

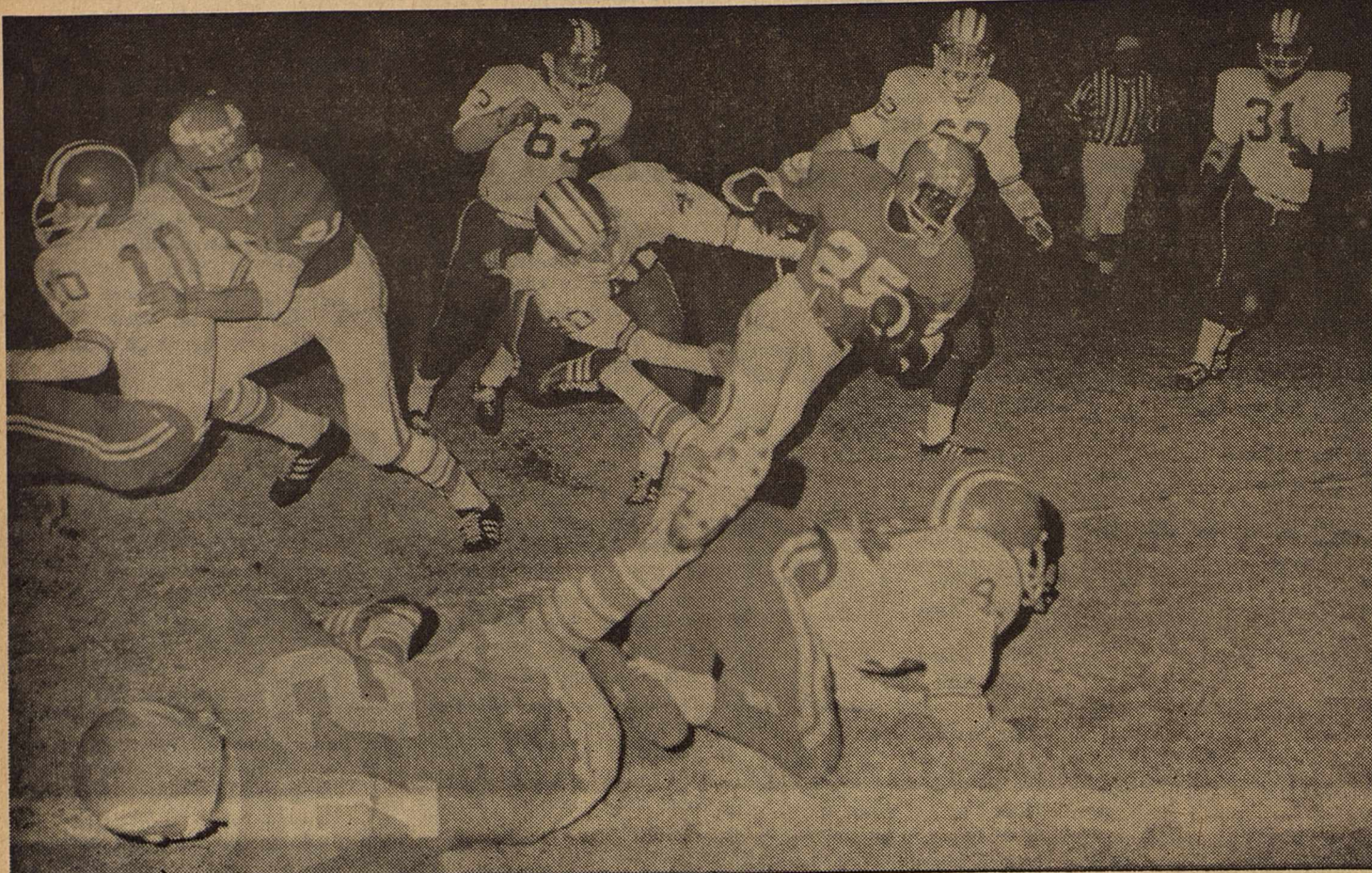
# The Devil's River News

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Ten Cents



TEAM COOPERATION shown in this action shot taken with Honey Grove in possession of the ball gives the viewers an idea of the reason the Broncos are again in the State Finals. Sonora was able to keep the high scoring Honey Grove team

from making but one touchdown. The final score was 21 to 6. The State Playoff game will be in Nelson Field in Austin Friday night at 7:30 p.m.

## Broncos To Meet Panthers In Class A Final Fri. Night

The Sonora Broncos were forced into the air Friday night to overcome a quick Honey Grove defense and advanced to the state finals with a 21-6 victory over the Warriors.

Quarterback David Wuest led his team to the victory as he completed 16 of 25 passes for 160

yards and two touchdowns. Wuest also ran for the third TD and kicked the three extra points.

Sonora's ground game proved rather ineffective against the Warrior defensive team as it amassed a total of only 36 yards. It took only one series of plays for the Broncos to realize that their rushing offense was to be unsuccessful and they immediately went to the airways.

ahead 21-0 with 9 minutes left in the third quarter.

Honey Grove scored their lone touchdown early in the 4th quarter, as Fred Pattison drove in from the one to cap off a 71 yard drive. The PAT was unsuccessful.

The Sonora defense, somewhat

hampered by illnesses to key players, at times seemed to have its trouble, but, led by Martinez, was able to come through in the critical situations.

This week's state championship game will pit the Broncos against Mart, who defeated Potk in their semi-final contest.

### Tickets On Sale

Tickets for the State final Class A football game between the Sonora Broncos and Mart Panthers are on sale at the office of James Pollard, high school principal.

The game will be played at Nelson Field in Austin, Friday night at 7:30 p.m.

The tickets were flown to Sonora Monday afternoon. Pollard and Ken McAllister, superintendent, met the plane at the local airport. Bringing the tickets for the game to Sonora was the superintendent of the Austin Schools.

Prices of the tickets are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students if purchased here. Prices at the gate in Austin will be \$3 and \$2. The ticket office will close at noon on Friday.

Wuest started off his next set of downs with a 19 yard aerial to Hermin Perez at the Warrior 44. Five plays later he unleashed an eight yarder to Larry Everett for the TD.

Sonora's second scoring drive came in the closing minutes of the second period. Starting on Honey Grove's 38, it took the Broncos seven plays to score. Four passes ate up 30 yards, and Wuest carried the ball the remaining 8.

Honey Grove then drove to the Sonora 25 before time ran out.

Honey Grove fumbled on their second half kick off return and the ball was recovered by Marty Martinez on the Warrior 29. Five plays later Wuest passed to Perez in the end zone to make the score 20-0. Wuest PAT put Sonora

## Despite The Weather Hunting Is Excellent

Hunting should have been excellent this past weekend but fog came in every morning making it next to impossible to see the deer. It has been hard to get the weather to cooperate with the hunters these past few weekends with the rain and the cold. When it does look like a perfect weekend the fog moves in to plague everyone.

From the eastern edge of the Edwards Plateau to the Trans-Pecos area the deer story is good. There are plenty of deer and they are the fattest that they have been in years.

The deer are in excellent shape because there is plenty for them to eat, and this adds to the frustration of the hunter because the deer do not have to move to satisfy their hunger.

Despite all the handicaps the deer harvest is up in Sutton County.

The turkeys are in good shape but the kill seems to be down as most of the turkey killed have been by deer hunters who happen to be in the right place at the right time.

## Christmas Party, Annual Dance Planned by Elks

The Sonora Elks Lodge will hold its annual Christmas party for underprivileged children on Thursday night. Santa Claus is expected to be at the party when it begins at 8 p.m.

Children are sponsored by individual Elk members from Sonora, Ozona, and Eldorado, and the sponsoring Elk is responsible for one gift for each child he sponsors. Last year about 40 children attended the party.

Irene Sanchez, who has been sponsored by the Elks to attend the Elks crippled children's camp at Oltine, will be at the Christmas party.

The annual Christmas dance for Elks and their guests will be held Saturday, December 20, beginning at 9 p.m. Dub Branum and his band will provide the music.

## Piano Recital

Mrs. Norman Rousselot and John Tedford presented a two piano recital of Christmas music in Junction Wednesday afternoon for the Junction Music Club.

The recital was similar to the one given earlier in December in the Rousselot home for the Sonora Woman's Club and their guests. About fifty attended the recital and Christmas program.

## BUSINESSES OBSERVE HOLIDAY DECEMBER 26

The City and County offices will be closed Christmas Day and the 26 day of December so that all the employees will have a long weekend for Christmas. These offices will be open as usual on December 29.

A number of other business offices in the downtown area will be closed Friday giving the employees a short holiday.

Some of the stores in town will be closed Friday, this will give the merchants a chance to catch their breath before facing the problems of inventory for the year.

## WELFARE CHRISTMAS BOXES TO BE PACKED TUESDAY

Welfare boxes will be packed in the Parish Hall of St. John's Episcopal Church, Tuesday, December 23.

Toys may be brought to the Parish Hall that day by 9 a.m., or taken by Mrs. Ernest McClelland's home at 1005 Glasscock Avenue, earlier.

## CINDERS

By John T. King

Do young people in Sonora still go to church? This question prompted Smith Neal, high school English teacher, to run a survey in his classes in Sonora High. After discussing his one-day findings with Libbye Jo Lowe, Devil editor, Neal decided to extend the survey.

Each Monday for the nine weeks between October 19 and December 14 Neal asked his students in two senior classes, two junior classes and one sophomore class, "How many of you went to church Sunday?"

October 19, 44 out of 112 attended church.

October 26, 48 out of 117, November 2, 52 out of 115, November 9, 45 out of 114, November 16, 42 out of 116, November 23, 55 out of 111, November 30, 38 out of 114, December 7, 43 out of 110 and November 14, 48 out of 104.

Neal found that football playoffs didn't appreciably change the percentage of students who attended church services the Sunday after a game. He also found that not the same students attended church every Sunday. Almost every student said he had attended church services at least once during the past four weeks.

A survey such as the one above would probably produce embarrassing results if adult Sonorans were the group surveyed.

## Christmas Service At Hope Lutheran

Hope Lutheran's Christmas Service is scheduled for Tuesday, December 23 at 7 p.m. The children who have been attending the Tuesday School and Confirmation classes will take an active part in the service.

The women of the church have made tree decorations called Christmons. Each Christmon is a Christian symbol—the meaning of which is related to the story of Christmas and God's plan of salvation. As the service progresses the meaning of each styrofoam symbol is explained.

Light refreshments will be served following the service. Members of the community are cordially invited to attend according to the Rev. Stuart Firmhaber.

## Fire Truck Fund Reaches \$12,070

The goal set by the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department to purchase two new fire trucks, fully equipped, is \$15,000. To date the total amount of donations have risen to \$12,070, leaving only a small portion before both new trucks can be purchased.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners December 1, they voted to purchase one of the trucks and the fire department was to contact two or more firms in regard to purchasing the additional equipment that is needed to make the truck ready for operation.

The fire department also hopes to purchase the second truck and have it ready for operation before grass fires again plague the county.

About 95 percent of the fires in town or in the country are put out with these pumper units.

A contribution of \$10 per section by each rancher was recommended by the Chamber of Commerce in order to raise the amount needed by the fire department.

A complete list of contributors to date are as follows:

Rip Ward	\$200.00
O. R. Burton	500.00
Leonard Gibbs	100.00
Bill Wade	500.00
Sawyer Eagle Well Reh.	750.00
Jerry Shurley	89.00
Jo Hardgrave	100.00
Clara Allison	25.00
J. Sears Sentell	20.00
First National Bank	750.00
Joe Logan	100.00
Joe David Ross	250.00
Mrs. J. V. Alley	25.00
Lea Roy Aldwell	100.00
L. P. Bloodworth	20.00
Buster Shroyer	25.00
Lin Hicks	150.00
Shannon Clarkson	100.00
M. L. Schultz	100.00
W. R. Cusenbary	500.00
Harrison Ranch	100.00
John Fields	100.00
J. A. Ward, Jr.	100.00
J. Lee Foster	50.00
Carrie Simmons	100.00
Ben Cusenbary	100.00
Allison & Pace	60.00
Harold Schwiening	100.00
B. M. Halbert III	25.00
Mrs. W. R. Whitehead	100.00
Hardgrave Bros.	100.00
R. L. Hardgrave	100.00
W. L. Davis	25.00
Mrs. Allie Askew	120.00
Keene Ranch Co.	25.00
Lea Allison	200.00
C. O. Simon	10.00
Beatrice S. Simon	10.00
Fields Reh. Co.	100.00
S. H. Allison	250.00
Annella Stites	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. L. D. Whitehead	250.00

## New Mexico Rites For Mrs. Bert Rice

Mrs. Bert Allen Rice, 68, mother of Mrs. L. P. Bloodworth, died Thursday, December 11, 1969 at her home in Sonora.

Services for Mrs. Rice were held Monday, December 15, at the Presbyterian Church in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

The former Winifred Pugh was born in Lewisburg, Kansas, December 26, 1900. She married Mr. Rice in 1919 in Eureka, Kansas. After leaving Kansas the couple made their home in New Mexico. Mr. Rice preceded his wife in death on August 25, 1968. Mrs. Rice had been living in Sonora about two months prior to her death.

Survivors other than her daughter are her mother, Mrs. Stella Pugh; four brothers, Owen of Eureka, Kansas, Howell of Loveland, Colo., Russell of El Cajon, Calif., Evan of Osborn, Idaho, and three grandsons, L. P. III, Bert and Lee Bloodworth.

## 112th District Court Sentences Man To Three Years In Prison Friday

David Lordan, 22, recently extradited from San Francisco, California, and returned to Sutton County jail by Sheriff Herman Moore, was tried in 112th District Court Friday.

Lordan was tried for jail breaking before District Judge Charles Sherrill in nonjury proceedings. District Attorney Dixon Mahon of Ozona, prosecuted the case. Lordan was sentenced to three years in prison after he pleaded guilty to charges of jail escape.

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## Sonora's Weather

Compiled by Pat Brown	
Rain	Hi Lo
Wednesday, Dec. 10	66 31
Thursday, Dec. 11	64 26
Friday, Dec. 12	69 27
Saturday, Dec. 13	61 34
Sunday, Dec. 14	70 36
Monday, Dec. 15	73 37
Tuesday, Dec. 16	72 32
Rainfall for the month, 48;	
Rain for the year, 25.86.	

## Grand Jury Hands Down Indictments

At a special session of the grand jury Friday, Dewey Rawls of Georgia and Stephen W. Edwards of Oklahoma were indicted for robbery by assault against Donald W. Johnson, who is serving in the U. S. Navy.

Rawls has been in the Sutton County jail after being unable to post bond following his arrest about a month ago.

Edwards has been out on bond since he was arrested.

## Rev. J. E. Eldridge Services Sunday

The Rev. Joseph Edward Eldridge, 76, died Friday, December 12, 1969 in Schleicher County Medical Center. He had been a resident of the nursing home nine months.

Services for the Rev. Mr. Eldridge were held Sunday at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church with burial in the Sonora Cemetery. The Rev. Clifton Hancock officiated at the services.

The Rev. Mr. Eldridge was born May 17, 1893 in Mississippi. He married Dixie Lee Moore November 1, 1920 in Memphis.

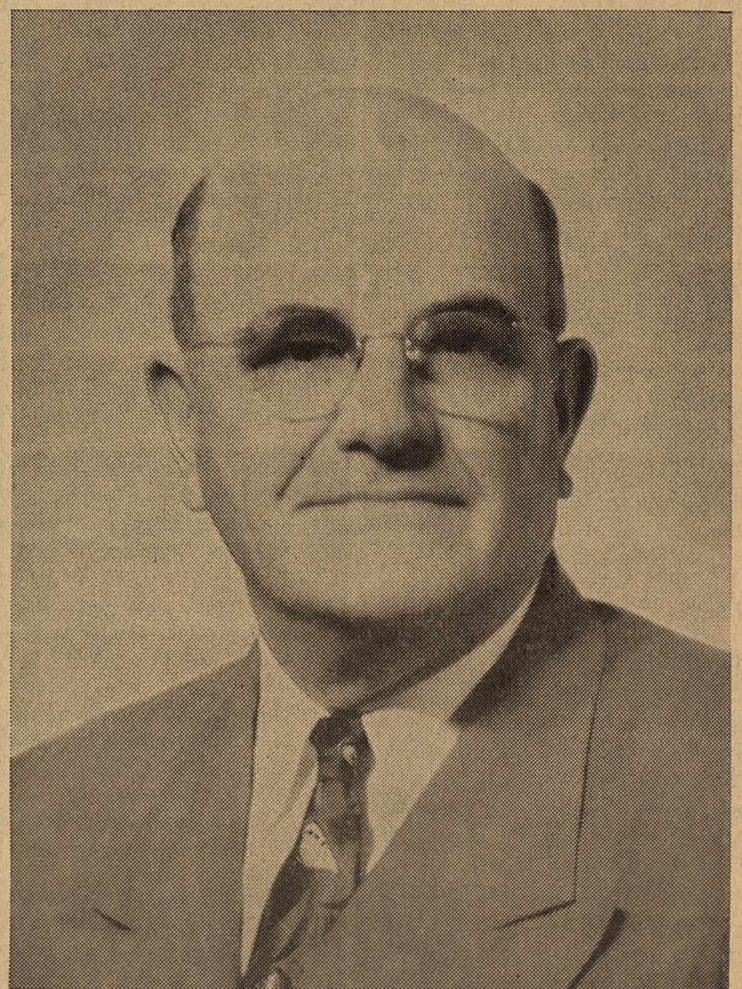
The Edlridges have lived in Sonora since 1943 where he was pastor of the First Baptist Church until he retired in 1957. Prior to serving here. The Rev. Mr. Eldridge had lived in Bronte, Flo-

mond and other towns in Texas. He was a graduate of Clarendon Junior College and attended S.M.U.

During World War I he served in the U. S. Navy. He was a member of the Baptist Church and Dee Ora Masonic Lodge No. 715 A.F.&A.M.

Survivors other than his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Rex Lowe of San Angelo and Mrs. Erma Lee Turner; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were E. B. Keng, Smith Neal, W. O. Crites, M. C. Scott of San Angelo, Carroll Ratliff of Eldorado and Joe Nance of Uvalde. All his friends and associates were named as honorary pallbearers.



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The deadline for news items to appear in the New Years paper is 5 p.m., Tuesday, December 23. The New Years paper will be completed on December 24, but delivered on New Year's Eve.

This will enable the newspaper staff to take its annual vacation the week between Christmas and New Years.

Lordan said the man told him he was coming from Del Rio and found the family about 50 miles south of Sonora. He said the family had tire trouble and the man brought them to town in his pickup to have the tire fixed. Lordan was working in the service station where they stopped.

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**-Editorials-Features-Columns-**

The most effective single force in building a good community is a good newspaper.



**Thursday, December 18**  
 8 p.m., Dee Ora Lodge meeting at Masonic Hall

**Friday, December 19**  
 7:30 p.m., Football, State Finals, Sonora Broncos vs Mart Panthers at Nelson Field, Austin

**Saturday, December 20**  
 2-5 p.m., Sonora Woman's Club Library open

**Sunday, December 21**  
 4 p.m., Progressive Merchants Program

**Sunday, December 21**  
 Services at the church of your choice

**Monday, December 22**  
 6:30 p.m., Booster Club, Sonora School cafeteria

**Tuesday, December 23**  
 12 noon, Downtown Lions Club luncheon in fellowship hall of First United Methodist Church

**7 p.m., Hope Lutheran Church Christmas Service**

**Wednesday, December 24**  
**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
 3 p.m., WSCS meeting

**Dear Santa Claus Letters Written In 1959 By The Graduating Class Of 1970**

These Dear Santa letters were taken from the December 24, 1959 edition of the Devil's River News. They were written by some of the 1970 Seniors and some of their former classmates when they were in the second grade.

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 How are you doing I hope you come to see us. Will you bring me a 2-wheel bike, a bride doll, a baby doll, a typewriter and a sewing machine.  
 Your friend,  
 Susan Carol Stewart

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 I am in the second grade. I would like a football. My mother wants a stove. I do not know what Diana wants. Don't forget to bring Jimmy a little toy.  
 Barry Black

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 My little sister's name is Martha. She wants a baby doll. I want a pair of boxing gloves, and punching bag, and an electric train. I don't know what the others want.  
 Love,  
 Jim and Martha Elliott

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 My sister wants a doll and a doll bed for Christmas. I want a bride doll for Christmas. And baby sister wants a doll.  
 Love,  
 Mary Linda Garmon

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 I hope you have plenty of presents. I want a 22 rifle for Christmas. I hope you can find my horse. Please bring me a 22 pistol.  
 Your friend,  
 Ted Fish

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 I want these things, please, a bicycle please, necklace, Betsy McCall and a bunch and a bride dress and a bracelet and also we have a beautiful blue station wagon.  
 Your friend,  
 Annette Shroyer

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 I want a bb gun. I want a puppy and a kitten. I want an electric train please. I would like a toy train deer. My mother wants a TV. My Daddy wants an electric saw.  
 Love,  
 Bobby Humphreys

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 How are you? Will you please get me a cash register and a doctor kit. Is Rudolph going to lead this Christmas? I believe my brother wants a football.  
 Your friend,  
 Martha Simmons

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 How are you? I am fine I want dishes and a football and a watch and a baby doll and a Tiny Tears doll with clothes and a Brownie Suit and a toy typewriter.  
 Your friend,  
 Terry Merryman

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 I am in the second grade. I have a brother named Mark and he wants a horse but he is too little. And would you bring me a rifle. My brother Frank is too little to know what he wants, but bring him something nice. And I have been good and so has Mark and so has Frank and also Mother and Daddy have been good too. And don't forget the rest of the family.  
 Love,  
 Dick Brown

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 How are you doing? Is Rudolph there? Is Rudolph going to lead? I want a doll carriage and a tiny tears. My brother wants some cowboys please.  
 If you have time will you bring my mother something and daddy too. May I have a necklace? Please bring my whole family something. So my whole family will have a Merry Christmas. I love you.  
 Your friend,  
 Sue Reiley  
 Sean Reiley  
 Mother and Father

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 I want a bicycle for Christmas. And I want an alarm clock. My sister and I both want an alarm clock. How are you? A tree fell on me. Is it very cold up there? And I want a gun too. On Christmas night I'm going to get up very early in the morning to open my presents.  
 Your friend,  
 Damon Davis  
 Thank You

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 How are you doing? I am fine. I will be eight in January 10th. I hope you have a happy Christmas. We have a spelling tree. My package is on the tree. Please bring me an electric train.  
 Love,  
 Tim Allison

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
 A little flour sprinkled in the hot grease before eggs are fried, helps reduce the spattering of the grease.

**Matthew 7:11 - 12**

**Matthew 7:11-12**  
 11 "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"  
 12 "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets."

Again the days of Christmas come to the world, and the spirit of faith and brotherhood which they bring is sorely needed in the affairs of men.

In the words above Jesus stated the relationship which must one day be accepted as the basic rule respected by all men in their dealings with one another—simply that each person should treat those around him in the same manner that he would wish to be treated himself. This applies as well to nations as to individuals and institutions of which they are composed on nothing less than the dream of peace on earth and the full flowering of man's destiny be realized.

We are today in a time of unprecedented complication in the works of man. Formidable barriers of ideology, of national interest, of race, impede his understanding of himself and of the common need of all peoples to find the paths of peace so clearly marked in the basic teachings of the Christian faith. The presence of God has been taken to the ends of the earth, but the

teachings of Him who took it have yet to be adopted by the majority of mankind. With reverence and with humility this Christmas season, let us remember the words of the Lord. Let us ask for the strength and the wisdom to live by the simple rule of treating others as we would be treated ourselves. To ask for this gift each of us needs no other altar except the faith in our hearts and the sure knowledge that if we ask it shall be given. This is the promise of Christmas.  
 —E. Hofer & Sons, Publishers

**Recent Banquet Honors Employees**

Among the sixteen General Telephone Company employees honored at a service recognitions dinner held at the River Club in San Angelo on December 10 was W. B. Dillard.

Dillard is a combinationman and has had twenty years service.

Mrs. Pauline Barnes, was one of the four retired employees presented service awards at the dinner. She retired May 31, 1969.

**from HISTORY'S SCRAPBOOK**  
 DATES AND EVENTS FROM YESTERYEARS

**December 22, 1939**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kirby and Mrs. Rose Thorp were in San Angelo Tuesday.  
 Miss Elizabeth Elliott and Miss Jo Nell Myers, students at Hockaday Junior College are home for the holidays.  
 Miss Cathryn Trainer was in San Angelo Saturday.  
 Mrs. V. F. Hamilton, Mrs. Seth Lancaster and Mrs. Tom Driskell were in San Angelo Saturday.  
 Vice-president John Nance Garner announced today "I will accept the nomination for President.

Robert Kelley, a student at Texas Tech came home Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays in Sonora.  
 The Sonora Music Club went caroling in Sonora Monday night.  
 A Christmas tree and dance sponsored by the twelve room mothers of Sonora High School was given Wednesday night in the gymnasium for all students of the high school. Gifts were exchanged and afterwards the students danced to the music of a San Angelo orchestra.

Mrs. Andrew Moore and daughter, Martha Jo, left yesterday for Austin to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Moore's grandmother.  
**December 16, 1949**  
 Merchants participating in the "Appreciation Day" give away each Saturday intend to make the last shopping day before Christmas a big one. They will give a large number of items in addition to the regular drawing.  
 School will be dismissed December 21 to insure faculty members plenty of time to get home before Christmas and give the students ample time to do their shopping.  
 Winners of the window decorations for the downtown merchants were the Wesley Sawyer Jewelry and Home Gas Company.  
 Allison Espy was feted on her second birthday with a party given by her mother. Guests were Susan Allison, Jo Ann Lowe, Kathy Moffitt, Mary Faye Baker, Linda Thompson, Jessie Lem and Jo Addah Johnson, Cindy Galbreath, Tommy Espy, Kay Campbell, Gaddy Lyles, Andy Moore, Gil Allison, John David Fields, John Paul Friess, Jimmy Wilson and Joe Moore.  
 Ladies of the W.M.U. met Friday at the Baptist Church to observe the week of prayer for foreign missions and to prepare the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

According to Mrs. Jack Mackey, head of the local TB Association, over 700 Sonorans had their chests x-rayed by the mobil unit Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.  
**December 17, 1959**  
 Irene Davis, 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Davis, got a nine-pointer.  
 The high school annual semi-formal will be held at the cafeteria Monday night December 21.  
 Robert L. Hardgrave, Jr., of Sonora has been awarded a Rotary Foundation Fellowship for study abroad during the 1960-61 academic year.  
 We would like to welcome these new citizens of America: Pedro Galindo, Sr., Mrs. Rosa Galindo, Candelario Paredes, Sabino Herrera Mendez, Mrs. Eulalio Sosa, Mrs. Gregoria Perez, Victoriano Luna Chavez, Mrs. Zapopz An-

drade Castro, Pedro Garza Chavez and Candelario Flores.  
 Miss Norma Jo Gaydon and Preston O. Love were united in marriage in Lubbock, December 12. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman S. Gaydon, Lubbock and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Love.

**65 Years Ago**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Max Vander Stucken left on Thursday on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Yaws and Mrs. and Mrs. Dudley Yaws.  
 The board of trustees of the Sonora Independent School District are Dr. A. L. Taylor, president; W. A. Anderson, secretary; W. L. Aldwell, S. C. Tayloe, and E. F. Vander Stucken. The faculty composed of five able teachers headed by J. S. Morgan.  
 John Smith, Tom Drago and Owen Lindsey, three jolly stockmen were in Sonora Wednesday on their way to San Angelo to have a good time.  
 Mr. and Mrs. John W. Reiley were in from their ranch Friday shopping.  
 Mrs. Lena D. Sampson and baby of Houston and sister, Miss Blanche Stephenson, arrived home Monday on a visit to their parents Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Stephenson.  
 The Rev. Richard Mercer arrived in town on Friday and received a warm welcome from our citizens in general. He conducted services at the Episcopal Church on Sunday evening.

My brother and I have been good. I am in the second grade. My mother wants a pair of pajamas. My daddy wants a new pair of gloves. My brother wants a pair of boots. I want a toy piano.  
 Thank You,  
 Love, Kay Frances Archer

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring my daddy a big scooter so he can get around in the work pens.  
 Merry Christmas! Please bring me a 2-wheel bicycle and a basket and speedometer.  
 Thank You.  
 Love,  
 Dina Lesa Whitehead  
 The End

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I don't know what Mother and Daddy want. Tim wants an electric train station.  
 How are your reindeer and Rudolph doing?  
 I want some moccasins, and thank you.  
 Love,  
 Steve Thorp

**THE DEVIL'S RIVER PHILOSOPHER SEZ**  
**He Tries His Hand At Explaining Some Of The Aspects Of Inflation**

Editor's note: The Devil's River Philosopher on his bitterweed ranch on Dry Devil's River takes a look at inflation this week, but its hard to tell what he sees.

Dear editor:  
 I had to make another trip to town the other day to pick up another 5-cent pickup bolt now costing 15 cents and since I was throwing money around recklessly anyway I hauled off and bought a newspaper.

In it I ran across an article that said the cost of a college education is up 68 percent since 1957 and that got me to thinking about inflation.

Now you take that 15 cent bolt. It's true it cost three times as much as it did 10 or 12 years ago, but at the same time it's still just as good as the earlier one.

Now with college education, well I don't want to get into an argument, uh, I don't want to compare bolts and nuts with college kids, but are you positive the product is as good today as it was 12 years ago? Or are they just televising the wrong one?

As I understand it, inflation hits us in two ways. In one, the quality stays the same but the price goes up, like an automobile. Cars are as good today as they were 12 years ago, they just cost a lot more. In the other way, the price stays the same but the quality comes down, like in a nickle candy bar. You can still buy a nickle candy bar, but you just don't get nearly as much candy. Mostly wrapper.

But when inflation really hurts is when you pay a lot more but don't get as much.

Take Congress for example. Congress costs over twice what it did 12 years ago, but can anybody prove—well, I'd better not get into that.

It's an odd thing. Politicians are always saying if you raise salaries you'll get a better quality of office-holder. But what happens? We raise the salary and the same people turn up running for the same office.

There's just one way to whip inflation, and if I knew what it was I'd say so.

Yours faithfully,  
 J.A.

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			STATE	COUNTY	CITY	

**CITIZENSHIP**  
 Native Born\*  Naturalized   
\*Includes foreign born of American parents.

If under 21, show date of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 If resident of state less than 1 year, show date of arrival \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mail Voter Registration Certificate (1) to above permanent address, (2) to my temporary address at \_\_\_\_\_;  
 (3) hold for delivery to me in person. (Strike statements which are not applicable.)  
 I understand that the giving of false information to procure the registration of a voter is a felony.  
\*\*No one can act as agent and sign for another except husband, wife, father, mother, son or daughter. Agent must be qualified elector in county.  
 Note: Return this application to the County Tax Assessor-Collector.  
 Signature of applicant or agent\*\* \_\_\_\_\_  
 Agent's address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Agent's relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE**

Amendments to the Texas Voter Registration Law enacted by S. B. No. 8, 61st Leg., 1969, require that ALL VOTERS must fill out applications for Voter Registration Certificates before a VOTERS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE can be issued for the voting year of 1970. January 31 is the deadline for filing application for a voter registration certificate.

It will be to your advantage to fill out the above form before coming to our office. This will enable you to avoid a delay that you might otherwise incur.

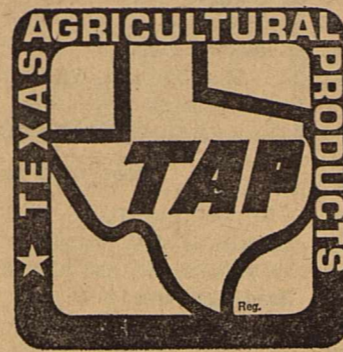
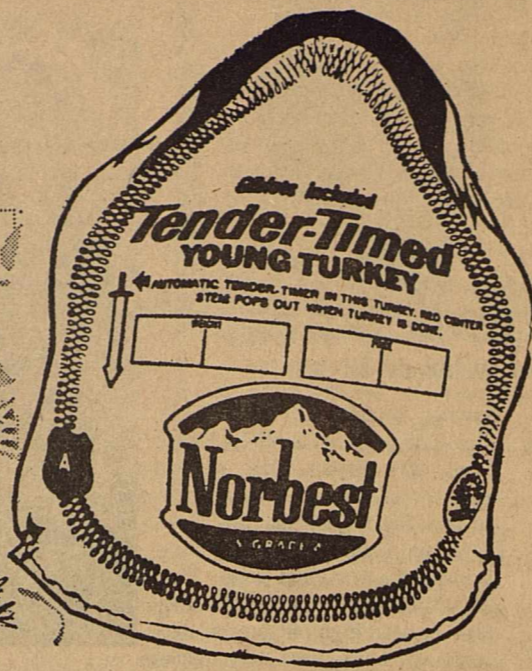
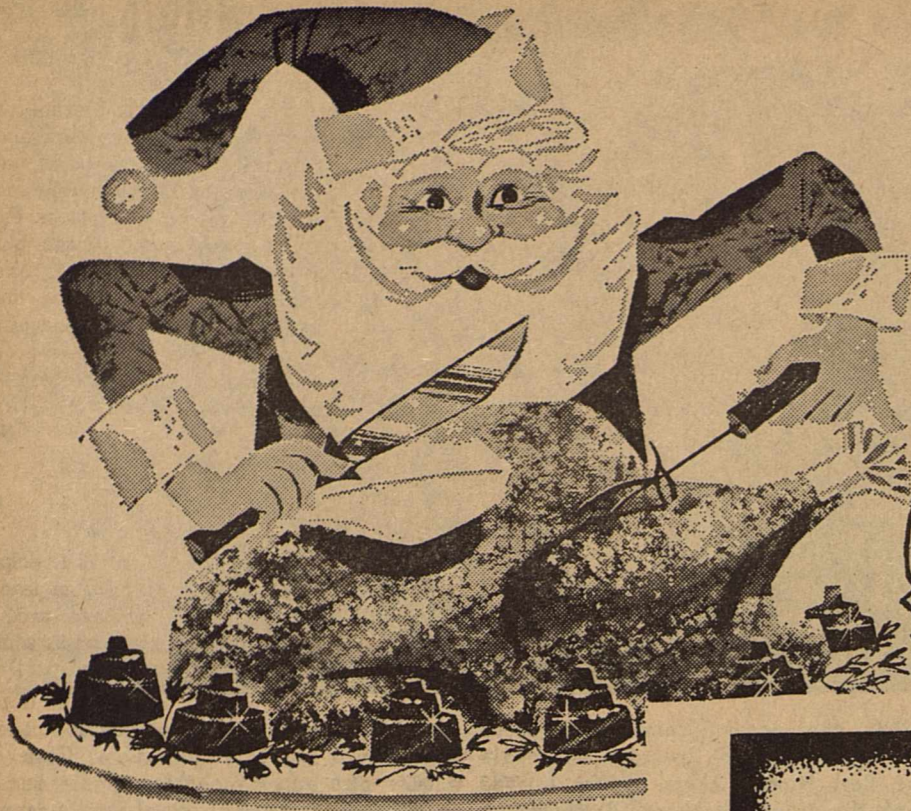
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CHICKEN HENS .....	lb.	<b>55¢</b>
GOOCH BACON .....	lb.	<b>79¢</b>

PILLSBURY Layer  
19 Oz. Boxes  
**CAKE MIXES**

**3 for \$1**

DEL MONTE, Whole Kernel or  
Cream Style  
**CORN**  
17 Oz. Can

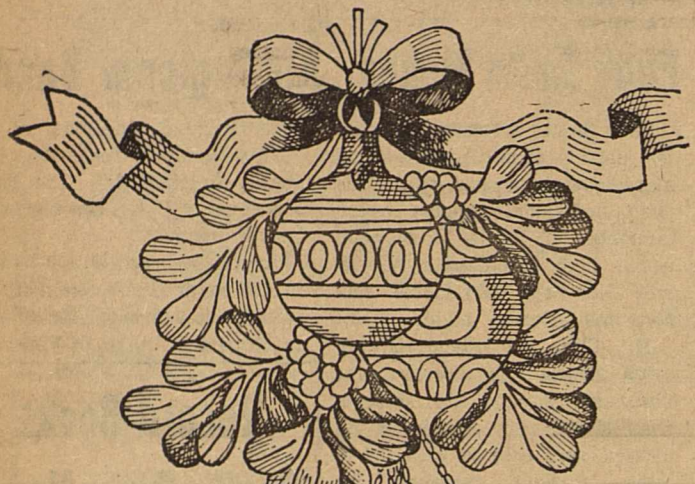
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KIMBELL  
**CRANBERRY SAUCE**  
15 Oz. Can

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DEL MONTE  
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**PUMPKIN** ..... 2 for

**39¢**



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**49¢**

RUMP ROAST lb. 69¢	ARM ROAST ..... lb. 69¢ 8 Oz. Pkg.	CHUCK ROAST lb. 69¢
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LEONARD BROS.  
**SHELLED PECANS**  
10 Oz. Bag  
**79¢**

IMPERIAL Pure Cane  
**SUGAR**  
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**59¢**

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**GREEN BEANS**  
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**YOU SAVE MORE**

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FRENCH'S <b>GROUND NUTMEG</b> .....	1 1/2 Oz. Can	<b>55¢</b>

### DAIRY DELIGHTS

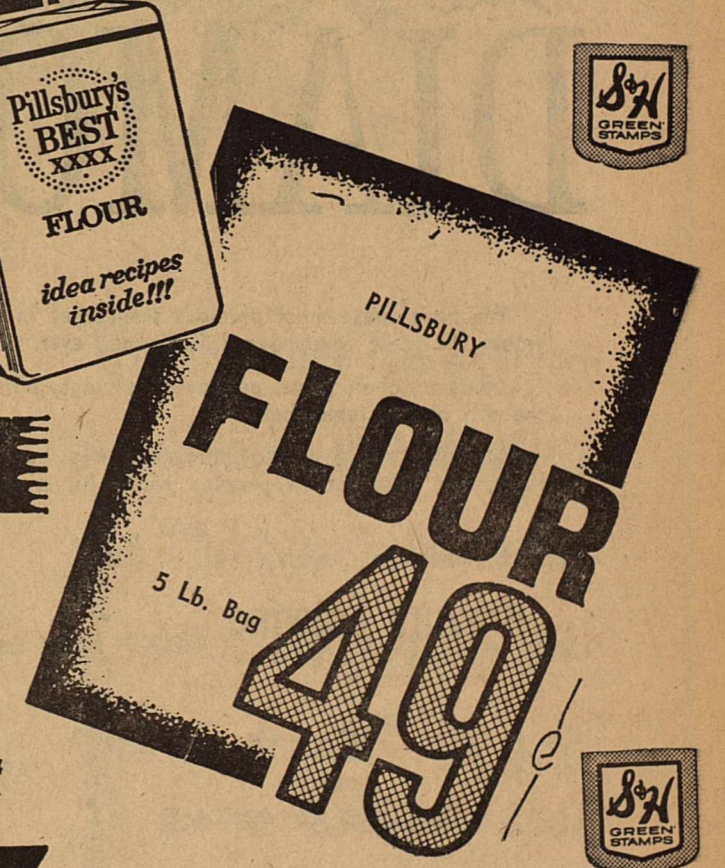
GANDY'S <b>WHIPPING CREAM</b> .....	1/2 Pint Ctn.	<b>29¢</b>
GANDY'S <b>SOUR CREAM</b> .....	1/2 Pint Ctn.	<b>39¢</b>
KIMBELL Soft <b>MARGARINE</b> .....	1 Lb. Pkg.	<b>39¢</b>

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GANDY'S <b>ICE CREAM</b> .....	1/2 Gal. Round Ctn.	<b>79¢</b>
BIRD'S EYE <b>COOL WHIP</b> .....	16 Oz. Ctn.	<b>39¢</b>
GANDY'S <b>SNOWBALLS</b> .....	Pkg. of 4	<b>55¢</b>

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HIPOLITE MARSHMALLOW	7 Oz. Jar	
<b>CREME</b> .....		<b>4 for \$1</b>
COLLEGE INN	12 Oz. Can	
<b>CHICKEN BROTH</b> ...		<b>2 for 29¢</b>
ZEE	60 Count Pkg.	
<b>PAPER NAPKINS</b> ...		<b>2 for 29¢</b>
KARO	16 Oz. Btl.	
<b>WHITE SYRUP</b> .....		<b>39¢</b>
Bunny or Holsum		
<b>Brown &amp; Serve Rolls</b> ...		<b>29¢</b>
Bunny or Holsum		
<b>Pull-A-Part Bread</b> ..		<b>3 for \$1</b>



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**69¢**

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CASCADE 50 Oz. Box  
**DISH DETERGENT**

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MORTON  
MINCE or PUMPKIN

# PIES

20 Oz.

# 3 for \$1

### Monday Night Club Holds Annual Christmas Party

Mrs. John T. King hosted the Monday Night Bridge Club in her home December 15 for their annual Christmas party. Dinner was served to Mmes. W. H. Hill, Clayton Hamilton, Wayne Herrmann, Bob McMinn, Joe Neil Smith, W. T. Black and Horace Hill.

Mrs. Horace Hill won high. Mrs. Herrmann won the consolation prize and Mrs. Black bingoed.



Amanda Gomez

### Gomez - Flores Wedding Told

Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Gomez announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amanda, to Jaime Flores, son of Mrs. Eulogia Flores. The wedding has been set for January 10, 1970 in St. Ann's Catholic Church.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Sonora High School and attended San Antonio College. She is presently employed at Santa Rosa Medical Center.

Flores Attended Sonora High School and is presently living in San Antonio, where he is employed and attending drafting school.

### Just Arrived

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard announce the birth of a son, Curtis Mitchell, born November 18, 1969. He weighed 7 pounds and 5 ounces.

Curtis Mitchell is welcome by a sister, Debbie, 12.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George E. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard of Gainsville. Great grandparents are Mrs. Fannie Gahagan of Stephenville and Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Sanford of Bakersfield, Calif.

### Snips, Quips, And Lifts

By Lottie Lee Baker  
—Too many people are looking for rewards from efforts that produce only consequences.  
—One way to avoid excitement is to live within your income.

The people who do Christmas shopping early are loved for the tension they relieve.

But I can't be loved for that reason.  
—Cause I always do mine on Christmas Eve.

—Early to bed and late to rise makes one lazy rather than wise.  
—Only a nation with a rugged Constitution could stand the abuse ours is getting today.

—It is too cold to do that job now that was too hot to do last summer.

—Nobody appreciates autumn more than the fellow who has no leaves to rake.

—A bargain is something you can't use at a price you can't resist.

—Nothing is harder on a woman's clothes than another woman.

—Retirement is the time of life when you stop lying about your age and start lying about the house.

—An income is what you can't live without or within.

—People who are too sharp cut their own fingers.

—The kind of life a person leads is usually determined by how low the volumn is set on his conscience.

—There are bigger things in life than money—bills!

**A LIFT FOR THE WEEK**  
Even perfect people buy pencils with erasers.

### Card Of Thanks

OUR THANKS TO EACH one of the many friends whose loving expressions of sympathy helped us so much during our recent sorrow. We are especially grateful to the staff and doctors of Hudspeth Hospital and Schleicher County Medical Center.

Mrs. J. E. Eldridge and family  
1215



Phone News to Hazel McClelland, 387-2512

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Bond and children of San Antonio visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond last week.

### Hospital Auxiliary

The Hospital Auxiliary met December 8 at the home of Mrs. R. L. Hardgrave. Mrs. Alvis Johnson, president, presided. The invocation was given by the Rev. John Weston. The business was disposed of and the meeting was turned over to the Rev. Mr. Weston who gave the story of the First Carols and of how Silent Night was written. A recording of Silent Night, sung by Ernie Ford was played. Refreshments were served to Mmes. R. L. Hardgrave, Bob Vicars, Collier Shurley Joe Hardgrave, John Fields, A. W. Awalt, Hattie B. Epps, Alvis Johnson, Cash Taylor, C. T. Bassham and Ernest McClelland, members and to guests Mrs. Belle Steen and the Rev. Mr. Weston. Each member brought a gift to put on the Christmas tree at the hospital for the children who are hospitalized during Christmas.

— HMc —

Airman First Class Larry Bob Moore was home from Ft. Bliss for several days visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman E. Moore. Also visiting his parents is Sp. 4 Herman Moore, Jr., who is on leave before reporting for duty in Vietnam.

### Idle Hour Bridge Club

Mrs. G. H. Davis entertained the Idle Hour Bridge Club at her ranch home December 8. A salad plate was served to Mmes. Belle Steen, Sterling Baker, Bob Vicars, Thomas Morris, George Wynn, Ben Cusenbary, Rex Cusenbary, and Frankie Gibson, members. Guests were Mmes. Davie Taylor, Lottie Kelley, James Morris and Ernest McClelland. Mrs. Rex Cusenbary won high for club; Mrs. Baker second high for club; Mrs. Vicars the slam prize; Mrs. Taylor, high for guests; Mrs. Steen bingoed for club, and Mrs. McClelland bingoed for guests.

— HMc —

Buzzy Stokes of Uvalde was here Tuesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McClelland, Marion Stokes and all his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Halbert and Mr. and Mrs. Vestel Askew are in Georgia for several days to attend a stock sale.

### Thursday Night Bridge Club

Mrs. Bill Fields entertained the Thursday Night Bridge Club at her home December 11. A dinner was served to Mmes. Jo Nell Johnson, Pauline Thompson, Lola Archer, Eulah Newell, Howard Kirby, James Morris, Lottie Kelley, Collier Shurley, and Frankie Gibson, members. Guests were Mrs. Montie Elliott and Mrs. Ernest McClelland. Mrs. Newell won high for club; Mrs. McClelland won high for guest; Mrs. Archer won the slam prize; Mrs. Shurley second high for club, and Mrs. Kelley won bingo. The house was decorated in Christmas flowers and a big Christmas tree. Club members exchanged gifts.

### Thursday Luncheon Club

Mrs. Jack Neill entertained the bridge club with a luncheon at her home December 11. Members present were Mmes. Edwin

Sawyer, Charles Browne, W. B. McMillan, Sears Sentell, Frank Bond, and Bryan Hunt. Guests were Mmes. Joseph VanderStucken and Norm Griffith. Mrs. Sawyer won high for club; Mrs. Browne the traveling prize; Mrs. McMillan bingo, and Mrs. VanderStucken won high for guests. Decorations were used throughout the house. The table centerpiece was a candelabrum holding red candles.

— HMc —

Mrs. Frankie Gibson is in Houston where she will spend Christmas with her niece and family.

Mrs. Noe Chavez is in Kingsville this week with her husband. Janet has been staying with her mother, Mrs. Jo Nell Johnson, since having surgery. She and her husband will return to Sonora for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Awalt were in San Angelo visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Awalt, Randy and Cheryl, Sunday.

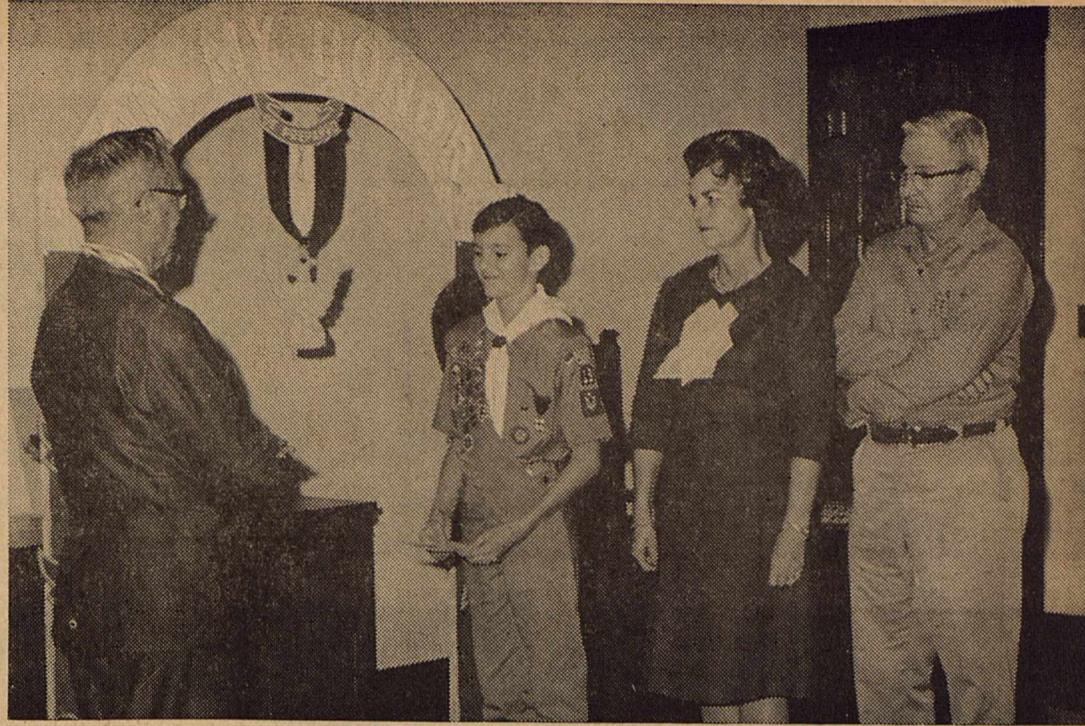
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McClelland were in Del Rio Sunday.

### Band News

Eddy Smith

The band left Sonora about 12:30 p.m. Friday with watering mouths and cheerful hearts, headed for a cafeteria in Brownwood. Then on to Stephenville to meet the Honey Grove Warriors for semi-finals playoff. A 21-6 victory — so another trophy to show.

Hope everyone enjoyed the performance and will be at Nelson Field in Austin this Friday, December 19 at 7:30 p.m., for the state game and the marching bands final performance this year. See you there!



REVIEWING the accomplishments a scout must have in order to be awarded the eagle rank, the Rev. Homer Akers, pastor of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Presbyterian, (1) makes the presentation to Teddy Coker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Coker. The ceremony was held during a court of honor at the noon meeting of the Downtown Lions Club. Young Coker also was in charge of the tenderfoot ceremony for several boys just coming into scouting.

### Shower Given Gloria Gonzales

Miss Gloria Gonzales, bride elect of Lemuel Lopez, was honored with a bridal shower held December 7 at the Commercial dining room. The table was decorated in the bride's chosen colors of green and red.

Sandwiches, cookies and punch were served to about 25 guests.

Hostesses for the shower were the bride's maids and the following: Mrs. Samuel Martinez of Ozona, Mrs. Jerry Orren of Houston, Mrs. Primo Gonzales of Knickerbocker, Mrs. Pedro Galindo, Sr., Mrs. Jesse Favila, Mrs. Marciano Hernandez, and Mrs. Ralph Gonzales.

Wedding date of the couple is to be December 27 at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

### Eddy Smith Makes All-Regional Band

Eddy Smith, a Sonora high junior band student, was selected all-regional bassoonist again this year. Individual try-outs began December 12 in the Brownwood senior high school with rehearsals Saturday. All-regional concert was Saturday night.

Mr. Clive McClelland, Brownwood senior high director, was chairman. Around 250 students from 30 different schools, of all classes were entered with 106 of these students qualified for all-regional concert.

Clinician this year was Dr. Jo-

seph Bellamah, conductor of University Bands of Texas A&I University in Kingsville. The latest selections of U I L concert music was presented.

The all-area contest will be held in Abilene at Hardin-Simmons University in January with all-state to be held in Dallas in February.

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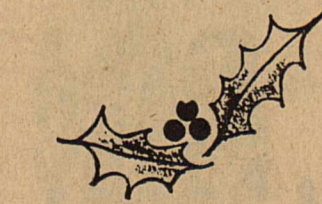
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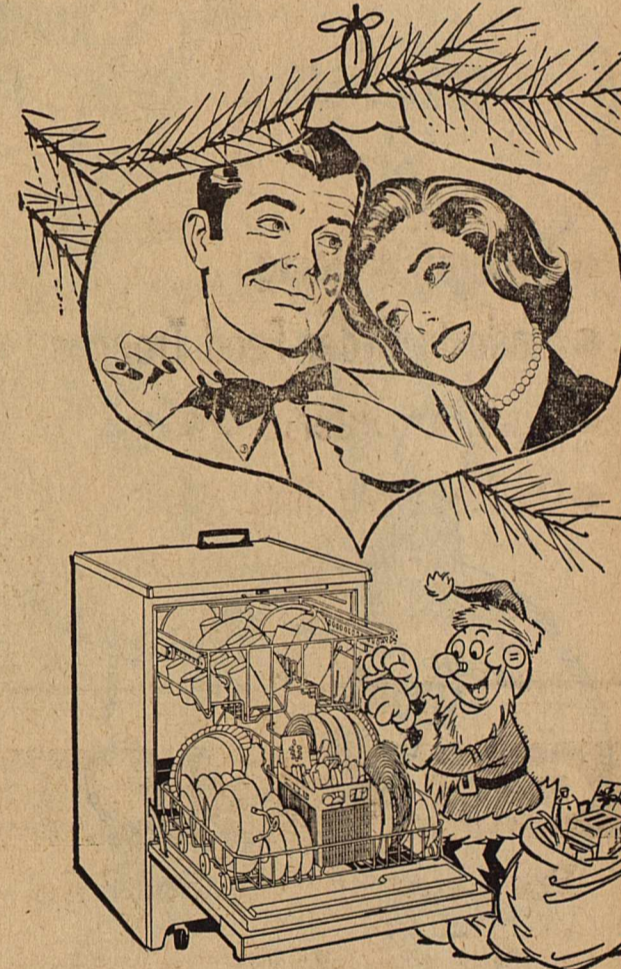
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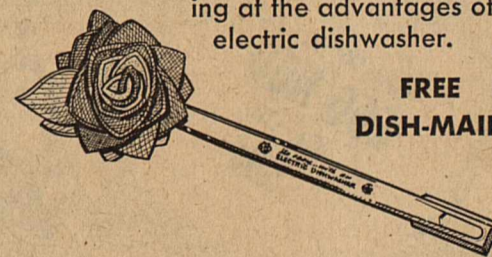
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**106 Hunting Accidents Last Year**

Texas reported 106 hunting accidents last year. Of these, 33 were fatal, reports T. D. Carroll, education coordinator for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, who compiled the annual report.

This is a slight increase over the previous year, when 91 mishaps were reported which included 31 fatalities.

Saddest of all, was that 58 of this year's 106 shooting mishaps involve persons under 21 years of age. Forty-one of the mishaps were caused by the victims and 65 were not.

Statistically, the percentage is very low when you consider that more than 908,000 hunters purchased hunting licenses in the State.

"I'm sure that many of the accidents could have been avoided if those involved knew and practiced the 10 commandments of gun safety. Even though the percentage of hunters involved in hunting mishaps is small, you have to realize that 33 persons died needlessly from gun accidents during the last fiscal year, said Carroll.

The annual report showed that 52 of the accidents involved shotguns, 41 involved rifles, and 13 involved handguns. November of last year had the largest number, with 30 mishaps reported with 16 involving rifles. Most of the shotgun accidents were reported in September last year.

Sutton County started this season with two deaths and one accident to surpass anything we've had in the past for the first weekend of hunting.

Accident reports are made out only when persons are injured by the discharge of a hunting firearm outside of the home and rising from the activity of hunting. The reports are also completed when mishaps occur traveling to or from the hunting area.

**Our Newsletter**

By O. C. Fisher

The White House conference on hunger, attended by 3,500, last week recommended an annual guaranteed income of \$5,500 for all families of four—whether they work or not. While the conference was silent on where the money was coming from, it has been estimated the financing of such a grandiose welfare scheme would total in excess of \$40-billion a year. But the professional welfare cult never worries about who is to pay the bill.

In the meantime, OEO got back into the news on Capitol Hill. The law authorizing that agency expired some time ago but has been kept alive on a month-to-month basis. Sponsors have been afraid to face a show-down vote on a proposed extension for two years, but a test is expected before Christmas.

The OEO advocates are afraid amendments may be adopted in the House which would allow the States more voice in the programs, and they worry about possible restrictions being imposed on salaries and how the money is to be spent. Under the present blank-check authority given OEO, a vast amount of waste and scandal has been reported. Hundreds of thousands of dollars remain unaccounted for. Considerable OEO funding has gone to Black Panther and other radical movements.

Actually, the poverty program accounts for only about 5 percent of what is expended for the poor and disadvantaged. A Library of Congress study reveals that Uncle Sam is now dishing out \$27-billion a year for this purpose. In addition, the States and local governments spend \$14-billion and \$2.4-billion is donated by private agencies.

Here are two hypothetical cases which illustrate the aid programs now available to the low-income families. A mother with four children—from preschool to one in college—could, according to the Library of Congress, participate in 13 different federal aid programs—costing a total of \$11,513.

A mother and eight children, including two in preschool, three in high school, one in college, one in elementary, and one drop-out, could take advantage of all these programs for the poor and disadvantaged, and draw \$21,093 per year—while no one in that family would need to work for a single day.

Yet, the Poverty Cult insists the government is not doing half enough for those who hunger and starve—which the cult says is true of from 15 to 25-million Americans.

Cheese spread for toasting: ½ cup margarine and 2 5-ounce jars of sharp cheese spread blended at room temperature. Be sure to have plenty of seconds ready.

**Order Of Eastern Star Hosts Meeting**

Sonora Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star was host December 9, at a salad supper in the Joe Hull home. The supper honored four officers from Grand Chapter, Mrs. Don Matreiuaga, Worthy Grand Matron; Richard T. Porter, Worthy Grand Patron; Mrs. Paul Offen, Grand Examiner and Mrs. Dennis Hillmer, District Deputy Grand Matron.

The Christmas theme was carried out in the Hull home. They used red, green and white in the decorations.

Visitors from Big Lake, Ozona, and San Antonio Chapters were also guests for the supper.

The Eldorado Chapter was in charge of registering all members for the school of instruction held at the Masonic Hall. About ninety registered from the seven chapters taking part in the school. The chapters were from McCamey, Rankin, Big Lake, Ozona, Eldorado, Fort McKavett and Sonora.

Prior to the business meeting Wednesday morning, December 10, coffee and coffee cake were served. The business meeting lasted from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., with lunch at the Masonic Hall.

About seventy persons attended the banquet held in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church, Wednesday. Christmas decorations were used to decorate the banquet hall. Jimmy Harris acted as master of ceremonies. S. M. Loeffler introduced the officers. Mrs. Billy Ellison of Big Lake responded to the welcome.

A quartet composed of Mmes. Dave Locklin, Dennie Hays, James Wilson and John Weston sang three selections and Mrs. Hayes sang a solo during the banquet. The fraternal visit to the seven chapters of District 5, Section 2 was held at 8 p.m., Wednesday evening at the Masonic Hall. Special music was provided for the evening by Mrs. Dave Locklin. She sang "Come Ye Blessed".

To prevent a cake from crumbling spread the surface with a slightly beaten egg before icing it.

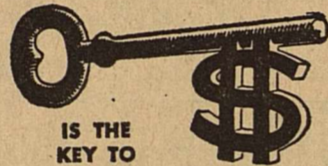
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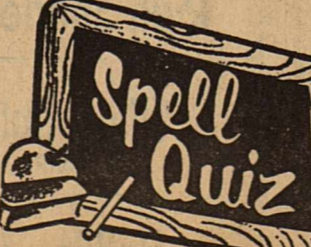
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JIMMY HARRIS (L) seems to be supervising the setting up of the large Christmas tree on the Court House lawn. The work is being done by city employees (L-R) Gene West, Doyle Crawford and James McLaughlin. The Christmas tree is part of the new decorations purchased by the city, county and Chamber of Commerce.

## A Bishop Looks at Life A 'Square' Manifesto

By Everett H. Jones, Retired Bishop of the Episcopal Church

Bishop Richard Emrich of Michigan has recently issued a manifesto for "squares," or the people who usually have nothing to do with manifestos of any kind. It says much that many of us would like to say; here are a few excerpts.

"We proclaim that in contrast to barbarism, civilization is a matter of restraints, self-control, courtesies and gracious customs, and that the breakdown of these is a sign of degeneracy. We assert that every civilization worthy of the name has been disciplined.

"We proclaim that some modern entertainment is degenerate, an irresponsible portrayal of sex and violence for the sake of profit. We assert that it is the prostitution of art and of the human spirit. It is not freedom, but license; and it is actually a means of escape from the serious issues of the day.

"We proclaim that America must change for the sake of change. We must, rather, change in order to preserve. If our liberties and rights are to be preserved, they must be shared and extended until the scandal of 'two Americas' is removed. For this we need no new ideology but only to rededicate ourselves to the values we have been given—the dignity and equality of men and God's demand for justice.

"We proclaim our confidence in the basic American institutions which have carried us almost 200 years and assert that our present predicament is due largely to a failure in ourselves as a people. The best constitution is a mere form unless the people are masters of themselves.

"We proclaim this nation is 'under God', which is simply another way of saying that responsibility to Him, goodness, justice and concern for our neighbors are

the first things required of us. If these are lacking, nothing else can succeed."

### Just Arrived

Dr. and Mrs. Ron Williamson announce the birth of daughter, Ronda Tra, born December 4, 1969 in a San Angelo Hospital. She weighed seven pounds.

Ronda Tra has two brothers, Kenneth and Charles and a sister, Melanie.

Grandparents are Mrs. Ethel Johns of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williamson of Roosevelt.

Patients receiving treatment at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital during the period from Tuesday, December 9 through Monday, December 15 include the following:

- Ruth Green, Eldorado
- J. Wray Campbell \*
- Myrtle Porter \*
- Nancy Doran, Eldorado
- Francis Doran, Ozona
- Andres Virgen \*
- Maria Esquivel \*
- Martha Luxton
- Carlyle Carr
- Flora Logan \*

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Bond Jr., Ronda, Ford and Kirk, were here over the Thanksgiving holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond.

Dessert quickie—crush 6 sticks of peppermint candy, quarter 4 large marshmallows, whip a cup of cream. Mix together.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

- Ted Fish \*
- Tom Nix \*
- Racheal Castilleja \*
- Diana Gonzales \*
- Mary Wyatt \*
- Janice Hawkins \*

- Metha Trainer \*
  - Blastia Reyes, Rocksprings
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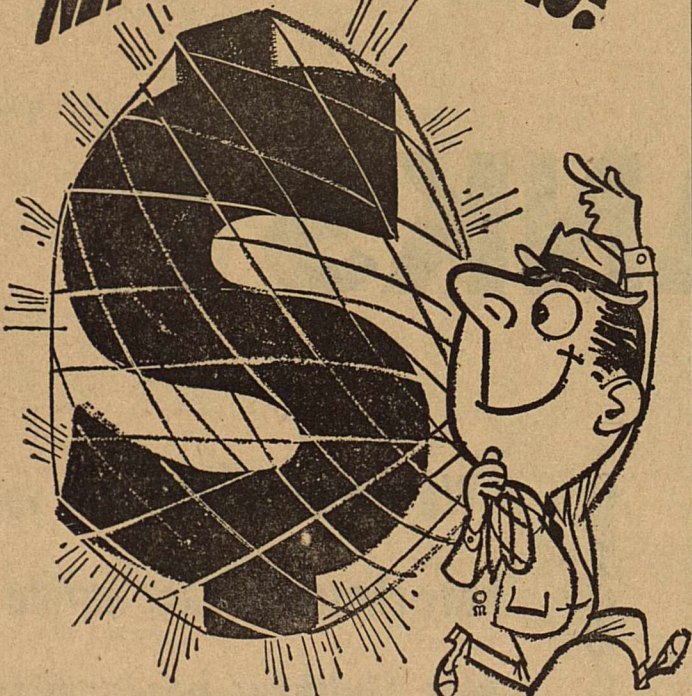
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## When Should We Decide About Religion?

Some things are absolutely essential to manhood. One of them is knowing how to tie a necktie.

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All religious education is built on the same principle. Faith and moral understanding must be gained before doubt and temptation are encountered. Our parents, Our Church train us for constructive living.

Of course, there is nothing illogical in the oft-heard contention that, when a person is old enough, he can make up his own mind about religion.

That's exactly what millions of us have done!

But in almost every case our parents gave us adequate and continuing preparation for that decision. With the guidance of the Church we learned the value of faith and spiritual perception. Then we were able to make our vital decision from knowledge and experience!

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Sunday John 10:22-42	Monday John 11:1-53	Tuesday Isaiah 2:2-4	Wednesday Isaiah 9:2-7	Thursday Isaiah 11:1-9	Friday Isaiah 35:1-10	Saturday Isaiah 7:10-16
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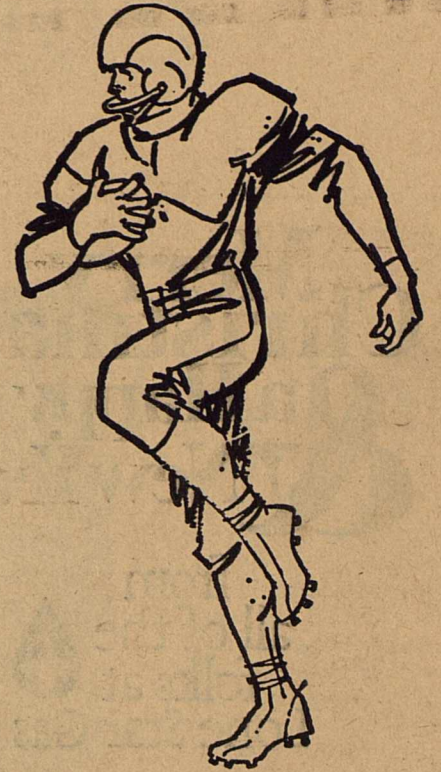
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DATE	VARSITY	B - TEAM	8TH GRADE	7TH GRADE
Fri., Sept. 12	Sonora 21, Winters 0			
Thurs., Sept. 18		Sonora 12, Ozona 0	Sonora 38, Ozona 6	Sonora 28, Ozona 0
Fri., Sept. 19	Sonora 14, Reagan County 34			
Thurs., Sept. 25		Sonora 6, Big Lake 40	Sonora 44, Big Lake 8	Sonora 38, Big Lake 6
Fri., Sept 26	Sonora 0, Ballinger 25			
Thurs., Oct. 2		Sonora 0, Big Lake 21	Sonora 6, Eldorado 20	
Fri., Oct. 3	Sonora, 25, Ozona 0			
Thurs., Oct. 9		Sonora 0, Ozona 6	Sonora 24, Ozona 6	Sonora 54, Ozona 0
Fri., Oct. 10	Sonora 21, Rankin 20			
Thurs., Oct. 16		Sonora 6, Junction 8	Sonora 0, Junction 8	Sonora 30, Junction 0
Fri., Oct. 17	Sonora 42, Menard 0			
Thurs., Oct. 23		Sonora 0, Mason 26	Sonora 46, Mason 6	Sonora 34, Mason 0
Fri., Oct. 24	Sonora 3, Mason 0			
Thurs., Oct. 30			Sonora 22, Big Lake 12	Sonora 52, Big Lake 12
Fri., Oct. 31	Sonora 54, Eden 0			
Thurs., Nov. 6			Sonora, 28, Eldorado 8	
Fri., Nov. 7	Sonora 18, Eldorado 0			
Thurs., Nov. 13		Sonora 0, Junction 20	Sonora 14, Junction 20	Sonora 16, Junction 0
Fri., Nov. 14	Sonora 20, Junction 13			
Friday, Nov. 21	Bi-district Game, Sonora 35, Van Horn 0			
Saturday, Nov. 29	Regional Game Sonora 37, Seagraves 0			
Saturday, Dec. 6	Quarterfinal Game, Sonora 40, Clarendon 6			
Friday, Dec. 12	Semifinal Game, Sonora 21, Honey Grove 6			



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**Happy Birthday Calendar**

Thursday, December 18  
 G. T. Rode  
 Louise Jones  
 Friday, December 19  
 Mrs. Turney Friess  
 Jean McPherson  
 Jana Ruth Harris  
 Sally Gonzales  
 John David Martinez  
 Saturday, December 20  
 Mrs. Artie Joy  
 Mrs. C. R. Emdy  
 Jan Williams  
 Mrs. Smith Neal  
 David Tom Love  
 Sunday, December 21  
 Mike Ballard  
 Wes Hill  
 Vickie Ann Drennan  
 Sonny Flores  
 Wayne Bryant  
 Andres Ybarra  
 Monday, December 22  
 Ralph Tipton  
 Rev. Lea Roy Aldwell  
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THE RANCH SALOON, as well as the Bank Saloon and the Favorite Saloon, all located on Main Street, were popular spots for the men, but all ladies were obliged to turn their heads primly as they passed. This picture of the Ranch Saloon bar taken about 1913 or 1914 shows the bartender, Holly Carson, and patrons Frank Eaton standing with his foot on the rail, while Jim Barton has his elbow on the bar. Others are unidentified.

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**Accent On Health**

With winter weather coming in motorists will have to be more watchful.

More fatal traffic accidents occur during darkness—especially during the evening from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.—than during the daylight hours, reports the Texas State Department of Health.

This sobering fact should be kept in mind by motorists during winter when the hours of daylight are shorter, streets may be wet or icy, and fog and frost on windows may cloud a motorist's visibility. Better control of the car, reduction of speed and increased alertness are very necessary.

The State Health Department and National Safety Council also advise motorists to drive defensively and to:

- Pull into traffic more cautiously than in daytime.
- Pass with care, making sure you have enough passing room.
- Never trust your judgement in estimating speed of an approaching car by its headlights.
- Stay well behind the car ahead of you and watch for his signals.
- Watch for oncoming drivers who may be out of their lanes.
- Be alert for vehicles stopped on the roadway with poor—or no lights.
- Alert other drivers with flares or lights if your car becomes

disabled, and get it off the road. —Don't over-drive your headlights. At 60 miles an hour it will take you about 370 feet to stop. Yet, you see only about 200 feet ahead.

—Put on directional signals well in advance of turning.

—Don't use parking lights in motion.

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—Keep your windshield and windows clean, inside and out. In night driving the glare of oncoming headlights diffused against the film may blind you or make you fail to see unlighted objects.

—If an approaching driver fails to dim his lights, don't keep your bright lights on also. Slow down, dim your lights and keep your eyes on the shoulder of the road or the land edge to guide you.

By observing these rules of the road, you will have a much better chance of not becoming a traffic statistic, says the State Health Department.

**Gleaners Meet At Morriss Home**

Mrs. Bill Morriss and Mrs. Rip Ward hosted the members of the Gleaners Sunday School Class and their husbands with a dinner Tuesday in the Morriss home.

Those in attendance were Mrs. Larry Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Nance, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Neil Smith, Mrs. Erma Lee Turner, Mrs. Bobby Kinard, Mrs. Francis Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hepburn, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dunham, Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Parker, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sutton, Mr. Bill Morriss, Molly and Lucy Morriss and the Rev. and Mrs. Clifton Hancock.

An adult should drink at least two glasses of milk each day. Milk can be whole, skimmed, low-fat, instant, evaporated or buttermilk. Some of this amount may be supplied by cheese and ice cream.

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