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## Around Muleshoe

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee and children planned to spend Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clark at Artesia, L.M.

The J.E. Pearson family is going to Elida, N.M. to spend Christmas with W. Tivis, Mrs. Pearson's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Williams, Justin and Julie, of Abilene, are visiting over the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Harris.

Holiday visitors in the Buck Creamer home include Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Schneider, J.B. and Dustin, of Cozad, Neb. and Forrest Creamer of Dallas.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Edmiston for Christmas include Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Raney of Omaha, Neb.

Julia Hettinga of Houston spent the holidays at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hettinga.

### Candy Moore

#### Receives Honor

#### At South Plains

Candy Moore of Lazbuddie is among 26 students from South Plains College at Levelland named to the 1979-80 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

Candy, 1978 graduate of Lazbuddie High School, is the 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Moore of the Lazbuddie community.

Selection of Who's Who is made by campus nominating committees and Who's Who editorial board based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential. Candy joins an elite group of students from 700 institutions of higher learning across the country and Puerto Rico, according to a spokesman for SPC.

A sophomore business administration major at SPC, Candy is a Texan cheerleader, was named Tex-Ann of the month for October and has been named to the dean's list.

At Lazbuddie, she was Miss Tri-County; District FFA sweetheart; served as cheerleader for four years; was named All-District forward two years in basketball and was salutatorian of her graduating class.



CANDY MOORE



A VERY SPECIAL CHRISTMAS--Mrs. Bruce Purdy holds the 'very special' Christmas gift, all dressed out in a red Christmas stocking, that she and Dr. Purdy received for Christmas. His name is Aaron Garrett Purdy, who arrived at the Purdy home last Friday, December 21. He is wearing a Christmas stocking such as those provided all babies born at Christmas at West Plains Medical Center. The stockings are made by the Muleshoe Nursing Home and Hospital Auxiliary.

## Water Major Concern For All South Plains

A brainstorming session at the High Plains Water District last week, among six local agencies and institutes involved in water related research and services, struck a cooperative chord. The informal technical advisory meeting brought together vested water interests from Texas Tech, including the College of Agriculture and the Water Resources Center; the USDA Soil Conservation Service, the Texas Agriculture Experiment Station and the Texas Department of Water Resources to offer technical advice and critical review of the Water District's current activities and programs.

The District's Manager, A. Wayne Wyatt, explained the District's current activities with a number of Board directives in mind. He explained that the Water District's Board of Directors were, first of all, eager to inform these agencies, departments and institutions of current Water District programs and activities. The Board also hoped to identify areas for promoting cooperative programs and services where similar needs existed, and further, to avoid unnecessary duplication of efforts. Also, Wyatt noted that the Water District's Board of Directors was seeking technical advice and counsel from these individuals to make sure the District's work activities are worthwhile and timely.

Wyatt explained, "the Board desired to examine the best possible use of the District's resources and personnel in working with other water related groups. The Board and staff needed their counsel to determine if this could be best achieved by supporting a research effort through supplying sorely needed equipment, jointly participating in studies, or acting as a distribution outlet to provide information and education."

The general consensus of the committee, echoed by each of the technical review members, complimented the Water District for its flexibility, scope of programs, good communications and current cooperative involvement with the other agencies. Dr. Bill Lyle, Texas Agriculture Experiment Station, cited examples where equipment which the District had provided for use by the Experiment Station had made the difference in getting key water data otherwise out of reach. Soil Conservation Service Area Conservationist, Mickey Black, explained

the payoffs beginning to surface from the joint ACS- Water District on-farm irrigation efficiency test program with the Field Water Conservation Lab. "It's created interest by local farmers, who are now more aware of what's available, how the can get their hands on it and use it; and in local county commissioners' courts, some of which are considering expending funds to purchase equipment for on-farm analysis."

Black described another spin-off from the joint efficiency evaluations of irrigation systems. Continued on Page 2 Col. 5

## Prisca Young Gets 'First' In Training

Prisca L. Young, a West Texas State University senior from Muleshoe, is the first student to receive a certificate through the three-year old legal assistant training program at WTSU.

Prisca, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Young, graduated from WTSU in December with a bachelor's degree in business, and will also receive the certificate on the completion of the 60-hour legal assistant training program.

The program began in the fall of 1976 to provide training for students interested in the legal field. Working under the direction of an attorney, students in the program are trained to assist with client interviews, schedule and file documents and help research decisions.

Prisca has been enrolled in 36 hours of general education requirements, nine hours of legal assistant program electives and 15 hours in legal assistant courses as required by the American Bar Association.

Legal assistant training included courses in family law, legal research, civil litigation, estates and

trusts and real estate and mortgages. Electives were in the areas of basic oil and gas law and legal office management. She also was enrolled in a business law course.

Forty-five students are enrolled in the program this semester.

Prisca also has served as president of Kappa Delta women's social sorority, secretary of Alpha Kappa Psi national business fraternity, is a member of Association of Women Students and has been included in Who's Who Among Colleges and Universities.



PRISCA YOUNG

## Christmas Day Clear, Temperature At 73

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## Farmers To Pay More Expenses

Among the few certainties for farmers in 1980 are rising production expenses and a likelihood those will bite deeply into profits.

In the absence of a dramatic softening of current inflation rates, some government experts think net farm income may decline by as much as 20 percent from 1979 levels.

Also, according to Agriculture Department experts, farmers will end 1980 much deeper in debt than they were at the start.

Other factors underlie the immediate economic issues for farmers. Some of them are the success and promise of experts, are relatively new. It was the decade of the 1970s, after all, that saw overseas sales of grain and other crops set an unmatched string of records.

The fierce concerns about the future of the family farm, soil erosion and the federal government's role in agriculture are much older. They are no less important because of age, and, in fact, have taken on new luster as farmers enter the 1980s.

But the most important uncertainties for agriculture in 1980 boil down to classic and familiar terms: Production and prices.

Farmers in 1979 set some production records that will be hard to match on a national scale, and in the case of corn - by far the most important U.S. crop - it was the second year in a row.

Consider that in 1978 farmers produced a record corn harvest of almost 7.1 billion bushels. For the first time in history, corn yielded an average of more than 100 bushels an acre - 101.2 - and few experts thought it was likely that 1979 could be as good.

But the Agriculture Department's latest estimate put the 1979 corn harvest at nearly 7.6 billion bushels and the average yield at 109.2 bushels an acre.

A record soybean crop, near-record wheat production, a bumper cotton harvest, record rice output and other huge outpourings of American farm prowess made 1979 a remarkable year.

Statistically, total U.S. crop production in 1979 measured by a government index was 143 percent of what it was in 1967.

Farmers excelled at their work, but they also - for the most part - had excellent weather during the growing season for the major crops in 1979.

Playing the averages, some authorities do not believe the weather will smile as broadly in 1980, that it would be stretching luck to anticipate a repeat of 1979. But many of those said the same thing a year ago.

Another major development in 1979 was a gradual turnabout in the cattle cycle. After reducing herds for years, producers have started to rebuild their breeding inventories. It will take time, at least several more years, before much additional beef is added to supermarket counters.

Meanwhile, hog and poultry producers stepped up output. That helped dampen further sharp gains in cattle prices, and it resulted in hogs and poultry easing off from earlier peaks.

Still, according to USDA experts, no precipitous price declines are foreseen for livestock and grain, at least through mid-1980.

The government's reserve program, under which participating farmers initially stored about 1.3 billion bushels (mostly corn and wheat) to keep it off the market, has helped boost prices.

For example, wheat prices at the farm are expected to average \$3.60 to \$3.90 bushel nationally for the wheat marketing year that will end next May 31, compared to \$2.94 a bushel in 1978-79.

But grain prices after mid-year will depend much on the outlook for 1980 crops and the situation in the rest of the world, including the Soviet Union and other areas where short harvests can have a big impact on U.S. markets.

Farm income, as measured by the Agriculture Department, jumped sharply in 1979 to an estimated \$32 billion from \$27.9 billion in 1978, unadjusted for inflation.

The increase occurred for two reasons: increased production, mainly in corn, and higher prices.

One of the pitfalls in this assessment, however, is

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## Rain, Snow Mixture Predicted For Area

Christmas was bright and beautiful in this area, with amazed residents and visitors watching the temperature gauge slide down to 73 degrees.

The unseasonably warm

Christmas Day temperature was matched only one other time in this area since records have been kept and that was in 1971, when a like temperature was recorded.

However, the shirt sleeve weather, which could have been recorded in May, was predicted to come to an end by Wednesday night, when the latest winter cold front was expected to move through the area, bringing rain Wednesday night, turning to a mixture of rain and snow by Thursday.

The winter storm expected to move into the South Plains Wednesday, is a somewhat weakened version of the storm that has plagued the west coast in recent days, depositing heavy snow, and several inches of rain.

Hurricane-force winds accompanied the storm when it slammed into California, knocking out power lines, ripping boats from moorings and whipping snow into giant piles.

Several weather related deaths were recorded in the storm before it began to abate as it began an eastward trek across the United States. However, the storm was expected to deposit heavy snow in the mountains of New

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## Youth Skating

### Slated Sunday

### In Coliseum

On Sunday, January 6, youth skating will be hosted at the Bailey County Exhibition Center and Coliseum.

Members of the Muleshoe Area Youth Activities Committee Inc. will hold the skating for all area youth, from 2-5 p.m. at the coliseum, with an admission charge of only 50 cents for the three hours of skating.

Bring your skates and your friends for an afternoon of enjoyment, suggested a member of YAC.



HONORED ON GRAND OPENING--Charles 'Hennie' Long, left, was the center of attention at the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Co. Ltd. Restaurant when they hosted their grand opening Saturday. As a special event, the restaurant also celebrated his birthday. He is the first baby, born of record, in Bailey County. Also pictured, center, Mrs. Guy Belt and David Belt, manager of the restaurant. The birthday celebration is expected to be an annual affair at the restaurant.



**Farmers...**

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that those are based on national situations. Not every farmer raised bumper crops, not every farmer got good prices for what he sold.

But by and large, prices for crops and livestock - the two major categories - increased substantially in 1979. Thus, the "cash receipts" from the sale of farm products rose more rapidly than farmers' production expenses.

That meant the boost in farmer's net income, at least on a national scale.

But for 1980, the situation looks more less favorable at this time. Heres why: "Crop and livestock prices are expected to at least maintain 1979 record levels through 1980, and cash receipts likely will rise to new record highs," USDA analysts told last fall's annual outlook conference.

However, the increase in cash receipts is expected to be relatively small. But farm expenses, fed by current inflation rates, are expected to rise further.

Although USDA experts say "any forecast at this time is very tentative, that points to farmers having less money after they pay their bills in 1980 - meaning a decline in net farm income.

Rising cost of energy and petroleum - and petroleum-related items such as fertilizer will have their effect. Machinery, manufactured feed, seed, trucks, building materials and other items are costs farmers cannot ignore.

Among the bright spots indicated for 1980, however, are exports which, for the 12th consecutive year, are expected to set new records, rising perhaps to \$38 billion from \$32 billion last year.

For 1980, at least,

federal acreage curbs on the major crops of what and feedgrains have been lifted in anticipation of the continued huge world demand for U.S. grain.

On the policy front, the Carter administration already has been criticized regarding the prospective decline in farm income in 1980. And congress will be urged to hike price supports and take other action to soften the crunch.

Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland held 10 hearings outside of Washington, D.C., recently to find out more about what is ailing farmers and how the so called structure of agriculture might be altered to help smaller farms. Those findings will be part of administration strategy for 1980.

Prospects for a decline in farm income will have other effects on the agricultural economy, including what some USDA officials see as a substantial slowdown in farmland prices.

Conceivable, they say,

farm real estate prices in 1980 may gain only about 5 percent, compared to 16 percent in 1979.

But on paper, at least, farmers collectively will end 1980 with \$989.9 billion in total assets, compared to \$950 billion now, an increase of about 4 percent. A disquieting note, however, is that the same analysts predict farm debt will rise again to \$182.5 billion against an estimated \$157.8 billion at the beginning of 1980. That would be an increase of about 16 percent - quadruple the grain predicted for total farm assets.

**Water...**

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"Farmers are going back to the companies from which they originally purchased sprinkler and other farm equipment for further explanation and evaluation. The companies are going back to their installation in some cases and back to the drawing board in others. Also, the rural electric cooperatives and utilities are getting involved," said Black.

Then came the suggestions for future Water District activities, invited by a quip from Wayne Wyatt, "there's always a better way to do things, and the job ahead is bigger than all of us."

Water Resources Center Director, Bob Sweazy, mentioned a potential avenue for cooperation to improve efforts to secure research funds coming out of the Office of Water Research Technology in support of relevant water research.

Dr. Charles Wendt, TAES soil-plant-moisture expert, recommended that the Water District become involved in a pre-irrigation soil moisture profile survey in each county for area farmers, and also disseminate daily through the appropriate channels, data on evapotranspiration demand for the various crops grown in the area.

Speaking from the producer's point of view, Water District Board President James Mitchell wondered if there was research available which had been passed over in the past as unfeasible, but which might now prove adaptable, particularly to the large operator. "Because their time is at a premium, the operators have difficulty deciding what research is adaptable to them," Mitchell explained. And he offered a

**FOOD MARKETING ALERT**

USDA Agricultural Marketing Service

**SPECIAL ALERT:** USDA's AMS suggests that consumers make full use of abundant Pork and Onions this December. Supplies are plentiful.

As of mid-November, the December supply situation looks like this...

**RED MEATS**  
Beef... adequate, although supplies are down from record of recent years. Production to average 12-14% below 1978 and about 14% below 1976-78 Dec. average.  
Pork... plentiful, with Dec. output to reach record. Production to be 20-22% above year-earlier, or a full 26% above 1976-78 Dec. average.

**POULTRY & EGGS**  
Broiler-fryers... plentiful. Marketing rates to be 2-3% above year-earlier, and 5-6% above 1976-78 Dec. average.  
Turkeys... plentiful. Supplies to be 8-10% above year-earlier, and 2-4% above 1976-78 Dec. average. Both new-crop turkey output and cold storage holdings at beginning of Dec. to be 8-10% above 1978.

**MILK & DAIRY PRODUCTS**  
Milk & dairy products... adequate, with milk production past its seasonal low and higher

**EGGS**  
Eggs... plentiful. Output to be 1% above year-earlier and 4% above 1976-78 Dec. average.

**FRUITS, VEGETABLES & NUTS**  
Fresh oranges, grapefruit, and tangerines... plentiful. Fresh apples and winter pears... plentiful. Fresh cranberries... adequate, and processed cranberries... plentiful. Cranberry production to be record-large, but bad weather has resulted in higher percentage of processed fruit and less fresh fruit available.  
Canned, frozen, and chilled citrus juices, and major canned noncitrus fruits... adequate.  
Raisins... plentiful, with 1979 output to be much larger than small 1978 crop; dried prunes... adequate, with prune crop to be 2% larger than 1978 crop.

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than a year ago. Latest milk production figures show a 2 1/2% increase over Oct. 1978 production; Sept. American cheese production was up, while butter and nonfat dry milk production were down from Sept. 1978.

Commercial stocks of manufactured dairy products also show increases from 1978 low. American cheese stocks at beginning of Oct. were 17% above 1978; commercial butter stocks were up 77%, and nonfat dry milk stocks were up 51%.

**Potatoes**... plentiful, with fall storage crop 7% below record 1978 crop. Frozen potatoes... plentiful; stocks are nearly equal to year-earlier holdings and are 6% above 1976-78 average.  
**Onions**... plentiful, with summer storage crop 4% above large 1978 crop and 10% above average. Sweetpotatoes... plentiful for the holidays; production to be 4% larger than 1978 crop and 11% above average.  
**Peanuts**... plentiful, 1979 production to set a new record, slightly larger than small 1978 crop.

**Almonds**... plentiful. Record-large crop to be 33% larger than 1978 crop. Pecans and walnuts... plentiful, with walnut crop to be 38% larger than in 1978.

**GRAINS & LEGUMES**  
Rice... plentiful. The 1979 crop to be 4% above last year and 20% above 1976-78 average.  
Dry beans... plentiful. The 1979 crop to be 4% above 1978 production and 11% above 1976-78 average.  
Dry split peas... adequate. The 1979 crop to be 42% below large 1978 production, and 7% below 1976-78 average.

Processed vegetables... plentiful, including canned snap beans, canned beets, canned green peas, canned sweet potatoes, and canned tomato products. Spinach, sauerkraut, cucumber pickles, and sweet corn... adequate. Among frozen vegetables: lima beans, snap beans, carrots, cut corn, green peas... plentiful, with frozen broccoli, corn-on-cob and spinach... adequate.

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suggestion to the water technicians. Mitchell commented that producers would appreciate it if the agencies, departments and institutes would make an effort to encourage the long-term farm policy planners with whom they might have contact, to help farmers cut back their forced expansion of acres to keep pace with inflation.

A point that became

apparent as the meeting progressed was the need for a broader balance of principle water users against technical expertise. That will come with future meetings as the District develops a nucleus of advisors with the expertise and experience to direct or redirect future Water District programs.

Jacob Javits, Senator (R-NY): "While we feel that the United States... can live without the 4 percent of our oil supports that we get from Iran, a healthy Iranian economy depends on a minimum of crude oil production."

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**Snow...**

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Mexico and Colorado, before it turned to a mixture of rain and as it hit the Plains, both in New Mexico and Texas.

Across the nation, unseasonably warm temperatures marked Christmas day, with an average of 50s and low 60s being the common temperature regardless of the direction.

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**WHO KNOWS?**

1. What is a kinkajou?
2. Define equanimity.
3. Identify kinematics.
4. When was the first U.S. Post Office opened?
5. What is a deciduous tree?
6. What is the motto of the Marine Corp?
7. When was the first heart transplant made?
8. What is an otolaryngologist?
9. When did the Boston Tea Party occur?
10. What is witch hazel?

**Answers To Who Knows**

1. An animal related to the raccoon.
2. Composure; evenness of disposition.
3. It's a branch of mechanics which deals with pure motion.
4. November 28, 1832.
5. A tree that sheds its leaves in winter.
6. Semper Fidelis (Always Faithful).
7. December 3, 1967.
8. An ear-nose-throat specialist.
9. December 16, 1773.
10. A shrub used to make a soothing lotion.

**WEAPONS BILL**

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**Sudan News**  
By Evelyn Ritchie

Mr. and Mrs. James Bryant, Vicki Masten, and family of Louisiana arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bellar and in Morton with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Masten. Their son, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Masten and family of Michigan also will be here for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gordon and family plan to have Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Vera Thomas in Olney.

Kevin and Shellye Pickrell, students at ACU in Abilene arrive home Thursday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pickrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ethridge and children of Dimmitt will be Christmas day guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Churchman.

Doyle Baccus and Vann Wallace have been patients in the Amherst Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray May and Raegan will be spending Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Larry May and Mr. and Mrs. Kenzil May.

Mike Sandaval, student at Tech. is home for the holidays as are Gayline Rogers, Martha Withrow, Edgar Tamplin, Roy Don Dudgeon, Jeff and Jarod Withrow, Barry Wiseonan.

Arlis Humphrys left for California to be with their daughter who is ill. Mrs. Humphrys left one day last week.

The ladies who work in the School lunchroom, held a Christmas party Tuesday night at k-Bob's. Gifts were exchanged and secret pals were revealed.

Attending were June Bartley, Mary Kay Baker, Deborah King, Thelma Lewis, Noreen Moore, Louise DeLahiva, Rita Conley, Dee Aills, Winona Dudgeon, Mary Powell and Verna Giggs.

The Whirlybirds and Jet Cadets of the Methodist Church went to Amherst Manor Wednesday, December 19, to sing Christmas Carols. Following that, they met at the Main Places for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bellar and Todd plan to have Christmas with her parents in Tyler.

Coach and Mrs. Mack Lowe visited with his parents in Wichata Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Be Lance will be spending some time during the holidays with her parents in Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Desten Baker plan to have all their children and their families home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Word of Lorenzo visited this week with Mr. and Mrs. Claud Dropp.

Natasha Diane Bruton of Levelland spent the past week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nelson.

Rev. and Mrs. Truman Johnson were in Meadow Sunday afternoon to help her parents celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

The Ruth Sunday School class of the Baptist Church held their Christmas social in the home of Elsie Seymore last Thursday night with co-hostess Rosemary and Edna Seymore.

Smoked turkey and all the trimmings were served following a prayer by Elsie.

Dottie LaGrone brought the Devotional. Gifts for the Amherst Mannor residents were wrapped and plans made for the annual Christmas party to be held there Saturday, Dec. 22.

It was reported that Ricky King received a broken nose during a basketball game here Friday night. His mother, Dee, who is a nurse was going to see about him and she fell and broke her ankle. Both were taken to Littlefield Hospital.

Lisa Harper, Rex Baccus and Edgan Tompkins are among college students home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Jordan and family of Breckenridge visited during the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Logan.

Mrs. Maureen Barnett of Arlington arrived Sunday to be here for the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kent.

Mrs. Loretta Reid and girls plan to have Christmas dinner in Clovis with

Darwin's parents.

Truman Lee Willingham plans to have Christmas with her mother and sister at her sisters home in Levelland.

Mrs. Ola Baccus is a surgical patient in the Methodist Hospital following a fall in which she broke her hip.

Nancy Harrison and Freddie Legg were united in marriage Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Myer and girls from Houston arrived Saturday for the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Drake.

Mrs. Clara Kent was taken by ambulance Saturday to the Littlefield hospital.

A Christmas coffee was held Saturday in the home of Jo Ann Ellison with co-hostess Mary Wood and Bette Withrow.

Gaylon Burma and Brian were in East Texas during the weekend for hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Henderson of Whiteface visited Sunday with their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nelson and family. Also visiting were Nelson's daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jodi Bruton and Natasha of Levelland. Natasha stayed here for a few days with her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Vickers and girls of Mansfield, Ohio arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B.A. Beauchamp, Jr. Madge returned home with them following a three week stay with another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Capers and Rebecca in Cadiz, Ohio. Mrs. Capers recently underwent surgery.

Larissa West of San Angelo is expected home for the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Audry West and other family members.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Kropp are expecting all their children home for the Christmas holidays.

Claud Kropp returned home Friday from St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo where he underwent open heart surgery last week. It is reported he is doing very well. Their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Waller and family of Dimmitt and Mr. and Mrs. John Kropp and boys have been here to visit.

Paul Gordon of Lubbock was a guest speaker Sunday night at the First

Baptist Church and showed slides of his recent trip to Norway. He also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Gordon and brother Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Lowe of Victorville, Calif. have arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Fisher and other family members.

Recently visiting with the Lee Roy Fishers were her sister and family Ramonas, Annen and Debbie of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Donnie Hapner and son were dismissed recently from the Amherst hospital.

Stephanie Bickett was released from the Amherst Hospital recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lamphere, April and Julie of Lewisville arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents and grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Ritchie. The Ritchies other daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Arb Rylant and family of Longmont, Colorado and Mr. and Mrs. Dewayne Phillips and family of Lubbock will also be here for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Coldiron plan to have Christmas in Guyman, Oklahoma with his parents and their son and family.

Lee Roy Fisher was in Houston last week for a treatment and check up and received a very good report.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fisher, Tany and Shannon plan to have Christmas with her parents in San Angelo.

Phil Kent has moved into his newly purchased home on Smith Ave.

Rex Baccus has completed his studies at Tech.

Dee Arlis received word Wednesday December 12 that her son, Cecil and family of Cleveland, Texas lost their home and all their belongings in a fire that completely destroyed their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCollien and family arrived this week to spend the Christmas season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Baker.

Fawn Baker of Alice is spending the Christmas holidays with her father Mr. and Mrs. Mark Baker and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Matt

Nix.

Don Qualls left Friday to visit his sister Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Massingale in Littlefield during the Christmas holidays and also with relatives in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Engram were in Amarillo recently to have Christmas with their children and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Coldiron were in Lubbock Sunday.

Rodney Risher of the US Navy arrived home this week to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Fisher during the Christmas season.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rogers and to have an early family Christmas dinner were her brothers and sisters including Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hamilton, of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Anderson of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Baird of Loraine Wagner of Wheeler and J.T. Baird of Amarillo. Their daughter, Gaylene, joined them also.

Mr. and Mrs. Lupe Martinez and family are vacationing this week and the Supreme Cafe will be closed until January 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shafer and family of Beaumont plan to arrive today for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tollett.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Chester hosted a dinner Saturday in their home for the deacons and their wives of the First Baptist Church. Ham and all the trimmings were served, attending were the pastor, Rev. and Mrs. Truman Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Parrish and Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Arnold.

Dr. Evelyn Milam of Nevada, Mo. arrived Saturday for the Christmas holidays, with her mother, Mrs. J.H. Milam. They will go to the home of their brother and son, the J.K. Milams in Tulia on Christmas day.

Brad Hanna was honored Friday, December 14 on his fourth birthday with a party in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Masten.

The Muppet Theme was carried out and cake and ice cream were served. Attending were Len and Missy Kaykindal, Jason and Justin Beller, Kelli Jason and Justin Baker, Keli Baker, and Heather Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary West and family of Aurora, Colo. arrived Saturday to be here during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Masten her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Masten and

boys and Mr. and Mrs. Al Harrison and family. They also will be here to help celebrate the 40th anniversary of their parents Sunday.

Monte Rogers of Houston arrived Saturday to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rogers during the holidays. Gaylene will also be home from Tech. for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Walden, Gladys Terry and Less Hewitt of Littlefield were in Clovis, N.M. Friday for Mexican food at the El Monterey.

Robert Wells of Amarillo was here this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Wells and other relatives.

"Truth is within ourselves".

Mr. and Mrs. Dail Burnett and Mrs. Loretta Reid, Jiel and Suzanne were in Ardmore, Oklahoma, for the Thanksgiving holidays with, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Bradshaw.

Among those from Sudan who were in Plains Tuesday to attend the funeral of Luther Hobbs, father of Marge Cardwell, were Madge Beauchamp, Juanda Fields and Elsie Symore.

Mrs. Mary Olds visited relatives in Lubbock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Nichols and Chad of Spring were Thanksgiving holiday guests with his mother, Mrs. Gina Nichols. Jodi Wiel returned home with them following the stay here with her grandmother and aunts.

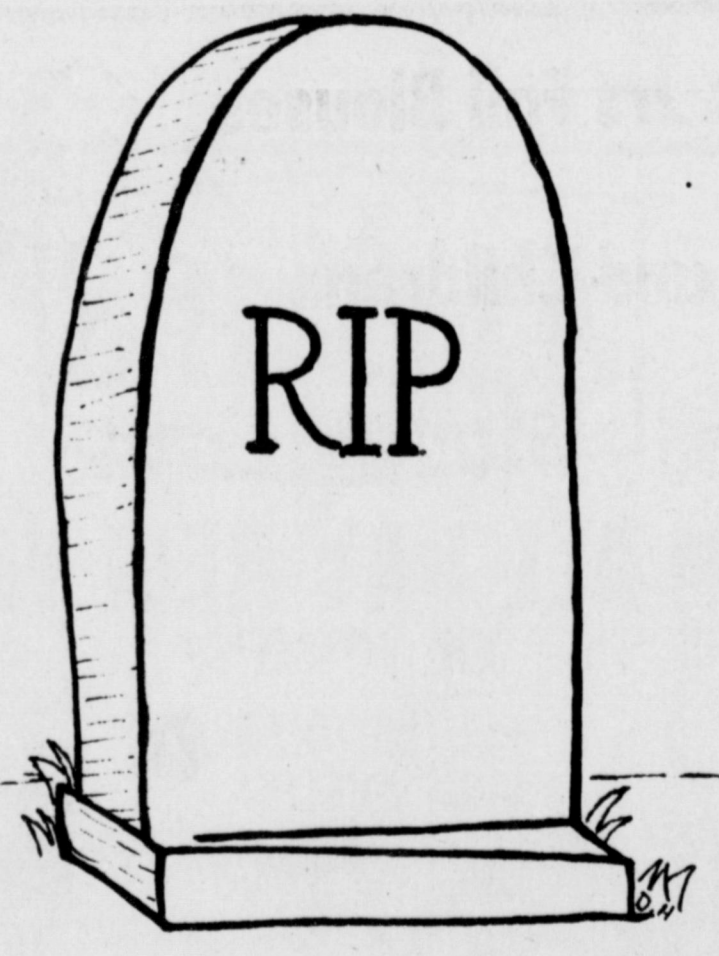
Linda Locke has been a surgical patient at the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Kathy Fisher of Hart visited last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Fisher.

Mrs. Jane Rone has returned home from an extended visit with her brothers, the Jack Lumpkins and Noel Lumpkins in Graham.

Dr. Lane Murry former Joyce Stone of Huntsville visited here last week with Mrs. Gladys Terry.

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### Sudan FFA Party

The Sudan Future Homemakers had their Christmas Party, Thursday, Dec. 6. It was held at the PCCA Inn a Littlefield.

Presents were exchanged. There was no business to discuss. Pam Maxwell received a gift from the FHA. The next meeting will be held January 4.



### Aaron Garrett Purdy

Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Purdy are proud to announce the adoption of a week old son, Aaron Garrett.

He is the couples first child. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John L. Purdy Jr., Muleshoe and Raymond Wilson of Galveston and the late Genevieve Wilson.

Great grandparents are Callie Brown of Muleshoe, John L. Purdy Sr. of Abilene, Nellie Johnson, Houston and Wyatt Johnston of Manitoir, Oklahoma.

### Baby Taylor

Mr. and Mrs. Robbin Taylor of Lubbock are the proud parents of a new daughter, born December 17 at the Methodist hospital.

She weighed 7 lbs, and 8 and one half ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gerik of Pep formerly of Sudan and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor of Andrews.

Mrs. Opal Pennington of Sudan is the great grandmother.

Mrs. Taylor is the former Terri Gerik.

### Dustin Lee Harper

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harper are the proud parents of a new son, Dustin Lee, who was born Saturday, December 8 at the Amherst Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. and 4 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harper of Sudan and Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson of Aztec, N.M.

Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L.M. Harper of Sudan and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Holtcamp of Littlefield.

Dustin has two older brothers, Donny and Danny.

### Teacher of the Week

Coach Ronnie Jones was elected by the Student Council as teacher of the week December 11. Coach Jones graduated from Ron Oklahoma then attended E.N.M.U. where he earned his masters degree in Administration. Coach Jones has taught 15 years, one year at Snyder, 3 years at Lubbock, and then 11 years at Muleshoe. He coaches all boys athletics, and P.E., teaches 6th grade social studies, and works as assistant principal.

When asked about his year, he commented that he thinks we've had a real good year, with things going pretty smoothly. He feels that we have a good school system and the kids are a good group of students.

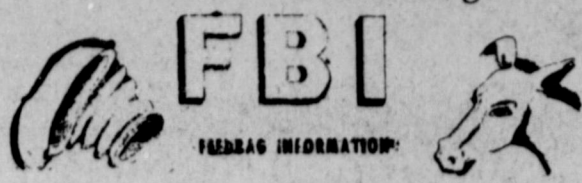
### Society Deadlines Set

Weddings must be in the office by Monday noon for the Thursday paper and by Thursday noon for the Sunday paper. Any wedding more than two weeksold must be edited and only the basic information included.

No shower picture will be taken without a 24 hour notice and copy must be in the office by Monday at 5 p.m. for the Thursday paper and by Thursday at 5 p.m. for the Sunday paper. An honoree's picture will be taken at only one shower.

All club stories for following edition of paper must be in the office by 10 a.m. on Tuesday and Friday preceding next issue of paper.

### At Muleshoe Junior High



### 8th. Grade Mullettes

The 8th grade Mullettes played Dimmitt Bobbies last Monday the 17th at Dimmitt. The ending score was 22-34. High Pointer was Kelly Hamblen with 15 points. The next game the Mullettes will play is against the Morton Squaws January the 7th. Come support the Mullettes!!!

### 7th. Grade Mullettes

The 7th grade Mullettes lost to the Dimmitt Bobbies, there, Monday, December 17. The score was 5 to 22 with Mary Norman scoring 4 points and Polly Harrison scoring 1 point. In the first half Muleshoe scored 3 points and Dimmitt scored 10 points. Then to the end of the game Muleshoe scored 2 points and Dimmitt scored 12.

Their next game is at Morton on January 7th. GOOD LUCK.

### 7th Grade Mules

7th Grade Mules stomped by Dimmitt Bobcats

The 7th Grade Mules played Dimmitt here, Monday, December 17. Mules were defeated with a score of 13, 40. High pointer was John Isaac with 8 points. Mark Moton had 4 assist. Coach Corneius comments, "We played our worst game of the season, and we are looking forward to the Christmas break so that we can get some practice in." Mules next game is here against Morton Indians on Monday, January 7.

### 8th Grade Mules

This week the 8th grade Mules faced the Dimmitt Bobcats for the second time this season. But were soundly defeated by the score of Mules 15 and Bobcats 36.

The high scorer of the game was Darin Shaw with 6 points and for the seventh consecutive time Ronnie Cox led in rebounds with 11.

When asked about the game Coach Ronnie Jones commented, "We missed a lot of practices and it really showed up in the game. We're going to do a lot of work and we hope to show much improvement in our game against Morton, after the holidays."

### RECIPE

By Sarah Anne Sheridan

**Caramels**  
3 c sugar  
2 c white corn syrup  
4 1/2 c cream  
3 t vanilla

Mix sugar, syrup and 1/2 cups cream together until sugar is dissolved. Boil, stirring gently to soft ball stage or 234 degrees. Add 1 1/2 cups more cream. Boil again to 234 degrees. Add another 1 1/2 cups cream. Boil again to 234 degrees. Add vanilla (if sugary, add more cream and boil again). Pour into a lightly buttered pan so that mixture is about 1/4 inch deep. Let stand for 12 hours. Cut in squares and wrap in tin foil or plastic wrap.



KRISTI CAMPBELL

### 7th. Grade Player Of Week

Player of the week for the 7th grade against Dimmitt was Kristi Campbell. Although she didn't score any points she did a good job of playing defence. She showed a great improvement over the last couple weeks. I'm sure if she continues to improve as much the next few weeks, we will not only see Kristi playing better defence, but scoring as well.



KELLY HAMBLEN

### 8th. Grade Player Of Week

Player of the week for the 8th grade against Dimmitt was Kelly Hamblen. Kelly made several good moves on the post and made 15 points for us. Kelly was more aggressive than we have ever seen her this year and I hope this will just be the start. She also made some good rebounds for us. Kelly has lots of ability and I'm expecting much more from her in the future!!!

### Snowball Cookies

1 c shortening  
1/2 c powdered sugar  
2 c flour  
1 t vanilla  
1 c nuts

Cream shortening and sugar together; then add rest of ingredients and mix well. Roll into 1 inch balls. Bake in 325 degree oven 25 minutes. While still hot roll in powdered sugar.

### MJHS Coaches Comments

Coach Flowers commented, Neither team played well at Dimmitt. The 8th grade made far too many bad passes and let them pull our defence out of position too much. They made several good moves, but missed the shots. Also we had many several times when we just didn't play smart and get our heads up to find an open girl down the court.

Coach Sharon Flowers commented:

The game against Littlefield Monday night was a hard fought battle even though we came out on bottom by the score of 30-31. The hustle and determination displayed by the girls was all any coach could ask for. Our main problem was the inability to hit free throws while to many fouls were committed by the other team in which they cashed in on free shots. Also Littlefield made several good fast breaks which we were unable to stop.

This game was proof of the importance of free throws. If we improve this much of our game and learn to maneuver on the post, and continue to put forth this kind of hard work, I'm sure this bunch of girls will be very successful in the future. I was proud of their "never-give-up" attitude.

Player of the week was Marilyn Lewis. I don't believe anyone could deny how hard Marilyn worked for her team against Littlefield. She scored several points and stole the ball many times. She also did a very good job bringing the ball down the court on several rebounds for us. We are very proud of Marilyn, especially for her hustle and tremendous attitude.

### WEATHER AND WINTER PASTURES

Weather factors--sunlight, temperature and moisture--are the keys to the amount of livestock grazing that winter pastures will provide, says a forge specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A & M University System. So far, moisture has been short in many parts of Texas and is hampering winter pasture production. Lack of winter pastures will put more pressure on stockmen to feed their herds more or to cull heavier.

If you haven't noticed, there's a church nearby where you're welcome.

### Sudan News By Evelyn Ritchie

Doyle Baccus is a medical patient in the Amherst Hospital.



FRED MARDIS

### Teacher Feature

Teacher of the week for December 17-21, selected by the student council was our Principal, Fred Mardis. Mr. Mardis has been a Jr. High principal for five years, a High School principal for six years, and an assistant High School Principal for two years. He also taught, at Muleshoe in distributive education, and in Clovis, in math and business. Mr. Mardis graduated from Childress High School, then he went on to college at West Texas State University, where he received his bachelors degree. He received his masters degree from ENMU and did some studies at Texas Tech University.

His family includes his wife, Mary, who is the librarian at Richland Hills Elementary, a son Jim, daughter Cathy, and two grandsons, Jimmy and Nicholas. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, and farming. Mr. Mardis commented, "Jr. High has a good system, I'm especially partial to Jr. High and students of this age. Jr. High deserves a back seat to no one."

Misty Miller is visiting with her grandmother and other relatives in Level-land while her sister, Stephanie is in the Amherst Hospital.

"Where there is much desire to learn, there of necessity will be much arguing, much writing, many opinions, for opinion in good men is but knowledge in the making".

"Grandma Kelly" is hospitalized at the Amherst Hospital at Amherst.

Jeannie (Cardwell) Vierra from Arizona has moved into the house at 700 Furneaf.

Barry Nettles have moved to Sudan from Columbus, Georgia. Susan is to remain here while Barry is in Alaska.

Mrs. Billy W. Gore and Stephanie of Odessa were overnight visitors recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy A. Gore and Ginger. They also visited with Rusty and Randy Gore.

Rose Pinkerton is in Denver, Colo. to be with her daughter. She was a patient in a hospital there for several days.

Claud Kropp underwent heart surgery last week at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. It was reported that he is doing well and may return home this week.

"A Tart" temper never mellows with age, and a sharp tongue is the only edged tool that grows keener with use."

Marge Nelson, Johnny and Donnie were in Whitefact over the week end to visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. John T. Henderson. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jacky Bruton and Natasha.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Logan recently was his mother and sister Mrs. Ethal Logan.

Linda Locke is a surgical patient in the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock this week.

Stephanie Bickett has been a medical patient for several days at the Amherst Hospital.

Wayne and Gil Rogers were in Lubbock Sunday to attend the annual Open Heart Club Christmas luncheon held at the Civic Center.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Maxwell were her great nieces and great nephew, Shami, Sherri, and Shannon Arnead of Littlefield. They also visited the Testerman Children while here.

Mrs. John Withow is a patient at the Littlefield Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Maxwell were in Lubbock Wednesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. V.C. Weaver, residents of the Highland Nursing Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Knox of Amarillo were weekend visitors in the home of Mrs. Faye Dorsey.

Kurt Hurst, who was two in Nov. 30, was honored with a birthday party in the home of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Terry Hurst, on Saturday, December 1.

A football theme was carried out in the cake decorations. The following guest were served, Mrs. Kenneth Turner, Mrs. Peggy Elliott, Mrs. Karen Taylor, Lori and Craig, all of Tahoka, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Thurst, Jonathan and Casey of Lorenzo, and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Stephens and Christy, Mrs. Sandra Nix, Kaylenn and Arnon, Michelle and Dawn Gaston, Jacob Lowe and

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noblett of Lubbock were here over the weekend visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Roy Day and also the Charles Logans.

Mrs. Bula B. Humphrey left this week for Calif. to be with her daughter, Arlene Beaudieu who had taken ill suddenly.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Jordan, Todd, Sherry and Kevin of Breckenridge will arrive here Sunday to be with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Logan.

"Difficult indeed is it for those to emerge from obscurity whose noble qualities are cramped by narrow means at home."

Lisa Harper, Rex Baccus and Edgan Tompkins are among college students home for the holidays.

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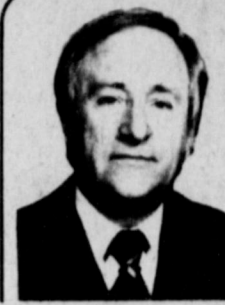
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## The Speaker Reports



by Bill Clayton

AUSTIN—The United States has at least one last resort in providing oil for the nation in event of a national emergency.

Oil stored in underground caverns in Texas and Louisiana can now be taken out of the ground if needed. The oil was stored for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve authorized by Congress in 1975, following the Arab oil embargo. At that time a goal of storing 500 million barrels in underground salt domes was announced. President Carter raised that goal to one billion barrels by 1985.

The amount now in storage is not even close to the goal. There is only about 91.7 million barrels of crude oil—the amount America imports every 11 days—now in storage.

The multibillion dollar withdrawal system can pump out a million barrels per day from Bryan Mound in Texas and from two Louisiana sites. That's not much oil for a country with an appetite for 100 billion gallons of gasoline per year.

### A&M expands global role

COLLEGE STATION — Can help, will travel. That could be the calling card for Texas A&M University as it spreads the word it now plans to operate on a global scale.

Its product is expertise — particularly in the fields of agriculture and technology. Long a service institution through its 13 regional research and extension centers, the university recently received a \$1 million "strengthening grant" from the U.S. Agency for International Development for intensified efforts to alleviate hunger and malnutrition problems abroad.

Texas A&M currently has seven AID contracts for projects in Latin America, Africa and the Middle East.

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Purchases for the program have been stopped at this time. It appears that this seven billion dollar program may have been placed on the back burner as prices have risen and supplies have tightened.

There are some who feel that the money could have been better spent for pipelines from Mexico to the

U.S. or from Alaska across the Midwest.

One major problem of resuming storage of oil in the domes is that adding to the reserves would require additional imports. If we do import additional oil we stand to dry up the supply of available oil and drive prices even higher.

The oil reserve was a good idea whose time should have come years ago in the heyday of \$2 a barrel oil.

### Tax breaks are available to homeowners

COLLEGE STATION — A recent enactment of which many people may not be taking advantage is a \$100,000 tax exemption for homeowners over 55 years of age, according to Dr. Jack Friedman, head of the research division of the Texas Real Estate Research Center at Texas A&M University.

"Many build a substantial equity in their home or homes over the years. Congress has recognized this situation and allows the individual to keep their first \$100,000 of gain from the sale of one's principal residence by many people 55 years or older. This is a once-in-a-lifetime break and the homeowner would be well advised to seek competent tax counsel before taking the exemption," Friedman cautioned.

### Public Notice

Being certified by the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas for this purpose, the Texas Corn Growers Association, 105 E. Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, a referendum election on February 27th, 1980, under provisions of Article 55C, Vernon's Civil Statutes on the proposition of whether or not corn producers in the following counties shall assess themselves an amount not to exceed one half cent per bushel on all corn sold to be collected at the first point of sale, and to elect members for a six persons commodity producers board to administer proceeds of such assessment to be used for research, disease and insect control, promotion, and education designed to encourage production, marketing, and use of Texas corn.

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A few producers and processors of agricultural commodities on the High Plains already have been investigated and cited for violations of a law most of them had never heard of. And unless something is done, more of the same will follow, says Ed Dean, Field Service Director of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, and also a director and executive committee member of the National Council of Agricultural Employers (NCAE).

The law, the Farm Labor Contractor Registration Act, known as FLCRA, was passed in 1963 with a worthy objective — to curb the exploitation of migrant farm workers by unscrupulous "crew leaders."

But the law was amended in 1974 and under subsequent interpretations now requires the registration of farmers, ginners and others who in their wildest dreams never imagined themselves a "farm labor contractor."

The language of the Act itself defines a farm labor contractor as "any person who, for a fee, either for himself or on behalf of another person, recruits, solicits, hires, furnishes, or transports migrant workers for agricultural employment." Specific exemptions are granted for "any farmer, processor, canner, ginner, packing shed operator or nurseryman who personally engages in any such activity for the purpose of supplying migrant workers solely for his own operation," and "any fulltime or regular employee of an entity . . . who engages in such activity solely for his employer on no more than an incidental basis."

The word "personally" in the stated exemption was added to the law in the 1974 amendment and the U.S. Department of Labor (USDL) is using that word to bring all incorporated farmers and agricultural product processors under its jurisdiction.

Growers do not agree with the USDL interpretation and it is being tested in a number of Federal court challenges. But until the courts decide, or until Congress amends the law, a high percentage of the farmers, ginners and others in agricultural processing who use anything other than year-round labor will be subject to citation if they fail to register, fail to comply with all the requirements that follow registration, or if they employ a farm labor contractor who isn't properly registered.

At the urging of PCG, NCAE, the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association, the National Cotton Council and others, some 52 senators have signed and sent to Secretary of Labor Ray Marshall a letter expressing their dissatisfaction with the broad powers he has assumed under the law.

In addition a move is afoot to get an amendment to the law that will force the Secretary of Labor to conform to the intent of Congress instead of his own labor-biased inclinations.

It is generally agreed, according to Dean, that the USDL is using this law, among other things, as a backdoor approach to curbing the use of illegal aliens. "The FLCRA is the only Federal law on the books directly dealing with the employment of illegal aliens," he says, "and unless the Secretary of Labor is curbed, many in agriculture will be shocked to find themselves the target of a massive Federal law enforcement campaign."

Dean invites anyone concerned with liability under FLCRA to contact him at the PCG office in Lubbock.

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**Three Way News**  
By Mrs. H.W. Garvin

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Furguson was in Lubbock Wednesday shopping.

Three Way basketball teams played Springlake, Tuesday night at Three Way with Three Way girls winning and boys losing.

Three way news last 2 Mr. and Mrs. George Tyson spent Thursday night in Lubbock with their daughter and Tommy Durhams.

Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Toombs visited their son the Gary Toombs in Muleshoe Sunday.

Three Way Baptist Church had their Christmas dinner after services Sunday with dinner at the Church. The Childrens Choir sang at the evening services.

Mr. and Mrs. S.G. Long visited Mrs. H.W. Garvin Sunday evening.

The Enoch Methodist Church had their Christmas dinner Sunday, with gifts exchange after dinner then Rev. Marvin Gregory, brought the message. A good crowd was present.

Mrs. Jack Furguson took her granddaughter to Littlefield Saturday her daughter Mrs. Jim Green of Shallowater.

The community received rain, sleet and a 5 to 6 inch snow Thursday. Farmers in the community are about through gathering the crop but gins will be busy for a while.

Mrs. Joe Sowder is staying Muleshoe with her mother who is ill.

Mrs. Carla Martin, daughter and granddaughter from Canyon visited her sister the Robert Kindles last week.

**Wariner Services Held Sunday**

Funeral services for Robert Warner 79, were held Sunday, December 23, at 2:30 p.m. in the Chapel of the Chimes, with David Cox, minister of the Muleshoe Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in the Lazbuddie cemetery.

Warner died Friday in the West Plains Medical Center.

Warner moved to Muleshoe in 1943, from Shamrock. He was a retired carpenter and a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

Survivors include four sisters, Mrs. Bernice Am-

erson, Mrs. Lorene Wilson, Mrs. Jaunita Jarman all of Muleshoe and Mrs. Christine Conner of Shamrock.

**Texas A&M ranks high in private support**

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M University is the only institution in the South or Southwest ranked among the top 10 public universities in terms of private support, according to figures released by the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges.

With \$19.75 million in gifts for 1977-78, Texas A&M placed among the top public universities in the nation in three of four categories: gifts from corporations, foundations and alumni. It ranked fourth, behind only Cornell, the University of California System and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in financial support from alumni.

**Timely Warning**  
You can't change the past, but you can ruin the present by worrying about the future.  
—Sun, Sac City, Ia.

**Devotion to Aloe Vera Boosts Texas Acres**

AUSTIN--Devotion to the gel of the ancient aloe vera plant may eventually make what is now a specialty crop in Texas a full-scale agricultural enterprise.

Some 300 acres of Rio Grande Valley land are now in commercial production of aloe vera, according to Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown. And while the aloe vera plant, which looks like a cactus but is actually a member of the lily genus, is currently in abundance, continuing research by pharmaceutical and cosmetic firms may soon spell tight supplies until more acreage is planted, Brown added.

Users of aloe vera can be almost fanatical in their praises for the plant's gel. Modern salesmen are quick to point out that they can make no medicinal claims for the

gel, but for some 3,500 years aloe vera has been used to treat burns and minor skin problems.

Scientific evidence is slowly building to support many of the curative testimonies of advocates of aloe vera. U. S. Atomic Energy Commission studies, for example, showed a rapid healing rate for radiation burn ulcers when aloe vera was used while respected scientific journals have reported success in using the gel to treat peptic ulcers and to inhibit bacteria growth.

For many years, persons kept an aloe vera potted on the windowsill and merely clipped off a portion of a leaf and applied the juice to the skin. Now, a stabilizing agent has been developed and the gel is sold either in combination with other ingredients or by itself.

Bill Mangum, one Valley aloe vera farmer, now harvests 25 acres on U. S. 83 between La Feria and Harlingen. His business has grown steadily to annual sales approaching \$200,000, a fourth of which go toward harvesting and care of the crop.

Aloe vera takes about three to five years to grow to maturity. When the leaves are about two feet long, they are ready for harvesting. Just the outer leaves are snipped for shipment, with new ones sprouting from the center of the plant for future harvests.

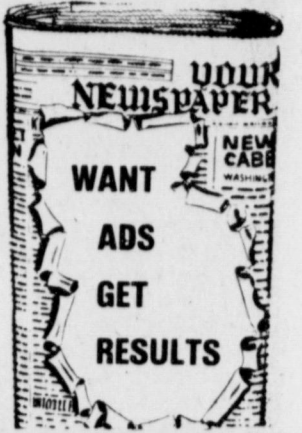
The number of manufacturers and products using aloe vera is increasing in Texas, mainly in Dallas. One of the older cosmetics firms, carries a line of 168 items using aloe vera, including those for facial and hair care, bath oil, foot creams, and a muscle balm.

According to company head James Swope, "The value of aloe vera lies in its penetrating qualities."

Swope advised those interested in using aloe vera products to check the

ingredients on the label and choose those which list aloe vera at the top. He also advised buyers to get their products from a reputable company because the gel starts spoiling as soon as it comes out of the leaf and must be stabilized quickly to retain its effectiveness.

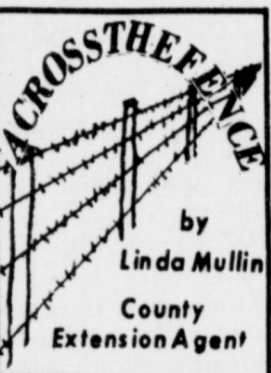
That "effectiveness" may be questioned by the scientific community but not by the growing number of aloe devotees. And with fans as ardent as the ones for this ancient plant, the future of aloe vera farming in Texas looks bright.



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Pets for children mean pets for parents, too.

As parents, recognize that ownership of a pet for your child is really a partnership with you.

Assigning him the total responsibility may be giving him more than he's ready to assume.

This can result in dissatisfactions for the child, frustration for the parents -- and potential doom for the pet.

Most children are not ready even for partial responsibility of a pet until they're school age.

Even then, limit your

expectations of their responsibilities -- in keeping with their abilities.

Parents can help most by setting examples -- and by involving children in parent-child tasks.

These can include feeding cleaning the pet's facilities and other aspects of pet care.

Gradually the child can handle more of the tasks. It's also helpful to discuss the pet's special needs with your child and to establish a routine for its care.

Make allowances for "forgetting", but help the child understand how the pet depends on him.

Pets have value for their owners. They often help children learn about nature, compassion and caring. They also teach humane values and responsibility.

In selecting a pet choose with the age and maturity of the child in mind. Safety of the child and the pet are important.

Most importantly, remember, when a child shows a desire for a pet and promises to take care of it, he's showing god intentions. However the responsibility rarely can rest with the child alone -- it's a partnership that needs parental commitment, too.

**West Plains Medical Center Report**

**ADMITTED**  
Dec. 20, Jesse Barrett, Faye Martin, Maria Vega, Helarial Berman.

Dec. 21, Lora Shank, Euleta Stockard, Charlotte Campbell, Arthur Bradley, Conrad Arce, Troy Veach, April Gober, Carrie Boydston, John Noland

Dec. 22, Marty Mos, Fidel Morales, Rashad Kerben, W.C. LAckey, Sybil Johnson, Ronda Scott, J.T. Prather.

Dec. 23, Patricia Phelps, Rex Black, Janay Stalcup, Murtile Lee

Dec. 24, Kenneth Jones, Maggie London

**DISMISSED**

Dec. 20, June Green, Mildred Burreson, Lucille Lewis

Dec. 21, Scott Springfield, Euma Reed, Antonio Holguen, Libby Keller, Robert Warner

Dec. 22, Helaria Berman, Charlotte Campbell, Lora Shanks, Jesse Pruitt, Eulat Stockard.

Dec. 23, April Gober and baby boy, Dallis Glover, Melanie Blackwell, George Johnson, Sybil Johnson, Sherry Barrett.

Dec. 24, Rashad Kirben, Myrtle Lee, Ronda Scott, Rex Black, Marty Mos, John Noland, Edith Henson, Charlie Villarrial.

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