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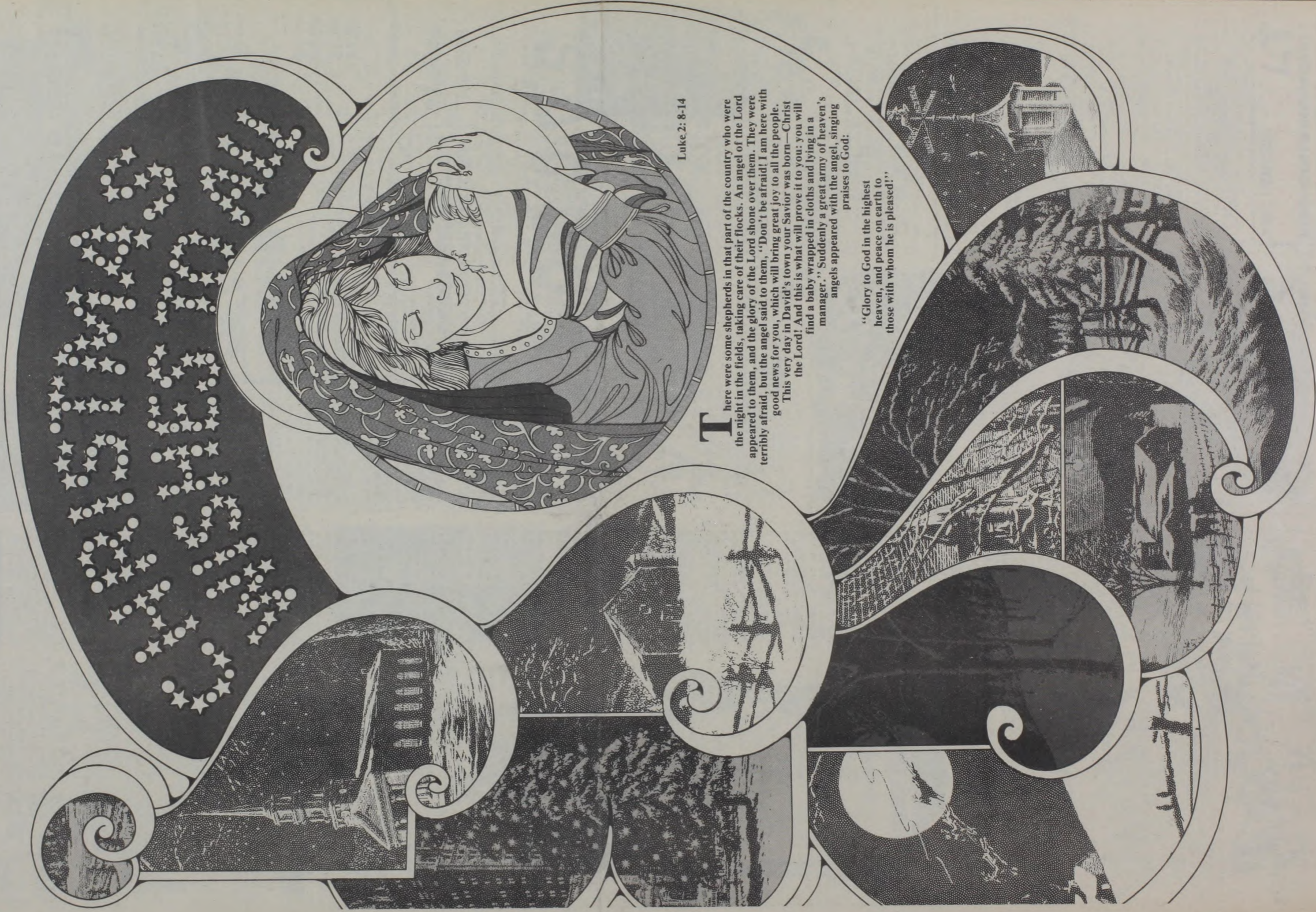
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Luke 2: 8-14

There were some shepherds in that part of the country who were the night in the fields, taking care of their flocks. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone over them. They were terribly afraid, but the angel said to them, "Don't be afraid! I am here with good news for you, which will bring great joy to all the people.

This very day in David's town your Savior was born—Christ the Lord! And this is what will prove it to you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great army of heaven's angels appeared with the angel, singing praises to God:

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom he is pleased!"

COMMENT



The turmoil and suffering now going on in Poland, Israel, Lybia, Central America, South Africa and so many other places around the globe stand out in sharp contrast to the spirit of the blessed feast we are about to observe. It is evident that our world could be thriving on peace and harmony if it applied the attitude that is displayed so much by us individuals at Christmas time.

This is when smiles are more prevalent, when folks are drawn a little closer together in a spirit of brotherhood, when friends who seldom see each other exchange gifts and greetings, when people are more generous to the less fortunate, when children are lavished with toys and goodies.

Such manifestations combine into a beautiful tribute to the Infant Savior, whose birth on the first Christmas was the greatest gift the world has ever known. Spiritually, socially and economically, He is man's greatest benefactor of all time.

Besides restoring humanity to the favor of Almighty God by His supreme sacrifice, He gave the teaching and the example by which people can get along with God and each other.

His precepts were summarized in the Angelic chorus that announced His birth: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will." It was a simple message, easily understandable as an assurance that people who apply a spirit of good will in their

association with others will live happily in peace and harmony.

As we think it over we can recognize in the message the essence of the ten commandments. The law of the old testament in its simplest form tells us to "love thy God and thy neighbor." The idea was conveyed in the song of the decalogue. Just like the decalogue, it is a reminder that we are creatures of God, and the way to get along in His world is to live His way.

That applies to nations as well as individuals, and we don't have to look far to see ample evidence of its truth. Nations, like people, don't long enjoy the blessings of peace and harmony when they fail to live by the golden rule.

We'd be doing the Savior an injustice if we did not acknowledge also that He is the source of progress and prosperity with which we enrich our lives. His teaching on the dignity of the individual is the basic principle from which civilization derives its ideals of freedom and self-determination.

The fact that Christian nations have recognized man's God-given right to shape his own destiny has inspired the work and study which unlocked the secrets of nature, along with the ways of using them for better living. It's more than just a coincidence that the progress of history was made by free men. It's more than just a coincidence that the notable advances in human freedom developed in an atmosphere of principles taught by Christ.

While appreciating that fact we urgently need to remember another. As people learn the wonders of the universe they are inclined to forget who put the wonders here in the first place. In smug satisfaction over their own achievement they become less aware of Divine Greatness and gradually exclude God from their consciousness. Next they proceed in their own way, not bothering to remember that this is still God's world and men make an awful mess unless they run it His way.

Another teaching from the Savior deserves extra emphasis nowadays. Everyone remembers his stern dealings with some fellows who desecrated the House of God. He was telling us that evil should not be tolerated. Christ was not content just to do good. He told us by his action that wickedness deserves punishment.

Ideas like these should help us appreciate what a wonderful event we are observing. The birth of Christ is the greatest blessing that ever came to the world. His words and His works will stand forever as man's sure guide to a better life and a happy eternity.

In the spirit of the first Christmas, this column extends sincere wishes to everyone for a very blessed Christmas.



Texas Oil & Gas . . . Industry Top Taxpayer At State, Local Levels

By Avery Rush, Jr., Chairman
Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association

The severance tax paid on crude oil and natural gas by producers long has been recognized as the cornerstone of support for Texas state government. Last year this support reached a record high level.

A total of \$2.2-billion was paid on Fiscal Year 1981 production at the rate of 4.6-percent on the wellhead value of crude oil and 7.5-percent on the wellhead value of natural gas. This tax bill accounted for 28.3-percent of total state collections and made the petroleum industry the largest single taxpayer to state government.

Now, a survey by the Association shows that the Texas petroleum industry was the largest taxpayer at the local level, as well. In Calendar Year 1980, the last year for which data are available, this industry paid approximately \$938.6-million in ad valorem (property) taxes to all local jurisdictions — counties, school districts, and cities. This accounts for slightly more than 22-percent of that year's total property tax collections throughout the state.

In addition to these large categories, in Fiscal Year 1981 the industry paid \$77.7-million in corporate franchise tax. That accounts for approximately 18.6-percent of total state collections on this tax.

Also, in 1981, the industry paid \$11.7-million in a well servicing tax and an additional \$2.3-million in an oil and gas regulatory tax.

These state and local tax payments have provided various governments in Texas with a substantial amount of the money needed to meet many of their social and educational commitments. Texas' oil and gas dollars paid 64.7-percent of state costs of aid to dependent children, medical assistance, and teachers' retirement matching. Moreover, money from this same source accounted for approximately 30-percent of state funds spent on public education.

Due in large measure to these direct tax payments by the petroleum industry, Texans enjoy a number of advantages. These include the following:

1. No personal income tax.
2. No corporate income tax.
3. One of the lowest per capita tax burdens in the country.
4. The best business climate in the nation.

The availability of ample energy resources has allowed Texas to experience its greatest period of economic growth and development in addition to providing a tax base unparalleled in this nation. The continued good health and vitality of our petroleum industry is in the best interest of every citizen of the nation's No. 1 energy producing state.

Looking Ahead
by Dr. George S. Benson
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TEXTBOOK EVALUATION
In numerous surveys conducted of American high school and college students, it has been established that in general: (A) our youth have a poor understanding of how business and the enterprise economic system operate, and (B) as a result, students have no appreciation of either business or free enterprise. As a matter of fact, a high percentage of our young people would rather have a socialist than a free market economic system.

How did our students come to think this way? The answer: They were taught that way.

Now students learn from two main sources: from lectures delivered by their teachers and from instructional aids, the textbooks and audio-visual materials. Of primary importance are the textbooks.

In his analysis of the threat to free enterprise and what to do about it, Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr., stated that there should be a continuing program to evaluate textbooks in economics, political science and sociology. "The objective of such evaluation," he said, "should be oriented toward restoring the balance essential to genuine academic freedom."

"If the authors, publishers and users of textbooks know that they will be subjected honestly, fairly and thoroughly — to review and critique by eminent scholars who believe in the American system, a return to a more rational balance can be expected," said Powell.

We are happy to report that two excellent textbook evaluation groups are active in this country and have been providing valuable service for many years. Their evaluations are available to anyone interested in the problem of balance and fairness in textbooks.

America's Future, Inc., has long been an outstanding American educational organization, but perhaps its most valuable service it performs is providing textbook evaluations to the concerned public. An evaluation board, composed of outstanding scholars, is continuously studying textbooks in all the social sciences. Board members evaluate the texts in their field of specialization, of course. The reports are then published and distributed to a list of textbook evaluation subscribers.

A second outstanding group is Educational Research Analysts which had its genesis some twenty years ago when a husband and wife became concerned about the contents of their son's school textbooks. Down through the years this couple, Norma and Mel Gabler of Longview, Texas, have become true experts in the field of textbook evaluation and how to influence adoption or rejection of school texts.

The welfare of every child is the responsibility of the parents. And that responsibility extends to the youngster's education. Even though parents delegate certain authority and duties to school boards, administrators and teachers for the education of their children, the responsibility for the type of education received still remains with the parents, including monitoring of the textbooks used.

But as Justice Powell recognized, the business community also has a stake in textbooks because they are the major instructional aids used to develop student attitudes, including those toward business and the enterprise system.

America's Future and Educational Research Analysts stand ready to assist parents and business groups in evaluating textbooks, toward the end of fairness and balance for the enterprise system. Write the National Education Program, Harding University, Box 760, Searcy, Arkansas 72143; we'll be happy to provide you with mailing addresses.

CAPITOL UPDATE

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Beginning with the angel speaking to the shepherds on a field near Bethlehem, our Christmas prayer has been for "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Though it has been almost 2,000 years, we have not yet reached that illusive goal of a world truly at peace, with all men and women living together in good will and freedom. Yet, we must not give up our quest.

As we look at the world this Christmas, there are discouraging signs. The Middle East continues to be a place of dangerous tensions. We continue to pray for a peaceful solution to the problems which have eluded answers for almost a generation.

In Poland, long-simmering tensions may have reached the crisis point. We can only pray that a solution will be found which will preserve the gains Polish people have made within the past year. But, the problems in Poland should make us in America doubly grateful for our way of life, for each of the measures of self-determination the Polish people are seeking is among the features of our lives that we have enjoyed for so long that we tend to take them for granted.

However much we may be irritated by government interference, no one tells us where we must work and live. Government does not limit our rights of free association, or the right of workers to organize. Free elections are the foundation of our system.

We have problems in our economy, but we also have an abundance envied throughout most of the world. Poland's rationing, and shortages which have turned a bar of soap into luxury item, stand in stark contrast to the overfilled shelves in the stores where we did our Christmas shopping.

Abundant resources, strong and productive people, and vigilance in guarding our freedom have helped us to maintain this way of life. But as a nation richly blessed, we have a special responsibility to hold the beacon of freedom for the world. This is not to say that we should interfere with the internal affairs of other nations — for we certainly must not and cannot do so. However, we do have an obligation to use our influence to try to prevent aggressors from interfering in the internal affairs of peace-loving nations.

It is a delicate balance to maintain, but vitally important in a dangerous world. In the Middle East, Latin America, Africa and even within Europe there are instabilities which a strong, consistent, and even-handed United States can help to counter.

So at this Christmas season, let us be thankful for our way of life, for the fact that we are not at war. And let us continue to work toward a world at peace.



Drug trafficking in Texas is bad and getting worse every day. The drug pushers reap more than \$5 billion every year in illegal profits — at the expense of men, women, and children in our state. The drug dealers are a destructive element in Texas and they must be stopped. It's time to blow the whistle on them, and the people of Texas now have a way to do just that.

Recognizing that citizen involvement constitutes a vital part of the law enforcement effort in Texas, Governor William P. Clements, Jr. and the Texas Legislature created a new statewide anti-crime hotline under the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council. The unanimous support of this program stems from the success of 44 local Crime Stoppers programs across Texas.

For the month of January, 1982, the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council is focusing its statewide "Crime of the Month" program on drug trafficking. Any citizen having information about major drug trafficking should call the Texas Crime Stoppers Council at 1-800-252-TIPS.

Cash rewards are available for information leading to the arrest and indictment of drug traffickers. Citizens do not have to reveal their name, just their information, and they will be given a unique code number for identification purposes.

The Crime Stoppers Advisory Council, created within the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office, is charged with four responsibilities: (1) advising and assisting in the creation of local Crime Stoppers programs, (2) encouraging citizens with knowledge of a crime to come forward — without revealing their identity — with their information, (3) promoting the program through Texas' news media, and (4) assisting in channeling information about crime to the appropriate Texas law enforcement agency for follow-up investigation.

The 1981 Texas Legislature provided the state's criminal justice system with important new tools to find the top drug traffickers in Texas and stiff laws with which to prosecute them. Through the new statewide Crime Stoppers program, the Legislature also provided a mechanism for the citizens of Texas to help stop this menace in our state.

The Crime Stoppers Advisory Council will work with local Crime Stoppers programs to help shut down drug trafficking in Texas. Call 1-800-252-TIPS today with your information on major drug traffickers in our state, to help protect you and your family from these organized criminals.

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January 15 is deadline for survey

Texans have only three more weeks to mail their comments on the Secretary of Agriculture's preferred program for conserving soil and water resources. Comments are to be mailed to the Soil Conservation Service in Temple by January 15, reports Gary Rainwater, district conservationist for SCS at Muenster.

The proposed national conservation program would increase the roles of local and state governments in conservation work and target a greater share of USDA dollars and people to critical resource problems and areas.

For more information on the program and to obtain a response form for mailing your comments, contact your local SCS or Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office.

The offices have a leaflet that summarizes the main points of the program and contains the pre-addressed, postage-paid response form.

The program is the USDA response to the Soil and Water Resources Conservation Act of 1977 (RCA). Details of the program are presented in the revised program report, which is available for reference at SCS and ASCA offices throughout the state.

Comments must be mailed to the SCS state conservationist, P.O. Box 648, Temple, Texas 76503, before January 15, 1982.

Good Neighbor recipient of 1963 dies Sunday

Funeral service for Clive F. Gobble, 83, was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the chapel of Vernie Keel Funeral Home with the Reverend Keith Thomas officiating and the Reverend Elwood Poore assisting.

Interment was in the Resthaven Cemetery directed by the Keel Funeral Home, and Earl Fisher, Roger Taylor, Pat Fisher, Jake Biffle, C.J. Hellman and Alvis Bagwell as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were Lee Toothaker, Harve Bowen, Buddy Biffle and Ray Hudson.

A visitation hour was held Monday night 7 to 8 in the funeral home chapel and a wake service at 7:30 was conducted by Father Placidus Eckart.

Clive Gobble died Sunday about 5 a.m. in St. Richard's Villa ending a long illness.

He was born in Altamont, Kansas, on Dec. 3, 1898 a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Gobble. He was married December 9, 1929 in Wichita, Kansas, to Willie Dixon Cathey, and the couple observed its golden wedding on December 2, 1979 with a reception at St. Richard's Villa, where he



was a bed patient. Some 250 friends and relatives came and celebrated with them.

He was a graduate of Kansas University of Manhattan, a veteran of World War I, a member of the Myra Methodist Church and the Myra Masonic Lodge. He was honored in 1963 by Muenster Knights of Columbus for their selection to receive the Good Neighbor Award.

Following their marriage the Gobbles lived at Dodge City, Kansas, then briefly at Diamond, Okla., before moving to Woodbine in 1936. During World War II they moved to Myra and in 1948 they came to Muenster and entered the hatchery business, later adding the insect exterminating business. He retired in 1972.

Survivors are his wife, Willie, one son, Larry of Muenster; two step sons, Pat Cathey of Antelope and Glen Cathey of Norwalk, Calif.; one brother, Earl Gobble of Corona Calif.; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.



SWOSC Graduate

Christopher Schilling was a Cum Laude graduate at the mid term commencement of Southwestern Oklahoma State University, receiving a BS degree in pharmacy. He is a member of the Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, Oklahoma Pharmaceutical Fraternity, the Southwest Pharmaceutical Fraternity and the Newman Club. A son of Carl Schilling and a graduate of Sacred Heart High, Chris will be an employee of True Quality Pharmacies, Inc., of McKinney.

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This signboard on keeping Christ in Christmas was mounted on the Jaycee 40 foot van by members of the Knights of Columbus, who are sponsoring a community wide residential lighting contest based on the slogan. Contest judging is set for Monday night and winners will be listed next week.

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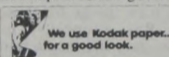
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- The Dolphy Joe Hellman Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Fleitman and Family
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In lieu of sending greeting cards to their local friends, the persons listed above donated \$637.50 to the Muenster Hospital Auxiliary.

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End Of The Year

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Ross-Point Progress Club plans new year's celebration

The Ross-Point Progress Club made plans for a New Year's Eve Community gathering, beginning at 7 p.m., when eight members and 3 officers held their regular business meeting on

Dec. 2. Checkers, dominoes and other table games will be included with songs and refreshments for the family night event.

Also discussed was the purchase of ceiling fans for the Community Club's building, and other improvements.

Stanley Lovett, president conducted the meeting and Mrs. Lovett led the opening prayer. The treasurer's report showed an increase balance on hand over other years, when compared to other annual reports.

Members commented on the successful Harvest Supper, and said they have received favorable reports from many friends.

The Ross-Point Progress Club also offered thanks to all who assisted in any way toward a successful year, including greetings for Christmas and the New Year.

Young Homemakers meet for annual Christmas party

Members of the Muenster Young Homemakers of Texas met in the beautifully decorated home of their advisor, Mrs. Joni Sturm on Friday December 11 at 7:30 p.m. The occasion was their annual Christmas party. Members brought an assortment of refreshments, cheese logs, dips, relishes...

A short business meeting was held; members made plans to donate usable articles to the Child Development Center in Gainesville. An invitation from Beta Kappa was read, inviting everyone to attend the Benefit Coffee for St. Richard's Villa.

Everyone enjoyed a gift-swap-game; Mrs. Pam Dangelmayr won the door-prize, a table centerpiece in the Christmas theme.

The next meeting will be held on January 14 in the Muenster Public School Homemaking room.

Adam Wolf honored at birthday celebration

A family supper on Friday, December 18, hosted by his wife, honored Adam Wolf on his birthday. All members of his family attended except a son, Tim, who phoned birthday

greetings from Denton. Special guests were Albert Kubis of Lindsay, Joan Dunlop of Denton and Claude Lehnertz of Spokane, Washington.

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Homemakers Club Hosts Christmas luncheon meeting

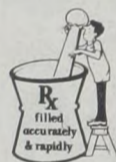
The Muenster Extension Homemakers Club enjoyed an annual Christmas meeting and covered dish luncheon on December 9, at 11:30 a.m. in the home of Mrs. Ray Klement. The hostess gave the Inspiration "Seasonal Sentiments," and Mrs. Bill Lutkenhaus conducted the business meeting.

Mrs. Alois Rohmer demonstrated making ribbon bows for gift packages.

Members brought gifts for the Christmas party at the State School in Gainesville on December 17.

Mrs. David Bright led group caroling, and gave a brief history of a painting of Christ, which the hostess received from her daughter, Janice Lamanna of Denver. A gift exchange among

members followed. Fifteen members and one guest, Mrs. Dale Klement, attended.



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Butterfly Bluebirds celebrate holidays

The Butterfly Bluebirds participated in the Muenster parade on December 12. They rode in Peggy Walter's decorated pick-up and sang Christmas carols to the public.

On December 15 they were chaperoned to Gainesville by Peggy Walter and Linda Vogel. There they participated in the annual Christmas Caroling and Share a Gift Party. The girls brought unwrapped gifts and turned them in at the Camp Fire Office. Camp Fire has sponsored this program for three years and these gifts are made available to anyone in the county who needs help. All the clubs then walked to the Court House and presented a program of Christmas carols. Afterwards refreshments were served at the community center to all Camp Fire groups. Santa

distributed candy canes to excited children. The event was televised on Channel 12 that night at 10:00 p.m.

The Rainbow Bluebirds, who are 1st graders, and their leader Mrs. Jamie Hennigan and assistant leader, Brenda Felderhoff, along with the Butterfly Bluebirds made a trip together to St. Richard's Villa on December 16. The girls sang Christmas carols for residents and hung felt decorations they made especially for the Villa's tree. They presented the residents with a gift box for their needs. The Villa prepared refreshments of chocolate chip cookies and punch, especially appreciated by all.

Afterwards, the Butterfly Bluebirds were treated to an ice cream party at the Dairy Inn by Leader Peggy Walter and Lou Mosler. The treat was due them because of their Blue Bird Candle burning out for good behavior. Ben Bindel gave them a certificate for a free ice cream to be used at a later date. Peggy Walter presented their patches, Koala Bears, craft books, from the local magazine sale, accordingly. The girls received Christmas presents from their leaders, and took gifts home to their parents.

The next meeting date will be on January 13, 1982. Misty Vogel will be the hostess and bring her favorite record.



The banner of the Good Shepherd, shown above, surrounded by little lambs placed there by CCD second graders and personalized with their names, was the work of Mrs. R.D. Powell, Mrs. Faye Black and Mrs. Rose Black. The banner was used in the entrance procession and held a place of honor in the sanctuary throughout the week.

Twenty six children of the second grade CCD class and their parents participated in a Communal Celebration of First Penance, in Sacred Heart Church on the feast of the Good Shepherd, December 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Teachers of the second grade class are Larry and Kathy Vogel, and Clyde and Sharon Walterscheid. Sister Romana Rohmer is CCD co-ordinator.

Four priests were con-celebrants of the Mass, including Father Denis Soerries, Father Stephen Eckart, Father Placidus Eckart and Father Robert Breen.

Mrs. Rosemary Dankesreiter was organist and Miss Serena Wright was song leader, and she also narrated the Gospel story of the Good Shepherd, told on a child's level.

All attending were given souvenir booklets containing the special Liturgy, enabling them to participate in all prayers. Mrs. Diane Walterscheid drew the cover design and Don Flusche printed the booklets.

Following the Mass and special Liturgy, the second graders received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Individual Confession.

The children are Kristi Bierschenk, Connie Black, Amy Dankesreiter, Dyan Fisher, Charity Gilbreath, Michael Gobble, Cheryl Hacker, Douglas Hennigan, Charles Hermes, Julie Hess, Rex Huchton, Leslie Klement, Tina Klement, Tonya Knabe, Christopher Kubis, Jennifer Lippe, Johnny Mosler, Shelly Reeves, Lori Schmitz, Ryan Sicking, Chad Simmons, Lawrence Switzer, Michael Vogel, Kenneth Walterscheid, Samuel Walterscheid, and Stephanie Wimmer.

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Mon. Dec. 14 - Melvin Glenn, Nocona; William Price, Bowie.

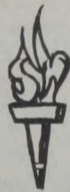
Tues. Dec. 15 - Rhonda Endres, Marisal Luna, Bryan Russell, Muenster; Troy Pitman, Saint Jo.

Wed. Dec. 16 - Georgia Lou West, Vera Stone, Gainesville; Patricia Young, Thackerville; Edward Van Zandt; Eula Steen, Saint Jo; Olita Lanier, Forestburg; Lucy McKenzie, Myra.

Thurs. Dec. 17 - Wilfred Luttmir, Jr., Larry Gove, Muenster; Steve Barthold, Valley View.

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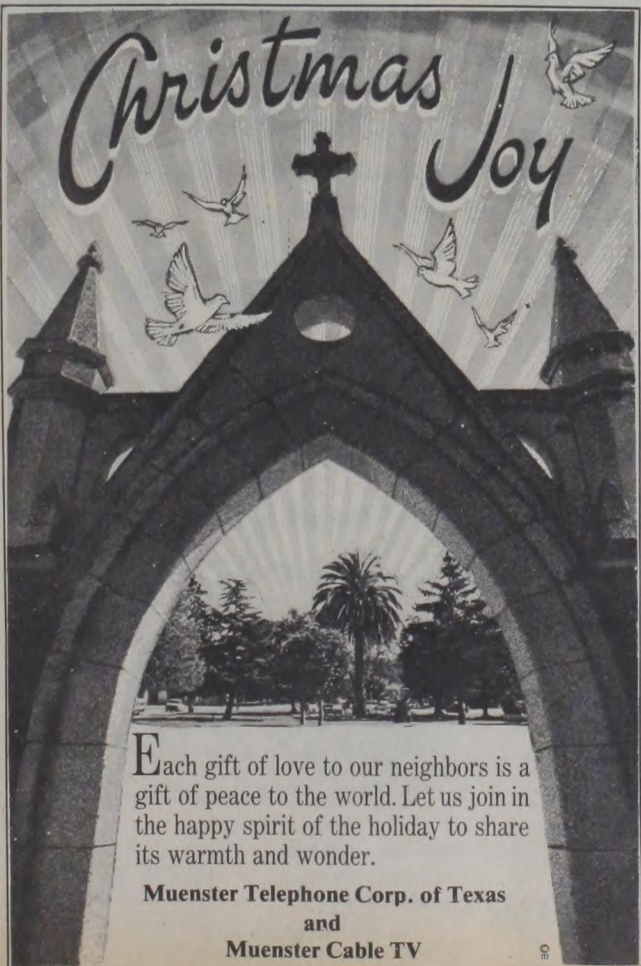
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Forestburg News by Myrt Denham

We will start this column with a true Forestburg Christmas tree story. Years ago when rural Forestburg first received electricity Jimmy Joe Reynolds hit on a unique idea for a Christmas tree. He decorated a real nice cedar tree about one half mile from his house. The tree was in a heavy wooded area close to a public road. He then ran a long wire to it so he could switch the tree lights on and off from his front porch. Jimmy would

watch at night and when a car approached he would switch on the Christmas tree lights. Then when the car's brake lights went on-out would go the lights on the tree. Well, you can well imagine the disbelief of the people of first seeing a Christmas tree way out in the woods away from habitation and then it disappearing. Jimmy had all kinds of reactions - most of the people would drive on real slowly, others would sit for a long period waiting and

some even got out to look for the tree. One of Jimmy's neighbors that saw the "phantom Christmas tree" said "I'm sure not going to drink anymore of that wine." Jimmy ran HIS Christmas tree for about a week and you can just imagine the fun he had.

Mr. and Mrs. A.B. McMillion drove to Houston Sun. Dec. 13 for A.B.'s checkup at M.D. Anderson Hospital and returned home Mon. the 14th with a good report. Visiting with them on Sat. Dec. 12 were their daughters and families Mrs. Sharon Landers and children, Mr. and Mrs. Blakie Scott and children of Lewisville and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Metcalf and children of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Eldridge of New Harp attended the graduation exercise of their daughter Mrs. Sharon Dill from TWU in Denton Sunday Dec. 13 at 3 p.m. Sharon is married to Ray Kent Dill, brother of Jack C. Dill.

Mrs. Jackie James and small son of Jackboro visited with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hudspeth Tues. Dec. 15. Mrs. James and grandmother Merle and Chad Hudspeth went Christmas tree hunting that p.m.

Mmes Vesta Carter, cleta Reynolds and Myrt Denham journeyed to Bowie Tue. the 15 on business and shopping. Vesta and Cleta visited with Mrs. Charity Boyd in the Bowie convalescent Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Golightly celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary Tues. Dec. 15. While talking to Lyod I asked her if she had had any company and she said "No, and thank the Lord." She and Henry are in the middle of having their house re-modeled - so we can all well understand

Lyod's thankfulness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Littell, Stoney Point, were host and hostess to the annual Forestburg United Methodist Women's Christmas party on Wednesday night Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. It was just a very lovely evening of fellowship, fun, refreshments and gift exchange. However, Rev. George A. Thompson did conduct the Installation Services for the new officers of the UMW for the year of 1982 and he was also the group's special person and was presented with a bag full of gifts from all the UMW members. There for the party were Rev. and Mrs. George A. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sockwell, Mr. and Mrs. Gorton Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Perryman Denham, Mmes Alice Shears and Vera Mae McGee, plus special guests Mr. and Mrs. Tolbert fanning and Mr. and Mrs. James Morgan.

The elementary and Junior High classes, under the supreme efforts of their teachers, of the Forestburg school put on a beautiful Christmas play Wed. night Dec. 16. The homemaking students served refreshments afterwards and am told they were "out of this world." The homemaking department was very beautifully decorated for the occasion and season.

Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. David Burrows of Bowie and Mrs. Wanda Perryman enjoyed a fish supper Wed. night Dec. 16 in Terrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Dill attended the Gainesville High School Choir performance at the First United Methodist Church in Gainesville Thurs. night Dec. 17. Johnny Dill played the organ for the performance.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Holland and Brent visited with her father, Carl Green, in the Pleasant Haven home in Nocona on Thurs. Dec. 17 and then went on to Bowie to do some Christmas shopping.

Mrs. Millie Reynolds called in some of her neighbors and friends for cake and coffee Fri. p.m. Dec. 18. Enjoying the afternoon with Millie and each other were Mmes. Cleta Reynolds, Imogene Links, Juanita Bailey, Marion Sockwell and Myrt Denham.

Rev. George A. Thompson had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Embry, Dyemound, Friday Dec. 18 and later visited in the Perryman Denham home.

Wonder how many folks hereabouts know what a beautiful song-bird Mrs. Faith Sandusky is? She sang a solo at the services Sun. a.m. the 13th in the Forestburg United Methodist Church. Faith has a beautiful clear voice which she needs to share with us more often.

This writer met up with Bud and Ruby Johnson in Bowie the other day - they are both fine and happy in their Bowie home. They send their love and well wishes to their Forestburg friends and neighbors.

Here are some birthdays coming up in January. Betty Reynolds, Jan. 2; K.J. Wassie Reynolds, Jan. 2; Howard Sockwell, Jan. 7; Gladys Barclay, Jan. 8; Vesta Lee Carter, Jan. 12; Millie Reynolds, Jan. 17; Lester W. Boyd, Jr. Jan. 18; Ruth Smith, Jan. 19

Last weeks "Photo of the Past" was that of the late Mrs. Liza Barker Willis, mother of Mrs. Kenneth Woods and J.T. Willis. Mrs. Willis was a very dear friend of this writer and I found her a very charming, sweet, gentle, kind and thoughtful lady. Liza was another person that only saw the good in those she knew thus was very respected and loved by all that knew her.

Photo from the past



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 And more mixed up in the head.
 For sometimes I can't remember
 when I stand at the foot of the stair
 If I must go up for something
 Or if I've just come down from there
 And before the "refrig" so often
 My poor mind is filled with doubt,
 Have I just put the food away
 Or have I come to take it out?

And then when it is dark out
 with my night cap on my head,
 I don't know if I'm retiring
 or... just getting out of bed.
 So, if it is my turn to write you
 There's no need of getting sbre,
 I may think that I have written
 And don't want to be a bore.
 So, remember that I love you,
 And I wish that you were here
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Hornets dominate all-area team

Muenster Hornets shared honors with the Valley View Eagles in dominating this year's selections to the all-area football team, which includes players from county schools (except Gainesville) plus Saint Jo, Whitesboro and Thacker-ville. The selections were listed in Sunday's Gainesville Register.

And in the selection of an all-area coach of the year, Muenster shared with Lindsay. Leonard Peters, in his

first year with the Hornets, was named for his outstanding improvement in season record from 3-5-2 in 1980 to 8-2 in 1981. The other honored coach was Grady Roller, in his first year with the Knights. He upped the season record from 4-5-1 in 1980 to 7-3 in 1981.

Both Muenster and Valley View had players assigned to six positions on the first team. The Hornets were James Huckaby, guard, Doug Walterscheid, tackle,

David Flusche and Gary Klement, running backs and Dale Swirczynski, linebacker and kicker. The Eagles were Alan Kassen, quarterback and defensive back, Clay Montgomery, guard, Mike Gonzilas, center, Ronnie Jones, defensive lineman, and William Hogan, linebacker.

Sacred Heart had two players named to the first team. They were Brian Herr, split end, and Hal Mollenkopf, defensive lineman.

Others on the first team offense and defense were L.W. Voth and Leonard Fuhrmann, Lindsay; Wayne Smith, (tight end and punter) and Sonny Barthold, Era; Johnny Broyles and William Vannoy, Whitesboro; Jimmy Dennis, Saint Jo; Lorin Kretzschmar, Thackerville; Ken Miller, Callisburg.

Both Muenster schools were also represented on the second team offense and defense. They are Tim Schneider, end, Chris Rohmer, defensive lineman and David Flusche, defensive back of Muenster; also Curtis Hesse, nose guard, and Brian Herr, punter of Sacred Heart.

Others on the second team were Wells, Jones and Hogan of Valley View; Richardson, Yarbrough, Barthold and Smith of Era; Hermes, Weems, Fleitmann and Dieter of Lindsay; Morgan and Langston of Thackerville; Sieger, Weidner, Mayo and Phelps of Whitesboro; Thurman of Saint Jo and Hunter of Callisburg.

Among a long list receiving honorable mention were TJ Walterscheid, Floyd Truelsenbach, Greg Walterscheid, Curtis Hesse, Neil Hesse and Ricky Hennigan on offense; Mike Bartush, Curtis Hesse, Wade Walterscheid, TJ Walterscheid, Brian Herr, Mark

Miller on defense of Sacred Heart. Vance Wells, Joe Hennigan, Chris Rohmer, Glenn Hermes and Dale Swirczynski on offense; Doug Walterscheid, James Huckaby, Kevin Felderhoff, Tim Schneider, Gary Klement, Garland Tate and Dale Swirczynski on defense of Muenster.

BRIAN HERR, split end and defensive back for the Tigers, is rated by his coach, Father Stephen, as one of the team's principal assets. Besides completing passes for more than 900 yards, he is an all district defensive back and punter.

HAL MOLLENKOPF led in tackles and assists for Sacred Heart and recovered seven fumbles. He was named the most valuable player on the TCIL 3A-3 all district team.

JAMES HUCKABY was outstanding in both offense and defense in the Hornet line. Rated as the team's best blocker by Coach Peters, he assisted the backs in averaging 275 yards of rushing gains. He was also a defensive stand-out.

DOUG WALTERSCHEID also assisted backs in stepping off their long yardage and was there to nab the opposing backs on defense. His greatest value was in always giving 100 percent and more.

DAVID FLUSCHE and GARY KLEMENT make up the com-

bination that accounts for Muenster's high scoring season. Both are small, 160 and 155 respectively, but they were fast, elusive and tough. David had a season total of 1350 yards and 15 touchdowns, an average of 7.5 per carry and a total of over 200 in each of three games. Gary averaged 7.7 yards per carry and more than 1000 yards and 13 touchdowns including two on punt returns and one on kickoff return.

DALE SWIRCZYNSKI, rated by Coach Peters as one of the best linebackers of Class A, was the old reliable of Hornet defense with 130 tackles, three fumble recoveries and two interceptions. He was valuable besides for strong and dependable punting and kicking including a 48 yard field goal.

CHRIS ROHMER was another standout in the line, offense and defense. Always hustling, he's credited with more than 60 tackles for the season.

TIM SCHNEIDER was the Hornet's number 1 pass receiver. He made 20 catches, three for touchdowns, and averaged 23 yards per catch.

CURTIS HESSE was outstanding for the Tigers on both offense and defense. As a noseguard he tormented opposing runners consistently, as a fullback he was one of Sacred Heart's leading gainers.

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Sacred Heart, Number 2 at Krum tournament

The Tigers of Sacred Heart were at their season's best at the Krum tournament last weekend. In games with three strong teams they earned the runner-up trophy plus the distinction of having two players named on the all-tournament team.

For that Coach Jon LeBrasseur is pleased and proud. He said the boys showed definite progress in contests with three strong teams. They won over Celina and Sanger and lost to Krum in the tournament final.

The two selected for all-tournament were Gene Fuhrman and Greg Walterscheid.

The Tigerettes made a good start in their opener but after that they were wiped out by Krum and Lindsay, the two power house teams of North Texas. They took fourth place in the tournament.

SH boys 63, Celina 48
The Tigers looked great as they gained in all periods against Celina which had a record of 9 wins to date. Their lead was 14-10 at the first period, 30-20 at the half, 43-32 at the third quarter and 63-48 at the end. Gene Fuhrman led the SH scoring with 16, Brian Herr had 14, Greg Walterscheid 13, TJ Walterscheid 11 and Neil Hesse 5.

SH boys 44, Sanger 41
The semifinal game was the classic of the tournament with the Tigers and Sanger Indians swapping leads in every period. Tigers led 7-6 at the first quarter, and 23-21 at the half and tied at 27-27 ending the third before coming away with a 44-41 win.

Gene Fuhrman was his with 18 points, Greg Walterscheid scored 10, Brian Herr 8, Neil Hesse 6, Darrell Herr 2.

SH boys 41, Krum 52
The opponent for the final was Krum, former state champ. The tigers made a fair start, trailing 12-11 at the first quarter and 20-16 at the half. In the second half Krum pulled away for leads of 40-25 and 52-41. Krum's super guarding was the main reason, as shown by holding the usual top scorer, Gene Fuhrman, to only 2 points, and the team to only 24 per cent of its field goal shots. Brian Herr scored 11, Neil Hesse 10, Greg Walterscheid 8, TJ Walterscheid 5, Darrell Herr 3, Gene Haverkamp 2.

SH girls 47, Valley View 46
Tigerettes started with a victory but just barely. They trailed by 2 with 25 seconds to go and Karla Hartman evened the count at 46-46. Seconds later Valley View fouled and Susan Walterscheid broke the tie with one of two free shots. Other periods were equally close. SH led 13-10 at the first, 21-20 at the half and SH 39-35 at the third. Susan Walterscheid scored 15, Carol Walterscheid 15, Marilyn Hartman 8, Laurie Endres 5, Anne Felderhoff 2, Jennie Felderhoff 2, Karla Hartman 2.

SH girls 27, Krum 52
The second game was no contest as Krum rolled on to a 52-27 win. Carol Walterscheid scored 13 for the Tigerettes, Anne Felderhoff 8, Susan Walterscheid 4, Rose Felderhoff 1, Sondra Hess 1.

SH girls 28, Lindsay 76
The try for third place, with Lindsay the opponent, was another one sided tussle. When the scoring spree finally ended, Sacred Heart was at the unhappy end of 76-28. Tigerette scorers were Laurie Endres 9, Anne Felderhoff 8, Susan Walterscheid 4, Carol Walterscheid 2, Marilyn Hartman 2, Jennie Felderhoff 2, Karla Hartman 1.

Next on schedule for the Sacred Heart teams are Saint Jo at SH, Dec. 29, 7 p.m.; and Muenster High at MHS, Jan. 2, 7 p.m.

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Members of the junior high basketball girls are, front: Karen Wolf, Tracy Walterscheid, Sharon Russell, Judy Biffle, Jean Pagel, Dolle Pagel, Tammy Reiter. Back: Coach Alan Gustine, Dana Dankesreiter, Amy Davidson, Karen Williams, Rita Walterscheid, DeAnn Walterscheid, LeAnn Sicking, Melanie Richey.



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Dec. 18, 1936
Last span of viaduct is complete and will be ready for traffic on Jan. 1. Knights of Columbus attend degree ceremonies in Slaton. Boy Scout troop gets charter from national headquarters. Boy Scouts are going strong on old Christmas toy repair project. Heating in church is improved by installation of fans in old model furnace. Sumacs prime for title basketball match with Valley View Eagles.

40 YEARS AGO

Dec. 19, 1941
War causes sharp rise in defense bond sales. Community is geared for record figure in Red Cross drive. Christmas turkey packing at FMA nets over six car loads. Garden Club has program on holly and biblical trees. January 5 is set for hatchery's opening date. The Paul Walterscheid's move into their new home. East extension of Voth pool is shown by test well. Mrs. Charley Hellman is recovering from leg infection. J.B. Wilde opens tractor agency, no cars to sell as materials and manpower go into national defense.

35 YEARS AGO

Dec. 20, 1946
REA approves \$240,000 allotment for expansion of local Electric Co-op. Home Art Shop opens furniture department this week. R.R. Endres and Henry Branham are recovering from heart attacks. J.B. Wilde establishes plane charter service for long distance flying. Gene Hoedebeck and Elise Sanchez set wedding for Dec. 28. Al Fleitman, J.A. Klement and J.W. Hesse are re-elected on AAA committee. Parish members donate \$441.50 to Dallas orphanage in annual collection.

30 YEARS AGO

Dec. 21, 1951
Year's rain to date measures 31.10 inches. Alfons Koesler is promoted to corporal in Korea. Cah to corporal in Korea. Champ trophies in cage tourney are won by Prairie Valley. Tiger gridgers have football banquet. Kathryn Hartman is elected CYO president. The Tommy Otos who have been living in Virginia return to Cooke County to reside. Farewell parties honor the Bob Koppers before they move to Giddings where he is transferred by the soil conservation service.

25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 21, 1956
Rain measuring 2.93 inches is most welcome gift to community. MHS boys win top trophy in Calisburg basketball tourney. Death ends four year illness of Paul J. Nieball. Anna Grace Fette joins the nursing staff at Community hospital in Sherman. Mrs. Harry Scoggins is recovering from an emergency operation performed while she was visiting in Pampa. The Carl

Plezens move from Denton to Ennis. Building permits issued in city during past year total \$118,800. VFW Post gives \$100 to fireman's rescuator fund. Mrs. Frank Mages Sr., Lindsay resident 42 years, dies at age 80.

20 YEARS AGO

Dec. 22, 1961
Total of Muenster building permits in 1961 is \$417,650. Construction will begin in January on Telephone Corporation's improvement project in three exchanges - Muenster, Myra and Forestburg. Santa greets 150 children at KC party. Also treats tots at VFW Auxiliary's Christmas party. PTA sees pupils in Christmas program. Open house is held in SH primary rooms for parents and families. SH school music hall is being moved to new location. Sailor Ivan Koelzer serving aboard the USS Enterprise is at home on holiday leave. Airman Lloyd Klement is at home before going on overseas duty in Spain. Yule parties hold social spotlight for clubs, classes and business firms for employees. New arrivals: girls for Messrs. and Mmes. Leo Mosman, Robert Gruber and Don Muller.

15 YEARS AGO

Dec. 23, 1966
A petition asking for an increase of tax in Muenster School District is complete and will be submitted to the school board on Jan. 5. Extended illness of Miss Anna Hellman is ended by death. Gifts await first 1967 baby born in Muenster Hospital. Sam Dobbs joins local soil conservation office. City building permits for 1966 total \$208,850. NTPA employees get pins at Christmas party. Mr. and Mrs. B.C. Redman celebrate golden wedding anniversary. Christmas magic sets scene for Colonial Acres Coliseum ball. Santa treats tots at VFW Auxiliary party. Santa also treats tots at Jaycee and KC parties. Christmas socials hold spotlight. Farewell party honors Shiloh pastor Rev. Robert Bennett. Hospital board adopts rigid credit policy. Mike Hundt of Lindsay is named Boy of the Month by Optimist Breakfast Club of Gainesville. New arrivals: a boy for the Lloyd Preschers; girls for the Henry Voths Jr., Cecil Raney and Lloyd Trubenbachs.

10 YEARS AGO

Dec. 24, 1971
Noel sign on elevated water tank dominates Christmas lighting in Muenster; bracket and framework of street decorations will be permanent to avoid expense of installation each year. Hospital Auxiliary plans Stork Derby and benefit dance. Jim Fisher heads Parks-Recreation area in Colorado. Eight grads received degrees at NTSU-Brother Thomas Master MA in speech and drama, Joe Bayer BA in industrial arts, Glenn Trachta Bachelor of Business Administration, and three received BS

degrees in physical education and biology - they are Chris Cain, Dale Klement and Wayne Klement. Miss Eileen Hesse, bachelor's degree, cum laude in interior design, Virgil Swirczynski bachelor's degree in marketing. W.D. Pitman gets degree in Education at East Texas State. Joe Henry Walterscheid wins KC Contest in Yule lighting. Community gives 66 units during Bloodmobile visit; Soil directors praise district progress in 1972. Sixty tow Altar Boys of Sacred Heart Church attend Christmas party. Angela Mays and Michael Bezner marry in Lindsay. First Graders of Sacred Heart do Christmas story for TV program.

5 YEARS AGO

Dec. 24, 1976
Christmas parties dominate local news. 1976 building permits for Muenster amounted to \$348,000, while taxable sales for the city top \$46 million. Engagement announced for Hilda Serna and Danny Darwin. Accident kills one and injures several of out-of-area persons on Hwy. 82. Grocery ads list hams for 79 cents.

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Children's Mass
A Children's Mass at 5 p.m. on December 24, will open the Festival of the Nativity of Jesus. Father Stephen Eckart will be celebrant. Also in the entrance procession will be altar boys carrying lighted

red candles, and two children depicting Mary and Joseph, carrying the statue of the Infant Jesus. Prayers offered when the statue is placed in the crib of the Nativity Scene will be the same as those used at Midnight Mass. Music will be directed by

Mmes Ruth Felderhoff and Eileen Fisher. Fifth graders will present the Readings; second graders will offer Prayers of the Faithful and fourth graders will participate in the Offertory procession, followed by presentation of ornaments to place on the

Christmas tree. Pat and John Yosten will direct the children to the altar and Carla Trubenbach and Janie Hennigan will help the children to hang their ornaments. Students of Kindergarten through grade 5 will have reserved places near the front of church.

Midnight Mass

Father Denis Soerries and Father Stephen Eckart will co-celebrate the Mass at Midnight in Sacred Heart Church and the Men's Choir will sing.

Seniors of both high schools will participate in the Liturgy. They were chosen by lot; selections were made by placing all senior names in a box and the names then drawn.

An introductory Reading by Donna Trubenbach will precede the entrance procession. Entering into the church, lighted only by a myriad of Christmas bulbs, will be Terry Edmunds carrying the statue of the Christ Child. Torch bearers will be Kathi Koch, Sherry Muller, Carla Walterscheid, Tom Dangelmayr, Mark Miller and Dale Swirezynski.

Cherilyn Bayer will give the Readings. Mary Bayer, chairman of the Altar Committee will give the Prayers of the Faithful and two couples, Phil and Bernadette Walterscheid and Darell and Kathy Sicking will present Offertory gifts at the altar.

Masses on

Christmas Day

There will be two Masses on Christmas Day. At 8 a.m., the music will be given by Rita Pels and Linda Flusche; the readings by Susan Fetsch and the Offertory petitions by the Celebrant.

At 10 a.m., special Christmas music will be presented by the Sacred Heart Choral Group. Readings will be given by Peggy Grewing.

The New Year's Mass schedule begins with a Mass at 7:30 p.m. on New Year's Eve, with music by the Sacred Heart Choral Group; an early morning Mass at 7:00 a.m.; High Mass at 9:00 a.m. with music by the Men's Choir and the final Mass at 11 a.m. with music by Juanita Bright and Debbie Hess.

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These few words of a popular song, always heard around Christmas, remind us of the joyous holiday that is almost here again. This is definitely the time for celebrating a memorable occasion. Let us think for a minute on that which we are celebrating.

It all began on the City Sidewalks of Bethlehem. Mary and Joseph were searching for lodging and it was a problem to find a place in which to stay in the already overcrowded city. Soon they found a small stable which was made available to them. Few knew that on that night Jesus Christ was to be born.

This event was probably the most important in history and on that night began one of the great religious holy days celebrated everywhere.

This is the time for joy and cheer around the world, whether it is on the city sidewalks of New York, your home town, or in your homes—with family and friends. Christmas means the same in all places where the Spirit of Christ is present.

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This picture of Main Street in Muenster in 1910 shows a dirt road leading from the MKT Depot north past Sacred Heart Church as far as the "Schilling Corner", where it turned east or west into country lanes.

Identifiable buildings, beginning at lower left were the Muenster Depot, the former Henry Stelzer home, and the old Knights of Columbus Hall. At lower right, the first building was the old Waples-Painter Lumber Co. next to it stood the old home of former Postmaster, Charlie Reiter, later the home of the Lawrence Flusches. Also on the right, about at center of the above picture

stood the former Roberg Home. In the next block was the old Walterscheid Blacksmith Shop. The two story white building beyond that was the first Rectory in Muenster. It was sold to Franz Hoening and moved away after the present rectory was built and occupied.

The old red brick Sacred Heart Church, is shown at the far end of the street. Barely visible, beyond the church was the old Parish Hall. Note the wagons in front of the lumber company and also going up the street. This picture was loaned to us by Anthony Luke.

First festival was celebrated in 354 A.D.

Today's Christmas steeped in tradition

No one knows definitely when the first Christmas festival was celebrated. About the year 354 A.D., the church fathers selected December 25 as the date to celebrate. Why this date was chosen is not really known - but the date was one of a familiar Roman feast of the sun, celebrating the victory of light over darkness. This

idea was easily turned from pagan to Christian belief because Christians consider Christ the Light of Life.

Always at this season of the year the Jews had celebrated the Feast of Dedication at which time thousands of candles were lighted as they still are today. So it is most probable that on the night the Babe was born in the lowly stable lights were aglow in Jerusalem for it was the festival season.

For many centuries Christmas was observed solely as a religious service. It was known as Christ Day and special services were read in commemoration of the nativity.

There are many legends about the first Christmas tree - choose the one you like best.

One tells that in the 9th century, Saint Winifred went far north to preach Christianity to the Scandinavian people. One Christmas Eve all were gathered around a huge oak offering sacrifices according to the Druid rites. Saint Winifred, indignant to the pagan festival, hewed down the oak in one stroke and immediately, so the legend goes, a tall, stately fir tree appeared. When he saw this he blessed it saying, "Here is a new tree, unstained by blood. See how it points to the sky. Call it the Tree of the Christ Child, Peace and Good Will." So we have the

evergreen tree representing everlasting life, peace and good will. Atop the tree we place a star, the Star of Hope.

Tree worship was common in the Scandinavian countries and when the northern European countries became Christian they made their sacred evergreen part of the Christian festival and decorated it with gilded nuts, candles (a hold-over from sun worship) and apples to stand for sun, moon and stars.

Christian tradition knows two trees—the Tree of Paradise and the Tree of Life. In the Middle Ages two pine or fir trees were used for religious Christmas plays. One was hung with apples for the Paradise play with a cast of God the Father, Gabriel, Adam, Eve and the Devil. The play ended with man's fall and expulsion from Paradise. The other tree was decorated with red roses for the Nativity play, with the cast of Gabriel, Mary, Joseph, the Innkeeper, the Shepherds and Wise Men. Deep wisdom lies in the difference and we have almost lost it in mixing the idea of both tree—hanging many things on a tree along with candles. Apples are symbols of man's fall into sin and the loss of Paradise, while candles, or lights, symbolize man's ascent to Paradise in the foot steps of Christ and should never be placed on

the same tree.

In accordance with one ancient Christian tradition a tree should have nothing on it but red roses, white candles, and silver thread. The top is crowned with the five-pointed star of Bethlehem. The five-pointed star alone can be the herald of the Son of Man, since it symbolizes the human figure—head, arms outstretched and feet firmly planted on the ground. Silver thread, or tinsel, flows from the Star to remind us of the flow of Divine Light which came to earth with the birth of Christ. The white lights burning upward represent human responses to Divine Grace and prayers offered by man to God.

Another legend tells us of Martin Luther walking home one clear, crisp Christmas Eve, over 400 years ago, when he was so taken by the beauty of the stars shining through the fir trees that he cut a little one and took it home to decorate with lights.

However, there is a record of Henry VIII, who reigned from 1509-1547, having a Christmas tree, and strong defender of the faith that he was, he never would have adopted an invention of Martin Luther.

Whatever the true story, the decoration of a tree at Christmas was an old Scandinavian and German custom that later spread to Great Britain and America.



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Flood was biggest news of 1981



The biggest downpour in the memory of Muenster people came on October 13 flooding all of the city park and causing extensive damage to facilities and fences. The water's depth is indicated by this World War II airplane which clears the ground by about three feet.

For more than any other event, 1981 will be remembered in Muenster as the year of the big flood. According to the weather experts it's the kind that can be expected once in 100 years. A downpour of 12 inches flooded low lands along area creeks, including the city, where it flooded the park and rose to 3 feet in the Dan Luke home. A few other homes had floor damage only.

The big losses were in Lindsay and Gainesville where dozens of families were driven out and homes badly damaged. Another casualty was the Gainesville park and zoo where Gerry the elephant made history by holding on to a tree, under water, and using her trunk as a snorkel for breathing.

Bad as it was, the flood's severity was checked tremendously by some 41 detention dams of the Elm creeks. All were brim full and gushing over spillways, but still served their purpose of holding back many thousands of acre feet of water. However most of them were badly damaged by spillway waters gouging out great portions of the dams. Cost is expected to go into many millions.

Another unusual event was a gas main break requiring more than a day to restore service. When the leak was repaired the company personnel had to check out and turn on every customer in Muenster, Myra and Lindsay. Only a few hours were needed in June to restore electrical service when a suicide snake caused a power outage.

Harvest this year was better than expected after scarce rain early in the year. But then the rain came and delays caused a drop in yield along with a drop in price.

Germanfest was the biggest ever, about 40,000 persons from 34 states and 11 foreign countries, also 2018 fun run finishers. Dick Ferber and Alvin Fuhrman did a great job as co-chairmen.

Another success story comes from Ross Point, judged as tops in a regional community improvement contest. The state level of judging was not held, so Rosston is one of the four regional No. 1s of Texas.

And it's been a rather eventful year for the Muenster schools. Sacred Heart started it in the last season's basketball by sweeping a TCIL tournament, both boys and girls. They took zone titles by beating Notre Dame, Alamo and Christ the King, and district title by beating Tyler Gorman. However they were stopped by two losses each in the state playoffs and finished as No. 4 in Texas TCIL. Also Tigerettes were TCIL state champs in track.

Muenster Public School was strong in the UIL spring meet sweeping elementary and high school divisions for the over-all trophy and also taking separate trophies for track, literary and golf. Four MHS students qualified for the state meet.

Football at MHS was a disappointing ending after a great season. The record was 8-2, one loss being by 1 point after dominating all over the field. That loss deprived the Hornets of the district title. The ball bounced the other way at Sacred Heart. Tigers swept the TCIL opposition in their 4-6 record and took the trophy. But

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Questionnaire favors conservatism

Senator Walter Mengden, Republican from Harris County, has released the results of a questionnaire which he sent to the residents of his district. The results show overwhelming majorities favoring legislation to provide for the right of initiative and referendum, to constitutionally limit taxes, to permit silent prayer in public school, to constitutionally protect the right-to-work, and to aid law enforcement officers in fighting crime.

Strong majorities are opposed to legalizing

marijuana, unlimited abortion on demand, increased welfare spending, and ratification of the constitutional amendment to give Washington, D.C. two U.S. senators. In addition, the majority of the people responding to the questionnaire favor the election of federal judges, and the recall of Texas' ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

By a margin of 25,010 to 1,538, and overwhelming 94.2 per cent of the people support Senator Mengden's proposal to require

criminals to pay restitution to their victims as a mandatory condition of either probation or parole. The use of wiretapping to fight organized crime is supported by 83.8 per cent, while 93.2 per cent of the people believe the state should be able to take depositions of prospective witnesses in criminal cases. In addition, 89.1 per cent believe that the state should have the right to appeal in criminal cases, and 81.3% favor abolishing "temporary insanity" as an affirmative defense in criminal trials.

The questionnaire results also show great concern for drug abuse in Texas. Over four-fifths—81.9 per cent—supported the successful efforts to prohibit the sale of drug paraphernalia in "head shops." The percentage of persons opposing the legalization of marijuana increased this year to 77.1 per cent, while a similar 76.7 per cent favor stiffer penalties for repeat marijuana offenders and pushers. Meanwhile, 80.7 per cent favor a proposal for rewards to citizens who provide information leading to the arrest and conviction of a drug pusher.

Initiative and referendum, which would give the voters the right to directly enact legislation themselves through a process of petition and election, is as popular as ever among the people with an overwhelming 87.6 per cent supporting this proposal.

Tax limitation proposals on the state and local level also drew heavy support. A

proposal that would require that any new or increased state tax be void after two years unless approved in a statewide referendum is favored by 83.9 per cent, and a near-identical 83.2 per cent were for a proposal prohibiting all cities, counties, school districts, and water districts from passing any new tax or increasing any present tax unless approved by a vote of the people.

Another section of Senator Mengden's questionnaire asked what should be done with the available state surplus. Again, there was strong concern about crime, as 88.7 per cent of those responding said there should be increased spending for law enforcement. About one-fourth, or 25.1 per cent, wanted to save all of the surplus for an emergency, 29.6 per cent favored using all of the surplus to reduce state taxes, and 27.3 per cent wanted to use it all to reduce local property taxes. There was increased support for education, with 61.8 per cent wanting to spend part of the surplus for higher salaries for teachers, and 53.9 per cent voting for in-

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a Blissful Christmas

In the hush of this beautiful season we greet each other in the warmth of lasting friendship. As we renew the bonds of our happy relationship, we send thanks from our house to yours.

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Last year...

continued from page 1B... they were mauled by Marian Christian in the state semifinal. The schools this year had 57 grads, 31 at SH and 26 at MHS. 34 of the grads are now enrolled in college. Enrollments this year started with 240 at Sacred Heart and 430 at the public school. With an increase of 38 since last year, the public school has added a teacher and has just approved construction of four more classrooms and one combined classroom and laboratory.

Dec. 26, 1980 Building permits in city total \$408,200 reflecting shortage of money and high interest rates; seven new homes included. Bill Miller, Harold Flusche, Gerry Walterscheid and Harvey Schmitt top displays in Keeping Christ in Christmas.

Jan. 2, 1981 Father Herman Laux, pastor of Sacred Heart Church 1945-49, dies in Subiaco. 1980 moisture measure was 27.14 in Oneta Rennels, 65, of Myra dies. Jack Hogan 66 of Saint Jo dies. Millissa Weinzapfel marries Charles Roper.

Jan. 9, 1981 City increases water-sewer rates...for 15000 gallons charge increases from \$14.75 to \$20.50...to adjust for inflation and get a head start in financing a new water well. City grants 35 year franchise to phone company. Families in Action launch anti-drug program in county. Kathleen Stoffels and Billy Felderhoff marry. SH teams sweep twin bill with MHS. Tigers win 43-28, Tigerettes 47-32. New arrivals; Carolyn Marie

to the Don Sickings; Heather Lee to the Eddie Hellmans; Aaron John to the Claude Klements; Justin Alan to the Alan Britains.

Jan. 16, 1981 Groundbreaking starts First Baptist building program. Burglars fail at Muenster Pharmacy, driven away by alarm. Norbert Koesler sells jewelry store to Mike Fuhrmann. Bank capitalization upped from \$100,000 to \$500,000. Jo Hillis, former tax collector-assessor, dies of cancer. Dr. Bill West of Houston chosen as chamber banquet speaker. Richard Yosten, 58, dies in Kermit. James Bayers observe silver wedding. New arrivals: Jennifer Anne to the Jim Roots, Laura Maria to the Lionel Garcias, Melinda Kaye to the Kevin Fannings, Russell Robert to the Bobby Zimmerers, Monica Mae to the Wayne Mosters.

Jan. 23, 1981 Mark W. Sicking and Clyde Cox abducted and robbed by three blacks; took wallets, watches, tires and battery. Budweiser Clydesdales seen by about 1000 persons. Henry Kuhns Sr. observe golden wedding. Bob Cooke, 79, dies at Abilene. New arrivals: Samuel Keith to the Sam Hernandez, Rupal Dolly to the Vasankumar Patels.

Jan. 30, 1981 Gas main rupture causes an emergency requiring more than 45 men to spend more than 24 hours to check out connections and restore service to 1069 customers in Muenster, Myra and Saint Jo. The 3-inch line was damaged in a terracing operation near Myra. Brigadier General Robinson Risner talks in drug rally. Michael Abney wins Cub Scouts' Pinewood Derby. Jim Luke and Bruce Fuhrmann graduate at Texas Tech. New arrivals: Nathaniel Russell to the Dan Stevensons; Nicholas John to the James Yostens; Amy Beth to the Gary Joe Walterscheids; Justin William to the Guy Bindels; Holly Ann to the Van Harrises.

Feb. 6, 1981 Matt Muller dies at 87. John Wesley Links, 57, of Forestburg, dies in one car accident. Stenholm sees Reagan about economic program. City OKs deep well for regular use, shallow well for park watering. Lupe Evans honored as den leader of the year. Tigers and Tigerettes win TCIL zone title in tournament with Notre Dame, Christ the King and Alamo. Muenster Farm Mutual reports growth and fewer losses.

Feb. 13, 1981 Both SH teams qualify for state playoffs by beating Tyler Gorman in district, Tigerettes 41-33 and Tigers 39-37. Winter's coldest plunges to 6 degrees. Benji Luke of MHS, Diann Caplinger of SHHS and Barry Durham of Era HS receive DAR good citizen awards. Cub Scouts observe 13th anniversary at blue-gold banquet. New administration building nears completion at public school.

Feb. 20, 1981 Sacred Heart observes Catholic School Week. Tigers and Tigerettes lose semifinals at TCIL state playoffs, then lose again in playing other semifinal losers for No. 3 place. Final standing of each is No. 4 in state. Joe J. Neus celebrate 55th. 39 SH students report to Ronnie Hess and Wanda Flusche for track. New arrivals: Carol Ann to the R.C. Bilbrey; Christopher Ray to the Ricky Mauldins; Patrick Joseph to the Robert Millers.

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The Sacred Heart Tigers ended their 1981 season by competing in playoffs for the TCIL state championship. They lost two games ending with a rating of 4th in Class 3A. Tigerettes were also in the playoffs and ended with the same rating. Seen in action here are Brian Herr and Gene Fuhrman. Janie Hartman Photo

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Last year...

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Feb. 27, 1981 City additions since 73 annexed to water district. Public School Week features arts and crafts. County products top \$26 million. Curtis Klement gets CPA rating. City gets \$12,468 Sales Tax check. Martha Friske, 79, dies at Lindsay. State census count is 14,150,575. Howard Sockwells observe golden wedding. 15 Hornets report for baseball. 14 boys and 18 girls report to Coaches Stinson and Felderhoff for MHS track. New arrivals: Adam Matthew to the Monte Barnhills; Jarrod Lee to the Lyle Klements; Jeffrey Austin to the Austin Claytons.

March 6, 1981 TP&L asks for \$198 million system-wide rate hike. Brian Bednorz, John Hartman named in TCIL class 3A all state football team. Gary Endres and Dave Yoth graduate at NSJU. Library staff gives 3,172 hours in '80. Public School Week hailed as best yet. Jeanie Haverkamp marries Glenn Hess. Tigers and Tigerettes dominate TCIL district dream teams in basketball. 3.58 rain was great, ups '81 total to date to 4.62 inch. New arrivals: Lindsey Marie to the Tom Bakers; Samuel Joseph to the Joe Bayers; a son to the Clifford Sickings. New equipment upgrades fire department efficiency.

March 13, 1981 Census report irks Muenster, decline from 1411 to 1399 in ten years is disputed. Hubert Felderhoff dies at 87. Heart fund drive nets \$1150. Sue Endres named district director of Texas Garden Clubs Inc. Annexed areas of city added to water district. D'Ann O'Brien and Billy Haverkamp marry. New arrival: Mindy Michaele to the Gary Giebs.

March 20, 1981 City library gets \$2,262 grant from Dobie Library Trust. Firemen get CPR instruction. Lola Bright marries Frank Rust. Judy Herr marries Barry Dan Moore. Muenster track teams shine at Saint Jo meet, Tigerettes were No. 1 in their division, Tigers No. 4; Hornets were first, Hornettes second in their division. MHS baseball starts with losses to Nocona and Boyd. New arrivals: Jeffrey Todd to the Jerry Wilsons; Lucas Matthew to the Clinton Bayers; Charles Frank to the Duwayne Schillings; Kimberly Ann to the Herbert Richardsons.

March 27, 1981 140 pints donated in blood drive. Sally Williams of Texans' War on Drugs blasts drug abuse menace at Chamber of Commerce banquet. 350 animals sell as Junior Stock Show sale. Kids raise \$2900 in Jump Rope for Heart. Mary Bayer continued on page 4B...



About 1000 people came to town to see the famous Budweiser Clydesdales. The appearance turned out to be an interesting presentation of the simple routine in

which horses were unloaded, harnessed and hitched to their wagon. After their exhibition drive the horses were unhitched, unharnessed and re-loaded into their trucks.

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An extension food specialist at Oklahoma State University, she advises that

displays can wear down your resistance without your knowing it.

"Notice the checkout line with gum, candy, magazines and cigarettes to attract your attention while you wait. Before you know it, you or your child may have added an item or two to the cart," she says.

She advises you to watch how foods are priced. Surveys show shoppers are more apt to buy multiple priced things, such as three for 89 cents, for example.

"Check to see if the food is really a bargain. Then buy only what you need. You'll still be charged at the special price if you buy only two of the three for 89 cents items," Mrs. Brown says.

She comments that stores sometimes use "loss leaders." These are foods sold at low prices to get you into the store. "These are bargains, but they may be displayed next to a related item sold at a high price—cheese displayed by crackers or salad dressing by lettuce.

"When making your choice, don't use package size, since this can be deceiving. Look for the weight of the product or use the unit price as a basis for comparison.

Holiday Greetings



May your holidays be wrapped in happiness, engineered for fun and merriment! Expressing our sincere appreciation for your patronage.

Johnson Motor Co.

Christmas Blessings

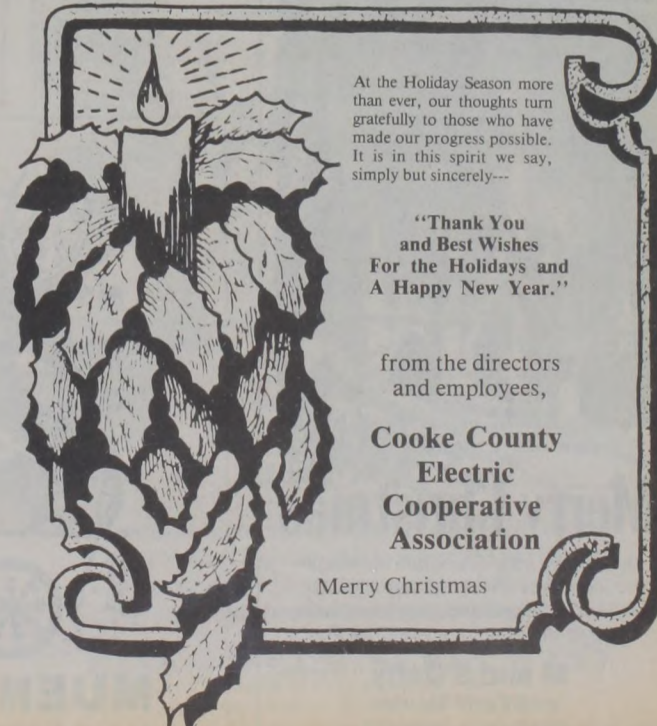
WE EXULT IN THE DIVINE MIRACLE AND REMEMBER ITS TRUE MEANING. AT THIS SACRED SEASON, IN THIS HOLIEST OF ALL TIMES, WE ARE WARMED BY HIS GIFTS. AND IN THAT SPIRIT, WE EXTEND OUR REVERENT GRATITUDE TO OUR FINE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.



We invite you to celebrate the Birth of Jesus with us.
Special Children's Mass at 5 p.m. Christmas Eve.
Midnight Mass at 12 midnight
(Christmas Carols, preceding Midnight Mass, will begin at 11:30 p.m.)
Christmas Day Masses at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Sacred Heart Church & School

Father Denis Soerries, O.S.B., Father Stephen Eckart, O.S.B.
And our Staff of Benedictine Sisters, Lay Teachers and CCD Teachers



At the Holiday Season more than ever, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible. It is in this spirit we say, simply but sincerely---

"Thank You and Best Wishes For the Holidays and A Happy New Year."

from the directors and employees,
Cooke County Electric Cooperative Association

Merry Christmas



A view of the crowd at the biggest Germanfest of them all. Total attendance for the three day event was estimated at 40,000.

Last year...
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marries Lewis Seay. Rhonda Wickliffe marries Michael Jones. Tigerettes take first in Muenster Relays. Hornets drop double header to Pottsboro. New arrivals: Lisa Marie to the Keith Cleggs; Stephanie Marie to Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hess; Mary Elizabeth to the Rick DeOlmos.

April 2, 1981 Muenster KCs host initiation, add 11 members. Dinner dance observes Jr. Elite 15th anniversary. 30 to 40 sandhill cranes make annual rest stop at Billy Joe Dangelmayr's. Michael Kendall marries Alice Schad. Doris Felderhoff named Coach of the Year in basketball of Greater Houston area. MHS girls second in district (tennis). New arrival: Blake to Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bruns; Jeremy Bart to the Dale Terrys;

Kerry Marie to the August Fleitmans. Erick to the Gary Fishers.

April 10, 1981 Dolores Luke dies of Leukemia. Election winners are Leo Hess and David Fette on city council, Leon Klement and Dale Klement on school board. Judge Terry Winborn succeeds Judge John Marshall on municipal court. Public school elem. is No. 1, HS is No. 2 in Uil district literary meet. MHS girls win district track. MHS golf teams are district champs. Tigers & Tigerettes win track meet. New arrivals: Aaron Michael to the Gerald Biffles.

April 17, 1981 Countdown begins for Germanfest. Electric Co-continued on page 5B...

DON'T PLAY SANTA TO XMAS THIEVES

Don't play Santa to thieves this holiday season. A car loaded with packages in the front or back seats is an open invitation to roving thieves.

Christmas shoppers often drive from one shopping area to another and make purchases at each stop. Even when away from the car for a few minutes, lock the door and be sure all windows are closed.

When leaving the car, put packages in the trunk and lock it. Don't tempt thieves by putting parcels on display inside the car, warns Dorothy G. Blackwell, extension home management specialist at Oklahoma State University.

If personal belongings—and Christmas gifts—were stolen from a car, the loss may be covered by personal property floater insurance policy or a homeowners "package" policy.

Depending on the type of insurance purchased, thefts of personal property from a motor vehicle or trailer, other than a public conveyance such as a bus or a taxicab, may be covered only if the thief forces the vehicle open while all the doors, windows and other openings in the car are closed and locked, Blackwell explained.

Cheap antifreeze may not be a bargain

AUSTIN—Everyone loves a bargain, but cutting corners on your car's antifreeze is the best way to take all the fun out of cold weather driving, warns Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown.

"Sometimes the price on a particular brand of antifreeze seems too good to be true, and in some cases it is," said Brown, whose department is responsible for seeing that all antifreeze sold in the state meets rigid standards of performance. "If the price seems especially low, and you are not familiar with the brand, it would be wise to contact any Texas Department of Agriculture field office to see if the antifreeze meets minimum standards of freeze and corrosion protection, and is registered for sale with TDA," he said.

Before certifying any antifreeze for sale in the state, the TDA tests the product to make sure it offers the exact level of freeze protection as is

stated on the label. Specifications also require that the antifreeze not foam excessively (which could cause the engine to overheat) and that it contain ingredients to inhibit corrosion in the cooling system.

"Most brands of antifreeze that we test are high quality products, but we have had cases of inferior antifreeze and even sea water being bottled and put on the market by a few unscrupulous operators," said Brown. "Our job is to make sure the consumer knows what he is buying, and gets what he pays for. Today's automobile prices being what they are, this job is more important than ever."

Brown added that methyl alcohol, which offers good freeze protection, also evaporates easily and that any product using methyl alcohol as its base must state on the label that it is not suitable as a summer engine coolant.



A Joyous Christmas

May the spiritual peace of this Christmas enter into your lives. It's a time of joy... a time to wish everyone the happiness and contentment of that Holy night long ago. Thanks.

ALL STAR LANES

Tom & Linda Baker
E. Hwy. 82, Across from Shopping Center
Gainesville

Hi at Christmas

We take pride in our many satisfied customers and want to express our appreciation for their continuing trust and confidence.

Ken's Kerr McGee

Merry Christmas

Blessed are they who share the magic and wonder of Christmas. As the holiday unfolds, may you and your loved ones enjoy its divine spirit and infinite joys.

M and S Dairy and Farm Center
1529 N. Dixon, Gainesville

GREETINGS

Here's to a sleighful of happiness this Christmas. May you enjoy its many pleasures and treasures.

Stockmen's Feed Store
Roy, Junior and Buster

A Joyous Christmas

May the glow of our warmest wishes be with you. Merry Christmas, and thanks.

Case Power and Equipment
Albert Zimmerer
West Hwy. 82, Gainesville

Santa's on his way, speeding boundless treasures to every girl and boy. As he makes his rounds, spreading good cheer, we join him in the spirit of the holiday with wishes for

A very Merry Christmas to All

MUESTER BUILDING CENTER INC.
817-759-2232



Who can forget the first glimpse of the interior of Sacred Heart Church, each Christmas Eve before Midnight Mass, illuminated only by the hundreds of Christmas lights used by Brother Thomas Moster, to

decorate two huge cedar trees in the sanctuary, and smaller trees at the side altar? These pictures loaned to us by Jim Luke and Brother Thomas Moster.

Last year...
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op reports progress in spite of inflation. James Bright, Ronnie Fisher, John Walterscheid admitted to Order of the Arrow. Sacred Heart wins both divisions of TCIL district track. MHS is No. 2, Muenster Juniors No. 1 in district track. Forestburg FFA judging teams win 3 first and 1 second. Hornets are No. 1 in district tennis.

April 24, 1981 Mrs. Elizabeth Neu, nears 110th. Mr. Jennie Schilling first Schutzenfest queen, recalls early version of Germanfest. Paschal meal held for parish youth. 28 MHS students qualify for UIL regionals in literary and athletic. Emil Herr, 86, dies at Hereford. Fr. Felty, Myra native dies. Renate Hess, Jackie Farrell win at twirling festival.

May 1, 1981 Germanfest was great. Crowd estimate 40,000; 506 kegs of beer, 2040 entries and 2018 finishers in Fun Run. Jaskas named Aggie parents of the year. Leo Hoedebecks observe golden wedding. New arrivals: Russell Benjamin to the Dave Fettes; Preston Michael to the Jim Lukes; Christel Lee to the Bill Hopfers.

May 8, 1981 Banquet honors academic and athletic achievement at MHS. John Zimmerman named Hornet Hustler. Tompkins named chief of police. Tigerettes are TCIL state champs in track. Muenster is

over all champ in district UIL. Rosston wins district in community improvement. 34 states, 11 foreign countries represented at Germanfest. Lisa Trubenbach marries Kim Walterscheid. Diane Fuhrmann marries John Hermes. New arrivals: Pamela Nicole to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Simmons; Lacy Paige to the Bob Hultstrands; a son to the Ricky Endreses; Dara Dawn to the Nick Walterscheid.

May 15, 1981 Banquet honors SH students. Lisa Hennigan is valedictorian, Jamie Moster salutatorian. Jinx haunts MHS state qualifiers. Conservation champs honored at 32nd annual banquet. Henry Popp wins in Zone 3. Enterprise gets press award. Garden Club presents flower show. Robert Hess and Janette Yosten marry. Awards banquet honors Junior High students. Forestburg FFA give banquet. New arrivals: William Ray to the Dean Mahons; Stacey Marie to the Rick Swirczynski; Elisa Gale to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Endres; Rachel Michelle to the Keith Wiesmans; Eric Paul to the Paul Bauers.

May 22, 1981 MHS has commencement, John Zimmerer is valedictorian, Barbara Wimmer is salutatorian. MHS has 26 grads, SHHS has 31 grads. Parish observes 25th jubilee of Father Denis' ordination. College grads: Damian Luke at SFASU, Gayle Miller at NTSU, Sam Bright at Baylor. Forestburg FFA has banquet. SH

banquet honors achievements. Beverly Pels marries Steve Stevens. Peggy Winn is Miss Congeniality at Teenagers Pageant. City gets \$13,202 sales tax check. Zimmerer, Biffle shine in UIL state. New arrivals: Nathan Thomas to the Tom Yosters.

May 29, 1981 Rain delays bumper crop harvest. Ross Point judged top in regional community judging. Rene Stelzer advances to UIL state voice competition. College grads: Pat Davidson at A&M, Judy Fisher at UTA, Craig Sangster at Baylor, Debbie Endres at NTSU, Susan Moster at SWOSU, Cathy Bartush at Benedictine, Laura Sicking at Texas Tech, Mark Kuta at Arizona U. Kathy Knabe weds Darell Sicking. Margaret Fette marries George Schindler. Muenster hosts state garden club meeting.

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Drop your weapons under mistletoe

Much of our present day folklore of medicines, superstitions and Christmas customs comes from practices and beliefs of early Britons and can even be traced further back to the Druids. The Druids believed

the sun never deserted the holly tree and to them it was a sacred plant.

Mistletoe, before the Christian era, enemies meeting beneath a spray of it, would drop their weapons and embrace in friendship.



The Enterprise received two awards of excellence during the past year. Editor R.N. Fette here shows the handsome wooden plaque received at the annual conservation banquet for support of soil and water conservation in the Upper Elm-Red District. Theresa Rainwater shows a plaque from the East Texas Press Association for her feature story on Plumlee's Mammoth Jacks.

Staff Photo

A gardener's Christmas carol

On the first day of Springtime
My true love gives to me:
Five packs of seed
Four sacks of fertilizer
Three cans of weed killer
Two bottles of insect spray
And a pruning knife for the pear tree.
-North Carolina Gardener

The little drummer boy

When the Christ child was born, many gifts of great beauty and splendor were brought to the manger. But one small boy who was very poor had nothing to offer the Lord, and he was very sad. Then he thought, "I can play my drum for Him." And so he did. Pa-rum-pum-pum, pa-rum-pum-pum! He played with all the love in his heart, and as he played, the Baby Jesus smiled, showing that at Christmas the gift of love is the best gift of all.

Reprocessing nuclear fuel saves energy...

let's quit wasting it.



Reprocessing aluminum cans reduces waste problems and also saves energy. So would reprocessing nuclear fuel.

We Americans have a well-earned reputation for finishing whatever we begin. But today there's unfinished business delaying our progress toward energy independence: We don't yet have a national policy for reprocessing nuclear fuel and storing nuclear waste.

When the used fuel is removed from nuclear power plants, less than three percent of the volume is waste. The remainder makes substantial amounts of fuel available for future use, after the wastes are removed in a reprocessing plant. A large commercial reprocessing plant has been successfully operating in France since 1976. In America this same process can help us extend our supplies and ease the problems of waste disposal by

making it possible to store only the wastes. We know how to reprocess the fuel and how to store wastes safely. When to start reprocessing, and where to store the wastes, are decisions the Federal Government is responsible for. And they still haven't been made.

At your electric company, we believe the decisions should be made. And we believe that the users of the reprocessing and storage facilities should bear their expense. We also believe there's an urgent need to make decisions now — so that we can plan for the future, and you can be assured of a dependable supply of electricity at a reasonable cost.

TPL TEXAS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
A tax-paying, investor-owned electric utility



May all the joy and beauty of that Holy Night be with you at Christmastide.

Metzler Bros. Drive In
Lindsay



Today, and always, may you enjoy the unbounded spirit and transcendent joy of Christmas. Our thanks to gracious friends.

St. Richard's Villa Inc.

Residents and Staff

JOY TO ALL



Gathered round Santa in merry celebration, we think of our friends and take this moment to say "thanks." We appreciate your continuing association and hope your holidays will be bright and happy!

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DIVISION OF MILEY TRAILER CO., INC.
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Last year...
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June 5, 1981 New sanctuary of Baptist Church dedication set for Sunday, June 7. 67 deceased service men honored at Memorial service. Local harvest halted by relentless rain. Charles Sicking receives PhD in Geophysics from UT. George Luke is honor graduate at UT. Paul Caplinger gets degree in Radiological Technology at Midwestern. Estelle Martin and Stephen Wood marry. Tina Garrett and Ben Bindel marry. Mrs. Bert Fisch, 83, dies in Fort Worth. Mrs. Mary Christine Fuhrmann, 89, dies in Lindsay. New arrivals: Jessica Eden to the Dean Sicking; Kathryn

Elizabeth to the Ken Schmitz; Casey Loy to the Donnie Gilbreath; Jessica Marie to the Johnny Pegg; Gayle Nicole to the Bert Walterscheid.

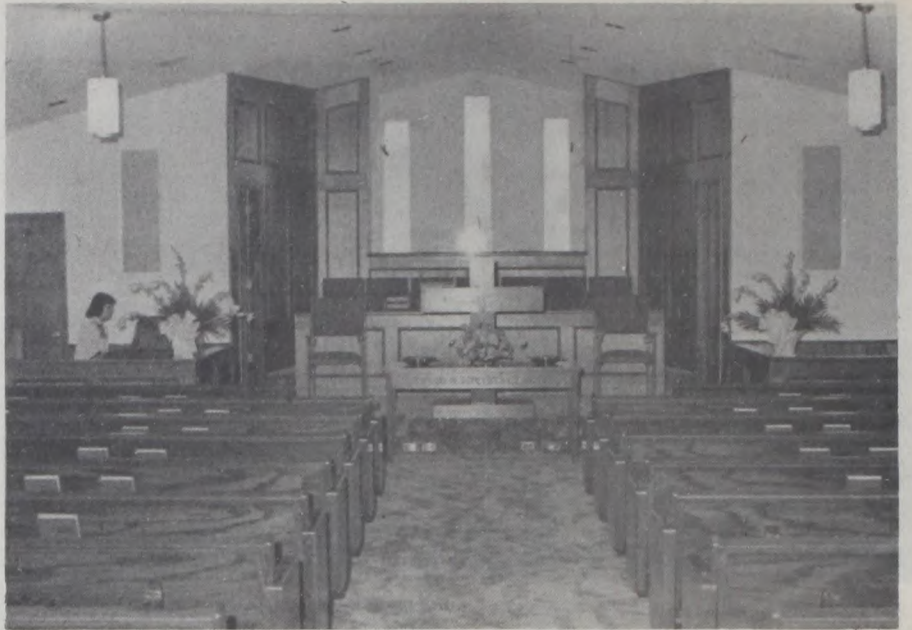
June 12, 1981 Combines are running! but mud hampers progress. MHS names Leonard Peters and Charles Meurer as coaches. Germanfest steering committee hears report of festival as big business. Weddings: Nita Browning to Rickie Jones; Sally Sherrill to Charlie Switzer; Lisa Golden to Tom Carson. J.M. Weinzapfel honored on 87th birthday. New arrivals: Michelle Evon for the Manuel Sernas; Matthew Doyle for Mr. and Mrs. William Wilkes.

June 19, 1981 Sister Mary John Seyler named prioress of Holy

Angels Convent, president of the board of St. Bernard's Medical Center and Mother Superior of the Olivetan Benedictine Sisters. Stephen Beyer is new principal at SH School. Harvest proceeds slowly. Red Cross swim program begins next week. Father's Day picnic set at Community Center Sunday. Weddings: Rose Felderhoff and John Henscheid; Myron Hess and Barbara Baggett. Cooke County Cubs gather for annual Day Camp. Jim Schwab gets PhD in Business Management at UT. First Baptist Church organizes "Mothers Day Out" as special ministry.

June 26, 1981 Soil Conservation state office says lake project has high priority. DAR honors memory of F.W. Fischers. Power failure caused by foolish snake lasts for one hour and 20 minutes and delays dinner at Community Center. Cooke County Oil Production tops 4 million barrels in 1980. Weddings: Janet Krahl and Samuel Jordan; Stephen Hoenig and Deborah Hayslip. Sister Yvonne Lerner named sub-prioress, second highest position at Benedictine Convent. Myrtle Moon, 89, dies in California. New arrivals: Ashli Brooke for the Sam Bezners; Magan Lee for the Hank Arendts.

July 3, 1981 Public school names teachers. Jaycees set fish fry for Aug. 22. Thirteen finish Red Cross class in Basic Rescue and Water Safety. Weddings: Pat Endres and Janice Krebs; Tracey Pilcher and Mike Cox; Jeffrey Kelley and Sheila French. Hugh Lee Tuggle, 63, dies of heart attack. Pat Henigan, Jr. gets degree in Banking and Finance at NTSU. Family observes Victor Hartman's 78th birthday. continued on page 7B...



The dedication of the new sanctuary and worship center of First Baptist Church was held on June 7 following

completion of the building in less than a year. Ground-breaking ceremonies were held on January 11.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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BLESSED NIGHT

Let the light of the radiant Christmas Star cast its glow upon you and those you love.

Wil-O-Mac
Gainesville



Cub Scouts have a try at marksmanship as a part of their instruction in safety with guns. The instruction, with BB guns was given at the Cub Scouts' annual county-wide outing in the Muenster City Park. Janie Hartman Photo

Always a star

There's always a Star,
If the eye wishes to see;
For the wise man travels far,
When his vision is free.
There's always a Child
In a manger so bare,
But the angels of God
Stand guarding Him there.
Wise men of today
From near and afar
Seek light through the Child
In the peace of the Star.
-Dr. Gilbert Darlington

Christmas Customs From the Past

Christmas 1917
by Mrs. Andy Schoech

Christmas is here again.
Tis such a happy time,
With kids and toys around the tree
In a new nightie, Oh! so fine.
So memories take me back
To the days of yore.
T'was Christmas with my family
When I was only four.
We put the plates beneath the tree,
For Santa Claus to come.
How happy to see the plates he filled
With nuts, oranges, apples and
some gum.
T'was the things we didn't have
All the year around.
To see the goodies beneath the tree
Made us the happiest kids in town.
The Nativity was placed beside the
tree.
In the manger we put some hay.
The cows & sheep were placed around
The three kings there knelt to pray.
Then Mama told the story
Of that first Christmas Day

With Jesus lying in the crib,
How the Wise Men came to pray.
Then Papa said, "Let's light the
tree
To see how it will glow."
The candles, they were Oh! so small
How carefully we did go.
And when the candles all were lit
We'd sing our German songs,
"O Kinderlein Kommet"
"O Tannenbaum, O Tannenbaum"
Then carefully one by one
We blew the candles out,
So scared we were "t'would catch a
branch
And would burn down our house.
T'was Christmas Oh! so long ago,
But memories linger on,
With grandchildren around the tree
We still sing those German songs.

Written by Mrs. Andy Schoech in memory of her parents the late Mr. and Mrs. George Spaeth.

"The Puritan way"

Christmas itself had a hard time in Colonial New England, where the Puritans forbade any observance of the season and even worked harder on Christmas Day than on others to show their disdain for it as a pagan holiday. In 1659, in Massachusetts the Puritan ban on all Christmas celebrations was enforced by this decree: "Whosoever shall be found observing any such day as Christmas or the like, either by forbearing of labour, feasting, or any other way, upon any such accounts as aforesaid, every such person so offending shall pay for every such offense five shillings, as a fine to the county."
-The Trees of Christmas

Best Wishes

Santa drives your way with our sincere wishes for a joyous holiday. Your trust and confidence are a privilege—thanks to our patrons.

Sicking Tractor Co. and Sicking Fertilizer Co.
Johnny Sicking and Sons

HALLELUJAH!

Peace on earth, good will to all, as we celebrate the miracle of our saviour's birth. At this holy time, we give thanks.

Joe Walter Lumber Co., Inc.
705 Summit, Gainesville

It's **Christmas!**

We hope you enjoy a wonderful holiday filled with merriment and glee, from start to finish. Thanks all.

Commerce Street Store
Pete Brisco, Gainesville

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May your holiday be filled with wonder and all your wishes come true. Many thanks for your loyal, continued support.

Red River Cut-Rate Liquor
East Hwy 82, Muenster, 759-4131



Lupe Evans was overwhelmed when told she is this year's Jaycee selection for Muenster's Outstanding Citizen. She is shown here receiving the award from

Wayne Klement. Applauding are Linda Flusche, Nancy Lippe, Mark Lippe, Ross Felderhoff and Jose Santa Maria. Janie Hartman Photo



The Chamber of Commerce project of changing an eyesore into an attraction started with this ground leveling by Herbert Yosten. Others in the transformation project were Dick and Daryl Ferber and Dave Fette. It's been named Mid-Park. Staff Photo

Last year...

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July 10, 1981 New and repaired pavement, new lighting system at Ball Park, and new water well completed discussed at City Council meeting. Ramon Luke completes training as helicopter pilot. Kathie Fisher weds Tim Herr. The Bike-athon for Cystic Fibrosis earns over \$910. Kate Stelzer observes 89th birthday with guests. New arrivals: Bobby Ray for the Herbert Fishers; Daniel Ray for the Kevin Hackers; Lydia Michelle for the Chris Felderhoffs; Brandon Michael for the Roy Klements.

July 17, 1981 Jaycees honor Lupe Evans with "Outstanding Citizen" Award. Chamber of Commerce names Daryl Ferber project chairman of new "Mid-Park". Larry Kinard and Dr. Bernard Luke named co-chairmen of Harvest Hoedown. Rosston is ready for "Sam Bass Days". Janet Ann Gieb, 20, is victim of car crash.

Mrs. Leo Hoedebeck, 69, dies here. Lindsay hosts Catholic State League. New arrivals: Erica Gayle for the Michael Fuhrmanns; Virginia Rose for the David Huchtons.

July 24, 1981 Care-Flite answers emergency, transfers child to Fort Worth hospital. Temperature hits 100 after mild summer to date. Moisture is below normal, only 19.56 in. for year to date. August 10 set to start football at both schools. Ronald Sandmann marries Gay Mollenkopf. Reception honors Mother Mary John. Rosston celebrates Sam Bass day. New arrival: Joseph Cohn to the Johnny Starks.

July 31, 1981 New administration building completes \$570,631 expansion program at Muenster ISD, also included enlarging and repairing high school wing and comprehensive athletic field improvements. Milo harvest going fine. Hard working few convert neglected lot

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the joy and peace of that first Christmas be with you and yours
this season. Our wish is for all hearts to be filled
with gladness, contentment and the desire for real brotherhood.
Our gratitude to the kind, generous people we serve.

Your Cooke County Officials

Frank Scoggin
County Clerk

Jerry Lewis
Commissioner Precinct 3

Bobbie Calhoun
District Clerk

Joyce Zwinggi
Tax Assessor-Collector

David London
State Representative

Chuck Bartush Jr.
County Attorney

Robert Bayer
Commissioner Precinct 4

Dan Tiller
County Sheriff

Jim Robertson
County Judge

Larry Sullivant
235th District Judge

Irene Bryant
County Treasurer



It's time to gather in friendship
and good will to celebrate the
memory of good times, good
cheer. Our holiday best to you.

METAL SALES, INC.

Henry and Robert and Employees
W. Hwy. 82, Gainesville



PHOTOS FROM THE PAST

How many of us Senior Citizens recall Christmas in our childhood, when we walked through the pre-dawn cold to attend the 5 a.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church, celebrated by Father Frowin Koerd on Christmas morning, the first of his three Masses that day? This picture of Fr. Frowin was loaned to us by Mrs. Clem Reiter.



May the beauty of Christmas be an inspiration to you and those you love. Thanks for your faith.

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 We bring variety to life!

Anthony and Leona Luke



Like the Wise Men, let us follow The Star to discover the true joy of this cherished holiday. MAY PEACE BE YOURS!

Gehrig Hardware
R & J's Western Wear
 Muenster

Last year...

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to Mid-Park, a Chamber of Commerce project. Sister Gebharda, former SH teacher, dies. Susan Moster and Arnold Yosten graduate at SWOSU. New arrival: Preston Chris to the Chris Cagles.

Aug. 7, 1981 Don Abney and Mike Frost represent city at firemen's school. Bernadette Knabe weds Phil Walterscheid. Mark Schmitt and Diane Wimpres marry. Helen Rohmer marries David Whitecotton. Leo Schmitz of Gainesville dies. 295 students attend vacation bible school. Ray Voths, Ray Walterscheid and Vincent Zimmerers tour Europe.

Aug. 14, 1981 County Judge Underwood quits. 29 report for Tiger football, 27 for Hornets. City invests \$93,000 in paving job. Richard Stark is secretary of state-wide electric co-op lawyers. 34 SH students join national honor society. Karen Luttmir marries Gordon Gehl. Arnold Yosten and Kathy Powell marry. Open house honors residents of St. Richard's Villa. Wilmer Walterscheid assigned to Michigan U research. KC's honor long time members. New arrivals: Jessica Christine to the David Brights, Jr., Patrick Wm. Jr. to the Patrick Fleitmans.

Aug. 21, 1981 Schools enroll 670, 15 more than last year. Public school has 430, Sacred Heart 240. 69 merit badges and 8 advancements announced at Scout court of honor. City gets \$13,853 sales tax rebate. Jim Robertson succeeds Greg Underwood as county judge. Lisa Krahl marries Steven Hughes. Sparkman Vann of Gainesville dies. New arrivals: Debra Lee to the Danny Voths; a son to the Mike Moreys, Lyndsay Lee to the Tom Becks; Chad Alden to the Ronnie Felderhoffs, Jason Aaron to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Hess.

Aug. 28, 1981 Ban cancelled on gas lights. Twilight Trot has 98 finishers. Gina Hofbauer opens dance studio. Tracey Klement graduates at A&M. Jaycees hold annual fish fry. Sherri Herr marries Monte Haverkamp. Bridget Jaska marries James Krahula. Deaths: Ike Fulton of Myra, Bob Evans of continued on page 9B...



Membership pins ranging from 50 to 65 years were presented to these Knights of Columbus at a breakfast ceremony August 16 in the K of C Hall. Pictured are Joe Horn, Oscar Walter, Al Walter, Charles Stelzer, J.M. Weinzappel, Ted Gremminger, R.N. Fette, Clarence Hellman; back row: J.A. Klement, J.W. Fisher, J.J. Wimmer, Pat Fisher, Albert Dangelmayr and Paul Walterscheid.

Microwave Oven Cooking Is Tricky

A microwave oven can be one of your biggest time savers or the most expensive dust catcher in the kitchen.

If your microwave oven tends to be a dust catcher, you may need to take time to learn how to use the appliance, says Barbara J. Brown, extension food specialist at Oklahoma State University.

Most beginning microwave cooks overcook food, she says. "It's an easy thing to do because foods keep cooking after the oven turns off."

To solve this, Mrs. Brown advises planning for a rest time after the oven turns off to allow for extra cooking. This means select-

ing the shortest cooking time in a recipe.

The rest time will vary from 1 to 3 minutes for small items, up to 15 minutes for large items such as

roasts or turkey.

"You can always add more cooking time. But once food is overcooked, you're stuck," Mrs. Brown says.



Like the Wise Men, let us follow The Star to discover the true joy of this cherished holiday. MAY PEACE BE YOURS!

Bayer Concrete

Art & Frances Bayer, Muenster

News of St. Richard's Villa

December has been a busy month for the residents of St. Richard's Villa. Many volunteers have visited bringing gifts, and more are expected.

The members of the Amazing Grace Choir from the Sanger Baptist Church entertained the residents on December 1. They sang several hymns and carols.

All the residents received a real treat on Wednesday, December 2, as Beta Kappa members brought an advent bag for each resident. Louise Fisher, Loretta Felderhoff, Margie Wimmer, and Dolores Miller distributed the bags, which were filled with an assortment of gifts and candies. Although they explained that one gift was to be taken from the bag for each day until Christmas, few of the residents exercised that self-control.

The members of the Cross Timbers Band played for the residents on Thursday the 3rd. The residents with December birthdays included Bertha Bewley (12-29-1895), Clyva Gobble (12-3-1898), and Dena Howell (12-21-1900). Everyone was served cake, provided by Mrs. Gobble and Mae Streng. A sparkling grape drink was provided by Red River Cut Rate Liquor.

Ruth Needham had a beautiful poinsetta delivered to brighten the halls for the holiday season. Out thanks go out to her.

On Saturday, Dec. 12, Beta Kappa had a benefit tea for the residents of St. Richard's in the home of Johnnie and Louise Fisher. Several of the residents were able to attend, including Bess Orrell, Margaret Eckart, Bertha Bewley, Cassie Parsley, Ted Gremminger, Edgar Linn, John Schmitz, and Buck Ware. Assisting the residents were W.D. Fuson, Gertie Horn, Eula Grace Cain, and Caroline Hess. The residents enjoyed the day out, and we wish to thank the Beta Kappa members and Johnnie and Louise Fisher for their efforts.

The St. Joseph's Society brought out a huge fruit basket for the residents to enjoy. And, they do enjoy it.

Members of the Muenster 4-H brought cookies on the 8th and sang Christmas carols for the residents. They brought so many cookies that the residents are still enjoying them after activities.

Mrs. Helen Dunbar, of Saint Jo, was admitted to St. Richard's on Dec. 9, after a

stay at Muenster Memorial Hospital.

On December 14, residents set up the Christmas tree in the lobby of St. Richard's and decorated it with red, white, and silver decorations. After they finished, they celebrated with cookies, brought by the 4-H and punch.

The residents of St. Richard's wish to extend a special thanks to all the members of St. Anne's Society, who spend time with us each Wednesday. They really make the day special.

Santa Claus will be at St. Richard's Villa at 6:30 on December 23.



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Last year...
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Gainesville, Matt Pulte of Gainesville, Minnie Cannon of Saint Jo. New arrival: Daniel Thomas to the Tommy Felderhoffs.
Sept. 4, 1981 750 attend Forestburg Watermelon Festival. Linda Sandmann competes in State 4-H fashion revue. 34 of 1981 grads enroll in college. Nancy Luke and Fray Webster marry. Elizabeth Neu celebrates 110th. George Hammer dies. Tigers and Hornets both looking good. Livestock brands and marks must be re-recorded.
Sept. 11, 1981 Dean Swirczynski, 18, dies of oil rig electrocution. City budget is \$322,687. Homecoming: Johnny Pagel returns to Community Lumber Co. MHS has 2 German exchange students. Kim

Walterscheid marries Kenneth Felderhoff. Tom Hess marries in North Carolina. Joe Haverkamp of Gainesville dies. Mrs. Chris Jensen dies in Wichita Falls. Pamela Pappas weds in Florida. MHS 35, Callisburg 0. SHHS 0, Petrolia 27. Forestburg school enrolls 112. New arrival: Matthew Joseph to the Angelo Nasches.
Sept. 18, 1981 Area gets 5.13 in soaker in four days. Alan Rohmer marries Connie Tole. Terry Hess marries Sharon Dutton. John Crawford dies in Arlington. 550 attend Myra firemen's barbecue. Harry Kinne of Gainesville dies. MHS 7, Nocona 0. SHHS 13, Trinity valley 38. MHS starts volleyball as district and bi-district champ. Revised city budget is \$336,085.
Sept. 25, 1981 Tracey Sawyer is MHS homecoming queen. Chamber sponsors Harvest Hoedown:

Knights bomb MHS 33-20. SHHS 0, Valley View 13. Wm. Reinart of Lindsay dies. Gerald Metzler and Mary Katherine Fisher graduate at NTSU.
Oct. 2, 1981 Hornets upset 1980 State Champions Valley View in football 29-22. DAR observes Constitution Week. Little enthusiasm shown for rough, dusty pavement, but it still had price appeal. Andy Stelzer is new junior vice commander of Texas Dept. of VFW. Dolores Shively honored by Memphis Veterans Hospital. Brenda Wimmer and Kim Nix marry here. Mistakes beat Tigers 13-12 with Fort Worth Christian - next game will be against Alvord. New arrival: Erin Suzanne for Mr. and Mrs. John Michael Forehand.
Oct. 9, 1981 4-H Achievement Banquet honor Gold Star boy and girl, Trey Yarbrough and Linda Sandmann. United Way drive begins. Larry Kinard is local chairman. \$5,800 is local goal. \$125,000 is county goal. City declines to up fluoride content in water. It's autumn, 50 degree temperature, 4.75 in of soaking rain. Sharon Voth marries George Luke. Cathy Flusche marries Daniel Kent. Joe Knabe dies at 78. Hornets 26, S&S 14. Jaycees sponsor PP&K. SHHS 18, Alvord 6. New arrivals: Brian Lawrence to the Larry Kostyniaks, Darren Thomas to the Tom Hennigans, Kelly Ann to the Tim Felderhoffs.
Oct. 16, 1981 12 inch rain floods area, causes extensive damage to farm lands, flood prevention dams and city park. Gainesville TP&L occupies new building. Dennis and Kathy Hess buy Hess Furniture.

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Skippy the Clown with his magic and balloon shaping was the kids' favorite attraction for the Harvest Hoedown sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce on

September 19. He's shown here performing one of his tricks. Staff Photo



Christmas

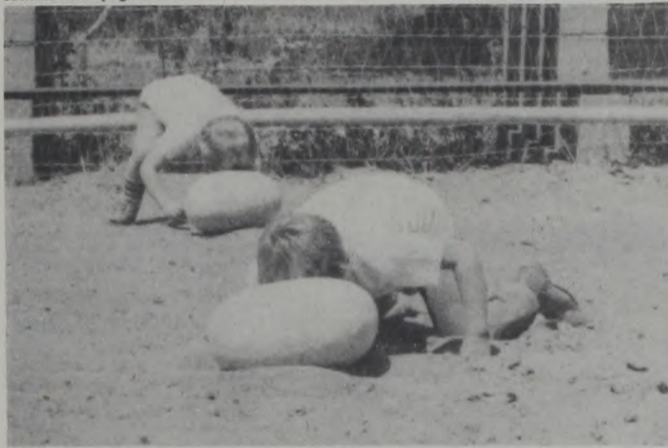
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Bryan Huckaby was the winner in the 4 to 7 age group in the watermelon roll contest in Forestburg's Watermelon Festival. 759 persons attended the fun day
Janie Hartman Photo

"...And then some" A legend of dogwood

A retired business executive was once asked the secret of his success. He replied that it could be summed up in three words — "and then some."
 "I discovered at an early age," he declared, "that most of the difference between average people and top people could be explained in three words. The top people did what was expected of them — and then some."
 "They were thoughtful of others, they were considerate and kind — and

then some. They met their obligations and responsibilities fairly and squarely — and then some. They were good friends and helpful neighbors — and then some. They could be counted on in an emergency — and then some."
 I am thankful for people like that, for they make the world more livable, for their spirit of service is summed up in the three little words, "and then some."
 -Carl Holmes

At the time of the Crucifixion the dogwood attained the size of the oak and other forest trees. So strong and straight was the wood of it that it was chosen for the timber for the cross. To be thus used for such a cruel purpose greatly distressed the tree and Jesus smiled upon it, sensed this, and in his gentle pity for sorrow said to it:
 "Because of your regret and pity for my suffering I make you this promise: Never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used for a Cross. Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted, and its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross — two long petals, and two short petals, and in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with blood, and in the center of the flower there will be an image of a crown of thorns and all who see it will remember that it was upon a dogwood tree I was crucified, and this tree shall not be mutilated or destroyed, but cherished as a reminder of my death upon the Cross."

Heap on more wood! The wind is chill. But, let it whistle as it will, we'll keep our Christmas merry still.
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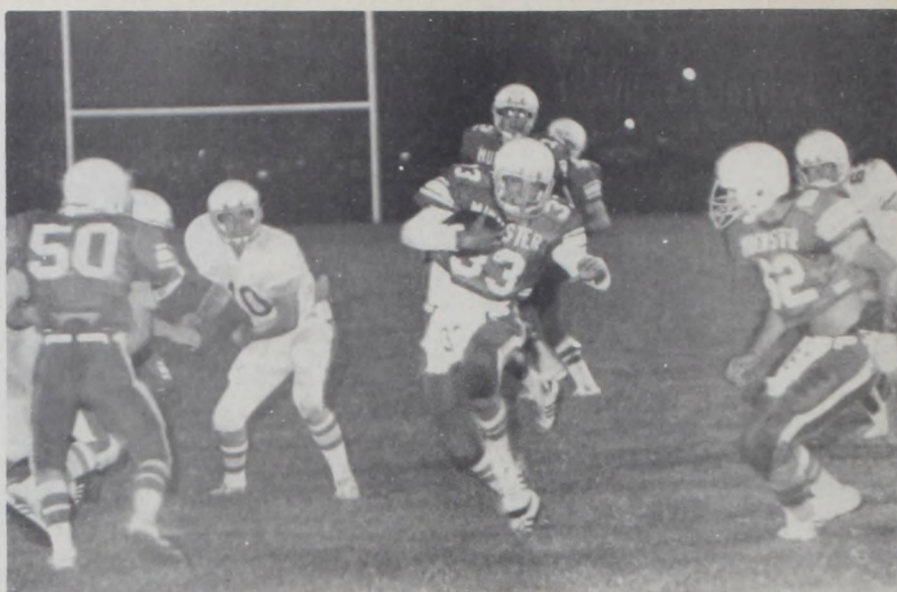
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County road fund gets \$118,932 from state. Shorty Rennels dies. Hershel Holzbog dies. Ernie Schumacher dies. MHS 12, Era 6. SHHS 12, FW Country Day 33. New arrival: Aaron Joseph to the Glen Rohmers.

Oct. 23, 1981 Network of 41 dams retards flood waters, thus reducing damage. Flood loss tax relief available; documenting flood loss is advised. Dick Howe, 60, dies of coronary. Billy D. Greenwood, 47, dies in Forestburg. Weddings: Janet Dangelmayr and Curtis Pagel; Danita Hermes and Duane Neu; Catherine Tilger and Gerald Winston. Football in Muenster; Hornets 6, Paradise 7; Tigers 6, Abilene Christian 31. New arrivals: Clifford Flynn to the Cliff Massys; Brandon Gates to the Steve Levs.

Oct. 30, 1981 Jaycees sponsor District PP&K competition with Gary Rainwater and Mark Lippe as co-chairmen and will have regional PP&K with Lindsay on Nov. 7. Flood relief program is in motion; flood disaster assistance center is open at Gainesville. Mrs. Felix Becker dies at 89. Elizabeth Kralicic and Charles Buffington marry here. Mrs. Nick Block has six 4-H Gold Star grandchildren. Muenster Police Chief Helen Tompkins presents program for YHT. Football in Muenster: Hornets whip Perrin 35-6. Tigers win over Dallas Christian 7-0. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest (Bobo) Jaska, former residents are named "Aggie Parents" continued on page 11B...



Dale Swirczynski finds the way wide open to pay dirt in this scene from Muenster's 35-6 win over Perrin. Others identifiable are Glenn Hermes 50 and James Huckaby 62. The Hornets enjoyed a very successful 8-2 season.

There are believed to be over 500 species of hollies in various parts of the world. They belong to the botanical family, Aquifoliaceae, and are of the genus Ilex.



With water pouring over the spillway, the Weinzapfel Lake, across from Muenster Hospital, backed up across Sixth Street during the community's historic rain of 1981. Residents across the lake spent a few days detouring to and from their homes. Photo courtesy of Eileen Fisher

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Another view of the big flood of October 13. At this point on Elm Creek south of Lindsay the water's width was estimated at one mile. Flood damage was extensive in Lindsay and Muenster. Tim Hartman Photo



Nativity scene's 63rd appearance

For the sixty-third consecutive year, this replica of the nativity scene with take its place in Sacred Heart Church for the Christmas season. Up for first showing at the Midnight Mass, it will remain through the octave of Epiphany.

For more than a half century it included the stable scene as shown here then it was used a few years without the stable, which has since been repaired and returned to use. The installation complete with cedar trimmings and lights was a long time project of Brother Thomas Moser.

Two scenes are customarily shown at the crib during the Christmas season. Beginning at Christmas the group consists of the Infant Jesus, the Blessed Mother, Saint Joseph and the shepherds. On Epiphany, January 2, feast of the Three Wise Men, the statuettes of shepherds are replaced by

the wise men which remain until the display is taken down about eight days later. The picture above was made before Epiphany. It shows shepherds but not the wise men.

Only one important change has been made in the nativity scene since it was installed in 1918. The statuette of Infant Jesus has been replaced by a smaller one harmonizing better with the size of the other figures.

A note of sadness accompanies the story of this nativity scene. Father Joseph, one of the community's early pastors ordered it for the parish. It arrived a short time before his death. He saw the separate pieces as they were unpacked but did not get to see the assembly on display.

"Roses were scattered in her path..."

The Christmas Rose - A little shepherd girl of Bethlehem followed after the shepherds who had received the angel's message and were journeying to the manger. All the shepherds took along gifts for the

Christ Child, but the little girl had no gift to give. As she lagged behind the others, somewhat sad at heart, there suddenly appeared an angel in a glow of light who scattered beautiful white roses in her path.

Eagerly she gathered them in her arms and laid them at the manger as her gift to the little Lord Jesus.

The Christmas Rose sprang from fragments of the Star of Bethlehem.

Mistletoe Before the Christian era, enemies meeting beneath a spray of it, would drop their weapons and embrace in friendship.

Mistletoe was sacred in many ancient religions. The Druids of England cut it with a golden knife and hung it over their doors, believing that only happiness could pass under the branch. They also used it in their marriage ceremonies, originating the custom of kissing under the mistletoe.

The mistletoe was believed to have healing power. The Saxons gave it its name and it was taken over a Christmas as a token of a kiss of good will. It was thought that the plant had power to protect people from evil so a sprig was worn as a charm or hung in the doorway for good luck.

Mistletoe, representing love and healing, was dedicated to Jesus.

(A word of warning - Mistletoe is a poisonous plant, berries should be kept out of reach of children as eating any can cause serious complications or even death if not cared for immediately.)

Holly Ancient Christians referred to Holly as the Christ-thorn. Other legends have a spray being sent to friends as a token of good fortune.

Holly was first used in English windows to indicate Christian worship, as the red berries were supposed to represent the blood of Jesus. The holly was believed to keep evil spirits away. Holly from time immemorial has been a symbol of peace and good will.

Pine Tree deeply rooted in old legend, it is said that the real reason it has become a symbol of Christmas is that it protected Joseph, Mary and the Infant Jesus from Herod's soldiers. Some say that if we cut a small cone lengthwise, we may still see the imprint of His hand.

Another is that the Lord sent heavenly messengers to earth to find a tree "as high as Faith, as eternal as Hope and as widespread as Love" to symbolize the birth of Jesus. They chose the balsam fir, which, the story goes, had all these qualities and bore "many crosses on each branch."

Symbolically, the tree reminds us of the Christ - the top of it pointing to heaven, the lights denoting the Lights of the World, and the presents beneath it reminding us that all good gifts come from above.



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wallop Alvord Bulldogs 42-0; Muenster Juniors win over Alvord Juniors 48-0. Sharon Voth is Homecoming Queen for SHHS. Manhattan Clothiers observe 85th anniversary. Scout Scouts hold annual Turkey Shoot. Robert Howell, husband of former Dolores Gremminger, dies in Germany. Clyde Fleeman's mother dies in Ohio. New arrivals: Jo Ann for Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Sparkman; Heather Marie for Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hess.

Nov. 20, 1981 SHH Tigers and Marian Christian of Houston will be in TCIL Playoff. Parish schedules traditional Thanksgiving community dinner and bazaar. Mr.

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Last year...
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and Mrs. Ben Haverkamp observe 50th wedding anniversary. Mary Hoedebeck and Brent Hess exchange wedding vows. Donna Hennigan marries Gary Flanagan. MHS teams start basketball workouts. Tigerettes win over Valley View. George Harman, 82, dies in Indiana; Morris Norvell, 60, husband of former Georgia Bayer, dies in Austin. New arrivals: Julie Ann for the Jimmy Preschers; Douglas Wayne for the Henry L. Knabes.

Nov. 27, 1981 Board okays new building plans for proposed combination of science laboratory and classrooms at Muenster Public School. Jake Biffle, Jr. elected director of Upper Elm-Red Soil Conservation District succeeding J.H. Bayer who served 15 years. MHS football team members dominate All-District list. Holger Goblirsch of Radio Bavaria visits in Muenster. Football in Muenster: Tigers lose in TCIL to Marian Christian 35-0. Forestburg Basketball Girls win 50-31 over Tigerettes. Robin Walterscheid and Danny Hess are married here. Muenster Enterprise begins 46th year of publication. New arrivals: Russell James for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fleitman.

Dec. 4, 1981 Muenster tops \$5,800 United Way goal. Interest in annual Christmas parade and Santa Claus visit is on increase, says Lupe Evans parade chairman. Bob Glasgow advises that Dec. 24 is

deadline for filing applications for relief from flood damage. Cooke County Chorale and Symphony will present "Messiah" twice this year - in Sacred Heart Church and Gainesville High Auditorium. KC's support "Keeping Christ in Christmas" with two traditional projects. Street paving dust remains a problem here. 24 First Communicants are in Sacred Heart class. Fischer Market featured in Affiliated Weekly Bulletin. Peggy Fuhrmann and Leo Lutkenhaus married here. In basketball, Hornets 32, Callisburg 20; Hornettes 30, Callisburg girls 27. Also Tigers 47, Lindsay 45; Tigerettes win 3. New arrivals: Sarah Diane for Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mosler; Philip Matthew for Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Yosten; Robert to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lutkenhaus; Allison Dawn to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Endres; Robert Conrad to the Michael Sicking; Bryan John to the Alan Millers; Amy Lea to the Curtis Pagels.



Dec. 11, 1981 Christmas Parade prospects good - if weather holds. City will qualify for a flood insurance program. Chamber of Commerce gives first award of \$100 to informant on vandalism. Frank Herr dies of coronary. SHH Tigers place 13 on all-district team. Jack Schoppa weds Debra Pippin in Bulcher home. Hofbauers honored by Affiliated crew. Basketball teams of both schools win tournament trophies. S&W co-sponsors National Finals Rodeo. Cub Scouts win "President's Award." Cletus Hoedebeck dies in Quinlan. New arrivals: Jason Robert to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lutkenhaus; Allison Dawn to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Endres; Robert Conrad to the Michael Sicking; Bryan John to the Alan Millers; Amy Lea to the Curtis Pagels.

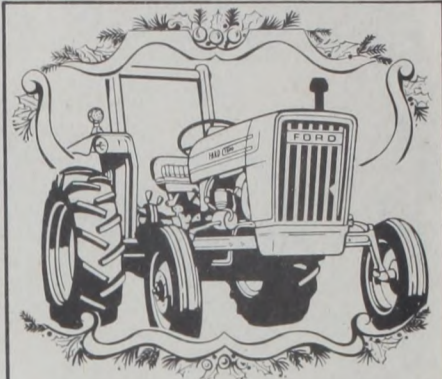
Spirits of the Hornets were high as a high spirited spirit-line of Muenster High fans cheered them before the game with Nocona's Indians. The Hornets responded with a 7-0 win.



SHARON VOTH
1981 Sacred Heart
Homecoming Queen

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Holly from time immemorial has been a symbol of peace and good will. The Christmas Rose sprang from fragments of the Star of Bethlehem.



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Of snow and faces glowing,
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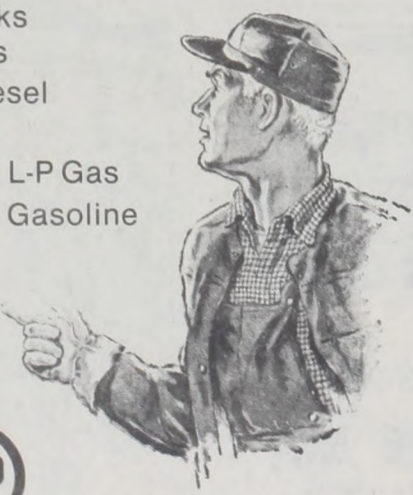
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Last year...

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Dec. 18, 1981 Annual Christmas parade brings chilly weather. Santa Claus, bands, prizes, floats and even Mrs. Santa Claus. North Texas Communications Co. proposes changes in local cable TV. City hopes to have solution at last to fouled up paving job. Obituaries — Lou Wolf, 79, dies here. Mrs.

Nettie Scoggins, 86, dies in Myra. Tal Livingston, 89, also of Myra, dies there. Morion Museum has display featuring Robert Weinzapfel, first WW II casualty in Cooke County. Joan Walterscheid R.N. is new president of the "Directors of Nurses of Small Hospitals. Engagement of Carol Knabe and Johnny Hilton is announced. CD of A packs twenty-eight shut-in baskets. New arrivals: Bryan Joseph for Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kupper; Trent Patrick for Mr. and Mrs. Pat Endres; Robert Paul for Mr. and Mrs. Norman Snodgrass; Lee Thomas for Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Skinner.



Sharon Henscheid is this year's champion speller at Sacred Heart School and Ken Hesse and Sally Stoffels are No. 2 and No. 3. They are included in this picture with first, second and third winners of the four participating classes. Front row: Sondra Hess, Gr. 8 1st; Shawna Grewing, Gr. 5 3rd; Sharon Henscheid, Gr. 6 1st; Sally Stoffels, Gr. 6 2nd. Second row: Scott Taylor, Gr. 5 1st; Laura Flusche, Gr. 7 3rd; Lisa Haverkamp, Gr. 7 2nd; Ken Hesse, Gr. 7 1st. Back row: Brian Hess, Gr. 5 2nd; Craig Voth, Gr. 6 3rd; Kyle Walterscheid, Gr. 8 2nd; David Muller, Gr. 8 3rd. The spelling bee was held at Sacred Heart on February 26 with Loretta Felderhoff as the caller, Brett Walterscheid, John Nasche, Tammy Grewing and Charles Bayer as the judges. Janie Hartman Photo



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Senator Mengden

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creased spending for vocational and technical education. However, only 36.6 per cent wanted increased spending for colleges and universities.

By a vote of 11,883 to 11,320, about half, 51.2 per cent, favored increased spending for highways, while a higher 56.2 per cent opted for increases in mass transit. The figure was 27.9 per cent for a pay raise for state employees, 47.2 per cent for mental health programs, a minuscule 8.1 per cent for welfare, and 33.8 per cent for pollution control.

The questionnaire also asked several specific questions about pollution. A total of 36.7 per cent that companies which cause pollution should be forced

to close down and 45.4 per cent favor citizen suits to protect the environment. A proposal to require mandatory refundable deposits on all bottles and cans to prevent litter and to encourage recycling was approved by 73.4 per cent, 71.8 per cent favored tax incentives for companies and individuals to relocate in small and medium size towns to reduce congestion in the big cities.

More than three-fifths of the persons answering the questionnaire, 61.6% favor severe limitations on abortions, while 37.0 per cent support a constitutional amendment to protect the lives of all unborn children. Over two-thirds—68.8 per cent—support a constitutional amendment to allow states to pass their own abortion laws without interference from the federal courts, and 71.7 per cent favor a proposal requiring parental consent before an abortion could be performed on a dependent minor. Meanwhile, 73.5 per cent are opposed to public funds being used to pay for abortions.

There was also strong support in the survey, 67.1 per cent, for another

Decorate - enjoy, but don't eat

Each year we decorate our homes for Christmas with live plants that have become a part of Christmas. But few of us realize these plants are often toxic if eaten. Special care should be taken to keep such poisonous plants out of reach of children. Following are some poisonous plants used at Christmas.

Boxwood - used in wreaths, garlands and swags and leaves and twigs contain a poisonous substance that could result in stomach pains, diarrhea, vomiting, convulsions and in extreme cases death.

Ivy - a popular green for decorations has leaves and berries that are toxic. Substance from leaves may cause excitement, labored breathing, diarrhea and coma.

Holly - leaves and berries contain a bitter substance that can cause vomiting, diarrhea or stupor. Between 15 to 50 berries are considered fatal, a few can cause a violently upset stomach. Holly berries look tempting to a small child. Fortunately the berries are not toxic to our feathered friends, just not for humans.

Mistletoe - is toxic in both foliage and berries. The white berries are particularly toxic. Eating berries can

cause acute gastroenteritis and cardiovascular collapse, vomiting, diarrhea, convulsions, and coma. As mistletoe starts to dry berries and leaves become brittle and shed. If used in decorating it should be placed out of reach of small children, and taken down when it starts to dry out.

Azaleas - one of the most beautiful of plants for Christmas. Leaves, flowers and twigs contain a resinous substance that can induce salivation, vomiting, staggering, wllak, convulsions, difficulty in breathing and collapse.

Poinsettias - have a milky juice that can cause blindness if it reaches the eyes, skin irritations such as rash or blistering, severe irritation of the mouth, throat, and stomach.

Yew - is highly toxic in all parts except the fleshy red covering around the seed. Symptoms from this plant are vomiting, diarrhea, trembling, difficulty in breathing, weakness, convulsion, coma and death.

Jerusalem cherry - all parts are toxic but most dangerous are the unripe fruits that resemble cherry tomatoes. If eaten it can cause headaches, colic,

vomiting, diarrhea, dilation of pupils, mental confusion, stupification and coma.

Fortunately we don't make a habit of eating our Christmas decorations, but many times a child is tempted to put the bright colors of berry, leaf or flower in his mouth. If plant poisoning is suspected seek information and help and once. There are poison centers in many cities listed in phone book under "Poison". Help should be gotten at once to prevent serious consequences. Enjoy the plants but take all precautions when children are around so that the holidays are not marred by illness.

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presidential primary in Texas in 1984. However, 74.0 per cent of the people want an "open" primary ballot system permitting voters to cast ballots in one party primary for some races and the other party primary for other races, and 63.9 per cent favored the elimination of the straight-party lever or block from general election ballots.

In the field of education, there was extremely strong support, 89.2 per cent, for permitting silent prayer in public schools. There was also a strong majority, 80.4 per cent, opposed to "social promotions," in which all students are automatically advanced to the next grade without regard to academic achievement. And 73.4 per cent felt that teachers should not be allowed to organize labor unions and go on strike. In addition, 69.2 per cent believe that homosexuals should not be allowed to be teachers in public schools.

Meanwhile, 79.4 per cent favored the Legislature's decision to increase the drinking age in Texas from 18 to 19 in order to get alcohol problems out of the high schools. In a related issue, 70.6 per cent want to prohibit obscene activities in places where alcoholic beverages are sold for on-premise consumption.

On various miscellaneous issues, 88.3 per cent of those responding support Senator Mengden's efforts to include a right-to-work provision in the state constitution and 87.8 per cent are for requiring automobile liability insurance in order

O holy night...



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GREETINGS



Here's a bundle of good old-fashioned wishes for the best holiday yet! As we take off for another exciting Christmas, we jet abundant thanks to our friends and neighbors.

Associated Milk Producers Inc.
Milk Products Plant



Greetings to all

CHEERS



That festive holiday spirit is in the air! With hearts filled with excitement, we say Merry Christmas, and thanks.

United Electric Service
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Ready, set, go! We're rolling out the red carpet in anticipation of this glorious season and its many blessings. Thanks all!

Dale's Carpet Shop

Dale & Pat Martin,
Don Bezner, Mike Hellinger & Jay Richardson



Merry Christmas

Wishing you and those you hold most dear all the old fashioned joys of Christmas! Hearty thanks.

Wylie Lewis Trucking Co.
Wylie, Helen and Employees

Hints for fireplace and woodstove owners

Many people find cool, crisp fall evenings perfect for snuggling up in a comfortable couch or chair while a fire blazes cheerily in the fireplace.

Your dream evening in front of the fireplace could turn into a night of frustration, however, if you haven't properly cared for your fireplace.

A fireplace needs to be cleaned regularly, particularly the chimney and flues. Accumulations of soot, a by-product of incomplete combustion, will restrict air flow, and poor air draft can make starting a fire difficult. This accumulation can even cause chimney fires under some conditions. Poor draft can also cause smoke to spread through the house instead of out through the chimney—hardly a dream situation.

The best way to eliminate potentially troublesome soot deposits is with a wire brush and "elbow grease." A less strenuous, but more expensive, way to clean your chimney is to hire a professional chimney sweep, if one is in the area.

Once the soot is cleaned from your chimney, and assuming your fireplace has no basic design flaws, you should be set for your dream evening...provided, of course, you remember to open the damper.

There's one more item to consider—firewood! What you burn as fuel significantly affects the pleasure and safety you derive from your fireplace.

For best results, always buy wood that has been seasoned for at least three months; six to nine months is much better, say Texas Forest Service forest products specialist. Properly seasoned wood burns more completely than unseasoned wood, thereby minimizing soot and creosote deposition in chimneys and flues. Dry wood also produces more heat per unit of volume.

Dense hardwoods such as oak, hickory and pecan make good fireplace fuel; these are long-burning woods with high heat output. Fruit woods burn with a pleasant aroma. These woods can add a special touch to your evening's enjoyment.

Softwoods, such as pine and cedar, tend to burn more quickly than hardwoods, due to the resins in the wood. These resins also cause pine to pop and crack when burning; a cheery sound, perhaps, but one with potential danger. The pops can send burning embers out onto nearby carpets, with disastrous results. Always use a screen in front of your fires, particularly if you have to leave it unattended for any time at all.

Softwoods such as pine are often used as kindling. In fact, some folks scour the woods for pine knots—pine heartwood very rich in resin—which ignite readily. Many campfire has been successfully kindled with pine knots when all other methods have failed.

Buying firewood can be confusing. Firewood is sold in many different quantities—the standard cord, face cord and truckload, to name but a few.

A standard cord is

generally a stack of wood four feet high, four feet wide and eight feet long; or 128 cubic feet of wood, bark and air. A face cord usually contains about one-half to one-third of a standard cord.

The amount of wood in a truckload can vary considerably, but a good rule of thumb is that a 1/2-ton pickup without heavy duty springs can carry about one-third of a cord.

A good way to figure out

the comparable prices of different quotes is to convert all volumes to cords. Multiply the length by the width and by the height and divide by 128. This will give you the relative volume, in cords, of the respective volumes and will enable you to compare prices.

Those who have a good saw and a truck in which to haul firewood can often get free firewood. The federal government allows firewood cutting on national forests;

however, a permit must be obtained from the appropriate ranger district.

Many private companies also allow individuals to cut firewood on cutover lands, but again prior permission is required. Always ask permission before cutting or collecting firewood on anyone else's property.

Make it a point to measure your fireplace or woodstove before buying or cutting firewood. Unless you know what size your

fireplace or stove can handle, you could end up with wood too long or too big to use without additional cutting or splitting.

One additional hint. Save the wood ashes and spread them on your garden. They contain potash, a major fertilizer nutrient.

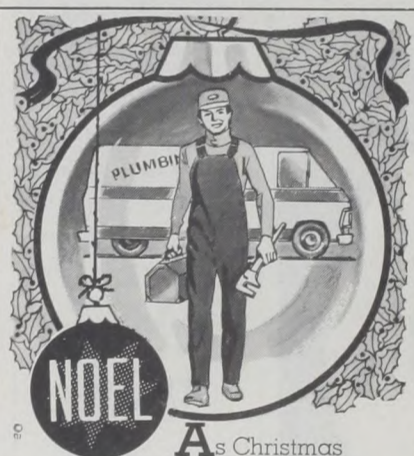
These hints from the Texas Forest Service should help you get more enjoyment from your fireplaces this fall and winter. Happy snuggling.

PHOTOS FROM THE PAST



If they could recount for us the Christmases celebrated by the Berry Sisters, daughters of the W.T. Berrys, what great stories they would tell! This picture was made in 1950. Standing is Eppie Berry English, grandmother of Rube Griggs. Seated in front are l. to r. Ada Berry Mitchell, Josie Berry Harry, and Eleura Berry Wise. The picture is owned by Rube and Maurine Griggs.

The 104 year old house that was home to many generations of English family members, including Mrs. Eppie Berry English still stands near Rosston. With a little effort, one can imagine the 104 Christmas Day celebrations held in the home. The house is no longer occupied but the land is still in the English family. A Way Station on the Old Butterfield Trail and the Chisholm Cattle Trail also went through the property.



As Christmas nears it's our pleasure to stop and express our sincere appreciation for your patronage.

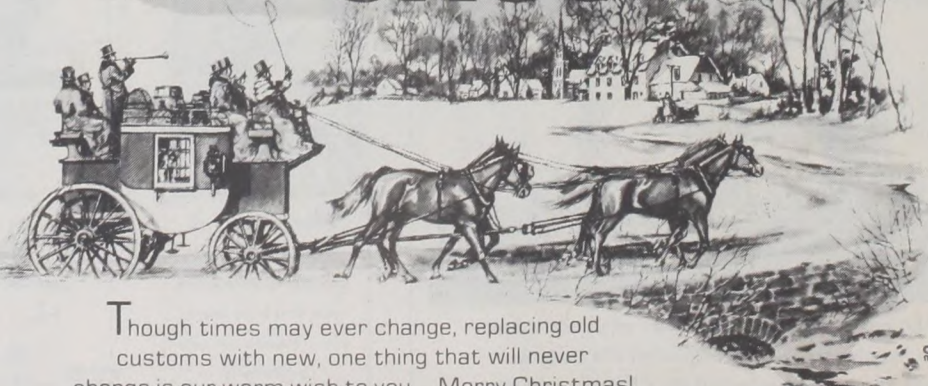
Robert Russell Plumbing
Robert & Rita, Carrie, Darrin, Denise

We send warmest wishes to all our faithful friends for a bright, glowing holiday.



Ted Henscheid, Contractor

YULETIDE GREETINGS



Though times may ever change, replacing old customs with new, one thing that will never change is our warm wish to you... Merry Christmas!

BARTHOLD SERVICE CENTER

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Why the president said no

"Though the people support the government, the government should not support the people." - Grover Cleveland

Grover Cleveland, while serving two terms as President, vetoed, I suspect, more interventionist or anti-freedom bills than any other President before or after his time. He understood the limited role of government and had the courage to stand by his convictions, a rare quality well exemplified in this veto message of February 16, 1887:

"I return without my approval House Bill No. 10203, entitled 'An act to enable the Commissioner of Agriculture to make a special distribution of seeds in the drought-stricken counties of Texas, and making an appropriation (of \$10,000) therefor.'

"It is represented that a long-continued and extensive drought has existed in certain portions of the State of Texas, resulting in a failure of crops and consequent distress and destitution.

"Though there has been some difference in statements concerning the extent of the people's needs in the localities thus affected, there seems to be no doubt that there has existed a condition calling for relief; and I am willing to believe that, notwithstanding the aid already furnished, a donation of seed grain to the farmers located in this region, to enable them to put in new crops, would serve to avert a continuance or return of an unfortunate blight.

"And Yet I feel obliged to withhold my approval of the plan as proposed by this bill, to indulge a benevolent and charitable sentiment through the appropriation of public

funds for that purpose.

"I can find no warrant for such an appropriation in the Constitution, and I do not believe that the power and duty of the General Government ought to be extended to the relief of individual suffering which is in no manner properly related to the public service or benefit. A prevalent tendency to disregard the limited mission of this power and duty should, I think, be steadfastly resisted, to the end that the lesson should be constantly enforced that though the people support the Government the Government should not support the people.

"The friendliness and charity of our countrymen can always be relied upon to relieve their fellow-citizens in misfortune. This has been repeatedly and quite lately demonstrated. Federal aid in such cases encourages the expectation of paternal care on the part of the Government and weakens the sturdiness of our national character, while it prevents the indulgence among our people of that kindly sentiment and conduct which strengthens the bonds of a common brotherhood."

All of the above as related to a merre pittance - \$10,000. Today, politicians approve hundreds of billions for ever so many "salvations," and for no more reason than political popularity—a means of staying in office.

Our Founding Fathers, while more oriented toward the freedom way of life than any other group in all history, were not perfect. They were guilty of several errors, the most devastating being their acceptance of slavery. Presumably, they had a "reason": they wanted to bring the Southern States into the Union.

When the Negroes were finally freed, nearly all Americans believed slavery to be an evil in the past tense. But slavery assumed a new guise—in the form of subsidies and controls. "It is hardly lack of due process for the government to regulate that which it subsidizes," declared the U.S. Supreme Court in Wickard vs. Filburn (1942).

"He who pays the fiddler calls the tune." This certainly applies to the relationship between government and the citizens. When government subsidizes—pays—it regulates; it calls the tune which determines the extent of our enslavement.

Is "enslavement" too harsh a term? In 1884, that great British thinker, Herbert Spencer, wrote an unusual but thoughtful and realistic definition of slavery: "That which fundamentally distinguishes the slave is that he labours under coercion to satisfy another's desires... What leads us to qualify our conception of slavery as more or less severe? Evidently the greater or smaller the extent to which effort is compulsorily expended for the benefit of another instead of for self-benefit."

Based on the authority of the Supreme Court, and deductive reasoning as well, it should be obvious that all who ask for subsidies are inviting regulations that diminish self-benefits. Such persons are asking for slavery--no less!

The same can be said of those who ask government for a monopolistic position in the market--seeking to gain by the coercive elimination of would-be competitors. When successful in such depredations, they gain by denying others the opportunity to gain. Their gain is someone else's loss, a form of subsidy-slavery.

Reflect upon the countless subsidies being sought, not merely by the socialists but even by those who call themselves "free enterprisers." Each subsidy, when granted, gives birth to numerous regulations. Almost all of these regulations limit creative action, and they go far to explain our country's rapid decline into the Command Society--enslavement! Along with the enslavement occurs the deadening of private ownership, a fundamental feature of the free society.

The government type of enslavement grows out of at least three hallucinations:

1. I am wise! With few exceptions, those wielding power over others are corrupted. Such authority tends to intoxicate them; they see others as fallible, but never themselves.
2. I am it! Government controls what it subsidizes. Most of the 16,000,000 elected and appointed government officeholders think of themselves as the state. They come to believe that the dollars they use to subsidize are the government's dollars, and that they are the government.
3. I am omniscient! This is the little-god syndrome. Be like me, do as I say, obey my edicts, and thou shall be graced with the good life.

The truth? Not a one of them is any more competent to direct our mortal moments than to direct our spirits in the Hereafter! This is to say that they can no more effectively direct creativity at the earthly level than they can direct Creation. Managing the creative lives of others is beyond any man's competence. But the wisecracks do not know this.

How then, are we to rid ourselves of these enslavements? There is only one answer: To be blessed with citizenship in office and out—who understand the limited role of government as did Grover Cleveland, and who will not deviate from their convictions. (Leonard E. Read, President, The Foundation for Economic Education, Inc.)



PHOTOS FROM THE PAST

This picture was made in 1958 in the Ben Franklin Store, where Santa Claus came to meet youngsters of the community one Saturday afternoon shortly before Christmas.



Pictured here, proudly holding their trophies, is the 1981 Muenster Little League All Star Team. Staff Photo



HOLY HOLY Let us rejoice in loving adoration as we celebrate and remember the miracle of Christmas.

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CHRISTMAS SHINE IN
YOUR HEARTS FOREVER.

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Ricky & Sherry

Advice for care of Christmas plants

Plants frequently given as holiday gifts, such as the azalea and poinsettia, can bloom for weeks if they receive proper care. In general, they should be kept in a cool room with plenty of sunlight and moderate humidity. Specific care advice for favorite holiday plants includes:

Azalea. The colorful flowers of this plant last longer than those of many other holiday plants. They bloom best if kept at 55 to 60 degrees Fahrenheit. Depending on the amount of moisture in the air, the plant may need watering once or twice a day. Keep it in indirect sunlight. Always remove faded flowers.

Poinsettia. In temperatures of 60 to 70 degrees red poinsettias may retain their color for four to six weeks and white poinsettias for two months. This plant cannot withstand sudden temperature changes or drafts. Keep it in direct sunlight and avoid watering too frequently.

Christmas prayer

Give us, O Lord, a twelve month of the beauties that confirm thy love; A January day aglow with artistry of ice and snow. In February send a hare; in March, the foal newborn to mare. Let April's gift be silver rain to bathe earth's wounds and soothe her pain. May's grace, from out of thy store of powers, a million times a million flowers. In June a dazzlement to eyes, the jeweled flight of butterflies. Let summer come and in July fashion they dome of sapphire sky. Lead us on shores where at our feet the August sands and waters meet, until September frost achieves the conflagration of thy leaves. October's harvest, golden bright, November's geese in chevron flight give us thy graces one by one and when our year is nearly done send us thy message, seen afar, the sacred promise of Thy Star. Amen.



A Blessed Christmas...

It's a pleasure to pause from our routine to say "Sincere Thanks" and wish you A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Nick and Adelina Miller
Muenster

Our Very Best Wishes for a happy Holiday Season

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GAINESVILLE, TEXAS

Letter To The Editor:

My very dear friends,
 Almost four weeks have passed since I left Holy Angels Convent in Jonesboro, Arkansas for my vacation in my native land, Switzerland. My thoughts and my words have been with and about you very often during these weeks. My dear friend, the Muenster Enterprise, visits me faithfully, and the 1981 Cordis is on a chair in the cozy room in which I am now chatting with you.

It is a beautiful day - almost a pity to remain indoors. But writing must be done when the spirit moves and the time is available. Outdoors the Luteran roars. There are two ways by which I soften the chatter of the river - by closing the windows and pulling in the shutters besides, at night. Even these measures cannot completely silence the river. You may recall how during summer visits I described this river, when at times it became suddenly a frightening, threatening, roaring sight due to melting snow and ice in the mountains or heavy rains. At present the landscape, which a week ago was white, is now a lovely green. One group of mountains, however, is still covered with snow and I doubt that they will ever be snowless until spring. During the snow days I had veritable ecstasies when I looked outdoors. The mountains, touched by the rising or setting sun, were majestic in their splendor. No words of mine could ever describe their beauty adequately.

Now you may conclude that I have heaven on earth here in Switzerland. That conclusion would not be correct. My patience and my nerves are tried at times. The heavy traffic on the highways is frightening. Each time I leave my cozy room I wonder whether I shall return to it. Of course my family has cars too, but the short distance I walk to church is beset with great dangers because of the heavy traffic coming from many directions. The contrast between the past and present of my home town is gigantic. Another thing that is a bit unwelcome consists in the long hours of visiting, accompanied by eating and drinking. I will illustrate. Within 2 1/2 - 3 hours I visited per train some first cousins. The first served wine and cookies, the second coffee and an almond speciality; the third served the same and the fourth served tea and a plate of cold meat of every kind imaginable. The service in each case was as fancy as in a hotel. I hope they all had dishwashers. The conversation at such visits deals mainly with physical ailments, about food, about other people, about the times etc. There is no rush when it comes to eating and visiting. They do take

their time and I at times wish they would break up the party.

TV brings time and again news from the U.S.A. especially about our President. He is often seen on the screen and I am delighted to see him. I have asked many persons how they liked our President. My idea was that all would have the same opinion of him as I do, but I soon discovered differently. I got the impression that men favored him more than women. Some of the latter, among them even my sister, said he was too old for such a position. I fought this opinion ardently. I was especially delighted that a very learned friend, a priest, thought very highly about him in regard to his taking a stand against the Soviets. Of course you must remember that I interviewed only a handful of Swiss folks.

I like the Swiss trains. They run smoothly, being activated by electricity. But financially speaking, I am sure they are not profitable, because time and again I have seen empty trains - wagon after wagon with here and there a passenger.

The Swiss government is financially in about the same condition as ours. It spends more than it take sin. It builds and builds some more - roads, tunnels, buildings for this and that. There are a lot of strikes too. People want more pay, fewer hours of work, longer vacations. Does this sound familiar?

As I was contemplating on another topic to write about I looked out of the window seated at my crowded writing table. The vision that appeared was an unpleasant one. On top of the hill where formerly cattle grazed and cow bells constantly rang, there stands a modern school plant with a gymnasium, a swimming pool and any and everything that constitutes an up to date center of learning. At night the whole campus, or at least some buildings are lit up, showing various types of activities being pursued.

As I look into the future, which I really rarely do, because so often plans do not work out, I see that there is very much to be undertaken yet. My winter vacation proves to be much more complicated than my summer ones, because of the bundling up that must be done when going out. And, how I think of Muenster when I walked on an icy surface between the Convent and the Church!

I have given you a few glimpses into my life here in Switzerland. In case you experience winter weather too you can console yourself by thinking of me. Not of course in a sad way. That would certainly not be the right thing to do. I am as happy as ever. No Swiss winter is going to snow or ice over my happiness.

In conclusion of this rambling letter I want to wish each and everyone of you, my dear friends across the ocean, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Lots and lots of love and greetings from your friend,
 Sister M. Theresina, O.S.B.

Yuletide Greetings To All

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christmas greetings
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Senator Mengden..

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to purchase license plates. An impressive 85.4 per cent favor a proposed amendment to the U.S. constitution requiring the election of federal judges, and 58.0 per cent support efforts to recall Texas' prior ratification of the ERA. Only 33.2 per cent favor ratification of the proposed amendment that would give Washington, D.C. two U.S. senators.

A proposal to limit the Governor and Lt. Governor to two 4-year terms is supported by 81.8 per cent, and 71.1 per cent believe state legislators should also be limited to 8 years in office. And 76.3 per cent believe the Legislature should be required to meet in annual sessions, rather than just once every two years.

Overall, Senator Mengden was encouraged by the results of the survey.

"I just wish we had the power of initiative and referendum, because the Legislature does not always reflect the views of the majority of Texans," Senator Mengden said. "If the people were allowed to directly vote on issues, the policies of our government would be more in line with citizens than they are now," he said.

Almost 27,000 responses were received to this survey, which may make it the largest legislative questionnaire ever compiled in Texas. While the final results have just been finished, Senator Mengden's staff has maintained running totals on each question throughout the entire tabulation process.

"Christmas is a drift fence across prairies of the past to keep friends from wandering too far from our range."

The word Yule is Scandinavian, coming from the word wheel, indicating the changing of the season as the sun turns on its course

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Christmas Customs From The Past

Christmas Eve

by Mrs. Andy Schoech

Oh! the wonderment of Christmas
 The stable placed beneath the tree
 Children being Oh! so good
 Just waiting for Christmas Eve.

Each one had tried, some good deeds to do
 And placed some straw on the crib
 A nice soft bed for baby Jesus
 Their love for him to give.

Each time she did the dishes
 Or the chores he helped to do
 A piece of straw placed in the crib
 Some times they'd put in two.

On Christmas morn the crib was filled
 Soft straw piled high to see
 Hands outstretched, the babe seemed to smile
 At each child so pleasingly.

With ornaments and sparkling lights
 The Christmas tree so tall
 Still the tiny babe smiling at them
 Was the most beautiful of all.

This was Christmas at our house
 When the children all were small
 The tiny babe on his straw filled bed
 Left memories for us all.

Written by Mrs. Andy Schoech for her children.

Merry Christmas

May the magic of Christmas unfold within your heart and home bringing special joys and remembrances. As this season of love and cheer arrives we extend warm wishes for a truly happy holiday. Sincere thanks.

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