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**A HOLIDAY
GIFT IDEA!**

Dear Friend,

The nonviolent protest by the shepherds of Larzac, France, was one of the most ingenious ever. Their troubles began in 1971 when the French government decided to expand a military base in their region. Quite simply, the proposed expansion would have meant an end to their way of life by forcing them off their land. Basing their movement on the nonviolent principles of Gandhi, they organized protest marches—including a tractor cavalcade to Paris that was stopped by the authorities. Soon after, a herd of sheep was brought to the French capital in the middle of the night and set to graze beneath the Eiffel Tower where press and police discovered them at sunrise.

Six years later the French Army still has not completed its plans for expansion. Such is the power of nonviolent resistance.

But one of the most fascinating parts of this story takes place in Texas.

The ranchers of Gatesville were outraged to learn that the United States Army was planning to expand its base at Fort Hood by up to 90,000