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Political foes of President Reagan, obviously intent on an early start in the 1984 political campaign have launched a vicious attack on presidential counselor Ed-win Meese for saying he has not seen any authoritative figures that there are hungry children in America and that some people are going to soup kitchens voluntarily because the food is free, and that's easier than paying for it.

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Implying that Meese had devastated himself and the administration by this prize boner, the front running Democrats candidate along with Tip O'Neill and powers of the liberal media rushed in for a political kill. Remarks like disgraceful, outrage, tragedy, ignorant, heartless, callous flew far and wide without regard for the fact that charges were not justified and Meese was quoted out of context.

The hassle originated when a hostile newsman tossed a crooked question at Meese, asking how do you "balance the need for spending reductions with judgments by authoritative organizations, for instance, there are too many hungry people in America? Philosophically, how do you balance the need — and I think everyone agrees on the need — to reduce the deficit with children; not adults, children."

The question was not only

children."

The question was not only unfounded and viciously prejudiced but the biased critics made no effort to determine its validity. They just took it at face value, assuming it was gospel truth. Moreover they dismissed an obvious opportunity to be fair about the subject by failing to consider the answer given by Meese at the time.

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Meese said, "Well I don't know of any authoritative figures that there are hungry children" — and the reporter, it turned out, also had no authoritative figures of his own. "I've heard a lot of anecdotal stuff, but I haven't heard any authoritative figures, and as a matter of fact, that's one of the reasons why the President appointed a task force on food assistance, to get to the bottom of some of these allegations which have been unsubstantiated until now."

reveals that Meese's remarks were well grounded in fact. Bovard points that in 1955 federal spending on food for the poor was less than \$200 million. Today there are 13 different federal programs of food assistance for the poor costing \$18 billion a year, and a family of four can qualify for eight of these programs simultaneously. In plain words, Meese was telling the loud mouth critic that the government is spending generously to help the poor people and if any of them are hungry it's because the program has faults which need to be found and corrected. Everbergers he

corrected. Furthermore he

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## City handling winter assault well so far

The recent rash of severe weather over most of the United States has crippled travel, and broken both records and water pipes as far south as Houston. But all things considered, Muenster is handling the winter assault quite well — for now, at least.

"I'm really surprised," City Superintendent Ron

### Let faucets drip

Reports that another siege of severe winter weather is on the way, serves as a occasion for warning by the City Water Department. Celine Ditfurth, city secretary, reported that her office received eight calls about frozen water pipes Tuesday morning, and more can be expected, according to present conditions.

She added, however, that some of the trouble can be avoided if people will allow faucets to drip. A fast drip or a very small steady stream should be sufficient. A few gallons of water will be lost in the process, she added, but the cost is small compared with the usual expense of broken pipes.

Mrs. Ditfurth also said that the city is responsible for water lines only as far as the water meter. If the trouble is on the resident's side of the meter he should Reports that another siege

the water meter. If the trouble is on the resident's side of the meter he should seek help from a plumber rather than the city.

Montgomery said Tuesday. "At this point, we have no real problems, we're doing pretty well."

pretty well."

The most significant problem thus far has been with a broken water main beneath Oak Street between Second and Third. The water line has already been fixed, but the road is still closed to traffic because the soft base material which was disturbed could cave in if it's driven across.

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The broken main on Oak

driven across.

The broken main on Oak Street was a relatively minor problem, Montgomery said. A break in the large ten-inch line from the water tower would mean big trouble, but such a break is unlikely.

Most of the calls to city hall regarding damage involved residential plumbing with frozen pipes. Nearly 20 calls had been received as of Tuesday.

"We're expecting a lot of pipe breaks when we start to thaw out, and we're preparing for that," Montgomery said.

He said extra materials are being collected for the repairs and employees are being placed on stand-by status for when those repairs begin. Montgomery said residents should keep faucets open slightly in order to avoid as many problems as possible.

City maintenance crews will probably triple their usual number of rounds for checking city water wells, he said. So far there have been



What began with the season's first snowfall Dec. 16 has become one of the longest cold spells in recent memory

no problems with those wells.

Montgomery said one area where extra caution should be used is on a curve of Cherry Lane, which is particularly dangerous with the heavy glaze of ice.

Even though utilities across the state were

strained severely, a warming trend in some areas of south Texas has loosened that strain. Mike Murphy, district Texas Power and Light manager in Gaingsville said conditions were more or less back to normal and customers could resume normal electricity use. There

was no need to continue voluntary curtailment. "We're in better shape than I guess we've been in for ten days," Murphy said.

Texas Power and Light works in cooperation with several other power generating companies in Texas. Murphy explained

that all the companies were strained for the past ten days, but a warming trend in south Texas will allow some of those companies to help in this area if the help is needed.

There have been no problems with ice on power lines, he said.

## Jan. 1 to bring tougher DWI laws

A minimum jail term is mandatory for any person convicted two or more times for DWI under a stricter Texas law effective January 1, 1984.

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Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director and chairman of the task force which recommended tougher DWI legislation, said the new law should close the back door in the criminal justice system for repeat offenders.
"Deferred adjudication, which allowed repeat violators to wipe the slate clean after each DWI arrest, will be eliminated under this new statute," Adams said. "Even if probation is given, a conviction record will be established for the offender and this record can be used in subsequent prosecution of any additional drunk driving charges, Jail time is mandatory as a condition of probation beginning with

The new law provides increased penalties for DWI convictions. Conviction on first offense DWI carries a fine of \$100 to \$2,000 with a jail term ranging from 72 hours to two years. A second offense conviction is punishable by jail time ranging from a minimum of 15 days up to two years with a fine of \$300 to \$2,000. Conviction for third and Conviction for third and subsequent DWI offenses carry a fine of \$500 to \$2,00 and confinement in jail for a minimum of 30 days to two years or in the state tpenitentiary, for 60 days to five tiary for 60 days to five

Minimum terms of confinement are increased by 60 days and fine limits are raised by \$500 if the DWI offense results in serious bodily injury to another per-

son. If a drunk driver is found to be responsible for a traffic fatality, the law prescribes a mandatory term for the violator.

Adams said the revised DWI statute will aid in the prosecution of drunk drivers.

"Under the present law, a person is only presumed to be intoxicated if tests reveal a blood alcohol concentration of .10 per cent or more." Adams said. "The new law established that a driver is defineitely too drunk to drive at the .10 percent level."

The revised statute also contains provisions for auto matic 90-day suspension of driving privileges for refusal to submit to an alcohol chemical test. The refusal also will be admissible evidence in the driver's trial. The drunk driver's vehicle

may be confiscated and sold upon the fourth DWI conviction.

The DPS director predicted that the statute will help deter DWI violations and provide the means to identify repeat offenders.

"Despite increased DWI arrests and enhanced public awareness about this problem, far too many people still believe that there people still believe that there are no unfavorable consequences to drunk driving," Adams said. "Texas law enforcement agencies do not have enough resources to adequately police all streets and highways. However, when these changes in the DWI law take effect, drunk drivers who are detected can count on being punished in a meaningful fashion. This should help discourage drunk driving."

## '83 taxable sales top \$10.5 million

The recent report from Comptroller Bob Bullock revealing that Muenster has received \$103,519 in rebates of city sales tax during the past year stands out as a pleasing indicator of the 1983 business volume here.

That figure is the amount sent back to the city after the comptroller's office deducts a 2 percent handling fee from the 1 percent remitted along with a 4 percent state sales tax by local business firms.

Making allowance for the comptroller's 2 per-cent fee, this means that the amount received as rebate is actually 98 per-

cent of the amount remitted by business. It figures that Muenster did more than \$10.56 million in business to account for its rebates of \$103,519.

Another factor to consider is that total sales are considerably higher than taxable sales. Groceries, prescription drugs, motor vehicles, feeds and machinery used in food production are all exempt. Although sales of those items are not readily available, they can be reasonably estimated at half of the taxable items. If that is the case, total sales here in 1983 can be estimated at more than \$15 million.

## Good News

You have visited the land and watered it; greatly have you enriched it.

God's watercourses are filled; you have prepared

the grain.

Thus have you prepared the land; drenching its furrows, breaking up its clods,
Softening it with showers, blessing its yield.

You have crowned the year with your bounty, and your paths overflow with a rich harvest.

This Week

Farm and Ranch.

#### And a White Christmas

While the nation as a whole was having its most severe winter in recorded weather history, Muenster too toughed through intense cold but escaped the destruction which devasted many areas. No broken power lines and only a few water lines were reported. However, there have been ten consecutive days of temperature below freezing and 22 consecutive days of a low below freezing, and frequent chill factors below zero.

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## COMMENT



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## Rules for breaking

EW YEAR'S resolutions, like a lot of other rules, are made to be broken. But it doesn't have to be that way.

The big problem with new year's resolutions is that they're often made at the wrong time — like at a New Year's eve party. Too many people get all caught up in the excitement of the occasion and promise themselves and everyone around them that they're going to quit smoking, double last year's charity donations and solve the problem of world hunger all in one brief year.

And there we have the second biggest problem with these annual ceremonial promises — they're often a bit too lofty. We need to make promises we can keep. Or at least make them more realistic. It's a bit late to run for president.

One more problem is that we sometimes just can't think of a good thing to give up, if that's what the resolution is to involve. Some of us don't have many vices, and goodness knows we can't give them all up. A vice is sometimes a good

thing, and we could all use at least one. A vice reminds us that we aren't perfect and keeps us relatively honest.

And so, in light of these problems, herein you will find a short list of suggested resolutions in case you're stumped. There should also be enough time between the time you go to your New Year's Eve party, so one won't influence the other.

These aren't necessarily my New Year's resolutions, you understand—only a list from which you can choose if you'd like. But now that I think about it. I might just give number one, number three and number seven a fair shot.

Help yourself.

1. Vow to never again

three and number seven a fair shot.

Help yourself.

1. Vow to never again read the "Nancy" and "Cathy" comic strips in the paper on the grounds that they both lack any hint of legitimate humor.

2. Promise to never again watch an episode of

watch an episode of "Dallas" or "Dynasty" until J.R. and Alexis start to behave themselves.

3. Promise to not get attached to great television

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works always cancel for lack of ratings.

4. Promise yourself that next year, you won't get too attached to the idea that the Cowboys will go to the Super Bowl. Look at what setting your hopes up did

Cowboys will go to the Super Bowl. Look at what getting your hopes up did for you this year.

5. Promise to start Christmas shopping for next year sometime in February.

6. Promise that you'll fight the U.S. Government to the end the next time it tries to break up a monopoly in order to "benefit" us.

7. Promise yourself that you'll vote this election — forget all that garbage about your right to have a say in the way your government is run. This is a plain responsibility — your vote and mine together can cancel out the votes of two lunatics. Practice defensive voting.

8. Promise that you'll never again be taken in by misleading sales lines like "one size fits all." (It won't.) And "your mileage may vary." (Your mileage will alway vary."



NOBODY'S SEEN HIM IN ALMOST FOUR MONTHS -- MAKES THE BAD COLD" STORY A BIT UNLIKELY



SOME SAY HE'S HAD SERIOUS SURGERY, OR THAT HE'S DEATHLY SICK, OR EVEN THAT HE'S BEEN SHOT ... ANYHOW, HE'S DISAPPEARED.



WELL, WHATEVER IT IS, I GUESS THESE BIGSHOTS HERE IN TH' DEFENSE MINISTRY DON'T MIND BEING LEFT IN CHARGE OF TH' COUNTRY.



BEEN KEEPING UP WITH ALL

THE ANDROPOV RUMORS?





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## Back to everyday life

mountain top exper-ience there is a road that leads back to the humdrum of everyday experience. To believe this, all we have to do is recall our childhood days, and the let-down feeling we always had when Christmas was over and we knew we had to wait another whole year for Christmas to come again. I am sure that the shepherds that visited Jesus in the manger must have had this same feeling.

Luke 2:20 tells us, "And the shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them." For the shepherds, that meant tending the flock, guarding the that leads back to the hum-

shepherds, that meant clift ding the flock, guarding the sheep, caring for the lambs. Scripture does not tell us that any of them left his vocation to become a full-time herald for the Saviour.

Yet, for the shepherds, life after that first Christmas

could never be the same. They took the divine glory of the manger back to the daily grind of sheepherding. Indeed, we read not merely that they returned, but that they "returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen."

That is what a mountain-top spiritual experience is meant to do for us. We are to become ambassadors for our King in the workshop, in the office, and on the con-struction site. We are not to hide our light in the market-place or in the home.

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In Peter's case, after he had "a summit meeting" with the Lord Jesus along with Moses and Elijah, he wanted to construct tents right then and there in order to prolong the excitement of that meeting. But in the case of the Lord Jesus and His disciples "they came down from the mountain" (Matt. 17:9) to face once again

human need.

We are not called upon to isolate ourselves from society in order to live a solitary life of self-denial. The highpoints of our spiritual experience must be related to the heartaches of people living in the valley. We are not to be recluses but relaters — relating what God has shown and told us to others.

That takes discipline and That takes discipline and determination. In some cases converts have to be told to return home and share the wonderful acts of God (Mark 5:19). After a mountaintop experience, we are told to return home, and to testify quietly and effectively for our Saviour.

After the glitter and glamour of Christmas, we must return to normal living. Returning, thrilled and transformed as we are, we can tell others about Him who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.



**Morton Kondracke** 

## Reagan's strong, weak spots

PRESIDENT REAGAN is riding into 1984 buoyed by 60 percent-plus approval ratings, but the fairness issue, budget, deficits and Lebanon still darken his reelection prospects.

The president's managers say their polls show that right now he is running as well among all segments of the population as he did in 1980, except for women and the elderly, but they are not counting on a landslide.

In 1980, Reagan received 80 percent support from Republicans, 25 percent from Democrats and 50 percent from independents. His private pollster, Richard Wirthlin, told him early this month that if the election were held now, he would get 79 percent, 28 percent and 55 percent among those groups, respectively.

Among women, he got 48 percent in 1980, but he is down near 40 now. Among men, though, he received 53 percent in 1980 and now is favored for reelection by 59 percent. He received 55 percent of the over-50 vote in 1980 but is now below 50 percent.

According to Reagan campaign manager Ed Rollins, the key battleground of 1984 will be the blue-collar vote. "That one-fourth of all Democrats is where the war will be fought," he said. "Democrats will try to convince them (blue-collar voters) that the president has not benefited all Americans. If our support there erodes, we've got trouble."

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Right now, Wirthlin's polls show that whereas Reagan got 40 percent of the vote in labor union households in 1980, he has 45 percent today. A majority of those making more than \$20,000 a year favors Reagan, but he loses among those making less than that.

That is where the fairness issue comes in. Every time the president or one of his top aides openly shows callousness toward the poor — as White House counselor Ed Meese did on the subject of hunger two weeks ago — it helps Democrats make the cake that Reagan does not care about ordinary neonle.

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There are two sides to Ronald Reagan, which might be called the Ed Meese side and the James Baker side. Baker, the pragmatic and agile White House chief of staff, runs White House operations and oversees practical politics. Reagan, no detail man himself, seems to want a top aide around who will keep things running smoothly and moderate his policies.

moderate his policies.

The other side of Reagan, the fundamental rich man's conservative Republican, is the Meese side. Meese has lost most of his policy-making and program-management power in the White House to Baker, but still has the president's ear when the time comes for a decision to be made

The Reagan record on the poor tends to reflect more Meese than Baker, but the public relations talent of Baker and subordinates has managed to conceal the facts.

Had Meese not raised the hunger issue, for example, the

president would have declared Monday. Dec. 19 "Care and Share Day" without anyone paying much attention to the fact that 15' percent of the population now lives in poverty, up 5 million people since 1980.

Meanwhile, spending for food stamps has been cut 13 percent from the level it would have been at under pre-Reagan legislation. Child nutrition programs have been cut 28 percent

Baker is also a moderate about budget deficits, and in Baker is also a moderate about budget deficits, and in past years urged tax increases (known euphemistically as "revenue enhancement") and defense spending cuts to dry up some of the federal government's red ink.

But the true-blue conservative in Reagan refuses to consider either course, and so Baker has moved against his own policy instincts to quiet objections about deficits by Martin Feldstein, the president's chief economic adviser.

Reagan's political managers are reasonably confident that they can contain both the fairness issue and the deficit issue, provided economic recovery continues through

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1984.
"If people have got jobs, can make their house payments and keep the kids in college, they're not going to worry about fairness," said one Reagan manager. "The president will say he inherited a terrible situation, cut their taxes and got the economy back on track."

As to deficits, this campaign official said: "For 40 years, Republicans screamed about Democratic deficits and what did it get us, but permanent minority-party status?

Republicans screamed about Democratic deficits and what did it get us but permanent minority-party status? Politically, deficits don't matter unless they begin crimping the recovery, raising interest rates and hurting people's ability to get loans."

Probably the official is right. Unless Meese or the president say utterly callous and insensitive things, most people will ignore the unfairness of administration policy, and the Democrats will be hard-pressed to convince the electorate that their deficits really would be smaller than the Republicans.

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The president's managers are worried, though, about Lebanon and the possibility that U.S. Marines might still be there next November. Significantly, Baker last month sought to get himself named White House national security adviser, which would have put foreign policy under control of a religious pro. of a political pro

of a political pro.

Baker lost out, though, and campaign aides fear that Reagan will do in Lebanon what he thinks is right, regardless of its election consequences.

The irony is that Reagan ought to be vulnerable to defeat on grounds of unfairness and deficit-spending, but probably isn't. On Lebanon, where he deserves credit for taking risks to organize peace, he may lose.

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**Edwin Feulner** 

## JFK by today's standards

WENTY YEARS after his death, John F. Kennedy presents a sticky problem to liberals hoping to bask in the fading glow of Camelot.

And that problem is, by today's standards, JFK was no liberal. He was a hard-core anti-Communist whose speeches make Ronald Reagan look like a whimpering dove. And he was a "fiscal conservative," to quote a recent lament by TIME magazine.

Recognizing that JFK's White House record is one they would be embarrassed to call their own, today's liberals have set out to separate the image of JFK from the reality. They want to play up the image of the bold young leader struck down in the prime of life. But they want to disavow Kennedy's pledge to "bear any burden" in the fight again-

struck down in the prime of life. But they want to disavow Kennedy's pledge to "bear any burden" in the fight against communism. They want to remember Kennedy's commitment to civil rights, while ignoring JFK's effort to protect the civil rights movement from Communist infiltration. And they certainly want to forget that JFK was willing to wiretap Martin Luther King, Jr., to do it.

Today's liberals also want to forget that JFK authorized the Bay of Pigs invasion of Castro's Cuba by Cuban exiles. It might sound too much like Ronald Reagan aiding the Contras in their fight against the Marxist government of Nicaragua. And the no-nukes crowd pushing for the nuclear freeze certainly wants to forget the Cuban missile crisis. After all JFK was willing to go to war with the Soviets unless the Kremlin removed the missiles it sought to install in Cuba. JFK would never have winked at the degree of Soviet penetration of our hemisphere we see today.

Liberals want to forget the JFK was the first supply-

sider, cutting taxes across-the-board in a period of deficit spending. They want to forget that his secretary of the treasury was a Wall Street Republican. It might make JFK's administration look like a government "of, by and for the rich." After all, JFK was no poor boy, either And the liberal discomfort increases tenfold with the mention of Vietnam. As the producer of the recent PBS series "Vietnam: A Television History," proclaims, Vietnam:

nam "was the place JFK had chosen to make his stand agaist communism."

No, Kennedy was not the kind of man today's Democratic party would consider nominating for the presidency. He wasn't a feminist. He never spoke out for gay rights. As America's first Roman Catholic in the gay rights. As America's first Rollian Substitution on White House, he could never have endorsed abortion on

In some ways it's amusing to see what the liberals have done to the Kennedy legend. These folks, who seek to find excuses for (or worse, ignore) every vile act by the Kremlin, would look at the Berlin wall today and say "Ich bin nicht ein Berliner." (I am not a Berliner.)

Conservatives are missing a bet if they let the leftwingers drape themselves in the mantle of JFK. After all, JFK is closer to the Right ideologically than, say, some of the Republican presidents who came after him.

But that's the one thing the myth-makers never want to talk about. How about it Mary, McGrory?

Feuiner is president of The Hertiage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy research institute.



Muenster Telephone Corp. Manager Alvin Fuhrman with a portion of what makes up the new digital switching system due to be in service March 1.

## Gary Rohmer receives master's

Gary Rohmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Rohmer and a graduate of Sacred Heart School, received bachelor of science and master of science degrees in accounting at the commencement ceremony of North Texas State University on December 17. He specialized in taxation for his graduate work.

He was a magna cum laude undergraduate student, which requires a grade point average of at least 3.8 out of a possible 4.0.

4.0.
At NTSU Gary was the winner of several awards: the 1983 North Texas award of the Texas Society of CPA for accounting excellence; the 1983 Sun Oil and Production scholarship; and the 1982 academic excellence

award. He was consistently on the Dean's Honor List and on the President's honor list five semesters.

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Gary was a member of Beta Alpha Psi, a national accounting fraternity, serving as vice-president of external affairs in 1982. He represented his chapter at the Beta Alpha Psi national convention at San Diego in 1982.

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Family and friends at the Family and friends at the graduation were his mother, Mrs. Urban Rohmer; brothers Alan and Curtis; sisters Kathy and Sharon; and aunt, Alta Louise Kuhn; Lt. David and Barbara Buchanan of Quantico, Va., his fiancee Robin Larkin of Dallas; and her parents Larry and Connie Larkin of Fort Worth.

After a month of Christ-



mas vacation Gary will join the Dallas office of the in-ternational accounting firm, Coopers and Lybrand. He will be in the tax depar-

## Mark Hess gets BBA

Mark Hess was a member of the fall semester graduating class at the North Texas State University college of business, receiving a bachelor of business administration (BBA) degree in finance and business management at the commencement ceremony of December 17.

December 17.

He graduated with a grade of 3 out of a possible 4 on all college work. He specialized in investments and financial management, a portion of

his research being retained by NTSU for future instruc-

by NTSU for future instruc-tion material.

Mark is a son of Bonnie Hess, a 1976 graduate of Sacred Heart High and has attended Northern Institute of Dallas and Cooke County College and Republic Realty College of Gainesville before transferring to NT-SU.

He is employed as a management trainee at North Texas Bank and Trust in Gainesville.



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assured all that Reagan, far assured all that Reagan, far from neglecting the poor, is trying to learn what happens to the funds appropriated for them.

We the taxpayers, who

We the taxpayers, who provide all this money, are equally curious about this gigantic case of mismanagement, fraud and whatever other evils are involved. When a family of four can qualify for eight separate assist programs, and when thousands get food stamps regardless of financial condition, and can use those

thorough investigation is in order, and it should apply especially to the people who are running the show. They know who is cheating and the first who should be held accountable for undeserved payments. In the process it ought to be noted that many thousands of the system's employees, who draw big pay for wasting our money, should be the first to get kicked off the gravy train.

and so called responsible media should permit a loud mouth ignoramus to twist the facts and start a false rumor about the President is a national disgrace.

They tried to crucify Meese, misquoting him in the process, when he actually deserved credit for pointing to a shameful situation that needs correcting.

## Telephone Company set for change to new switching system March 1

The cutover to the Strom-berg Carlson digital swit-ching system in Muenster has been set for March 1st, has been set for March 1st, 1984. Company installers have the new switch installed, powered up and running internal tests on the thousands of micro-chips that make up the switching system. The equipment room of the local office was enlarged to make room for room of the local office was enlarged to make room for the new switch and allow the present step-by-step electromechanical office installed in 1962 to continue operating until the cutover. Features of the new switch over the present system are many, some of them are:

1. Faster switching, especially tone dialing, your call will complete as soon as the last button is touched, even a zero.

2. Quieter circuits, all calls are completed thru solid state devices and will be free of xy switch and wire bank noise that is present sometimes.

of xy switch and wire bank noise that is present sometimes on current equipment.

3. Faster and more reliable toll service. Billing data will be recorded here in Muen-ster and the call fed directly into the nation's toll netster and the call fed directly into the nation's toll network at Denton. This should make the toll more reliable and faster and provide a quality circuit. The new recording system should shorten the delay between when the call is placed and when it appears on your bill. The calls will be recorded on a dual disk storage system and feed periodically to a data center for distribution and revenue accounting purposes.

purposes.
4. The switch can also automatically test lines and record faults found. On

record faults found. On routine testing assignments it can find troubles before it causes problems.

5. It can be commanded to record call details to a certain number in the event of annoyance calls.

6. Prepay pay phones will allow you to diat long distance and the operator without depositing a coin.

7. The digital switch will have also the following optional custom calling features.

have also the following optional custom calling features.

a. Call waiting ...lets you know if someone is calling you while you are talking on the line. You can expect an important call and still use the telephone. Depressing the hookswitch momentarily will put the first party on 'hold' and connect you to the second party. Operating the hookswitch the second time will return you to the time will return you to the

time will return you to the first party.
b. 3-way calling ... allows you to add a third party to your conversation, across town or across the country.
Mother can talk to two children at the same time in different parts of the country.

not, transfer your home phone to the office while working. Don't miss an important call while visiting the neighbors, transfer your calls next door.

d. Abbreviated dialing ... dial 2 digits instead of 11 when calling numbers you call often. There are 2 options, either 8 or 30 programmed numbers.

#### Headquarters Addition

Construction workers placed the roof on the new addition to the headquarters building just in time before the cold weather set in. They are now busy finishing out the inside. Features of the compdeling and addition remodeling and

remodeling and addition are:

1. The equipment room was enlarged to accommodate the new digital switch and the original dial equipment at the same time. Also included in that department was a power room to conwas a power room to contain the batteries, charges, DC to AC converters and a special air-conditioning room for the digital equipment with dual systems in the event one air-conditioner fails.

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2. The lobby area was enlarged to make room for a phone store.

3. The commercial office area was enlarged to give the girls more room.

4. The computer room was enlarged so that all computer processors could be placed in one room.

5. The engineering department finally has its own area, after being moved out of the telephone switching room.

6. The engineering accounting the store of the stor

6. The general accounting area and manager's office were moved to give more room for the commercial

room for the commercial area.

7. Also included are burglar and fire alarm systems.

8. The digital switch gives off considerable heat, and requires air-cooling even during the coldest days. A cooling failure could cause the switch to be damaged from internally generated heat. A 100 kw emergency generator is being installed to cut in automatically in the event of power failure. Also the generator is necessary to keep the voltage up on the batteries so that telephone service will not fail on the fringe areas of the system.

#### Outside Plant Construction

Outside Plant Construction
Tudor and Yager of Tippton, Indiana is the outside plant contractor that is installing 52 miles of cable, mostly along existing cable routes. They will be adding additional capacity to some routes, replacing damaged cables and increasing capacity on other routes. This work will take place in all exhanges. In Muenster the work includes, a new 900 pair cable which will follow 2nd street across Main street to Maple and beyond to increase capacity in the west part of Muenster and the proposed lake area. A 600 pair cable under north Main street in an old water line

will be replaced because of faulty cable. A new cable will be placed under Maple street from 2nd to 6th streets.

Digital Offices for Forest-burg, Rosston and Myra
Also due to be replaced by
June 1984 are present XY
offices in Forestburg,
Rosston and Myra. These
'Remote Line Switches' will
be controlled by the 'host'
digital switch here in Muen-ster. This will give these

communities all of the same features that we will have here in Muenster. Lines in these communities can be activated and deactivated activated and deactivated from Muenster. Also, the lines can be tested and trouble diagnosed before a repairman is dispatched on trouble.

The total cost of the improvement project for the Muenster system will be about 1.5 million dollars.

## Marie Walterscheid, 82, dies

Funeral service for Mrs.
Marie Louise Walterscheid,
82, was held Wednesday at
10:30 in Sacred Heart Church with Father Victor
Gillespie officiating at a
Mass of Christian Burial.
Interment was in Sacred
Heart Cemetery directed by
McCoy-Miller Funeral
Home and pallbearers were
Herbert Knabe, Rufus Henscheid, Joe Sicking, Al
Walter, Tony Trubenbach
Jr. and Ted Henscheid.
Mrs. Walterscheid died
suddenly at her home at 1:45
p.m. on Saturday, December 24.
A native of Muenster and

ber 24.

A native of Muenster and a lifetime resident except one year in Canada, she was born September 23, 1901, a daughter of the late William

Richter and Mary Hoefer Richter. She was married to Harold Walterscheid on September 19, 1933. She was a housewife, a member of St. Anne's Society of Sacred Heart Church

Survivors are two daughters, Shirley Grewing of Muenster, and Lynette Harris of Las Vegas, Nev.; two sons, Lambert of Muenster, and Rainard of Jacksboro; and three sisters, Gladys Lutkenhaus of Muenster, Bobbie Plumlee of Wichita Falls and Clara Richter of Dallas; and nine grandchildren. Her husband died on July 14, 1964. Also preceeding her in death were one son, three brothers and five sisters.

#### Mrs. David Fette's grandfather dies

Russell L. Gosney, 77, of Temple, grandfather of Mrs. David Fette died at 8:15 Wednesday, December 28, in a Temple hospital. Funeral service is scheduled to be held Friday in Temple and to be followed by burial beside his

wife in Junction, their for-mer home. He was born in Fort Worth on September 30, 1906.

David and Pam Fette were present for the services. family in Beltone during the Christmas holidays.

#### Herbert Knabe is 1984 fire chief

Herbert Knabe is the 1984 chief of the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department, elected at the annual election of officers on December 22.

Others elected were Rick

Stewart, assistant chief; Steve Henscheid secretary-treasurer, and Clinton En-dres, three year trustees. Jim Vogel continues as a two year trustee and Harry Sch-mitt as a one year trustee.





## Lifestyle

# Home for Christmas

Judy Pagel enjoyed spending the Christmas holidays with her family and friends in Muenster. She arrived at Love Field, Dallas on Dec. 17 from New Mexico and was met there by her three sisters Glenda, Marlene and Sharlene, and enjoyed Sharlene, and enjoyed seeing her new baby niece, Lacy Gayle Endres for the first time. They all spent the day together shopping and

visiting.
On Sunday Judy and the Alvin Hartman family went Christmas-tree-hunting and enjoyed decorating for the holidays.

holidays.
Judy visited with the Phil
Endres family and Bryan
Russell family during her
stay and enjoyed talking
with friends and former

classmates.

Christmas Eve was a busy day, spent visiting her father, Maurice Pagel at Muenster Memorial Hospital, where he was receiving treatment after a fall on the ice and undergoing surgery. After attending the 5 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve, Judy joined a family gathering and supper in the home of Glenda and Bryan Russell, and daughters Lisa and Amanda, for visiting, picture taking and gift exchange.

Guests joining the

and gift exchange.
Guests joining the
Russells were Dwayne Pagel
and Denise Hermes, J.T.
Pagel and Renate Hessy,
Judy, Troy and Chris Pagel,
Marlene, Phil and Lacy Endres, and Sharlene and Bob-

by Hartman.

Later that evening, Bobby, Sharlene, Chris and Judy joined the Alvin Hartman family for visiting, gift exchange and snacks. Attending with Alvin and Joanie Hartman were Kenny and Rhonda Hartman and

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daughter, Holly, Monica Hartman, Jon LeBrasseur, and Bobby, Sharlene, Judy

and Bobby, Sharlene, Judy and Chris.

For Christmas Day, Judy Pagel enjoyed another hospital visit with her father, and joined a family gathering in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hartman for dinner at noon, Christmas carols and gift exchange. Later they joined a family group at the Tony Felderhoffs for more caroling and holiday visiting.

visiting.

During the week before New Year's Day, Judy helped her family celebrate the birthday of her youngest brother, Chris, in the home of the Bobby Hartmans, with relatives and friends. Judy Pagel will return to New Marcine on January 1 Mexico on January 1.

On Christmas Eve, Keith and Dianne Clegg and daughters Lisa and Pamela of Gainesville hosted the traditional family gathering and covered dish buffet in their home. Guests arrived after attending the 5 p.m. Mass together in St. Mary's Church. The home was beautifully decorated for the holidays and a huge Christmas tree dominated one room where the gift exchange was held.

Guests included Mr. and

change was held.
Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Chapman and children Valerie, Trey, Anne and Charles of Richardson, and Sluggar and Cheryl Chapman of Houston; Dr. and Mrs. James Walter and children Alan, Rachel, Annah, Sarah and Jacob of Hammond, La. Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Graham and Misti and Amy of Allen, Texas; Dr. and Mrs. John Walter of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Sparkman and Bill Oranam, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Sparkman and Joann and John, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walter, Johanna Westbrook, Tim Sicking and Marcella Clegg, all of Gainesville; and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Sicking and Gary and Nancy of Muenster.

ster.

The James Walter family and the John Walters arrived several days before Christmas, and were houseguests of the Bill Grahams, while visiting their parents the Joe Walters.

Al and Marianne Kuhn and daughter Lauren of Houston were guests of relatives in Lindsay and

Menster during the holiday weekend. They were house guests of his father, Jake Kuhn and his sister Alta Louise Kuhn in Lindsay; visited the Urban Rohmer visited the Urban Rohmer family, were dinner guests of her sister and family, the R.N. Fettes on Sunday, and visited members of the Luke families. Their visit was cut short Tuesday when they returned home after a neighbor phoned to tell them about frozen and broken water pipes doing extensive damage in the new home they have occupied for only several months in Houston, since transfer Houston, since transfer from St. Louis, Mo.

Christmas reunioning in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sicking on Sunday was an all-day event attended by all their children and grandchildren, and included a dinner at noon and gift exchange around the decorated Christmas tree.

Attending were Mr. and Matt and Lynzee, and Mrs. Ronald Sicking and Matt and Lynzee, and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Creed and Kristin, all of Gainesville; Mr. and Mrs. David Bengfort of Plano; Mr. and Mrs. David Bengfort of Carl, Carmen, LeAnn and LaNell of the home.

Dan Fette of College Station spent from Thur-sday night until Sunday noon with his parents, the R.N. Fettes, on a Christmas visit

Joe and Vina Voth hosted a family reunion and Christmas Eve dinner at 2 p.m. on Saturday when most of the family could be together. The party included a gift exchange around a decorated Christmas tree and home movies made and shown by Bob Voth.

Attending were Mrs. Mary Kappas of Muenster; Bob and Peggy Voth and daughters Tracie and Robin of Gainesville; Mark and Carol Voth of Arlington; Mrs. Jim Voth and children Darren, Leroy and Sharri; and Joanie Voth all of Muenster; Lola and Joe Kindiger of Gainesville.

Also Delette and Jerry Fette, and Jerry Ray Fette and a friend, Joanna all of Waco; and the R.N. Fettes, and Bernie Fette of Muenster and Dan Fette of College Station. Possibility of worsening weather cut

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short the visit by the Jerry Fettes. They returned to Waco in mid-afternoon Saturday.

Unable to join the family party were Jean and Jerome Voth of Carrollton, who visited his parents the previous Saturday, and Kathy and Jim O'Brien and sons Dennis and Billy of Irving, and Jim Voth who was a patient in Muenster Memorial Hospital.

Mary and Walter Acker of Bartelsville, Okla. are spending a ten day holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs. Catherine Walter-sheid, and made the family circle complete for the first time in more than 20 Christ-mases.

mases.

On Christmas Eve all of Mrs. Walterscheid's children and most of the grandchildren gathered in her home for a gift exchange and a buffet of pick up foods. Attending with the hostess and the Ackers were Ginny and Ed Schneider, Dorothy and Donald Endres, Willie and Queenie Walterscheid, Carl and Patsy Walterscheid, and their families.

families.
On Christmas Day the same group was hosted by the Carl Walterscheid family for an all-day event in-cluding dinner at noon.

Sister Ann Theodore Wiesman of San Antonio is a guest of relatives in Muen-ster during the holidays. She arrived on Dec. 17 and plans to remain through Jan. 3, depending on travel condepending on travel con-ditions.

All all-day reunion and family party were held on Christmas Day in the home of Mrs. J. J. Haverkamp, including a covered dish dinner and supper, visiting, picture taking and gift exchange around the traditional Christmas tree.

Attending were Sr. Ann Theodore of Lady of the Lake Convent, San Antonio; Frank Luke of Hallettsville; Mr. and Mrs. George Luke and family of Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Zimmerer and Brenda Zimmerer and a friend all of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Haverkamp and family and several friends all

of Carrollton; Leroy Haverkamp, U.S. Marine Corp, home on leave from North Carolina; Mary Luke and a friend of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Gonzales of Honey Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Ramie Hesse and family and several friends of Denison; Eric Sturm and a friend of Gainesville; Bobby Luttmer of Gainesville; Mr. and Mrs. Wally Luttmer and Diane, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Luttmer and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Roheneth Luttmer, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pearson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tamplin and family all of Lindsay; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tamplin and family all of Lindsay; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Luke and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sturm and daughters all of Muenster; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Zimmerer and baby daughter of Denton.

Lisa celebrates 9th

Lisa Russell's 9th birth-day of December 12 was celebrated with a party hosted by her parents Bryan and Glenda Russell. After school on Monday, seven friends came home with her and were entertained with

and were entertained with games and a hamburger

games and a hamburger supper.
Attending were Joy Tisdale, Leslie Perkins, Dianne Pagel, Michelle Hennigan, Dalana Walterscheid, Marlene Hess and Darlene Hess.
Later they were joined by the honoree's greatgrandmother, Mrs. Victoria Gremminger, her grandmother Dorothy Russell, and Dwayne Pagel, Chris Pagel and her sister Amanda.

A Care Bear theme was

A Care Bear theme was used in decorations and a chocolate Care Bear birthday cake was served with punch. The group sang Christmas carols and the birthday song and watched the honoree open and display her gifts.

Odelia Lutkenhaus Detten and her brother, Alex Lutkenhaus were children of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lutkenhaus. This photo was made in 1908. It is shared with Enterprise readers by Mrs. Detten.



Photo From The Past

## **Layette Shower honors** Mrs. David Bengfort

A layette snower nonored Mrs. David Bengfort (Glenda) of Plano on Dec. 18 when four hostesses entertained in the TP&L meeting room in Muenster. Guests included 17 relatives and friends.

friends.

Gifts were displayed, including a baby high chair
from hostesses Cathy Creed
and Patti Sicking of
Gainesville, Kathy Sicking
and Carmen Sicking of

Muenster. Special guests were the future grandmothers, Mrs. Al Bengfort of Lindsay and Mrs. Victor Sicking of Muenster and the great-grandmother, Mrs. Fred Hennigan, Sr.

The honoree received a baby sock corsage. The special table centerpiece was brought by Mrs. Al Bengfort. Refreshments of punch and a decorated cake were served.





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## New Arrivals

Sherri and Monte Haverkamp announce the birth of a son, Nathan Allan, in Muenster Memorial Hospital on Thursday, Dec. 22, 1983 at 3:15 a.m. weighing 8 lb. 9 oz. He is a brother for Derek and a grandson for Tommy and Virgilla Herr of Muenster and Walter and Polly Haverkamp of Whitesboro. The great-grandparents are The great-grandparents are R.D. Morris of Gainesville Mrs. Frank Herr and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schilling of Muenster. Mrs. Monte Haverkamp is the former Sherri Herr.

A daughter was born or Christmas morning to Deb and Claude Klement. Arriving in Muenster Memorial Hospital on Sunday, Dec. 25, 1983 at 8:22 a.m. was Ashley Marie, weighing 8 lbs. and measuring 19½ inches in length. She is a sister for Aaron. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schneider and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Klement. For Mrs. Catherine Walterscheid it is a 14th great-grandchild. Mrs. Claude Klement is the former Deb Schneider.

Please share news of your Christmas guests. Phone The Muenster Enterprise 759-4311 or 4351, or send notes to Box 190, Muenster, Tx. 76252.



## Lindsay Council meets Monday

The Lindsay City Council will meet in regular session Monday, January 2 at 7 p.m. Items on the agenda include:

Call meeting to order.
 Approve and ratify inutes of the previous



meeting.
3. Consideration of citizens who have something to discuss with the Council.
4. Public hearing to allocate funds received through the federal revenue sharing program.
5. Discuss the Texas 1986-Sesquicentennial celebration.
6. Discuss fund raising project for the police department.

Please continue to send in your news of Christmas and holiday guests, to be added next week to those held back due to lack of space. We ap-preciate all the news sent in and ask your understanding.

7. Consider seal coating some city streets.

8. Any other business that night come before the might come Council.

9. Announcements

10. Adjournment.



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#### Kayla is two

Kayla Felderhoff's birth-Kayla Felderhoff's birth-day falls on Christmas Day, Dec. 25 so this year she was honored on another special day, Dec. 18 when her parents, Kenneth an Kim Felderhoff hosted a supper party with decorated birth-day cake and ice cream. Decorations and refresh-ments carried out a Sesame Street theme, with cake by Betty Rose.

Street theme, with cake by Betty Rose.
Attending with the honorce and her parents, was her little brother Keith, and the grandparents Bobby and Linda Walterscheid, and Al and Sis Felderhoff, Also Ross, Janet, Jody and DeAnn Felderhoff, Scoth Felderhoff, Mike Walterscheid, Carla Williams, Duane Walterscheid and Beth Thurman. Duane Walte Beth Thurman

The party included picture taking and display of birth-day gifts.

# TEXAS GARDENER

## **Coax Your Poinsettias Into Blooming Next Year**

to transplant it to a clay pot.

As your poinsettia begins to grow, pinch it begins to grow, pinch it back every time it makes 4 to 6 inches of new growth. Continue pinching the plant continue pinching the plant that point you should stop pinching back the plant so it will grow and develop flower buds will grow and develop flower buds will grow and develop flower buds for Christmas.

In order to bloom after a summer of vigorous growth, poinsettias must have "short days" (really, long, uninterrupted hights).

Therefore, if you are trying the plant indoors in a sunny window where light from a lamp extends the leading ducts, and doors leading ducts, and doors leading outside. Good drainage and even moisture are important, because both excessive drying and too much moisture can cause the leaves to drop.

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Poinsettias are very onthe title and the prinching the plant will go ahead and flower even if it receives the required and the leaves to drop.

Although you may be tempted to leave your poinsettia outside, select a sunny, well-protected location, preferably on the south side of the house.

Poinsettias are very complementary light at high the plant will go ahead and flower even if it receives the leaves to drop.

Although you may be tempted to leave your poinsettia with a dark closet from 5 p.m. until 8 a.m. every day beginning in a settia outside, select a sunny, well-protected location, pref

## BACK TO BASICS COOKING



LOUISIANA CHICKEN CREOLE

1/3 cup Kikkoman Soy Sauce

1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper

1 package (10 oz.) frozen okra, thawed and drained

Brown chicken pieces on all sides in hot oil in large deep skillet or Dutch oven over medium heat; remove. Add onion, green pepper and garlie to same skillet and sauté until onion is translucent. Stir in tomatoes, soy sauce and cayenne; bring to boil. Arrange chicken pieces in sauce. Cover and simmer 50 minutes, turning chicken pieces over once. Stir in okra; cover and simmer 10 minutes longer, or until okra is tender. Serve chicken and sauce over hot rice. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

## Hot cooked rice

## Everette receives merit certificate from USDA

Charles R. Everette, son of Mrs. Sylvia Everette of Olney, Ill. and formerly of Muenster, has received the Certificate of Merit from the United States Department of Agriculture, and the Agricultural Marketing Service, in Washington, D.C. according to word from his mother sent to his aunt, mother sent to his aunt, Mrs. Rose Hofbauer. Everette is the Officer-in-Charge of the Federal-State

Hospital Notes

The following patients were dismissed this past week from Muenster Memorial Hospital.

Mon., Dec. 19 - Elizabeth Dill, Forestburg.

Tues., Dec. 20 - Shirley Huddleston, Muenster; Bet-

Hudaleston, Muenster, Bet-ty Greenwood, Sunset. Wed., Dec. 21 - Inez Hand, Alvord. Thurs., Dec. 22 - Alejan-dro Gonzales, Gainesville; Rickey Bailey, Bowie; Stacy JaNae Brewer, Oval Wm. Smith, Ponder; Charles

Smith, Ponder; Charles Beard, Weatherford. Fri., Dec. 23 - John Louis Hess, Lindsay; Sherri Haverkamp and baby boy, Gainesville.

Gamesville.
Sat., Dec. 24 - Joe
Pasqua, Saint Jo.
Sun., Dec. 25 - Lindell
Marmaduke, Valley View;
Bessie Stanfield, Gunter.

Janet Vance took advantage of a day off from work on Monday, Dec. 26 to spend a holiday visit with Boots and Betty Sicking.

Personal

Inspection Service at Nogales, Arizona. The citation was given "For exceptional initiative, resourcefulness, and skill in supervising a complex fresh fruit and vegetable grading program."

The letter accompanying the citation congratulated him and thanked him for his efforts in fostering international relations through dealing with major trade associations in Mexico.

Everette is also the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Walter, Muenster pioneers.

#### Birthday, Anniversary **Activity Calendars** available now

Muenster Jaycees are announcing that the 1984 Activity, Birthday and Anniversary calendars are available at Tops and Teams Sporting Goods, and can also be obtained from Jim Endres or Claude Klement. The calendars are \$3.50 each and include a large number of birthdays and anniversaries and special dates. Many people will find their names listed, because in some cases, persons submitted many relatives' and friends'names in addition to their own. The Jaycees hope to complete the sale of calendars soon and urge everyone interested to call or come by.

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There is a newsletter for parents that answers questions like these. It's called Growing Child, and it tells about the physical and cognitive development of children during their first six years.
It would tell the parents of the child banging the spoon on the pan, for example, that what the child is really doing is learning about cause and effect. She's learning that something she does (moving her arm up and down) causes something else to happen (noise). She's delighted at her discovery, so she does it over and over to make sure it still works. The parent who understands that is much more likely to be able to tolerate the noise with some measure of good humor.

good humor.
Each issue of the newsletter tells parents what their child is capable of doing. It tells why the child does what he does (like banging the spoon), and what he's learning while he's

doing it.

The way the newsletter does this is a unique subscription system based on the child's age. If a child is one month old, for example, the parents get the newsletter that tells all about the growth and development of one-month-olds. The next month they receive the issue that tells about two-

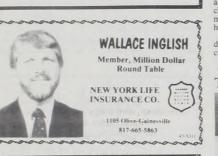
"The age-graded factor is what makes Growing Child so useful," says Dennis Dunn, Growing Child publisher. "Parents often don't have time to wade through a big

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children.

"Some children do some things early, and other things later," she says. "When Growing Child says 'typical', it means that 50 percent of all children that age have begun to do something. Each parent must observe the individual child and let the child go at his or her own pace," she said.

The reason Growing Child points out "typical" behavior is that many problems can be remedied more effectively if they are detected early.

Mr. Dunn, for instance, knows the importance of early childhood development from personal experience. As a child, he had problems in school. Like many people, he learned to compensate.

book just to find one paragraph about their question or problem. When they read growing child every month, it talks about a typical child the exact age of their own," he

Nancy Kleckner, managing editor of Growing Child, is aick to point out that "typical" covers a wide range in

child, he had problems in school. Like many people, he learned to compensate.

But when Mr. Dunn's young son developed similar problems in school, the family sought help from the Achievement Center for Children at Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana.

The child development professionals at the center gave the boy a special remedial training program to fill the gaps in his early learning experiences. He went on to become a successful university student.

Mr. Dunn was impressed by research findings that many common learning disabilities could be prevented with the right early experiences. "I decided that I wanted to help other parents and other children avoid the problems my family had by telling them about child development," he recalls.

He suggested to the professionals who had helped his

He suggested to the professionals who had helped his son that they write a series of articles outlining the development patterns common to all children. That was the beginning of Growing Child.

The writters are all specialists in children. Their theories are based on real-life observation and experience.

One of them is a practicing optometrist who specializes in visual and perceptual learning disabilities. Another is an internationally known expert on children's motor development. Two others are husband and wife team who are developmental psychologists specializing in special children—the gifted, and those with learning disabilities, mental retardation, emotional disturbance, and speech and hearing problems.

Another of the writers is a disabilities therapist who develops special educational programs in the schools for children with learning problems. One is a practicing

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#### Pinwheel Loaf Wellington

envelope Lipton Onion 1 teaspoon oregano
Soup Mix 6 slices cooked ham
pounds ground beef 2 cups shredded
cup soft bread mozzarella cheese
crumbs (about 6 oz.)
cup catsup Pastry for double-crust

1 envelope Lipton Onion
Soup Mix
2 pounds ground beef
3/4 cup soft bread
crumbs
1/2 cup catsup
3 eggs
Preheat oven to 350°
In large bowl, combine onion soup mix, ground beef, bread
crumbs, catsup, 2 eggs and oregano. On waxed paper, shape
mixture into 10" x 12" rectangle; top with ham and cheese,
leaving a 1-inch border. Roll, starting at 10-inch end, jelly-roll
style; seal edges tightly.
Roll pastry into 12" x 14" rectangle; arrange over loaf.
Press pastry around base of filling to seal, trim excess. Prick
with fork and brush with remaining beaten egg. Place on
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Services program, the obile lab is available for workshops, demonstrations and for marine-related research along the coast.



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pediatrician who is concernined primarily with the communication of health information to parents. The staff also includes a speech pathologist and a counseling and guidance professional. Altogether, it took the writers and editors eight years to complete 72 monthly installments, and they are constantly updating the newsletters to reflect new research findings.

A second newsletter, called Growing Parent, accompanies each issue of Growing Child. "Growing Parent is written to help parents know themselves, understand others, and just cope with the day-to-day realities of being a parent," Ms. Kleckner said.

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The Growing Child operation has grown by leaps and bounds in the ten years since its beginning. Subscriptions have climbed to 190,000. A newspaper column incorporating Growing Child material is being distributed nationwide.

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## Forestburg News

by Myrt Denham

For our readers far and wide your "Burg" friends and relatives are in a "deep-freeze" here since Fri. Dec. 16th. Had about 5 inches of that fluffy white stuff between dark Thurs, the 15th to Fri. a.m. Then it has gotten progressively colder — was down to about 14 degrees this Mon. a.m. the 19th. Us Texas folks just don't care for this cold weather — we would rather it remained would rather it remain with our Northern friends

Mrs. Jo Knox has herself her first grandchild as of 8:30 p.m. Thurs., Dec. 15th. It is a young lady, who came in at 7 lbs. 7½ ozs. at the Gainesville Hospital. Her name is Rashonda Marie name is Rashonda Marie and her parents are Audie Marie and Ronnie Hays.

Mrs. Wayne (Dell) Thompson of Dye Mound

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returned home Thurs, the 15th from the hospital in Denton. Word has it she is doing very well.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Good-man of Bowie visited with the Perryman Denhams Tues., evening Dec. 13th. Mrs. Goodman is remem-bered as the former Mabel Sills. Mabel says her daughter Janet and family live in Irving and son Don and wife reside in Bowie.

Mrs. Marion Sockwell and Mrs. Cleto Reynolds attended the Forestburg Homemakers Christmas party Thurs. night the 15th in the Homemaking room at the school. Marion says it was a lovely party — and everyone had such a good time.

Mrs. Millie Moller of Glenwood, Arkansas arrived in the Burg Fri. the 16th to visit with her father, Jim Landers, for a few days.

The Forestburg Christmas street lights this year are on-ce again the Jack C. Dills and Larry Dills Christmas Card to the Community, their customers and friends in lieu of regular Christmas cards

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Tillman of Palestine arrived at the W.T. Reynolds home Wednesday the 14th, spent the night and returned home on Thursday the 15th. Doyle is W.T.'s nephew and he works overseas in Saudi Arabia.

Mrs. Beth, Dill entered Muenster Hospital Thur-sday the 15th and was dismissed Monday the 19th. Beth's father J.W. White underwent major surgery recently — he is home now and doing very well.

Mrs. Cleo Lanier attended funeral service for Jim Mc-Carrell in Bowie on Thur-sday the 15th, Mr. Mc-Carrell was brother to Cleo's sister-in-law, Mrs. Lula Mae Culver.

David Burrows and friend Cheri of Bowie and the W.T. Reynolds had dinner at The Center Restaurant in Muenster Thursday night the 15th.

Kenneth and Peggy Holland boarded a Nocona Fun Tours Bus in Saint Jo Friday p.m. the 16th for Grapevine. They attended a Country-Western Opera there. Peggy said there were three buses that went down there and everyone really en-joyed the opera.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parnell of Dallas spent the Dec. 17-19 weekend in Forestburg and visited with her mother Mrs. Billie Poynor.

Mmes. Veda Brogdon and Millie Reynolds braved all the cold weather Friday the 16th, motored to Bowie. While there they visited with Millie's sister, Mrs. Joe Denham

Thirty members of Vera Mae's family were at her house Saturday the 17th for their annual family Christ-mas party and dinner.

Emma Steadham accom-Emma Steadham accom-panied Ruthie Steadham to Denton Monday the 19th for some more Christmas shop-ping and that night Ruthie and daughter Kay were in Bellview for the Christmas program and party for the students at school there.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hudspeth and Mrs. Irene Harry made it down Denton way Saturday p.m. the 17th to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nivens and then on to the Golden Tri-Angle Mall for some more Christmas purchasing. Mrs. Nivens is Mrs. Hudspeth's brother-inlaw and he recently underwent major surgery in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brogdon of Miami, Texas and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Williams and Kyle of Shamrock spent the past weekend in the Burg visiting the Barney Brogdons, Ted Jacksons and Jack C. Dills.

Jacksons and Jack C. Dills.

It was a family Christmas party and a early birthday party for Louise Shults in her home Saturday the 17th. Louise said she was presented with a very special and lovely birthday cake with 70 candles on it. Louise's birthday will be Saturday Dec. 24th. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shults and Wayne, Bill's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Brod, Joshua and Jordon of Lewisville, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Blankenship and their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Blankenship and Kyle all of Lindsay, Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. H.K. Lund and Brad of El Paso.

Paul Westbrook of Lubbook

Paul Westbrook of Lubbock is in the Burg and Alvord communities visiting with friends. He has been a guest of the Charlie Barclays. Paul's mother is the former Buena Mae Barclay, "Charlie's" sister.

Mrs. Veda Brogdon attended the Christmas party for the employees of the Yes-ter-Yer Home Saturday night the 17th in the home of Mrs. Corine Qualls in Saint Jo. It was supper and Christmas party combined.

Christmas party combined.

It was Christmas party time Saturday night the 17th for the Ray Jacksons and their family. Enjoying the family get-together were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jackson of Carrollton, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Bird of Paradise, Mrs. Ouida McCandless and todd of Floydada, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brogdon of Miami, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Williams and Kyle of Shamrock, Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Dill and Vatoni, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dill and children and Charles Dill and Children all local residents. residents

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Brewer, daughter Chana and two of the Brewers grandchildren and Mrs. Ileen Cunningham attended the Christmas party for the residents of Horizon Manor in Nocona on Saturday night Dec. 17th. Mrs. Nina Holland is a resident there, she is the mother of Kenneth, Mms. Brewer and Cunningham.

The home of Mrs. Beulah Dill was the scene for the Dill Christmas party Sunday the 18th. Those attending from here were Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Dill and Vatoni, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dill and children, Charles Dill and children and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Gates and sons.

We are sorry to report that due to the very cold weather that there was a

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light attendance at the combined Christmas program put on by the children of the Prarie Point Nazarene Church, Forestburg First Baptist Church and the Forestburg United Methodist Church at the Baptist Church Sunday night the 18th. We do appreciate all the hard work and efforts put forth by Mrs. Charlene Rickert and the children.

The Prairie Point Nazarene Church had its Christmas program and gift exchange Sunday a.m. the 18th.

the children

#### Texas A&M pioneers new developments in fire ant research

in fire ant research
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Texas A&M University fire ant
researchers say they have perfected techniques for artificially
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Byron Ensey of Altus, Okla. made it to the Burg Monday the 19th to visit with his parents the Dawson Enseys for the week.

January birthdays coming

January birthdays coming up are:
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Howard Sockwell, Jan. 7th,
Gladys Barclay - Jan. 8th,
Vesta Carter - Jan. 12th,
Jimmy Steadham - Jan. 14th,
Millie Reynolds - Jan.
17th, L.W. Boyd, Jr. - Jan.
18th, Ruth Smith - Jan.
19th, Jeff Lanier - Jan.
22nd, Imogene Lynch - Jan.
23rd, Kendall Holland Jan.
25th, Bula Mae Berry - Jan.
26th, Imogene Links - Jan.
29th.
Kenneth "Wassie"

Kenneth "Wassie" Reynolds - January 2nd, Shanna Muggee - Jan. 2nd,

In closing this week Perryman and I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and very safe and healthy New Year. Also I will not send in any news the week of Dec. 26th. I'm going to take the week off. Thought, due to the heavy mail this time of the year, this may not be printed till that week.

#### Ida Lou Gaydon dies in Nocona

Ida Lou Gaydon, 61, died on Dec, 17 in a Nocona hospital. Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m. at Central Christian Church with Rev. O.C. Harper officiating, and interment was in the Nocona Cemetery directed by Woods-Daughtery-McGaughey Funeral Home. Mrs. Gaydon was born in Nocona on Jan. 25, 1922. She married Hollis Gaydon in Terral Oklahoma; she was seamstress and a member of Central Christian Church. She was known to many Forest-burg residents. Survivors include her husband; two daughters, three grandchildren and one brother. Ida Lou Gaydon, 61, died

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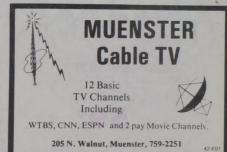
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100-hp 4050 MFWD	2.100	750	525	325
120-hp 4250	2.300	650	475	275
120-hp 4250 MFWD	2.300	800	575	350
140-hp 4450	2.600	700	500	300
140-hp 4450 MFWD	2.600	850	625	375
165-hp 4650	3,100	875	625	375
165-hp 4650 MFWD	3,100	1.050	750	450
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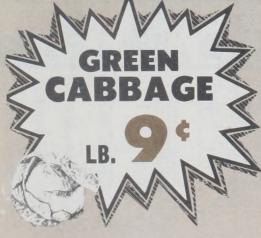
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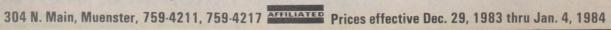


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Mark Hess heads

**Golf Association** 

the Enterprise preceding each tournament.

Holiday basketball at both Muenster schools has been interrupted by the current record cold wave and weather reports are not encouraging for the

and weather reports are not encouraging for the remaining dates.
Coach Alan Gustine of MHS had to cancel games with Tom Bean on Dec. 20, and has doubts about Pottsboro here on the 30th.
Coach Jon LeBrasseur of SHHS has a similar situation. He called off the

Classes resume at Sacred Heart on January 3, at the public school on January 4.

Cheers

May this New Year be the cat's meow for you!



Era's Zanchetta draws a crowd while going for a layup. Other Era boys are Clint Brown, Mark Knabe and Joe Yarbrough. MHS Hornets are Cory Klement, Ronnie Fisher, Jay Mollenkopf, Craig Felderhoff and Kevin Wolf.

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## Food Show winners named

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First and second place winners were: Junior Breads and Cereals: Clifford Lutkenhaus - Callisburg, Debbie Nortman - Lindsay, Junior Nutritious Snacks and Desserts: Janelle Fuhrmann and Amy Sandman - Lindsay. Junior Fruits and Vegetables: Traci Adkins - Gainesville, Kristen McKown — Valley View. Junior Main Dish: Anita Farrell - Mt. Springs, Julie Fuhrmann - Lindsay. Senior Nutritious Snacks and Desserts: Lucy Fuhrmann - Lindsay. Senior Main Dish: Dana

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Judges were Ann Sims,
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Betty Yates, Marcia Schmitz
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Adult leaders assisting were LaVern Nortman, Margie Fuhrmann, Pat Thomas, Nadine Pitzinger, Glenda Alexander, Kathy Lutkenhaus and Evelyn Sickine

Winner of the Most Appropriate Table Contest, senior division, was Amy Pitzinger of Mt. Springs; and junior division was Misty Vogel of Muenster. Judges were Libby Barker and Linda Newman.

Participation by clubs was as follows: Mt. Springs: Dawn Sledge - blue; Lori Alexander - blue; Traci Derek Mills - blue; Rhonda Martindale - blue. Lindsay Junior: Laura Lutkenhaus - blue; Calista McGilvray - blue; Calista McGilvray - blue; Cassandra Fuhrmann - red; Joan Schmidlkofer - red. Lindsay Senior: Yulonda McGilvray - blue; Michael Lutkenhaus - blue; Michael Lutkenhaus - blue; Mistee Smith - blue; Melody Eldredge - blue; Melody Eldredge - blue; Menster: Misty Vogel - blue; Sherilyn Sicking - red; Amy Dankesreiter - blue; Angie Oakley - red. Gainesville: Debbie Thomas - blue. St. Mary's: Lynn Cooley - blue; Era Junior: Karen Pope -

St. Mary's: Lynn Cooley blue. Era Junior: Karen Pope



Gene Haverkamp heads for the Tiger goal in this game with Lindsay. Other Tigers are John Nasche 10, Ken Hesse 12. Knights seen are Doug Anderle 32, Leroy Hermes 10, and Aaron Hoenig 25.



Kevin Felderhoff, 32, gets the tip-off in this jump shot in a game with Era. His teammates in the picture are Jay Mollenkopf, 20, and Ronnie Fisher, 30. MHS was the winner, 43-



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## Not Quite Varsity

Muenster JV, Girls & Boys SH Jr. Hi Girls & Cubs Forestburg Tournament January 5-7, Thurs., Fri., Sat

SH Jr. Hi Girls & Cubs vs Saint Jo Jan. 9, Monday, here, 5:30 p.m

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Slidell Jan. 3, Tuesday, there, 7:00 p.m.

Forestburg Jan. 6, Friday, here, 7:00 p.m

**Muenster Hornets** 

Dec. 1-3, Slidell Tournament-Brock

Dec. 8-10, Forestburg Tourn, Ponder 41

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Nov. 29, Callisburg, T, 6:30

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Forestburg

Dec. 15-17, Callisburg Tournament

Chico

Slidell

Dec. 6, Goldburg, T, 7:00

Era St. Jo

Dec. 13, Pottsboro, T, 6:30

Dec. 30, Pottsboro, H, 6:30

Jan. 3, Slidell, T, 7:00 Jan. 6, Forestburg, H, 7:00 Jan. 10, Lindsay, T, 6:30

Jan. 10, Lindsay JV, T, 5:30

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Jan. 31, Alvord JV, T, 5:30

Feb. 3, Era, T, 6:30 Feb. 3, Era JV, T, 5:30

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72	30	Nov. 25, Saint Jo, T, 7:00	48	58
51	41	Nov. 28, Goldburg, H, 7:00	33	29
51	36	Dec. 2, Forestburg, H, 7:00	58	56
79	33	Dec. 6, Era, H, 7:00	75	48
70	8	Dec. 8-10, Forestburg Tourn, St. Jo	65	64
38	36	Chico		
57	22	Muenster		
		Lindsay	55	68
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		Jan. 17, Chico, H, 6:00		
		Jan. 20, Amarillo Alamo, T, 6:00		
		Jan. 21, Amarillo Alamo, T, 1:00		
		Jan. 24, Notre Dame, H, 6:30		
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		Feb. 3-4, Dist. Tourney Sacred Heart		
		Feb. 11, Dist. Winner vs		_
		League Winner		

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26	19	Nov. 21, Era, T, 5:30	14	22
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14	12	Montague	30	16
5	6	Callisburg	42	26
46	25	Dec. 5, Era, H, 5:30	30	28
32	9	Dec. 5, Era, 7th, H		
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Dec. 23, 1938

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#### **40 YEARS AGO**

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Dec. 24, 1943
Mary Ann Hesse, 11, dies after one-day illness. Sacred Heart Church installs new furnace and speaker system.

Muenster votes for school tax, 101 to 37; authorizing the board of trustees of Muenster Public School to assess a tax of 25 cents on the 100 dollar valuation of all taxable property in the district. Muenster sends gifts to soldiers at Camp Howe for Christmas. Forty-four children make First Communion Sunday. Funeral is held at Lindsay for Adam Beyer, 60, resident for 43 years. Muenster's World War II service flag displays 176 blue and two gold stars. Lindsay's honor roll totals 47.

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#### **35 YEARS AGO**

Dec. 24, 1948

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Fire Monday night causes heavy loss at Ed Endres home. Muenster rejects pavement proposal by vote of four to one. Transfer of church equipment to parish hall for temporary church begins next week. Muenster Mutual Insurance expands policy to include storm and hail insurance. Santa Claus bandits rob Saint Jo cafe. Thelma Kathman and Pete Hawthorne marry. Parochial pupils honor Father John at Christmas program. Large crowd attends Yule program at public school. Shorty Herr is recovering from injuries received in car accident. Gift exchange and book review feature Garden Club meeting. Mrs. Aubrey Tuggle is recovering from surgery.

#### **30 YEARS AGO**

Dec. 25, 1953

Dec. 25, 1953

John B. Herr, 92, resident here 57 years dies in Denison and is buried here. Building permits issued in city during past year total \$253,000... \$150,000 of it applied to new Sacred Heart High School. Bonnie Hammer and Douglas Robison marry. Collinsville teams take top trophies at MHS basketball tournament. SHH shop department adds new equipment. Firecracker causes serious injury to left equipment. Firecracker causes serious injury to left eye of Sammy Biffle, 13. Andy Hofbauer buys FMA Store. Garden Club's decorated tree at east city limits tops array of Yule displays in city.

## 25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 26, 1958

Dec. 26, 1958

Muenster is loaded with good looking Christmas displays. Schedule of services includes midnight Mass. Choir boys lead midnight procession before Mass. The J.C. Donnells of Saint Jo celebrate silver wedding anniversary. City water connections show increase of 16 families in 1958. KCs host 200 chilcren at Christmas party. City total of building permits for 1958 is \$89,250. Bank deposits in community show gain in 1958. Leo Hoedebeck undergoes surgery and spends Christmas in hospital.

#### **20 YEARS AGO**

Dec. 27, 1963

Dec. 27, 1963

Santa flies in to treat big crowd of kids on December 21 in bitter cold. Snow during the weekend makes white Christmas a cinch. After two inches of snow temperature dropped to 5 degrees. Camp Fire girls distribute gifts and cheer to local shut-ins. Output doubles at local dress factory last year. Rev. Harry Fisher is ordained deacon. Families gather for Christmas reunion ... many attend midnight Mass. building activity in Muenster booms. New arrivals twins a boy and a girl for the Richard Hermeses; a boy for Tommy Herrs.

#### Scientists in Texas, California announce recent breakthrough

COLLEGE STATION— Scientists in Texas and California have jointly announced a breakthrough that would double the production of rubber from a wild desert plant and could free the United States from its dependence on rubber

could free the United States from its dependence on rubber from Southeast Asia.

The chemical treatment used in greenhouse experiments on the shrub guayule (pronounced why-oo-lee) increases rubber production by regulating the chemical and physical processes that lead to the formation of rubber in the plant. The researchers said the same technique could be used on other food crops.

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tam of scientists headed by Dr. Chauncey Benedict of Texas A&M University and Dr. Henry Yokoyama of the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Pasadena, California. Their findings were reported to the National Science Foundation which funded the research. "Their discovery brightens prospects for reducing our dependence on foreign materials for rubber production through expanded production of guayule plantations," said Dr. Neville Clarke, director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, under whose auspices the research was conducted.

#### 10 YEARS AGO

15 YEARS AGO

Dec. 27, 1968

Christmas this year is sharing attention with the greatest scientific achievement in the hisotry Dec. 28, 1973

Two cars involved in an accident Sunday night near Muenster Livestock Auction result in two dead and ten critically injured ... the dead are from Lawton, Okla. and Carrolton. Final rites are held at Subiaco, Ark. for Father Joseph Fuhrmann, 79. Response of Muesnter Hospital personnel and others in last Sunday's car Christmas this year is sharing attention with the greatest scientific achievement in the hisotry of mankind... people all over the world are watching and praying that the three dedicated and adventurous explorers in Apollo 8 will have a fruitful journey and safe return in this first venture of human beings into outer space. Muenster has two resident deputies, George Davis and Robert Kaylor. City's population is estimated at 1427 according to Steve Moster who has been taking inventory. City building permits for 1968 total \$95,500. MHS boys win consolation trophy in Slidell basketball tourney. Rain measures .74 inch. Mrs. Harry Dennis, 37, of Gainesville dies suddenly. 79. Response of Muesnter Hospital personnel and others in last Sunday's car crash was highly gratifying according to David Bright, hospital administrator. Elm-Red District flood prevention program is 85 percent complete. Price of lunches at Public School is upped five cents. School time will change with Daylight Saving Time. Albert Fleitman is released from Dallas hospital after a cornea transplant in his right eye. Holiday guests and family reunions highlight social activity. Truth about the energy crisis becomes more obvious. New arrival: a son Gainesville dies suddenly. Christmas parties of clubs, business firms and schools hold social spotlight. Students go caroling. New arrivals: a boy for the Jerry

Orrells; a girl for the Paul Hackers. for Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie McCorkle.

#### **5 YEARS AGO** Dec. 28, 1973

Dec. 29, 1978
W.J. Miller wins lighting contest sponsored by KCs.
13 local football players named on all-area selections. Cooke county is tops in oats production. CCC

considers bond election for construction of student center. Hornets lose to Celina 70-54. 90 attend SNAP Christmas party. Caroling tour of city made by 7 families. City population estimated at 1800. Jerry Klement ordained a deacon. December rain is .05 inches. Christmas family reunions are in the social news.

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We would especially like to thank Father Victor Gillespie for coordinating the beautiful services, as well as for his consoling message and those of Rev. Keith Thomas and Rev. Glen Bridges. We are grateful to Ruth Felderhoff and the Sacred Heart Choral Group and Nancy Maher for their uplifting songs, also The CDA ladies for the bountiful family meal and the KCs for use of their hall.

Also, special thanks are offered

Also, special thanks are offered to a Muenster native, Gloria Stof-fels Culpepper, R.N. for being with us at the hospital in our time of

sorrow.

Finally we feel blessed to have had the presence of loving friends and relatives, for their embraces, calls, food, flowers, cards, spiritual bouquets and memorials. Just as he touched the lives of many during his stay here on earth—so did his final tribute. May the Good Lord be with you all.

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that suit has been brought by The City of Gainesville, et al as Plaintiff against Unknown Owners, K.K. Pettigrew as Defendant, by petition filed on the 7th day of Dec. 1983, in a certain suit styled The City of Gainesville et al v. Unknown Owners, K.K. Pettigrew; Ollie Pettigrew; for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of the aforesaid County, 235th Judicial District, and the file number of said susit is 2309, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property herein above described, not made parties to this suit, are (none);

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property herein above described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiff, Defendant, and inter-

any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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and defend such suit on the FIRST MONDAY after the expiration of
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aw up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this
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ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court in the City of Gainesville, County and State aforesaid, this 7th day of Dec. 1983.

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## County Agent's Report

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Which system is used dictates the degree of management required.

A simple rotation grazing system with two or more pastures is easy to implement. All animals are put on one pasture while the other pastures grow forage other pastures grow forage with the help of warm and sunny days. When the first pasture has been fairly well grazed, the herd is moved to a second pasture for grazing, and so on. With total rest, grazed pastures should produce some regrowth for later grazing.

For a more intensive grazing management

system, a type of limited grazing may be a good choice. Dry cows can be grazed for two to four hours every other day on winter pastures and supply their extra needed energy in winter. Some other forage like hay would be necessary while animals are off pasture. In effect, winter pasture would be the protein supplement for these animals.

Cows with calves, steers or growing heifers should be allowed to graze high quality winter pasture every day, for

about two hours. With such a system, weight gains will not be great but should occur. The important feature is that grazing days per acre can be increased by limited grazing.

Livestock will become trained to the type of grazing management selected. Under rotation grazing, livestock will be more than willing to change pastures once the pasture they are on is grazed down.

Under any form of limited grazing, livestock become

trained in about two weeks. After being herded off pasture regularly for several weeks, they become trained and start leaving on their own accord. Thus, actual work involved becomes minimal. own accord. The work involved minimal.

minimal.

Between rotation grazing and several variations of limited grazing, some type of grazing management can be adapted to anyone's use. It may stretch winter pastures enough to last the season with the severe winter we have been experiencing.

## 1983 agriculture, the year in review

By Bill Braden Communications Specialist Texas Agricultural Extension Service

Storm clouds were brewing for Texas farmers and ranchers and the nation's agricultural industry as a whole as 1983 got under way. Those farmers and ranchers who had survived the financial crunch of the previous year were looking for some glimmer of hope for the months ahead.

Before most people had become accustomed to writing "1983" instead of "1982," the government unveiled a new program that over the coming months would be praised by many as resurrecting the farming community and at the same time cursed by just as many as only a "quick fix" to a long-term problem.

PIK Is Born

That program was called PIK, for payment-in-kind, the brainchild of Secretary of Agriculture John Block. PIK was designed to attack the huge farm commodity surplus problem that had been plaguing the agricultural industry for the past several years and keeping a downward pressure on market prices. Its concept was to get farmers to reduce production by paying them with surplus commodities — commodities of the same kind they pledged not to produce.

This all seemed well and good at the outset, but the following months proved to be a nightmare for USDA officials involved in administering this very complex program. And its cost, initially hailed as minimal when compared to previous

government programs, became an albatross at a tab of more than \$12 billion.

The jury is still out on PIK, but it did have a generally positive effect in that it reduced huge stockpiles of major farm commodities and thereby caused some strengthening of market prices. High prices for feed grains, however, spelled higher costs for feedlot operators and livestock owners. All in all, though, PIK did keep many farmers alive financially for at least another year. But it provided no long-term solutions. Improved markets will surely encourage farmers to increase production in 1984, leading to surpluses that could again sound the death knell for many farmers. Farmers Ready But Weather Is Not

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First skeptical but then encouraged by PIK, many farmers were ready to get 1983 off to a good start. Unfortunately, Mother Nature had other ideas. She intervened abruptly as various times during the spring months, keeping farmers out of their fields by employing a host of tactics, such as late-season cold snaps and raging thunderstorms accompanied by hail and heavy rains. April was too dry; May was too wet. Farmers tried time and again to get their crops up, some replanting two or three times and wondering whether or not they would ever get a crop up.

For farmers in some western areas there was no need to wonder. They never got around to planting because of the drought that persisted. Although some areas had good planting moisture and the farm picture appeared bright, a relentless summer drought soon turned the tables. The fact that crops were already three weeks or so late due to the adverse spring was the summer of the programmer worth.

the adverse spring weather added to farmers' woes. Many crops suffered severly from lack of moisture; some weren't even harvested. Land is western areas that normally produced three-fourths to a bale of cotton per acre struggled to yield one-sixth of a bale.

But in other areas, wet weather became a problem. Several weeks of wet conditions over parts of South Texas and the Coastal Bend in late July caused some maturing corn and grain sorghum to sprout and brought boll rot problems in maturing cotton.

Two Major Calamities
Surely this was an unforgettable year for South Plains farmers. Seemingly off to a good start, the area's cotton crop was subjected to one of the earliest freezes on record (Sept. 21) that reduced yields in some counties by 15 to 20 percent. Then a few weeks later hail, high winds and heavy rains bombarded the area, leaving many cotton fields in shreds.

Farmers along the Upper Texas Coast also had their problems in 1983 — a big one was Hurricane Alicia. The mid-August storm came ashore in the Galveston area, inflicting damages exceeding \$50 million to crops such as rice, corn, cotton and pecans as it moved inland. The lateness of crops

due to poor spring planting conditions was a key factor in the high damage. Many would already have been

harvested during a normal crop year.

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most devastating in about a 30-county area stretching from San Angelo to El Paso. This area, dominated by cattle, sheep and goats, was decimated by drought conditions that many seasoned ranchers likened to the '50s. Not only was the area without rainfall during most of the year, but the dry stretch extended back well into 1982. Some locations managed only an inch or

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drought of '83 left a mark that few will ever forget.
News Not All Bad
Despite the vagaries of the weather and the usual battle between low prices and high production costs, many Texas farmers and ranchers managed to hold their own and perhaps even move forward a bit in 1983. PIK was Please see 1983, page 14

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## Culled dairy cows to hurt beef market

A new law encouraging cutbacks in milk production is probably going to send a lot of extra culled dairy cows to slaughter, possibly lowering cattle prices significantly during 1984.

The dairy bill recently passed by Congress and signed by President Reagan will reduce dairy price sup-

signed by President Reagan will reduce dairy price supports and encourage a decrease in milk production through increased culling of cows, says Dr. Ed Uvacek, economist in livestock marketing with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

"While the question of how many head of dairy cows will be marketed in 1984 is still undetermined, the potential number is probably close to 1.5 million head over and above the normal dairy cow slaughter," says Uvacek.

He estimates that a cow kill this large could lower 1984 fed Choice steer prices by \$1.25 to \$1.50 per hundredweight, and salvage cow prices by \$4 to \$6 per hundredweight. Feeder cattle prices could also be forced downward about \$3 to \$4 per hundredweight.

"These lower could, in themselves, precipitate some panic selling of beef cows by cat-tlemen," Uvacek says. "That would compound the problem and further impact on the market

To try to prevent the damage it would cause to the beef market, the dairy act charged the USDA with the responsibility of insuring "orderly marketing" of dairy cows. Uvacek says, however, that this may be

extremely difficult.
"Unfortunately, there are still many unanswered questions about the bill's final effect on the entire cattle industry," Uvacek says.
"Cattlemen will just have to wait and see."

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ticularly in areas where crops suffered weather damage. And in most other areas, crops did reasonably well despite the later-than-normal planting season. Record-breaking corn and

Record-breaking corn and cotton yields were reported in irrigated areas of Southwest Texas, and good crops were also harvested in many southern, central and coastal counties. The Texas crop picture also was boosted by a good wheat harvest in the spring, an excellent peach crop and a bumper peach arvest. A good sugar beet crop was harvested in the High Plains, and the sugarcane harvest in the Rio Grande Valley was producing good yields as the year came to a close. A good citrus harvest also was under way in the Valley.

Despite drought con-

Valley.
Despite drought conditions in western areas, most livestock made it through the year in good shape. Good hay crops were harvested in many areas and supplies should be sufficient to overwinter herds. 1983 also passed without a case of screwworms, making it as the first such year in several decades.

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A Look Ahead

Still, there are many unsettling conditions surrounding agriculture, so 1984 will

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begin much like 1983. While there will not be another PIK, the government will try in some way to entice far-mers to hold the line on production to avoid sur-pluses that in the past have wreaked havoc with market prices.

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Farmers know that surpluses are devastating, but they also know they must gamble on the possibility that weather or other calamities could push prices up, as could sudden changes in export markets.

Cattlemen could also be in for better times as the U.S. economy continues to improve and the herd buildup phase of the cattle cycle con-

prove and the herd buildup phase of the cattle cycle con-tinues. Herd liquidations in 1983 due to the drought could prolong the buildup of cattle numbers. However, the 1.5 million or more dairy cows that will be moving to market as a result of the new dairy program will have a dairy program will have a dampening effect on cow

dampening effect on cow prices.

Although some economists expect farm income to increase significantly in 1984 (10 to 15 percent over recent years), a lot of uncertainties remain about the agricultural picture in the year ahead. But then, uncertainties have become a way of life for most farmers and ranchers.

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