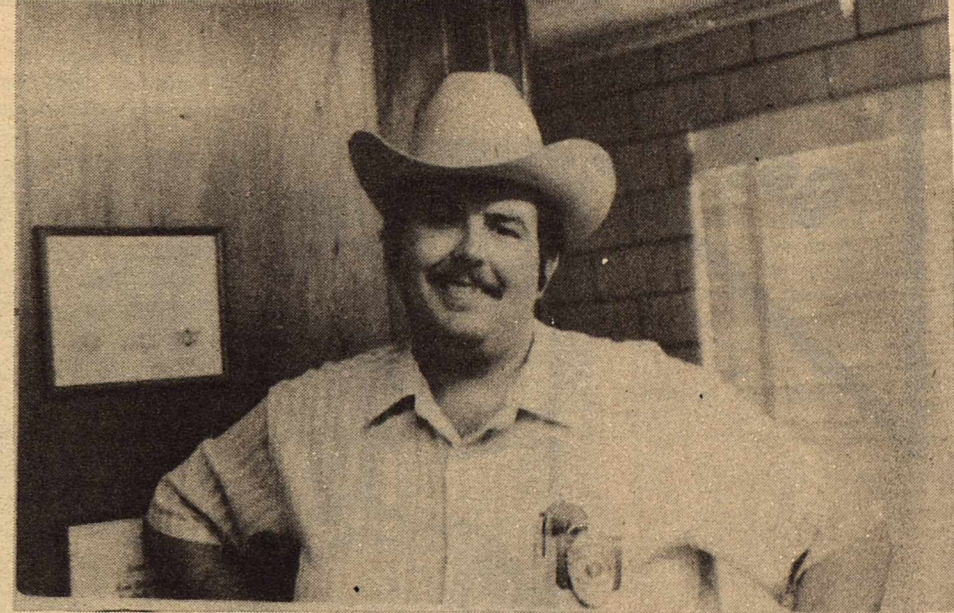
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A Salute To The Law Enforcement Officers of Sutton County



Bill Webster

Bill Webster-Sheriff



Brent Gesch

Brent Gesch-Chief of Police

Bill Webster, Sheriff of Sutton County, is the chief law enforcement officer of Sutton County. "My job includes being the administrator of the jail. The jail is used by county, city, highway patrol and immigration enforcement officers and the prisoners are my responsibility once they are in the jail. This is one of the biggest responsibilities we have," Webster said.

"We also serve all the civil process orders from the courts which includes all the divorce decrees and acting as the district court bailiffs. This year's amount of paperwork has tripled," Webster added. "We in the sheriff's department are primarily concerned with all criminal activities such as rape, robbery, threats, and nar-

cotics and any case where we're called. We handle a lot of fugitives and do patrol work every day of the week. We patrol mainly at night at places where there is any construction because our main concern is theft. We are also likely to be anywhere in the county at night. But traffic is not a main priority of ours, although we do write some tickets and enforce state traffic and city laws.

We transport people such as mental, alcoholic or drug-related cases to the Kerrville State Hospital. We handle a lot of fugitives that need to be transported other places. Much of our criminal activities is done by people passing through town. Every armed robber in the past five years has been off the interstate," Webster added.

"We also try to assist the city police with anything we can be of assistance with," Bill said. Bill and his family first came to Sonora in 1967 where Bill worked as a highway patrolman and

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Brent Gesch, Chief of Police, heads up the police department in Sonora.

His duties as police chief include administration of the police department, law enforcement, answering complaints of citizens and helping citizens solve their problems.

Brent came here in January, 1977, as a patrolman.

He came to Sonora because an opening for a better job came up and there was more opportunity in Sonora.

Brent's first job was in Edwards County as a deputy. He worked Rocksprings for 19 months and during this time got his associate degree in law enforcement at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde.

Brent is originally from San Angelo and this parents still live there.

Brent's wife, Abby, is from Rocksprings. The Geschs like living in Sonora because it is midway between the two.

"Once or twice a year we have a violent crime. I've been here for five years and in that time, we've had a couple of rapes, a murder, and five armed robberies. Sonora is slowly being ex-

posed to crime," Gesch said.

"Burglaries and thefts are the crimes we have the most of. Last year, we had 28 burglaries, 30 thefts, and two motor vehicle thefts. About \$25,000 worth of possessions were taken.

"People just don't look things up like they should, and they should call us when they go out of town so we can watch their house," Gesch added.

"If the people would cooperate with us, there's a good chance of cutting down on these crimes," Brent said.

"Our job is to protect and to serve the people, but we have to have the people's cooperation," Brent said.

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Bill Webster...from p. 1

stayed until 1970. He came back to Sonora as a deputy sheriff in March, 1974. When the city formed the Police Department in 1974, Webster was appointed Police Chief. In January, 1977, Webster was elected Sheriff of Sutton County. Webster has previously worked in Midland as a state narcotics officer.

"The life of a narcotics officer is tough on a family. I could walk out of the house and not come back for three or four days," Webster added.

Webster started as a law enforcement officer in December, 1963, as a patrol and motorcycle officer. In 1967, Webster joined the

Department of Public Safety and his first and only station was in Sonora.

"In December, I will have worked in law enforcement for 18 years," Webster added.

Webster attended Sul Ross and Midland College and has attended various police-investigative schools of which he has approximately 1200 hours credit.

Webster has an advanced certification in law enforcement and is qualified to teach at the junior college level.

Bill and his wife, Judy, have four daughters; Lesa, 15; Lorie and Leslie, 13; and Kelly, 9. Judy is employed by HNG.

Bill belongs to the Methodist Church. He is also a member of the Dee Ora Masonic Lodge, the Downtown Lion's Club, 4-H Adult Leaders, Band Booster's, Texas Sheriff's Association and a past member of the Jaycees. Bill and Judy are both very interested in the Youth Activities Committee.

Bill was also recently appointed to the Legislative Board of the Texas Sheriff's Association.

Bill's hobbies include hunting, fishing, working around the yard, and he tries to take an active interest in his daughter's activities.

Brent Gesch...from p. 1

"I can't remember an accident involving two cars inside the city limits that has ended in fatalities in the past five years.

"We don't enjoy giving tickets. People don't realize that writing a traffic ticket is a hard thing to do, but we know that if we don't write it, that person may not be around next week to get one," Gesch said.

"After a police officer has worked 10 hours a day, it's hard to put up with someone that gives us a hard time when we try to do our job.

"None of us do this because we like the money or we like giving tickets, we do it because we like help-

ing people," Gesch said.

"But the people here are really great. More people come up and say how much they appreciate the work we're doing. If one person comes up and tells us this, it kinda makes it worthwhile," Gesch added.

"A police officer has to be a marriage counselor, a father to the kids, and be something to everyone," Brent said.

"When people need help, the police are just the ones they call," Brent said.

"There's always something different about each situation. We have to be open-minded and take the facts and try and determine what is and isn't true," Gesch stated.

Brent said that he was proud of the way the people really pull together and help the officers.

"The robbery of Roger's Drive-In is one example of the way the people helped out. The officers and the people pulled together and helped, and we had the robbers in custody within an hour," Brent said.

Brent is a member of the Lion's Club, the Texas Association of Chiefs of Police, the Texas Sheriff Association and the Gun Club.

Brent's wife, Abby, works as dispatcher for the sheriff's department.

Brent enjoys fishing, hunting and target shooting.

The jailer for Sutton County is Joe Harris. Being the jailer entails booking, processing and feeding of the prisoners.

Joe has been in Sonora since January, 1980. Previously he worked for the Ector County Sheriff's Department as the captain who was in charge of the jail. He worked in Odessa for six years.

"I came to Sonora be-

cause I liked the smaller town. It's better for the children. I also like the new facility to work in," Joe said.

The jail houses a daily average of 10 to 11 prisoners.

"From July 1 to December 1, we have had 287 prisoners, not including the illegal aliens," Harris said.

The prisoners kept in the

Joe Harris

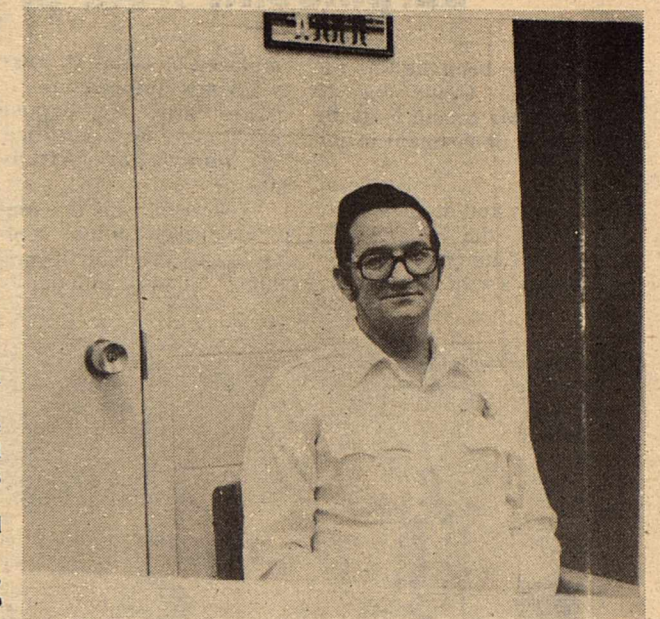
have included persons arrested for armed robbery, sex abuse of a child, rape, felony charges of possession of dangerous drugs, several felony thefts and burglaries.

Joe has three children; Robert, Michael, and Debra. He lives in the apartment in the jail, which saves the taxpayers the salaries of three people. It is required to have some-

one at the jail 24 hours a day.

Joe is very active in Little League and very interested in his children's activities at Trinity Baptist Church. He enjoys playing softball and golf.

Bill Webster concluded, "We are very lucky to have Joe as our jailer. He is way above the average jailer in his knowledge and experience."



Joe Harris

Police Department



Bill Ware

Bill Ware

Bill Ware, as sergeant of the police department, assists the chief of police, does everything a patrolman does, and does some administrative work.

Ware moved to Sonora from Odessa in August, 1978. In Odessa Bill worked for the Ector Coun-

ty Sheriff's Department and Police Department for seven years.

Bill also worked for the Midland Police Department for three years prior to that.

Bill has lived in Odessa most of his life where he attended Odessa Permian High School and Odessa College for one year, study-

ing Law Enforcement.

Ware moved to Sonora because it was a smaller town and because of the better opportunities in Sonora.

Bill's wife, Nita, works at Republic Supply.

The Wares attend Live-oak Baptist Church.

John Little

John Little has been a police officer in Sonora for three years. He moved to Sonora in November of 1978 from Del Rio where he was teaching Elementary School.

Little graduated from Del Rio High School and then attended College in Uvalde.

He attended Southwest Texas Junior College for two years, then transferred to Southwest Texas State in San Marcos.

After attending San Marcos, he moved to San Antonio for a year where he worked as a bartender.

Little attended the Middle Rio Grande Police Academy at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde. After he finished his training, he became a police officer in the Uvalde Police Department.

The part of being a police officer he enjoys most is the patrolling. He feels the exciting part is when he gets a call from the residence. "The adrenaline starts flowing and I get all hyped-up," Little said.

"As you are responding to a call, you are never sure what it is until you get there."

During his first year in Sonora he received a call to the J&V trailer park. As he approached the man, the man pointed a pistol at him. This was one of

Little's closest calls.

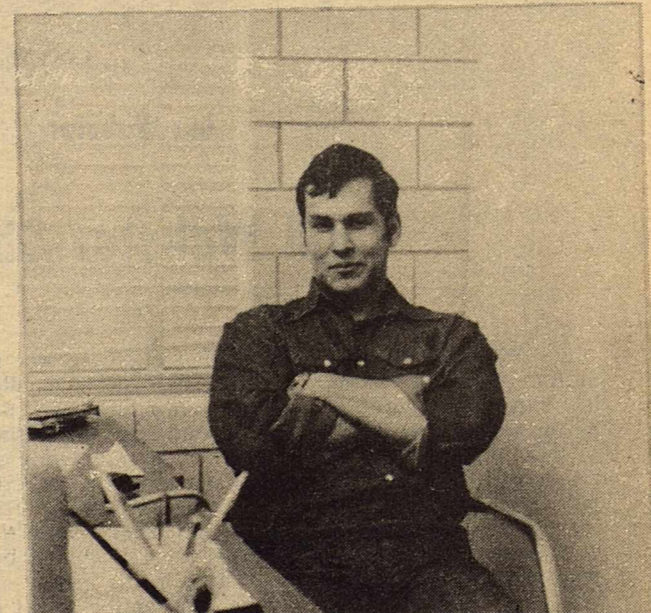
Besides the dangerous part of being a police officer, he also enjoys putting on talks about safety and drugs to the Elementary and Junior High students.

"There's a lot of prestige in the job and you get certain benefits that go along with the job," Little said. He also feels that being a police officer helps him to help people who are in a crisis. When they act

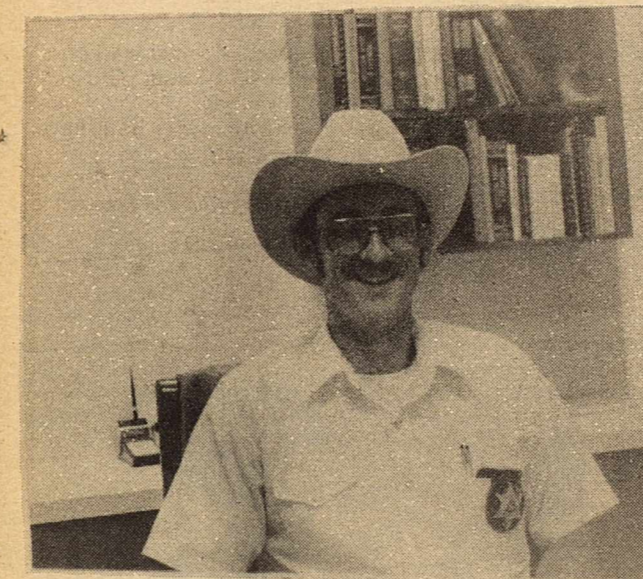
like they appreciate it, it makes his job worthwhile.

Little feels that more Police Officers would cut down on the burglary and theft rates. He also feels that in Sonora the Police Department and Sheriff Departments coexist with one another. He feels that a rivalry between them would cause problems.

When he is not patrolling the streets, he enjoys playing basketball and swimming. Little also enjoys participating in Karate. He began taking karate lessons in the eighth grade. Since then, he achieved his black belt in karate.



John Little



Tommy Earp

Tommy Earp

Tommy Earp, a deputy for the sheriff's department has been in Sonora for 3 1/2 years.

Earp first came to Sonora in 1975, stayed until 1977, and has been back in Sonora for 1 1/2 years.

Earp was formerly employed by Eddins-Walcher where he worked in Sonora and Odessa.

Tommy Earp was born in Big Springs. He lived in Oregon for five years and

graduated from high school at Days Creek, Oregon.

Tommy moved to Crane and attended Odessa College for 1 1/2 years.

I've always wanted to be a law enforcement officer, it runs in the family. Wyatt Earp, who had the gunfight at the OK Corral, was related to me. My grand-



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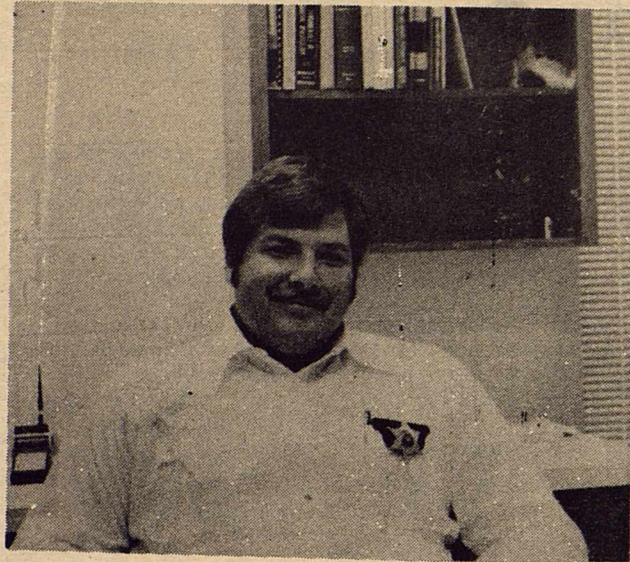
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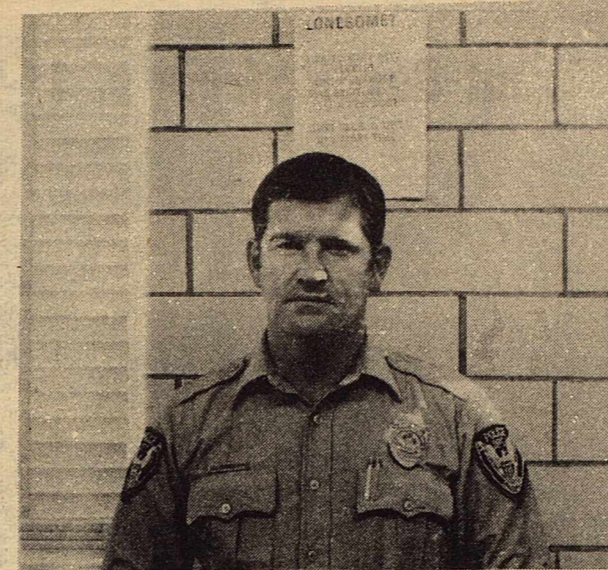
Ladd Turner

Ladd Turner, 26, is the newest addition to the sheriff's department. He joined the force on December 1. Ladd is a native of Sonora. He attended Sonora schools and when in high school he was on the all-district football team, lettered four years and was a mem-

ber of the state track team his senior year. His father is Joe Turner. Ladd was previously employed by Tucker Drilling in San Angelo before moving back to Sonora on October 1. "I've always wanted to be in law enforcement and I was given the opportunity

by Bill Webster, so I took it. "It's an important and exciting job as well as one of the most needed." Ladd added. "After staying away from Sonora awhile, I've found it's a pretty nice place after all. It's my hometown and it's changed a lot, but a lot has stayed

the same. I plan on being here a while," Ladd said. "It's not going to make any difference in the least if my friends get into trouble. They ought to know better and no favoritism will be shown." Ladd said. Turner will be attending certification school after January 1.



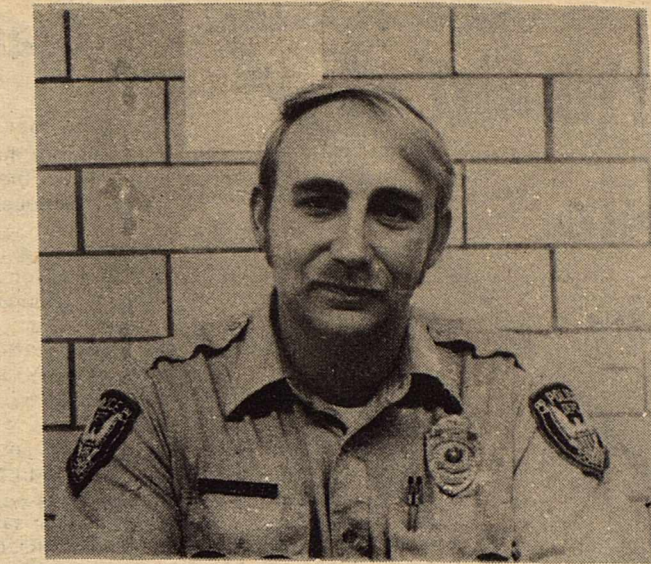
John Journey

John Journey

John Journey, 31, is the newest addition to the police department, having joined it on December 1. John, his wife Brenda, and their three children, David, Cindy, and Kelly moved to Sonora from Uvalde. John worked as a constable there. Journey said that a constable had the same duties as a peace officer. He was the only law officer in Uvalde's Precinct 3, which was the largest in Uvalde

County. Precinct 3 covered from Sabinal to Utopia to Garner State Park. Before working as a constable, John worked as a park peace officer in Garner State Park. The park peace officers enforce the game laws and park rules and regulations. Journey started in law enforcement in 1976 as a patrolman in Uvalde. Journey moved to Sonora because the job had better

pay and because the family liked Sonora. "The kids really like going to school here," John said. John is originally from Uvalde where he attended Uvalde High School and Southwest Texas Junior College. The Journeys plan to join the Baptist Church here. John enjoys hunting, fishing and jogging.



Tom Caldemeyer

Tom Caldemeyer

Tom Caldemeyer, 26, came to Sonora from Castroville, where he worked with the police department there for 23 months.

"I came to Sonora in April 1980, and stayed for nine months. I had to leave because of illness and re-joined the police department here in June, 1981.

"I had an opportunity to be a police officer and I really liked it. It gives me a sense of self-satisfaction. It's not a job everybody can do," Caldemeyer said. "I really like Sonora. It reminds me of my home-

town in Indiana. I know everybody and I know what to expect," Tom said. Tom said that he had an opportunity to go to Houston and decided to come to Sonora for less money instead because of the poten-

tial growth of Sonora. While Tom was in the Air Force he was stationed in several places in Europe. "We built bases from the ground up like contractors.

"My favorite place was Strausberg Germany, a town of about 10-12 thous-

and people," Caldemeyer said. "The hours are long as a police officer, but I like it," Tom said. "I would hate to have to spend all day in an office."

Caldemeyer attended San Antonio College for this police training, which took four months.

"They taught us laws, procedures, survival for life and death situations in which we have split seconds to decide to do and where lawyers take months to decide if what we did was right. But one can never know what to do in a situation like that," Tom said.

What Are Policemen Made of?

by Paul Harvey

Don't credit me with this mongrel prose; it has many parents; at least 420,000 of them: Policemen.

A policeman is a composite of what all men are, a mingling of saint and sinner, dust and deity.

Culled statistics wave the fan over the stinkers, underscore instances of dishonesty and brutality because they are "news." What that really means is that they are exceptional, unusual, not commonplace.

Buried under the froth is the fact: Less than one-half of 1 percent of policemen misfit that uniform.

That's a better average than you'd find among clergymen.

What is a policeman made of? He, of all men, is at once the most needed and the most unwanted.

He's a strangely nameless creature who is "sir" to his face and "fuzz" behind his back.

He must be such a diplomat that he can settle differences between individuals so that each will think he won. But...If the policeman is neat, he's conceited; if he's careless, he's a bum.

If he's pleasant, he's a

flirt; if he's not, he's a grouch.

He must make in an instant decisions which would require months for a lawyer.

But... If he hurries, he's careless; if he's deliberate, he's lazy.

He must be first to an accident and infallible with a diagnosis.

He must be able to start breathing, stop bleeding, tie splints and, above all, be sure the victim goes home without a limp.

Or expect to be sued. The police officer must know every gun, draw on the run, and hit where it doesn't hurt.

He must be able to whip two men twice his size and half his age without damaging his uniform and without being "brutal."

If you hit him, he's a coward; if he hits you, he's a bully.

A policeman must know everything--and not tell. He must know where all the sin is--and not partake.

The policeman must, from a single human hair, be able to describe the

crime, the weapon and the criminal--and tell you where the criminal is hid-

ing. But... If he catches the criminal, he's lucky; if he does not he's a dunce.

If he gets promoted, he

has political pull if he doesn't he's a dullard.

The policeman must chase bum leads to a dead end, take out 10 nights to tag one witness who saw it happen--but refuses to remember.

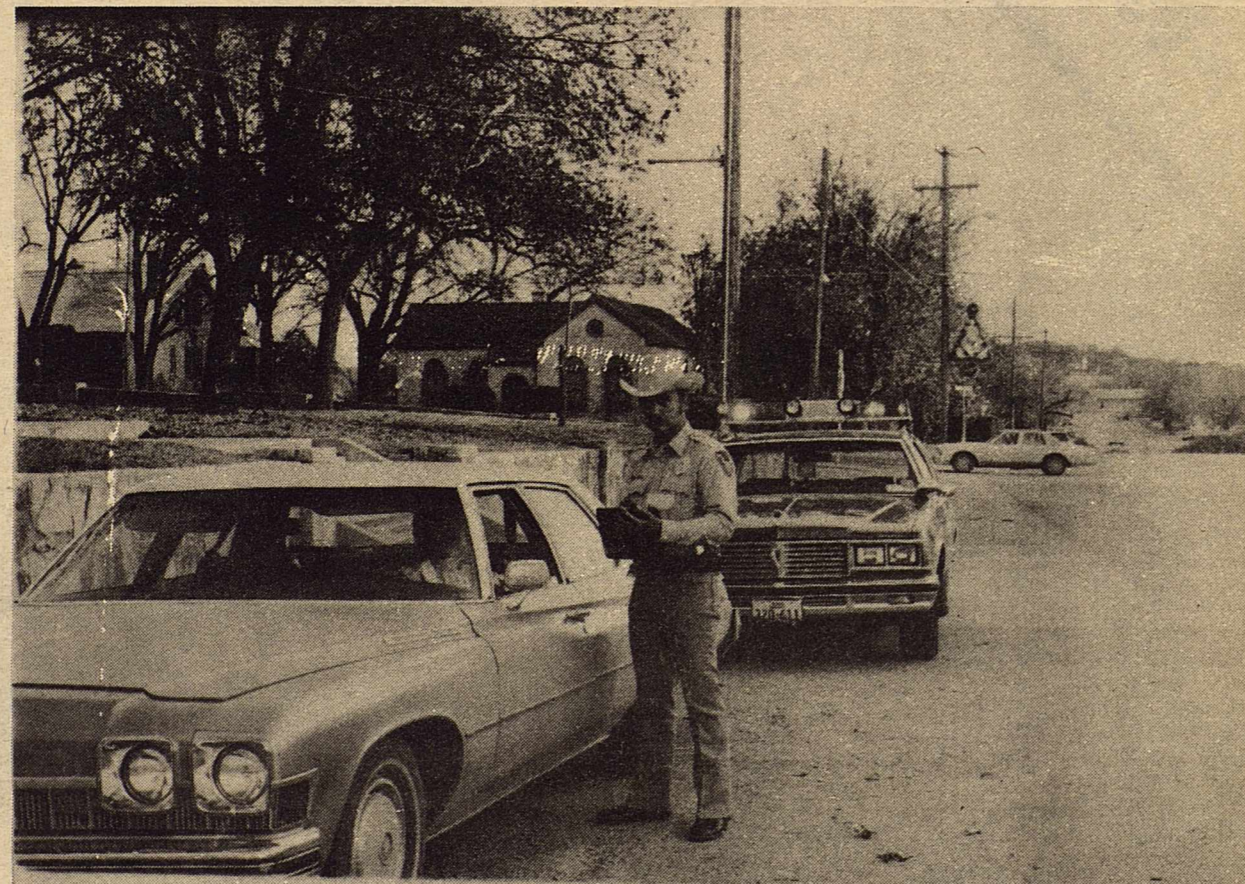
He runs files and writes reports until his eyes ache to build a case against some felon who'll get dealt out by a shameless shamus or an "honorable" who isn't.

The policeman must be a

minister, a social worker, a diplomat, a tough guy, and a gentleman.

And of course he'll have to be a genius...

For he'll have to feed a family on a policeman's salary.



Maxine Locklin

Maxine Locklin-Secretary

Maxine Locklin is the secretary of the police department and a municipal court clerk.

She started working for the police department part-time in June, 1976, and started full time in November, 1976.

Maxine is married to David L. Locklin and has

lived in Sonora since 1941. Maxine is originally from Eureka, Kansas.

She has one son, Billy Bob Ellingson, who works as a budget specialist for the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Billings, Montana. Her stepson, Connie Mack Locklin, works for an architect in New York. Maxine also has a stepdaughter,

Daon Taylor and six grandchildren.

Maxine belongs to the First Christian Church in Eldorado, the Sonora Aglow Bible Study Group, Methodist Women's Groups, is the secretary for the Committee on Aging, and is Worthy Matron of the Easter Star.

"I enjoy this job because

I like working with the public and the boys. It's a rewarding and interesting job and I have a lot of chance to help people in trouble. I love it for that reason," Maxine said.

Her main hobby is singing gospel music and Maxine sings for the senior citizens every Tuesday.

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Craig Mangham

Craig Mangham, 30, has lived in Sonora for seven months and is the newest patrolman stationed in Sonora.

Before coming here, he worked in Jacksonville as a highway patrolman for a little over a year.

Mangham started as a patrolman in 1973 in Silbee, Texas which is north of Beaumont.

"I came to Sonora because I wanted to do criminal work in this part of the country," Craig said.

Craig was raised in Nacogdoches and attended Stephen F. Austin College there.

Craig is a Vietnam veteran and spent one year in Vietnam as a machine gunner.

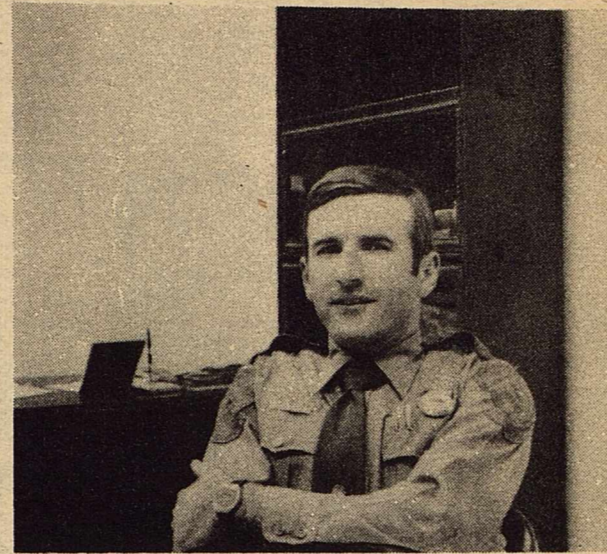
"I wanted to be a police

officer and thought the highway patrol was the best department in the law enforcement field.

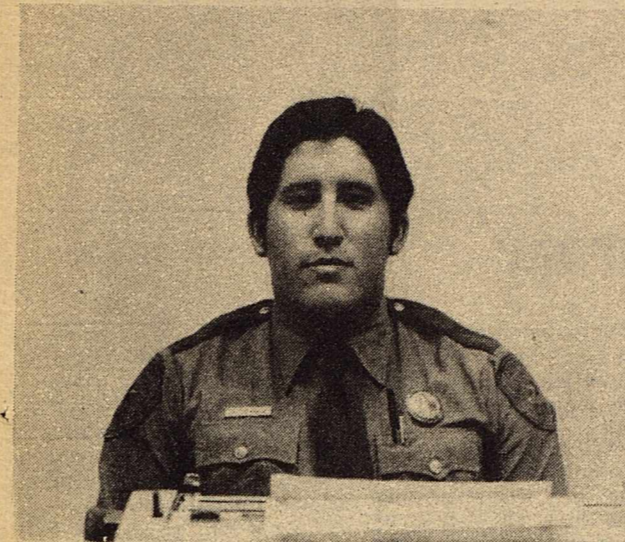
"I like being a highway patrolman because you're mobile - we can go anywhere and there's a lot more activity you can get into," Craig said.

When asked if he ever got discouraged about having to stop people, he replied, "I might get a little angry, but I don't get discouraged. About five percent of the people give us a hard time."

Some of the excuses he has heard include, "The speedometer doesn't work," "My wife has to go to the restroom" and lots of original ones we can't put in the paper," Mangham said.



Craig Mangham



Carlos De La Rosa

Carlos De La Rosa

Carlos De La Rosa, 24, is one of the three DPS in Sonora.

Carlos has been in Sonora since May of 1979. He came here as a rookie.

Carlos got his 60 hours of college, which is one qualification of a highway patrolman, at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde. He holds an Associate Law Enforcement degree.

"This became my ambi-

tion when I was a senior in high school," De La Rosa said.

The number of highway patrolman in a county is determined by the population, the size of the county and the number of roads.

"Our duty is to enforce traffic laws in Sutton County, but our jurisdiction is the state lines," Carlos said.

"We have between six and 15 accidents a month in Sutton County.

"I don't live day-to-day to see the accidents, but it's part of the job," Carlos added.

De La Rosa also said that drugs and alcohol were a big contributor to the number of accidents on the highways.

"I like Sonora because

it's a good area to work in. The other law enforcement officers are good to work with and the local people really appreciate the law enforcement officers," Carlos said.

Carlos' wife, Blanca, is a member of Kappa Gamma and DARE.

Carlos enjoys hunting, fishing and all kinds of sports.

Jim Walker

Jim Walker has been a DPS officer in Sonora for two years and moved to be closer to his hometown, Mason.

Walker worked as a DPS officer in Lubbock for 4 1/2 years before moving to Sonora.

"I grew up around DPS officers for 27 years. My father is a patrolman in Mason and I always wanted to be one," Walker said. Jim went to Texas Tech

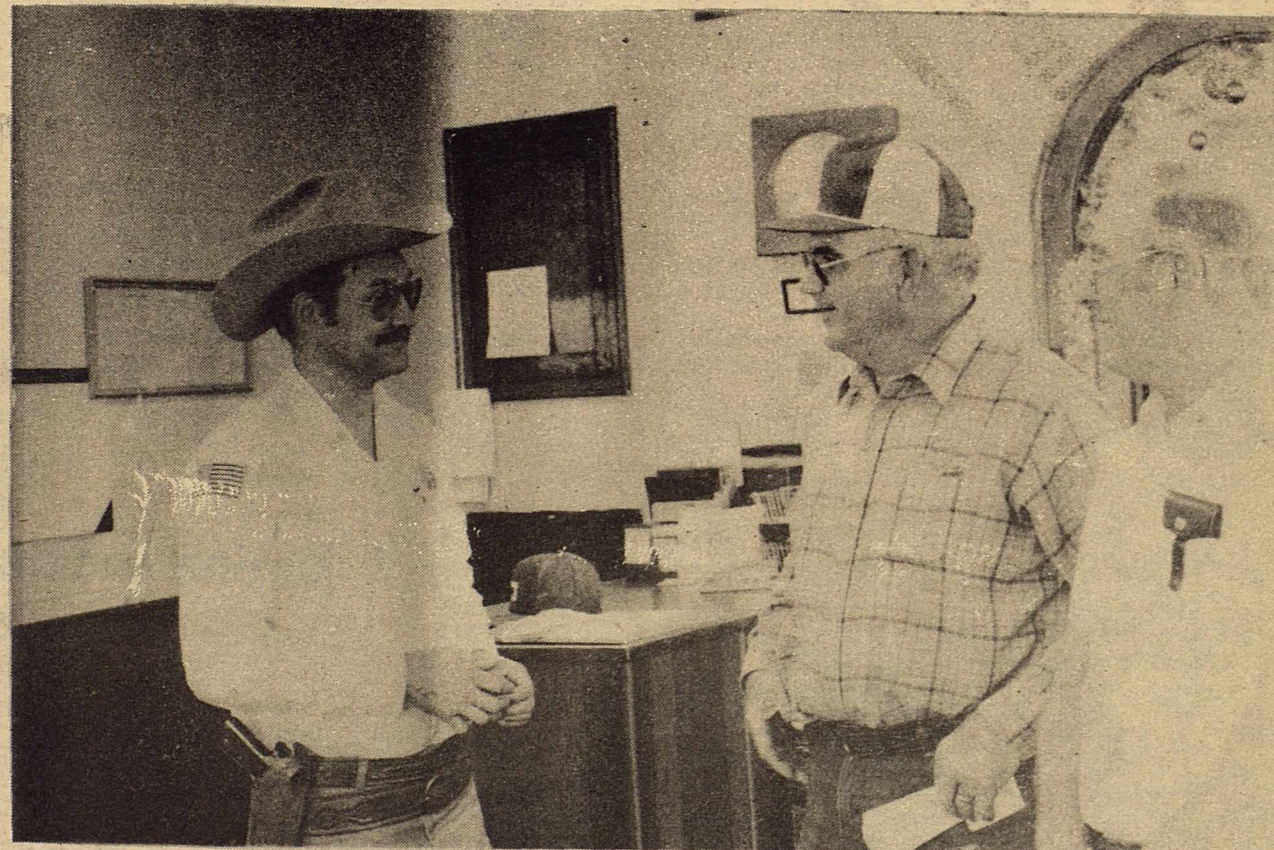
for 3 1/2 years where he studied Animal Production and Ranch Management.

Jim's wife, D'Aun, is a district Clerk at Permian.

"I really like the country around here and the people are friendly just like in Mason," Jim stated.

"I really enjoy working here. Everybody works so close together. This is the best in work situations I've seen.

Jim enjoys hunting and fishing in his spare time.



Jim Walker

Sheriff Department

Joe Fincher

Joe Fincher, as chief deputy, assists the sheriff, takes care of much of the paperwork, and acts as a buffer between the sheriff and other employees.

Fincher came to Sonora in July, 1977, where he went to work for Webster in organizing the police department.

He came from Odessa where he worked with Bill Webster on the Odessa Police Department.

Fincher went to work in February, 1965, as a detective. As a detective, he helped investigate major crimes such as murders and armed robberies.

Fincher came to Sonora

because he wanted to live in a smaller town and didn't want to raise his family in Odessa.

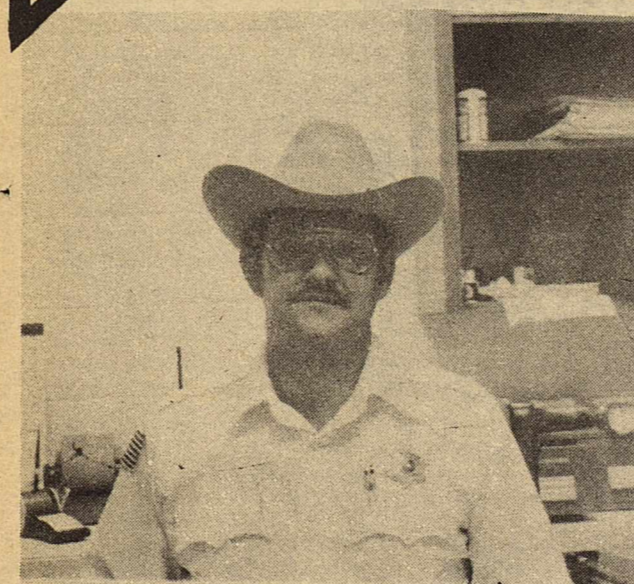
Darla, Joe's wife, works in the office of the hospital. The Finchers have three sons, Ty, Tracy and Tate.

Joe attended New Mexico State for one year where he studied police science.

The Finchers are Baptist and Joe is a member of the

Downtown Lions Club and the Texas Sheriff Association. He is also an avid

fisherman, and enjoys making life miserable for the other officers.



Joe Fincher



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