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Santa Claus Arrives Today

Donna Garvin

Mrs. Claus and Santa's elves have been helping Santa make final arrangements this week for the trip to Eldorado today (Thursday), for the Super Santa Celebration. Santa will be arriving via the SST (Super Santa Transport) at the Eldorado Airport at 4 p.m. Pilot for the SST will be Starley Lenamon.

Santa will lead a parade to the Memorial Building, along with the Eldorado High School Band, under the direction of Wayne McDonald, band instructor. Children may decorate their bicycles and ride in the parade again this year. Anyone else wishing to join in the parade may do so.

The Eldorado Band twirlers will assist Santa in meeting with the children and giving away candy. The twirlers will also help in the drawings for the merchandise and cash donated by the local merchants and residents.

The Schleicher County Progress Council would like to say thank you to the Eldorado Lions Club for donating half of Santa's candy. The other half is provided by the Council.

The colorful posters for the celebration seen in store windows around town were made by the art classes at Eldorado High School under the supervision of art instructor, Mrs. Shirley Jackson.

The following merchants participating in the celebration with boxes for registration of merchandise are as follows: Adobe Mini-Mart, Bar-B-Q House, Casa Arispe, Cathy's, Eagle Dairy Mart, Eldorado Restaurant, First National Bank of Eldorado, Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Company, Hext Foods, Holley House, McCalla's Department Store, Meador-Peters Agency and Meador Land Company, Ren's Beauty Shop, Westerman Drug, Western Auto and H-G Automotive.

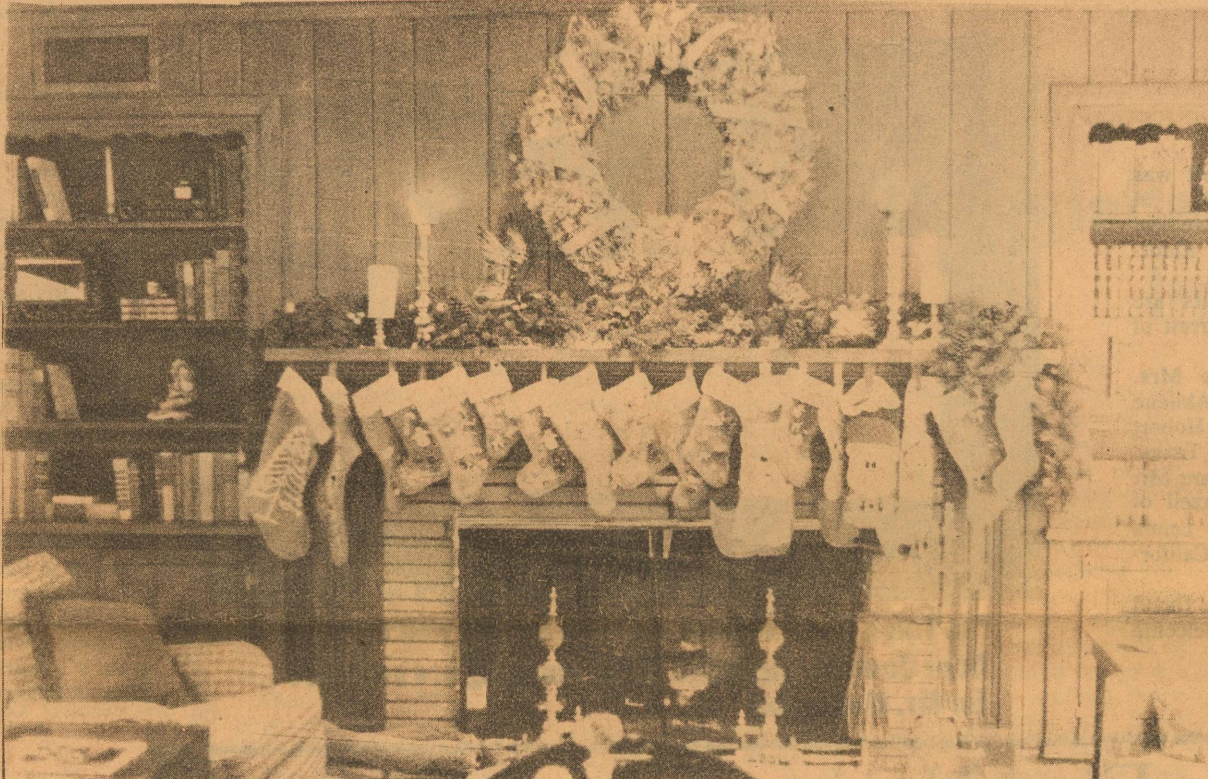
Businesses donating merchandise but will not have boxes, are as follows: Happy's Rock Shop, Kent's Automotive, Kwik Service and Supply, Peggy's Beauty Shop, Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative, Stockton's Barber Shop, Willhoit Texaco Station. After the individual drawings are held, the boxes will be combined for drawings of this mer-

chandise.

Businesses and residents of Eldorado donating cash for cash drawings are as follows: R.L. and Elizabeth Ballew, C.C. Lease Company, C.H. Poyner Construction Co., Dee's Floral and Design, Eldorado Instrument and Controls, Griffin Oil Co., Jackson's Joint Inspection, Jerry's TV, Mobley Exxon, Shaw's

Motel, Top Package Store.

The downtown Christmas decorations should all be working now thanks to the Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative and West Texas Utilities Company for discovering the problem. The Schleicher County Progress Council commends the volunteers for taking the time to find the trouble.



The Page clan is well represented by their stockings which await the arrival of Santa!

Woman's Club Holds Federation Tea

"The past 60 years... A Challenge to the Future" was the theme last Tuesday, for the Eldorado Woman's Club Federation Tea. The program was presented by Mrs. R.D. Johnson.

The Federation Tea was held in the home of Mrs. Tom Ratliff. The ladies discussed the club's past, how it has survived. Former presidents and members were noted for their contribution and friendship through the years.

The table setting was adorned by a cloth made by the late Mrs. Jim Brame and was complimented by Poinsettias which added to the Christmas spirit.

Past presidents of the Woman's

Club were Mrs. Hill, Mrs. S.D. Harper, Mrs. Arch Mittel, and Mrs. J.E. Spence.

Special guests were designated as the club's charter members, past presidents, and the District Executive Board.

Presentation of the guests was made by Mrs. S.D. Harper. She introduced Mrs. W.L. Bankston as District President and Mrs. Arnold Schneeman as Second Vice-President. Heart of Texas district officers present were Mrs. Bonnie Warth, Mrs. Fred Ball, and Mrs. T.J. Bailey.

Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Ratliff, Mrs. L.V. Newport, and Mrs. Jack Griffin.

Kindergarten Sets Party

The Kindergarten Christmas Party will be held on December 19th in the Kindergarten classroom from 1:00 until 2:30 p.m.

Each child will bring a gift. Boys will bring boys' gifts and girls will bring girls' gifts. They will number the gifts and each child will draw a number to determine which gift will be his. If you want to bring a younger brother or sister to the party with you, they are welcome. Please bring a gift for any children you bring so they can enjoy the party, too.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Friday, the 19th. We have sent an invitation to Santa and hope he can make the party too.

K-6 Classes Perform Tuesday

Kindergarten through the sixth grade performed a Medley of Christmas songs for everyone's enjoyment, Tuesday, at 1:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. The Music teacher, Mrs. Jo Parker was in charge of the musical.



Lori Whitaker stretches for the ball in last week's tournament. She was named Eaglet of the week for her performance.

Tour Of Homes Enjoyed By 100

Eldorado's Woman's Club annual event, the "Parade of Homes" was toured last Sunday. Club officers were very pleased with the success of this year's efforts. Around 100 guests registered for the afternoon's festivities.

So, the "Parade of Homes" was well received by Eldorado residents as well as visitors from Ozona, Mertzon and Abilene.

The six Eldorado homes were decorated in Christmas decor and everyone enjoyed entertainment and refreshments throughout the tour.

This year's "Parade of Homes" was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Dan McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Page, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Page, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sykes and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Page.

To these families, the Woman's Club are very grateful, as they expended time and money to make the event possible. They also made the club \$260, which will be appropriated for worthy functions.

True to Christmas form, the home atmosphere was merry and helped radiate holiday spirit.

There were special stops on the tour which highlighted each home. At the first stop, the Mc Whorter's, over 90 people registered for the fun. A ticket could be obtained for \$2.

Rita McWhorter's oil paintings attracted the spotlight. Rita had also placed unique minatures throughout. A novelty twist were the various Christmas dolls which surrounded the Christmas tree.

Door prizes were presented at the

Mc Whorter's. Winners were Mrs. Jewel Baily, Mrs. Nyna Comer of Abilene and Myrle Sudduth.

Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Meador's home was beautifully decorated with wreaths and bows which emitted the scintillating aroma of pine. Rusty's talented organ renditions livened up the crowd. The old Meador home has been refurbished to Rusty's and Dawn's taste.

Modern skylighting added warmth to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Page, Jr. The children's room was a special treat as it carried the theme "Sesame Street" well. The main attraction were "The Little Toy Soldiers."

Stockings were abundant at Paul and Lucy Page's home. Over the mantel hung quite a gathering of stockings for every family member. Obviously, there are no secondary relatives in this household.

The big event at Mr. and Mrs. Paul Page, Sr.'s home were the third, fourth, and fifth grade carolers. The girls, Tammi Parry, Binger Sterling, Lori Marlow, Amy Kitsch and Amy Turner.

A pretty shade of pink bows was used to decorate Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Page's home. To all the Page clan, a big thanks is due.

An unusual front door arrangement was the highlight of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sykes. It seems the pineapple symbolizes hospitality and there it was, over the door, welcoming each guest in natural Eldorado style. Refreshments were served to everyone at the Sykes'.

Fathers Honored At Scout Banquet Last Wednesday

By Becky Jones

The fathers of the Boy Scouts were special guests at their Award Banquet last Wednesday evening, Dec. 10.

Schools Close This Friday

Christmas vacation from school will begin December 19th at 2:30 p.m and will resume on January 6, 1981. Please mark this on your calendar so you won't forget.

Dan Adams, Scout Master and Lynn Meador, Assistant Scout Master were proud to present many awards, including neckerchiefs, specially made for each boy. Each was applied with an eagle and their troop number. They were trimmed with stripes indicating outstanding activities participated in by each individual. The colors of the various stripes were silver, gold, bronze and green.

Other awards presented were merit badges, warrants, and patches for newly appointed duties.

The new patrol leaders are Ron Mittel and John Mitchell. The troop scribe is Wray Crippin and Clint Bumguardner is now the senior patrol leader.

David Doran is now Junior Assistant Scout Master. Said David, "The thing I would like to do more than anything is to be a Scout Master someday." David also received the Instructors Warrant and Patches.

Both John Mitchell and David Doran have now become Life Scouts, the second highest level in Boy Scouting. They will be concentrating on the Eagle Scout level now.

John and David also received a special pin in recognition of Life Scout achievement. This is generally given to the mother of the scout.

During the ceremonies, Paul Adams received the Communication and the Pet Care merit badges. He also accepted the Junior Master Warrant which is only presented to select boys who have been outstanding in their Boy Scout work.

Mitchell Bradley received the Citizenship in the Community merit badge.

John R. Griffin received the Farm Mechanics and the Shotgun and Rifle Shooting merit badges.

Donald Huckabee received the Citizenship in the Community merit badge. To round out the presentations, Rudy Bautista was introduced as a new member.

Dan Adams remarked that Lynn Meador had been the best Assistant Scout Master that he had ever worked with. He added that he appreciated working with him very much.

Stated Mr. Meador, "I believe in what we are trying to achieve and I feel that since all the boys and their fathers also recognize our goals, we can make this something we will all be proud of."

In addition to the awards presented, Paul Adams gave an informative program using slides to illustrate the Philmont Boy Scout Ranch in New Mexico. He also explained how to prepare a back-pack.

The Boy Scouts are looking forward to many rewarding activities in the near future.



(Top) This lovely table setting will soon be filled with loved ones, set to enjoy a turkey dinner.

(Bottom) Carolers sang at Mr. & Mrs. Paul Page's home.





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Dorothy Ratliff Celebrates Birthday

Mrs. Dorothy Ratliff celebrated her birthday on Monday, December 14. A surprise birthday party for her was hosted on that day by Mrs. James Page and Mrs. Ruthie Dacey in the home of Mrs. Page. They served a delicious luncheon to close friends of Mrs. Ratliff. Included in the guest list besides the honoree and the hostesses were Mrs. Sarah Hall, Mrs. Jack Harris, Miss Lillian Kroger, Mrs. Arch Mittel, Mrs. Tom Ratliff, Mrs.

Jerrol Sanders, Mrs. Evelyn Stigler, Mrs. Bobby Sykes, Mrs. Buddy White and Mrs. Damon Wagoner.

Mrs. Ratliff received lovely gifts including several bottles of cologne and boxes of dusting powder. She was teased that she was sure going to smell sweet.

This party was a happy occasion for all who attended.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU AGAIN, DOT!



Sarah Hall, Ruthie Dacy and Dorothy Ratliff (left to right) enjoyed Dorothy's party.

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First Presbyterian Plans Christmas Festival

The First Presbyterian Church will have the Festival of Lights and Carols Sunday, December 21 at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

The program will begin at approximately 6:40 p.m. with an organ concert by Mrs. Maxine Page and Mrs. Debbie Joy.

The Cherub Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Helen Marie Page, will sing "A-way in a Manger". Mrs. Page is assisted by Mrs. Caroline Hight and Mrs. Glenda McCaron.

The adult choir and the Cherub Choir will sing together, "Sing Noel".

The junior and senior high young people will present a living Advent

wreath and a live Nativity scene. Youth directors are Ken Newman and Scott McGregor.

The Posadas, a Mexican custom which tells of Mary and Joseph trying to find a room in Bethlehem, will be acted out by the congregation, choirs, and young people.

After the Festival of Lights and Carols, Santa will meet with the children in the lower level of the church and give away candy and fruit. There will be a pinata for the children and refreshments.

The Christmas Candle-light Communion will be held in the church sanctuary Wednesday, December 24 at 7 p.m.

Extension Notes

Select a Christmas Tree With Care--Select your Christmas tree wisely and give it proper care to make it last throughout the holiday season, advises a forestry specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Buy your trees early for the best selection. Check for signs of needle shedding and brittleness which indicate that the tree has become too dry. At home, cut one to two inches off the base of the tree (at a slant), stand the tree in water and store in shaded area. Once indoors, put the tree in a stand that holds water and check the level often. Place the tree away from all heat sources and use a good lighting system.

Gasoline needs a "Safety Can"---A can labeled Gasoline doesn't mean that it's a safety can. To qualify as an approved "safety can" for gasoline, a can must pass a number of tests conducted by either Underwriter Laboratories (UIL) or the Factory Mutual System (FM). Cans are tested for stability leakage, body strength and other factors, depending on the testing organization. So look for the FM or UIL label when shopping for a gasoline safety can, suggests a safety engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

Winter Pasture Management---Due to the high cost of winter pastures, they need to be managed properly, emphasizes a livestock specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Winter pastures should not be grazed until plants are six to eight inches tall. Stocker steers on good winter pasture should be fed some hay each day. Cows in their last three months of gestation should be kept off winter pastures, but after calving they can be allowed to graze about two hours per head per day. Cows on winter pastures need a high magnesium mineral available free-choice to prevent grass tetany or lactation tetany.

Accident Control---Before trimming your holiday tree, check all electrical decorations for frayed, cracked or worn insulation, including a close check of plugs. Be sure not to overload electrical circuits, and disconnect tree lights before leaving home or retiring for the night, advises the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

Jr. High Favorites

Eldorado Junior High held its annual Christmas party Monday night in the school cafeteria.

Highlight of the evening was the announcement of the class favorites. Chris Woodward and Jennifer Willoughby were chosen as eighth grade favorites. The seventh grade selected Joe

Fuentes and Michelle Kent.

The seventh grade couple received silver identification bracelets, and the eighth graders received gold bracelets.

Following the presentation, the roommothers sponsored a dance for the students.

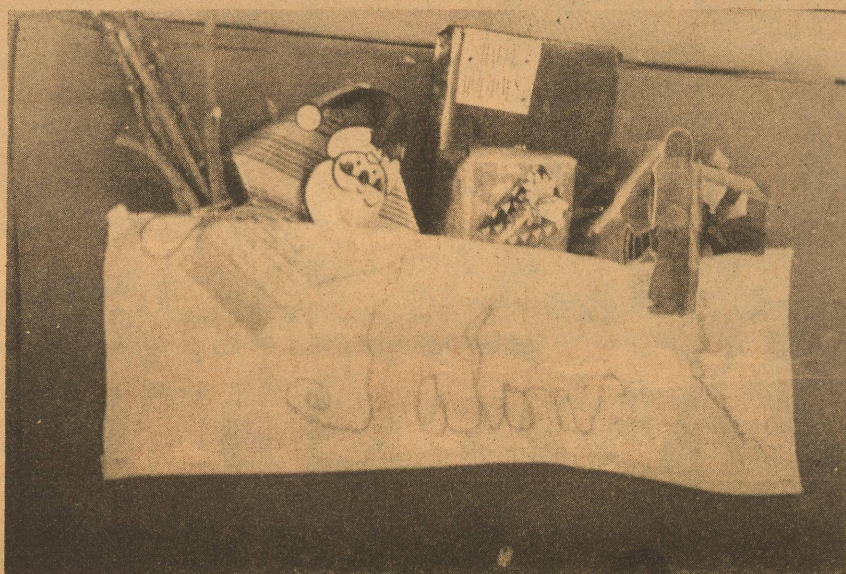
It's A Boy

Micah Seth Jarrett was born December 12, at Schleicher County Medical Center at 5:a.m. in Eldorado.

The proud parents are Gary and Cassie Jarrett of Eldorado.

Grandparents are Mrs. Bobbie Foster of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Brazell of Tye, Texas. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Burt Brazell of Dumas and Mrs. Leona Jarrett of Madera, California.

He had a brother, David and a sister Ada to welcome him home.



The Talon Staff at Eldorado High School won the Christmas Door Contest. Included in the stocking are switches for Mr. McCaron.



Hoping your holiday is wreathed in joy and cheer! Thanks for the bright bloom of your friendship!

Kiddie Korner
 Shelia, Kim, and Caroline

Area Girls Win At 4-H Food Show

Sterling City, Dec. 6 (special)--In the West Central District 4-H Food Show here today, four area girls won the right to compete in the Texas 4-H Food Show at College Station next June.

of Abilene, 2nd, and Joan Schrier of Eldorado, 3rd. Breads and Desserts: Kristi Conder, 1st; Pamela Long of Llano, 2nd, and Lea Weinheimer of Stonewall, 3rd.

The quartet, all seniors in today's show, were Becky Frerich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Frerich 1811 Forest Park in San Angelo; Linda Garvin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sanderson, Star Route, Blackwell.

The results in the four categories of the Junior Division were as follows:

Main Dishes: Glen Martin of Mason, 1st, Rene Stewart of Sterling City, 2nd, and Genese Gray of San Angelo, 3rd.

Also Kristie Conder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sneed of Star Route Blackwell.

Breads and Desserts: Beth Gerngross of Wall, 1st, Tammy Brosig of Paint Rock, 2nd, and Rhonda Lochte of Fredericksburg, 3rd.

The show represented 17 counties in the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

In the Senior Division of the show, winners in the event's four categories were as follows:

Side Dishes: Linette Osbourn of Llano, 1st, Dena Davis of Mertzon, 2nd, and Zane Benson of San Angelo 3rd. Snacks and Beverages: Tina Marsh of Abilene, 1st, Michelle Gardner of Baird, 2nd, and Kim Jost of San Angelo, 3rd.

Main Dishes: Sharon Sneed, 1st, Debbie White

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From The Wingspread

By Brad Thomas

A ray of sunshine from the Land of the Midnight Sun has helped to light Eldorado this year. This sunny, blonde, green-eyed young lady is Mia Kuikko, this year's AFS student from Finland.

Mia finds cowboys as the most fascinating part of Texas. She said that living in Schleicher County is like stepping into one of the western movies she has seen back home. The West Texas scenery, the people

in boots and hats, and their way of speaking is how Mia had pictured Texas before she arrived.

Despite her interest in new friends and a new way of life, Mia misses many things in Finland. Other than her friends and family, the sauna and dark bread are the things she misses most. "Even though I miss much about Finland, I am not homesick."

One American high school tradition was intro-

duced to Mia shortly after her arrival. In October she was elected homecoming queen. When she was nominated, she didn't believe she would win. She was new here and really didn't know anything about homecoming festivities. Although she was flattered, she felt that it really wasn't fair to the other candidates.

"They have lived here much longer than I have, and maybe they have dreamed of growing up and being the homecoming queen."

Back home, Mia was also considered a beauty. Her looks won her several contests and a modeling job for Anna, a Finnish magazine.

Mia entered her first modeling contest because of her mother's encouragement and the fact that she wanted to win a new dress. In her first contest she was picked as one of the top ten who went to Helsinki for the finals where she took first place. She does not plan to make a career out of modeling but plans to do it as a pastime for extra money.

Mia speaks six languages and is working on her seventh. Her English is fairly good, but she giggles in her embarrassment when she makes a mistake. In addition to languages, she has a love of ballet, social dancing and painting.

She enjoys living out in the country with the Duwain Sauer family. She likes the people here in Eldorado because "they are so open and friendly."



Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

The best Christmas gift is the moisture under the trees in the pasture. A good part of the West Texas ranges have muddy conditions and its been that way for weeks now.

Mrs. Jack Herring, Runnels County ranchwoman, says: "We have been wading around in mud for several months now. I have almost forgotten about the dry, hot summer."

Grady Hill came away from Edwards County the other day talking about the wet ground and his deer hunters getting their jeep stuck in mud. "It's just plain hard to believe!" he said.

Aubrey Kothmann believes the autumn moisture has been general in Kimble and Mason counties... "and I guess for the whole Texas Hill country. Our Country looks good and the best part about it is not having to feed everyday."

Willard Jordan, in San Angelo waiting around the mail while his wife shopped expressed the same sentiments. (Oh, yes, I was standing around too while my wife shopped.) Jordan who operates an auction market in Junction says runs have been lighter indicating stockmen are holding onto livestock with good pasture grass available.

Bode Owens of Barnhart

states "between good slow, soaking moisture and snow, his country is in top shape. "Lad Linticum told me he measures 2 1/4 inches of moisture just the other day," commented Owens. "I had already turned my rain gauges over before the frost, so I had no idea how much rain we received."

Earl Barr of Ballinger thinks "we are in good shape for spring. We have experienced some good moisture and few real cold days and nights which will make the grass weeds grow."

W.F. Houston of Paint Rock says Concho County is in good shape and the moisture has indeed brought Christmas early for the farmers and ranchers. "The continued rain has delayed about 40 percent of the cotton harvest in some areas, however."

Dan Dunagan of Eldorado, trying to find a parking place for his pickup and trailer in front of M.L. Leddy Boot Shop the other day, hollered as I crossed the street. It was raining that day as he said it was when he left home.

So, old Santa Claus may not have snow to land on when he gets to West Texas this year, but we can almost promise him some mud and grass for sure!

Chemical Weed Control

Along County Roads—Herbicides can drastically reduce the cost of controlling weeds and brush along county road rights-of-way, points out an economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. When comparing mechanical methods of weed and brush control with the use of chemicals, savings ranged from more than \$1,000 in a Washington County precinct to more than \$62,000 in a Wharton County precinct. These savings resulted mainly from reduced labor and fuel use when only herbicides were used.

Extension Officials Help With Community Development—Extension educators in community development keep abreast of what's happening across the nation so they can work more effectively with local leaders to solve community problems. Extension community development program aimed at increasing the level and improving the quality of living, particularly in rural areas, notes a community development leader with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Population charges trigger munity services and facilities.

Mrs. McDonald Offers Thanks

A special thanks to all the many friends that did many things to help me while I was in the hospital. I received so many sweet cards, gifts, visits, prayers and

other things which I surely appreciated. I am thankful we have a good hospital, doctor, and nurses. They were so good to me. Thanks again to all.

Mrs. Royce McDonald



MERRY CHRISTMAS

We wish you a cheerful holiday season.



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Golf Club Holds Christmas Party

The Eldorado Golf Club held its annual covered dish Christmas Party and installed new officers last Wednesday in the golf club house.

New officers are: Pete Peters, president; Bill Freitag, vice-president; Mrs. Ina Lambert, secretary-treasurer; E.E. Williamson, Juanita Taylor, Winston 'Buster' Lamb, and

Dick Preston, two-year board members. Other board members are Britt Poynor, E.E. 'Andy' Anderson, W.L. Kinser, Melissa O'Harrow and Billy Gene Edmiston.

Sid Rogge was hired as new caretaker for the golf course.

Approximately 33 attended the function.

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Reflections

5 years ago—Dec. 18, 1975...Third grader Duwain Moody articulately wrote to Santa Claus. "Dear Santa Claus, My dady was a new belt and a rug. My mother wats a new vackum and a new talbe. My sister wats sum new shoes and a T.V. Your frienb, Duwain Moody."

10 years ago—Dec. 17, 1970...Keith Williams was presented Mr. EHS and Dana Walker was Miss EHS, as the high school Christmas party was held. Funeral services were held in the Catholic Church for Pedro Alvaradi who died at 104 years.

Gail Robinson made All-District Band at the meet held in Lampassas.

17 years ago—Dec. 19, 1963...Leslie Baker was elected president of the First National Bank to succeed the recently deceased

Ed Hill. Jo Ed Hill was elected vice president. At the high school Christmas party, Joan Griffin was named Miss EHS and Mack McAngus was Most Popular Boy.

The Eagle cage team selected Lynn Meador and Richard Preston as captains.

55 years ago—Dec. 18, 1925...Ed Finnigan had sold his 640 acre stockfarm 12 miles northeast of Eldorado to C.W. Haynes, and had bought the E.B. Ross ranch five miles north of town.

At a Buckner Orphan's Home program at the Baptist church, music was rendered by a male quartet consisting of J.W. Whitten, W.T. Whitten, E.W. Brooks, and W.O. Alexander. Maggie Lee Isaacs and Isabelle Isaacs gave a violin duet.

WTBS Movie Schedule

Wednesday, Dec. 17
7:00 p.m. Movie: Beneath the Twelve Mille Reef 1953 adventure.
10:30 p.m. Movie: Ten Little Indians 1965 mystery
12:30 a.m. Movie: Five Miles to Midnight 1963 mystery.
2:40 p.m. Movie: City for Conquest 1940 drama
Thursday, Dec. 18
7:00 p.m. Movie: Hardcase 1971 drama.
11:45 p.m. Movie: You're a Big Boy Now 1966 comedy.
1:45 a.m. Movie: A Kiss in the Dark 1949 comedy.
3:40 a.m. Movie: Submarine D-1 1937 adventure.
Saturday, Dec. 20
7:30 a.m. Movie: Joe Dakota 1957 Western
9:00 a.m. Movie: Pickwick 1954 adventure.
11:00 a.m. Movie: Inn of the Sixth Happiness 1958 drama.
2:30 p.m. Movie: Roots of Heaven 1958 adventure.
Sunday, December 21
9:30 a.m. Movie: Egyptian 1954 drama-religious.
12:30 p.m. Movie: Alfie 1966 drama.
3:00 p.m. Movie: Lives of Jenny Dolan 1975 drama
11:30 p.m. Movie: Deception 1946 drama.
1:55 a.m. Movie: That Certain Woman 1937 drama.
Monday, Dec. 22
Movie: Duel in the Jungle 1957 adventure.
10:30 p.m. Movie: Which Way Is Up Comedy
1:10 a.m. Movie: Peking Blonde 1967 drama.
2:50 a.m. Movie: Secret Man 1958 mystery.
Tuesday, Dec. 23
10:30 p.m. Movie: None But The Brave 1965 adventure.
12:40 a.m. Movie: Garden of the Finzi-Continis 1971

Now that the 1980 election is over, pollsters have explained away their failures to predict the outcome much less the landslide, and political pundits have told us all about what the results mean for the future. The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association wants to throw in its two cents' worth.

Whoa now, hold on. We're not going to bore you with yet another analysis of what happened in the big races and why. Personally, we think that's refreshingly obvious. We'd like instead to give you a recap of what may have been one of the most surprising—and little-recognized—contests on the ballot (the Texas ballot, that is.)

Boiled to the bare bones, Texas city dwellers voted to let their cousins use public equipment for private road work. That is incredible.

When you come right down to it, the fact that such a question even made it on the ballot is incredible. Before we go any further, we'd like to say for the record that it confirms our

faith in the American system, the majority of the people can make the right decision, even when most of them aren't thought to fully understand the issue.

Let's look at it in a little more depth.

For years, many West Texas counties have followed the legally questionable practice of allowing their road crews to work on private roads. Generally, it was a case of have-to—there simply weren't enough private contractors around to do the work at any price. Usually there was some sort of equitable compensation involved, landowners supplied convenient caliche pits for county use, etc. But compensation or not, the trade-off was essentially illegal.

Oh, there were some statutes allowing the practice, but legal beagles insist most or all of them stayed on the books only because they hadn't yet been tested in court and declared unconstitutional.

Terrell County commissioner. During that time he did what was necessary in regard to private roadwork, figuring all the time that someone would eventually

raise a stink.

When he left the commissioners' court, he decided to do something about the "damned if you do, and damned if you don't" situation he and fellow commissioners had been laboring under. His first step was to discuss the problem with Texas Rep. Susan McBee, Del Rio. Her research indicated that the only thing to do was seek an amendment to the Texas Constitution.

Considering the political realities, that was something akin to asking New York City to help pay off the national debt. The cities, after all, held the reins, and no one in their right mind would expect them to agree to what might easily be misinterpreted as a "freebie" for "big, rich" West Texas ranchers.

That just goes to show you what raising sheep and goats will do to your mental processes—Harkins and McBee forged ahead, joined by TS&GRA, various other agricultural groups, and organizations ranging from independent bankers to county judges and commissioners.

If the apparent hopelessness of all this hasn't

already sunk in, you might reflect that it takes a two-thirds majority of both houses of the Legislature to pass an amendment. Furthermore, there were nearly 200 amendments introduced in the 1979 session—of which only a dozen survived.

The road work bill, House Joint Resolution 121 sponsored by McBee, was one of them. She'll be the first to tell you that the only reason it made it was that country people took the pains to appear at committee hearings in Austin. They worked hard to tell their story—and they convinced an impressive number of urban legislators that the amendment was necessary. She also credits many of those urban legislators themselves for helping to carry the ball.

Then came the tough part—convincing a majority of voters to ratify the measure. Convincing a majority of urban voters actually, because that's where the vote was.

It didn't help that the ballot wording—which had to be written and passed along with the bill— inadvertently failed to mention

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ASCS Office Taking Wool Incentive Applications

Price supports of \$1.35 per pound for wool and \$3.718 per pound for mohair for the 1981 marketing year have been announced by a U.S. Department of Agriculture official.

According to Ray Fitzgerald, administrator of USDA's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, each support price is 72.2 percent of parity and compares with 1980 support prices of \$1.23 for wool and \$2.903 for mohair.

Fitzgerald said pulled wool will continue to be supported at a level comparable to the support price for shorn wool through payments on unshorn lambs.

"As in past years, shorn wool payments will be based on a percentage of each producer's returns from sales," Fitzgerald said. The percentage will be that required to raise the national average price received by all producers for shorn wool in 1981 up to the support price of \$1.35 a pound. Currently shorn wool prices are averaging about 90 cents per pound.

Any mohair payments will be calculated in a manner similar to wool. "However," Fitzgerald said, "mohair payments for 1981 probably will not be necessary as it appears that the average price received by producers in the open market may be higher than the support price."

The Schleicher County ASCS Office is taking wool incentive applications. Be sure to bring any sales documents as needed.

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Eldorado to Receive Additional GTE Services

A giant service improvement program involving millions of dollars, hundreds of new employees, revamped training programs and earlier conversion dates on some installations has been inaugurated by General Telephone Company of the Southwest, according to Rex Bailey, vice president-marketing and customer service.

Bailey said programs to provide customers new and expanded services are a continuing activity at GTSW; however, the accelerated program now underway was inaugurated to comply with the Texas Public Utility Commission directive to improve service issued late last summer.

"Prior to the Commission order in August, the company was working diligently to provide acceptable service while keeping rates at the lowest possible level," Bailey said. "The Commission order made it clear the company's effort was not acceptable so our service improvement plans were expanded and expedited to meet the PUC order."

Bailey summarized the revised companywide service improvement program, which is being reviewed daily within the company and monthly with the Commission staff as follows:

A commitment has been made to use whatever resources are necessary to improve the quality of service...whether those resources are human or financial. This amounts to millions of dollars and is being done with the support of GTSW parent company, General Telephone & Electronics Corporation.

Over 750 new switching technicians and installation and repair personnel are being added to the 1980-81 employee budget.

Large telephone cables are being put "under pressure" which will reduce service interruptions caused by moisture seeping into cables. This is expected to take a maximum of one year.

A Direct Distance Dialing auditing team is auditing all GTSW DDD offices to identify service problem. The auditing team is backed up by two special crews who are correcting the problems found by the auditing team. This three-pronged effort—a DDD auditing team, special crews to correct troubles found and additions to the switching crews in electromechanical offices—are expected to bring noticeable improvement in DDD switching service.

By 1985, 50 percent of GTSW customers will be served by electronic equipment which provides reliable service with fewer moving parts and less maintenance. These replacements, in concert with expanding maintenance in electromechanical, labor intensive offices until they can be replaced, are expected to bring service to an acceptable level.

An accelerated program has already begun to put into service new trunks (conversion paths between switching offices; at an earlier date than originally scheduled. This will reduce to an acceptable level the fast busy tone customers sometimes receive when calling between offices where shortages of talking paths exist.

Training programs have been revamped and rescheduled to accommodate the newly hired technicians. With the influx of new technicians, the promotion of existing employees to supervisory level jobs and other factors, the experience level of the average employee has been reduced; however, the expanded and intensified training programs are expected to make new employees more productive more quickly.

A careful review of administrative functions, reports and reporting lines has been implemented to assure that all company practices are being followed and reports are being made in accordance with company standards.

Bailey describes these efforts as the major ones being made to assure that service levels are brought to a level satisfactory to customers and the PUC, adding that the local employee teams are also implementing actions to assure that customer service needs are being met.

"I want our customers to know that we appreciate their patience as we expedite these services improvements, hire and train new employees and keep pace with the rapid growth that the Sun Belt is enjoying," Bailey emphasized.

"It takes time to fully implement such a massive companywide service improvement program. Service levels are already trending significantly upward, but even better service should be evident when the full impact of the improvement program is felt before the end of next year."

Jim Simmons is plant supervisor for Eldorado and surrounding areas. He will be adding two new men to the Eldorado office.

There will be a switching operator to accelerate GTE's office equipment. Another customer service man will be moving to Eldorado sometime soon.

CANCER ANSWER LINE

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ANSWERline: After removal of the voice box (the larynx) approximately 65 percent of patients can communicate again by a technique known as esophageal speech. Using this method, air is trapped in the upper part of the esophagus (a tube leading to the stomach) and is immediately forced back up through the throat. As the air passes the narrow throat muscles, it is made to pulsate. This pulsation produces a sound which can be formed into words with the tongue, lips, teeth and palate. While the majority of laryngectomies learn esophageal speech, some use a mechanical device to produce a voice. Some people rely on a combination of esophageal speech and mechanical aids.

Question: "I've tried to quit smoking cigarettes several times and have failed. What can you suggest?"

ANSWERline: You may benefit from the support and encouragement of others in your quest for a healthier life free of the cigarette habit. Your local American Cancer Society staff and volunteers can help with practical suggestions that have worked for successful "quitters." The ACS Unit in your community may be able to reserve a place

for you in a quit smoking clinic. Meanwhile congratulate yourself for trying to quit. That's the first step towards your goal.

Question: "Are there differences in the way that cancer occurs from one country to another?"

ANSWERline: Yes. Some forms of cancer are more prevalent in one country than another. For example, Japan has an extremely high rate of stomach cancer while in the U.S. stomach cancer is one of our less common forms of cancer. Central and South American nations have high rates of cervical cancer, whereas the rate for this kind of cancer is extremely low in Israel. Just why certain forms of cancer occur more frequently in some countries but not in others is a puzzle that cancer research is trying to unravel. Differences in lifestyle, including aspects of diet, are being explored.

Do you have further questions? Call your local unit of the American Cancer Society or call M. D. Anderson Hospital & Tumor Institute's Cancer Information Service, 1-800-392-2040 toll-free in Texas, 792-3245 in the Houston area.

PUC Approves WTU Increase For Dec. 15

The Public Utility Commission of Texas has approved a settlement agreement which authorizes West Texas Utilities Company to raise its rates, effective December 15.

The agreement was reached by WTU and a number of intervenors, including 15 cities in its service area, after several days of negotiations. Stipulations in the settlement were based almost entirely on recommendations of the PUC staff.

The compromise agreement will amount to an average increase of 6.2 percent in WTU's rates, compared to the 8.27 percent requested in an application filed by WTU September 30. The amount allowed is almost the same as the company's only previous rate increase which was implemented in 1973.

The increase in annual revenue will amount to \$9,547,192, compared to the \$12,729,691 the Company had requested.

The new rates will go into effect automatically in unincorporated areas and in 26 cities which had denied the increase and had their cases appealed to the PUC. The other 55 incorporated

cities in the WTU service area had suspended action on the rates and are expected to approve the PUC's decision.

Eldorado is one of the towns which denied. The new rates will vary for different customer classifications, based on cost of operations for each class. Residential customers will pay 6.6 percent more, commercial customers 1.1 percent more, industrial customers 9.4 percent more and municipals 20.8 percent more.

The new residential rate is 4.54 cents per kilowatt hour, compared to the present average of 4.26 cents. This means the average residential customer, who presently uses 702 kilowatt hours per month, will see his bill increase from \$29.94 to \$31.90.

Leroy Reeves local manager said the Company is generally satisfied with the outcome of the rate case, although the settlement is for considerably less than has been sought.

"We are pleased that WTU and our customers were able to settle on a friendly basis without getting involved in a lengthy and costly hearing," he said.



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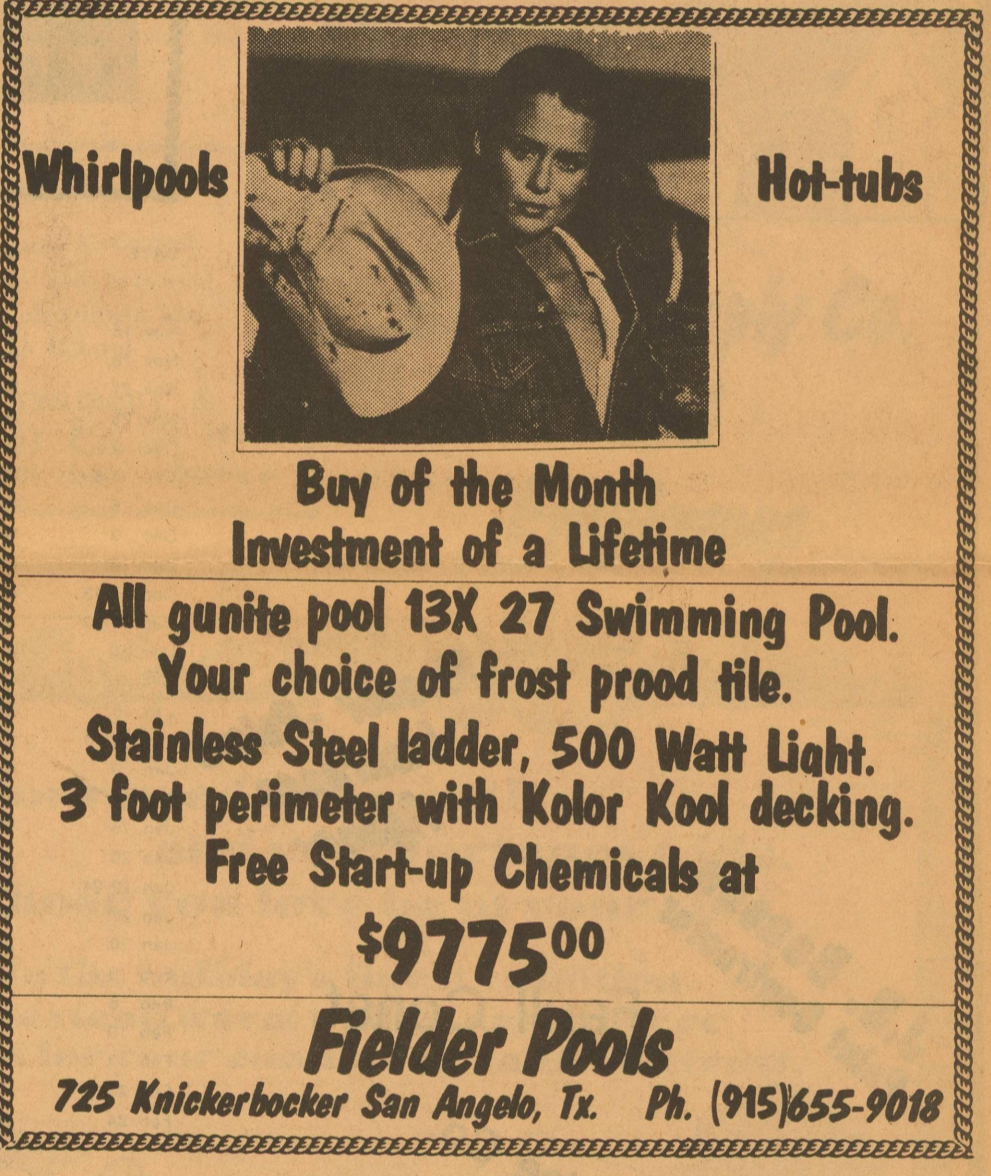
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				V.	J.V.	FR.	V.	J.V.	FR.
Nov. 15	Sonora	There	5:00				x	x	x
Nov. 18	Rankin	Here	6:30				x	x	
Nov. 21	Sonora	Here	5:00	SCRIMMAGE			x		x
Nov. 25	Rankin	There	5:00	x	x		x		
Dec. 2	Iraan	There	5:00	x			x	x	
Dec. 4-6	Sonora Tourney						x		
Dec. 5	Brady	There	5:00	x	x	x			
Dec. 9	Wall	Here	6:00				x	x	
Dec. 9	Ozona	There	5:30			x			
Dec. 11-13	Ozona Tourney			x					
Dec. 11-13	Iraan Tourney						x		
Dec. 16	Junction	There	6:00				x	x	
Dec. 16	Ozona	Here	5:30		x	x			
Jan. 6	Ozona	Here	4:00	x	x		x	x	
Jan. 8-10	Eldorado Tourney						x		
Jan. 9	Sonora	There	5:00	x	x	x			
Jan. 13	Menard	There	5:00	x			x	x	
Jan. 16	Reagan Co.	There	4:00	x	x		x	x	
Jan. 20	Mason	Here	5:00	x	x		x		
Jan. 22-24	Eldorado J.V. Tourney						x		
Jan. 27	Wall	There	4:00	x	x		x	x	
Jan. 30	Junction	Here	4:00	x	x		x	x	
Feb. 3	Ozona	There	5:00	x	x		x	x	
Feb. 6	Menard	Here	5:00	x	x		x		
Feb. 10	Reagan Co.	Here	4:00	x	x		x	x	
Feb. 13	Mason	There	5:00	x			x	x	
Feb. 20	Wall	Here	6:00	x	x				
Feb. 24	Junction	There	6:00	x	x				

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Eagles Prep for District

by Dave Fielder
The Eldorado Eagles prepared themselves toward District 9-2A competition during the 50th Ozona Tourney last weekend. The Eagle posted a big win over the Mason Punchers before being ousted by Ozona in the second round.

EH played inspired ball against the Punchers to win that one, 60-48. Coach Chalmers is optimistic about his guys and hopes to have them "cooking" by the time their first district game rolls around after the Christmas holidays. The Eagle cagers will resume action against Ozona on Jan. 6.

ing the way in rebounds and points. Against Mason he hit 20 with Senior Keith McCormack not doing so bad, either, pouring in 18. Junior Greg Davidson had a hand in the winning effort by scoring 10.

Joel Robledo puffed up with his career high 8 points. Brame, Montalvo, and Wallis finished the scoring for the varsity.

But things fell apart in their second game so the Lions of Ozona clawed the talons off the Eagles. They seemed to self-destruct with the aid of alot of missed shots. A shooting flop of 30% will usually sink most teams.

Wilson was held in check with only two points. McCormack maintained his tyle with 14 and Davidson was consistent as ever with 11. Additional scorers in the Ozona game were Brad Thomas, 4; Montalvo and Jackson, 2. Robledo was deflated to three points.

The Eagles did manage 12 of 23 for 52% from the freethrow line. A big third quarter sewed up the contest for Ozona, however.

Coach Chalmers plans more weights, running, and practice over the holidays. If these guys stay on the right track he is confident they will achieve a positive season.

The varsity will be at home on Jan. 6 to face Ozona for more important district rematch.

Several players contributed to the fine shooting percentage which pleased Coach Chalmers so much. Of course, an impressive 66% would please most. The aggressive Eagles also gathered up 32 turnovers during the second half after dropping back into a productive zone press.

There were three players in double figures with Wesley Wilson again lead-

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Claude Galbreath

In Memory of My Precious Alan

You were so young, when God called you home,
You had many plans, at age twenty-one.
But the things you wanted, were not in God's plan.

He wanted you for something special, in that other land.
What his reason was, we do not know.
But we must not let our heartaches show.
Life must go on, and we need to smile
For we will understand in a little while.

We must live our life the best we can
Just like you did, You were such a man.
You told me once, when death came near,
"You didn't realize all the things that you held dear

And many didn't get a second chance to live.
But you did and all you had was love to give."

You gave love freely to everyone.
You were such a loving son.
You have a special place in heaven,
I know.

And some day when God gets ready for me to go,
I just hope my Heavenly Father thinks me worthy to join you my son,
and my darling daughter.

In Memory of Gail and Pete Whitten
A light from our home is gone
The voices we loved are stilled.
A place is vacant in our hearts,
That never can be filled.
Tho some may think you are forgotten
Tho on earth you are no more.

In memory you are with us,
As you always were before.
We Miss You So. Your Mom, Nadine Bell.



Eaglettes in action--Kara Homer, the only senior on the varsity presses the opposition. Lori Patton is ready, but Lori Whitaker snoozes.

J.V. and Freshmen Travel to Ozona

The J.V. and freshmen also tried Ozona teams last week. They were just as successful. Both lost. The J.V. came close at 42-48. Leading scorers were Niblett, Griffith, and Griffin with 13, 12, 10 respectively. Pina scored 5, plus Fay's 2. The Ozona pulled away from the Eagles with whom they were tied at the half.

The Freshmen were drilled by still another den of Lions, 54-33. Coach Craig Bessent took only seven players to contest the Lion roster.

Brame managed 10, followed closely by Bumgauder 9, and Phillips 8.

The J.V. and freshmen travel to Sonora on Jan. 9, after the holidays.



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Jr Highs In Action

by Scoop Crase
The Junior High girls basketball team came away with a hard fought victory Thursday against the scrappy Wall Hawks. In the nip and tuck battle, the two teams were deadlocked at the half, 10-10. The final two quarters proved decisive as the Eaglettes outscored their opponents 12-8, making the final tally 22-18. High scorers for the Eaglettes were Stephanie Field who bombed in 10 and Jennifer Willoughby who added 8.

The 7th and 8th grade boys also squared off against Wall Thursday.

The 7th grade Eagles pulled off a narrow 19-18 victory behind the hot shooting of Jimmy Tuberville and Mike Belman who pumped in 8 and 4 respectively. The first half found the Eldorado youngsters down 10-5 but they charged back with 14 in the final period to cinch the win.

The 8th grade Eagles weren't so fortunate in their match. A slow start by the young cagers proved to be their undoing. They came away with only 5 points in the first half while the Hawks fired in 11. In the second half the Eagles

came out slow but managed to keep the scoring for the half even with 10. The 6 point margin from the first 2 stanzas proved to be the margin of victory for the Hawks. Eagle scorers included Chris Woodward and Eloy Martinez who shot in 12 points.

Over the weekend the 7th grade Eagles came away with a 2nd place in the Ozona Tournament. The boys' first two victims were Sanderson, who they trounced 28-10, and Big Lake, who they defeated 35-26. This winning streak finally came to a screaming halt when they came up against the host team, Ozona. The margin of victory for Ozona came in large measure at the bonus line where they made 10 of 23 while Eldorado only came up with 5 of 11. Martinez and Tuberville were the Eagles' high scorers with 10 and 6 respectively. The final tally in the contest was Ozona 34- Eldorado 29.

Coach Baker and Coach Leifester's teams won't hit the courts until after the holidays when they tangle with the Mason Punchers on January 5th.

Eaglettes Impressive at Iraan Tourney

by Dave Fielder
While the EHS boys were hapless versus Ozona, the Eaglettes mirrored their performance. The varsity and J.V. both participated in the Iraan Tournament.

Ozona immediately dropped the Eaglette varsity into the losers' bracket with a 42-32 win. They led 16-8 at the half and a lack of offense stymied the girls.

Leading scorers were Lori Patton and Kara Homer with 10 apiece.

The Eaglettes came back to life against Iraan, hostesses for the event, in the second game. They swished by them 34-27.

It took an 18-5 fourth quarter surge to put the Eaglettes into the consolation game against Rankin.

Patton was tops with 14, followed by Lori Whitaker with 6, and Linda Gentry with 4. Whitaker and Patton both bowed out with five fouls.

The consolation game was won by forfeit as the Rankin contingent took off for their football team's state championship.

The J.V. got off to a better start by getting a little revenge on Ozona. The Eaglettes won their opening contest 46-27.

Julie Cash led scoring as usual with 10. Gina Patton and Amy Heald added 8 each.

The win pitted the girls against Iraan. In a close game in which EHS trailed 19-8 at the half. Victoria

Powell was tops with 10 points. Cash was good for 8, while Steph. Thomas and Held had 6 each.

The final score was 36-32 and put the Eaglettes against Ft. Stockton in the championship game. The Eaglettes fell in this one 34-29.

Their second place effort was led by Cash with 8. Davina Vannett had 5, while Thomas, Shanna Swift, and Powell each had 4.

Congratulation goes to the J.V. for the winning style of play. The Eaglettes will play Ozona at home on Jan. 6.



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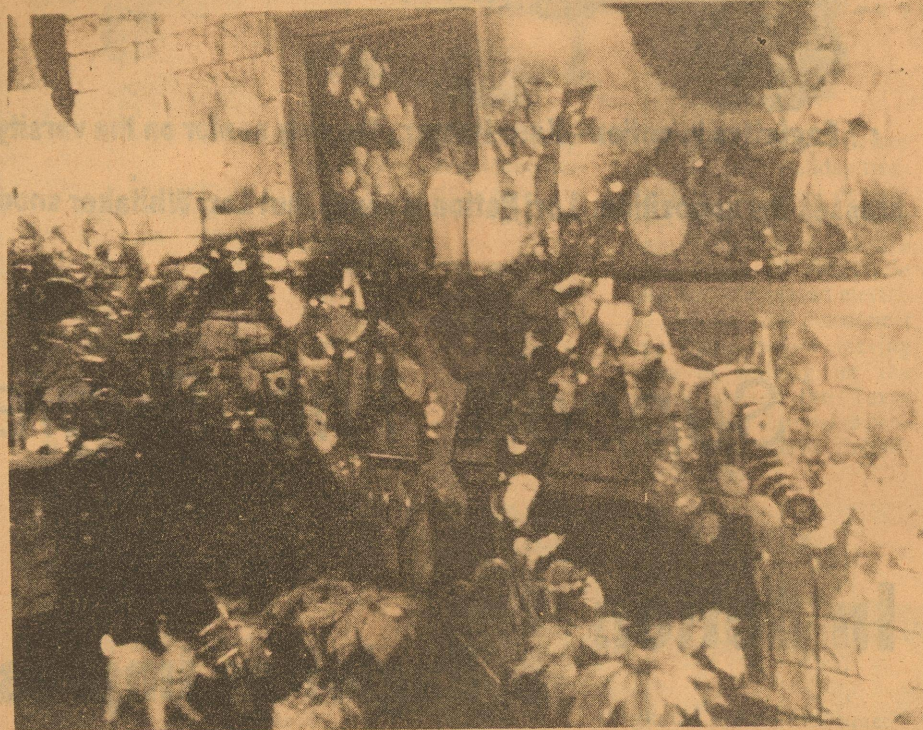
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Tuesday, Dec. 16th

Beef Tacos with Cheese
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Lettuce & Tomato Salad
Cornbread
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Wednesday, Dec. 17th

Hot Dogs with Chili
Potato Rounds
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Thursday, Dec. 18th

Fried Chicken & Gravy
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Friday, Dec. 19th

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Monday, Dec. 15th

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Tuesday, Dec. 16th

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Wednesday, Dec. 17

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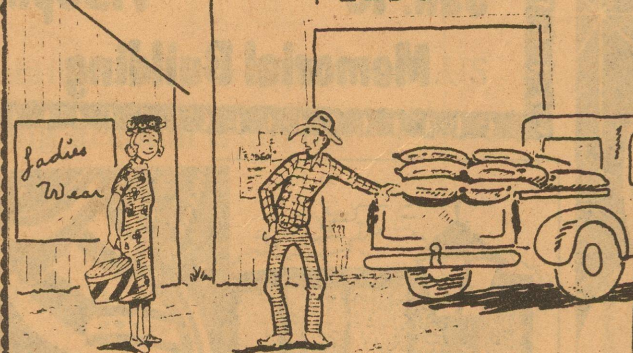
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