

COOKE COUNTY'S GRAND CHAMPION market steer, shown by Jessica Fuhrmann.



LUCY FUHRMANN'S Grand Champion Market Steer also won the Grand Champion County-bred Steer. Janie Hartman Photos

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Livestock show a success

The Cooke County Livestock Show, held March 12, 13 and 14, was concluded by the Saturday afternoon auction at 1 p.m. in the Cooke County Fairgrounds. The auction was led by auctioneer Cecil Ward with assistance from Dale Hammer, Jimmy Jack Biffie, Bill Hudspeth and Thurman Ward. Bidding began with the sale of the grand champion steers, market lambs and hogs, which led their classes in price. The grand champion steer sold at \$1.60 a pound, with the reserve grand champion steer - also the champion county-bred steer -

bringing \$1.30 a pound. The reserve champion county-bred steer brought \$1 a pound. In the market lamb sale, a top price of \$4 a pound was paid for the grand champion. Reserve grand champion brought \$2.25 a pound. The grand champion market hog fetched the highest per-pound price among the champion animals, with a winning bid of \$4.25 a pound. The reserve champion market hog was bought for \$2.50 a pound. The results of the annual competition are as follows:

Parker Friedrich of Lindsay 4-H was the big winner in the Dairy Cattle competition, receiving Reserve Grand Champion, Showmanship and Reserve Senior Champion Female, as well as blue ribbons on three projects. Muenster winners were: Wayne Becker, Muenster 4-H, one red and one blue ribbon; and Michael Becker, Muenster 4-H, red ribbon. In the Dairy Goat competition, a blue ribbon was awarded to Jared Bayer, Muenster 4-H and a red ribbon went to Weldon Bayer, Muen-

ster 4-H. Richard Barnes of Lindsay 4-H was the Grand Champion winner in Breeding Chickens as well as showmanship. In Broiler competition, red ribbons went to Garrett Hellingner, Rocky Barnes and Richard Barnes of Lindsay 4-H, and David Fleitman of Lindsay FFA. Participants in the Rabbit competition were Sheryl Sicking, Muenster 4-H (two projects) and Amy Fette, Muenster 4-H; also Richard Barnes, Rocky Barnes (two projects), Jana Crawford, Toby Eberhart (two projects), James Krebs, Dawn Sandmann, all of Lindsay 4-H.

Lindsay's Lucy Fuhrmann won the Cooke County Reserve Grand Champion, Champion Limousin Female and was awarded the Showmanship trophy in Thursday's show. Leo Sandmann, also from Lindsay, won the Charolais breed. Keith Vogel's Chiana won her class and Jared Bayer won a blue ribbon with his Simmental heifer. Lindsay 4-H member Jessica Fuhrmann captured the Grand Champion Market Steer and class champion. Lucy Fuhrmann captured the Reserve Grand Championship, Grand Champion County-bred and Class Champion Steer. Julie Fuhrmann won Reserve Grand County-bred and Reserve Class Champion Steer.

Competitors from Muenster winning class championships and blue ribbons were Vicki Bayer and Tracey Vogel with Jordan Bayer winning Reserve Class Championship. Others winning blue ribbons



COOKE COUNTY BREEDERS Pen of Three Grand Champion Steers were purchased from Bob and Eileen Vogel. The steers were raised by Julie Fuhrmann, Jefflynn LeFevre and Shawn Vogel. Janie Hartman Photo

Everyone pleased by proposed EMS transfer

What started out as a controversy has become a constructive change. Calm discussion and cooperation have prevailed in the plan to transfer Cooke County emergency medical service from county hands to joint hospital district control between the Gainesville and Muenster districts. According to Muenster hospital administrator, Herman Carroll, the basic information concerning the transfer is in State Senator Ray Farabee's office being worked into a legislative bill draft. This legislation would allow the hospital districts to levy a tax to operate a

countywide ambulance service; something they cannot do now by law. The rough draft should very soon be back in the districts' hands for examination. The basic points outlined in the bill include the following:

1. One ambulance service must serve the whole county.
2. Taxation in the districts must be equal.
3. If either of the two hospital districts pulls out of the service, new legislation must be passed to maintain the service.
4. There will be equal representation from the districts.

5. The EMS will have power to contract for the most cost-effective services.
6. The initial tax rate will not be subject to rollback.
7. The tax year should begin on or before July 1, 1988.

The EMS governing board will be appointed by the hospital district boards and will tentatively include the following members:

- Two non-physician members from each hospital board.
- One physician from each district.
- One physician appointed by the Cooke County Medical Society.

The legislation should spell out the timetable. The county is scheduled to fund and govern the service through October 1987. Carroll addressed the question about ambulance location saying that there probably will be an ambulance present during high risk times but not on a 24-hour basis. According to county figures for 1986, only 20 ambulance calls came from Muenster that year and just five of those were judged as emergencies. The cost per call for a separate Muenster system would be extremely and prohibitively high. Carroll said that the public will be notified and encouraged to attend the meeting at which the legislative draft is explained. It is unsure at this time what will be the fate of the current home of the Muenster-based ambulance at the intersection of Third and Oak Streets.

County commissioners want to transfer the service because they consider the EMS to be more an extension of the medical care provided by the hospitals than a function of county government. They believe the service can be better run under hospital district control. If and when the transfer is done, the county tax should be reduced by an amount equal to that of the EMS levy.



WARMING UP FOR Muenster's Invitational Track Meet this Saturday Bubba Klement takes a practice run to the pole vault pit. Janie Hartman Photo

Hornet relays welcome over 20 teams... Big day here for area track fans

Hornet Stadium will be decorated Saturday with lots of colorful uniforms and various lightweight shelters which are as sure a sign of spring as the daffodil. All the color will come from 23 schools signed up so far for the Annual Hornet Relays. This track and field event will host entries from Howe, Bells, Celina, S & S, Nocona, Pottsboro, Whitesboro, Frisco, Callisburg, Sanger, Pilot Point and Aubrey. In addition to these class 2A and 3A teams, many class A schools will compete including Forestburg, Midway, Valley View, Gunter, Saint Jo, Lindsay, Collinsville, Era, Liberty Christian, Sacred Heart and Muenster. Boys' and girls' teams will compete according to the following

divisions: Div. 1 A girls and JV girls, Div. II 2A and 3A girls, Div. III A boys and JV boys, Div. IV 2A and 3A boys. Field events and preliminary running events will begin at 9 a.m. to be completed by 2 p.m. There will be a break from 2 to 3 p.m. At 3 p.m., finals will start in the following running events: 400 meter relay, 800 dash, 100 hurdles, 110 hurdles, 100 dash, 800 relay, 400 dash, 300 hurdles, 200 dash, 1600 run, 1600 relay, all in division order. Trophy presentation should start at approximately 5:30 p.m. The Muenster Quarterback Club will operate a complete concession stand and school officials promise an exciting day.

Era Fire Dept. sets March 21 barbecue

Tickets are available for the annual Era Volunteer Fire Department Barbecue March 21. "The Era community sponsors the event each year to raise funds for the continued upkeep of the department and for updating department fire equipment," said fireman Junior Worthy. "The department was able to expand its fire station to hold a total of four vehicles in recent years, using proceeds from the annual barbecue," he said. The barbecue will be served from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Era school cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and can be bought in advance or at the door. Tickets will be purchased at Era Grocery or from a fire department member.

Conference helps promote Muenster

The East Texas Tourist Conference, held March 11 and 12 in Richardson, was attended by Monica Hess, Chamber of Commerce president, and Maudine Griffin, Chamber executive secretary. The conference, attended by approximately 200 members of area chambers and tourist-related groups, was sponsored by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce. This organization is composed of 71 counties from the Red River to the Gulf of Mexico and from Louisiana to Austin. The theme of the conference was "Tourism - A Tool For Economic Development." Fifteen sessions were held at the Richardson Hilton with the concluding activities at Southfork Ranch. The conclusion

of the conference is the beginning of a "Waltz Across Texas" familiarization tour for travel agents and tour operators. The sessions included everything from how craft guilds generate jobs in the Ozarks to how to present your ideas forcefully to radio and TV. "The highlight of the conference for us was the Thursday afternoon session on Small Business/Entrepreneurship in Tourism. John Fisher gave a slide presentation on heritage preservation, sausage and Germanfest," said Maudine Griffin. "Mr. Fisher explained how the remodeling of their store began and changes in the community that have followed." He showed "before and after" shots of his

store, Bayer's, AMPI lot, and parks around town. His presentation was well received and appreciated, almost as much as the summer sausages he provided for the reception at Southfork Ranch. "The strudel Bayer's Kolonialwaren provided for lunch dessert Wednesday was eagerly awaited," said Monica Hess. "We had people asking if we brought strudel this year when they first saw us." "This conference has helped by giving an insight into ways and means of getting Muenster into the public eye. More and more people are aware that near San Antonio is not the only place German settlers established towns," said Maudine Griffin.



WALTER SCHMITZ stands in front of a small selection of tackle in Muenster's newest business, Walt's Bait and Tackle. The shop is located in the small building west of Gregg's Chevrolet, formerly occupied by Muenster Auto Parts. In addition to a large assortment of tackle, Walt sells cut bait, three sizes of live minnows, plus goldfish and raises Alabama Jumpers and Red Wiggler worms. Walter invites everyone to "stop by and buy bait" enroute to the lake. Janie Hartman Photo

Andy Burnette receives appt. from academy

Congressman Charles Stenholm informed The Muenster Enterprise Tuesday morning that Andy Burnette, a senior at Muenster High School and son of Mrs. Margie Burnette, has received an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. Congressman Stenholm spoke to Andy Burnette Friday afternoon to inform him of the appointment and to express congratulations.

Good News!

And do you, O children of Zion, exult and rejoice in the Lord, your God! He has given you the teacher of justice: he has made the rain come down for you, the early and the late rain as before.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

A big thank you to The Muenster Enterprise for the TIPS program coverage. We appreciate your help in informing the Muenster community of this event.

Education to promote responsible alcohol use is one very effective way to curb alcohol abuse. George Grounds and the entire Gilbert Endres Distributing staff deserve a round of applause for

providing many sensible and useful ideas to promote responsible alcohol consumption.

And finally, thanks to Channel 2, Muenster Telephone Company and all those who attended and made the TIPS program so successful and enjoyable.

Sincerely,
Jim Endres
President, Muenster Jaycees

Williamson optimistic...

Hopes to win approval

State Representative Richard F. Williamson (D-Weatherford) announced a "no holds barred" effort to secure the Texas Legislature's approval of an as yet unratified 198-year-old amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

The amendment, pending since 1789, was one of the original 12 proposals comprising the Bill of

Rights. It stipulates that members of Congress shall not receive a pay raise until an election of the U.S. House of Representatives intervenes. Of the total of 12 proposals, 10 were fully ratified and have been a part of the Constitution since 1791. Another amendment, pertaining to the apportionment of the U.S. House of Representatives, is also unratified - and is clearly outdated. There is no ratification deadline.

The pay raise amendment has been ratified by the legislatures of 18 states thus far over the past two centuries. Between 1789 and 1791, it was ratified by Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Delaware, Vermont and Virginia. Some 82 years later, in 1873, Ohio ratified and 105 years after that, Wyoming adopted the measure in

1978. The current push for ratification began in April of 1982, when a 19-year-old Austinite, Gregory D. Watson, launched the Nationwide Ratification Drive after stumbling across the amendment "totally by accident while writing a research paper for a government course at the University of Texas" recalled Watson, now Representative Williamson's Administrative Assistant. "I decided right then and there that I would launch a national movement to secure the amendment's full incorporation into the U.S. Constitution." And moving it is. Since Watson initiated the current momentum in 1982, by a massive letter-writing campaign, the amendment has been ratified by Maine, Colorado, South Dakota, New Hampshire, Arizona, Tennessee, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Indiana and Utah. The legislatures of Montana and North Dakota could ratify any day now. The amendment must receive approval in 38 states to be adopted as the 28th Amendment.

Ratifying resolutions have been introduced in several other states. Watson discovered a serious technical flaw in Wyoming's 1978 resolution and called it to the attention of the State Representative who sponsored the measure there. Consequently, a resolution has been introduced by the same legislator to re-ratify.

Interest in the 198-year-old amendment has peaked throughout the months of January and February as Congress grapples with bitter public outcry over the automatic whopping pay raise its members are to receive unless they specifically vote in both houses to decline it.

Williamson and Watson are optimistic that the Texas resolution, HJR No. 8, will receive the approval of the House and Senate this session. After all, 1987 is the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. House Joint Resolution 8 has been referred to the House committee on State Affairs. Williamson has released the resolution for co-sponsors.

Texas doctors limit services, raise fees due to lawsuit crisis

A third of Texas physicians have limited or stopped performing certain medical procedures because of the high cost of professional liability insurance, according to a recent survey.

Conducted by Opinion Analysts, Inc. of Austin, the survey asked 4,000 Texas Medical Association physician members how professional liability insurance rates have affected patient care and the medical profession. TMA is a professional organization with nearly 27,000 physician and medical student members.

Out of the nearly 70 percent of family physicians who have limited services, most said they are no longer delivering babies. Another 24 percent said they have stopped doing surgery. In addition, of the 47 percent of obstetricians-gynecologists who have limited services, most said they have

limited the number of babies they deliver.

While the survey found that Texans are finding some services difficult to find, the threat of a malpractice suit is causing more than half of all physicians to order additional lab tests, X-rays and consultations. These extra tests and procedures often are referred to as "defensive medicine" because they are used to document a medical diagnosis and protect a physician in the event of a lawsuit.

The cost of medical care for Texans also is affected by the rising cost of professional liability insurance, according to the survey. Texas physicians have raised their fees an average of more than four and a half percent in the past two years because of these costs. At the same time, doctors estimate that more than 13.5 percent of a

patient's bill goes towards defensive medicine practices.

Sixty-nine percent of Texas physicians predict they will have to raise their fees for non-Medicare and non-Medicaid patients if professional liability insurance premiums continue to increase. Twenty percent said they would limit the procedures they perform to reduce their liability insurance costs.

Regarding peer review, the regular evaluation of medical procedures and health care professionals, 52 percent said they would be more likely to participate in peer review and 47 percent would be more likely to report a physician to the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners if they were protected from a lawsuit. The TSBME is the state agency authorized to license and discipline Texas physicians.

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Senate OKs bill to boost speed limit

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Senate has voted to approve U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm's bill allowing states to increase interstate highway speed limits to 65 miles per hour in rural areas.

The Gramm legislation was added to the Highway Act on a vote of 63 to 36.

Gramm, R-Texas, said during the debate that the energy crisis which prompted imposition of the 55 mph limit by the federal government "has long ago passed" and that, as a result, the speed limit is widely ignored.

"If you set out to drive from Fort Worth to Lubbock at 55 miles per hour, one of two things will happen to you," he said. "You are either going to get discouraged and turn back, or you're going to be run over by somebody going a lot faster than 55 miles an hour."

Gramm emphasized that the change allowing a higher speed limit is not mandatory, noting that some states may choose to preserve the 55 mile-an-hour speed limit. "If people in any state do not wish to drive 65 miles an hour on their rural interstates, they do not have to. This amendment would simply give those states that wish it, such as Texas, the modest ability to raise the speed limit on rural interstates."

"Those of us who live where there are huge driving distances should be allowed to set a limit that makes common sense, that we can enforce, that will be respected," he said.

Last year, the Senate approved similar legislation co-sponsored by Gramm, but the House of Representatives failed to act.

Gramm has announced REA loan

WASHINGTON - U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas has announced the award of a \$38.1 million low-interest loan to the Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. of Waco for extensive upgrading of service.

The funds, approved by the Rural Electrification Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, will be used to construct a total of 98 miles of new line along with substations and switching stations and to finance other system improvements.

These changes will extend service to additional customers.

"I believe in assuring that Texans get a fair return on the tax dollars we sent to Washington," Sen. Gramm said in announcing the loan.

"So I am pleased that this loan will provide permanent improvements which will benefit local residents," the senator said.

REA operates both electrification and telephone service programs, providing low-interest loans and loan guarantees to small companies and cooperatives for 50 years.

Congress created REA to bring electric and telephone service to persons who live and work in rural areas.

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CAKLE BERRIES ARE OVERSIZE IN THIS FARMYARD

Felix Becker was complaining the other day that he can't get the usual number of John Fette's eggs in one incubator tray. He insists that, strange as it seems, the ex-commissioner's eggs are consistently large.

Now the big question is, what does he feed those hens?

Both Wets and Drys Predict Victory in Saturday Election

With only one day of campaigning left before the local option election that will decide whether Cooke County will legalize the sale of beer or remain legally dry, leaders in both wet and dry camps predict victory.

During the past week extensive work was done by each group to muster the necessary votes for success Saturday. A committee composed of Cooke County business men have held several meetings to plan campaign maneuvers which consist

chiefly in newspaper publicity and advertising along with extensive personal campaigning.

At the same time the group who favor conditions as they now exist held a series of meetings urging voters to defeat the proposed change. Their method of attack in the campaign consists chiefly of personal contact with voters.

Tomorrow's election promises to be a hot one with a very small margin of victory to the winning side.

Sample Ballot

LEAVE THIS FOR legalizing the sale of vinous and malt liquors that do not contain alcohol in excess of four per cent (4%) by weight.

SCRATCH THIS AGAINST legalizing the sale of vinous and malt liquors that do not contain alcohol in excess of four per cent (4%) by weight.

ARE WE POWERFUL ENOUGH to control the sale of Beer in Cooke County?

Should we vote to make its selling legal in our county, thereby giving the law enforcing bodies a sufficient grip on the situation to control it with an iron hand or shall we turn our backs, admit defeat, and let the present distasteful, law disregarding situation continue?

THAT IS THE QUESTION VOTERS MUST DECIDE IN SATURDAY'S ELECTION!

If we vote to legalize—to control—the sale of beer in Saturday's election we would cut down by at least three-fourths the number of dispensaries. It would do away with bootlegging joints in respectable residence sections of town. Its price would be less than the bootlegger could profitably handle it. The bootlegger does not buy a license nor does he pay a penny taxes. To sell beer legally a merchant must have a State and County license and taxes would be collected from the beer so sold.

Surely this would be a healthier condition than the one now existing. At least isn't it worth trying? That is all that is asked.

If the county as a whole votes to legalize—to control—the sale of beer and some precincts do not want it—any precinct can then call an election and vote it out.

The present condition is bad. It is embarrassing. It is one to be ashamed of. Let us go to the polls Saturday and VOTE FOR A CHANGE! TAKE IT OUT OF THE DARK; BRING IT INTO THE LIGHT!

P. H. McGee, Chairman

NOTE—Every group in this campaign was donated by Cooke County business men and women.

Eighty Persons Here Sign Petition to Ban Proposed Tax on Oil

About 80 signatures were secured in Muenster on petitions prepared by Cooke County business men to induce the senator and the representative of this district to aid in defeating proposed legislation that would increase taxes on crude oil 66 per barrel.

It was explained in the petition that the proposed tax, since it would make the operation of small wells unprofitable, would seriously injure one of the major industries of Cooke County.

MAYOR'S AUTO GONE; FOUND IN TOWN AND KEY HELD BY YOUTH

Joe Tom Aldridge, arrested on a charge of theft in connection with the disappearance of the M. J. Endres 1934 Dodge pickup truck, was taken into custody by Sheriff Luther McCollum and placed in the Cooke County Jail at Gainesville Wednesday afternoon. Upon being notified of the theft, City Marshal Frank Hoedebeck questioned young Aldridge and then searched him to find the key of the car as conclusive evidence.

Mr. Endres stated that he left his pickup behind his store at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday and did not miss it until 1:30 p.m. when he wished to use it. Absent-mindedly he had left the key in the ignition switch. While looking for Officer Hoedebeck to report the theft he discovered the machine near the Farmers Store with the key missing from the switch.

Young Aldridge, after being found in possession of the key, explained that he wanted the car to drive home and avoid a long walk. He showed signs of drinking, Officer Hoedebeck said.

Sheriff McCollum came from Gainesville for the prisoner in response to a telephone request from Mr. Hoedebeck.

Pioneers Set March 19 As Holy Day; Muenster People Observe It Now

In keeping with a vow made in the early nineties by Muenster's pioneer settlers, March 19 is being observed as a parish holy day, dedicated to the honor of Saint Joseph. It is not one of the Holy Days of Obligation of the church but one set aside as a special day to invoke Divine protection against hail and other inclement weather. Saint Joseph's feast was selected by the early residents as the parish holy day to honor him as the patron of the parish.

Services on Saint Joseph's Day are as follows: 6:30 communion Mass; 9:00 High Mass; 2:00 afternoon services.

Carload of Nails, Fence Received by Shamburger

Shamburger Lumber Co. is preparing for a banner season with the arrival of a carload of nails, fencing, and reinforcing rod for concrete work.

There are 210 kegs of nails, spikes and staples. Reinforcing rod totals about 5,000 feet. And barbed wire, poultry wire, hog wire, and miles of other wire along with about 200 steel posts provide an abundance of fencing material.

The fellows at Herr Motor Co. are dressing up lately. Jim Lehuertz received his new pair of coveralls Wednesday and the rest of the boys expect theirs soon. The coveralls are white with "Herr Motor Co." and the Ford emblem in blue.

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Fight crime now ... don't wait!

Kiwanis Club suggests these "Crime Watch" tips to learn



The Muenster Kiwanis Club urges public awareness of a growing blight that can no longer be shrugged off as a "big city problem."

Member Kiwanians, in their meeting Wednesday noon, lent support to the following statement, in their concern over the increase in local lawbreaking which has a future potential of serious injuries and great losses to fellow citizens.

People who have lived in the Metroplex for any length of time have learned to cope with crime as they have the traffic. However, while they know they can't fight the traffic, they must learn how to fight crime.

A rural setting promotes a feeling of security, probably because we are distanced from city crime problems, or so it might seem. In reality, residents of rural towns are easy hits by burglars. This is primarily so because residents have become complacent due to the feeling that crime is a "city problem." That complacency leads many people to leave doors unlocked; leave valuables in autos and trucks; leave the keys in their cars; leave valuables in conspicuous places in the house; and bikes, yard tools, mower out over night, all waiting for the easy taking by a burglar looking for a fast buck.

Rural residents must take a lesson from city counterparts. Residents must face the reality that the days of trust are over. With the economy taking a nosedive, incidents of burglary and theft become a daily occurrence in some communities. While some of us may think that burglars steal to feed their families, almost all of the break-ins can be linked to a desperate few who need quick money for drugs.

What can be done to prevent a break-in? You have to think like a burglar! Most burglars have a better sense of reality about the odds of getting caught than their victims. Those who think it can't happen to them are the most likely targets for burglars, unless of course they have looked at their place with the eye of a burglar. Couples with regular routines where both work outside the home are easy targets. If possible, break the routine, or have a relative visit just to stop in the drive for a short while. Most day workers are burglarized after their place had been cased by the burglars to determine the routine. Leave on a loud radio and light. Pull all curtains so potential burglars can't see someone is not at home. Use timers to vary lights and radios in the house.

Of course, the obvious can't be overlooked. Lock all doors even if you are going to be away for a few minutes. Be sure all windows are locked at all times. Reinforce door jams and install deadbolt locks on all exterior doors. Engrave or mark all valuables and tools. Place window and door stickers which note that all items are marked (in a place where burglars will see them). The same type stickers are available from security stores which note an alarm is on premises. These are great deterrents, for a burglar will not take a chance on the odds one does not exist. Remember, burglars have a better grasp on the reality about getting caught than we generally know. Where the odds seem too great, they go elsewhere. You can control the odds, so don't wait until it is too late. **AND DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT HAPPENS TO YOU!**

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Next week, more about "Crime Watch.")

"Tung and Cheek" to be offered by CCC Playmakers

"A hilarious and frantic whodunit" is how Paul Hutchins of Cooke County College describes the next offering of the CCC Playmakers, to be staged April 9-11.

Hutchins, director of speech and drama programs at the college, this week announced the cast of "Tung and Cheek," a comedy by Pat Cook to be presented in the CCC Little Theater on campus.

The play will be one of several major events making up the upcoming Cooke County College Fine Arts Festival the second week of April. Also on tap are this year's annual CCC Creative Writing Awards ceremonies and the 22nd edition of the Cooke County Art Show.

"Fans of the old classic detective movies like 'The Maltese Falcon' should get a big kick out of this show," Hutchins says. "Every detective movie cliché is brought out and lambasted."

For example, title character Tony Cheek, the private eye, says: "Clues are like neckties. One

should be enough, but you get too many and you find you're sticking your neck out too far."

Starring as the cheeky detective Cheek will be Richard Gum. His dimwitted partner Squatty will be played by John Young, and Kim Ferguson will appear in the role of Honey. All are from Gainesville.

Tim Powell and Hal Horn, both of Marietta, OK, will appear as Hope and Jeffry, respectively. Ashley Innis of Gainesville will play Clarice, and appearing as Miss Thatcher will be Cathy Estes, also from Gainesville.

"It's a strong cast and a campy, funny show," says Hutchins. "It's also a show for the whole family."

Assisting director Hutchins will be production crew members

Tammy Watkins, stage manager from Denton; James Vanbeber, lighting and sound technician from Gainesville; prop mistress Julie Myrick from Gainesville; and Vikki Bevil, publicity chief from Gainesville.

An announcement will be forthcoming about ticket sales.

McGruff Program

Child safety support grows

The Bluebonnet Extension Homemakers, in their March 16 meeting, voted to sponsor one class from Sacred Heart School and one class from Muenster Public School at \$50.00 each for the McGruff Program in Crime Prevention and Child Safety.

The club also voted to sponsor two bike riders, Ben Bindel of Muenster and Milton Fette of Lewisville in the "Best Dam Bike 150 in Texas" which will benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society. A donation of \$100 each will be made to the society in their behalf.

Evelyn Yeatts, county Extension agent, presented a program on "Scherenschnitte." She told her listeners that the most difficult aspect of Scherenschnitte is learning to pronounce (and spell!) the German name for this ancient craft of cutting paper into decorations. Scherenschnitte is pronounced *sheer-en-schnitt-tah* and means "scissors cutting" in German.

The art of cutting delicate designs in paper has taken place throughout history including 11th century China and 16th century Constantinople, and in the 17th century, Germans brought it to America. Rural craftsmen spread

the art in Colonial Pennsylvania where it was popular as enhancement for birth and marriage certificates, legal documents, house blessings and love declarations.

The craft remained popular in the 19th and early 20th century. But the advent of mechanized paper cutting tools almost caused the art to be lost. Today, with interest in early American crafts,

City tax rebate shows local economy is down

State Comptroller Bob Bullock has sent checks totaling \$49.9 million in local sales tax to 1,038 cities that levy the one-percent city tax. Bullock said that 1987 payments to date were down six percent as compared to payments to date made in March of last year.

The payment for this period to the City of Muenster showed that we too are showing effects of the economic slowdown. Muenster's payment was down 7.65 percent to

"Scherenschnitte" has made a comeback.

Evelyn Yeatts demonstrated construction and noted the materials needed. She shared printed instructions.

Lou Moster was hostess in the TP&L Building. Nineteen members and guests were present and were served refreshments by the hostess.

date. The amount totaled \$6,347.75 as compared to \$7,440.61 for the comparable period last year. Muenster is still in better shape than the rest of Cooke County which has suffered a 13.15 percent decrease in sales tax receipts.

March checks represent taxes collected on sales made in January and reported to the Comptroller by Feb. 20.

TAX TIP...

Taxpayers who use the peel-off label and pre-addressed envelope from their tax packages save themselves time, lessen their chances of error, and speed their refunds, according to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Identification errors, especially if they involve incorrect or illegible Social Security numbers, are a major cause of tax processing problems, the IRS noted.

The peel-off label is printed with the taxpayer's name, address and Social Security number. The IRS emphasized that taxpayers should use the label even if it contains some incorrect information. Corrections should then be made directly on the label.

The IRS said the coded envelope helps in the sorting of returns and ensures that the return is sent to the proper IRS service center. The IRS cautions, however, that taxpayers should send only one return in the envelope. Use a separate envelope for each return filed.

March 19, 1937

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Lifestyle



JOE and DELLA HELLMAN of Muenster have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to Bruce Bezner of Lindsay. Bruce is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bezner of Lindsay. The couple will be married in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster May 2 at 5 p.m., with Father Victor Gillespie officiating. Jenny is a 1983 graduate of Muenster High School, and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Texas at Arlington. She is presently employed at Denton Regional Medical Center. Bruce is a 1980 graduate of Lindsay High School. He is now employed by JAW Construction of Muenster. The couple will reside in Lindsay.

Hartman campout is weekend event

The Hartman Camp-Out at the Carl Atchison Ranch south of town was an event of the past weekend, when the Victor Hartman relationship gathered together in Muenster. Some arrived Friday night and some remained through Monday, equipped with tents and campers. Fifty-nine were together for a hamburger cook-out at noon on Saturday. All meals were prepared at the site, including dinner Saturday night and Sunday's breakfast, dinner at noon and supper. Most of the family returned to their homes Sunday night. More than 60 attended. Father Denis Soerries, O.S.B., was a special guest.

Entertainment included games, fishing, storytelling, volleyball and children playing in the creek. Gene Hartman of Denton was Wagon Master, and John Yosten was planner and overseer of food preparation. The relationship hopes to establish a weekend reunion as an annual tradition.

Attending were Mrs. Victor Hartman; Alvin and Joan Hartman; Jon and Monica LeBrasseur; Bobby and Sharlene Hartman and Chris Pagel; Kenny and Rhonda Hartman and Holly and Courtney, all of Muenster.

Harvey and Della Schmitt and Vickie, Debra and Stephen, and Sharon Henscheid; John and Pat Yosten and Paula and Christy, all of Muenster; Willard and Carol Hartman of Killen.

Gene and Judy Hartman and Doug Hartman of Denton; Pam Hartman and Dana Blodel of Aubrey; Jeanna Hartman and Tim Sutton of Denton.

Kathryn Gremminger and Randy and Kay Morrow and Angela and Sarah, all of Denver, Colo.

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Cub Scouts celebrate 57th birthday

Cub Scout Pack 664 celebrated the 57th birthday of Cub Scouting at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet held Feb. 8 at the VFW Hall in Muenster. Highlights of the banquet were the entertainment and awards. Cubmaster Lou Moster emceed the program.

Webelos Scouts opened the ceremony with presentation and posting of the flags. Baptist minister, Steve Pearson, gave the invocation. The Cub Scouts snakedanced to their tables. Special guests were Rosa Driever, Lupe Evans, Unit Commissioner, Shirley Weems, Cub Roundtable Chairman, Donna and Kevin Steffy, District Executive from Denton, David Fisher, Scouting Coordinator, Fr. Denis Soerries and Pastor Steve Pearson.

Skits were performed by the participating dens. Ernie Martin's Den 1 told "The Story of the Blue and Gold." Shirley Knabe's Den 4

performed an Indian dance. Cathy Berres' Den 2 formed a living circle around the Pack flag. Ed Otto's Den 3 sang "This Little Cub Scout Light of Mine." Special guests, not to be outdone, performed a relay on shoe stilts.

Special awards were presented to: VFW, Charter Sponsor; David Fisher, Scouting Coordinator; Harvey Lamkin, Christmas Parade Wagon Chairman; Linda Knabe, Cub Scout and Boy Scout Liturgy Chairman; Celine Dittfurth, Mimeographing; Doris Muller, Mimeographing; Pat Dennis, Mimeographing; Sharlene Hartman, Committee Secretary; Mary Lamkin, Awards Chairman and Treasurer; Cathy Sicking, Scout Show Sales Chairman; Linda Flusche, Publicity Chairman; Carol Klement, Refreshment Chairman; Debby Fisher, Parent Participation Ribbon; Chris Muller, Tiger Cub Coordinator; Shirley Knabe, Den 4 Leader; Roberta Walterscheid, Den 4 Assistant Leader; Ernie Martin, Den 1 Leader; Douglas Evans, Den 1 Den Chief; Ed Otto, Den 3 Leader; Kenneth Walterscheid, Den 1 Den Chief; Karlyn Hermes, Den 2 Assistant Den Leader; Gilbert Knabe, Webelos Den Leader.

Special "thank you's" went to Bouquet & Gifts Flower Shop for donating blue and gold balloons and ivy for the main table; and to Tom and Jack Flusche for the donation of helium for the balloons.

Guests were presented gifts of Cub Scout plaques.

The Awards Advancement thus followed: Tiger Cub Matt Muller was presented a bead holder and Tiger Cub neckerchief.

Awards included Wolf badges to Jonathan Otto, Cody Sicking, Darrell Russell, Michael Flusche, Greg Fisher, Bradley Fisher, John Klement, Jeff Flusche. These boys presented their mothers with their own Wolf pins. Gold arrowpoints were earned by these boys plus: Darrell Russell - 2 silver, Royce Knabe - 4 silver, Michael Flusche - 2 silver, Greg Fisher - 3 silver, Bradley Fisher - 3 silver, Mark Walterscheid - 4 silver, John Kle-

ment - 2 silver, Ryan Klement - 3 silver; gold arrowpoints were earned by Cody Sicking, Jeff Flusche, and James Klement.

Tommy Joe Dankesreiter received his Bear badge and he gave his mother her mother's pin. David Moster earned a gold arrowpoint and two silver arrowpoints.

Webelos' badge presentation was made to Brandon Walterscheid. Brandon presented his mother her mother's pin. Webelos earning activity badges were Chris Pagel, forester; Cory Knabe, citizen, forester, naturalist, outdoorsman and a conservation patch; Brandon Walterscheid, aquanaut, forester, outdoorsman, sportsman and scientist; Eddie Lamkin, citizen.

David Fisher was presented a Cub Scout mug from Den 4 for building their pushmobile derby car.

A very good meal was enjoyed by all. Schneider's catered fried chicken and Cub Scout parents brought an assortment of salads, vegetables and desserts.

Special "thanks" go to Girl Scout Troop 53 for serving tea, serving cake and helping with cleanup.

Special commendation went to the Cubs for having a good popcorn sale.

Invocation was said by Fr. Denis Soerries. Webelos Scouts retired the flags for the closing ceremony.



KEITH FELDERHOFF

4th birthday is observed

Keith Felderhoff's fourth birthday was celebrated on Sunday, March 1, a day preceding his actual March 2 birthday, when his parents, Ken and Kim Felderhoff, entertained with a dinner in their home that evening. His birthday cake, made by his mother, was decorated in a "Camouflage" theme. Pictures and movies were made of the event.

Attending were his parents and his sister; also his grandparents, Sis and Al Felderhoff and Linda and Bob Walterscheid; his great-grandmother Opal Cooper of Gainesville; and uncles Duane Walterscheid and Scott Felderhoff. An uncle, Mike Walterscheid was away at college and unable to attend.

Keith is looking forward to a second celebration of his birthday when an uncle and aunt, Ross and Janet Felderhoff, and children come for a birthday visit. Illness prevented their attendance Sunday, March 1.

News of the Sick

Betty Stoffels is recuperating at her home after undergoing shoulder surgery at AMI Denton Regional Medical Center.



JUSTIN HESS

Justin is two

Justin Hess, two-year-old son of Melvin and Terry Hess, enjoyed two parties to observe his March 14 birthday.

The first party was on Friday, March 13, at Tender Loving Care Day Care Center, with his friends. His mother served punch and cupcakes. She was accompanied by Donna Biffle and children, Jack and Jayna.

Sunday morning started with a trip to the zoo and park in Gainesville with his special friend, Nancy Fleitman.

The second party was held Sunday evening, March 15, hosted by his parents in their home, with family and friends present. Following supper, the decorated birthday cake and ice cream were served for dessert, and gifts were opened.

Guests included the grandparents Jerry and Helen Hughes and sons Eddie, Paul and Fred of Gainesville, and Mrs. Albert (Agnes) Hess of Muenster; great-grandparents Paul and Dorothy Fisher; and uncles and aunts, Leo and Mary Lou Hess and their granddaughter, Kacie Garcia; Herbie and Debra Fisher and family; Rita and Tiffany Fisher, all of Muenster; Donnie and Ina Faye Fisher of Gainesville and friends Donna and Jim Biffle and Jack and Jayna.

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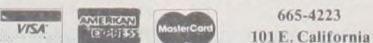
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Rose Felderhoff was named to the Dean's List at Texas Tech, at the end of the 1986 fall semester at the university. To qualify, students must have finished 12 or more semester hours, maintaining a 3.5 to 3.9 grade-point average in a possible 4.0 g.p.a. She is a daughter of Joe and Ruth Felderhoff and a graduate of Sacred Heart High School.

Come see art display at the hospital

Joan Walterscheid, director of nurses at Muenster Memorial Hospital, invites parents, friends and hospital visitors to pause and view the art display presented by two groups of students for the next two weeks in the front lobby of the hospital. The students are second graders of Muenster Public School taught by Jane Weinzapfel, and seventh graders of Sacred Heart School taught by Becky Fenton. The displays are arranged at two-week intervals.

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MR. and MRS. ALEXANDER WOYKE of Chicago announce the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia Carmen, to Scott Bryan Marquardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Marquardt of Shawano, Wis., formerly of Muenster. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Mundelein College, Chicago with a major in history. She is the property manager of a Chicago realty firm. Scott was a member of the class of 1980 of Muenster Public School and graduated from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee with a degree in civil engineering. He is employed in the Chicago area as a structural engineer. The wedding will take place in Chicago on Sept. 5, 1987.

Courtney is one



COURTNEY HARTMAN

Courtney Hartman's first birthday of Feb. 12 was celebrated twice, with an afternoon party at the home of her parents, Ken and Rhonda Hartman.

Her birthday cake, decorated with a Care Bear theme, was made by her mother, who served it with ice cream.

Guests were her sister, Holly, and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Ed Endres; also Marlene, Lacy and Ricky Endres; Karen, Charlie and Tony Moster; Doreen, Nicholas, Adam and Laura Taylor; Laurie Flusche; Chris Pagel, Sharlene Hartman; Paulette, Paul and Glen Swirczynski.

Another birthday party was held that evening in the home and guests were Joanie and Alvin Hartman; Mrs. Victor Hartman and Monica and Jon LeBrasseur.

Out-of-town relatives at Felderhoff funeral

A number of relatives from out-of-town, some coming from a distance, were here to attend the funeral services and Mass of Christian Burial for Tony Felderhoff on March 10, officiated by Father Denis Soerries, O.S.B., and Father Victor Gillespie, O.S.B., of Sacred Heart Church and Father Nicholas Fuhrmann of St. Mary's in Gainesville and Father Joseph Weinzapfel of Dallas. Also present for the Mass was Tony Felderhoff's brother-in-law, Most Rev. Augustine Danglermayr of Muenster.

Relatives coming from out-of-town included Rita (Felderhoff) Tucker of Wichita Falls; Janie

Cox of Houston; Clovis and Polly Lewis of Jackson, Miss.; Judie Felderhoff of Arlington; Anthony and Janice Felderhoff of Chanute, Kansas; Gene, Judy and Jeana Hartman of Denton; Sister Georgia Felderhoff of West Memphis, Ark.; Sister Amora Felderhoff of Holy Angels Convent, Jonesboro, Ark.; Cindy Felderhoff of New Braunfels; Mary Felderhoff and Jeff Felderhoff, both of Arlington; Ronnie Felderhoff of Austin; Kathy and Karl Metzler and Melissa of Denton; the Steve Felderhoff family of The Colony; and Mrs. Eddie Stock of Dallas.

Lillian Appel vacations in Panama

Lillian Appel has returned home after a month's vacation and fun in the sun visiting her daughter, Leona, and husband, Lt. Col. James Smith, and grandson Steve. Another daughter of Mrs. Appel, Dorothy Knapp of Denver, joined them there for three weeks.

They visited the old ruins of Panama City, destroyed by the pirate, Henry Morgan, although within the ruins is a church that was spared. It was saved by the quick-thinking of the pastor who painted its beautiful golden altar black. It has been restored to its original gold.

Of interest were visits into the interior and mountain areas. There they followed a narrow path over and under fallen trees to see square trees growing, actually with rec-

angular, four-cornered trunks. Weekends were spent at swimming in both oceans and collecting coral shells and sand dollars. "There also was the spectacular pleasure of seeing sunrise over the Pacific," said Mrs. Appel. "Also fascinating was the sight of ships traveling through the Canal Locks... We were granted a VIP tour across the walkway of the lock's gate and were taken down into the working area of the locks."

She said also, "We found the natives very unfriendly to the Americans. Most are looking forward to the year 2000 when they will control the canal... Seeing the deterioration of the railroad system since 1979 when control was turned over to Panama, one wonders about the canal."

An extra treat during the vacation was a trip into Costa Rica. There the people were friendly - "one felt safe even out at night," said Mrs. Appel. "Costa Rica is classed as one of the most progressive of the Central American countries."

Flowers and flowering trees were everywhere. Even the side-trip to an active volcano and through the beautiful valleys approaching it were memorable. Two widely divergent impressions remain of the trip, Mrs. Appel said. She recalls touring the Basilica of Our Lady of the Angels built where the Blessed Virgin had appeared to a child as a small statue, in the early 17th century.

Another memory she brought back was of the straight-as-an-arrow rows of trees with fencing attached. They were made by Costa Ricans who cut down saplings for fence posts, knowing the posts would sprout soon and grow in the very fertile soil and high amounts of rainfall.

Add two to high honor roll

The names of two students of Muenster High School were incorrectly placed in last week's Enterprise. Also earning a place on the High Honor Roll were Jeff Walterscheid and J. Shane Wimmer and should have been included.

Cousins celebrate



KRISTINA WIMMER

Steven Stewart, three-year-old son of Renee and Larry Don Stewart, and his cousin Kristina Wimmer, one-year-old daughter of Natalie and Monte Wimmer, were honored by their grandparents Louise and Jerry Wimmer, who entertained with a birthday party and dinner on Feb. 18 at their home at 7 p.m. That was Steven's birthday and Kristina's was on Feb. 19.

"Pound Puppy" was the decoration theme. Birthday cake and ice cream were served as dessert, and gifts were opened.

Guests included the great-grandparents, Tony and Loretta Wimmer and Mrs. Susanna Noggler; and Marlin Wimmer; Mike Hutchins of Gainesville; Ted and Sweetie Noggler of Lindsay; Jo Ann and Staci Yosten; and Steven's brother and sister, Holly and Justin.

Steven had another party on Feb. 15 at his home in Gainesville, with a Mickey Mouse theme in decor and refreshments, hosted by his parents.

Guests included the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Carolyn Stewart; and Sharon and Steve Muller and Wayne and Gary, all of Myra; Lois and Leamon Rober-



STEVEN STEWART

son of Gainesville. Unable to attend were Dennis and Ruby Stewart and Shelly and Lindy of Muenster.

Kristina had her own extra party, too, at their home when her parents entertained on Feb. 15 at 4:30 p.m.

A Teddy Bear theme was emphasized in pastels. Birthday cake and punch were served.

Guests included the great-grandmother Christine Hutchins; grandparents Jr. and Lou Hutchins; an uncle Michael Hutchins; a great-aunt Ginger Hutchins; a great-aunt Mary Stewart and daughter Tes; and Kenneth Farr, all of Gainesville; great-aunt and -uncle John and Gerry Smith of Era; and Stacey and Darrell Sickling of Electra.

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Cadette Troop 53 attends cooking event

Girl Scout Cadette Troop 53 attended a "Creative Cooking" event held at Camp Gambill, near Paris, Texas on March 6, 7 and 8.

Attending were Jenny Yosten, Kristen Klement, Tonya Knabe, Dawn Knabe, Robin Greathouse and Cher Moster. Scout leaders attending were Jeanne Greathouse and Lou Moster.

AT Camp Gambill, Troop 53 did all their own cooking over a campfire. They attended workshops on "Tricks of the Trade," "Tools of the Trade," "Treat Your Tastebuds," "Added Touch" and "Collect and Cook."

The girls selected China as their Creative Cooking experience. On Saturday evening, all troops attending ate together at Gander Hall. A variety of countries, table settings and different dishes were featured. Troop 53 prepared Beef Teriyaki, steamed rice and cantaloupe boats.

A "Bridgeover" for Cadettes to Seniors followed; and a jam session and campfire stories completed the evening.

On Sunday they attended Mass in St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Bonham, with Father Bruce Bradley officiating. The girls offered special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pasqua for the use of their van on this trip.

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Investiture held for Girl Scout Troop 53

Investiture was held for Girl Scout Cadette Troop 53 on Sunday, Feb. 22, at 2 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Girl Scout Troop 45 presented and posted the flags and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Lou Moster emceed the program. Carol Roberts, Girl Scout District Executive, was a guest from Denton. Cadette Troop 53 recited "What Is A Girl Scout?" and "A Cadette Stands For."

Investiture followed with Carol Roberts pinning the following girls: Tonya Knabe, Jennie Yosten, Dawn Knabe, Kristen Klement and Cher Moster.

Jeanne Greathouse and Lou Moster were pinned as leaders of Troop 53. Cadette Troop 53 gave a presentation on "Thinking Day," Feb. 22, which has a special meaning for Girl Scouts. On this day, Girl Guides and Girl Scouts around the world think of one another. It is also the birthday of the Founder of Scouting, the late Lord Baden Powell and of Lady Baden Powell. Troop 45 gave a presentation in French on the Girl Scout Promise and Loretta Felderhoff presented awards to her Troop 45. They retired the flags and refreshments were served.

Cub Scout Rally Night set for March 26, 7 p.m.

Cub Scout Rally Night will be held for incoming first, second and third graders, to invite them in a special way to become new members of the Cub Scout organization. It will be held in the VFW Hall on Thursday, March 26, at 7 p.m. Parents must attend with their sons. Those who join will be invited to attend the Pinewood Derby on

Sunday, March 29, at 2 p.m. in the VFW Hall as spectators. They will be welcome to come and watch the fun this year as an inducement to compete themselves next year. Information sheets will be distributed at both schools and sent home with the children. More information may be obtained by phoning 759-4242, Cliff and Kathy Sicking.

Personals

Mrs. Jim Roark and her daughter, Mary Ellen Roark of Tampa, Florida, spent the weekend of March 14-16 in Smith Center, Kansas attending the sixtieth wedding anniversary celebration of Alice's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Simpson, on Sunday, March 15. They met and parted at DFW.

Mrs. Ted Gremminger, her daughter and son-in-law, Kay and Randy Morrow, and their twin daughters, Angela and Sarah, of Denver are guests of the mother and grandmother, Mrs. Victor Hartman. They came for the Hartman reunion, and Kathryn, Kay and the twins are remaining through next Monday.

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Ware, Loyce Kermickel, Frances Reiter and Mattie Rosson were all able to attend.

The menu for the St. Patrick's Day Luncheon was cheese soup, ham sandwiches, pickles and chips. Cherry pie was served for dessert. Everyone agreed that the meal was

delicious. Anna Herr, former Activity Director at St. Richard's, helped the entire outing to go smoothly by volunteering to help residents to get ready to go out, transport residents to Fischerhaus and make sure that everyone had what they needed throughout the meal. Everybody at

St. Richard's was glad to see Anna again and appreciate her continuing to help at these special occasions. Pat Smith was also a big help in serving and watching out for everyone during the meal.

The luncheon was a delightful occasion for St. Richard's residents, and we wish to thank the Fishers again for an excellent meal and a lovely time.

Pat Fisher honored on 80th birthday

Pat Fisher was the honored guest at a party in the home of his sister, Lorena Taylor on March 16, eve of St. Patrick's Day and eve of his 80th birthday.

A covered dish dinner was served to a group of relatives, followed by a decorated birthday cake that depicted his tree-pruning activities,

with little Leprechauns decorating the trees. The cake was made by Cathy and Francis Fuhrmann.

Guests included his brother, Father Harry Fisher of Seymour; Joe and Gertrude Fisher; Paul and Dorothy Fisher; Earl and Velma Fisher; Margaret Fisher; Bertha Pick; Lillian Appel; Clyde and

Polly Fisher, all of Muenster, joining the honoree and the hostess.

They were all together again on St. Patrick's Day attending a Mass in Sacred Heart Church celebrated at 8 a.m. by Father Harry Fisher and Father Victor Gillespie.

School Menu

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March 23-27

Mon. - Sausage on a Stick, tator tots, lettuce, fruit, milk.

Tues. - Baked Ham, potato salad, baked beans, pineapple, bread, milk.

Wed. - Chicken Fried Steak, green beans, potatoes, gravy, peanut clusters, milk, bread.

Thur. - Mexican Casserole, ranch style beans, lettuce, tomatoes, fruit, bread, milk.

Fri. - Fish Nuggets, whole potatoes, cole slaw, cookies, bread, milk.

Tues. - Chicken Pot Pie, lettuce salad, fruit, hot rolls, milk.

Wed. - Ham & Cheese Sandwich or peanut butter sandwich, nachos, lettuce and tomatoes, fruit, cake, milk.

Thur. - Barbecue Sandwich, pickles and onions, fruit, cookies, milk.

Fri. - NO SCHOOL!

FORESTBURG SCHOOL

March 23-27

Mon. - LUNCH: Salmon Patties, creamed potatoes, green beans, lettuce and tomato salad, peaches, bread, milk. BREAKFAST: Cereal, juice, milk.

Tues. - LUNCH: Goulash, blackeye peas, corn, applesauce, hot rolls, cake, milk. BREAKFAST: Scrambled eggs, toast, jelly, milk.

Wed. - LUNCH: Chicken and Dressing w/Gravy, candied potatoes, English peas, cranberry sauce, bread, fruit salad, milk. BREAKFAST: Cereal, juice, milk.

Thur. - LUNCH: Taco Salad, lettuce and tomatoes, crackers and peanut butter, ranch style beans, raisins, banana pudding, milk. BREAKFAST: Donuts, juice, milk.

Fri. - LUNCH: Sloppy Joes, lettuce, pork and beans, chips, fruit cocktail, milk. BREAKFAST: Biscuit and gravy w/sausage, juice, milk.

LINDSAY SCHOOL MENU

March 23-27

Mon. - Cheese Enchilada w/Chili Sauce, mixed vegetables, bread, combination salad, pineapple chunks, milk.

Tues. - Meat Loaf, whole potatoes, bread, green beans, cabbage slaw, jello and milk.

Wed. - Chicken Nuggets, gravy, creamed potatoes, bread, corn, cherry cobbler, milk.

Thur. - Hamburgers w/Trimnings, French fries, ice cream, milk.

Fri. - NO SCHOOL!

MUESTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

March 23-26

Mon. - Crispos, red beans, lettuce salad, fruit, milk.

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March 23-27

Mon. - Pizza on Bun, tossed salad, pork and beans, peach half, milk.

Tues. - Steak Fingers, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, butter, jello, milk.

Wed. - Corn Dog, French fries, buttered corn, sliced bread, cookies, milk.

Thur. - Taco Salad, trimmings, pinto beans, cornbread, butter, cake, milk.

Fri. - Cheeseburger, trimming, French fries, peach cobbler, milk.



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the popular country and western musical entertainment group featured from noon until 3 p.m. Montgomery and Boyd recalled being present in Muenster in 1939 when Sacred Heart Church observed its golden jubilee. **Dave Fette Photo**

Hospital Notes

Mon., March 9 - Josephine Schilling, Muenster; Wm. L. Purcell, Joseph Wimmer, Gainesville; Durward R. Carver, Saint Jo.; Ernestina Diaz and baby girl Maria Mercedes, Nocona.
 Tues., March 10 - Julia Van Zandt, Muenster; Sandra Lemons, Nocona; Brenda Wright, Gainesville.
 Wed., March 11 - Fred Greg Knight, Gainesville.
 Thur., March 12 - NONE
 Fri., March 13 - Karen Joleen Hofbauer, Peter Koelzer, Mamie Haverkamp, Muenster; Edward Fette, Saint Jo; Willie Holt, Gainesville.
 Sat., March 14 - Ronald Trubebach, Muenster; Michelle Prigmore, Saint Jo; Theresa Langford, Nocona.
 Sun., March 15 - NONE



THE SECOND GRADE Bluebonnet Bluebirds visited Lora's Flowers and Gifts this week. After a tour of the shop and shown treatment and identification of flowers, the girls each made a St. Patrick's Day potato flower arrangement. Lora Hennigan is shown here helping Leslie Grewing, Becky Fette, LeAnn Klement and Tonya Knauf with their arrangements. **Janie Hartman Photo**

Babies

Births of three new great-grandchildren on three successive days became a triple joy for Mrs. Gertrude Bayer when the news came to her on Feb. 28, March 1 and March 2.

Neu of Lindsay. Mrs. Keith Bayer is the former Collette Hoening.

Harris Hospital on Feb. 28, 1987 at 3:15 p.m., weighing 8 lb. 1 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Alfred and Anna Marie Bayer of Muenster and Raynard and Maxine Roberts of Fort Worth. Mrs. Gertrude Bayer is the maternal great-grandmother, and there are two paternal great-grandmothers. Mrs. Edward Roberts is the former Mary Bayer of Muenster.

Devers

Margie and Billy Joe Devers of Valley View announce the birth of a son on March 2, 1987 at Flow Memorial Hospital at 10:35 a.m., weighing 8 lb. 14 oz. and measuring 20 3/4 inches long. They have named him Matthew Joseph. He is a brother for Jason, Barbi and Diana and a grandson for Ethel Hesse of Muenster, Adeline Devers of Valley View and Joe Devers of Denton. Mrs. Gertrude Bayer is the great-grandmother.

Roberts

Edward and Mary Roberts of Fort Worth are parents of their first child, a son, Steven, born in

Bayer

Keith and Collette Bayer announce the birth of a daughter, Cheryl Rae, on March 1, 1987 in Muenster Memorial Hospital at 3:30 p.m., weighing 7 lb. 1 oz. and measuring 21 inches in length. Cheryl Rae is the first grandchild for Ray and Cecilia Hoening and the seventh grandchild for Arthur and Frances Bayer of Muenster. The great-grandparents are Mrs. Gertrude Bayer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knabe, Sr., Joe Hoening, all of Muenster, and Mr. and Mrs. J.J.

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Baptism

Miller

Clint John Miller, infant son of Darlene and Alan Miller, was baptized by Father Denis Soerries during the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 8.

Baptismal sponsors were an uncle, Mark Miller, and aunts, Karen and Sharen Wolf.

Margie Klement, an aunt, gave the liturgical readings and Clint's big brother, Eric, participated in presentation of Offertory gifts.

Frances Bayer sang and Anthony Luke, organist, played "Jesus Loves Me" following the Baptism.

The baby wore a Kubis family keepsake heirloom christening

gown.

Attending were the baby's brothers, Eric and Bryan, and the parents; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Wolf and Mrs. and Mrs. W.J. Miller. Also Margie and Lyle Klement and Trisha, Jarrod and Lance; Linda and Jack Flusche and Greg and John; Brenda Felderhoff, Phil Wolf, Justin Wolf, Timmy Wolf and Denise Shepard of Lewisville, and Robert Miller.

Brunch was hosted by the baby's parents in their home. The decorated christening cake was made by Margie Klement. All the above attended.

Relatives from Tours visit sister and family

Sister Mary Elizabeth Jupe, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Filer and Mrs. Rosa Berger, visited Mrs. Frank Yosten and Steve and Mary Moster Sunday, March 8. Joe Filer and Rosa Berger are brother and sister of Mrs. Yosten. Sister Mary Elizabeth was elated over the picture Mrs. Yosten had of Sister Theodore Filer who entered

the Sisters of Divine Providence convent in 1891. She was the first girl to enter from the Tours Community. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the visit and Sister Mary Elizabeth left with much information for the "History of Tours' Early Families" which she is writing.

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RESIDENTS OF ST. RICHARD'S VILLA celebrated St. Patrick's Day as guests of Louise and John Fisher at Fischerhaus. First to enter were Mrs.

Theresa Vogel, assisted by Anna Herr; and Mrs. Rosie Walterscheid, assisted by Linda Tripp. At right, is Walter "Nig" Wilson. **Janie Hartman Photo**

A.G. Edwards CEO visits local branch

As part of A.G. Edwards' centennial celebration, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Benjamin F. Edwards III visited the firm's new Gainesville office March 3. Edwards, who is the great-grandson of the company's founder, has been named by **The Wall Street Transcript** as one of the top three CEOs in the securities industry for each of the past five years.

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New exhibit is shown at Morton Museum

The Cooke County Heritage Society is pleased to announce that a new exhibit, "Physicians and Medicine in Cooke County," has been installed in the Morton Museum and has been open to the public since Thursday, March 12. It will be in place until the middle of May.

The exhibit commences with a look at both the early history of medical care in the county and some of the first physicians to arrive. It then moves to the "In between years" when the county was developing and concludes with an examination of the physicians

and medicine available during WWII and beyond. The exhibit also explores the importance of drugstores, particularly in the early days for providing medical care. A replica of a doctor's office has also been set up. As this is also National Women's History Month, a bulletin board celebrating some of the achievements of women in the county is included as part of the exhibit as well. The curator would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of those individuals who loaned items for this exhibit. For further information, please call the Morton Museum at 668-8900.

Personal

Janie Cox of Houston was here several days last week to spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Fleitman, and to attend the funeral of her uncle, Tony Felderhoff. She remained overnight and through the next day.

Production set for March 26

Cast members have been chosen for the upcoming Butterfield Stage production of **Catch Me If You Can**, which will open March 26. They are learning lines, building set and rehearsing for opening night. While many of the faces in the cast are familiar, two new talents have been found.

Sam Winfrey will be making his Butterfield Stage acting debut. Winfrey, who grew up in Gainesville, recently moved back after being gone several years. Among some of his acting credits, he lists **Oklahoma** at the Baton Rouge Little Theatre, **Move Over Mrs. Markum** at Pasadena Little Theatre, and **Murder Among Friends** at the Dean Goss Dinner Theatre in Houston. Recently Winfrey was elected president of the Cooke County Arts Council.

Also making his debut is Steve Fellers. Fellers, employed by Sam Cotten Construction, has been a great help in set construction, as well as a valuable member of the cast.

One of the many familiar faces in the cast is Kenny Bezner, who most recently played Elwood P. Dowd in the Butterfield Stage production **Harvey**. He also played Virgil in **Bus Stop** and Sol Schwartz in **The Tender Trap**. Bezner is currently pursuing a career in commercial acting and recently completed an acting course at Faces International in Dallas.

Another familiar face is Dick Powell. Powell has appeared in numerous productions including **Plaza Suite**, **The Odd Couple** and **Murder at Howard Johnsons**. He has also worked in other capacities at the theatre; in the fall, Powell directed **Annie**.

Bridget Head has also been involved in many Butterfield productions. **Vanities** and **Last of the Red Hot Lovers** are among her acting credits. She has also worked on **The**

Impossible Years and **Bus Stop**. Head was the assistant director of **Annie**.

Roger Dieter only recently became involved in the Butterfield Stage, but he is already compiling numerous credits. He portrayed Bert Healy in **Annie** and L.J. Lofgren in **Harvey**, as well as helped behind-the-scenes. Dieter is employed as delicatessen/bakery manager at Tom Thumb.

Cast member Jennifer Shaw is a junior at Gainesville High School and the daughter of Tex and Pat Shaw. She recently appeared as Stupefying Jones in the high school's production of **Lil Abner**. She also appeared in last year's Butterfield production of **Right Bed, Wrong Husband**. Shaw is

associated with the David Payne Agency in Dallas.

Leading this cast as director is Stu Bedford, making his directing debut. Assisting Bedford is Mary Broughton, who appeared in **Annie**. With such a strong cast and directing staff, the show holds great promise.

The show, **Catch Me If You Can**, is a whodunit with a very surprising ending. Box office will open to the general public on March 18. The office will be open at the following times: 9:00 to 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; 10:00 to noon, Saturday. Performance nights are March 26, 27, 28, April 2, 3 and 4. The April 3 performance will be a dinner theatre.

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Because this year's opening coincides with Spring Break period for most schools in the region, the Arlington theme park will be open daily through March 22. After that date, Six Flags will be open Saturdays and Sundays only for the remainder of the spring season. Daily operation for the summer months will begin

May 23.

A major musical production, "Stars & Stripes Salute," will debut in the Southern Palace Music Hall. The show features a cast of 14 with lavish sets and costumes by Broadway designer Winn Morton.

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Lindsay Honor Roll

Superintendent Henry B. Schroeder and Principal Gilbert Hermes of Lindsay ISD have announced the following honor roll for the fourth six weeks grading period:

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94; Tammy Huchton, 93.8; Ted Fuhrmann, 93.4; Cheryl Denison, 93.2; Julie Dankesreiter, 93; Jacque Sandmann, 92.8; Greg Zimmerer, 92.2; Julie Fuhrmann, 91.8333; Craig Neu, 91; Sonya Eberhart, 90.6; Eddie Krebs, 90.6; Jason Zimmerer, 90.3333; Mark Hoening, 90.2; Steven Zwinggi, 90.2.

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 The family of Tony Felderhoff would like to thank everyone for the many acts of kindness shown to our family; the prayers by Sacred Heart parishioners; the daily prayers by students of Sacred Heart School during his long illness and upon his death. A special thanks to CDA and helpers for the delicious dinner and KCs for use of their hall. May God bless all of you!
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 The Board of Directors of Muenster Hospital District orders and gives notice of an election to be held on the 4th day of April 1987 for the purpose of electing four (4) directors of the district for a full two-year term. Absentee voting by personal appearance will begin on Monday, March 16, 1987 and continue through Tuesday, March 31, 1987 from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official holiday. Administrator's Office, Muenster Memorial Hospital, 605 North Maple Street, Muenster, Texas 76252 is the address of the place for absentee voting. Applications for absentee voting by mail are to be addressed to Herman W. Carroll, P.O. Box 370, Muenster, Texas 76252 and must be received no later than 12:00 noon March 27, 1987.
 The polling place on day of election is Muenster Public High School Building, East Seventh Street, Muenster, Texas and will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. 3.20-1E1

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE (REAL ESTATE)

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION issued out of the Honorable 17th District Court on the 29th day of January, A.D. 1987, in the case of Senco Marketing versus Joe Mercer, No. 17-98151-86, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 27th day of February A.D. 1987, and will between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M., on the first Tuesday in April A.D. 1987, it being the 7th day of said month, at the Courthouse door of said Cooke County, in the City of Gainesville, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which Joe Mercer had on the 27th day of February, A.D. 1987, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit:
 (1) Lot 7, of Oak View, Second section, a Subdivision out of the Hiram Sadler Survey, Abstract No. 901, on the waters of Moss Lake in Cooke County, Texas, as shown on the Plat thereof recorded in Volume 3, Page 29 of the Plat Records, Cooke County, Texas.
 GIVEN UNDER MY HAND This 27th day of February, A.D. 1987.
 John Aston
 Sheriff, Cooke County, Texas
 /s/ June Kuykendall, Deputy 3.13-1-E

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Muenster I.S.D.:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on April 4, 1987, for voting in a school election, to elect trustees to positions three and four for full terms of three years.

Location of Polling Place: Muenster High School Lobby Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Muenster I.S.D. Administration Building between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on March 16, 1987 and ending on March 31, 1987.
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Local students win at Tae Kwon Do Tournament

On Saturday, March 7, 1987, Master Eagle Park held his First Annual Plano Invitational Tae Kwon Do Tournament at Shepton High School in Plano, Texas. Approximately 600 people attended this tournament, including students and masters from New York City and the country of Mexico.

PICTURED ABOVE, from Master Choi's Tae Kwon Do Academy #317, N. Commerce Street in Gainesville, are the medal winners, l to r - Master Choi, Leanne Ladd, Senior Division - Yellow Belt, Sparring - Muenster, Texas, Gold Medal; Danny Head, 2nd place Texas State Championship, Blue Belt Lightweight, Feb. 28, 1987, Tyler, TX, and Silver Medal Blue Belt Lightweight at Plano - Sparring, Gainesville; Joe Bob Jones, Heavyweight Blue Belt Division - Sparring - Gainesville, Silver Medal; Andy Ladd, Children - Yellow Belt Division - Forms, Muenster - Gold Medal; Greg Garcia,

Lightweight Orange Belt Division - Forms - Gainesville, Gold Medal; Alton Ladd, Senior Division Red/Black Belt - Sparring - Muenster - Bronze Medal.

Based on historical evidence which exists today, Tae Kwon Do is of pure Korean origin and is the oldest martial art in the world.

"Students from both academies, located in Gainesville and Denton, feel extremely fortunate to have as our instructor, 7th Degree Black Belt Korean Master Choi," said spokesman Alton Ladd.

"My personal improvements are achieved in many areas through instruction under Master Choi, some of which include discipline, confidence, physical fitness, concentration, self-defense skills, school work, attitudes, patience and weight control," he added.

Rosston News

by Ruth Smith

Paul White dies in Amarillo
Mrs. Fannie Ewing received word Saturday of the death of her second cousin, Paul White. Mr. White passed away in an Amarillo hospital after having heart surgery.

Funeral arrangements are under direction of Coker Funeral Home in Decatur. Funeral services will be in Alford First Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Geneva; one son, Jerry; and four grandchildren; one brother, Bill White of Rosston. Mrs. Ewing is a cousin and Mrs. Bula Mae Berry is a sister-in-law.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Holder of Sanger. Sunday evening dinner guests were Larry Brandon, Audrey and Chad of Gainesville.

Bewleys have guests

Guests of Miss Lois Bewley and Clyde Sunday afternoon were Jerry Cotton and daughter, Kathy Cotton of Azle, Beverly and Charles Fleitman of Gainesville, J.Y. and Agnes Brandon. Kathy Cotton is spending a few days with Lois and Clyde during her spring break.

Granddaughter visits Christians

Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Christian have as their guest Sunday and Monday their granddaughter, Miss Shannon Christian of Stephenville. She is a student at John Tarleton College in Stephenville. Ruth and C.H. were in Denton on business Tuesday and they also visited Mrs. Laurean (Christian) Robertson, who is in the hospital. Her condition is said to be critical.

Sick list

Mrs. Vena Settle, Mrs. Opal Berry and Mrs. Christine Hughes visited Mrs. Laurean (Christian) Robertson one day last week.

Personal

Mrs. Treva Trigg of Cedar Hill spent the weekend here. On Saturday, she visited Mrs. Louise Shults in Forestburg and other friends of

her late mother, Mrs. Lyndel Richardson.

Personal

Mrs. Joyce Hanson, Mrs. Paula Morford, and Mrs. Carol Jakse of Montague attended the funeral of Mrs. Martha Call in Gainesville Monday.

Hansons visit old friends

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hanson were in Gainesville Tuesday on business. Mrs. Hanson spent Friday night with her daughter, Carol, in Montague. Mrs. Treva Trigg of Cedar Hill visited the Hansons Sunday afternoon. Joyce visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bonner of Forestburg and their two daughters, Marsha and Becky of Houston, who are visiting in the Bonner home.

Friends visit hospital patients

Mrs. Mozelle Hutson visited her mother, Mrs. Jewel Gaston, in Nocona Tuesday. Sunday Mozelle visited Mrs. Cecile Perryman of Forestburg, who is a patient in the Gainesville Memorial Hospital since Wednesday.

San Antonio guests visit Kindigers

Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Kindiger of San Antonio arrived Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Mary Ruth Kindiger and other relatives. Thursday Mary Ruth and her guests went to Whitesboro to visit the Jim Kindiger family. Friday Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Kindiger spent the night with Joe and Lola Kindiger in Lin-

dsay. Saturday the C.B. Kindigers, the Joe Kindigers, the Eddie Kindigers, Mrs. Karen Chapman and Aaron of Austin, and Mrs. Inez Stevens had lunch with Mary Ruth Kindiger. Sunday for lunch at Mary Ruth's were the C.B. Kindigers, Bobbie Handford and husband Rhett, the Eddie Kindigers, the Jim Kindigers, the Chapmans and Mrs. Inez Stevens was a visitor Sunday afternoon. Aaron Chapman is spending a few days with Mary Ruth and other relatives during his spring break.

Estelle Kelley has weekend guests

Mrs. Monda Kelsey visited her mother, Mrs. Estelle Kelley, Wednesday. Miss Sissie Kelley accompanied Mrs. Kelsey to her home in Sanger for a visit till Friday. Mrs. Estelle Kelley visited Mrs. Millie Reynolds at Forestburg Tuesday. Estelle attended the Ladies Luncheon at Forestburg Thursday. Willis Kelley and Jerry Kelley visited Estelle Saturday morning; and Lanny and Rayetta Kelley of Era were her guests on Sunday.

Evelyn Brown visits old friends

Mrs. Evelyn Brown visited Saturday with Mrs. Leona Moore and Mrs. Dovie Reeves and Mrs. Mabel Cunningham. Mrs. Cunningham celebrated her 95th birthday Feb. 25. She has lived in the same house in Saint Jo for 32 years. Her parents were T.P. and Nora Bell Davidson, who lived in the small East Texas town of Denney. Evelyn then drove to Muenster and saw the Light Crust Doughboys at Fischer's. Then she drove over to Gainesville, then to Valley View and visited Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Brown.

Personal

Marvin Maberry Jr. of Daingerfield came Thursday for a visit until Saturday with his parents, the Marvin Maberrys Sr. Friday they all went to Fort Worth on business.

Texas: Is division possible?

by Robert McDaniel

When Texas entered the Union in 1845, it entered with the understanding that it could, if its citizenry chose to, separate into four new states in addition to the present state of Texas. Of course, these new states had to have the necessary population before they could become individual states of the United States. There are two reasons why the United States government allowed Texas to enter in this manner. First, few government leaders felt such a large area could function legislatively, and secondly, the Northwest Territory had been allowed to enter the Union in 1787 with the stipulation that not less than three nor more than five states could be carved from this area. The five states that were eventually carved from this territory were Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan. People in Texas as well as the Americans with whom they wed themselves felt that it would only be a matter of time before this would be accomplished in Texas.

After entering the Union, it took less than two years before the first attempt was made to subdivide Texas into smaller parts. Mr. Isaac Van Zandt, after whom Van Zandt County was named, ran for governor of Texas in 1847 on the Democratic platform that Texas should be divided into four states. His plan was abandoned when he died before he could be elected governor. In 1852, the House of Representatives of the state of Texas voted down 35 to 15 Representative Peter Flanagan's resolution to divide Texas along the Brazos River. Flanagan tried again in 1866 to separate 38 counties east of the Trinity River into the state of East Texas, but was again defeated.

The Radical Republicans, who were in control of the government of Texas after the Civil War, felt that a divided Texas would suit their administration best because then they would have five political plums they could pick and distribute these political favors to their friends. The Constitutional Convention of 1868 immediately began slicing Texas into every conceivable direction and the plan that came closest to being adopted was the one that would have divided

Texas into three states - East Texas, Texas and South Texas - using the Trinity and Colorado Rivers as the boundaries. The reason this plan received so much attention was because it gave seacoast frontage to each state for commercial as well as military use. This plan failed because other legislators also had their own division plans they favored and an insufficient number of votes could be mustered for one plan to dominate.

The division issue never really died and surfaced again in 1888, 1906 and 1907. The next serious battle for separation came when the state did not reapportion itself after the 1910 census. West Texans felt slighted, and in 1915 tried to separate itself into the state of Jefferson. This attempt also died due to the lack of votes. Others who supported the idea of division were John Nance Garner when he was in the House of Representatives, and V.E. "Red" Berry, who in 1969 suggested a creation of the states of North Texas and South Texas because he felt northerners did not support his policy on pari-mutuel gambling.

The question Texas as well as citizens of other states keep asking is how would Texas benefit by dividing itself? Immediately Texas would be represented by 10 members in the United States Senate rather than two as it now is. This could mean eight new, or eight more, votes in favor of programs that would benefit Southern policies, rural policies, or maybe oil policies.

The next question is, does Texas need to be divided because of ethnic differences. Some say yes, because there are distinct differences between East Texans and West Texans, differences between Fort Worthians and Dallasites, differences between South Texans and the residents of the Panhandle. The problem that has prevented Texas from being divided is still the same, how to divide the state in a way that would best satisfy all concerned. Should the state be divided to keep the heavily populated Spanish-speaking population centers together, which range from El Paso to Corpus Christi and all areas to the south? Are Dallas and Fort Worth economically too closely

connected together due to the DFW Regional Airport to split even though Fort Worth wants to be associated with representing the West, and Dallas does not? Should Wichita Falls be placed with the East Texas oil fields or the Permian Basin of West Texas? Does upper East Texas - Longview, Tyler, Texarkana - belong with the chemical towns of Houston, Texas City, Beaumont, Port Arthur, or does it unite with the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex? Has the Hill Country retained enough of its traditional charm to become its own state, or has it been so infiltrated by the Mexican northward migration that its distinct characteristics of the past have all but been forgotten?

Even if these numerous problems could be resolved, these new states would also cause other problems. These same problems were faced by any new state entering the Union. Naming the state and selecting a capital would be two of the dominant problems. Would they select the obvious names of North, South, East, West and Central Texas as did the Carolinas, the Dakotas and the Virginias, or would they choose new ones? Would the area want to be still dominated by the larger population centers of these states, or would they want a new capital constructed which would not favor any specific town?

As in most cases, when one problem is solved, another is created. Will this problem ever resurface? Rest assured it will when section or sections of the state feel they are being bullied or being ignored by the others.

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KEITH VOGEL and the Grand Champion Heifer Breed.

Photos by
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LIVESTOCK



STEPHEN BECKER with his market lamb showmanship trophy.

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were Jefflyn LeFevre, Misty Vogel, Keith Vogel and Chad Cheaney.

Winning red ribbons from Muenster were Heath Bayer, Amy Bayer, Deano Bayer, Shawn Vogel, Kelly Bob Bayer and Jeremy Bayer. Lindsay red ribbon winners were Bobby Fleitman, Brad Metzler, Jeff Arendt, Mike Dieter, Ted Cason, Glen Fuhrmann, and Ashley Fuhrman was given a white ribbon.

Winning champion in the Breeding Lambs was Stephen Becker of Muenster. Blue ribbon recipients were Stephen Becker, Amber Vogel, Rodney Vogel and Scot Vogel. Stephen Becker, Marcia Vogel, Scot Vogel, Amber Vogel, and Rodney Vogel were Muenster red ribbon winners.

Lindsay winners in the Breeding Lamb class were John Krebs, blue; Eddie Krebs, red; and James Krebs, white.

Christie Fuhrmann won Class Champion in Market Lamb competition for Lindsay, while Debbie Nortman, also of Lindsay, won Reserve Class Champion. Blue ribbons were presented to Christine Fuhrmann, Debbie Nortman and

Cassandra Fuhrmann. Recipients of red ribbons were Toby Eberhart, Bobby Carpenter, John Krebs, Lance Sandmann, Chad Hoberer, Susie Arendt, Curtis MacReady, Amy Sandmann, Eddie Krebs and Greg Zimmerer. White ribbon winners were Greg Arendt, Robbie Sandmann, Marty Neu and Troy Eberhart.

Showmanship award went to Muenster's Stephen Becker. Rodney Vogel and Stephen Becker received blue ribbons. Winners of red ribbons were Michael Proffer, Phil Reiter, Wayne Becker, Dan Proffer, Robert Proffer, Marcia Vogel, Scot Vogel and Amber Vogel.

The following results are from the Barrow competition from the Lindsay FFA and 4-H. Winning blue ribbons were Rudy Hess, Debbie Fangman, Frank Fangman, Frank Popp and Eric Weems. Red ribbon winners include Tracy Huchton, Troy Huchton, Sara Flusche and Shannon Schad. White ribbons were

presented to Patrick Corcoran, Travis Huchton, Tommy Huchton, Amber Griffith, Danny Wolfe, Cory Schad, Rick Sandmann and John Fangman.

Troy Huchton won the Hampshire Class Breed Swine and Michael Lutkenhaus received a white ribbon in the Breeding Swine competition.

\$650 million possible by 1990 from ag development bills

(AUSTIN)—Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower at a Capitol news conference "tipped his hat" to nine influential state legislators "for the vision they have shown in sponsoring a comprehensive package of agricultural development bills that can create 22,000 new jobs and produce \$650 million-a-year in new income by the end of this decade.

"Just like the sun and the soil, state government can provide a key ingredient in agricultural growth in Texas," Hightower said. "As we've shown at the Texas Department of Agriculture in the past four years, the way for agriculture to grow is through diversification into new commodities, establishment of direct market sales for producers, and expansion into value-added food and fiber processing.

"The State Senators and House members who are sponsoring this five-part package of four bills and three proposed constitutional amendments agree with the agricultural development approach used by TDA and want to see the state redouble its efforts—because that's exactly what this legislation will allow," Hightower said.

Sponsoring or co-sponsoring the agricultural development legislation, and joining Hightower for a State Capitol news conference, are: Senators Richard Anderson, Marshall, Chet Edwards, Duncanville, and Hugh Parmer, Fort Worth; and Representatives Bruce Gibson, Cleburne; Dudley Harrison, Sanderson; and Juan Hinojosa, McAllen.

House Speaker Gib Lewis issued a statement of support for the legislation. The legislative outline for the agricultural development program is contained in a report entitled, *Alternatives For Revitalizing and Diversifying the Economy of Texas*, which was prepared under Speaker Lewis' leadership and released earlier this year. The same legislative recommendations are contained in TDA's recent report, *Economic Growth Through Agricultural Development: A Blueprint for Action*.

"The role of the state should be simply to serve as a problem-solving catalyst for enterprising Texans, assisting them with such needs as market development and penetration, capital formation and removal of bureaucratic barriers. By offering this kind of modest help to generate and nurture hundreds of these grassroots agricultural enterprises, the state of Texas can help to turn our agricultural economy around, making it a solution instead of a problem," Hightower said.

"We know that this grassroots economic development approach will

work, because it already is working in dozens of ventures that TDA has been assisting during the past few years," Hightower said. "TDA is presently assisting with the development of 52 agricultural processing projects in Texas—from El Paso to Beaumont, and involving everything from 'lite' beef production to jobo bean oil. These 52 projects alone involve a capital investment of over \$218 million, and when completed, will create upwards of 5,000 jobs, and will have first-year sales of over \$611 million.

"By the year 2000, the Texas farm and ranch economy can be market-oriented rather than simply commodity-oriented," Hightower said.

"As TDA noted in its *Blueprint for Action*, by diversifying our agricultural production into 14 alternative crops, Texas farmers and ranchers can, by the next century, add \$6.1 billion annually to the state's economy and establish 75,000 new jobs.

"The economic potential for food and fiber processing is even greater. If we build enough facilities to process just one percent more of the nation's food, that would bring into Texas \$3 billion annually in new sales, add a total monetary benefit of \$9 billion annually to our economy, and create 90,000 jobs.

"This legislative program represents a first step that by the year 2000 will allow thousands of small and medium-sized agricultural ventures to produce \$15 billion-a-year in new income for the state and create 165,000 new jobs for Texas. Tomorrow's agriculture literally will help Texas grow out of today's economic stagnation."



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Official Proclamation

WHEREAS, to generate a new age of economic growth, Texas, the second largest producer of raw agricultural commodities in the country, has to go wildcatting again, and one of the most promising fields for striking it rich is that old reliable, Agriculture, and

WHEREAS, the multibillion-dollar growth available to Texans through agricultural diversification, food and fiber processing, and direct marketing has the potential to create \$15 billion a year in new income for the state and 165,000 new jobs for its citizens, and

WHEREAS, agricultural development is already working as shown by 40 pioneering processing plants that will produce \$400 million in first-year sales and 2,600 jobs, and direct marketing ventures that last year earned producers more than \$8 million in new income, and

WHEREAS, with a population of 16 million people and a gross state product that ranks Texas among the top DMPS in the non-communist world, Texas has enormous opportunities to play a major role in world trade, and

WHEREAS, despite their efficiency and productivity, America's family farmers and ranchers are suffering economic distress due to low commodity prices, a depressed export market and a variety of factors beyond their control, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that we, William P. Clements, Governor of Texas, and Jim Hightower, Texas Commissioner of Agriculture, in recognition of the farmers and ranchers and all others involved in agriculture in Texas, and in recognition of National Agriculture Day, do hereby proclaim Friday, March 20, 1987, to be TEXAS AGRICULTURE DAY throughout this Great State.

In official recognition whereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 10th day of March, 1987.



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FARM AND RANCH NEWS



County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

Beef conference set for producers, vets

A special program dealing with beef cattle health will be held April 25-26 at the YO Hilton Hotel in Kerrville.

The program is an educational effort of the Texas Veterinary Medical Center at Texas A&M

University and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and is aimed at both beef cattle producers and veterinarians, points out Dr. Buddy Faries, Extension veterinarian.

The opening session which

begins at 8:30 a.m. on April 25 will focus on quality feeder calves, bull evaluation and cost benefits of maximizing immunity-minimizing stress in beef animals.

Conference participants will have a choice of several activities that afternoon, including a Brangus Sale at the Fall Creek Ranch near Kerrville, a tour of the Y-O Ranch, and visits to Ingram and Fredericksburg. Former Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Reagan Brown will address the

conference that evening.

The following day's program will include discussions on parasite control, implants, the beef checkoff program, lean beef, supplemental feeding, estrous synchronization, costs and returns of cow-calf management procedures, brucellosis update and use of drugs in cattle.

Dr. A.F. Hopkins, president of the American Veterinary Medical Association, will speak at a luncheon on April 26.

Productivity value saves tax dollars

Your agricultural land may be eligible for property tax relief. Interested? Contact William R. Sherman, chief appraiser of the Cooke County Appraisal District.

According to Sherman, landowners can apply for a special lower valuation on their land, based on what it will produce rather than what it would sell for in the open market.

The basis for both types of special valuation are found in the Texas Constitution, Sherman said. Art. 8, Sec. 1-d is commonly known as ag-use valuation and Art. 8, Sec. 1-d-1 is better known as open-space land valuation.

Landowners must file completed, signed applications at the appraisal district office by April 30. Those who must file this year include owners of land under agricultural-use and landowners whose property didn't previously receive open-space land valuation. Late-filed open-space land valuation applications will be considered, but will be assessed a penalty.

"The requirements for application and for qualification of both the land and the owner are different for the two types of appraisal," Sherman said.

Ag-use valuation requires annual application; ownership by an individual, not a corporation, partnership, agency or organization; agricultural use of the land for at least three years prior to the year of application; and the owner's primary occupation and source of income must be the land's agricultural business.

Property owners more commonly apply for the other form of productivity valuation, open-space land valuation. To qualify, the land must be used for agriculture,

timber growth or as an ecological laboratory. This form of valuation does not restrict ownership to individuals, and does not require agriculture to be the owner's primary business.

However, this form of special valuation requires that the land is used for a qualifying agricultural purpose to the degree of intensity generally accepted in the area. The chief appraiser, who is responsible for approving the application, must determine that the land has been devoted principally to a qualifying use for at least five of the preceding seven years.

Annual application for 1-d-1 valuation is not required. However, the chief appraiser may request a new application to confirm current qualification for the special valuation.

"Landowners need to be aware," Mr. Sherman said, "that the law provides specific penalties for taking qualified land out of agricultural production."

A "rollback" tax will be assessed against the landowner who has 1-d valuation if the land is sold or its use changed. The rollback extends back for the three tax years before the year in which the change or sale occurs.

Under 1-d-1, a rollback is triggered only by changing the land's use to one that would not qualify for productivity valuation. The additional taxes are levied for the five tax years preceding the year of the change.

The rollback tax is measured by the difference between taxes paid under productivity valuation provisions and the taxes that would have been paid if the land had been put on the tax roll market value, Mr. Sherman said.

Leaf rust once again threatens wheat crop

Leaf rust again appears poised to deal a severe blow to the Texas wheat crop, and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is staying abreast of the situation to help producers with their decision-making.

Depending on weather conditions the next few months, the disease once again could reduce yields sharply, says Dr. Wendell Horne, plant pathologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

The fungus-caused disease successfully "over-summered" last year and then infected the new wheat crop in the fall, Horne explains. Infected fields have been observed from South Texas to the Red River.

"With the current mild weather and good moisture conditions over much of the state, the disease could be devastating," says Horne.

The Extension Service has monitoring devices located over the state to track the disease and determine its development, Horne points out. These devices trap the disease-causing spores. The devices are checked weekly and reports are issued via a special radio network. Reports also go to county Extension agents, who in turn, advise farmers.

"We are working hard to monitor the situation as closely as possible so that a farmer can make an intelligent decision regarding chemical control, harvesting the crop for grain or grazing it out," Horne points out. "In addition to that, we are continuing to evaluate the susceptibility of various wheat varieties and to test the effectiveness of different fungicides."

All commonly-grown wheat varieties are susceptible to the rust fungus even though some offer resistance. The severity of the disease will depend a lot on moisture, since a high relative humidity must be present at the leaf surface for spores to germinate and penetrate, explains the plant disease specialist.

"While certain fungicides are effective against leaf rust, controlling

the disease is a costly practice," says Horne. "That's why control is only practical when a farmer has a high yield potential - more than 40 bushels per acre - and leaf rust is the major limiting production factor."

Timing of the fungicide application is critical. The most effective time to apply a fungicide is when the flag leaf (last leaf) is emerging, Horne emphasizes. The flag leaf emerges just before head exertion and is most critical for head filling and grain maturity. Thus it should be protected from infection.

Sen. Gramm announces loans for aid

WASHINGTON - U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas has announced that family farmers in 24 Texas counties are eligible to apply for low-interest loans to help recover from a range of weather damage.

For those who find it difficult to obtain credit through normal channels, the U.S. Farmers Home Administration will make loans available at below-market interest rates to agricultural producers.

The primary counties are Archer, Grayson, Jefferson and Wheeler.

Contiguous counties, which are also eligible for assistance, are Baylor, Chambers, Clay, Collin, Collingsworth, Cooke, Denton, Donley, Fannin, Gray, Hardin, Hemphill, Jack, Liberty, Orange, Robertson, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young counties.

The areas were designated as eligible for disaster assistance by the FmHA, Gramm noted, due to damage which was incurred between Feb. 1 and June 26 of 1986.

Farmers and ranchers in these counties have eight months in which to apply for the low-interest loans to help cover part of their actual losses, the senator said.

The FmHA, which will supervise the loan program, is charged with providing aid to the farmers and ranchers in order to assist their economic recovery from natural disasters.

Farm Bureau says "no" to changing loan law

Texas consumers and homeowners would be the eventual losers and out-of-state banks could be big winners if a home-equity loan law is passed by the Texas Legislature, according to S.M. True, president of the Texas Farm Bureau.

"Farmers and ranchers know all too well the pain of losing their property to bank foreclosures and this proposed law could worsen the predicament of rural and urban homeowners in tough economic times," he said.

Members of the state's largest farm organization have repeatedly voted approval of the restrictions on home-equity loans in Texas. State law prohibits lending institutions from using a homeowner's equity as collateral except for a home improvement loan.

"Now that out-of-state banks

can do business in our state, a Texas could be foreclosed on by a New Jersey bank holding his home as collateral," True said. "The interstate banking community sees Texas homeowners as an untapped source of capital."

The elderly, especially, are concerned about losing this homestead protection law because they fear becoming prey to unscrupulous lenders or even to a family member wanting money, True said.

One provision of the bill limits the amount a homeowner could borrow to 80 percent of his home's appraised value, yet in a foreclosure he could lose 100 percent of his home, the farm leader said.

"The Texas Farm Bureau feels that the homestead protection against second mortgages has served Texans well and we are opposed to changing it," True said.

March 31 is deadline for crop insurance

March 31 is the last day to apply for crop insurance protection for cotton, grain sorghum, peanuts and other spring crops in North Central Texas counties, according to Bruce Hottel, a representative of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC).

Crop insurance covers unavoidable loss of production resulting from adverse weather and natural conditions, wildlife, earthquake, fire and provides the highest yield guarantee and lowest premium rates possible on the basis of individual production experience and records.

"Three coverage levels (50, 65 or 75 percent) are available for insurance protection. Additionally, FCIC offers three optional price elections for valuing production lost or damaged," says Hottel.

A new crop insurance plan introduced last year called Actual Production History (APH), is

again available this year to producers of cotton, grain sorghum, peanuts and some other spring crops. Rates have been developed to offer reduced premium for producers with above-average yields.

"With the high cost of producing a crop and the ever-present risk from weather related losses, it makes good sense to take a look at this APH concept," says Hottel.

To find out more about the APH plan, producers should contact an authorized agent. To select an agent, producers have only to check at their local ASCS office for names of qualified insurance agents.

A ton of forage has approximately 50 pounds of nitrogen, 40 pounds of potassium and 10 pounds of phosphorus. Without these nutrients, a ton of forage simply will not be produced. Most soils in Texas only have enough nitrogen to produce 1 to 2 tons of forage. Of the improved grasses now being used, most were selected for improvements in yield due mainly to their response to fertilization. Without adequate fertilization these grasses lose their advantage over native grasses. Although grasses need 16 essential plant nutrients, the main response comes from the application of nitrogen.

Proper forage fertilization with nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium can double or triple yields. Increased nitrogen will increase the forage's protein percentage. Proper nitrogen fertilization will promote a high quality, leafy growth from grasses. Providing adequate rainfall occurs, nitrogen fertilizer will promote grass growth when it is needed for livestock. Proper fertilization can reduce the cost of producing a ton of forage.

The amount of fertilizer to use per acre depends on the amount of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium in the soil; the desired

production level (tons/acre, stocking rate), and whether the pasture will be used for hay, grazing or both.

A regular soil testing program is the only way to tell exactly what level of fertilizer to use. Soil tests should be taken every second or third year, and fertilization should be based on the results. As a rule of thumb, put out all the required lime, phosphorus and potassium at one time during the year. Then fertilize with at least 50 pounds of actual nitrogen per acre (100 pounds urea, 175 pounds ammonium nitrate, 250 pounds ammonium sulfate per acre) after each hay cutting or two to three times during the grazing cycle.

In grazing systems, only a small amount of the nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium contained in the forage that a cow eats is retained in the animal's body. Most is recycled by urine and/or feces back to the soil. Thus in grazing systems, once phosphorus and potassium levels are brought up to a high level, they should remain there without extra fertilization. Nitrogen will still be required.

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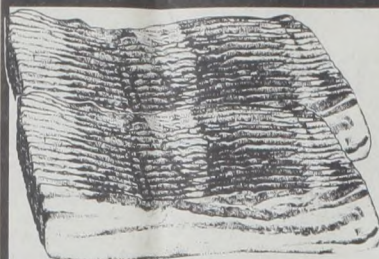
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