

POLITICS
Candidates File For Office
See Below

WEATHER
Snow, Wind Combine Slow Travel
See Below

AREA
Cycle Thefts Solved
See Below

WEATHER

BAILEY COUNTY JOURNAL

'The Community Of Opportunity-Where Water Makes The Difference'



Vol. 25, No. 52

Published Every Sunday At Muleshoe, Bailey County, Texas 79347

10 Pages Today

20¢

Sunday, December 27, 1987

Snow And Icy Blast Reminds It's Really Wintertime

Commissioner R. L. Scott Asks Election

Incumbent County Commissioner of Precinct I, R. L. Scott, has announced his candidacy for re-election to the position, subject to the Democratic primaries in March, 1988.

Scott, who will complete his second term this year, stated: "I have enjoyed serving as county commissioner and would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who supported me."

"I will appreciate your vote and continued support."

"If re-elected as your commissioner, I will continue to serve the people of Bailey County and Precinct I to the best of my ability."

Pd. Pol. Adv.



R.L. SCOTT

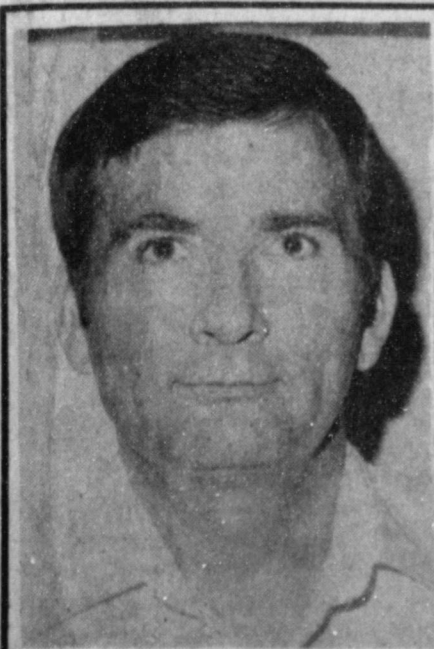
Jerry Hicks Announces Candidacy For Sheriff

As Bailey County Sheriff Bob Henderson has announced he will not be seeking re-election to that office, Deputy Sheriff Jerry Hicks has officially filed for the position of Sheriff of Bailey County.

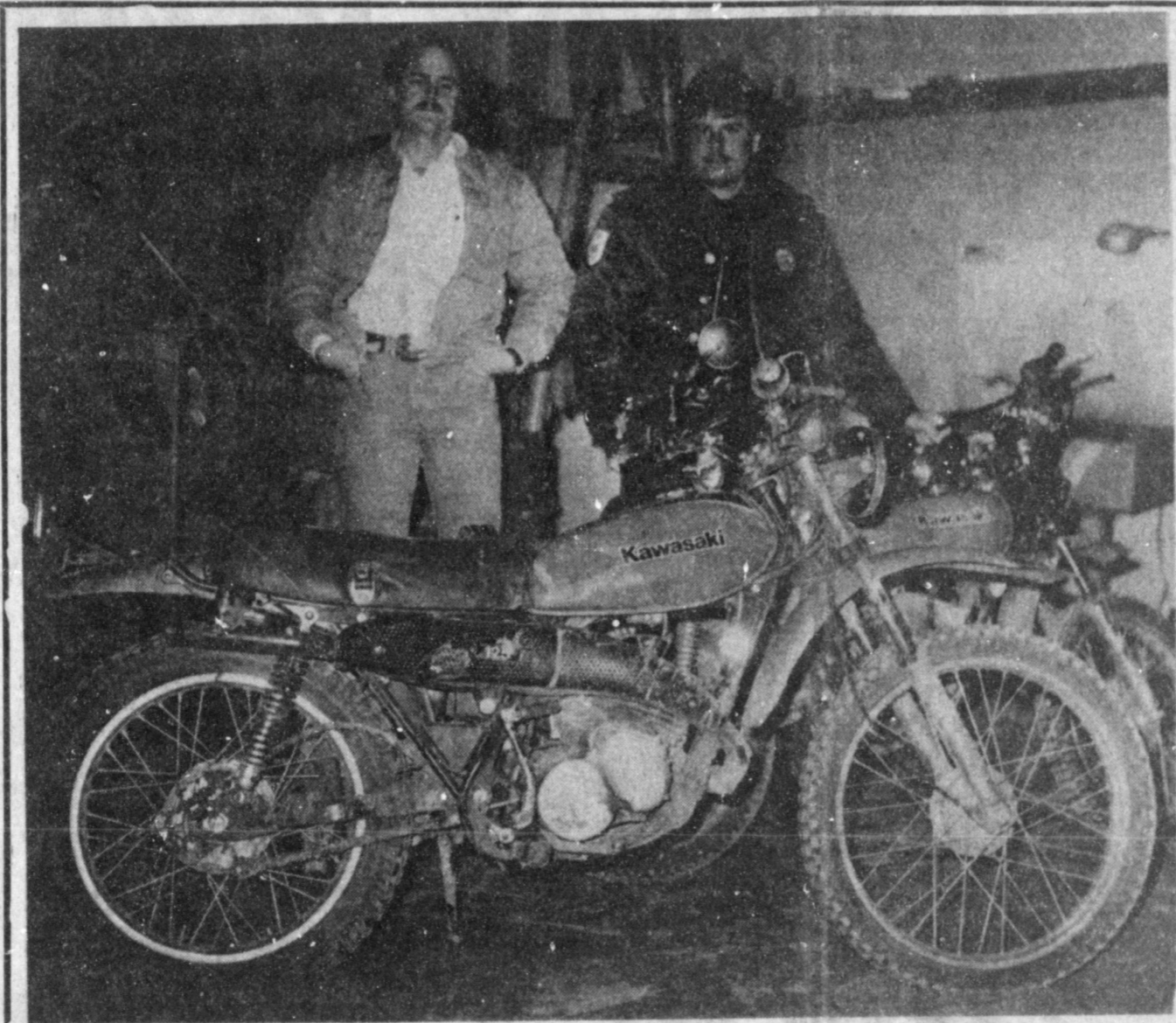
Jerry Hicks retired from the United States Air Force and moved back to Muleshoe in August, 1976.

In September, 1978, he became a patrolman with the Muleshoe City Police Department; was later named Lieutenant and served as Acting Chief of Police for several months in 1982.

He graduated at the 'top of his class' from the South Plains Association of Governments Law Enforcement Academy, conducted at Reese Air Force Base,



JERRY HICKS



A SUCCESSFUL VENTURE, OBTAINED BY WORKING TOGETHER. Following the report that two motorcycles were wheeled out of a back yard and stolen, working together, the Muleshoe City Police Department and the Bailey County Sheriff's office apprehended two juvenile boys, and recovered both motorcycles Wednesday afternoon. Bailey County Deputy Sheriff Steve Bearden, left, and Muleshoe City Police Officer Gary Maddox each picked up a suspect, one in the city and one in the country, and the motorcycles were recovered.

City, County Officers Solve Cycle Thefts

Sometime between Sunday night and Monday afternoon, someone went into a back yard of a local residence, and wheeled out two Kawasaki motorcycles.

Working together, the Muleshoe City Police Department and the Bailey County Sheriff's office had the theft cleared, two suspects apprehended and the motorcycles recovered.

MPD Patrolman Gary Maddox found the first motorcycle and took a suspect into custody in the city of Muleshoe Wednesday afternoon.

Within an hour, Bailey County Deputy Sheriff Steve Bearden had taken the second suspect into custody and the second motorcycle was recovered from an abandoned farm location in a grove of trees.

Both suspects were juveniles. They were taken to the Muleshoe Police Department where Municipal Judge Linda Huckaby later released them to the custody of their parents.

Festival Of Gospel Music Scheduled

On New Year's Eve, Thursday of next week, the Muleshoe Church of Christ at West 21st St. and American Blvd, will conduct their Eleventh Annual Festival of Gospel Music.

Among the groups expected to be present will be "Proclaimers," of Dora, N.M.; Enoch Fuller Family, of Childress, TX; and "Gospel Notes," of Muleshoe.

Congregational singing will also be conducted; and visiting and food will highlight the evening.

"Come and enjoy this festive occasion with us," said the membership of the church. "Help us sing out the "Old Year," and sing in the "New Year."

Cont. Page 6, Col. 4

Soil Testing Helps Farmers Plan Fertilizer For Next Year's Crops

It's time to plan next year's crops and soil testing should be one of the first items consider-

ed, advises a soil chemist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The Extension Service soil testing program provides advice which can guide producers in maintaining a soil fertility program and furnishes information to help make management decisions, explained Dr. Michael Hickey, soil chemist who directs the Extension soil testing laboratory in Lubbock.

Proper sampling tools will make the job easier, he said. Suitable tools include a soil sample probe, sharp-shooter shovel and a plastic bucket. The probe is best suited for sampling the sandy soils on the High Plains. If a probe isn't available or moisture conditions make clay loam soils stick in the probe, a sharp-shooter shovel

can be used.

"The goal of field sampling is to provide a measure of the average soil fertility in the field," Hickey said.

The first step in sound soil sampling is to subdivide the field, based on the overall appearance of the land and any known differences in past crop production. Hickey said this gives the producer an opportunity to sample problem sites separately so that site-

One Week Left For Candidates For Election

With one more week to file as a candidate for the upcoming March Primaries, several local individuals have indicated they are seeking office.

Included have been incumbent Commissioner, R. L. Scott, precinct one, who has filed for re-election.

Also filing for commissioner, precinct one, is H. E. Newsome.

Incumbent Commissioner of precinct three, Joey Kindle, has filed for re-election.

Others filing include Jerry Hicks for Bailey County Sheriff; Rich Magby for constable, precinct one and Gerry Pierce, for constable, precinct three.

Deadline for filing as a candidate is 5 p.m. on Monday, January 4, for the Tuesday, March 8 election.

Cont. Page 6, Col. 2

It was a 'White Christmas' for local residents, when they looked outside on Friday morning to see nearly an inch of that white stuff on the ground.

A cold wind whipped the snow into drifts, some as deep as 10 inches by Saturday morning, with more snow promised through the weekend.

Preceding the snow, freezing drizzle laid an ice cover that combined with the snow to make driving rather hazardous in the area.

However, in Muleshoe, only one minor accident was reported as being weather-related. This was around mid-morning on

Cont. Page 6, Col. 3

EMS Toy Project Helps Christmas For 177 Kids

Because a lot of people showed a lot of care -- the Christmas Season became much brighter for more than 165 youngsters in more than 40 families.

Volunteers from the Bailey County EMS, along with many other volunteers, worked very hard during the past few weeks, repairing, sorting and getting ready for the annual distribution.

Thanks to the generosity of local and area people, each child on the list received at least one gift wrapped package containing either a new toy or new clothes. Also, each bag was packed with good, used toys and clothing.

With the contribution of many coats, sweaters, T-shirts, jeans, mittens as well as warm boots and shoes, no one was left out.

Also, a lot of food was contributed, along with Christmas trees, decorations, and poinsettias.

Very little had to be purchased. But, even so, money had been contributed by some people, so necessary expenditures could be made.

Thus, Christmas was made better -- and brighter -- for many children who may have almost missed out on Christmas this year.



VOLUNTEERS HELP WITH TOY PROJECT--On hand to help the Bailey County EMS with the annual Toys for Kids project Wednesday evening, three of the volunteers were asked to pose with "just a few" of the gifts and food being distributed on Christmas Eve. Standing is Marisa Orozco; seated from left are Maria Garcia, and Connie Cuellas, from Canyon, who also helped the local EMS. Many, many other volunteers also helped get the Christmas sacks ready for delivery.

Enochs News by Mrs. J.D. Bayless

The Baptist had their Christmas program at 4:00 Sunday following the program they had a fellowship and gave their pastor, Rev. David Graves, and family their gifts and had refreshments of cake, cookies, candy, and punch and coffee.

Mrs. Etta Layton underwent gallbladder surgery at Methodist in Lubbock Wednesday 9th she was in ICU till Monday 14. Her room number is 799 Methodist Hospital. Get well soon Etta.

Rev. Gene Bechem a Missionary who is pastor at Ropesville now showed slides of his mission work in Africa, at Frankskei and other places. At the Enochs Baptist Church last Sunday night.

Guests Tuesday afternoon till Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Ellen Bayless was Mr. and Mrs. David Coffman of Odessa. He is a nephew of Mrs. Bayless. Rev. Ray Cunningham of Lubbock also visited them in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Layton of Dell City has been out here to be with his mother while she had surgery and visited with his brother, J.E. Layton & wife, Wanda.

Services were dismissed at the Baptist Church Sunday night due to the snow storm. A cold front came through Saturday. Up to 6 inches of snow fell Sunday and Sunday night it also snowed Monday.

Bryum Gunter of Lubbock visited at the elevator with Mr. and Mrs. E.N. McCall Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Winnie Byars drove to Lubbock Friday and spent the night with her sister, Mrs. Ruby Nichols, Saturday at 11:00 a.m. they attended the wedding of Winnie's granddaughter, Jerri Hardaway of Lubbock to Mike Petti. They were married at the Peace Tabernacle Church at 5th and U. in Lubbock.

The Co-Op Gin and Elevator are closed Dec. 14 due to the snow storm.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Winnie Byars Saturday was her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hardaway of Texarcana, and their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Robinson and children

Randy & Mabelle and Ski. Her son Tom Byars and Scott of Seminole and a nephew, Lee Gilbert of Ft. Worth also visited with them.

ABOUT YOUR HOME

By April Rhodes

If you can't afford to have storm windows installed, window shades are inexpensive. They can add to the room decor and keep out much cold air at night and on windy, cloudy days.

Pear and apple trees should go completely dormant before pruning.

This being the season for colds and flu, be sure to clean mops, brushes, sponges and other cleaning equipment with a disinfectant. They can be breeding places for germs.

Be sure to dust your feet with baby powder before putting on your boots. If you have feet that perspire freely use a foot deodorant spray or powder.

Colored gum drops make attractive candle holders for a child's birthday cake. Make a small slit in the top for the candle.

Your Newspaper

This newspaper wishes its readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and wishes to thank them for this past year of readership and, therefore, for their interest in the betterment of this community.

Newspapers have traditionally been a public service in America and the fact that the nation contains ten thousand weeklies and over a thousand dailies makes it impossible that any one philosophy monopolizes the news and editorial columns.

The great blessing of the community newspaper is that it offers local news and views in addition to general news; its editorial voice is usually locally controlled.

News for news columns and opinion in editorials—and entertainment for all the family, whenever the reader wishes to enjoy it, is a newspaper. That plus ads, which can also be read when the reader wishes to read them, makes the newspaper the best buy in our society.

BIBLE VERSE



"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

1. Who is the author of the above verse?
2. Where may a similar verse be found in the Old Testament?
3. Who made this proclamation?

Answers to Bible Verse

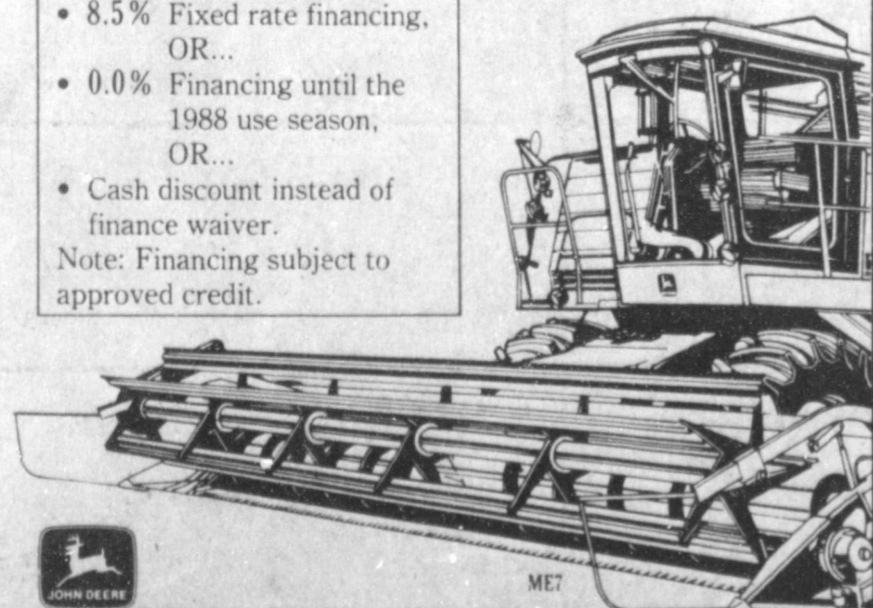
1. Luke.
2. Isaiah 9:6.
3. The angel of the Lord to the shepherds in the field.

GOOD DEALS from a Good Dealer

TITAN II POST SEASON SALE

If you thought you needed a new combine during this year's harvest, then get one now, for next year...a new Titan II Combine from John Deere. The Titan II has the capacity and reliability you demand in a combine. And we have some big pass along savings and special financing to get you the best deal possible. For a Good Deal on a new Titan II Combine, now's the time, because it's TITAN II POST SEASON SALES TIME.

- New Titan II financing...
 - 8.5% Fixed rate financing, OR...
 - 0.0% Financing until the 1988 use season, OR...
 - Cash discount instead of finance waiver.
- Note: Financing subject to approved credit.



Dent & Co.

West Hwy. 84 Muleshoe 272-4296

**Thursday,
December 31st
Is The Last Day Of
Lindsey Jewelry.**

**During That Interim
Period We Will
Accept As Low As
20¢ On The Dollar
And Nothing Over
35¢ On The Dollar.**

**Example: \$100.00
ring as low as \$35.00**

Last 4 Days

Lindsey Jewelry



202 Main St. Muleshoe

1-806-272-3355

Closed At 4:00 Christmas Eve, Re-Open
Monday, December 28.

Sudan News by Evelyn Ritchie

Word was received recently that Durwood White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed White died at his office in Corpus Christi. His wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Son Whitmire left Tuesday for Corpus to be with her and the boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Gordon hosted a Christmas dinner in their home Sunday for family members including Mr. and Mrs. Charles Minchew and family of Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Waller and family of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Butch Waller of Dimmitt, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Gordon and Kay Lynn of Sudan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray and Mr. and Mrs. Roby Lynn and girls visited Saturday afternoon in the home of their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Newcomer in Lubbock.

Hyla Ford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ford was a patient in the Methodist Hospital this week where she underwent knee surgery Wednesday.

Ramon Lowe of California arrived this week to visit his sister and family, Josephine Fisher and other family members. They were in Reno a few days this week to watch the Flying Queens of Wayland Baptist U. play. Missy is a member of the Flying Queens. Joining them in Reno for the Nevada-Reno Classis Tournament was Comdr. Radney Fisher of U.S. Navy. They will all return to Sudan for the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fisher and family.

The choir of the First Baptist Church will be presenting a Christmas play Sunday morning during the worship services. This will involve children and adults of the church with the play about a modern family getting together and the problems they encounter and the way these problems are solved.

Everyone in the community is invited to come to this program.

Candace Lynn and Garrett Flowers were honored with a birthday party held in their honor Thursday, Dec. 10 at the Roller World in Clovis. Enroute to Clovis the group stopped in Muleshoe for a picnic of sandwiches, chips and punch. While at Roller World, the group skated, and played video games and jumped the "fun house". Refreshments of cup cakes, ice cream and cokes were served. Attending were the mothers and sisters of the honorees, Phyllis and Jennifer and Stephany Lynn. Kelli and Tiffany Flowers and others included Danya Lance, Courtney Legg, Kristy Snatschk, Dana, Johnathan and Lance Martin, Chad Chester, Shane Harper, Russ King, Bo Baker and Corey Lowrance.

Dora Black visited during the weekend with her father, Hauston attended services Sunday morning at the First Baptist Church.

Wanda Thompson of Lubbock visited during the weekend with her mother, Mrs. J.V. Hill and other family members.

Ruby Wilkinson Smith left Tuesday for Tacoma, Washington for funeral services for her husband George who died Dec. 13 in the South Plains Hospital in Amherst. She plans to return to Sudan after the holidays.

L. A. 'Boots' Reed Former Lazbuddie Resident Dies

Funeral services for L. A. (Boots) Reed were conducted on Friday, Dec. 18 in Pecos. Reed was formerly from Lazbuddie.

Survivors include his wife, Dian McGlurkin, a former Bailey County Extension Agent; a son, Doyle; two sisters, Nola Ivy of Lazbuddie and Iris Clements of Muleshoe.

Georgeann and Gayla Rasco were in Dallas during the weekend to attend a bridal shower honoring their daughter and sister, Becky.

The Searchers Sunday School class of the FBC held their Christmas social Sunday evening following worship services at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Cardwell. Sandwiches and desserts were served. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Vernon, Mary Powell and Frances Gardner.

Ambyr Legg was honored Tuesday on her sixth birthday with a party at Deb's Diner hosted by her mother, Mrs. Freddy Legg.

Barbie cake, cokes and ice cream were served to the guests. Attending were Casey Humphreys, T.J. Ingle, Courtney Legg, Shakara Richards, Lauren Ray and the honorees brother, Justin and her grand-

mother, Mrs. Louise Legg. Later in the evening her parents, and brother and sister accompanied her to Littlefield to the Pizza Hut for pizza with other family members including her aunts and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hill of Littlefield, Pat Reed of Levelland and Scott Reed of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Lance were in Teague Wed. evening & Thurs. to attend funeral services for Odell Johnson who was severely burned late Saturday while stripping cotton on the Lance farm and died Sunday afternoon.

Six Flying Queens have qualified for nomination as Academic All-Americans as governed by the College Sports. Information Directors of America. Tops in the grade point race is junior business administration major Ruth Scott with a GPA of 3.75 (on a 4.0 scale).

Also qualifying are senior biology major Missy Fisher

(3.72), junior biology major Sharla Harrison (3.56), sophomore biology major Sandy Utterback (3.51), sophomore elementary education major Kristi Schonerstedt (3.44), and senior mass communications major Tia Stewart (3.30).

To qualify for consideration, athletes must be at least a sophomore academically, have a 3.20 GPA, and be a regular contributor to the team's success.

Johnny Montez was recently named to the President's Honor Roll for the Fall Quarter at Texas State Technical Institute.

Honorees must be full-time students and must achieve a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Montez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Montez of Sudan, is a 1987 graduate of Sudan High School. He is a Automotive student at TSTI.

A total of eight students from Sudan are among the 91,000

students included in the tenth annual edition of THE NATIONAL DEAN'S LIST just published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois.

Students are selected for this honor list by their college deans or registrars and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school's Dean's List, or have earned a comparable

honor. More than 2,500 colleges and universities nationwide use the publication to recognize their academically qualified students.

Sudan students selected include: Wade Donnell, TTU, Verena McAdam, TTU, Kim Moss, TTU, Coby Normer, TTU, Billy Tieves, TTU, Missy Fisher, Wayland Baptist, Marcus Huff, SPC, and Shawnda Masten, SPC

Caring For Muleshoe Area Families
Since 1959
Ellis Funeral Directors
272-4524
Pre-Need Funeral Plans
Monuments
Granite-Marble-Bronze

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Father Patrick Maher
Northeast of Clovis

First Baptist Church
220 West Ave. E.
Barry Bradley, Pastor

Emmanuel Baptist Church
Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel
107 East Third
Isabel Carbonas, Pastor

Trinity Baptist Church
311 E. Ave. B.
Rev. A.L. "Buster" Huggins

Circle Back Baptist Church Joel E. Stafford
Intersection FM 3397 & FM 298
946-3676

Calvary Baptist Church
1733 W. Ave. C
Rev. Darrel Martin

Muleshoe Baptist Church
8th and Ave. G.
Bob Dodd, Pastor

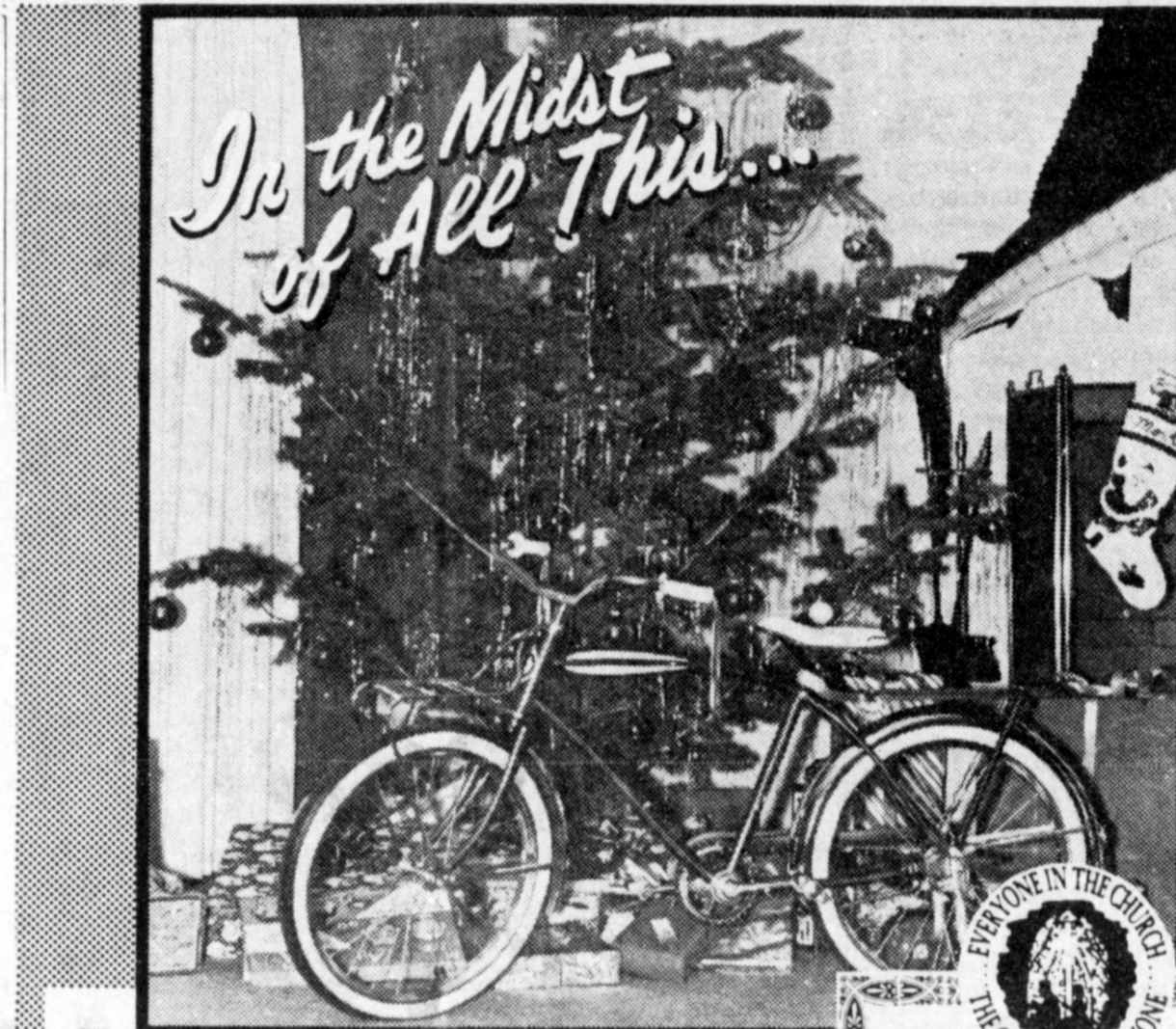
Progress Baptist Church
Paul Brigham, Pastor
Progress, Texas

Richland Hills Baptist Church
17th and West Ave. D.
David McAdams, Pastor

St. Matthew Baptist Church
Corner of West Boston & West Birch
M.S. Brown, Pastor

Progress Second Baptist Church
1st and 3rd Sunday
Clifford Slay, Pastor

The Community Church
Morton Hwy.



LET'S NOT FORGET THIS...

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for he shall save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:21.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever belieueth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

"For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved." John 3:16, 17.

We invite you to celebrate the birth of our Saviour by attending church this week, and by spreading good will everywhere you go.

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

St. John Lutheran
Sunday School and Bible Classes 9:30 a.m.
Church services
Church Services 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Mac Bearss, Pastor

Templo Calvario
507 South Main
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Evangelistic Services
J.L. Soto, Pastor

New Covenant Church
Plainview Hwy.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Jimmy Lowe, Pastor

Lazbuddie Methodist Church 965-2124
Larry Reid Farris, Pastor

Jehovah Witness
Eriona Hwy.
Boyd Lowery, Pastor

Church Of The Nazarene
9th and Ave. C.
Dennis Hayes, Pastor

Longview Baptist Church
965-3413
B.C. Stonecipher, Pastor

Primera Iglesia Bautista
223 E. Ave. E.
Roy Martinez, Pastor

Lariat Church Of Chirst
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Services 7:00 p.m.
Sam. Billingsley, Minister

Muleshoe Church Of Christ
Clovis Hwy.
Bret McCasland, Minister

16th & Ave. D. Church Of Christ
Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

First Assembly Of God
Rev. David C. McCune
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
6:30 Evening Services
7:30 Mid Week Services
272-3984

Primitive Baptist Church
621 South First
Elder George Johnson, Pastor

Spanish Assembly Of God
East 6th and Ave. E.
Luis Campos, Pastor

First United Methodist Church
507 W. 2nd Street
Richard Edwards, Pastor

El Divino Salvador Methodist Church
5th and Ave. D.
Jose M. Fernandez, Pastor

1st Baptist Church
Lazbuddie, Tx. 965-2126
Gary Wilcox, Pastor

Lazbuddie Church Of Christ
United Pentacostal
Lighthouse Church
207 East Ave. G.
Rev. J.A. Torres

Western Drug 114 Main 272-3106			Dairy Queen 1204 W. Amer. Blvd. 272-3412
Serv-All Thriftway 401 W. Amer. Blvd. 272-4739	KC Mufflers Inc. 201 North First 272-3620	American Valley Inc. Hwy. 84 W. 272-4266	Kemp's Discount Furniture 414 W. Amer. Blvd. 272-5023
Farmers Spraying Service Lazbuddie 965-2624	West Tex Feed Yards 272-7555	Central Texico 221 W. Amer. Blvd. 272-3915	Fry & Cox, Inc. 401 S. 1st 272-4511
Main Street Beauty Salon 115 Main 272-3448	Lenau Lumber 202 E. Ash 272-4222	Bratcher Motor Supply 107 E. Ave. D 272-4288	Five Area Telephone Cooperative, Inc. 302 Uvalde 272-5533
Irrigation Pumps & Power West Hwy. 84 272-4483	Lindsey Jewelry 202 Main 272-3355	Foster Fertilizer Lazbuddie 965-2921	Bobo Insurance 108 E. Ave. C 272-4264

Creative Living by Sheryl Borden

Information on dress selection for little girls, how to use a food processor and recipes for sauces and garnishes for seafood will be presented on "Creative Living" on Tuesday, December 29 at 12 noon and repeated on Saturday, January 2, 1988 at 2:00 p.m. on KENW-TV. (All times are Mountain).

Janet Wood specializes in making frilly party dresses for little girls, and has incorporated many factory methods which makes it much easier and faster to do. Janet will discuss dress selection from the basic pattern and show the many different options available from the one pattern. Janet lives in Riverside, CA.

With food processors in more than 25 million American homes, many cooks still make cakes in electric mixers, even though the food processor will do the job faster and with less work. Anne Greer is a consultant to Cuisinart and will demonstrate making cakes in a food processor. Anne is from Dallas, TX.

Sudan Women's Club News

The Sudan Women's Club met Monday, Dec. 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the community room of the First National Bank.

Kay Davis, representing Southwestern Public Service, presented a program on "Festive Foods". Included in the foods prepared by Ms. Davis were Cajun dip, Carnival Jambalaya, Olive-nut sauce (which was served over mixed vegetables), creamy orange-apricot salad, and tart lemon sauce served over pound cake. All of these recipes are in the "Festive Foods 1987" cook book.

Following the preparation, members and guests of the Women's Club sampled the foods.

In a brief business meeting, the members received a report on TOYS for TOTS by Pam Maxwell. It was reported that approximately 20 Sudan families have been designated to receive the gifts. Many organizations and businesses have contributed toys or funds for the program.

On Dec. 17, the Women's Club met at 5 p.m. to wrap the gifts and members voted to donate five dollars each to the Toys For Tots instead of a personal gift exchange. This donation was to be given to Pat Laceywell in order for her to purchase stocking stuffer items before the group met.

Members present were: Ann Carson, Jackie McAlpine, Ruth Vincent, Julie Riggsby, Dana Martin, Pam Maxwell, Betsy Miller, Margaret Smith, Kathy Gatewood, Pat Laceywell, Deanna Humphreys, Carol Heckman, Lisa Walser and Gloria Humphreys.

Guests present included: Angie Carson, Geneva Newman, Gwen West, Martha Markman, Francis Potter, Rhoda Minyard and Shirley Martin. Special guest was Diane Bim, SPS representative from Amarillo.

Marilyn Rose is with the Florida Department of Natural Resources in the Seafood Marketing Bureau from Plantation, FL. She is going to discuss sauces and garnishing ideas for seafood. She'll talk about the different types of sauces used for seafood as she prepares different recipes.

Due to seasonal programming, "Creative Living" will not be seen at its regularly scheduled time on Tuesday evening at 9:30 p.m. but will return on Tuesday, January 5, 1988.

Three interesting topics will be featured on the show on Thursday, December 31 at 12 noon. Diana Dalsass is representative of Martell Cognac, and she will tell about cognac as she prepares a delicious Cognac French cake—which actually looks like a huge cookie. Diana is from New York.

Another guest is going to show how to accessorize with panache. LeAnn Nelson is owner of Natural Accents in Denver, CO. and she will tell about some accessory basics and talk about how to select jewelry and accessory pieces that will remain good investments year after year. She'll also show how to wear these accents in the best of taste.

The show will begin with a demonstration on microwave spice tips. Rose Bryden is a microwave specialist and also works with the American Spice Trade Assn. She will demonstrate seasoning tips for microwave cooking which will add attractive color and plenty of flavor to foods.

"Creative Living" is produced and hosted by Sheryl Borden. The show airs on more than 100 PBS stations in the United States, Canada, Guam and Puerto Rico and is distributed by Pacific Mountain Network, Denver, CO. Viewers can request copies of printed materials offered on the show by calling on KENW-TV's toll-free telephone lines between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. In New Mexico, the number is 1-800-432-2361, out-of-state: 1-800-545-2359 and Portales and Roosevelt County: 562-2112.

TEX-MEX SEASONING BLEND

1 Tbsp. chili powder; 1 Tbsp. paprika; ¼ tsp. ground cumin; ¼ tsp. garlic powder; ¼ tsp. ground black pepper; 1/8 tsp. ground red pepper.

In a small jar combine all ingredients. Cover tightly. (Recipe can be doubled or tripled, if desired). Yield: about 2 ½ tablespoons.

HERB SEASONING BLEND

1 Tbsp. parsley flakes, crushed; 1 Tbsp. parsley flakes, crushed; 1 Tbsp. paprika; 1 Tbsp. dill weed, crushed; 1 Tbsp. basil leaves, crushed; ½ tsp. onion powder.

In a small jar combine all ingredients; mix well. Cover tightly. (Recipe can be doubled or tripled, if desired). Yield: ¼ cup.

To use on chicken: Place 2 boned and skinned chicken breasts (cutlets) on a shallow microwave-safe plate. Sprinkle

each with ½ teaspoon Tex-Mix or Herb Seasoning Blend. Cover with clear plastic wrap. Microwave on High until cooked through about 3 ½ minutes. Season with salt, if desired.

To use on fish: Place two 4-ounce fish filets on a shallow

microwave-safe plate. Sprinkle each fillet with ½ teaspoon Tex-Mix or Herb Seasoning Blend. Cover with clear plastic wrap. Microwave on High until fish flakes when tested with a fork, about 2 minutes. Season with salt, if desired.



SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS—Richard and Cari Campbell, from the First United Methodist Church, were on hand to present a number of favorite Christmas Carols during the Christmas party held at the Muleshoe Nursing Home on Friday, Dec. 18. Almost all of the residents along with family and friends gathered in the day room of the nursing home for the party.

Wax On Produce Not Harmful

Which would you choose—a bright, shiny orange or one with a dull matte finish?

The average consumer will choose the shiny orange, which is one reason why more varieties of fruit and vegetables are being waxed before they reach the market.

Marilyn Haggard, a food marketing expert with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service, says that over 20 varieties of fruits and vegetables, including apples, cucumbers, eggplants, citrus, sweet potatoes and tomatoes are waxed.

"In spite of the fact that people like the look of waxed produce, we also get questions about its safety," says Haggard. "Like other food additives, food waxes made in the U.S. have been tested and found safe by the Food and Drug Administration."

Needmore Community Club News

Lucy Mardis recently resigned from the Needmore Community Club after serving seven and half years. At the time of her resignation, Mrs. Mardis was vice president and Mrs. Jack Bates was president. Mrs. Mardis notified Mrs. Bates that she was resigning before her term was up at the end of this summer.

According to the specialist, some of the most common food waxes produced in this country are carnauba, which is made from a type of palm leaf and petroleum-based waxes which contain the same ingredients as chewing gum bases.

"Some imported produce may be coated with a substance containing beef tallow, Haggard says, although tallow-based wax is not used on domestic produce.

"In addition to eye-appeal, the waxes have the advantage of reducing the loss of moisture and keeping the product from shriveling," she adds.

Washing will reduce, but often not completely remove food waxes, the specialist observes.

Lubbock Arts Festival Seeks Entries

The tenth annual Lubbock Arts Festival, scheduled for April 22-24, 1988, has announced a call for entries from Lubbock and area artists to be juried into the Festival's Gallery area. The Gallery, the most prestigious of the Festival's four visual arts areas, will again be located on the upper level of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Artwork by artists of regional as well as national standing will be featured there.

Maurice Sevigny, chairman of the Department of Art at the University of Texas at Austin will select works submitted by local and area artists.

Requirements for entering this competition include the submission of up to three 35mm slides of the artist's works, entry fee, return envelope and a Gallery Entry Form. Deadline for entries is January 14, 1988.

Cash merit awards for the 1988 Gallery will include one award of \$1,000 and two awards of \$500 each. Award winners will be announced at the Festival's Gala on April 21, 1988.

Additional artworks for the Gallery will be submitted by local and regional galleries, works by artists from the art departments of Texas Tech University and Lubbock Christian University, and the top selling artists from the 1987 Gallery.

For more information and entry forms, contact the Festival Office at 763-4666.

Muleshoe Jennyslippers Name Committee Chairmen

Muleshoe Jennyslippers met at noon Tuesday, Dec. 22 with Donna Kirk, president elect, in charge. A discussion was held on the upcoming annual banquet which is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Bailey County Civic Center.

New committee chairmen were also appointed and they include: Nelda Merriott, public relations; Ruby Green, membership committee; Lucy Mardis, special events; Bobbie Harrison, budget and finance; agriculture, Joyce Holmes; business development, Kathryn Taylor; commercial growth, Thursie Reid; and service and cultural, Billie Downing.

Duties of these committee Chairmen include: Public Relations Committee: Assemble newcomer packets. Keep a scrapbook of Jennyslipper activities. Works with Executive Board to coordinate Jennyslipper Installation Banquet and Annual Meeting.

Membership Committee: Conducts semi-annual membership drive in April and October. Contacts prospective members. Coordinates the Jennyslipper Installation Banquet and Annual Meeting with the Public Relations Committee. Arranges publicity for committee activities.

Special Events Committee: Easter Egg Hunt. Coordinates the Jennyslipper Installation Banquet and Annual Meeting with the Public Relations Committee. Arranges publicity for committee activities.

Budget and Finance Committee: Coordinates all planned fund raising activities. (Funds used for Jennyslippers.) Holiday Barbecue Buffet, Skating, Concerts, etc. Arranges publicity for committee activities.

Agriculture Committee: Coordinates activities aimed at Agricultural Community. Screens applications for Scholarships. Organize telephone network to inform membership of activities. Bailey County Fair Booth. Arranges publicity for committee activities.

Business Development Committee: Works with Chamber to promote Muleshoe business community. Coordinates noon meals for Jennyslippers. Coordinates refreshments for General Membership meetings.

Arranges publicity for committee activities.

Commercial Growth Committee: Works with Business Development Committee to find and promote new businesses in our community. Construction of parade floats. Participates in out-of-town parades to promote Jennyslippers and Muleshoe. Arranges publicity for committee activities.

Service and Cultural Growth Committee: Works with Chamber on activities to benefit Community's cultural development. Coordinates fund raisers for specified projects. (Walk-a-thon) Childrens activity in conjunction with watermelon feast and Bailey County Fair. Sponsor meeting for Junior and Senior students and their parents to familiarize everyone in the scholarships, grants, etc. available. and Arranges publicity for committee activities.

Having a booth at the Sweetheart Festival was also discussed during the meeting.

Golden Gleams

A wise man will hear, and will increase in learning. —Proverbs 1:5

A man of learning riches withing him. —Phaedrus

The mind is slow to uil-learn what it has been long in learning. —Seneca

Commonly those that be unfitted for learning be chiefly set to learning. —Robert Asham

Bailey County Journal USPS 040-200
Established March 31, 1963. Published by Muleshoe Publishing Co., Inc. Every Sunday at 304 W. Second, Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas, 79347. Second Class Postage paid at Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

MEMBER 1987 TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Member NATIONAL NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION PANHANDLE PRESS ASSN. WEST TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

L.B. Hall—President & Publisher
Sammye Hall—Vice President & Controller
Clea Williams—News Editor
Evelyn Harris—Society Editor
Dorcas Burt—Advertising Editor
Lillie Nemo—Bookkeeping

Subscription Rates: \$14.75
Muleshoe Journal and Bailey County Journal
Bailey and surrounding counties
Muleshoe Journal and Bailey County Journal
Elsewhere in Texas \$18.50
Muleshoe Journal and Bailey County Journal
Outside of Texas \$18.50
Yearly by Carrier \$12.50
Advertising rate card on application.

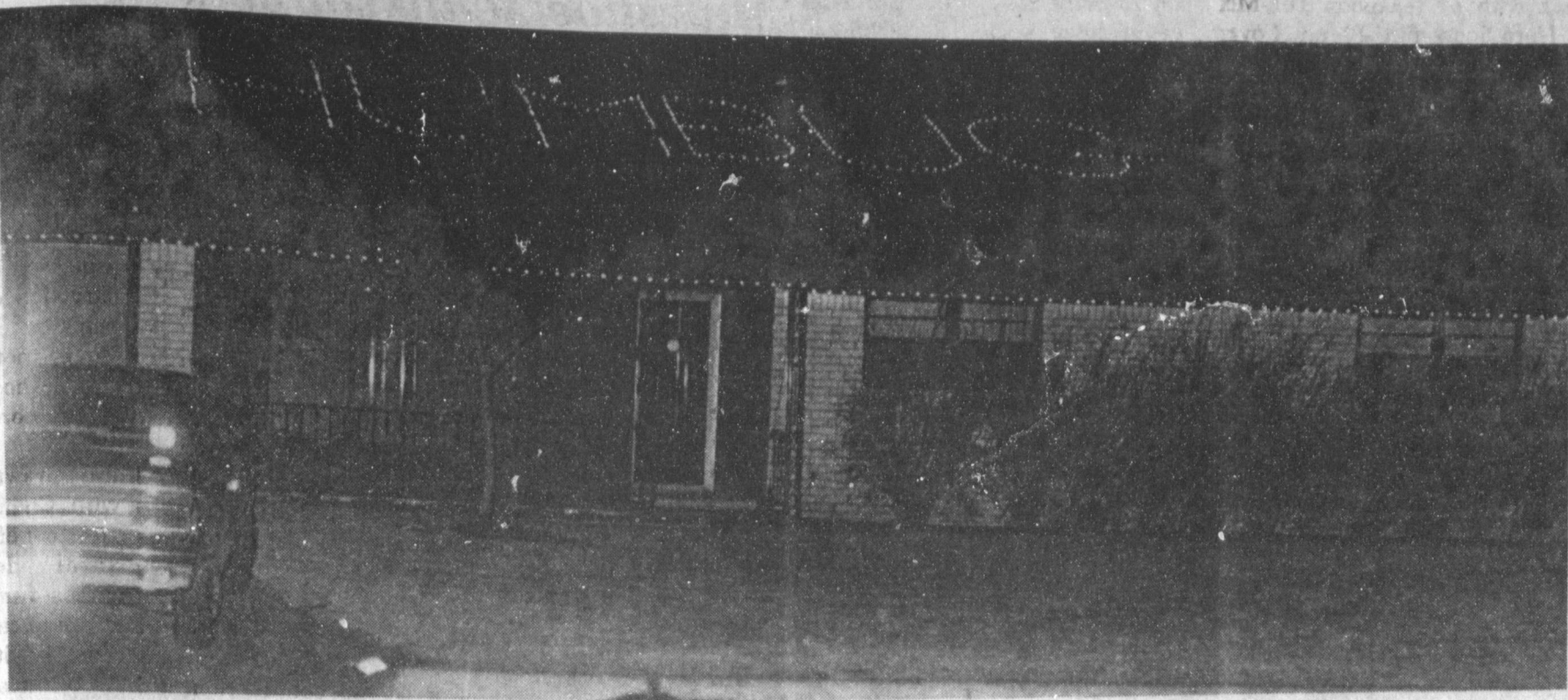
Advertisers should check their ad the first day of insertion. The Journal will not be liable for failure to publish an ad or for a typographical error or errors in publication except to the extent of the cost of the ad for the first day of insertion. Adjustment for errors will be limited to the cost of that portion of the ad where the error occurred.

Perm Special
\$27.50
On Mondays Only
Haircut And Style Included
Ana's House Of Beauty
109 Ave B Mon-Sat 272-4152

We're Moving
Effective January 4, 1988 we are taking over the Sear's Agency and will be moving to 129 Main.
Our thanks go out to Muleshoe and the surrounding area for a successful first year.
We look forward to serving you in our new expanded businesses.
Trophies & More
(all phone numbers will remain the same)

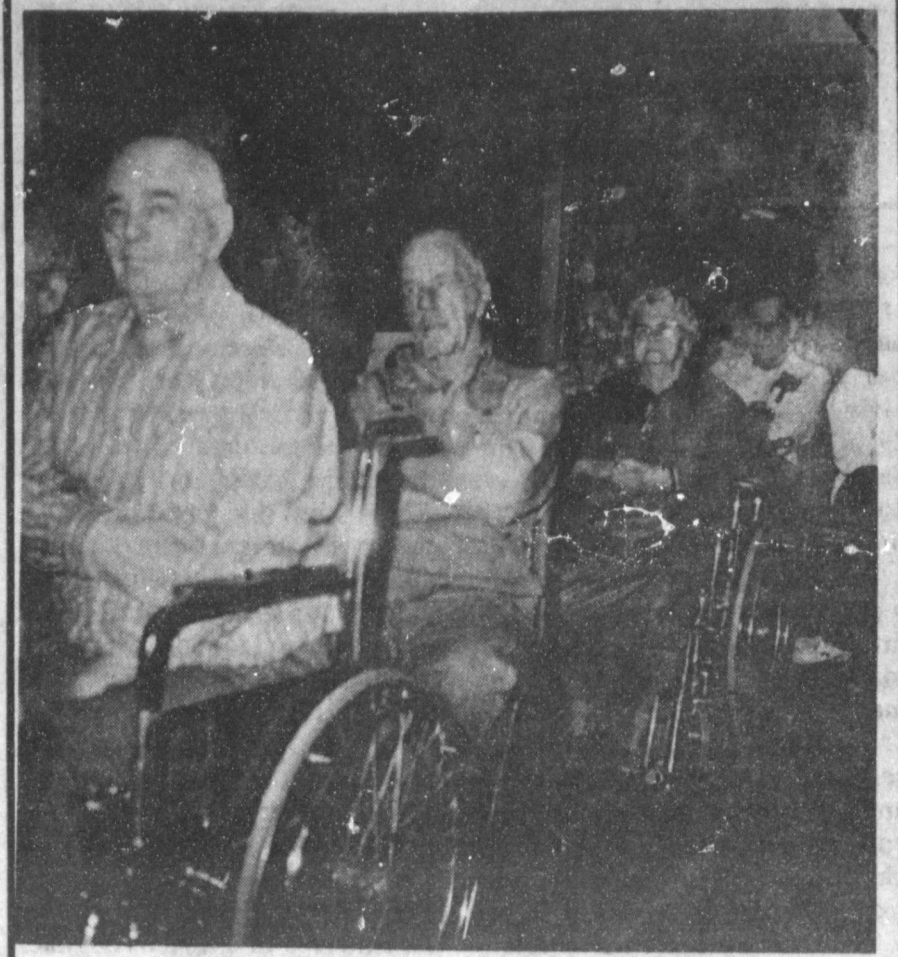
The family of Marty Long wishes to thank everyone for each act of kindness shown our family during Marty's recent illness and death. There have been so many ways that people everywhere have shown so much love and concern that it is impossible to thank each one personally. The constant prayers, visits and the support shown us during Marty's long stay in the hospital has touched us all, and your support helped us through this very trying time. God bless each and everyone of you for the many financial contributions, the food, flowers and telephone calls. Thank you too for sharing Marty's funeral with us. He was a very special little boy. He was greatly loved and he will be greatly missed. Our grief has been lightened by the knowledge that he loved you, and this is the way we shall always remember him.

Mart and Nettie Long
Agnes Smith and family
Butch Long and family



A SIGN OF THE TIMES?--As Christmas winds down, one of the most noticeable signs around town is prominently displayed at night on a rooftop on West Avenue G. It apparently depicts the thoughts and ideas of someone about the season. There are

many, many beautiful light displays in and around Muleshoe this year, more than have been noted for many years. Perhaps some of them will stay lighted until the first of the year to enjoy.



NURSING HOME HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY--Santa Claus paid a brief visit to the Muleshoe Nursing Home on Friday afternoon, Dec. 18. A large number of residents gathered in the day room for his visit and a party. Santa took time out of his busy schedule to briefly visit with each of the residents and present them with a sack of fruit.

Sweet Treats With Sweet Potatoes

Sweet potatoes make delicious treats. They are a versatile vegetable that has long been known for making rich delicious desserts as well as tempting side dishes for dinner. Sweet potatoes can be served baked, french fried or mashed with a bit of orange juice and nutmeg. They can also make a spectacular *Sweet Potato Orange Cake*. However they are served, sweet potatoes are a delicious treat.

Sweet potatoes have been around for a long time. Christopher Columbus found this tasty root being cultivated in Central America by the Indians. He took the roots to Spain where they flourished in the warm climate. The sweet potato became a favorite food among royalty and by the 16th century it was widely known throughout western Europe.

The Texas sweet potato harvest has been completed this year, and are available in local markets. The heart of the sweet potato country is located in Tyler, Texas. About 80% of the

state's production comes from East Texas.

Sweet potatoes are one of the most nutritious foods found. Their carbohydrate, protein, vitamin and mineral content makes them a well balanced food. A medium boiled sweet potato contains around 140 calories, providing twice the recommended daily allowance for vitamin A. It is also high in vitamin C, fiber, iron and thiamine.

Sweet potatoes are graded by size, with top grade uniformly shaped and about the size of a baking potato with no nicks or blemishes. Grade two includes smaller, less regular shaped potatoes that may have cuts in the peel. Jumbos or grade three are very large irregular shapes. These are the least expensive sweet potatoes.

Store sweet potatoes in a cool place away from direct sunlight. Once they are cooked they can be held in the refrigerator from 5 to 7 days.

For more information on Texas Sweet Potatoes and free

recipes write the Texas Department of Agriculture, 855 Central, Suite 31B, Odessa Texas 79761.

SWEET POTATO ORANGE CAKE

1 1/2 C. salad oil, 2 C. sugar, 4 eggs, separated, 4 T. hot water, 2 1/2 C. cake flour, 3 tsp. baking powder, 3 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. ground cinnamon, 1 tsp. ground nutmeg, 1 T. orange peel, grated, 1 C. pecans, chopped, 1 tsp. vanilla, filling (below)

Combine oil and sugar in a large mixing bowl; beat until mixed well. Add egg yolks, beating well. Stir in hot water. Combine dry ingredients; blend into oil mixture. Stir in potatoes, pecans, orange peel, and vanilla, blending thoroughly. Beat egg white until stiff; fold into batter. Spoon mixture into three greased 8-inch cake pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes. Remove from pans, cool on racks. Spread filling between layers and on top of cake. Add orange peel curl for decoration if desired.

FILLING

1 (13 oz.) can evaporated milk, 1 C. sugar, 1/2 C. butter or margarine, 3 T. all purpose flour, 1 tsp. vanilla, 1 (3 1/2 oz.) can or 1 1/2 C. flaked coconut, 1 T. orange peel

Combine milk, sugar, butter, flour and vanilla in a saucepan. Cook stirring constantly, over medium heat until thickened, about 12 minutes. Remove from heat, stir in coconut and beat until thickened and cool. Stir in orange peel.

SWEET POTATOE CREAM PIE
2 C. cooked, mashed sweet potatoes, 1 (14 oz.) can sweetened condensed milk, 2 eggs, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. cinnamon, 1/2 tsp. ginger, 1/2 tsp. nutmeg, 1 (9-inch) unbaked pie shell, 1 C. whipped heavy cream, 1/4 C. chopped pecans.

In large bowl combine sweet potatoes, milk, eggs, salt and spices. Pour into pie shell and bake at 425 degrees F. for 15 minutes. Reduce oven to 350 degrees F. and continue baking 25-30 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool and garnish with whipped cream and chopped pecans. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Makes 8 servings.

SWEET POTATO PRALINES
1 C. buttermilk, 1 C. butter or margarine, 2 1/2 C. sugar, 2 1/2 C. chopped pecans, 2 T. mashed, cooked sweet potatoes, 1 T. vanilla, 1/2 tsp. baking soda.

Mix buttermilk, butter and sugar in 2-quart saucepan. Cook, stirring over low heat until sugar is dissolved. Add pecans and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until candy thermometer reads 238 degrees F. Add mashed sweet potatoes, vanilla and soda. Stir rapidly just until mixture is creamy and thickened. Quickly drop mixture by tablespoon onto lightly greased baking sheet or waxed paper to form patties. Let stand until cool and set.

SURPRISE SWEET POTATO CANDY
2 C. sugar, 1/2 C. butter or margarine, 1 C. evaporated milk, 1/2 C. finely grated raw sweet potato, 2 C. miniature marshmallows, 1 C. graham

cracker crumbs, 2 tsp. vanilla (optional) 2 C. chopped pecans.

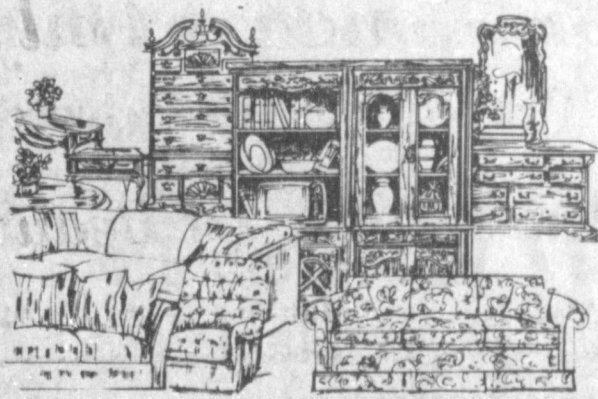
Combine sugar, butter and milk in large saucepan. Stir frequently over medium heat until mixture boils. Add sweet potato. Continue to boil over medium heat, stirring frequently,

until mixture reaches soft ball stage or 235 degrees F. on candy thermometer. Remove from heat. Add marshmallows and graham cracker crumbs. Stir until marshmallows are melted and blended well with crumbs and candy mixture. Add vanilla and pecans. Mix well. Pour into buttered 9-inch baking dish. Cool well before cutting.

JANUARY WEDDING--Rhonda Gatewood of College Station and Eldon Reagan announce their engagement. The January 2nd wedding will be held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Bryan, Texas.

Suddenly Christmas Is Over...

and now the savings start!



Pre-Inventory Sale

Furniture, Appliances, TV's, etc.

We would rather sell these items at a reduced price than inventory them.

HARVEY



APPLIANCE

122 SOUTH FIRST

272-3030

Santa's finished with his Christmas rounds, but...



are you finished with the Christmas bills?

Start saving for next Christmas now with a Savings Account at First Bank.

There's one just your size.



Member FDIC

202 and Christi Maxwell, President of the Week is Wright.

272-4515

Wind Stripcropping Meet Set January 12

Native West Texan Wilson Scaling, chief of the United States Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service in Washington, D.C., will headline a wind stripcropping seminar January 12 in Lubbock. Scaling will discuss national issues and legislation affecting soil conservation programs, especially the 1985 Food Security Act (FSA) which mandates that farmers institute adequate conservation practices to be eligible for federal subsidy programs.

He will speak at an 11:30 a.m. luncheon. The seminar, which begins with registration at 8 a.m., will be at the Holiday Inn Civic Center. The luncheon will be in the Cotton Room and the program will be in the Petroleum Room.

The free seminar is sponsored by the Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences; the Lubbock County Soil and Water Conservation District; High Plains Underground Water Conservation District Number 1; and the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) to provide Great Plains farmers with information about wind stripcropping.

Wind stripcropping, the practice of interspersing narrow strips of grasses in crops to serve as wind erosion barriers, is a feasible way to comply with the FSA, according to a three-year demonstration by the Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences. Wind stripcropping can block destructive wind erosion, cut down on replantings due to wind damage and increase total yield.

In the morning sessions, Texas Tech researchers will present the result of the demonstration study and some general stripcropping guidelines. The five demonstration studies were done with weeping

lovegrass in South Plains cotton fields, but the principles can be applied to other crops using various perennial grasses.

Plant and soil science professor Richard E. Zartman will discuss the agronomic aspects of the study at 9:40 a.m.; entomology Professor Sherman Phillips will talk about entomological findings at 10:10 a.m., and agricultural economics professor Bob Davis will discuss economic aspects at 11 a.m.

Three farmers who participated in the study will speak about wind stripcropping applications in their area that afternoon. They are Ronald Thuett, Garza County, 1 p.m. Sonny Lipton, Lubbock County, 1:30 p.m., and Coy Franks, Motley County, 2 p.m.

Coy Garrett, state conservationist for the SCS, will summarize the program at 2:45 p.m. Program participants will conduct a panel discussion from 3:15-4 p.m.

Individuals who plan to attend the seminar should notify the Department of Plant and Soil Science by January 3, 1988, so arrangements can be made.

For more information, contact the Texas Tech Department of Plant and Soil Science, P. O. Box 41691, Texas Tech, Lubbock, Texas 79409, (806) 742-2837, or the SCS, 1205 Texas Avenue, Room 424, Lubbock, Texas 79401, (806) 743-7644.

Hicks...

Cont. From Page 1

Deputy Hicks commented, "We have a very good sheriff's department now, and do a good job with the resources available."

"I see no reason for any major changes in the operation of the Bailey County Sheriff's Office."

"I plan to see as many people as possible in the county prior to the election on March 8. However, it will be almost impossible to see everyone. I earnestly solicit your vote and your support for the Democratic Primaries on March 8."

Pd. Pol. Adv.

Nursing Home News

By Joy Stancell

Sammy Moore returned to the Nursing Home Wed. She has been hospitalized in Lubbock.

Our thanks to everyone that participated in our Christmas card project. We appreciate it very much.

Merry Christmas to you and yours and the Nursing residents and staff.

The Scientists Tell Me... Financial Indicators Identify Trends For Agricultural Producers and Lenders

By Marilyn Brown
TAES Science Writer

The following observation was made by economist Alvin Tostlebe:

"Current financial conditions reflect a speculative, debt-financed farm boom based upon euphoric long-term income projections that later failed to materialize."

If that sounds like a description of the agricultural economy over the last 10 years, it should; but interestingly, it was written over 40 years ago to describe the boom that took place from 1915 to 1919 and the subsequent sharp decline in net farm income. Many farmers lost their farms during the 1920s because they could not pay their debts.

Sound familiar? Agricultural economist John B. Penson, Jr., shares the above state-

Weather...

Cont. From Page 1

Christmas morning in the northeast part of the city.

On Christmas day, the high temperature in Muleshoe was 21 degrees, before settling down to 19 degrees for the most of the day.

Lows around 10-12 degrees had been predicted, but the low in Muleshoe was 17 degrees.

Winds of up to 20 mph sent the 'Wind Chill Factor' skidding well below '0' and what traffic moved Friday, was generally crawling along.

To the north, around Amarillo, the icy weather triggered a number of vehicle accidents, including cars upside down, and trucks jackknifed.

Watches and Warnings throughout the day, including snow, sleet, freezing rain and freezing drizzle throughout most of the State of Texas.

DPS offices in major cities across Texas and New Mexico each reported hundreds of telephone inquiries concerning road and travel conditions all day on Christmas.

It was virtually business as usual for airlines, with some flights delayed, but no flights cancelled.

Wyoming and Nebraska recorded temperatures such as 38 and 30 degrees below zero.

San Diego reported the first snow there in 20 years. For the first time in history, snow was recorded for Christmas in both Las Vegas, Nevada and in Tucson, Arizona.

In other parts of the nation, flood waters forced residents from their homes, such as in the Tennessee and Arkansas areas.

The latest winter storm is expected to start moving out of the area today, Sunday, with a warming trend at least through mid-week.

ment in a recent study of the indicators of trends in agriculture. While debt-to-asset ratio is the most widely cited indicator of financial stress, Penson's study shows that other indicators are earlier predictors of stress.

Looking back on the mid-1970s, we can see how agricultural producers and lenders fell into a debt trap; interest rates had declined to the 7 to 8 percent range, inflation was making the real cost of borrowing even less, and most farmers and ranchers were enjoying

Soil Testing...

Cont. From Page 1

specific fertility problems can be identified and the "average" fertility of the field won't be biased.

Each sample submitted for chemical analysis should represent a composite of 10 to 15 individual samplings, randomly taken, within a given area. For each individual sample, the same amount of soil should be taken to eliminate bias.

If the past crop was bed planted, the best sample will come from halfway down the bed. If last year's fertilizer was banded, try to avoid sampling from the band, Hickey urged.

Prior to taking a sample, scrape the litter from the surface, he advised. Then push the probe into the soil to the depth of plowing, which will be six to eight inches. To use a sharp-shooter, dig a V-shaped hole and take a half-inch slice of soil from the smooth side of the hole.

"While taking samples, it is a good idea to note any soil compaction or the occurrence of plow pans," the Extension specialist cautioned.

Subsamples should be placed into a clean plastic bucket. After all subsamples have been taken for a given area, mix them thoroughly. Take about a pint of this composite mixture for chemical analysis by the soil testing laboratory.

Soil sample bags which hold the proper amount for testing and soil sample information sheets which itemize details about the field and sample needed for interpretation of the chemical analysis are available at the local county Extension agent's office, or at the Extension soil testing laboratory in Lubbock.

The information sheet should be filled in as completely as possible, Hickey stressed. Each soil sample should be marked with the producer's name and sample number, which should correspond to the number on the information sheet. The analysis desired should be marked on the sample, and the proper fee included.

several good income years in a row.

"Farmers were no doubt expecting the high real net returns, low real interest rates, and significant low capital gains they were experiencing during the 1970s to continue into the 1980s," Penson says.

"They were not alone. Many farm experts were openly concerned about the prospect of commodity shortages in the 1980s. Those farm lenders who provided the funds which made this debt expansion possible obviously held many of these same expectations."

Farming is historically a risky business; its very nature suggests the need for a set of published historical financial indicators for the sector that could signal impending problems associated with further debt expansion, Penson says.

"Despite Tostlebe's pioneering efforts in flow of funds analysis, we continue to see too much emphasis placed upon balance sheet data to monitor trends in farm financial conditions, the economist says.

The debt-to-asset ratio, by itself, is a poor indicator of undesirable trends in farm cash flows before they become a problem, Penson says.

Two other farm financial indicators used by industry analysts are return on assets from income and return on equity from income.

Both can overstate or understate the operating efficiency of farms in periods of declining or rising asset values, Penson says. In farming, changes in market value equity are attributed largely to unrealized gains or losses associated with changing land values rather than realized gains or losses associated with net income, he says.

There are a variety of other published indicators of farm financial conditions, including the number of bankruptcies and foreclosures as well as the number of voluntary and involuntary foreclosures and liquidations. Like the debt-to-asset ratio, these statistics highlight the magnitude of current insolvency problems as opposed to trends that might ultimately lead to insolvency, Penson says.

"A complete set of aggregate economic and financial indicators for farming (would) be helpful to short-term and long-term creditors, investors, industry analysts, and policy makers," Penson says. Such indicators can focus attention on unwanted trends and help identify the credit, farm program, and macroeconomic policies that would most likely moderate these trends, he says.

Penson suggests the following indicators to identify trends:

Times interest earned ratio—focuses on the farmer's debt servicing ability, or ability to pay annual interest of farm debt out of operating profit.

Financial leverage index—addresses the issue of whether farmers benefit from the use of financial leverage rather than the specific level and variability of returns. The value results from dividing the return on equity from income by the return on assets from income.

Debt burden ratio—assesses the capital from operations to retire debts. The

ratio is calculated by dividing net cash farm income by total farm debt.

The data to compute each of the ratios are available on a regular basis from several government publications. Using that data, Penson compared the ratios from previous decades. While the debt-to-asset ratio varied little during the 1970s, the other financial stress indicators showed considerable volatility.

For example, the FLI in 1979 was 10 percent below its mean, a sharp contrast to the debt-to-asset ratio, which ended the decade less than 1 percent from its mean.

"The decline in the FLI during the 1975-79 period is even more significant when compared with the 1950-69 period, during which it never fell below 1.0," Penson says.

In addition, the farm sector ended the decade with a times interest earned ratio that was 28 percent below its mean, and total debt outstanding rose 30 percent between the end of 1979 and the end of 1982, despite a sharp decrease in the farmer's debt servicing and repayment ability. At that time, farmland values had not begun to fall.

The ability of farmers to make their annual principal and interest payments has actually improved in 1984 and 1985, and that is borne out by the three indicators. Those improvements reflect the somewhat lower interest rates during the period as well as high levels of government payments.

"This again illustrates that one could draw an incomplete picture of financial conditions on the farm if the analysis was limited to the debt-to-asset ratio," Penson says.

All four indicators taken together suggest that farmers in general continue to be in a weaker financial position than at any time during the 1970s.

These additional ratios can be applied at the firm, subsector, or sector level, Penson says. Applying the indicators at the sector level will provide valuable information on general trends in financial stress, the scientist says.

Editor's Note: Any question regarding this column should be addressed to Science Writer, Department of Agricultural Communications, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843.

Best of Press

From the Mirror

Flattery is the art of describing others as they see themselves.

—U.S. Coast Guard News.

So Cheer Up!

Any person who is always feeling sorry for himself should be.

—Herald, Dubuque, Ia.

Not Much

We don't know what it is about a \$20 bill nowadays, but you can't get any wear out of it.

MEET THE CANDIDATES

The Journal has been authorized to announce the following candidates for public office:

SHERIFF
Jerry Hicks

COMMISSIONER
Precinct 1
R. L. Scott

★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★

A&M's
Trust the New Karachita
SUPERSALE

Sale Good Til Jan. 2, '88

Starting Fluid
At:
8 Oz. For Gas Or Diesel
88¢

HI-PRO
"Sweetlix" Bloat Guard
Block
Now: **\$8.59**

PENZOIL
30W Motor Oil
For: **98¢**
EASY POUR EASY SEAL

6' Tee Post
At Only: **\$1.94**
1.33# Per Ft. Heavy Duty

Hi-Protein Dog Meal
Just: **\$9.00**
Made For The Work Dogs Diet 50 Lbs. 27% Protein

Oil Filters
PH-8A Just: **\$2.79**
PH-13 Just: **\$2.99**
Check Out Our Complete Stock.

100 ML. Comblotic
Excellent Syringe-ability. Is Now: **\$5.49**

HI-PRO 10% Horse Feed
#1210 Is Just: **\$4.29**

Gilson 150,000 BTU's Space Heater
Only: **\$349.99**
#5P150

Welding Rods
Your Choice
Flotweld 1/8 or 3/32 35 or 37 (Except 1/16")
50 Lb. Box **\$31.99** A Box

Oklahoma Steel & Wire Co.
Cattle Panels 52" X 16"
Special At: **\$11.99**
10 Line

TropArtic 30W Motor Oil
Now: **88¢**
THE PREMIUM QUALITY MOTOR OIL IN THE CLASSIC GOLD BOTTLE.

Cat Food
For: 30% Protein **\$3.49**
10# Bag

A&M Farm & Ranch Supply
Sundays 12:30-5:00 P.M.

Salt Block
White: **\$2.49**

AUTOMATIC DOG FEEDER
Now Just: **\$24.99**
• Holds up to 25 pounds of dry food
• Helps eliminate messy food bags and dirty pet dishes
• Hinged lid for easy filling or outdoors
• Galvanized finish

★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★ HAPPY NEW YEAR ★



MULES' TALE



Co-Editors Justine Hanes and Deborah Lackey
Sunday, December 27, 1987

Official Publication of Muleshoe High School Written and Edited by Students of the Muleshoe Schools

SCAC Hosts Meeting; Joy Stancell Speaker

The Student Community Action Club met at Leal's at 8:00 on Thursday, November 19. Armando Del Toro opened the meeting and Rachel Pineda said the prayer. Deborah Lackey gave the treasurer's report and Jennifer Green read the minutes from the last meeting. She then presented some of the ideas that the admissions committee had come up with for revising the admissions policy. The club voted to limit the incoming members next spring to 15. Other decisions concerning the admissions policy may be made at future meetings.

After the meal was eaten, Ruth Riley introduced Mrs. Joy Stancell. Mrs. Stancell is the program director at the Muleshoe Nursing Home. She told the club of the activities of the residents of the home and talked of all the positive aspects of the home. She also stressed the fact that, as program director, she tries to have activities for the residents that are positive, instead of negative.

After her presentation, Deborah Lackey then surprised Mrs. Stancell with a corsage for being selected the "Citizen of the Month" for November.

The club then made plans for the next meeting. It was decided that the next meeting would be the Club's Christmas Party. Instead of the traditional gag gifts being given, the members are going to buy and decorate a Christmas Tree for the Muleshoe Nursing Home. Everyone is to bring an ornament to decorate the tree. It was also decided that the

members would go carolling that night. The date was set for December 14 at 6:00 at the Nursing Home. From the Nursing Home the party will continue at the Depot.

The committee members appointed to buy the Christmas Tree are: Sergio Gonzales, Armando Del Toro, Johnny Garcia, Tim Shipman, and Bryan Swint. Selina Gonzales and Beth Sanders are in charge of refreshments for the evening. A "Game" committee was made to organize games for the party. This committee includes: Lisa Noble, Jodi Ferris, Norma Jean Del Toro, Carmen Espinoza, and Jennifer Green. Tim Shipman, Kevin King, and Armando Del Toro were asked by Mrs. Allison to put up the Christmas Lights on the Depot. The meeting was then adjourned.

European Trip Plans Finalized For Next June

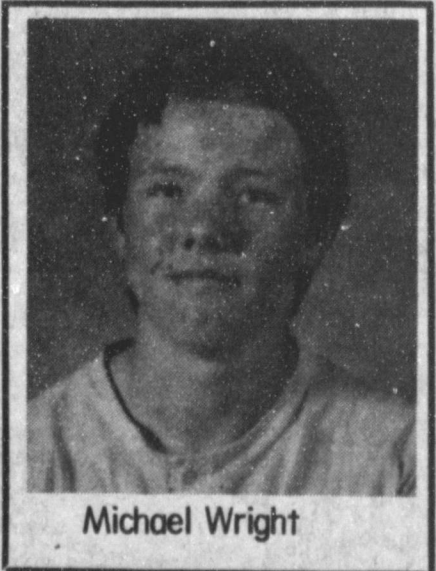
Mrs. Johanna Wrinkle is planning a trip to Europe June 15-25 of 1988. This trip is designed for the High School student, and it is an organized tour offered by a tour company.

The trip is a ten-day tour of Europe. On the ten-day itinerary, the students will visit England, France, Holland, Switzerland, and Germany. While in these countries the students will see the canals of Amsterdam, Paris, London, Exquisite Lake and Mountain Scenery of Lucerne, the Castles of the Rhine, and the Valleys and Rustic Villages of the Black Forest.

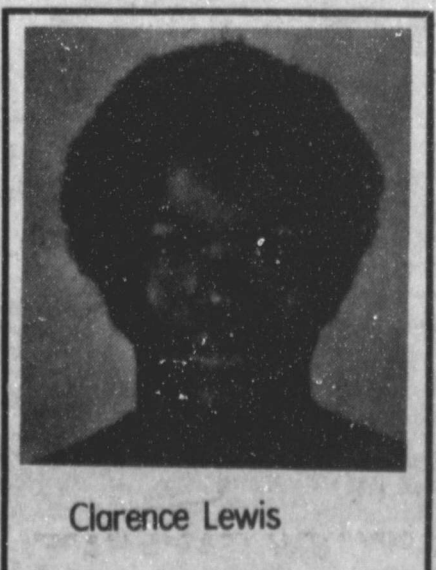
The counselor for this trip will be Mrs. Johanna Wrinkle and co-counselor will be Roy Wrinkle.

The cost of the trip will be \$1500. This price includes the airfare from Dallas, room and board, transportation while in Europe, and other necessities. The only thing not included in this price is spending money.

For more information, feel free to call Mrs. Johanna Wrinkle.



Michael Wright



Clarence Lewis

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Armando Del Toro. I am writing to you to request the gifts I would prefer to receive for Christmas. I know it is unusual for you to receive a letter from some one as old as I am, but I figured it would not hurt to write you and might even help. On my primary list, I have one wish and that is to have some transportation, preferably a car or truck. If I do receive this I would be satisfied. My second wish is obsolete if my first wish is granted. Also, I would like the patches for my letterman jacket. I would also like a watch, nothing fancy just something to keep time. Clothes are always welcome as a gift just as long as it is not underwear.
Love, Armando Del Toro

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to see my girl friend whom I have not seen or spoken to in about two months. I would also like to see all of my family at Christmas. A Caribbean Cruise would also be nice.
James Ziegenfuss

MHS' Honor Roll

FRESHMAN
Kristyl Albertson, Rogelio Baeza, Wendi Bland, Jeremy Bruns, Gregory Combs, Patrick Counterman, Laura Dent, Rose Espinoza, Jennifer Fagin, Blain Ferris, Ruben Garcia, Steve Garcia, Sheila Garner, Dayna Hamilton, Michele Holmans, Stacy Knowlton, Jesus Martinez, Jeffrey McGuire, John Orozco, Burnley Riley, Collin Robison, Daniel Rodriguez, Heath Scott, Shawna Smith, Monica Swint, Amy Turner, Marsha Wilson and Michael Wright.

SOPHOMORES
Tessa Akens, Ronnie Barrett, Letty Barron, Jennifer Bennett, Jason Clarkson, Kelly Conklin, Sharla Ewins, Michelle Finney, Jason Fuller, Adelaido Godinez, Amber Green, Shawn Green, Wendy Green Kimberly Harris and Amy Harrison.

MHS Students 'Impressive' With Work

The recent six-week honor roll at Muleshoe High School reflects a high level of attainment for students. One hundred and forty-four students which is 37% of the entire body, attained a grade point average of 3.5 or more for the second six weeks

of academic work. The status of the four classes shows 27% of the freshmen class, 32% of the sophomores, and 41% of the junior class placed on the honor roll. The senior class, with 54% of their total, attained the highest rank. The faculty, administration, and students at M.H.S. are proud of this impressive record of excellence.

Speech Team 'Speaking Out' At Tournament

High School speech team travelled to Amarillo High School for a speech tournament December 5. All that attended had another great tournament experience. The final results were: Brandon Wilson placed second in Lincoln-Douglas debate, Stephanie Cox and Kasey Williams made it to the finals in poetry reading.

December 12 the team will be travelling to the Olton High School tournament. Good luck in your tournament.

Student Of The Week

The snow finally came, but it did not "snow in" the faculty nominations for "Student of the Day" and "Student of the Week."

The "Students of the Day" for November 30-December 4 are: Collin Tanksley, Chaun Gunstream, Barry Bass, Clarence Lewis, and Lisa Silguero. The "Student of the Week" is Clarence Lewis.

For the week of December 7-11 the "Student of the Day" are: Ivan Williams, Micheal Wright, Deborah Lackey, Jason Fuller, and Christi Maxwell. The "Student of the Week" is Micheal Wright.

Also, Holly Huckaby, Lucia Hurtado, Heather Hutton, Jerry Jaquess, Anna Jaramillo, Marcy Jaramillo, Jimmy Johnson, Lucy Marquez, Raymond Martinez, Brenna Matthews, Candace McCume, Stacy McElroy, Amy Montgomery, Brenda Mudford, Jeffery Noble, Donald Pyland, Jimmy Seals, Stacy Stroud, Lisa Triana, Tricia Underwood, Casey Williams and Kendra Wilson.

JUNIORS
Krystal Angeley, Mary Lou Bastardo, Shelly Brown, Debbie Brown, Shane Burris, Toby Carpenter, Jimmy Cisneros, Carol Copley, Julie Crittenden, Norma Del Toro, Mike Dunham, Diane Enos, Andrew Espinoza, Mary Espinoza, Troy Ewins, Joann Gutierrez, Justine Hanes, Jennifer Hays, Jeffrey Hicks, Kevin King, Matthew Madrid, Christine Mata, Lisa Noble, Salvador Olivarez, Latonia Pruitt, Tony Quintana, Shawn Rejino, Jaime Reyes, Dusty Rhodes, Timothy Shipman, Austin Swint, Brandon Wilson and Chris Young.

SENIORS
Kevin Atwood, Alex Bachicha, Gant Barnhill, Amy Bean, Melissa Bevers, Russell Brown, Brandon Carpenter, Armando Del Toro, Jodi Ferris, Johnny Garcia, Ramon Garcia, Jerry Graves, Jennifer Green, Chaun Gunstream, Sue Haire and Joey Heathington.

Also, Edward Hernandez,

Nancy Jaramillo, John Killingsworth, Janie Kiser, Deborah Lackey, Caroline Liles, Laurie Lindt, Jerry Mendoza, Joe Mendoza, Bryan Morris, Art Murillo, Tanya Nowell, Pat O'Grady, Elena Perez, Ronnie Perez, Raquel Pineda, Elizabeth Posadas, Roxanne Richards, Ruth Riley, Miguel Sanchez, Beth Sanders, Scotty Spies, Stacy Springfield, Bryan Swint, Richie Tillema, Mark Underwood, Crista Wilcox, Ivan Williams and James Ziegenfuss.

Cheerleaders Host Party For Christmas

Merry Cheers was the title for the Christmas Party for the Varsity Cheerleaders. The party was held Monday, December 7 at Debbie Brown's house. They had spaghetti and salad and assorted Christmas candy.

After supper they all sat around the fireplace and watched videos of the passed year's meet-the-mules and pep rallies and they waited for Santa Claus to come down the chimney and bring them their Christmas present. They wanted a tall, handsome man, but instead only received gifts from each other. Over all the party was a lot of fun and helped the cheerleaders and sponsors bring the the Christmas Spirit!!!

Letters To Santa



"SANTA CLAUS LETTERS"
Santa Claus is coming to town and what a more better way to welcome him than to write him a letter! Various students around M.H.S. were asked to write their letters to Santa. We would like to share some with you!

Merry Christmas!

Dear Santa,
I would like all of the sophomore girls for Christmas.
J.B.

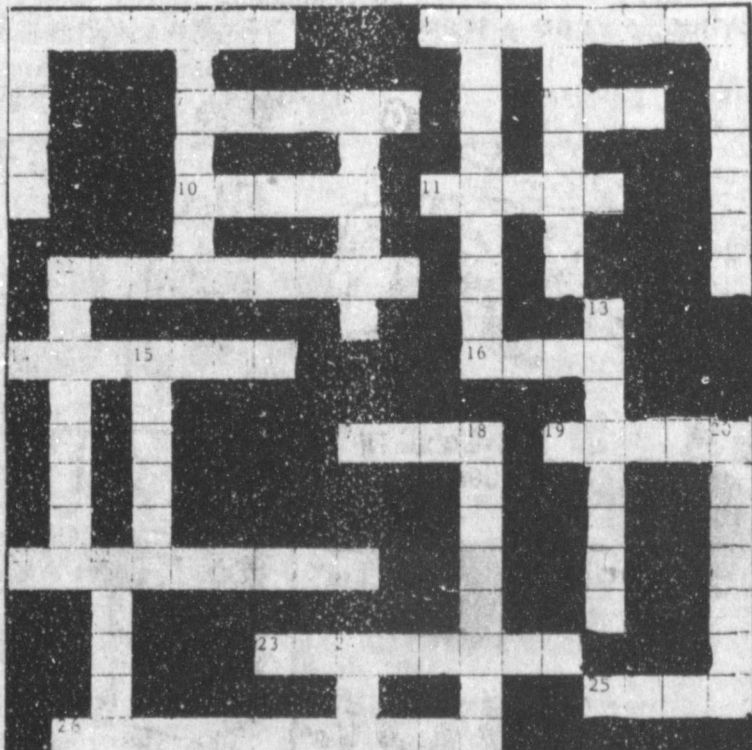
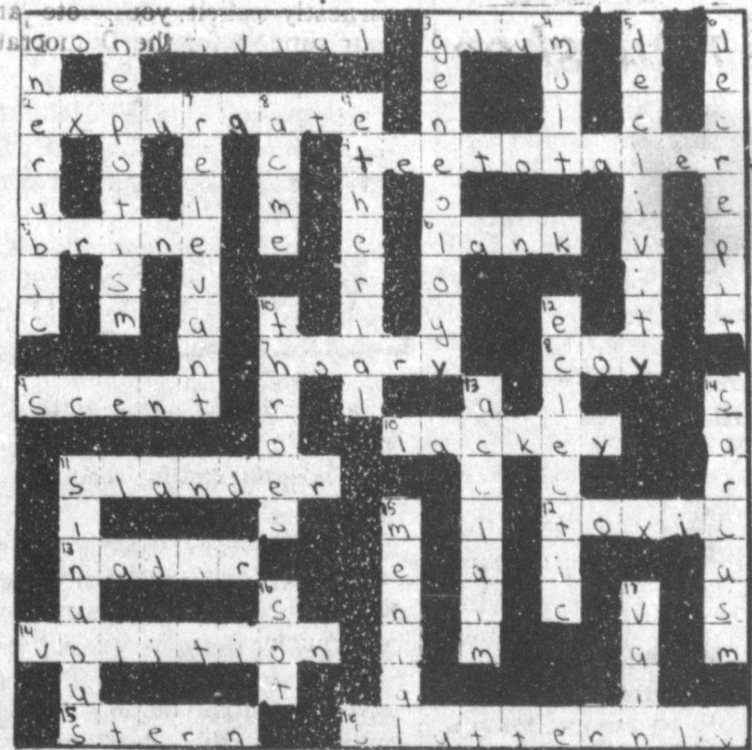
Dear Santa,
I would like an endless supply of money.
C.G.

Dear Santa,
I have thought and thought of what I would like to get for Christmas, but I can't think of a single thing. They are all married!!!
J.N.F.

Dear Santa,
I want a legal marriage license and a husband.
Tanya Nowell

Dear Santa, (Mr. Fuller)
We the Muleshoe High School Cheerleaders would like a Greyhound bus to travel in. Along with the bus we would like an individual cosmetologist and a fitness center. We would also like a larger budget male cheerleaders and new uniforms. We want you to bring us lots of school spirit, too! Tell Mrs. Claus Hi! Love, M.H.S. Cheerleaders.

Dear Santa,
Hi, how are things at the North Pole? Here things are O.K. It seems that the year has gone by so fast and, it's that



- 1. able to float
- 2. will
- 3. needle by pleasant words
- 4. tending to be shy
- 5. poisonous
- 6. smell; perfume
- 7. made unnaturally thin
- 8. malicious spoken statement against a person
- 9. long ago
- 10. prejudice, partiality
- 11. odore
- 12. worthy of respect
- 13. unpleasant to taste or smell
- 14. characterized by festivity
- 15. ancestor, forefather
- 1. plump and attractive
- 2. shunning pleasure
- 3. pertaining to sense of smell
- 4. substance yielding pleasant odor when burned
- 5. harmful or noxious
- 6. slavish follower
- 7. throw goods overboard from ship
- 8. legal minority
- 9. apparently reasonable, but not really
- 10. predicament
- 11. lowest point
- 12. drunkard

DeShazo Holds Awards Assembly

(Editor's note: In an awards assembly at DeShazo Elementary School Friday, the following awards were given:)

"I CAN" CLUB AWARDS

For completing 15 packets at home to become better readers.

THIRD GRADE

Lidia Franco, Terri Villa and Gabriela Barrera.

FOURTH GRADE

Raquel Valesquez and Candy Martinez.

FIFTH GRADE

Melissa Madrid, Raquel Arreola, Ted Villalobos and Robert Jaime.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Priscilla Aguirre, San Juana Alarcon, Linda Barron, Gabriela Barrera, Amber Becker, Tiffany Bond, Rachel Cassanova, Josephine Alonzo, Michelle Cearley, Rachel Franco, Heather Fuller, Lidia Franco, Lusila Flores, Twyla Gear and Stephanie Guerrero.

Also, Maria Garcia, Ysena Heredia, Heather Hooten, Patricia Jaime, Michelle Limas, Reagan McElroy, Rosa Barrera, Melissa Mata, Lacy Morris, Claudia Mendoza, Priscilla Mendoza, Rosabelle Ortiz, Margaret Olvera, Leslie Powell and Jessica Pedroza.

Also, Veronica Pena, Raquel Posadas, Sandra Quezada, Jennifer Rojas, Carolyn Schuster, Terri Villa, Amanda Valdez, Heather Bunch, Kandy Wilcox, Gabriel Almanza, Joshua Alfaro, Jake Caswell, Luis Campos, Sammy Chavez, Freddy Coleman, Joseph Chavez, Fidencio Cortez, Michael Cortez and John Bryan Cowart.

Also, Darren Elliott, Kyle Embry, Narciso Guana, Bernardo Herrera, Clifton Knowles, Colby Latham, John Leven, Benjamin Loewen, Eddie Lujan, Kendall McDaniel, Mark McGuire, Casey Musselman, Jesse Olivas, Gilberto Ortega, Michael Ortega, Kermit Price, Yoel Reyes and Ray Lee Rincon.

Also, Jarrod Redwine, Jason Rasco, Jeremy Rivera, Ismael Toscano, Ricky Villalobos, Jeffrey Wheeler, Tony Williams and Howie Zimmerman.

FOURTH GRADE

Carissa Buie, Anita Cortez, Rhonda Crawford, Jackie Chapman, Samantha Caswell, Kit Dominguez, Tracy Ellis, Allyson Field, Veronica Franco, Jessica Franco, Kimberly Griswold, Summer Gibbins, Candelaria Garcia, Violeta Garcia and Dora Hernandez.

Also, Holly Hutton, Hope Jaramillo, Marthella Lewis, Laura Lira, Adelina Murillo, Anna Pacheco, Rosaura Rodriguez, Netty Sigala, Laura Soto, Dacia Stewart, Monica Sisemore, Jeanette Vargas, Sylvia Vasquez, Rachel Velasquez, Julie Williams, Charlie Acosta, Stevan Alonzo, Ramiro Bustillos, Ismael Cassanova and Travis Copley.

Also, Jose Cortez, Robbie Clapp, Ricky Cisneros, Matthew Davis, Raul Del-Toro, Corey Dodd, Shawn Elliott, Manuel Fabela, Leroy Flores, Leonardo Gallegos, Albert Garcia, Chad Johnson, Peter Loewen, Gabriel Mendoza, Clay Myers, Cyle Marr, Tyson Moncrief, Wayne Palmer, Frank Perez, Aron Peterson, Dennis Reeder, Johnny Rodriguez, Michael Reyna and Samuel Villarreal.

FIFTH GRADE

Raquel Arreola, Fara Black, Angie Bean, Jaqueline Burciaga, Monica Chavez, Margaret Crawford, Tiffany Copley, Maria Corrales, Angela Crawford, Melina Diaz, Holly Donaldson, Patricia Franco, Keetha Glover, Julie Gilleland, Jenny Gloria, Amanda Wolfe, Kourtnee Magby and Ann Mendoza.

Also, Melissa Madrid, Terry Martin, Connie Olivas, Stephanie Perez, D'Ann Rodriguez, April Sawyer, Kristi Turner, Crista Trussell, Gloyra Vargas, Julie Villalobos, Rebecca Warren, Ted Villalobos, James Acosta, Jack Bush, Jason Barrett, Jimmy Bonham, Efrain Corrales, Ryan Clapp and Jared Clarkson.

Also, Chris Edwards, Roman Franco, Bryan Field, Luis Gomez, Jimmy Guana, Robert Jaime, Rashad Kirven, Lance Latham, Joshua Lindt, Salvador Martinez, Jose Mendoza, Donnie Matthews, Jason Osuna, Raymond Ortega, Michael Pharis, Chad Page, Shawn Porter, Chris Page, Marcelo Rodriguez, Gerald Reyna, Marcos Teyes, Michael Rosas, Manuel Rubio, Todd Shipman, Joel Shipman, Robert Toscano and Carlos Torres.

RANGER'S COLORING CONTEST WINNERS

Lisa Leffler, 3rd, Bruns; Veronica Pena, 3rd, Buie; Linda Banon, 3rd, Buie; John Gabriel Heredia, 3rd, Buie; Vanesia Edwards, 3rd, Buie.

MARY DESHAZO HONOR ROLL

For a student to qualify for the honor roll at Mary DeShazo, three criteria must be met each six-week grading period. They are:

1. Students must have an overall grade average of 90 or above.

2. No grade in any subject can be below an 80.

3. All grades must reflect on GRADE LEVEL performance.

Joshua Alfaro, Joseph Chavez, Sammy Chavez, Lusila Flores, Adam Graves, Brandi Harrison, Stacy Harlan, Jamie Kemp, Clifton Knowles, Colby Latham, Elizabeth Luna, Reagan McElroy, Leslie Radford, Jennifer Rojas, Wayne Wallace and Corey Williams.

Also Daniel Morris, Margaret Olvera, Jammie Gray, Priscilla Aguirre, Yvonne Bara, Amber Becker, Sarah Freeman, Heat-

her Fuller, Michael Orozco, Jason Rasco, Jessica Pedroza, Shane Scoggin, Sarah Watson, Jeffrey Wheeler and Erica Guzman.

Also, Ray Rincon, Ransley Welch, Josh Page, Darren Elliot, Jo Beth Gilleland, Jarrod Fuller, Scott Stockman, Maria Garcia, Aimee Hugg, Lissa Leffler, Kandy Wilcox, Priscilla Mendoza, Andy Davila, Alfonso Mendoza, Jarrod Redwine, Lacy Morris, Carolyn Schuster, Rebecca Flores, John Bryan Cowart, Faith Hayes and Kristi Bennett.

Also, Saul Sanchez, Leslie Powell, Howie Zimmerman, Darren Box, Coleman Strahan, Jerry Campos, Sylvia Alvarado, San Juana Alarcon, Tony Williams, Stefan Sutton, Carlos Rojas, Casey Musselman, Isaac Miramontes, John Luna, Bridget Guzman, Denise Greenhouse, Rachel Givens, Twyla Gear, Rosemary Franco, James Cox, Fidencio Cortez, Michelle Cearley and Terry Vaughn.

Also, Amy Elliott, Crystal Orozco, Melissa Mata, Julie Johnson, Josephine Alonzo, Samuel Espinoza, Heather Hooten, Benjamin Loewen, Stephanie Guerrero, Adrian King, Mark McGuire, Kendall McDaniel, Michelle Limas, Sammy Watkins, Kesha Torbit, Sandra Quesada, Kermit Price, Jennifer Patterson, Rosabelle Ortiz, Kristen Nichols, Leigh Moraw, Rita Locker, Megan Harlan, Cari Favor, Kyle Embry, Jake Caswell, Crystal Castorena and Rachel Casonova.

FOURTH GRADE

Frank Arzola, Carissa Buie, Samantha Caswell, Jacki Chapman, Shawn Elliott, Pete Gallegos, Laura Hurtado, Sharon Johnson, Adelina Murillo, Dacia Stewart, Laura Soto, Monica Sisemore, Peter Loewen, Laura Lira, Chad Johnson, Stephanie Guzman, Summer Gibbins, Tracy Ellis and Riley Byers.

Also, Julie Williams, Amelia Ruvalcaba, Robbie Clapp, Hope Jaramillo, Albert Garcia, Ceferino Garcia, Lauri Puckett, Jeanette Vargas, Raul Del Toro, Candy Garcia Barak Harlan, Suzy Hodges, Jeff Lewis, Tyson Moncrief, Melissa Morales and Koy Wilhite.

Also, Netty Sigala, Priscilla Bara, Ricky Cisneros, Michelle Williams, Rosemary Sierra, Becky Snell, Violeta Garcia, Levi Obenhaus, Joshua Otwell, Samuel Villareal, Yolie De Hoyos, Lisa Alonzo, Holly Hooten, Clay Myers, Kelly Railsback, Camille McCune, Josh Slayden, Kimberlee Vaughn and Frank Perez.

FIFTH GRADE

Jason Barrett, Jack Bush, Ryan Clapp, Genny Eggers, Brent Lingnau, Rick Martinez, Misty Richardson, Jennifer Taylor, Mike Villarreal, Angie Bean, Jared Clarkson, Tiffany Copley, Chris Edwards, Bryan Field, Jodie Foster, Rashad Kirven, Troy Maxwell, Anna Mendoza, Jason Osuna, Stephanie Perez, Dink Pitcock, Gina Ramirez, Maria Corrales, Jesus Flores, Jimmy Guana, Audra Lee, Josh Lindt, Connie Olivas, Jeffrey Pope and Crista Trussell.

Also, Manuel Rubio, Jimmy Bonham, Angela Crawford, Heath Eagle, Christy Holt, Lacey Lloyd, Gilbert Castorena, Dennie Mathews, Michael Pharis, Jose Mendoza, Anthony Rodriguez, Freddy Sanchez, Michael Nash, Holly Donaldson, Robert Toscano and Jenny Gloria.

Also, Russell McGuire, Efrain Corrales, Rebecca Warren, Michael Elliott, Nathan Noble, Lauren Whitley, Julie Gilleland, Amanda Wolfe, Fara Black, Monica Chavez, Tommy Day, Keetha Glover, Lance Latham, Shawn Porter, Kristi Turner, Charles Villarreal and B.J. Vasquez.

THIRD GRADE ACHIEVEMENT

Ismael Toscano, Mendy Johnson, Kyle Embry, Megan Harlan, Leslie Powell, Coleman Strahan, Michael Orozco, Yvonne Bara, Darren Elliott, Racquel Franco, Denise Greenhouse, James Cox, Julio Reyes, Lusila Flores, Jorge Martinez and Crystal Orozco.

FOURTH GRADE ACHIEVEMENT

Peter Loewen, Summer Gibbins, Jeanette Vargas, Meri Ott, Dacia Stewart, Clay Myers, Lisa

Alonzo, Levi Obenhaus, Joann Ramirez, Carissa Buie, Leroy Rojas and Tracy Ellis.

THIRD GRADE BEHAVIOR

Mendy Johnson, Linda Barron, Bernardo Herrera, Darlene Korsun, Angelica Diaz, Saul Sanchez, Heather Fuller, Freddy Coleman, Jarrod Fuller, Maria Garcia, Eddie Lujan, Rosemary Franco, Wayne Wallace, Brandi Harrison, Stephanie Guerrero and Sammy Espinoza.

FOURTH GRADE BEHAVIOR

Lauri Puckett, Priscilla Bara, Riley Byers, Dacia Stewart, Amelia Ruvalcaba, Rachel Velasquez, Chris Garcia, Rhonda Crawford, Ernie Peaz, Anita Chavez, Stephanie Guzman, Yolie De Hoyos.

FIFTH GRADE ACHIEVEMENT

Nathan Noble, Rebecca Warren, Josh Lindt, Crista Trussell, Lance Latham, Kristi Turner, Jason Osuna, Tiffany Copley, Jason Barrett, Genny Eggers, Jose Mendoza and Holly Donaldson.

SPECIAL ED. ACHIEVEMENT

Racquel Franco, Dennis Reeder, Marcos Reyes, Wayne Bomer and Emily Bomer.

FIFTH GRADE BEHAVIOR

Gerald Reyna, Efrain Corrales, Jesus Flores, Emily Bomer, Keetha Glover, Fara Black, Melissa Madrid, Gina Ramirez, Manuela Solis, Ray Ortega, Jimmy Bonham and Bobbi Hutchinson.

Nancy Reagan Sends Reply For Card Received

The Leadership Class of Muleshoe High School received a Thank-You note from Mrs. Ronald Reagan. The class had sent Mrs. Reagan a Get-Well Card when she recently had surgery.

The card read: "I was very happy to receive your wonderful Get-Well message. You were sweet to think of me in such a special way. Sincerely, Nancy Reagan."

SPECIAL ED. BEHAVIOR

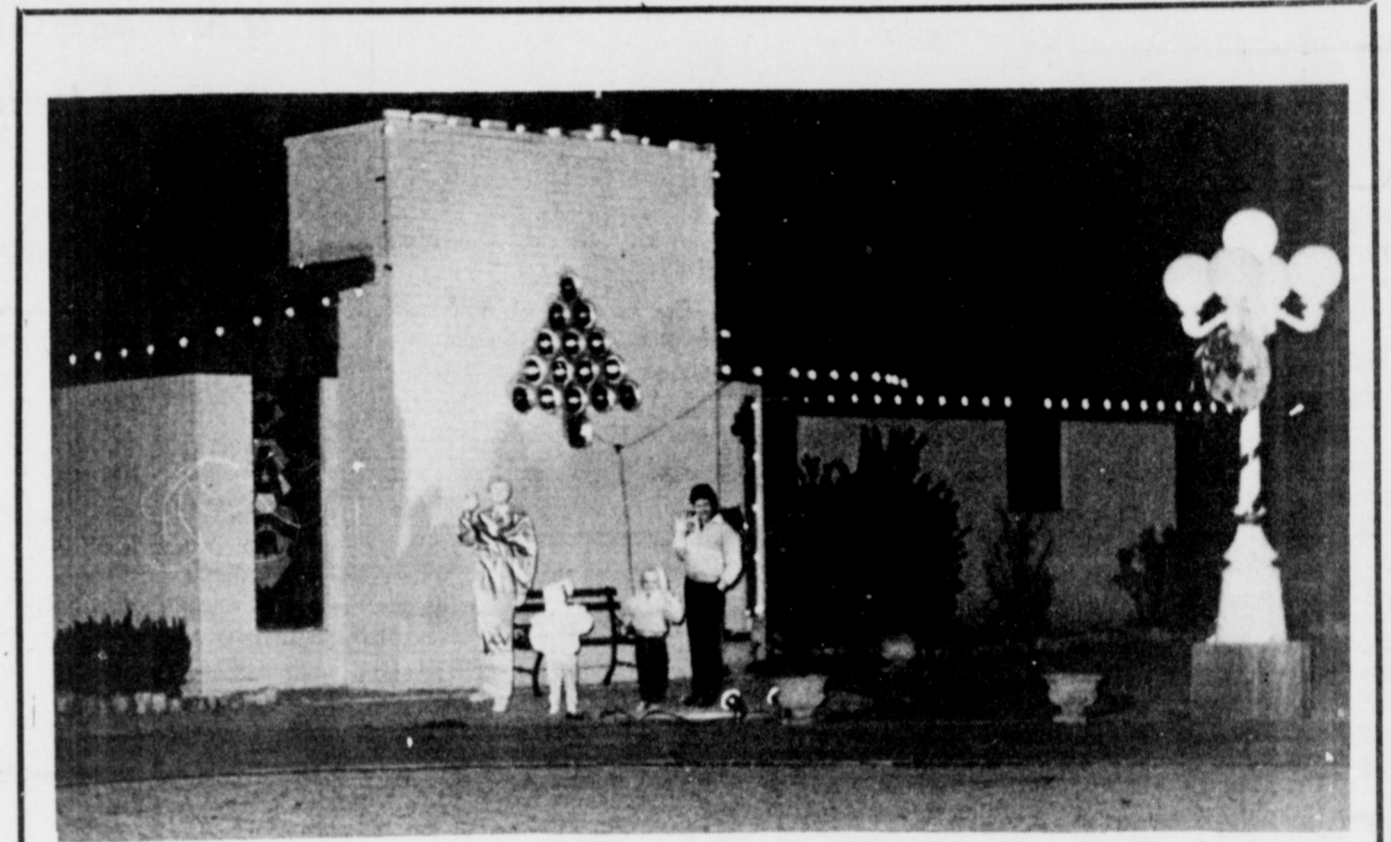
Heather Williams, Jessica Franco, Marcos Reyes, Mike Pharis and Dennis Reeder.

Three-Way News
by Mrs. H.W. Garvin

Mr. Jack Reeves was a patient in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock from Monday until Thursday for medical treatment.

The Nelson Carlisle family had their family home Saturday night for their x-mas party. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Kendon Zhan and family from Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Layton and son from Enochs and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Statter from Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Masten visited their daughter, the Lamar Pollards, of Whitharal Thursday afternoon.



SPECIAL GREETINGS FROM THE ADRIANS--What better way for a professional photographer's family to greet passers-by than with near lifesize photographs, cheerily waving from their front yard? Lonnie and Hellen Adrian installed the photo-cutouts, along with a light display to wish everyone a happy holiday season.

Make your home Maintenance Free!

Reynolds Vinylsiding

Alsido Super Steel Siding
Alsido Soffit-Fascia-System

\$500

No More Painting
Maintenance Free
Cut winter heating costs

Factory Rebate

Or 25% Off

ADD A ROOM

10x12 Bedroom \$86.45 Month

Free Estimates
FHA 100% Financing

No Money Down No Payments

No Closing Cost For 60 Days

That extra bedroom or den you've always wanted, completely finished, with carpet allowance, at payments you can afford:

Plainview Home Improvement

Offer Good Thru December 296-9571 or 879-4469

PARTS VALUE OF THE MONTH

Pre-Season Service Savings

YOU CAN HAVE AN ON-FARM INSPECTION OF YOUR EQUIPMENT AND SAVE ON SERVICE WORK, TOO

SAVE 10% on parts when work is done in our Service Center

plus SAVE 10% on labor

That's right! We'll send a service technician to your farm to inspect your tractor, combine, or planter. It's called the Performance Plus Checkup, and it's designed to cover every detail of your Case, IH, or Case International equipment. When our man is through, you'll know exactly the operating status of your equipment. If work is needed, we'll do it then at our special Pre-Season discount and you'll be ready for your busy season now. Get an on-farm inspection and Pre-Season Service Savings!

Expires January 30, 1988

C & H Equipment

West HWY 84 Muleshoe 272-5514

Bailey County Journal

Classified

Call 272-4536

CLASSIFIED RATES
Per Word.....\$1.15
Minimum Charge \$2.30

Consecutive Insertions
Minimum Charge \$2.00

CLASSIFIED DISPLAY RATES
\$1.75
Per Column Inch

DEADLINES
12 noon Tues.
For Thursday Paper
12 noon Friday
For Sunday Paper
We reserve the right to classify, revise, or reject any ad. Not responsible for any error after ad has run.

1. Personals

MARY KAY COSMETICS
Josie Flowers
272-3865.
fl-49s-tfc

WILL DO BABY SITTING
in your home or my home. On week days after 5:30 pm - anytime on weekends. Have references. Call Josie 272-5362. p1-52t-2tc

BUZARD and Stokes
custom grass sowing
565-478-2489 505-356-5376 \$6.50 per acre.
1-49s-4tsp

STORAGE
Rooms Available
For Storage
\$25.00-\$30.00
per month
Ted Barnhill
272-4903
b1-42s-tfc

CONCERNED About Someone's Drinking? HELP IS AVAILABLE
through Al-Anon
Call 227-2350 or 965-2870 or come to visit Tuesday nights, 8:00 p.m. or Saturday mornings at 11:00 a.m. at 1116 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe.

3. Help Wanted

JOB TRAINING Partnership Act Services. Employment Training. For information concerning local job opportunities and vocational training contact: South Plains Community Action JTPA Personnel AT: Bailey County Family Planning Center Tradeswind Plaza Muleshoe, TX 79347 272-5130 For your transportation needs call SPARTAN at the above number or 1-800-462-8747. s3-50s-4tsc

4. Houses For Rent

FOR RENT
Excellent condition - Ready To Move In, 3 bdrm., 2 bath, 217 E. Elm. Call 806-537-3131. s8-52t-4tc

10. Farm Equip. For Sale

FOR SALE 1-1,000 gallon diesel tank 1-six foot V-Ditcher, for information call 272-5703. v10-51s-4tc

8. Real Estate 8. Real Estate 8. Real Estate 8. Real Estate

JAMES F. HAYES & CO. AGRICULTURAL REAL ESTATE
Vic Coker-Agent
(806) 965-2468

640 ACRES- 4 electric sprinklers, steel pens with concrete bunks, domestic well, all fenced. Best soil & water. Rare opportunity, good value.

320 ACRES of prime farmland Southwest of Hub in Parme County. Excellent water: 3 8" wells and a tailwater pit. This farm is clean. Top notch in every respect.

160 ACRES IN LAMB COUNTY- Excellent water, electric sprinkler, fully allotted, fenced, prime opportunity for first time buyer.

160 ACRES North of Lazbuddie. 1 8" well, clean, lay good. Excellent terms Available!

160 ACRES - 2 Wells - Excellent Water, fully allotted, good check. Soil that w grow anything.

Call Vic if you need farm & ranch appraisal work done.

Have A Merry Christmas

& A Happy New Year!

From the Vic Coker family and James F. Hayes & Co.

WHITT-REID REAL ESTATE

201 Main Office 272-3611

\$600 total move in cost - 3 bedroom, single garage homes - for those who qualify.

2 Bedroom, single garage home. Reduced for quick sale, \$22,000. 25H8

3 Bedroom Brick Home - Richland Hills Addition - over 2000 sq. Ft. of living space, \$56,000. 5H9

- We Need Listings**
- We need irrigated & dry
 - Acreage on pavement
 - Nice 3 bedroom homes

Roy Whitt Thursie Reid
272-3058 272-5318
Certified Appraiser

MORE SMILES

Not So Funny "You say your sister makes up jokes, then she's a humorist isn't she?"
"No, she works in a beauty parlor."
No Stable Ill-mannered Diner—Hey, waiter!
Waiter—Don't serve it sir.

8. Real Estate 8. Real Estate 8. Real Estate 8. Real Estate

116 W. Ave. C. BINGHAM & NIEMAN REALTY 272-5285 or 5286

We have homes for as little as \$600.00 total move in cost, with payment scheduled according to income for qualified buyers!!!!

RICHLAND HILLS
NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, fenced yard, & more.....

IMMACULATE 3-2-2 Brick, corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, loads of storage & closet space, sprinkler sys.!!!!

PRICE REDUCED-3-1-1 Brick, Cent. heat, Evap. air, built-ins, fenced yard.....

HIGHLAND ADD.
SPACIOUS 3-2 1/2-2 Brick Home on corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, loads of storage, 2900 plus sq. ft. of Lv. area, lots of extras, undrgrd. sprinkler sys., fenced yard. A GREAT BUY!!

JUST LISTED-Nice 3-2-2 Brick Home (2 story), on corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins, and much more. LET'S LOOK TODAY!!!

2-1-1 home, wall heat, evap. air, fenced yard. \$20's.....

PARKRIDGE
IMMACULATE 3-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, energy efficient, nicely decorated, plus beautifully landscaped yard. \$50's!!!!

HIGH SCHOOL
JUST LISTED-3-2-2 home, corner lot, nice carpet, fenced yard. \$30's!!!!

3-1-1 home, corner lot, Cent. A&H, built-ins. \$30's.....

PRICE REDUCED- Spacious 3-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, 2400+ sq. ft. of lv. area, den w/FP, fenced yard, storage bldg., & much more. \$60's!!!!

JUST LISTED-3-1 home, nice carpets, new roof, storm windows, & much more. \$20's!!!!

3-2-1 Brick, Cent. A&H, fenced yard.
NICELY REMODELED 3-2-1 carport home, Cent. heat, evap. air, built-ins, utility, earhtone carpets, ceiling fans, covered patio, fenced yard & more. \$30's!!

3-2-1+2 carport home, Cent. A&H, built-ins, fireplace, fenced yard & more. \$40's!!!!

JUST LISTED-NICE 2-1-1 home, wall furnace heat, earhtone carpets!!!!

LENAU ADD.
JUST LISTED-Nice 3-2-1 Brick, 2,000+ sq. ft. of lv. area, very well kept!!!! \$40's!!!!

DIANNE NIEMAN, BROKER GEORGE NIEMAN, BROKER

"MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR"

13. Property For Lease NOTES... COMMENTS

1050 acres of land for lease 20 miles South of Muleshoe. 235 acres of wheat, 750 acres of grass, call evenings 409-245-6119 good bird hunting. c13-51s-4tc

Progress isn't achieved by following the crowd.
The age of man has little relation to his sense.
Those who love to argue should get a book of facts.
Graciousness is a virtue many people mistake for weakness.

Christmas will be what you make it.
Tolerance is the key to peace of mind.

Senator 'Speaks Out' On Drug Use; Effect

Wayland Ethridge, high school principal, received the following letter from Phil Gramm, United States Senator, and felt that it had a beneficial message for today's high school students.

Mr. W. Ethridge
Muleshoe High School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347

Dear Mr. Ethridge:
I believe the withdrawal of Judge Douglas Ginsburg as a candidate for the U.S. Supreme Court contains a very important lesson for teenagers. As you know, Judge Ginsburg was forced to withdraw from consideration after revealing his use of marijuana in the past. Even though he had stopped using drugs, his past actions called his judgment into question, to the extent that it overshadowed every other consideration.

Students who may now be thinking about using drugs can learn a valuable lesson from this sad story. I know you share my desire to get the message out to as many young people as possible that any abuse of drugs, no matter how limited or casual, may take a heavy toll on their lives, now and in the future.

Enclosed is an article I wrote about the lessons of the Ginsburg tragedy. It is geared toward high school students, and I hope your school's paper will run it as a guest editorial. I would appreciate it if you send me a clipping of the article as it appears in the newspaper.

Thank you for your consideration.

Your respectfully,
Phil Gramm
United State Senator

The Ginsburg Lesson:
Another Reason to say "NO"
This is a sad time for Judge Douglas Ginsburg and his family, but I believe his tragedy carries with it an important lesson for the young people of America.

Judge Ginsburg withdrew from consideration for a seat on the Supreme Court after admitting he had used marijuana. His experience proves once again that drug use carries a high cost, payable both now and in the future.

I've known Judge Ginsburg since 1983, when he joined the Justice Department. He is a brilliant man, and I was therefore pleased when the President nominated him to the Supreme Court. I knew Judge Ginsburg would work to guarantee not only the political rights but also the economic rights of all Americans. He had already shown his abilities as a judge and government official.

But his use of drugs, no matter how long ago or how infrequent, called into question his judgment and his commitment to uphold the law.

Judge Ginsburg was a role model, whether he wanted to be or not. He was bright and successful; throughout his life his abilities made him a leader. He went to law school, served as a clerk to a Supreme Court Justice and taught law at Harvard before serving in the federal government. He had a bright future ahead of him. But as someone who would be responsible for upholding the law of the land, his use of drugs set a bad example.

You are also a role model, even though you may not realize it. If you use drugs, you make society lose a bit of its hope for a better tomorrow. If you say it's OK to experiment with drugs, you are telling other students that they can, too. You may beat the odds and not become addicted to drugs once you start using them, but your actions may condemn others who follow your example to a life of drug abuse and defeat.

And you are risking your own future by taking drugs, even if you escape addiction. Douglas Ginsburg used drugs casually, got away with it for a time, and went on to become very successful. But experimenting with drugs has now cost him dearly. Had he, at 41 years of age, become a Justice of the Supreme Court, he might eventually have become Chief Justice. He could have made his mark on history and the future of our Nation. Now, Douglas Ginsburg will be denied that chance.

You have heard many times about the physical cost of drug abuse: the addiction, the effects on your health, the depression and failure using drugs can cause. But drug use also has a hidden cost, a cost Douglas Ginsburg is now paying. I wonder what Judge Ginsburg would give now to be able to go back and reverse his decisions to use drugs.

The sad message of the Ginsburg nomination is this: If you don't use drugs, don't start. There's no such thing as "harmless" drug use. Something less than addiction can ruin your dreams. If you do use drugs, stop, and be a leader in urging others to do the same.

America ultimately may benefit from Judge Ginsburg's tragedy if young people like you, who face the lure of drugs every day, are impressed with the fact that you risk long-term damage to your health, your family, and your future if you use drugs.

For Your Classifieds Call Bailey County Journal 272-4536

Finally

The nation's taxpayers are seeing their bill for guaranteeing college student loans zoom—because many students are making no effort to pay back these loans.

It's estimated by Secretary of Education William Bennett that the cost this year, when Congress and the president are fighting a serious deficit problem, will be more than one and a half billion dollars.

Since this program began in 1965, over 3.4 million students who borrowed money to attend college have gone into default on loans. Because the government has made no really serious and effective effort to collect on these loans, a deadbeat attitude has developed among some.

Bennett wants to stop this scam and get these millions to start paying off their loans. To do this, Bennett has announced he will have the default rate at various colleges calculated. Two years from now that rate will be used to possibly restrict loans to students at these habitual diploma mills and loan default mills.

Current default rates vary greatly. Alabama, for example, had 14 schools with a default rate of 100 percent, 25 more with a rate over 50 percent! Obviously, students there have a poor attitude about financial responsibility and moral obligations. Neighboring Mississippi, on the other hand, contained no schools with the scandalous 100 percent default rate, only six above 20 percent.

Most of the trouble spots are at trade schools, where the aid program has become a racket in some cases. Schools of hair design and beauty culture are notorious for their students' failure to repay federal loans.