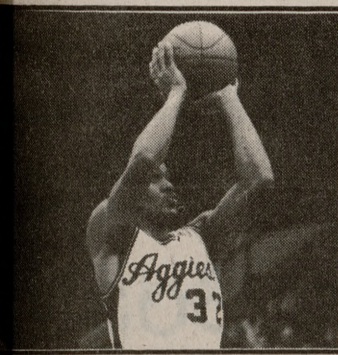


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Mistletoe time again

Christmas is just around the corner, and one of its more pleasant traditions is shown above. Jennifer Bedgood, a junior from Commerce studying business administration, steals a kiss from Marcus Ollington, a senior sociology major from Manhattan, Kan.

Central America is next stop on Reagan tour

United Press International
 BRASILIA, Brazil — Winding up a three-day visit today in the relative calm of Brazil, President Reagan turns his attention to the poorest and most volatile region of the hemisphere — Central America.
 Reagan planned a stop in Bogota, Colombia, Brazil's northern South America neighbor, for a few hours, then was to travel to San Jose, Costa Rica. In addition to meeting Costa Rican leaders, Reagan also will meet violence-torn El Salvador's provisional President Alvaro Matana, who will fly to San Jose for the talks.
 An advance team of Secret Service agents has been working with Costa Rican authorities to coordinate security plans, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said.

"This is standard procedure. There's nothing unusual about the security arrangements", an embassy spokesman said, despite frequent violence in the region.
 The trip is the first by a U.S. president to Costa Rica since a 1962 visit by John F. Kennedy.
 In a farewell statement to Brazil Thursday, Reagan said he had gained "a deeper understanding of Brazil's perspectives" and the difficulties both countries face in a period of slow economic growth around the world.
 Reagan spent more than seven hours in personal diplomacy with Brazilian President Joao Figueiredo and pledged the United States would cooperate closely with the Latin American colossus in easing the bur-

den of its \$80 billion foreign debt. Wednesday, he announced a \$1.2 billion loan for Brazil.
 "We are with you, Brazil, we will not waver," Reagan said in Portuguese Thursday in addressing Brazilian business leaders in the industrial center of Sao Paulo.
 During his stay in Brazil, Reagan was remarkably low key in his criticism of leftist subversion in Central America. But Cuban and Soviet inspired insurgencies were expected to be high on the agenda when Reagan meets with the leaders of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala.
 He arranged a stopover of a few hours in Bogota today to meet with Colombian President Belisario Betan-

den, who has one of the most stable democracies in Latin America. Colombia has contributed \$50 million to the Caribbean Basin economic development plan initiated by Reagan, with Canada, Venezuela and Mexico.
 The two leaders also were expected to discuss drug trafficking in cocaine and marijuana which accounts for \$1 billion to \$2 billion a year in Colombia's gross national product.
 Nicaragua is the only country in Central America whose leaders Reagan will not meet in his current travels. He has charged the Sandinista government with exporting subversion throughout the region, backed by Cuban and Soviet arms and resources.

Mexican leader wants reform

De la Madrid takes action

United Press International
 MEXICO CITY — President Miguel de la Madrid in his first day in office proposed an array of reforms to ensure Mexico will not "crumble away through our fingers" and named a group of fiscal conservatives to help institute them.
 The Harvard-educated De la Madrid, 47, Mexico's 24th president since the 1910 revolution, took the oath of office Wednesday for his six-year term, then donned the red, white and green presidential sash.
 In his inaugural speech, De la Madrid cited an inflation rate of nearly 100 percent, the world's largest foreign debt at about \$81 billion and burgeoning unemployment as the major challenges confronting Mexicans.

"We are in an emergency," De la Madrid told the 2,400 officials and foreign guests at Wednesday's inaugural ceremony. "The situation is intolerable. I will not allow our homeland to crumble away through our fingers."
 He warned Mexicans "recovery will take time — the next two years. The first few months of our administration will be arduous and difficult. Austerity is imperative. Mexico is undergoing a grave crisis."
 U.S. Ambassador John Gavin, former Treasury Secretary John Connally and San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros represented the United States. President Reagan, in Brazil on a five-day Latin American tour, was not invited to the ceremony.

After the swearing in, De la Madrid announced his newest government appointments, including fiscal conservative Miguel Mancera as the director of the country's central bank.
 Mancera briefly served as the central bank's director under former President Jose Lopez Portillo but was removed after exchange controls — which he had criticized before they were implemented — were imposed Sept. 1.
 De la Madrid also picked conservative state banker Mario Pámon Beteta to the head of the government's oil monopoly, Petroleos Mexicanos, the nation's largest corporation.
 Mexican political scientist Gustavo Hernandez said De la Madrid's

Cabinet selection signaled a shift away from the leftist economic policies of his predecessor.
 The new president outlined a 10-point program to overcome Mexico's economic ills, vowing to curb state spending, redirect job programs to rural and depressed urban areas, cancel "unnecessary" public works projects and strive for "efficiency and scrupulous honesty" in government spending.
 He promised to develop food production, reform the tax system, channel credit to productive enterprises, reform exchange controls, streamline the government and amend the constitution to redefine the state's role in the economy.

Senator's election a Reagan victory

United Press International
 WASHINGTON — Sen. Richard Lugar of Indiana defeated Sen. Bob Packwood of Oregon Thursday for the chairmanship of the Senate Republican Campaign Committee in a big victory for President Reagan. The vote was 29-25.
 Lugar's four-vote victory in the Republican caucus meeting was an unprecedented ouster of a sitting Republican leader.
 Although both men contended it was merely a popularity contest, Lugar, a soft-spoken conservative from Indiana, was nominated by Sen. Paul Laxalt, R-Nev., Reagan's closest friend on Capitol Hill.
 Packwood, an Oregon liberal, was

a constant critic of Reagan — opposing the sale of AWACS planes to Saudi Arabia, telling reporters that the president rambled off the point at White House meetings and complaining that the Reagan wing of the party was excluding blacks and women.
 When the vote was announced to loud applause, Packwood walked across the aisle and congratulated Lugar.
 Despite the fact Packwood raised \$48 million for the party and expanded the list of GOP contributors by more than 1 million, he drew the challenge from Lugar, who ran with the tacit support of Reagan and help from Laxalt.

Seniors to build eternal flame

by David Johnson
 Battalion Staff
 An eternal flame — a gift from the Class of '83 — will be built near Kyle Field and lit in the spring, the senior class president says.
 The flame will symbolize the "undying spirit that all Aggies have for Texas A&M and their burning desire to beat the hell outta t.u.," President Joe Meyer said. The flame will be lit during Parents' Weekend ceremonies.
 The eternal flame will be built almost entirely by seniors and after the project is started, should take about five weeks to complete, Meyer said. Draw-

ings, plans and most of the construction will be done by class members with some help and supervision from the faculty.
 Construction expenses for the project should be about \$11,000 to \$12,000, he said. The money is raised from various Class of '83 fund-raising projects and also from proceeds from the senior ring dance.
 The flame will be next to the graves of Reveilles I, II and III near Kyle Field. The structure, Meyer said, will be about 6 feet high and 10 to 12 feet wide and will be equipped with an electronic relighting device in case the flame goes out.

The Class of '83 probably will have a surplus of money after paying for the flame, he said. Several class members proposed spending the extra funds for Silver Taps markers or a President's Endowed Scholarship.
 The markers would be placed at several places around campus on the day of Silver Taps. They would have a picture of an Aggie band member with a bugle and the name of the persons to be honored at Silver Taps.
 The scholarships, markers and other ideas will be discussed when the class has a better idea of how much money it will have left, Meyer said.

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Gifts to A&M rise above \$40 million

by Robert McGlohon
 Battalion Staff
 The generous financial support of Texas A&M University by outside sources — more than \$40 million last year — provides a margin of excellence for the University, President Frank E. Vandiver said.
 Texas A&M received a total of \$40.7 million in gifts from private sources for the 1981-82 fiscal year. That's a 14 percent increase over the \$35.7 million received by the University for the 1980-81 fiscal year.
 "As a public institution, our foundation is built on the rock of public funds," Vandiver said. "The private support from corporations, foundations and, of course, our very generous alumni provides the margin of preeminence. We are state-assisted and privately inspired."
 Vice President for Development Robert Walker said he is pleased with the increase in private gifts to the University. He attributed most of the increase to efforts of the development office staff.
 "We have a very capable, professional staff in the development office and it's through their combined efforts, working with the fa-

culty and administration, that this new level of support has been accomplished," Walker said.
 He added that faculty and student volunteers also are helpful in what he calls "friend-raising."
 "Texas A&M is fortunate to have many dedicated and capable volunteers who provide leadership in funding programs," Walker said.
 Most of the groups or individuals who give money have donated money to the University before, he said, and student and faculty volunteers are important in maintaining good public relations with donors.
 "The best prospect for a gift is someone who has given and feels their gift is appreciated and appropriately used," he said.
 That \$40.7 million figure is the total of all the private gifts to the University, with the majority of the funds coming from businesses, alumni and private foundations, Walker said.
 Private foundations were the largest single contributors, giving more than \$13.7 million. Business concerns followed with \$8.9 million in gifts. And Texas A&M alumni provided the University with \$6.8 million.

The rest of the donations were from religious organizations, fund-raising consortiums and non-alumni individuals.
 Walker said that the generous financial support of Texas A&M is a reflection of the high esteem in which the University is held by outside sources.
 "This level of giving reflects, in a most meaningful manner, the extent to which corporations, foundations and other individuals believe in our programs," Walker said.
 "Every gift to Texas A&M University is important and significant. Every gift, regardless of size, is appreciated."
 Much of that private financial support is used to attract outstanding faculty and students through the use of endowed chairs, professorships and student scholarships, Walker said.
 Texas A&M offers about 30 endowed chairs or professorships and provides scholarships for approximately 400 National Merit Scholars.
 That money also is used to pay for faculty and staff travel expenses, moving expenses and expenses involved in bringing people to interview for jobs with the University.



Dr. Robert Walker

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Today's Forecast: Clear skies through the weekend.
 High of about 65, with tonight's low in the 40s.