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## Mrs. L. E. Johnson **Dies Following** Lengthy Illness

Mrs. L. E. ("Miss Jessie") Johnson, Sr., 83, died at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 9, 1972, at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. She had been ill for the past several years.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the First United Methodist Chruch with the Rev. John Weston officiating. Burial was in Sonora Cemetery directed by Ratliff-Kerbow Funeral Home.

She was born October 30, 1889 in Glen Allen, Missouri. She moved here in 1906 from Marlin. Her parents were the late Dr. and Mrs. A.J. Smith, pioneer Sutton Countians.

A governess for several different ranches, she taught first and second grades in Sonora public schools. She was married August 25, 1915 here to L.E. "Bully" Johnson, Sr., first child born in Sutton County after the county's charter. He died in 1963.

Mrs. Johnson was a graduate of San Marcos Normal College (now Southwest Texas State). After her marriage, she worked as an office deputy in the Sutton County sheriff's office.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Mrs. L.E. Johnson, Jr. ; three grand-

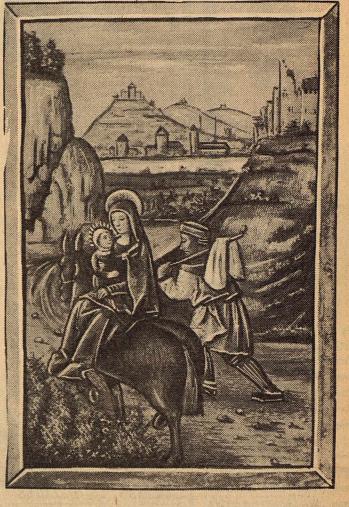


#### Kelso says he is proud of the work the girls are doing, and THE COMMUNITY CAN BE PROUD of this group of high school

## **Christ the Savior Is Born!**

GALATIANS 5:13-14 13"For, brethern, Ye have only called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another." 14" For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thoa shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." GALATIANS 5:7 7 :Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

As the Earth turns again to bring us to the Christmas Season of 1972, Christians throughout the world will find comfort, new hope and strength of purpose in their remembrance of the Lord's birthday. Machines and technology have changed the speed and manner of life so profoundly that our civilization would be virtually incomprehensible to anyone who lived and walked in the footsteps of the Lord, as by word and deed He carried His ministry along the dusty roads and across the hills and valleys of Judea nearly 2,000 years ago. But unlike his surround-



Faith was the essential core of true religion. Each person by his own faith and commitment to the ways and the word of the Lord could find peace with God. Nothing in his past his ings, the human and spiritracial or national background need bar the way. Religious rites, observances of legal requirements and external actions of various kinds might help. But, the key lies in a deep personal faith that gives the heart and life to God through Christ. Each of must relate this message of self-commitment to his own life and times. As we come closer in spirit this Christmas Season to Him whose word must guide us, it may be helpful

to consider the thought expressed by the Apostle Paul in his letter to the Galatians.

He speaks of the liberty which faith can bring to

daughters, Mrs. Jack Graves. Mrs. Jack David Wardlaw and Mrs. Noe Chavez; three great-grandchildren and a niece.

Serving as pallbearers were Joseph Vander Stucken. John Fields, Herman Moore, Geroge E. (Bud) Smith, Willie Miers and Collier Shurley.

## **County Recertified**

Dr. H. Q. Sibley, Executive Director of the Texas Animal Health Commission expressed appreciation to all livestock owners in Sutton County for their cooperation while testing eattle for recertification for the Modified-Certified Brucellosis area certificate. Sutton County has been re-

certified for a three-year period ending November 15, 1975, according to a letter received by County Agricultural Agent, D. C. Langford from Dr. Sibley.

**Tryon Fields Named All-District Player** Offense, Defense

Bronco football player Tryon Fields gained a linebacker and offensive halfback spot on the top team in district 9-A alldistrict selections. He joined Mason's Warren Grote and Ricky Sheppard of Junction as one of the three players to make the elite team on both offense and defense.

Other Sonora players who were selected to the all-district team included Joe Eustace, senior, named to the guard position; Steve Street to the linebacker position and Beto Villarreal as tackle.

Sonora Broncos named to the secondary included Freddie Virgen, Ladd Turner and Bill Mitchell. Honorary mention went to Paul Browne. Mason Punchers, district winners, dominated the 9-A alldistrict selections.

girls who have won 10 games with only 4 losses since basketball season began. Basketball coach Tally Kelso says the girls lost to Eldorado by 2, lost to Lake View in the Iraan tournament, lost to Paint Rock in the Christoval tournament, and lost to Robert Lee in district. They stand in district with one win and one loss and will meet Mason here Thursday (tonight) in a district game for the third district game of this season. In district competition, the girls and boys play each team twice. Coach

... "right now, we just need some support". How about it? --Are we going to let these girls and boys down? Everybody go out Thursday and support the basketball teams! Team members shown here are Blanca Lumbraras, Dolly Leyva, Margaret Black, Cora Pope, Melissa Gibbs, Molly Sawyer, Carol Mc-Allister, Shelia Alexander, Claire Langford and Karen Hemphill. Glenna Chadwick, senior, is not shown.

#### **Hand-Set Newspaper Primera Baptist Rolls From Flatbed Press Christmas Service** Primera Baptist Church,

Chestnut and Santa Clara streets, will hold special Todd Publications, Inc., Christmas services at 6 p.m. has announced it has pur-Sunday, December 24. A live chased the Round Rock manger scene will be presented Leader, the last remaining by the young people, Christmas hand-set newspaper in Texhymns sung and sacks of candy as. The paper was purchasand fruit will be passed out to ed from Mrs. J.H.Kavanall the young people, accordaugh and Miss May Kavaning to the Rev. Ray Garnett, augh, widow and daughter of the well-known editor

WINNERS IN THE SATURDAY drawing were Jo Ann Guerra, left

and Leticia Luna. The final drawing will be held Saturday,

two - \$350 prizes, and Santa will make his annual visit via

3:30 p.m. with candy for the little ones.

Sonora Fire Department transportation. Santa will arrive about

pastor of the church. Mrs. Fela Perez is in charge and publisher of the Leader of the program, and everyone for a number of years. is invited to attend, the Rev. To completely relate the Mr. Garnett added. story behind that simple

**Sets Special** 

announcement would take volumes so only a part of the story is attempted here. On hand for the final edition Wednesday, December 7, was Mrs. Leo James (Charlotte) Wilson, daughter of the late J.H. Kavanaugh who bought the newspaper almost 50 years past. Todd Publications converted the paper to offset printing process December 14, and it is being printed in another Toddowned plant in Smithville. The newspaper began operation almost a century ago and the operation has been an oddity for some time since it was printed on a flatbed press with handset type. Operation has been a family affair with all members of the Kavanaugh family having helped at different times to run the press, fold and address the weekly.

> **Alfred Wagner Earns Degree**

Alfred B. Wagner, son of the Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Wagner, has been awarded | a master's degree from Texas A&M University. Wagner December 23, at 4 p.m. The participating merchants will award earned his degree in food technology. TAMU had a total of 990

mid-term graduates.

gathered at the Kayanaugh home for dinner with Mrs. Kavanaugh, who still lives in Round Rock. May worked with her father and has continued the family enterprise since his death in 1957. To hand-set type for a newspaper of four to six pages seems almost impossible. In a column there are about 2, 800 letters. There are six colums of type on each page. May ran at least four pages of news and ads each week-the figure at the end of the multiplication problem: 67,000! 67,000 letters to be picked out of type cases for each issue. She has many interesting stories about publication problems, and has been featured in several newspaper accounts. Highlights from the Austin

American-Statesman when the Leader was spotlighted in the mid-'50's included this humorous incident as "There was a time in the old building that we slit the papers with a string

both sides (to make two papers) instead of using the little cutter on the press. The reason for that was because a former manager

> Christmas Day services are scheduled at Hope Lutheran at 9:30 a.m., the Rev. Mr. Wagner added.

The Savior".

ual needs, the strengths, the weaknesses, and the greatness of mankind have not changed appreciably. As our numbers have grown and the pace and pressures of life have quickened, so has the need increased in each of us for the secure knowledge that the spirit and the power of the Lord moves with us every moment of our lives. The message which he brought was simple, and it was universal to all men.

the individual. He points out that freedom carries with it the responsibility to live by the word of the Lord-to love and serve Him and one another, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. In this endeavor, we may live in the secure knowledge that we will be rewarded.

Peace with God will be ours for it remains true now as on the first Christmas Eve that "... whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

#### **Broncos Win** Indian Lodge To Be Closed For Repairs **Consolation In**

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Work will include repair

and maintenance of the heating and cooling system, water system, boilers, strainers, traps, filters, the circulating pump and kitchen equipment. The rest of the park will remain open to visitors, Department officials say this period in January is the slowest time of the year for the lodge. Consequently, a minimum number of visitors

## **Bank Directors Declare** Dividends

will be inconvenienced.

Directors of the First National Bank declared their 134th consecutive dividend at the December 15 regular semi-annual meeting. They voted to continue the practice of making a Christmas donation of \$100 to each church in the community as well as to the Sutton County Welfare organization. Directors are Clayton Hamilton, Lea Roy Aldwell, S. H. Allison, George H. (Jack) Neill, Edwin E. Sawyer, Joe M. Vander Stucken

and Mrs. Ida A. Williams.

Coach Jerry Phillips' Bronco Varsity basketball team won the consolation game at the Iraan tournament, beating Iraan by a score of 77-41. Mark Rousselot was high-point man in the game with 24 points. For the tournament, he scored more points than any other player on any team. Rousselot also stole the ball a total of 15 times. Bruce Kerbow scored more

Iraan Tourney

points than anyone in a single game, scoring 27 in the Bronco's second game against Buena Vista. Sonora won the game by a score of 61-53. The first game of the Iraan tournament, the Broncos met Big Lake to lose by a score of 73-63. Rousselot was high point man with 20 points. Another outstanding player for the Broncos was Wesley Richardson who scored several points in each game. Great team effort was displayed by all the players. Kerbow was named to the all-toumament team. The Varsity begins district play tonight (Thursday) as they meet Mason here. Everyone is urged to come out and support the basketball

team as they begin the district play.

Every press night after the work was done the family

told by May: after they were printed on

> got mad at the cutter one time-said it wasn't work-

> > ing right-and threw it

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Those who plan to visit Indian Lodge in Davis Mountains State Park in January may have to postpone their

The lodge will be closed from 2 p.m. Jan. 8, to 2 p.m. January 22, 1973, so preventive maintenance work can be done by the

**Hope Lutheran Schedules** Special **Christmas Service** 

reciation and song. The

theme of the service will

be: "Lighting A Candle For

Refreshments will be served

immediately after the pre-

sentation. Everyone is cor-

dially invited to help Keep

pastor of the local church.

Christ in Christmas, says

Reverend A.B. Wagner,

Hope Lutheran Church will present a special children's Christmas Eve service, December 24, at 6 p.m. Children of all age groups will participate in

trip.



## He Finds Evidence Of A Sort That **Crime Has Spread Just About All Over**

sell for \$2 a foot.

In California, a man has

frauding the telephone com-

pany by figuring out a whist-

been found guilty of de-

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THE DEVIL'S RIVER PHILOSOPHER SEZ .....

Editor's note: The Dry Devils Philosopher on his bitterweed ranch on Dry Devils River pretends to be alarmed this week over the law and order situation. Dear editar:

For a long time now people have been talking about a breakdown in law and order but I haven't paid much attention to it, however a series of items I've been running across lately in the newspapers that turn up out here has convinced me the situation is as bad as they say, maybe worse. For example, authorities

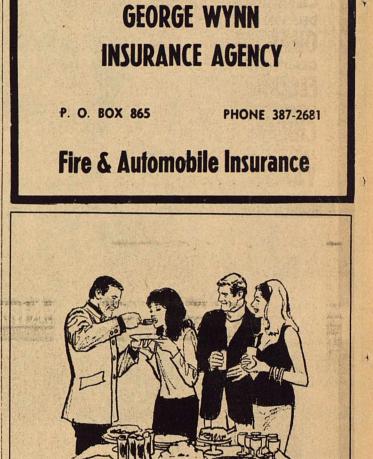
are wondering if they won't have to look up the Petrified Forest National Park in Arizona to protect it from the people it was set aside for, on account of how they're making off with the petrified wood. They carry it off in their pockets, purses, car trunks, etc., and officials estimate if they keep it up there won't be any petrified wood left.

With the yule season ap-proaching, Christmas tree thieves are at work again in the national fir forests in the Pacific Northwest, swiping hundreds a day because they

charge. And to top it off, and to show the breakdown is worldwide, not just confined to the U.S., Earl Mountbatten, an uncle of Oueen Elizabeth, has been fined for watering down the milk on his farm. Been adding a little of the stuff to the milk sold from his country estate to boost his income. I'll tell you, the situation is getting out of hand. Why just the other day a Congressman was demanding that

Congress plug up the loopholes in the income tax laws, saying smart people are figuring out more and more ways to pay less and less tax.

I'm sure he's on the right track, but until the loopholes are plugged, I wish he'd point them out to me. Yours faithfully, J.A.



This Christmas Season. 1972, the mystery and magic of Christmas night are very real as hundreds of millions of people in small countries and great nations across the breadth of the world join hands in the eternal wish of peace on earth and goodwill toward men.

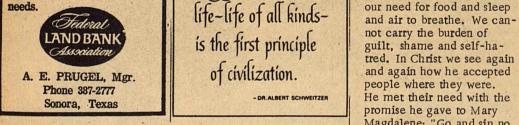
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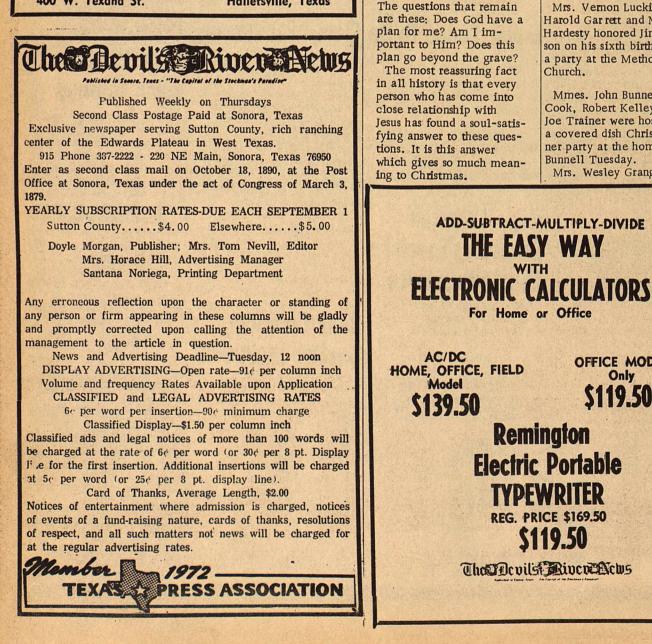


#### **ATTENTION HUNTERS & TRAPPERS**

A representative of D&W Fur Company, one of the largest fur companies in the Southern United States. will be in Sonora at Glasscock Shell Station, 290-277 W, each Wednesday for one hour from 10 to 11 a.m. paying top dollar. Bring furs skinned like opposum hides (case). We

buy coon meat, cleaned, frozen individually, leaving head and one foot. We buy deer hides. D&W FUR COMPANY Halletsville, Texas

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guilt, shame and self-hacome out Tuesday night. Detred. In Christ we see again cember 23, and the New Years edition will come out Wednesand again how he accepted day, December 31. This gives people where they were. Roy Cooper, our Linotypist, He met their need with the printer, etc., a chance to run promise he gave to Mary up to Kansas for a few days and Magdalene: "Go and sin no pull himself together for anmore." The people we other 12 months of frustration, meet in the four gospels are, almost without excepdistraction and just plain hard work. And we might take a tion, people who experiensiesta Thursday afternoon ourced a new beginning in their lives thru this saving, selves. cleansing, healing gift of

eys seem to about describe

hunting conditions this year.

Our Christmas edition will

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jacoby Still another need we have and son, Mark were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. J. is to know whether God has a plan for our lives. It is N. Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. not enough to see that there Tom Jacoby in Junction. is a plan for the universe.

forgiveness.

Mrs. Vernon Luckie, Mrs. Harold Gar rett and Mrs. Van Hardesty honored Jimmy Wilson on his sixth birthday with a party at the Methodist Church.

Mmes. John Bunnell, R.V. Cook, Robert Kelley, Sr. and Joe Trainer were hostesses at a covered dish Christmas dinner party at the home of Mrs. Bunnell Tuesday. Mrs. Wesley Granger was

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The Devils River Acts

all colored orchestra from San Angelo, will play for a dance Christmas night in the Wool House. The Woman's Club is sponsoring this dance. 69 YEARS AGO Mrs. Jeff Carter is visiting the ranch of her brother, Tom, this Jim Pollard

E.D. Shurley.

Tuesday. The subject of "Nu-

trition" was discussed by Mrs.

The Rhythym Reveliers, an

week. Frank Cloudt was up from his ranch in Edwards County Tuesday to spend some time with his friends and tend to business. Perry McConnell, one of our old time friends, came over from Menardville Sunday to see how we were getting along. Perry looks well. Hop Wood, the cattleman, was up from the Chesser ranch Monday for supplies. Walter Lard, the popular and obliging drug clerk who has been with E.S. Briant, left for his home in San Angelo. W.L. Locklin, Misses Minnie Williams, Dela Carlton and Ollie Byrd, returned from spending the holidays at Sherwood recently. Carl Gunzer, the sheep and goat man, was here Monday for supplies. Will Blaze and Miss Cora

Willis were married Sunday by Judge Balch. Bunk Brooks, the jolly rock mason left on Monday for his home in Coleman to spend a few weeks with his family. Frank Turney who has been looking after the C.T.Turney horses over the Pecos way, came in Saturday on a visit to his family. Frank is looking all right and says the boys and cattle are doing well. John J. Taylor, of Betram, formerly deputy sheriff of Burnett County for several years, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Blackston Huggins out on the Sam Tayloe ranch.



Melinda Earwood Bill McClelland Will Wallace Al Elliott Mrs. Lin Hicks Edna Gonzales

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

Albert Everett

David Kingston

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Betsy Schwiening



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Hospital Auxiliary by JAN VANDER STUCKEN The Lillian M. Hudspeth Hospital Auxiliary enter-

tained the residents of the Nursing Home with a Christmas party Monday, December 11.

Mrs. R.A. Halbert and Mrs. Ed Mayfield presided at the refreshment table. Sandwiches, cookies, coffee and punch were served. Christmas gifts and cards were distributed by the Auxiliary. The Christmas tree was decorated by the Auxiliary members.

Christmas carols were sung by the group accompanied by Mrs. Charles Browne at the organ. Fifty residents, guests and members enjoyed the festivities.

### **Green News**

The Golf Auxiliary's annual Christmas party was a big success. About 50 members attended.

We want to thank everyone who brought food, beverages, and those who helped to decorate and clean up.

The next luncheon and auxiliary meeting will be held the third Wednesday in January. Hostesses will be Jodie Finklea and Libbye Lowe.



Mrs. Clayton Hamilton hosted the Monday Night Bridge Club at her home Monday. Supper was served to members and guests attending. Winning high was Mrs. Bob Granger, with Mrs. W.H.Hill winning second high. Others attending were guests Mrs. Jack Kerbow and Mrs. Ed coffee. Grobe, and members Mmes. Albert Ward, Horace Hill and Miss Vivian Miears. 42 FUN CLUB Gifts were exchanged and dinner served when members

of the 42 Fun Club met at the S. M. Loeffler home for their annual Christmas party last Thursday. Hosts were the Loefflers. Candles and traditional Christmas ornaments decorated the tables.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Freeman Miears, Tom Nevill, Ervin Willman, W.O. Crites, Melvin Hearn, J. B. Wright and Mrs. Pete Thompson and Mrs. Leo J. Wilson. High score was held by Willman; high guest, Mrs. Wilson; men's bingo, Crites and ladies bingo, Mrs. Hearn. SONORA ART CLUB The annual Christmas supper and meeting of the Sonora Art



Clifford Green, Philip Cooper, Roger Spencer, Estes Adams, Harold Garrett and Cook hosting the event. A sandwich supper was served with chips, dips, a relish plate, cookies, candy, punch and Others attending were Mmes. Ida Bloodworth, Elmer Evans, Wes Granger, Hub Hale, Kelley

Mims, David Porter, Eddie Smith, Bob Snodgrass, Wesley Sykes, Travis Williamson and Mmes. Carl Hard, Clyde Hill, Tally Kelso, Johnny Martin, Louis Powers, Willard Roper, Sam Stewart, Carlos Storm, Calvin VanHoozer and Glen Kemp.

Members of the Art Club would like to thank those who helped make their bake sale a great success. -SKH-

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Eaton over the holidays will be their children, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Groom. Diana and Mark of Fort Worth and Major and Mrs. Dan Eaton, Teresa and Alicia of Ft. Hauchua. Arizona.

H. P. Largent, former Sonoran, now living in Ballinger, is a patient at St. John's Hospital in San Angelo, where he has been since December 6, after a heart attack. He is reported to be recovering and would like to hear from his friends.

Other news of the sick includes reports that Wallace Davis, brother of Haynie Davis and Winnie Saunders, is very ill in a Pasadena hospital.

#### Wrapping Gifts

When German tradition is followed, unwrapping a Christmas gift can be an amusing but complicated process. One gift may have many

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consecutive wrappings, each with a different name on it. and the final wrapping may reveal not a gift, but a card telling where the gift is hidden

Other cards in other hiding places lead to a treasure hunt, ending in the discovery of the gift.

## **Festive Berries Brighten Holidays**

Holiday cheer gets a special boost from the bright red cranberry as it creates everything from juice to a

cake or the Hot Buttered Punch featured below. Judy Grubbs, food and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University, reported that this year's cranberry crop will provide plentiful supplies of the fresh fruit, cranberry sauce and fruit cocktail for the holidays, according to USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service predictions.

HOT BUTTERED PUNCH 3/4 cup brown sugar 4 cups water

2 1-lb. cans jellied cranberry sauce 1 qt. pineapple juice 1/4 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. nutmeg, 1/2 tsp. cinnamon 1/2 tsp. allspice Bring to a boil brown sugar l cup water, salt, nutmeg, cinnamon and allspice. Beat jellied cranberry sauce with beater until "saucy". Add 3 cups water and beat until smooth. Add cranberry liquid and pineapple juice to hot spiced syrup. Simmer about 5 minutes. Keep steaming hot over hot water. To serve, ladle punch into mugs. Add dots of butter or margarine. Serve with cinnamon stick stirrers. Yield;

 $2\frac{1}{2}$  quarts.

West. Mrs. Pete Thompson was guest. Winning at 42 was Mrs. West, the 84 prize; Mrs. Olenick, high; and Mrs. Humphreys, low.

The firemen will be bringing Santa to town on the fire truck, Saturday, December 23, at 3:30. He will have lots of candy for the boys and girls, so all you children come down and do your last minute shopping for Mom and Dad and see Santa!

Fire Marshal Gene West reminds all youngsters to be extra careful with fireworks o this holiday season will



Last Tuesday, the Girls' Varsity Basketball team played in Junction and defeated the Eagles by a score of 46 to 41. The Junior Varsity Girls were defeated 29 to 35. Last weekend the Boys' and Girls' varsity teams participated in the Iraan Basketball Tournament. In their first game the girls won a victory of 48 to 33 over the girls from Balmorhea. Their second game was lost to Eldorado by a close margin of 43 to 45 and their third game to Lakeview 34 to 49, giving the girls' varsity fourth place overall in the tournament. The Boys' Varsity lost their

first game to Big Lake by a margin of 63 to 73, but were able to defeat the Buena Vista team 61 to 53, and Iraan by a wide margin of 77 to 41. -SHS-

Molly Sawyer and Bruce Kerbow were named "All fournament" in the Iraan



9:45 a.m.

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6:00 p.m.

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Sunday.

Church School

Holy Communion

First and third Sunday.

Morning Prayer 11:00 a.m.

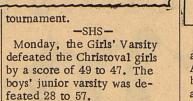
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The Boys Varsity defeated

This Thursday evening, De-

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and the Girls' Varsity and the

Junior Varsity teams will play

Mason here, beginning at 5.

Their next game following

the Christmas holidays will be

varsity and junior varsity will

games, beginning at 4 Tues-

Outstanding Bronco Bands-

men of the week are Jimmy

Black and Mark Gilly.

-SHS-

played in Wall on Tuesday,

Both the boys and girls

play. There will be four

the Lakeview junior varsity

with a 60-40 score.

January 2.

day afternoon.

HELLO BABY

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Evans are parents of a daughter, Amy Catherine, who was born December 9, 1972, at Schleicher County Medical Center. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces. She has a brother, Ward Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. L.W. Dykes of Iraan, and the paternal grandmother is Mrs. Arthur M. Evans of Martindale.

Sunday School

Worship Services

Training Union

Worship Service

WMU. Monday

Maternal grandparents are

Hostesses were Mmes. Jack Kerbow, Jack Hearn, Jimmy Wilson, J.D. Cook, Jerry Donaldson and Frank Leslie Moore.

> Miss Leslie Johnson presided at the bride's book.

**Party Honors** 

A miscellaneous gift party

Methodist Church Fellowship

Hall to honor Miss Rhonda

The bride-elect's chosen

carried out in decorations.

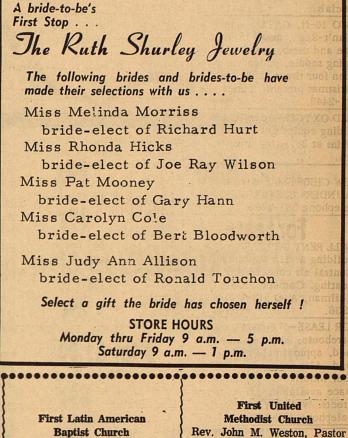
colors of blue and white were

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Hicks, bride-elect of Joe Ray

**Bride-Elect** 

Wilson.



Ray Garnett, Pastor Church School 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:50 a.m. 11:00 a.m. If you do not worship at 6:00 p.m. some other church we will be 7:00 p.m. very happy to have you worship 7:00 p.m. with us.

**Church Of Christ** 

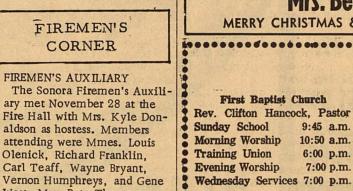
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.

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Weekday Mass:



# Happy Holidays

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a happy one. Each year at this time, thousands of children are injured in accidents due to carelessness with fireworks. The Fire Department's annual New Year's Eve dance will be December 31 at the 4-H Center from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. This year the dance is for adults only. This is the department's only fund-raising affair held through-

out the year, so everyone come out and support the firemen as you have in the past. A good time is promised to all who attend.

FIREMEN'S AUXILIARY Mrs. Richard Franklin was hostess for the Sonora Firemen' Auxiliary meeting December

After a short business meeting, 42 was played. Winning high was Mrs. Vernon Humphreys; low, Mrs. Ervin Willman and the 84 prize went to Mrs. Gene West. Others attending were Mmes. Kyle Donaldson, Luther Creek, Wayne Bryant, Louis Olenick, Joe Ed Harrell, Carl Teaff and Mrs. Pete Thompson and Mrs. Ann Boyd as guests. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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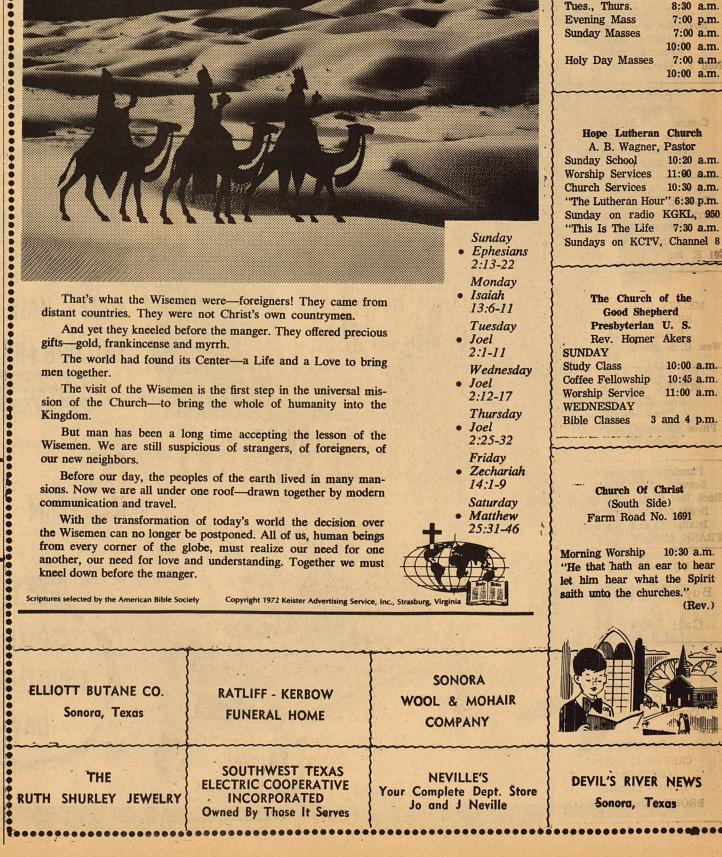
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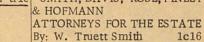
NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST TH ESTATE OF W. H. KARNES,

DECEASED Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of W. H. Karnes were issued on November 13, 1972, in Cause No. 580, pending in the County Court of Sutton County, Texas, to:

**Livestock For Sale** Alice Karnes The residence of such Execu-A FEW GOOD ANGUS BULLS. or is Sutton, Texas. The post office address is: c/o W. Truett Smith Frank Fish. Call YJ4-6804. tf P. O. Box 271

San Angelo, Texas 76901 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner

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## **Public Notice**

NOTICE TO BIDDERS Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Sutton County, Texas will receive bids at the office of the lights. County Judge of Sutton County Texas, in the Court House, until 9:00 o'clock A.M. on December 28, 1972, for furnishing said County with the

24. Ash tray in front compartment only. 25. Grill and bumpers to be chrome.

26. Vehicle to be equipped with window decals or equivalent of the type that are regularly installed on this type vehicle. 27. Front compartment to be

equipped with a dome light that works separately of the rear compartment light. 28. Front compartment to be equipped with a floor mat. 29. Front compartment to be equipped with a switch panel containing the controls to special equipment that is not

ment panel. This panel is to be accessible to the driver. 30. To be equipped with sufficient lights inside the rear compartment to light the entire area. These shall work off a separate switch than the front

interior light. 31. A panel in the rear compartment containing the controls for rear electrical devices including lights, heat and air conditioner blowers.

right side, of the type that may be folded out of the way leaving a flat floor from rear to partition with seat belt. 33. To be equipped with a hook for suspending plasma or other type I V bottles from the

ceiling. 34. Compartments down both sides of patient compartment covering wheel housing and

space tire well. 35. Cabinet at the front of patient compartment to have doors and various size storage areas.

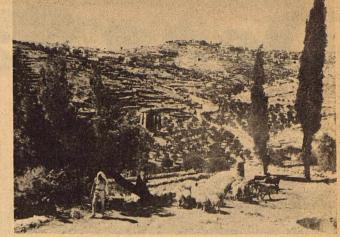
36. Upright chrome dual holders for two oxygen cylinders.

37. Warning lights; two red and two blue flashing tunnel lower roof line facing forward and one pancake revolving

siren.

42. Color; white-with bright 43. Full length, heavy duty, covered floor with underneath

46. Rear loading lights. 47. Hanging hardware for two The Devil's River News, Sonora, Texas 76950, Thursday, December 21, 1972 Page 5



BETHLEHEM-From these fields, up the slope to the stable, where the Church of the Nativity now stands, the shepherds followed the Star over 1900 years ago to find the Christ Child.



One 1973 model Ford, GMC or Chevrolet Ambulance with and contractors. New homes. the following equipment and painting, remodeling. Foxspecifications: worth-Galbraith Lumber Com-. A wheel base of not less tf than 125 inches and an overall length of not less than 215 TWO-BEDROOM HOUSE for inches. sale. Call Kathleen Moore, 2. There shall be a minimum 387-2863 before 8 a.m. tf of 54 inches of headroom in

following:

patient compartment; with a steel roof. 3. The patient compartment shall not be less than 100 inche from the partition to the rear of the compartment.

2p16 4. The patient compartment shall not be less than 48 inches

wide as measured at the wheelhousing. 5. The motor shall not be less than 400 cubic inches piston displacement and at least eight cylinders. It shall be equipped

with a four barrel carburator. 6. A heavy duty type alternator with a minimum of 105 amps.

7. Heavy duty, three speed, automatic transmission. 8. To be equipped with a power 32. An attendant seat on the steering unit.

9. To be equipped with heavy duty power disc brakes. 10. To be equipped with 15 inch wheels and 6 ply whitewall tires; deluxe wheel covers (or G78x15 fiberglass belted

tires). 11. Car to be equipped with heavy duty front and rear suspension.

12. Vehicle to be equipped with heavy duty shock absorbers front and rear.

13. Ambulance to be equipped with air conditioning front and rear compartments. Unit and blowers to be of such type and

size to adequately cool both compartments.

14. Ambulance to be equipped with large fresh air heater and defroster, with separate heater blower and control in the rear compartment.

15. Vehicle shall be equipped with variable speed electric windshield wipers and windshield washers. 16. The front compartment

will contain conventional type seats, covered with some type of washable material. No fabric that will stain. 17. Ambulance shall be equip-

18. Vehicle shall be equipped with standard safety kit con-

**Snips, Quips & Lifts** ly furnished by the car manuby LOTTIE LEE BAKER facturer shall be furnished and -Beware of becoming so installed on both front doors. 21. Self cancelling directional broadminded that thinking gets shallow.

22. Vehicle to be equipped -Busy souls have no time with back-up lights. to be busy-bodies. 23. Cigarette lighter.

> He's red when he's embarrased.

straight.

normally included on an instru-

due.

flashing light, all red. 38. Siren; PA-20 electronic

39. Service police. 40. Inspection sticker. 41. Gauges; all. molding around windshield and windows.

floor storage. 44. Airplane sliding type drapes. 45. Cot hook-left hand side.

-There would be fewer pedestrian patients if there were more patient pedestrians. -The right train of thought can take you to a better station in life. THE COLOR OF A MAN

He's purple when he's angry. He's yellow when he's cowardly.

He's blue when he's loyal. He's green when he's envious He's white when he's

He's colorless when he's uninteresting. --When you take responsibility on your shoulders, there isn't any room for

chips. -The people you figure are men of steel may be just solid brass.

-There may be just as good fish in the sea-but are you sure they will bite? -Gossip is like a balloon

-it grows bigger with every puff. -You can usually dodge a

question with a long-winded answer. -You can do a lot of bluffing by keeping your

mouth shut. -Worry is the interest paid on trouble before it is

A LIFT FOR THE WEEK The distance a man goes is not important-it is the direction he is moving.

#### It's a Mystery

Mysterious things happen on Christmas Eve, say coun-try legends of Switzerland. Young people may foretell the future, if they drink from nine different fountains' while the midnight church bells chime. Then, if they hasten to the church steps, their future mates will await them there.

Somewhat less romantically, older folk seek to predict the weather for the coming year, using onion peels filled with salt.

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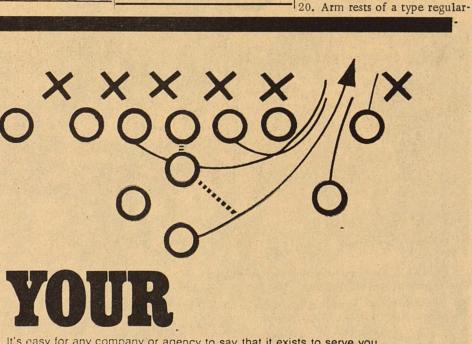
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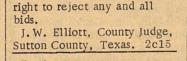
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**GREENHILL'S TEXACO** MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR Page 6 The Devil's River News, Sonora, Texas 76950, Thursday, December 21, 1972

## Dear Santa, Please Bring Me

#### Dear Santa,

I hope you are well. I want a basket and two new tires for my bike. I hope you bring me a walking doll and a candy cane. My brother wants a new bike. My sister wants a baby tender love. We all want something for Christmas.

Your freind, Maray West

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MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Jimmy R. Harris Family

#### Dear Santa. I want a football game between Dallas Cowboys and the Rams. I would also like a G.I. loe, Big Horn rifel. My little brother wants a B. B. gun. The G.I. Joe set I want is Secret of the Mummy's Toumb. Your friend, Steve Jennings

Dear Santa, I want you to bring my big brother a basketball. And I have two more brouthers. And one of my brothers wants a whatch and my other brouther wants a football and I want a watch, billfold and a pair of walketalkes. With love, Randy Mounce

> bring a football to my brother Dear Santa. and please bring two time tell Sent me the doll with the head to my sister. and she has makeup. And I Merry Christmas. would like to have a real football. And I wold like my baby sister a ball. Lots of love, Helen

Dear Santa, I hope you are well. I want a doll and my bother wants a book and my sister want a dog and She wants flowers for a Christmas tree and my sister want some glasses. My brother want some sled and my mother like some car for my bother and want some Jack in the box With love, Sara Avila Morend

Dear Santa. My brother wants a little truck to play with. He wants a dump truck. My sister want a coat and some dresses. I want a new football and some games. With love, Elvery Sepeda

Dear Santa. I want a watch for Christmas. Steve wants a bike. My brother wants a car. And I want a football game between Cowboys and Bears. My brother wants a bike. Steve's brother wants a bike. Larry wants a football. With love, Bernardo Soliz

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a baby doll, and a barbedoll. My sister would like a baby doll, too. And my big sister would like some makeup and new dress. Your friend, Jeana Cook

Dear Santa, I want a electric football set, a basketball, tape recorder. And some hip pads for my football suit. Love, Eric Neal

Dear Santa, I want a pretty doll that can talk and I want a little bank. I hope you will bring it in Christmas day. Love, Linda Duran

Love from, Gina Reyna Dear Santa, Will you please bring me a hippity hop and a stereo? Love from, Charlotte Dear Santa, Merry Christmas Santa. May I have a B.B. gun Santa? May

Dear Santa.

my family.

Dear Santa.

love from Lori

May I please have a pair of

roller skates. Please remember

How are your Reindeer?Please

bring me a bike and Please

I have a football suit? May I have a minibike? May I have a hot wheels? May I have a hippity hop? Love from, Kevin

Dear Santa Claus I want a Baby Tender love for Christmas. And I want another doll for Christmas it is call Hi Dottie. And I like to have dolls because I can play with the dolls. It is two dolls that I want Hi Dottie and Baby Tender love for Christmas. I want those dolls for Christmas. Your, friend, Patricia Perez

Dear Santa Claus I an happy to read a book and I like to read a letter from you and I wish to have a airplane to play and I will like a play a game and any game and I will play by may self. Your friend, Raul Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus, How are you. I hope you are fine. I hope I get a horse for Christmas and a Barbie Beauty Center. I hope you bring my dog a present too. Your friend, Leta

Dear Santa Claus, I want a toy it's name is Smash Up Derby that can crash and put it together agan. Your friend, Hector Samaniego

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Barbie for Christmas. I also want the swimming pool too. I want a Barbie Camper. Please get me a new bike. I don't have one and I want one

Dear Santa. My brother wants a gun with a gun belt. I want a bow and arrow. My sister wants a doll. Your frind, John Pollard Dear Santa,

How are you in the North pole? I want a football and a baseball, basketball, kickball, armymen, trucks, animals, bike, cargame, Your freind, Perry Draper

> Dear Santa, Please bring me a B.B. gun and a mini bike. Merry Christmas. please remember my family

Love from, Pascual Dear Santa, Pleace bring me a helmet of Dallas Cowboys, and bring me a record of Elvis. Merry Christmas Santa Love from, Jose Antonio B.

Dear Santa Claus. Can you bring me a set of dishes? Can you bring my brother a hot wheels? Love from, Betty Garza

Dear Santa. I would like to have a doll. It talks with records. My two brothers wanted a little truck with horses. My big brother wanted a gun. And my mother wants a new stove. My father wanted a set of tools. Love, Melva Vallejo

I have a little brother. He

me a football and a billfold

and two trucks to play with.

and my two sisters each one a

With love, Ponciono Castillo

Please bring me a football.

Please bring me a hot wheel.

Please bring me a bat. Please

Your friend, Alberto Chavez

I hope you can bring me a

record player, for Christmas.

My sister want a basket ball,

too. I hope you like my baby

sister. Her name is Janet.

Love, Alma Zamarron

bring me a drum for me.

wants a little car. Please bring

Dear Santa,

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Dear Santa Claus, How are your Raindeer feeling? If you have a football suit would you bring it to me? I would like a Lone Ranger Suit and guns with it. I would like a mini bike and some boots. Please! Your friend, Jeff

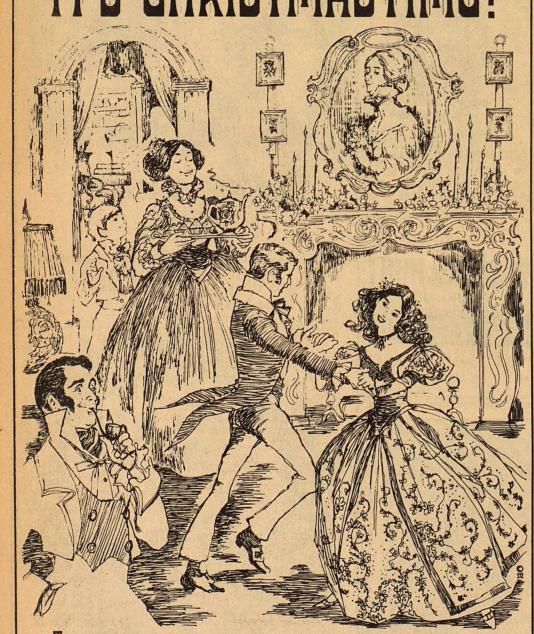
Dear Santa Claus, My sister would like to have a pool table, so would I. My brother would like to have some shose. I would like to have a tipwright, a drum, and a bassketball, a football, a bat and set of balls. Love, Ezekiel Duran



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May the light of joy and good will shine brightly into the hearts of all mankind, as on the Holy Night when the Prince of Peace was born. During this Christmas season, we wish you and yours an abundance of holiday blessings. And at this time we say a special "Thank You" for the privilege of serving you.

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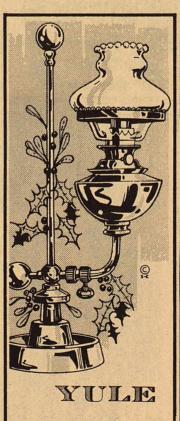
> **CITY OF SONORA UTILITIES** MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

so bad. And that is all I want. Your friend, Jill Phillips

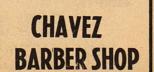
Dear Santa Claus I wish I could have a Sweet April. And a Hi Dottie and Beautiful Cynthia. And Barbie Beautiful Cents. Your friend, Sonia Mata

#### Dear Santa,

Please bring me a mini - bike and a camping set. And a guitar and a cavalry set. And foot ball set and a cavalry hat. And a cavalry suit. Daniel Boone pistol and a Daniel Boone gun. And a cannon. And that is all. Love, Espy Whitehead



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## GOOD WISHES...

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Dear Santa. Will you please try to tell your Dear Santa, Will you please try to tell your Merry Christmas Please bring elves to make me some magician me a train set. Please bring me cards and my sister a doll please. a barn set. And a dark gun please. I read a book about you. And a merry Love, Homer Christmas to you. Will you remember my family. Dear Santa,

Love from, Petey Please can you bring me a B.B. gun and a football suit Dear Santa, and a mini bike. Please bring me a football Love from, DeVoe

suit and helmet and a mini bike. And have a merry Christmas. Love from, Ronnie.

## **Hospital News**

Patients receiving treatment at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital during the period from Tuesday, December 12, through Monday, December 18, include the following: Ray Nations \* Ben Rode Dan Cauthorn \* Evelyn Minter, Rocksprings\* Rebecca Phillips, Ozona Joe Espinosa \* O. G. Babcock Nato Tambunga, Ozona \* Bill Minson \* Tomasa Perez \* Lois Wampler Bertha Fry \* Freeman Miears Jessie Deaton Rosa Burrus, Eldorado Juanita De La Rosa, Ozona O. Rendon, Rocksprings \* \*Patients released during

food, the beautiful flowers was deeply appreciated.

Santa's source, legend says, goes back to the fourth century, when St. Nicholas, a

Dear Santa Calus,

JUANITA'S BEAUTY SHOP

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Santa could you bring me a Sweet April. Well my mother says you have been a bad girl. So I said I am go to write Santa Claus a letter and so I want is a bike, baby tender love, Hi Dottie, Barbie fashion center. So I think thats all so could you bring my little nephew a uniform for Christmas. So long. Love, Cissy Gallegos

Dear Santa Claus,

Would you please bring me a bike? I will leave your some hot chocolate and a piece of cake. Your firend, Noemi

Dear Santa Claus, I want a G I Joe for Chrimtas and a new bike to. And a shot gun. And be shure to bring my sister a Hi Dottie. Thank you. Your frined, Jaye Herrmann





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	Dear Santa, Please bring me two Barbie dolls. Please bring me a T.V. Your friend, Becky Lopez Dear Santa, Please bring me a stove and a house. Your friend, Betty Martinez Dear Santa, Please bring me a stove and a house. Your friend, Betty Martinez Dear Santa, Please bring me a bike and a doll and a radio for Christmas. Your friend, Melisa Ramirez Dear Santa, Please bring me a sink stove	Dear Santa,         Please bring me a watch.         Please bring me a football.         Please bring me a gun. Please         bring me a mini-bike. Dear         friend I love you         Manuel Perez    Dear Santa, Please bring me a gun. Please bring me a mini-bike. Dear friend I love you Manuel Perez        Dear Santa,       Please bring me a gun. Please         Dear Santa,         Please bring me a gun. Please         Dear Santa,         Please bring me a gun. Please         Manuel Perez    Dear Santa, Please bring me a bike and sizzlers, hot wheels, hot shot, watch, gun kin is 22, mini-bike. Doe Jone Jone Dear Santa, Dear Santa, Dear Santa, Please bring me a bike and sizzlers, hot wheels, hot shot, watch, gun kin is 22, mini-bike. Dear Jone Jone Dear Jone De	Frank's Body Shop
COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE ERMA LEE, VIVIAN & GENIE	and refrigerator. Your friend, Jennifer Spencer Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a Barbie doll. Your friend, Noema Escobar Dear Santa, Please bring me some books and a Barbie doll camping truck. Your friend, Shelly Lewis Dear Santa Claus, Luck, Your friend, Shelly Lewis Dear Santa Claus, Your friend, Shelly Lewis Luck, Your friend, Shelly Lewis Dear Santa Claus, Your friend, Shelly Lewis Dear Santa Claus, Luck, Your friend, Shelly Lewis	<b>A</b> <b>F</b> <b>H</b>	MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR HAPPY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR
a genie	I would like a Barbie beauty center, Barbie house with plants and a farm house that opens with animals that move and make sounds and a farmer and wife that talk and move and a play school with people. Love, Julie Stewart	At Christmas, a special prayer: May mankind be blessed with "Peace on Earth." And a special wish: May your personal Christmas be a most happy one. <b>RUTH SHURLEY JEWELRY</b> MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR	
Everyone's singing out in merriment and joy, announcing to the world that it's Christmas! And it's our time to thank you, customers, for your patronage. H & H FEED AND TRUCKING CO.	For the active sports enthusiast, nutritious soup followed by mergy filled two-tone spicy brownies and black and white short-bread chocolate bars are a must for these wintery days ahead.         Two-Tone Spicy Brownies         % cup butter       1 egg         1% cups sugar       1 egg         1 3%-oz. can (1% cups)       1 egg         3hredded coconut       1 egg         2 6-oz. pkgs. (2 cups) Nestle's       1 teaspoon cinnamon	MERRY Denstmas,	May the Gift
all our customers, best wishes for	Semi-Sweet Chocolate Morsels <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> teaspoon baking soda Preheat oven to 375°F. In saucepan over medium heat melt <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> cup butter and stir in <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cup sugar and coconut. Blend in 1 6-oz. pkg. (1 cup) semi-sweet chocolate morsels and heat until morsels are melted. Spread on bottom of greased 13" x 9" x 2" pan. In bowl combine <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cup butter and 1 cup sugar and beat until creamy. Beat in egg and vanilla extract. Blend in flour, cinnamon and baking soda. Stir in 1 6-oz. pkg. (1 cup) semi- sweet chocolate morsels. Drop by tablespoonfuls over chocolate- coconut layer and pat evenly over surface. Bake at: 375°F. Time: 30 minutes. Cool and cut into 2" x 1" bars. Makes 4 dozen bars.	Thanks to all of you, our many loyal friends and customers, for your	of Lasting Happiness come in bright and clear

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MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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& STATION

## **Child Development Center Planned**

"After so much work and talking to so many people for over a year, the Sonora Childhood Development Center could be a reality," said the Rev. Fr. Michael Fernandez of Saint Ann's Catholic Church. The purposes for which this corporation is organized are providing health, education and welfare for the children of Sutton County, who are in their early childhood, three to five years of age, without regard to race, creed or color, he

added. The creation of early childhood development centers de-signed to suit the mental, physical, emotional and spiritual needs of children seem to offer a potentially good opportunity to communities to make a real contribution to the entire American Society. Positive self-image, learning motivation, individual level of aspirations and personal community involvement seem to be the areas where these children benefit the most, the Rev. Mr. Fernandez said. The purpose of the plan is to prove how an early child-

hood development center can fulfilled. prepare children to function adequately in the first grade that there will be approxiin a public school system. The center plans to try to mately 200 patrolmen from the Highway Patrol Service, involve parents and community the License and Weight Serindividuals, service clubs, vice and the Motor Vehicle school personnel and organiza-Inspection Service working in tions to determine needs and this region to help make the program direction through a highways safe. These patrol parental involvement model. men will be watching for all The numbers of Directors hazardous violations and esconstituting the initial board pecially for the drinking of directors of the corporation are ten and they are: Pete driver. "The driver who drinks and then drives is the Salgado, Mrs. Fred (Kay) largest factor in highway Campbell, Pete Gomez, Mrs. collisions. From 40 to 50 Mary Ford, Manuel Paredes, percent of the fatal wrecks Robert Mooney, Gene Gonzalez Billy Gosney, Arnulfo Virgen and Dan Carter Cauthorn. involve a drinking driver," Major Browning said.



to happen to someone else," he continued, "but none of us are exempt, we should drive as if every car we meet or pass could involve us in an accident. Major Browning stated that five persons were killed in this region during last year's Christmas "Operation Motorcide". This is far too many persons to be killed in our

"It is easy for us to think

that these accidents are going

Region, and I believe if every

motorist will use extra care,

we can have a fatality free

holiday this year.



## **Prevent Holiday Traffic Accidents**

Major E.K. Browning, Jr., commander of the 49-county Region Four of the Texas Department of Public Safety, has asked motorists to make it their personal responsibility to prevent traffic accidents where ever they may be during this holiday season. This year's Christmas "Op-

eration Motorcide" begins at 6 p.m. Friday and will continue through midnight Monday. Forty-six persons will be killed during this 78-hour period if the predictions are

Browning reminded motorists benefits for every \$2 earned between \$1, 680 and \$2, 880

> tinue to get their full social security benefits regardless of earnings," Talbot said. Under the new law, people under 72 can earn as much as \$2,100 in a year and get their full social security benefits. Different rules apply to people ty benefits if they work.

full benefits can be paid for any month in which an employee's wages are not more than \$175-or he didn't perform substantial services in the monthly limit was \$140. For more information conat 3000 West Harris in San tive when he is in your area. to the office, and local residents may call toll free by for "Enterprise 2058".

## **Social Security News For 1973**

Starting in 1973, people who are working while getting social security benefits can earn more but never lose more than \$1 in benefits for each \$2 earned, according to J. M. Talbot, social security district manager in San Angelo.

"The more you earn, the higher your total income will be," Talbot said. "Under the new social security law, social security payments will be reduced by \$1 for every \$2 earned over \$2, 100 in a year."

Previously, monthly pay-ments were reduced by \$1 in in a year—and by \$1 for every \$1 earned over \$2, 880.

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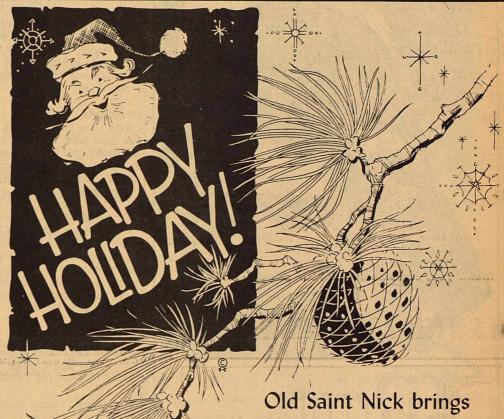
In addition, starting in 1973, self-employment. Previously, tact the Social Security Office Angelo, or see the representa-Telephone calls may be made dialing "Operator" and asking



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We're taking this opportunity to extend our best Christmas wishes to all of you.

## HURRY-UP ICE & FOOD STORE



you our very best wishes for the Holiday Season.



We pray that the miracle of His birth in a humble manger will once more spread its wonders, its promise across the land, bringing peace on earth, good will to men. In the joyous spirit of the holiday we offer our thanks to our customers for your many kindnesses. We greatly value and enjoy the privilege of serving you. Merry Christmas.

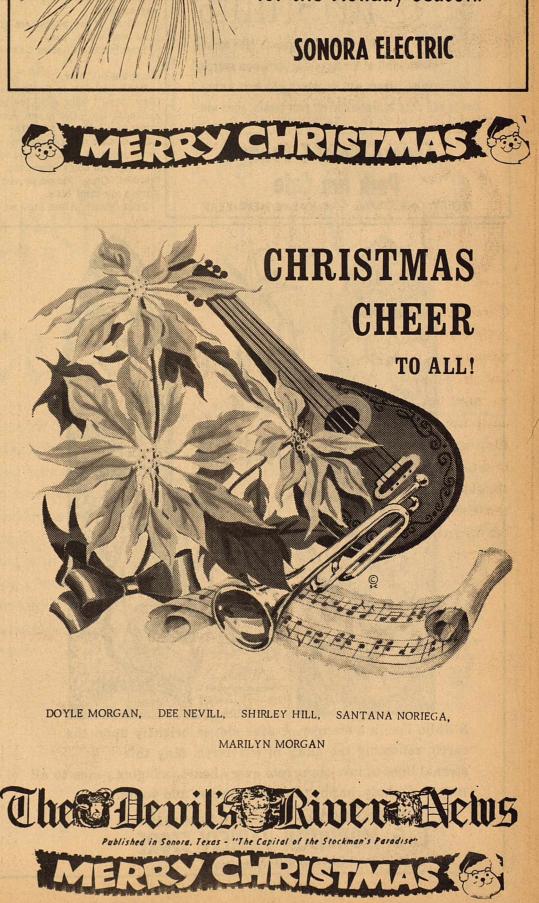




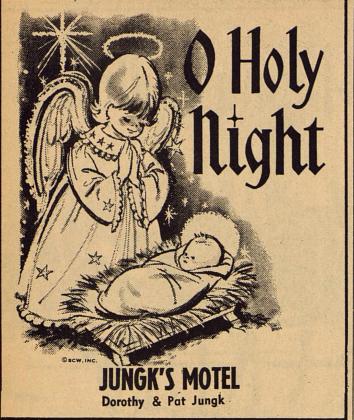
Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Stubblefield

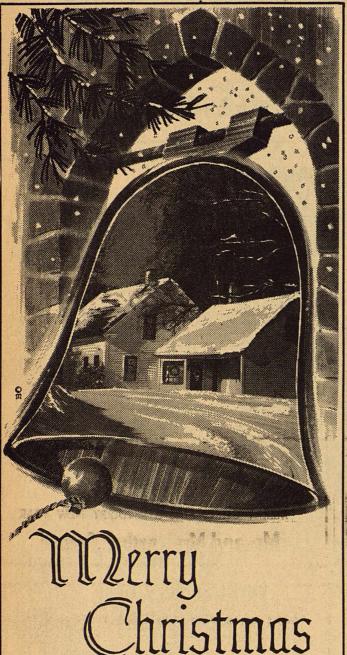


MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR



Page 10 The Devil's River News, Sonora, Texas 76950, Thursday, December 21, 1972 Dear Santa, Please Bring Me ...





Dear Santa, Dear Santa Please bring me a coat and a radio and a hot wheel set and a cowboy hat and a mini-bike are nice I want a doll that talks and a table and six chairs. I and a helmet and a T.V. a mit have sum hot choclet and ring for my mother and pair of sum cold choclet too. I can not cleats. thank of any more things. I Your friend Cody Lee Childress will write you next time. Your friend, Hazel

Dear Santa,

and a new bicycle.

Please bring me a mini bike

Your friend, Keith Wall

Dear Santa, Please bring me a football. Please bring me a hot wheel. Please bring me a gun. Please bring me a drum. Please bring me a truck. Please bring me a toy man. Please bring me a hot shot.

#### Love from your friend, David

Dear Santa Claus Please give me a doll and I want a Barbie. and I want a play dress and I want a bicycle. Love, Kelly Cooper

Dear Santa, Please bring me, a Barbie and dolls for Christmas and a big doll. Please bring all my friends some toys. Your friend, Delma Noriega

#### Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a Snow Cone Machne and the Amy doll. Granny Boots a piano. Teddy bear I wish you could bring me a play house and a barby. Your friend, Leticia

Dear Santa Claus, Today is my birthday. For Christmas I want a Brandy that has growing hair, a dish set, a baby buggy, a Baby Dear One, Baby doll clothes, a baby strol er, and some library books. Your friend, Donna

#### Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth and a GI Joe another GI Joe for my brother and a talking football game. And a SS Pa smash-up kit. Your friend, Jorge

#### Dear Santa Claus,

I wont Sweet April for Christmas. And a knew watch band for Christmas. And some games And some dresses. And some socks. And some boots. And some pants. And some shirts. Your friend, Melissa R.

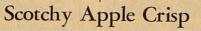
Dear Santa Claus, I would like Beautiful Cynthia And I would like a Watch, And I would like to have Tender Love. Ok. Your friend, Mercy Stratis

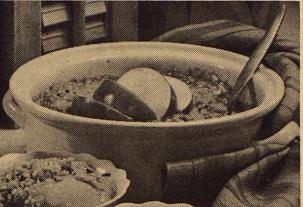
Dear Santa Claus, I want a Electric Train and Smack-Up Derby and a few hot Wheels and a new big bike like my brothers.

Dear Santa Claus, I like you, Santa Claus. You I would like to bring me some Granny Boots and a piano. I would like a pair of shoes. I

would like an Amy doll I would like a play house. You freiend, Anna Dear Santa Claus,

I like you Santa. Would you get me a bike? Your friend, Susana





This is one way to treat your family (and perhaps friends)

to a change of pace dessert when you're counting the pennies just a little bit.

Filled with canned pie-sliced apples and Nestlé's Butterscotch Morsels, the pudding is a tasty dessert for these fall days ahead. Scotchy Apple Crisp

Preheat oven to  $375^{\circ}$ F. Arrange apple slices in bottom of 1½ qt. baking dish. Sprinkle lemon juice over apples. Heat over hot (not boiling) water butterscotch morsels, oats, and butter until morsels melt and mixture is well-blended. Spoon over apple slices. Bake:  $375^{\circ}$ F. Time: 25 minutes. Serve warm topped with

1 20-oz. can pie-sliced apples, drained

2 tablespoons lemon juice 1 6-oz. pkg. (1 cup) Nestlé's Butterscotch Morsels 1 cup quick uncooked oats 1/2 cup butter

#### Dear Santa Claus, I hope you come Santa. I would like a footboll suit and a pair of boots. Please Santa. Just put it under the Christmas tree Your friend, Eulogio

Dear Santa, Dear Santa Claus, I want a Go Car and a Watch, I like you, Santa. I hope you bring me a doll, a chalk board a BB gun, a tepee and a water gun to shoot my sister with. a set of games, and a watch. Your friend, Rodney Your f.riend, Andera

Dear Santa Claus.

Your friend, Jody

be all for me.

Dear Santa Claus, I hope you bring me a doll and Kay a radio and Sally a piano and Janette a bike and Ferry a ten speed. Your friend, Kathy

I would like a sewing machine Dear Santa Claus, a snow cone machine that will I like you Santa Claus. Sant Claus bring me a bike and a coke machine. Thank you Sant Claus, Your friend, Norma

> Want Ads Bring Fast Results

Christmas is a winter wonderland, covered by a blanket of pure white snow. We send you our sentiment during this brisk season through our warmest wishes and a hearty "Thanks." Merry Christmas.

### BRANDING IRON SMOKEHOUSE

Narmines Wishes

Freeman, Irene, Vivian and Royce

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**VICTORIA'S CERAMICS** & GIFT SHOP

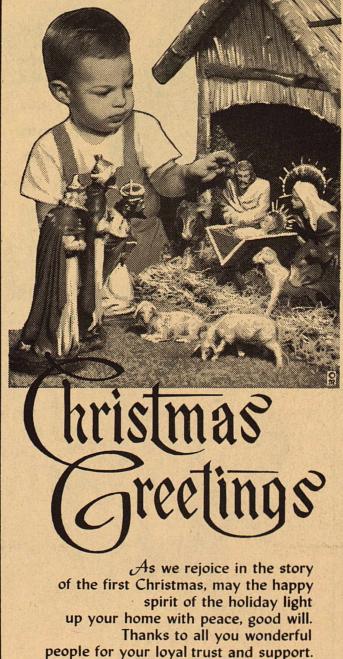
It's time once again to take pause. in the spirit of the beautiful Christmas season, to greet fine friends and neighbors with best wishes. And to add deep appreciation for your favors, good will.

#### Sonora Motel & Lounge Park Inn Cafe MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

And all of my blocks are gone And also a G.I. Joe. Your freind, Charles Carroll

Dear Santa Calus. Don't get sick on Christmas Your friend, Allen Stewart

Day. Now I want a G I Joe and a Smash-Up - Derby set. And most of all I want a Bertie-Bird. Please don't forget my tow front teeth. And a Electric foot-ball set and don't forget my brother, Greg. Please do not forget my mini bike.





earth, reflecting the glory of His birth. May this eternal light of love shine into every heart, bringing peace to all men and a holy, happy Christmas to you and yours.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR C. G. MORRISON VARIETY STORE Vivian and Tracey Metcalfe

CARL J. CAHILL, INC. MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR



At this crisp and exciting time of year, we are hopeful that your holiday will be filled with joyous warmth, richly shared with those you hold dear. And to you, our customers, we express our thanks and appreciation for your continued patronage. Merry Christmas!

#### THE RAILIFF STORE MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR



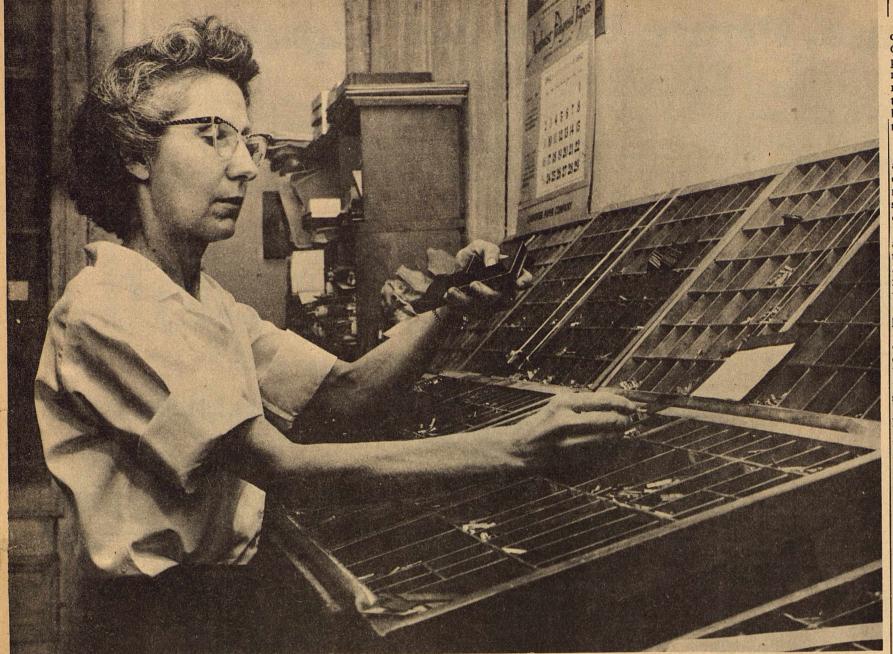
SAUNDERS SPRAYING SERVICE SAUNDERS GARDEN - SAUNDERS LIVE BAIT







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TINY MAY KAVANAUGH hand-sets type for the Round Rock Leader-Texas last remaining hand-set newspaper which sold recently and will now go offset.

teresting account of Mr.

#### Hand-Sef Newspaper. from page 1

across the room in a corner and there it lay. He told Dad that it wouldn't work, so we took him at his word and thought we would cut with a string (anchored to one side of the pool table by a big nail) until we could find a cutter. Quite some time after that, one of the brothers decided to pick up the old one one day and try to determine what was wrong. Lo and behold it worked perfectly and has been used ever since. Probably the thing was corrected when it was thrown so hard across the room. If it was "sprung" it "sprung" back into place then.

Yes, May's life has been a crowded one-jammed with press days, hours up on a high stool in front of metal cases full of letters, punctuation marks and numbers

Even old skinflints who had never purchased an ad before asked for congratulatory

space. The Leader exploded. All the way to 24 pages. The number of letters to be hand set in this issue-it would make anyone dizzy. May's brother, John, from Austin and brother Bill from Round Rock shouldered the job of getting out the SPECIAL EDITION. It was winter. The building-Icy. Full of cracks. Two stories crammed

with rattles and whistling wind. At last all the pages were set.

Ready to print. But what do you suppose? The old press balked because it was so cold the motor wouldn't run it. So John (who had everything on except the kitchen sink to keep warm) rigged up a crank and somehow they got the paper out. It was 3 a.m. the night John got back home to Austin. When he took his slicker off, it stood alone in the middle of the floor, for it was absolutely frozen stiff. But the special edition was out!

Kavanaugh and the Leader. The following is quoted from their account: Mr. Kavanaugh slipped

into the newspaper business "rather accidentally" after five years as a school teacher and 16 years managing a dry goods store. Purchasing the Leader in 1929, he intended to remain in Round Rock only a few years until he had educated his five children; there are three colleges within a 20-mile radius. Three children got college degrees and a fourth a business school education, 'but somehow," he said, 'I just never got around to leaving." A typical week at the

Leader begins on Monday when Miss Kavanaugh spends all day handsetting news that happened too late to get in last week's paper. Meanwhile, Mr. Kavanaugh spends the day at the job

### **Guess Who** ?



before last .. did you guess .. the picture was Mrs. Harold (Mattie Ruth) Garrett.

VIEWPOIN

(Editor's note: With this issue of the newspaper a column by Claud Thomas Driskell (he prefers 'Tom') has its beginning. His views and opinions may not always be those of this publication, however, we believe they will be of interest to our readers.)

by T. DRISKELL By way of introduction, I am a native West Texan, endowed, hopefully, with a normal intelligence, an insatiable curiosity, and a fair ducation.

I read, I observe and evolve an opinion on almost everything I see-this series of articles will vary in subject matter without rhyme, but with reason.

These are written for three principal reasons: (1) your amusement is paramount; (2) establishment of a situation conducive to thought; (3) to liberate some apprehensions which both you and I feel, or should anyway. For most of my adult life, I have been in the best possible position to observe our way of life. That position is in the J.S. Military. The military allows you to look at life around you without being economically or socially entangled in the folkways or moves of the society being observed. If you think of the military as a place where you only take orders-you can see we have already stumbled into the arena of controversy. Does it shock you to see there is another viewpoint? If so, quit reading right here.

We have a double-barrelled, long range problem in our city. It is a "people" problem, more specifically a loss of people problem. We lose our young people because there are simply not enough local jobs to allow them to remain and eat too. We lose our senior citizens because we have no facilities to house them. It is true we have a senior citizen facility at our hospital, but it is not large enough and more important it has no appeal to that group of senior

citizens who move around and conduct their own personal affairs.

This "mobile" group contains the senior citizens we need in our community, and we must appeal to them. How do we appeal to them?

We must retain by creating a modern senior citizen dwelling as near our central business district as possible. Once the facility is built, we must create an atmosphere favorable to the senior citizens.

It seems we have a unique opportunity to solve this problem. An ideal senior citizen



BILL L. MINSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill W. Minson, has been selected to attend Texas Game Management Officer Training at Texas A&M University from January through May. Out of over 300 applicants, Bill was chosen as one of 25 to attend the training. He attended Odessa College for two years, and after moving here in June, he worked as Youth Director of the First Baptist Church. He is presently employed as a private game warden by four local ranchmen during the deer season.

the vacant block which former- facility would have, and ly housed a hotel, a lumber yard and a residence. It is one complete block, centrally located to all business functions, and it is large enough to house a senior citizen apartment and still

tween fifty and seventy people. Nevertheless, once cost figures are available the cost provide a small park. I believe most people who conper person per month could be sider it will agree the site is derived, including the cost of professional management. indeed ideal.

Who should build the facility? Two major reasons foster the belief that it should be built by a joint city-county effort. Those reasons are: One, we do not want our senior citizens burdened by the profit which private developers would demand. We must also retain full local control to insure that the facility operation is sensitive to the needs of our

senior citizens-and meets those needs. The second reason is that city-county government involvement would facilitate condemnation proceedings, if required, for property acquisition.

As a function of our local governments, a survey should be completed to determine how many occupants such a

Looking Back . . . By Sonora Motor Co.

ertia.

the voters. It is possible that such a project would fly with all the facility of a kiwi bird, but there is a good possibility it will fly. Many such projects make a profit for investors.

what accommodations would be

required. From these figures

a rough cost figure could be

arrived at. A "shirt-tail" es-

timate would seem to be be-

The contributions by the fed-

eral government and individ-

uals should allow for operation and maintenance of the facil-

ity and retirement of the bond

bond issue should be submitted

issue. Once a realistic price

estimate is reached -- the

There is no reason to believe we cannot do as well. If we can, why not provide a dividend, for our city, and our senior citizens? It is quite apparent that we cannot afford to let this opportunity pass due to default, or human in-

with a "stick" in her hand in which she is composing stories.

An event to recall. It was about 1934. There was a DEPRESSION. remember? But Round Rock was a-bus-

tle. Round Rock was rocking! And the news was this: ARMOUR AND COMPANY was purchasing the cheese factory.

It was a great day. And who was right in the midst of all the hub-bub? The Round Rock Leader. Selling ads like mad. Every merchant got into the act. Armour and Company's plans gave the whole community a shot in the arm. And badly needed too. So many farmers depended on their selling milk to the factory to have money to buy their own groceries and supplies.

Journal.

LAST FRIDAY WAS A BUSY DAY FOR JOHN EATON, as he was kept occupied autographing copies of his book, "Will Carver, Outlaw". Eaton, lifetime resident, has long been interested in Sutton County history. John was ably assisted by his wife, Ruth Lee, who kept records for him as well as serving cookies and coffee to those who came into the news office.

And so, the story goes on with many records of the work that has been done by the Kavanaugh family ... including running off all kinds of job printing, bank statements, barbecue tickets high school invitations-all on a small press, bound to be a hundred years old. The story of the Kavanaughs and the old letter press was also carried in the August 15, 1955 Wall Street

The Journal gave an in-



press, getting out the envelopes or forms that someone always seems to want 'right away". The week we called for the interview, it was the statement for the lone bank in Round Rock. The Tuesday routine is similar to Monday's. By

this time citizens have started bringing in stories for the coming issue. Neither news nor advertising is ac-

tively sought. "We just take what's brought in", Mr. Kavanaugh explains. 'The people around here have just kind of gotten into the habit of bringing in or phoning in news," May adds. "The only trouble is that they always wait around until the last minute"-the last minute in this case being Wednesday evening. Most of Wednesday is spent setting advertising. On Thursday morning the last of the ads, plus vital statistics, are set in

type and late that day the four to six page paper is ready to go to press. The above is just part of the article in the Journal giving the story of one of the suburban weeklies in United States. The uniqueness of the Leader was that it was one of the very few remaining weekly newspapers published without any modern printing devices. Well, the Kavanaughs have left behind a legacy.. the printer's ink has surely left indelible marks on all the family, including Charlotte who was there for the last



**Planning Needed To Cut Farm Taxes** 

year.

Yes, the end of the year is rolling around once again, and farmers and ranchers should take a critical look at their tax situation before the final curtain goes down on 1972.

This is a big hint for 'guess

who'... it ties in with a story

in today's newspaper. Week

"Agricultural producers can save numerous tax dollars by taking a careful look at their business transactions since January 1 of this year and by taking certain steps before December 31", points out Michael Sprott, economist in management for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University. According to Sprott, the main objective of producers should be to attempt to level their income from year to year so as to avoid a drastic increase or decrease in their taxable income.

"Since farm prices have been somewhat higher this year than in past years, farm income may be up considerably in some in-stances. If this is the case, a number of legitimate devices may be used to lower taxable income," notes the economist. A key means is to accelerate deductible expenses by buying all or part of next year's feed, seed, fertilizer and other farm supplies before the end of this year. There are certain guidelines to follow regarding such purchases and Sprott advises producers to contact a tax consultant

on these. Several key expense items to consider in reviewing your tax situation include costs for soil and water conservation, and land clearing. Soil and water conservation costs are deductible up to a maximum of 25 percent of gross income from farming in any year. Land clearing costs can only be deducted up to a total of \$5,000 or 25 percent of the net farming income.

## apartment site is available in

Paying off all interest that is allowed is another means of reducing taxable income, points out the economist. Of course, these deductions are limited to the current year plus one year. Producers may also want

to consider purchases of farm machinery and equipment to take advantage of certain tax-reduction incentives under present laws, such as fast depreciation and investment credit. Another means of reducing tax dollars for 1972 is to delay income from this year

to the next, advises Sprott. For instance, grain and livestock can be sold under deferred sales contracts before the end of the year with payment made next Installment sales can also help spread taxable income over a period of years so that a prorata part of each payment can be taxed yearly at a lower rate. Such sales must involve either real property or personal property over \$1,000. If producers are confronted with a considerably higher income this year than in the past few years, the tech nique of income averaging may be applied so that excess income is taxed at a lower than normal rate. Regardless of what tax management methods are used to lighten the tax burden for 1972, Sprott emphasizes that good records of all transactions are "a must".

"Record keeping is a vital part of the overall management aspect of a farming or ranching operation, "points out the economist. "Producers must be able to identify the source of all their receipts, regardless of whether cash or property, and they must have a record of all expenses. Anything less than that can be a serious handicap when the time comes for filing your income tax return.

**Picturing Nativity** The Christmas crib or presepio is an especially treasured part of the Portuguese holiday celebration. Every home and church seems to have one, and some of those in the churches are master-

pieces of art. Especially famous is the presepio in Estrella Church, Lisbon. This Nativity scene depicts the people of Bethlehem, in terra cotta figures. Unique among the crowd are the figures of an elephant and a bagpiper.

#### **Baking Cakes** If the weather on St. Nich-

olas Day, December 6th, is misty, a Dutch legend can explain it. St. Nicholas is baking his cakes. Traditional cakes — Zelten

or Klosse — are adorned with different figures. These, children are told, are the marks made by St. Nicholas' donkey as he steps over the cakes on his way through the mist.



E. F. VANDER STUCKEN 4-IN ONE store was in operation as early as 1897, and was probably the hub of activity during many Christmas seasons in Sonora. First owned jointly by E.F. and Alfred, there was a short period of time when it was known as the E.F. Vander Stucken - Trainer Company, J. W. Trainer being a junior partner in the firm. The building occupied nearly a whole block on Main Street.

Joe Hull and the staff at Sonora Motors wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

## **AN IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT** for the man who has everything

## JOHN EATON'S BOOK "WILL CARVER, OUTLAW"

## Call 387-2683 or Write Box 1032, Sonora, Texas 76950

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