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"The Texas Devils" was not a term of endearment for Texas Rangers in the wilder days of Texas history by Mexican outlaws. It was the name they called them because the Rangers didn't play the game by international rules as did the U.S. Army and Federal Law Officers in Texas. Mexican bandits, robbers, horse and cattle thieves fleeing back into Mexico from their forays into Texas were used to the Federals giving up the chase and stopping at the Rio Grande. Texas Rangers in pursuit kept right on pursuing them into Mexico until they caught them, tried the survivors, sentenced, and executed them on the spot. Mexican depredations into Texas were reduced markedly after several such "trials and executions".