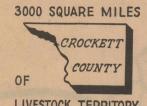
THE OZONA



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THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1975

Kitty's Korner

Kitty Montgomery

Well, we finally got our first Equal Rights letter. The salutation reads Gentlepeople: Now, really, isn't that carrying it a bit far? I still prefer Dear Sir, or even a "Hey You," to gentleperson. If there is a gentle person around a newspaper office, I've never been-aware of it, and if there is a woman's libber who prefers the yearly totals with thirty-Gentleperson to Dear Sir, she needs to have her head examined. Good grief! If we really must do away with sex in salutations, how about "Greetings:" or "Hi:" "To Whom it May Concern:" "Attention:" "Please Note:" etc., etc. or even Dear Madam and/ or Sir: Anything, just anything beats "Gentleperson." Maybe I just got the letter before the deadline and it struck me the wrong way, but I am pretty well sure I'll never in this world get used to opening mail with a "Gentlepeople:" salu-

Why in the name of heaven do we get on our soap-boxes over such silly insignificent issues, when there are so many important things to be concerned about?

On page five this week, you'll find an article written from the "Battalion," the Texas A & M newspaper. Kay is a student at A & M and is majoring in journalism. We are sort of proud of her, she wrote the "Lion's Roar" for us when she was in high school here, and did a fine job. As far as we know, she is the first of our high school reporters to Interest On continue with journalism in college. She is the daughter of

This is the first paper of the Logns Reduced new year. In my ten years at this desk, it is the first paper to begin the year without a holiday tragedy of some kind and that has to be some kind of record. As of New Year's Eve afternoon, we had had no reports of accidents, death or injury.

It may make dull reading. but then good news always does, commented today. more's the pity.

Sanchez Receives Degree

received his B. A. degree in Business Administration in Management at the University of Texas at Arlington Decem-

Richard is a 1970 graduate of Ozona High School.

Ozona Fire Dept. Turns In Busy Year

The Ozona Volunteer Fire Department had a busy year in 1974, especially during the extremely dry weather of the spring and summer. Fire chief W. D. Haire announced this week that the department made 84 calls during the year.

In-county grass fires topped four calls answered while outof-county grass fires numbered ten. Car and truck fires accounted for 12 of the calls; house and building fires numbered nine each. There were seven assistance calls and three false alarms.

Total truck time for the year was 103.20 hours. In- and out-of-county grass fires accounted for 37.30 and 31.30 hours respectively; buildings took 9, 30 hours; house fires, 7.50; cars and trucks, 6.02; assistance, 10.45; and false alarms, .50.

Hot, drought stricken July was plagued with seventeen fires, most of which were grass fires. There were twelve fires in February, ten each in April and June, eight in January, seven in March, and five in October. August was responsible for four fires, May, September and December had a by Kay McMullan and reprinted total of three each, and November had two.

Man hours for the year totaled 1367.25 with 31,365 gallons of water used.

In the eighty-four fires reported, only one injury

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McMullan, G1 & FFA Home

The reduction from 9.5 to 9 percent in the maximum allowable interest rates on GI and FHA home loans could mean as much as \$9.90 per month savings to the average veteran home buyer, A. A. Hunter, Director of the Houston VA Regional Office,

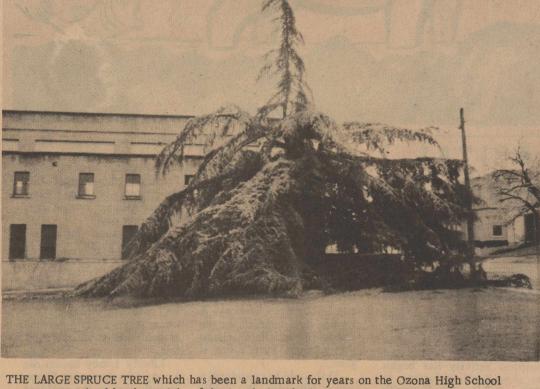
Over the 30 year life of the average \$27,500 GI loan, the total saving from the . 5 percent reduction would be as much as \$3,564, Hunter point-

The reduction, effective November 25, was announced concurrently with Housing and Urban Development on Novem-Richard A. Sanchez, son of ber 22. The new 9 percent rate Mr. and Mrs. Jose M. Sanchez, resulted from the second reduction this year and it followed four successive increases which took the rate from 8.25 percent in January to 9.5 percent as of August 14 where it remained until the current reduc-

NEARING COMPLETION ON THE OUTSIDE is the nursing wing to the Crockett County Hospital.

Work continues on the inside of the facility and at the present time is on schedule. Hopefully,

the facility will be completed in early spring of this year. Bids on furnishings are being taken



campus was ruined by the weight of the ice during the ice storm last week. Many trees in town were ruined or severely damaged by the freak storm. Oak and evergreen trees seemed to suffer the most damage. Telephone service was interrupted and out of service for two days and electricity was off in most parts of town intermittently during the storm.

tee, Bill Black and George

Frank McMullan, Jr., Eddie

Hale, J. C. Schroeder, Sonny

Auctioneer, Erby Chandler.

Registration for Angelo

State University's next offer-

ings in Adult and Continuing

Education is scheduled to get

underway Monday Jan. 6, ac-

cording to Don Hale, director

of the University's adult and

continuing education program.

The registration process

will continue through the se-

cond meeting for each course

that is being offered. Students

may register in person in the

the Houston Harte University

Center, or they may register

form included on the course

may do so beginning Jan. 6

Monday through Thursday, or

in this grouping. Classes will

get underway the week of

from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on

be mailed out soon.

by mail using the registration

offering brochure that is due to

Those registering in person

There are some 35 courses

Registration

Set At ASU

4-H Livestock Show **Set For Next Week**

The 1975 Crockett County 4-H Livestock Show and sale will be held Saturday, January 11, at the County Show Barn. Some 30 4-H members will be exhibiting about 125 head of livestock consisting of lambs, swine, steers and 1974 colts

Judging will begin at 8:30 with the horse classes, followed by steer, swine and lamb classes, in that order. Hugh Ned "Rusty" Jones from Menard will be the judge. Ray D. Siegmund, District Agent of Fort Stockton will select showmanship and herdsman award winners.

A barbecue will be held at noon. Awards presentation will be at 1:30 p.m. followed by the auction sale at 2:00 p.m.

Awards for show winners are being furnished by Ozona National Bank, Ozona Wool & Mohair Co., Nathan's Jewelers, Johnny Jones, Lefty's Turkey Patch, Ranch Feed & Supply, Crockett County Wool & Mohair Co., Stuart Motor Co., Ozona Lions Club, Carl Conklin, Federal Land Bank Association, D&D Ribbon Co., and Ozona Boot & Saddlery.

Committees set up to run off the show are as follows: Ring Stewards, Erby Chandler and Fred Chandler; Concession Stand, Mrs. Bill Black and Mrs. George Bunger, Jr., cochairmen with all 4-H mothers Friday. of livestock feeders on the committee; Auction Sale Clerks, Mrs. Eddie Hale, Mrs. John Lee Henderson, Mrs. Floyd Hokit and Mrs. John

Record Rainfall In 1974

What began as one of the Bunger; Weighing Committee, driest years in Ozona's history, Joe Bean and Lonye Cain; Sale closed out as recording the Committee, R. J. Everett, Mrs. heaviest rainfall of any year since the Stockman began recording annual rainfall in Henderson, Bill Black, George 1931. Total rainfall for the Bunger and Joe Tom Davidson; year just past, 1974, amounted to a record 40.26 inches. The year 1941 held the previous record with 38.08 inches.

At the end of June, 1974, the official rainfall stood at 6.69 inches and the area was in the grip of drought. The rains came in August and September, a total of 16.12 inches for the two-month period with up to 24 inches reported in the western part of the county, which suffered heavy flood damage.

October turned in a respectable 3.22 inches of rainfall with 1.50 inches recorded in November. Drizzle early in December amounted to .03 of an inch and last week's ice division's office in room 110 of storm amounted to 1 inch of

Scarecrows Scare Eagles?

Two or three scarecrows

strategically placed in pastures where ewes or nannies are lambing and kidding may serve CORRECTION: as a deterrent to eagle predation, according to Armer Earthat are scheduled to be offered wood, president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. Earwood stresses that there has been no research work received by the Stockman ofalong this line; however, Bob Ramsey, well-known trapper and wildlife biologist in the Hill Country area, states that it worked like a charm on his ranch. In 1972 and 1973 Ramsey placed scarecrows in strategic areas in his lambing and kidding pastures. He put a white or khaki shirt and old Levis on the figure, stuffed it full of hay, put a straw hat on the "head" and placed it where it would be easily visible from the air. He also tied small aluminum pie pans to limbs near the scarecrow, with note the shining objects and come back. Then when he saw the human-appearing form, he would take off.

Mr. Ramsey was quick to say that he had no idea how Joe F. Staley urges all aliens this would work on anyone else's ranch, but in the past two years he had had no losses to eagles, and in 1971 he had a real bad eagle problem. Earwood advises producers that there is no guarantee that this will work, but anything that might help discourage predation of lambs and kids would certainly be welcome and should be looked into.

Holiday Business For Ozona **Merchants Unusually Good**

nity ended the year with increased sales for the most part and counted the past year one of the healthiest economic periods ever. Although most merchants interviewed expressed a cautious attitude for coming months, optimism prevailed in the business community. Increased activity in Crockett County oilfields is one good economic indicator for Ozona, plus interstate highway construction which will continue well in to 1975. Home and business construction is also at a high pitch and should continue to boost the economy well into spring of 1975.

The general feeling was that most Ozonans shopped at home this year, accounting for the increased holiday business. Most stores carried larger inventories and merchandise became more available to retailers during the final months of the year, with a few exceptions.

A check with Lu Ingram of Mae-Lu's revealed a great increase in sales over sales of 1973. Mrs. Ingram attributed the increase to a larger inventory and receiving 100 percent deliveries in merchandise,

which was unusual she said. Nick Nicholas at Baker Jewelers said that his business was much better than expected and topped the previous year's sales. He said the store had experienced no shortage in the gift lines carried. He also said that people seemed to spend more freely, but expressed concern about the coming year.

Ozona Butane Co. was one

January S.

Harrold Tabor, social security representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office. has scheduled his January visit to Ozona. He will be at the County Courthouse on Wednesday, January 22 from 10:30

a.m. to 12:00 noon. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Securi- the south and 1, 980 feet from ty Administration may contact him at this time. Persons who are unable to meet with him are encouraged to call the office in San Angelo. Residents of Ozona may call toll free by dialing "Operator" and asking for "Enterprise 2058."

OHS Band members participated in regional tryouts instead of district tryouts as reported in last week's Stockman. The information fice was incorrect.

day business. Charlie Applewhite said people did not buy large appliances for gifts this year and he believed business was down from the previous

Brown Furniture reported a booming holiday business which topped that of 1973. tor, plus a full line of stereos, in the year. radios and television sets. J. D Brown, owner, said the store had had problems in deliveries in some areas, citing carpets, candles, etc.; however, he said receiving mer-chandise in general had been no great problem.

South Texas Lumber Co. reported very good holiday business and up over the previous year. Most gift items sold were Buck knives, calculators, small appliances and home power tools. Harold Shaw said the store was experiencing trouble getting merchandise in some areas. He attributed the increased sales to the fact that more people shopped at home.

year of sales at Ozona Boot & Saddlery, "one of the best yet," he said. The store car-

tories of western wear in the area, and sales in that category were very good this year. The Ozona Television System, which Kost also manages in the same building, did a tre-mendous business in sales of television sets. Kost attributes the large sales to a good adver-Increased gift items was a factising campaign started early

Village Drug owner Ray Boyd expressed pleased surprise at the store's big Christmas business and said a record was set for overall sales. Early this week it was obvious the store's large inventory was down and clerks were busy restocking shelves.

Ray Henderson at White's Auto had not checked sales against the previous year, but said he felt business was probably about the same with a big volume of sales in toys of all

All in all, Stockman advertisers were a bit surprised at how well the year closed out in spite of bad economic news in the rest of the nation and Oscar Kost reported a record rising unemployment in other areas of the state. Most agreed that so far the recession had

Dan J. Harrison, Jr., Houston, No. 1 Joe T. Davidson, Jr., eight miles south of north and 611 feet from east Ozona, one mile northeast and lines of 37-HH GC&SF. east of Strawn gas production in the Hunt-Baggett field and 1-7/8 miles northwest of the Joe T. (Strawn gas) field, was finaled from the Strawn for a calculated, absolute open flow of 6.5 million cubic feet

of dry gas per day. Production was through perforations at 8, 967-9, 139 feet, which had been acidized with 2,500 gallons.

Drilled to 9, 241 feet, operator set, $4\frac{1}{2}$ -inch casing at 9,238 feet.

Location is 660 feet from the east lines of 12-F-GC&SF. Gulf Oil Corp. has completed its No. 1-JP. Bouscaren,

et al, six miles north of Iraan, a Crockett County Ellenburger oil discovery, 3-3/4 miles one-well Quantos (Ellenburger oil) field, to pump 104. 9 barrels of 42.7 gravity oil, with gas-oil ratio of 305-1.

Production was through perforations at 8, 143-58 feet which have been washed with 5,750 gallons of mud acid. It was drilled to 8, 165 feet 2-EF-GC&SF.

where $5\frac{1}{2}$ -inch casing is set and plugged back to 8, 161 feet. Location is 854 feet from

Cleo Thompson, Dallas. has staked six outposts to the Ozona, Northeast (Canyon 7520-foot gas) field, 12 miles northeast of Ozona. All are contracted to 8,000 feet.

The No. 4-A J. R. Bailey "A" Estate, one mile south, is located 1,320 feet from north and west lines of 8-EF-GC&SF. The No. 2-A J.R. Bailey

"A" Estate, one mile east outpost, is located 1,320 feet from north and west lines of 6-EF-GC&SF. The No. 5-A J. R. Bailey

Estate, 5/8 mile south and one mile west, is located 1,320 feet from north and east lines of 19-GH-GC&SF. The No. 1-A J. R. Bailey

"A" Estate, ½ mile east, is located 1,320 feet from north west-southwest of the depleted and west lines of 3-EF-GC&SF. The No. 3-A J. R. Bailey

Estate, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south, is located 1,320 feet from south and west lines of 5-EF-GC&SF. The No. 4 J. R. Bailey

Estate, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south and east, is located 1,320 feet from north and west lines of



THE LAST OF THE PECAN CROP -- The ice storm brought pecans and limbs down in the park last week, and tourists and residents were busy harvesting what remained of the pecans Tuesday. By mid-afternoon trees and park grounds were swept clean. Note young harvester in tree in

Aliens Reminded To Register

Joe F. Staley of the San Antonio Immigration and Naturalization Service has again reminded all aliens to report their addresses during January.

Cards with which to make the reports are available at Post Offices and offices of the Immigration and Naturalization the idea that the eagle would Service throughout the country. The reports must be submitted

to one of those offices. Parents or guardians submit reports for alien children under 14 years of age.

to report before the end of January, as willful failure to do so may lead to serious penal-

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stevenson, and son, Luke McClanahan, of Miami, Tx., are here this week visiting Mrs. Stevenson's mother, Mrs. Charles E. Davidson, Jr.

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1974 IN PERSPECTIVE

To paraphrase Dickins, 1974 was the "best of times and the worst of times." It was a year which swept one President from office in disgrace and ended with both a President and a Vice President unelected by the people in power.

The economy continued its nosedive, with hundreds of thousands in the auto industry alone left jobless and the U.S. in the grip of a full-blown recession. Even the most optimistic of the Nation's economists predict that the double-digit inflation plaguing the country will be around for months to come.

Some comfort for the nation could be found, however, in the fact that soaring inflation is a world-wide phenomenon and, indeed, a number of industrial countries are in considerably worse shape than the United States on this score. Another small plus on the ledger was the lifting of a 40-year ban on the private owning and trading of gold, a move which hopefully will help restore confidence in the country's economy.

Motorists began the year by waiting in long lines for ruel in many parts of the country. Although long-term solutions to the Nation's energy shortage are still being sought, the Federal Energy Administration promises, in the short run at least, that there will be no shortage of liquid heating fuel for homes this winter — and no lines at the service station ala last year.

Lowered speed limits as a result of that shortage also contributed to one happy statistic in 1974: the National Safety Council estimates that some 9,300 fewer persons will die on the Nation's highways this year than died last year. Through October, 38,170 had been killed, compared to 47,520 for the same time

Warclouds appear to be gathering again over the Middle East at year-end, abetted by the shocking "official" recognition of the murderous Palestine Liberation Organization by both the United Nations and Arab States. At home, however, Americans can be humbly grateful that none of our sons lost his life in 1974 on the battlefield.

The United States and the Soviet Union continued to eye each other warily during 1974, while striking new agreements for closer economic and cultural ties. While seasoned observers warned of the dangers of detente, President Ford proceeded to strike a tentative agreement at Vladivostok, putting a so-called "ceiling" on the number of strategic weapons in the arsenals of each country. Military experts in this country, however, appear convinced that the new SALT agreement heavily favors the

While 1974 will not be remembered fondly by many Americans – including those hit hardest by a sick economy – in world perspective it wasn't that bad either. We did end yet another year as a stable, free country having the oldest living Constitution in the world. And for that alone, each of us should be thankful.

PARENTS: REVOLT!

It is high time for parents throughout the nation to duplicate the outraged indignation of those in Kanawha County in West Virginia, and to remove slanted, biased, racist, amoral and illiterate textbooks from the public schools. It is becoming abundantly evident that textbook manufacturers have abandoned all sense of responsibility for anything they print and sell, for a profit, to the public schools throughout the country.

Example: Syndicated columnist Alice Widener reports an incident involving her granddaughter, age 15, in a Los Angeles county public school. Among her tenth grade English class assignments: Ballad of the Land by Langston Hughes. Description by Alice Widener: "A racist, one-sided, hate-filled diatribe in illiterate English against landlords and our judicial system."

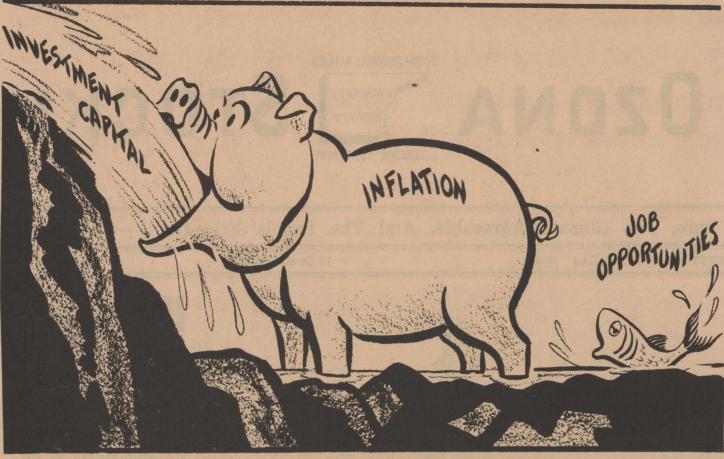
Another assignment for study in the same tenth grade class: an "in depth" homework essay based on This is My Living Room. Verbatim quotes: "My two girls are fourteen and sixteen year [sic] old. Both of them want to go on dates but I won't let them. I know what the boys will do, what they want to get out of a girl.

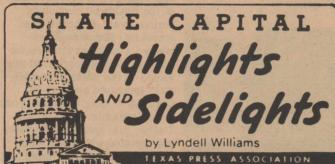
"Ellen Jean, the oldest, is a right good-looking girl but sassy and you can't hardly do anything with her. She started to paint her face at school, so I took her out. . .

"I seen her passing notes to Elbert. I seen her get out of his car one night. She said she was going to the picture show by herself. She's a born liar and sassy. Like as not he's had her. Like as not she's got a baby starting in her belly right now. She's a sassy - h girl and don't take after her ma or me. Sometimes I wonder if she's mine.... She'll end up a Birmingham w - - e." (In the school textbook, all obscene words are

"spelled out.) Mrs. Widener decided to write a newspaper column about her family experience. "However," she reports, "I could not quote the objectional material in my column because no family

newspaper would print it." When material in school textbooks cannot be printed in newspapers, it is time to call a halt. The books should be returned to the manufacturers as unfit for human consumption, and the same demand should be made as it would be for a food manufacturer; total cash refund to the taxpayers for return of the tor's year-end report warns. polluted material.





AUSTIN, Tex.—The men who will preside over the 1975 legislative session are busy preparing for action-packed days ahead

Rep. Bill Clayton of Springlake, expected to be elected Speaker of the House of Representatives when the session convenes January 14, has more advance work to do than his Senate counterpart, Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby.

Clayton is just beginning the job of lining up the standing committees which process legislation. Obviously, the House will be operating under largely-new leadership on the major commit-

The opposite will be the case in the Senate. Hobby has indicated he plans no shakeups in committee chairmanships there. Sen. Don Adams of Jasper will become chairman of the Senate administration panel, succeeding Sen. Jack Hightower of Vernon who was elected to

Resignation of Sen. Jim Wallace as intergovernmental a judgeship appointment created another vacancy. Sen. John Traeger is vice chairman of the committee.

Both Hobby and Clayton rate these measures high on the priority agenda:

School finance reform, constitutional revision and proposals to create a state utilities regulatory commission. Their ideas on the latter

two vary widely, however. Hobby has advocated naming an elected citizens convention to draft a proposed new constitution, in the wake of the legislature's failure to agree on a revision plan during a 1974 convention. Clayton would like to see

the legislature make another try during 1975 at rewriting the constitution before handing over the job to others.

While Hobby has endorsed creation of an elected com-

mission to regulate telephone and electrical services and rates, Clayton displays little enthusiasm for the proposal. As Speaker, however, Clayton says he would not try to dictate House policy on the

HOME INSURANCE UP -Homeowners insurance rates are going up too—an average of 19.3 per cent statewide.

The State Board of Insurance, which already had ordered an average 8.8 per cent auto coverage rate boost, followed up with the finding that homeowners policies must cost more effective January 20.

Insurance firms are expected to receive \$25 million in additional revenues from the building policies at new

Actually, rates vary by territories on extended coverage and homeowners policies. State wide fire insurance rates will go up 3.8 per cent for private homes and decrease 24.4 per cent for other types of buildings.

Board Chairman Joe Christie noted that policy holders can "shop for bargains" with companies offering discounted rates of from 10 to 30 per cent below the uniform state

RECESSION COULD COME -Some indicators point to a critical period ahead for the Texas economy, the Texas Industrial Commission direc-Unemployment in Texas remains under five per cent -well below the rate in states experiencing a major

TIC executive Jim Harwell's While new plant locations coordinated by TIC fell from 38 in 1973 to 30 this year and prospective industries seeking new locations dropped from 286 to 215, inquiries from businesses considering expansion or relocation increased 12 per cent to 2,440.

industrial shutdown—but new

business activity has begun

to slow down, according to

Harwell said businesses are becoming "extremely cautious" and wary of risk. AG OPINIONS-The Board of Examiners in Basic Sciences may close part of a meeting while discussing confidential information about an applicant, Atty. Gen. John

In a related opinion, Hill said the same agency can withhold from public disclosure records concerning a matter in litigation.

In other recent opinions,

•Jefferson County commissioners cannot ratify a contract for \$900 worth of building supplies and labor made improperly by an individual member.

•Alcoholic Beverage Commission should limit information it makes public about private club licensing to the name of the applicant, location of the club and type license sought or held.

Public Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS:

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Commissioners Court of Crockett County until 2:00 p.m., January 13, 1975, in the District Courtroom, for drapes for the Crockett County Hospital Geriatric Nursing Addition in Ozona, Texas. Bid sheets and specifications are available at the County Auditor's office or County Judge's office. Crockett County reserves the right to accept or reject all bids submitted. Sealed bids will be addressed to Commissioners Court, Crockett County, Texas and marked Drapes Bid for Geriatrics Addition to Hospital. Troy Williams

County Judge --0--

TO FERMAN LOPEZ whose

This is your notice that you have 20 days to redeem the following described trailer, after which time it will be sold to satisfy a storage lien held by Hubert Baker:

One 1959 Nahua Trailer, Identification No. KW 4444 last license No. M-94015.

Your failure to reclaim this vehicle within 20 days shall be a waiver by you of all right, title and interest and your consent to the sale of this abandoned motor vehicle at public auction, pursuant to V.A.T.S. 6687-9, Section 4 (b)

Sale to be held at 2:00 P. M January 16, 1975. Billy Mills, Sheriff both painful and dangerous—and

Crockett County, Texas

LIBERTY LINES Wonder Where

the Yellow Went? By Robert M. Bartell

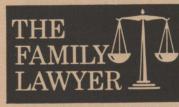
WASHINGTON, D.C. (Liberty Lobby News Service)- A former legal counsel for the Export-Import Bank claims the gold in Fort Knox is

That could be considered a pretty tall story. But public credibility in our government is so low that Dr. Peter David Beter, the man making the charge, has been able to convince a lot of people there is some merit to his allega-

He stirred up such a fuss that there was an investiga-tion of Fort Knox. About 100 Congressmen, reporters and other skeptics went there and were shown a fleeting view of the vaults which supposedly contained some of the taxpayers' gold.

But it appears this quick peek at our national treasure has done more to stir up questions than answer them. In fact, Dr. Beter's questions have aroused the interest of many people even the Secretary of the Treasury, William E. Simon, had something to say about it.

The Secretary has now admitted that of the 147 million ounces of gold supposedly in Fort Knox, 123



Compulsory" Surgery

Suffering from a hyperthyroid condition, Doris began to collect disability payments under the Social Security Act. But after a brief period, the government decided to pay no more.

"She isn't that sick," a govern- involved. ment spokesman explained in a court hearing. "All she needs is a minor operation, which she refuses to have. That isn't our fault." "I just don't like surgery," coun-

tered Doris. "They can't make such a thing compulsory."



However, the court agreed with the government that the payments address is unknown: GREETINGS could indeed be terminated. The court said Doris could not be classified as "disabled" when it was within her own power to get well.

The justification for the ruling was that the operation which Doris needed was relatively safe. Why, say the courts, should the government bear the consequences of a person's unusual squeamishness? The greater the risk, however, out of.

the greater the right of the ailing person to refuse surgery without losing his benefits. He may also refuse surgery on the ground that it is not likely to help him. Thus: A truck driver was disabled by

ernment, the judge said:

gab don't know how to wrap it a severe back problem. Here too the government wanted him to undergo corrective surgery rather FOR DIETERS: The weak than collect disability payments. shall inherit the girth. But this time, the operation was

A LIFT FOR THE WEEK-the chance of success was no more The going is best when you are than 50%. Ruling against the govTHE NEWS REEL

A re-run of "The Ozona Story"

as gleaned from the files of

THE OZONA STOCKMAN

January 3, 1946 Crockett County tax collection office closed its books on 1945 with approximately \$25,000 in state, county and school taxes for the year 1945 still unpaid.

29 years ago Frank James of Ozona has been appointed Crockett county director for the 1946 March of Dimes campaign. 29 years ago

Billy Wayne Severance, 17 year old Upton county ranch hand, died almost instantly after suffering a gunshot wound through the chest while hunting on the Clayton Smith ranch in western Crockett County. 29 years ago

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Peters were hosts Sunday afternoon at a coffee in their home honoring Mrs. Peters' sister, Mrs. Jake Short of Vanderpool, and her daughter, Mrs. W.A. Swearingen of Austin.

million ounces are of a

debased and inferior quality

not acceptable on the market.

the citizenry has been robbed of their gold are looking more

gold is pure gold . . . that is,

24 karat, or 99½ percent pure

or better. If it is less pure, it

is not salable at the quoted

price. That doesn't mean it

isn't worth anything . . . it

means it is not worth as much

as gold that is at least .995

a copy of a document Simon

recently sent to the president

of an Ohio manufacturing company. This document

clearly states that our govern-

ment holds in trust for the

taxpayers a grand total of

267 million ounces of gold

the gold is pure enough to be

sold on the international

market. Later, Simon mys-

teriously said that all of the

gold in Fort Knox is "inferior

The question is, just what has happened to our gold? The

Treasury has been carrying

267 million ounces of pure

gold on its balance sheet for

years. Now, Secretary Simon

the gold? Has it evaporated

into thin air? Has it been

stolen? Dr. Beter says David

Rockefeller moved it to Hol-

tion. Ask your Congressman

about the lack of glitter in

Someone owes an explana-

"This court will not require

One case involved a man who

was unable to hold a job because

he drank too much whiskey. In

seeking social security payments,

he claimed he could not change his

habits. But a court turned him

down, concluding that he could

control his "disability" if he tried

SNIPS, QUIPS AND LIFTS

by Lottie Lee Baker

to a question--if we are not

who finished last in a beauty

Money has wings, but it

The accent today may be

wholly on youth, but the stress

An atheist cannot find God

That's right--no more mo-

Everybody makes mistakes,

The only thing now free of

There are bigger things in

Habits are like easy chairs--

Few people do business well

Many who have the gift of

charge is a run-down battery.

easy to get into--hard to get

life than money--BILLS!

who do nothing else.

ney for the moon. Things are

but when the eraser wears out

before the pencil, you're

is definitely on the parents.

for the same reason a thief

cannot find a policeman.

sky high as is.

overdoing it.

isn't a homing pigeon.

There are always two sides

A raving beauty is the gal

claimant to submit to such odds."

What's going on? Where is

admits we don't have it!

land-secretly.

Fort Knox.

hard enough.

to other U.S. gold."

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29 years ago M. E. Corbell of Ozona announced his candidacy for the office of sheriff, assessor and collector of taxes for Crockett County this week.

29 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Ele Bright Baggett of Lufkin and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baggett and Betty of Barnhart were here to spend Christmas with the Baggett brothers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Baggett.

29 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Clay Adams, Jane and Camille are spending the week with Mrs. Adams' mother, Mrs. S. B. Phillips. 29 years ago

Miss Ethel Mayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Mayes of Ozona, became the bride of Floyd R. Henderson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Henderson, in a home wedding New Year's Day, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Friend, Jr.

> Washington News Letter

Congressman O. C. Fisher

Watergate watchers, including some seasoned lawyers, are at this point assuming all six defendants in the current cover-up trial will be convicted, although it is said there's an outside chance for a hung jury as related to one or more of the six.

In case of conviction, legal experts think odds are that it would be reversed on appeal due to over-publicity in the District of Columbia and possible misconduct of the presiding judge, John Sirica.

Much of the case has been built around the testimony of former White House counsel John Dean who, it is said, "tried to talk his way out of going to prison. " His plea of guilty and light punishment proved to be little more than "a rap on the knuckles." Trying to cash in on his publicity. the press reports Dean is now seeking a publisher for a Watergate book he is writing.

A New York jury which tried John Mitchell and Maurice Stans on a Watergateconnected charge, and acquitted them, evidently were not sold on Dean's credibility. He was a government star witness in that trial.

The NATIONAL TATTLER, a weekly publication of some stature, recently carried this gossip item about the former White House counsel: "Is John Dean's marriage

coming apart? The Washington 'in' crowd say that blonde Mrs. Dean, who sat loyally behind him during the televised Watergate committee hearings, is fed up by John's complete preoccupation with his legal troubles, which seem endless.

"Not long ago she told a friend: 'John's purpose in life is to destroy President Nixon. He simply hasn't got any time for me.'" But, as the old saying goes, maybe it will all come out in the wash.

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Mrs. Bailey Post

Beginning another new year you should be on the alert to take advantage of warm sunny days between cold snaps. You may need to mulch, or protect tender plants during a severe cold spell. Keep empty pots and containers handy along with plastic, cardboard and burlap to cover with. Too, if a hard freeze is predicted, plants will be less likely to be damaged if you water dry soil before the freeze.

The first seed, flower and nursery catalogues are beginning to arrive, so let them help you make your plans for the spring, summer and fall months ahead.

I'm sure all of you were saddened after the severe damage by the heavy ice storm last week, to many of the beautiful and sturdy live oaks and other trees in our city. Some can be pruned and will recover their shapes in a few years, while others were split so badly they will have to be replaced. This damage happens so seldom, I would still advise the planting of live oaks a trophy quality animal. rather than some of the other fast growing deciduous trees. Evergreens used with restraint contribute year-round form and survey of 2½-year-old bucks in color, and create a background for seasonal changes of deciduous plants. In many gardens evergreens are grouped into accenting masses of forms that define a garden pattern for the winter scene. Usually they should make up about one tenth of the planting in home yard landscaping; perhaps a bit less for a small property. The other nine-tenths of the plantings give seasonal interest and color in flowers, fruits, twigs and forms. Unless you buy balled and burlapped plants, all trees and shrubs should be planted between now and early March.

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Tips For Gardeners Young Deer **Absent From** Hill Country

Biologists monitoring the deer harvest in the Texas Hill Country say they are finding very few yearling deer among the kill this year.

Donnie Harmel, a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologist stationed in Kerrville, said a check of locker plants indicates that most of the deer being killed this year are older bucks with poor-quality

Harmel said that the number of deer killed this year seems to be down, and he blames this on generally poor hunting conditions.

"Range conditions are excellent, and the deer aren't moving. Hunters who are putting out corn to concentrate deer are finding that the deer are eating acorns instead,"

Biologists believe the dry winter last year accounted for a high mortality of the 1973 fawn crop, resulting in the low yearling numbers this year. A second explanation, they say, could be that due to poor antler growing conditions this year, the bucks just didn't grow antlers and hunters are passing them up, hoping for

"This is the sorriest year for antlers I have ever seen, said Harmel. He said that a Real County revealed that 35 percent of them were spikes.

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by Debra Price HD Agent

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The weight of the fabric

determines whether wool will be warm or cool to wear. When buying wool, check the label required by the Wool Bureau: -Pure wool: the product is 100 per cent wool. -- Wool blend: fabric is predominately wool, but has other fibers blended in. --Superwash: garment is 100 per cent pure wool and can be

All these labels may be found on both knitted and woven fabrics.

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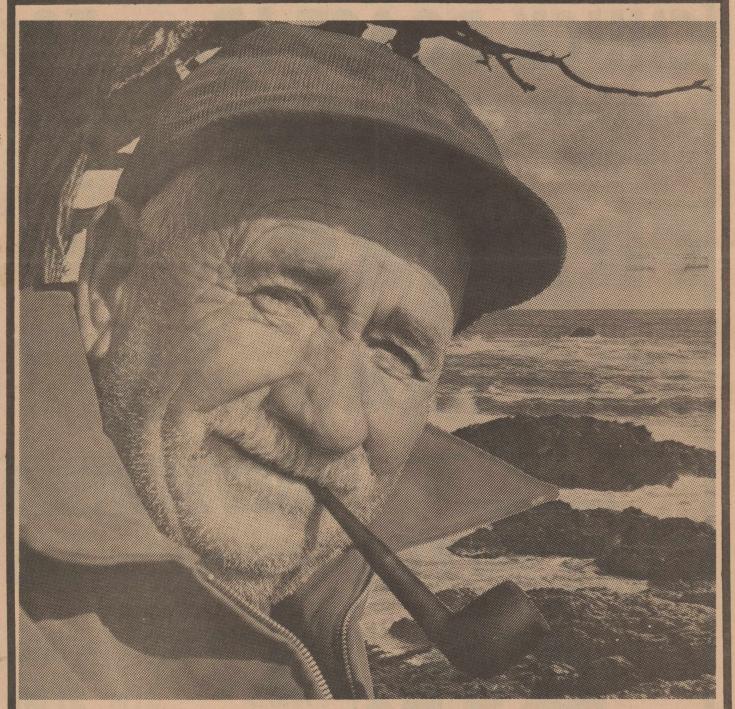
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might feel that same excitement when they run into you and me. That's something to strive for.

Poes the name make a ifference? It's refreshing and exciting to run into someone who

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Wednesday Matthew

Saturday **I Thessalonians**

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By-Kay McMullan

Rodeo takes skill, practice, concentration and time just as football, tennis, baseball, basketball and others. In professional ranks, rodeo is widespread and exhibits some of the highest paid competitors of any sport.
Rodeo officially enrolled in

college in August 1949 with the birth of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) here at TAMU. The first national student president was a TAMU student Charles national official when Nick Burnham was student president last year. Membership for this constantly growing association numbered 2, 286 students for the 1972-73 season.

The purpose of forming this association, according to the college rodeo on a national

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scale as an organized, standard sport representing an educational institution on individual campuses throughout the na-

Member cowboys and cowgirls travel at their own expense to compete in these NIRA shows and since the intercollegiate rodeo season, unlike other collegiate sports, runs from September through June, the member schools are put into regions to furnish travel ease and less interference with academics

As a result, the United States is divided into 10 re-Region which takes in the eastern half of Texas and lower Louisiana. The other regions are as follows: Southwestern (western half of Texas, south-Rankin. A&M produced another ern Oklahoma, New Mexico), West Coast (California, Arizona, Nevada), Big Sky (Montana), Central Plains (Kansas, Central Rocky Mountain (Wyoming, Colorado), Great Plains, (North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, NIRA rule book, is "to promote Wisconsin, Michigan) Northwest (Washington, Oregon,

everything east of these) and Rocky Mountain (Utah, Idaho).

As stated in the by-laws of the NIRA, to be eligible to rodeo in NIRA approved rodeos, a student must be carrying at least 12 hours of college work and maintain a C average.

There are nine approved events for these college rodeos. The women's events are breakaway roping, barrel race and goat tying. The men's events are bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping, team roping and steer wrestling.

At the end of the season, the top two from each region gions. TAMU is in the Southern in each of the nine events, the all-around standings and the team standings are qualified to go to the College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR). This is based on a point system where an individual tallies up points earned in his best five rodeos.

A person may qualify for the CNFR as a individual or as Nebraska, Northern Oklahoma), part of a team. The teams consist of six men and three women. The CNFR held in Bozeman, Montana for the last four years takes place each June. The awards at the finals range from scholarships to belt buckles and from boots to tro-

The TAMU Men's Rodeo Team won the Southern Region championship last year by beating their biggest rival, Sam Houston State University, by some 300 points. This victory is similar to winning the Southwest Conference in football and is something of which to be proud.

The winning men's team consists of the following cowboys listed with their respective events: Doug Adams--Bull riding and saddle broncs, Terry Chapman--bull riding and saddle broncs, Jerry Hayes--calf roping and steer wrestling, Les Mason--bareback brones and saddle brones, Tim Roberts--steer wrestling

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couple will be at home in San

The rehearsal dinner was

Parties honoring the bride

Angelo where they are both

students at Angelo State Uni-

hosted by the bridegroom's

mother and the bride's aunt,

Mrs. Ben Williams, at the

included a kitchen gadget

shower at the home of Mrs.

and a rice bag party at the home of Mrs. Harold Shaw

James Childress December 14,

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bride Dec. 7 at the Methodist

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The Texas Sheep and Goat

Raisers' Association will file a

"friend of the court" brief in

support of the State of Wyo-

ming's and the Wyoming Wool Growers' suit against the Fede-

ral Government, according to

Armer Earwood, president of

the Statewide sheep and goat

of Interior to conduct "an ef-

ram in areas where domestic

livestock are being killed by

The TS&GRA brief must

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Earwood explained that the

Wool Growers File

Suit For Predators

Ozona Civic Center.

Kerrville and Austin, the

ceremony in the fellowship

came the bride of Mr. Troy Daniel Urbantke in an afternoon ceremony December 28, in the First Baptist Church of Ozona with Rev. James M. Hancock of Odessa officiating.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Edgar Tabb and Mrs. Bernard G. Urbantke and the late Mr. Urbantke of San Angelo.

The bride, given in mar-riage by her father, wore a gown of candlelight satin silk organza. The traditional fitted bodice featured rose of Chantilly lace accented with Venise lace ribbon insertion, a ring neckline in matching lace and ribbon, lace cap sleeves edged in lace ruffling. The bouffant bishop sleeves featured lace cuffs with ruffled edges. The soft A-line gored skirt featured matching lace and ribbon insertion above a Chantilly lace flounce at the hemline. A trim of satin ribbon and lace accented the empire waist. Her full laceedged mantilla veil was held by a matching lace camelot, which framed her face. She carried a cascade bouquet of white roses, carnations, stephanotis and baby's breath.

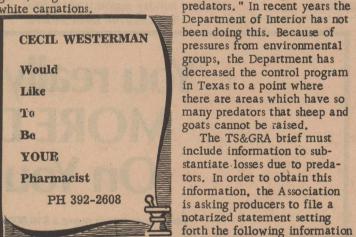
Maid of honor was Charlene Strickland of Coleman. Matron of honor was Mrs. Gary Martin, sister of the bridegroom. Mrs. David Huff of Coleman and Mrs. Robert Tabb of Tyler were bridesmaids.

The bride's attendants wore long A-line green velvet gowns and carried colonial bouquets of green velvet and white cushion mums.

Charles Stevens of San Angelo served as best man. Groomsmen were Jerry Urbantke and Dennis Urbantke, brothers of the bridegroom, and Robert Tabb, brother of the bride. Ushers were Gary Martin of San Angelo, and James Williams and Stan Williams, cousins of the bride.

Soloist was Rev. Nelson organization. Lanham and Mrs. Steve Kenley was organist. Musical selections included "Because," and "A Wedding Prayer.'

The altar was decorated with fective predator control proga large arrangement of white glads, large white mums and



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Lock became the bride of Nor-

man Theodore Dugas, Jr., in

a ceremony December 28 in

Parents of the couple are Mr.

and Mrs. Norman T. Dugas of

San Antonio. The couple will

bride, a frequent visitor with

her grandparents in Ozona, is

where she was a member of

Kappa Delta Pi, and Alpha

Chi, both honor societies.

a graduate of Baylor University

be at home in Austin. The

and Mrs. J. A. Lock and Mr.

the First Baptist Church Chapel.

returned Sunday night from

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1. Inventory of sheep and goats for each year. 2. Number of sheep lost to

3. Number of lambs lost to predators.

4. Number of goats lost to predators.

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"Producers everywhere have been asking what they can do to help. This is one way they can help--in fact, the success or failure of the suit could well hinge on the availability of good information proving we do have problems with predators, " concluded Earwood.

18-Year-Olds Must Register With S.S. Board

Young men are again reminded of their obligation to register with Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. If, for any reason, a young man has failed to register he should do so immediately to escape the penalty of Federal law.

The draft has ended and can begin again only after the Congress grants authority for induction -- but the requirement to register with Selective Service is still a part of Federal

Registrars are available at all County Courthouses, National Guard armories, and in most High Schools, to assist young men in completing their registration obligation. The Selective Service Area Office in San Angelo, located in the 7 W. Twohig Bldg., is also open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to assist young men with registration and other Selective Ser-

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Care For Goal Achieved For Christmas Mohair Contributions Plants

tributions from Texas Mohair view of this financial support," producers to help finance a state mohair referendum next spring has been completed, re- butions totaled \$13,023.37 at ports James T. Hunt of Sonora, the close of business on president of the Mohair Council of America.

"Our goal of \$10,000 has been achieved. In fact, contributions totaling more than \$13,000 have been received from growers in more than 45 communities in some 40 counties, " Hunt declared. "We are extremely encouraged by the large number of growers who dug deep into their pockets to help us get funds needed to hold the referendum. We are grateful to them for this outstanding effort and we believe the referendum in Ap-

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last few years is the amazing increase in the use of color-as homes are decorated more colorfully now than at any time in history.

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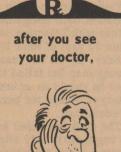
More and more, we see more and more colors in decorating--and more color combinations. This is a major trend and is likely to continue stronger than ever.

used to be without color, and now they are seen in all different colors, so a variety of colors is shown in all furnishings in the home, as never be- 392-3204.

If you still prefer the socalled neutral colors such as greys, blacks or whites for your major colors, be sure to use a bright splash of color now and then in a room on some accessories and furniture to keep your room from being drab.

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The drive for voluntary con- ril will be most successful in Hunt added,

> According to Hunt, contri-Christmas Eve, with several additional contributions expected based on pledges given when the drive started in early November. Hunt said contributions ranged from \$1 to as much as \$300, and several checks were received from growers who no longer have Angora goats.

The mohair referendum, to be conducted under authority of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, will provide for a state commodity board composed of 12 mohair producers elected by growers who would annually determine the amount of deduction from producers mohair sales. The deduction would not exceed 2½ cents a pound. Funds collected through the deduction would be used to finance future mohair promotion, advertising, market and product development programs. Past promotion and market development programs carried out by the Mohair Council have been

financed since 1967 by deduc-One of the biggest trends in tions of $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound the home furnishing field in the from grower incentive payments. No incentive payments have been made on mohair since marketing year 1971 because mohair prices have been substantially above the support level, thus the Council has not received any deduction funds for promotion work for nearly three years but has had to use funds from its reserve, Hunt

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If you received a pot plant for Christmas, give it the special care it deserves.

Dr. William Welch with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service offers a few tips on caring for these living Christmas gifts.

"Poinsettias, chrysanthemums, azaleas and most other flowering pot plants will last much longer if kept in a cool location away from drafts, " says the landscape horticultu-

"Never place them where heating vents or other heat sources can blow or reflect directly on them.'

"Water is extremely impor-. tant. Since your flowering plant has probably been growing in a greenhouse where it has had all the water it could use, it will wilt quickly when deprived of sufficient moisture. So keep the soil fairly moist to the touch. This usually requires water about every other day, " points out the Texas A&M University System spec-

Overwatering is also a possibility, but if the plant's container drains well, this should not be a problem.

"Be sure the plant gets light, " emphasizes Welch. "Artificial lighting is helpful, but most plants will remain attractive longer if placed near a window or other source of natural light. However, don't place the plant in direct sunshine or too near glass."

What about transplanting these flowering plants?

"Many species are not well suited for garden use, " says the specialist. Most florist type azaleas are difficult to grow and are best enjoyed for their flowering period and discarded. Gloxinias, cyclamen and poinsettias are not good landscape plants for most of Texas, Poinsettias need a long, warm growing season to flower planted in South and parts of East Texas.

Chrysanthemums will perholiday season is not a good time to plant them outside.

If they can be kept alive until early spring, cut them back to a height of three or four inches and plant them in well drained beds, advises the horticulturist.

"Flowering pot plants are great to receive or give during the holiday season. And with a little extra care, they can give lasting pleasure, " points out Welch.

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