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Person-to-Person

School is back in session for the thousands of children in the Northside District and so far reports are that most of them are happy to be back among their classmates. Many newcomers here this summer are also getting acquainted. And we wish them all a happy and successful year.

Kenneth A. Logan, a 1975 graduate of John Marshall, will be going to Texas A&I near the King Ranch, where he will be studying wildlife management.

Among distant visitors here this summer was Mrs. Else Schanz of Frankfurt-Main Germany, mother of Mrs. Marlin Biering. She was a guest of the Bierings here for a month after which she will be visiting her son in California before returning to Europe. She expressed delight in the Helotes Hill Country setting and in the hospitality she has enjoyed. She is a most charming visitor.

Dr. Ray Rataiczak, assistant professor of chemistry at Incarnate Word College, recently attended the 1975 national summer institute of the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges at Lake Forest College, Illinois.

GREY FOREST MAYOR ED FAUST MAY RESIGN

Swim Pool Fight Not Involved

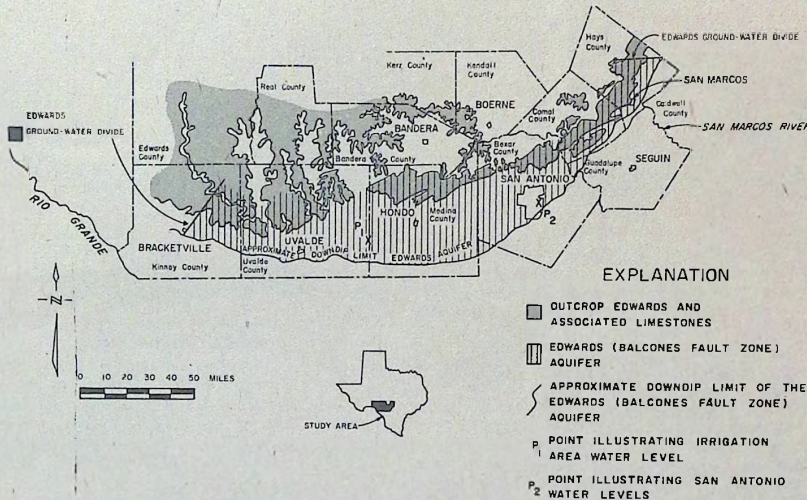
With nine months to go in his first term, Mayor Ed Faust of Grey Forest this week distributed a news letter to all Grey Forest families stating that he will resign if he determines from response to the letter that he no longer represents the majority of the citizens.

"Recently, a citizen commented to me that most of the citizens of Grey Forest resented my efforts as mayor of this city and the way the gas utility is being operated," he wrote.

He asked that each individual citizen who still has confidence in him as mayor to contact him personally.

"Most of the time I have felt that I had the backing or support of the majority of the citizens in these efforts," he wrote. I know I have made mistakes in trying to operate the city and the utility with the resources we have available, but I assure all citizens they are honest mistakes and not aimed at hurting anyone or

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THIS IS THE EDWARDS AQUIFER as drawn by the Texas Water Development Board for the current issue of Water for Texas magazine. The striped area indicates the aquifer (generally the Balcones Fault Zone); the gray area indicates the location of the Edwards and associated limestones. As can be seen, the aquifer stretches from Brackettville in Kinney County through

Uvalde County, Medina County, Bexar County, Comal County, and Hays County plus a corner of Guadalupe County. All but the southeast edge of San Antonio is over the aquifer. The Helotes area gets its water from the Glen Rose formation, which is beneath the Edwards limestones in the San Antonio area.

Just What Is Edwards Aquifer?

You hear a lot about the Edwards aquifer these days.

Most of what you hear has to do with how the aquifer is going to be polluted—by people in the Helotes area, by the New Town, even by UTSA.

Naturally, most of what you hear comes from people in the San Antonio city hall, some of the

officials in the Bexar County court house, the staff of the San Antonio Express and News, and various environmentally sensitive San Antonio citizens.

The reason they are so interested is: San Antonio gets all its water supply from the Edwards limestone and related formations. San Antonio is the largest city in the U. S. that gets all its water from an underground source. Other cities depend largely on surface supplies—reservoirs and lakes. San Antonio may be the largest city in the world that gets

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AACOG Okays MUD Study

At a meeting Tuesday morning of the Regional Development and Review Committee of the Alamo Area Council of Governments, preliminary approval was given to the Helotes Creek Watershed Municipal Utility District proposal.

"This means we have been cleared to make application for Step 1—an economic feasibility study of the proposed district," said Tom Kirby, general manager of the Grey Forest Utilities.

The district would operate sewer and water systems for the residents of Grey Forest and others living within the drainage area of Helotes Creek. Following the feasibility study, an election would have to be held to permit all residents of the area to vote on the district.

The Step 1 feasibility study will be made by William Mullins, Inc., engineers, of San Antonio, Kirby said. The Grey Forest city council has approved the expenditure of up to \$1,000 to pay for the study. Also approved by the AACOG committee Tuesday was a proposed survey by the city of San Antonio for a regionwide sewer system which would include the Helotes area, Kirby said. The cost of that survey will be \$1 million.

New Lions Officers

Rod Zambarnardi was installed as new president of the Helotes Lions Club Wednesday night at an installation supper at El Chaparral. He succeeded Ray Griffith.

Other new officers are: Ollie Whetstone, first vice president; Howard Dunford, second vice president; Sherwood Nelson, third vice president; C. D. Foster, secretary-treasurer; Larry Bergstrom, Tail Twister; and Fred Manley, Lion Tamer.

Directors are Mike O'Hara, Jap Jones, Bill Barker, and R. E. Vogel.



DARRELL MC CALL, high-riding country and western recording singer, will be featured at Floore Country Store Saturday night, August 30. A former resident of Helotes, Darrell now makes his home in Nashville, Tenn.

CAMPUS COUNTDOWN



The University of Texas at San Antonio

11 Days and Counting to Sept. 2, 1975

Festival Assn. Elects Officers

Scheduled to be sworn in last night as 1976 president of the Helotes Spring Festival Association was Dick Hartmann of John Wagner Road, long-time Helotes area resident and long-time volunteer worker in the annual Spring Festival Cornyval.

Hartmann headed a list of nominations which included also four vice presidents — Joe Alguiseva, Charley Klein, Mrs. Patty Molz, and Mrs. Bennie Lyon — and a secretary, Lydia Alguiseva. The treasurer was to be Ollie Whetstone.

Setting for the election was Floore Country Store following an appreciation supper for workers in the 1975 Festival Supper was served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. with outgoing president Joey Tomlinson as host.

The above named officers were elected by acclamation at the meeting last night. The members also gave Joey Tomlinson a vote of thanks for his 1975 Cornyval leadership.



ARCHITECT'S PROJECTION of the UTSA campus will come to life in early September when the long-awaited major university just south of Helotes opens to undergraduate students for the first time. The landscaped and shaded walk above is called a

paseo. Paseos will run between all buildings and on all sides of the campus. The new unit of the University of Texas system is located on a 600-acre tract along Babcock Road and Loop 1604.

UTSA To Have Safety Patrol

Special security measures will go into effect at the new UTSA campus when students begin attending classes here Sept. 2.

According to the University's chief of police, Manuel C. Chavez, several police officers will patrol the campus 24 hours a day. Extra officers will be on duty during school hours—from the early morning until late at night.

"We also will have a police dispatcher available 24 hours a

day to take any calls for assistance," Chavez said. The UTSA police dispatcher's number is 691-4242.

Lights are currently being installed on the University's parking lots, parking lot entrances and along temporary walkways. Lights are also being installed along UTSA Blvd. which leads from interstate 10 access road. All lights should be operating by the opening date.

Irish Setters Found In Beaumont

Last week the Echo's Corral Classified Advertising department received a phone call. "Two Irish setters are missing from the Grey Forest area, male and female, about two years old. Please run an ad. Reward offered."

Tuesday there was another call. "Cancel the ad. The pair of Irish setters has been found—in Beaumont."

How the wide-ranging pair got to Beaumont is not known. But a resident there found them running loose, took them home, checked the vaccination tag on one of them, placed a long distance call to the veterinarian in San Antonio. From his records he told her who the owner is—Joe Webber on Scenic Loop Road. A call to the Webber residence confirmed that they were the missing setters.

They must have hitchhiked to Beaumont, since they left home without any money.

Fire Destroys House

A home in full bloom at Leslie Road and FM 471, on property back of the Dan Persyn Place was totally destroyed Thursday afternoon, August 21, with damages estimated at between \$8,000 to \$8,500 by Bexar County Fire Marshal Stevenson.

The Helotes Volunteer Fire Department, with Assistant Chief Ken Stiles aided by local firefighters including trained women volunteers on duty during daytime hours, answered the call. The Helotes pumper and tank were used to fight the fire. At the early part of action, the Helotes unit was assisted by the Leon Valley Fire Department.

The house and property belong to William Crater and the tenants were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hatcher and their two children, who were away from home at the time of the fire.

Cause of the blaze has not been determined, but the possibility of its being caused by an electrical short was being considered.

Hearing Set

A public hearing on the 1975-76 budget of the city of Grey Forest will be held Sunday, Aug. 24, at 7:30 p.m., in the Scenic Loop Club Youth Building.

The tax rate to support next year's budget will be established as a result of this meeting, said Mayor Ed Faust.

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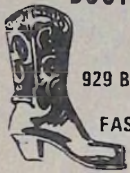


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Texas Grange Awards Named

A patchwork pillow entered by Mrs. Thelma Schweppe of the Leon Valley Grange won Best of Show in the judging of Texas entries in the National Grange Patchwork Pillow Contest at the State Grange Convention in Blanco recently.

Mrs. Schweppe also won first place in the Class C division. First place winners in Class A and B went to Carol Pfeiffer, age 12, and Karen Pfeiffer, age 20, both of the Boerne Grange.

Mrs. Schweppe's Best of Show entry will be sent to the National Grange Session in November. The two top winners there will receive a bonus award of having Bucilla make them up in pillow kits to be sold nationwide. The designer's name and address will appear on the packages.



Mrs. Celestino Sanchez feeds first piece of their 70th anniversary cake to her husband. A reception honoring the couple at the Sanchez Ranch near San Geronimo was given by members of their family.

Mr. and Mrs. Celestino Sanchez Celebrate 70th Anniversary

A celebration of a wedding anniversary almost unequalled in the annals of Helotes charmed the community in August.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Celestino Sanchez invited many of their relatives and friends to attend a Mass of Thanksgiving at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Helotes at noon on Sunday, August 10, 1975, marking the 70th wedding anniversary of the couple. Rev. Louis A. Trawalter celebrated the Mass.

The couple are both natives of this area. Mr. Sanchez, who is 92 years old, was born near the present Woller Road. His mother was of the Cadena family and he is also kin to the Wollers. He was reared in this area and became proficient at ranch work, being especially adept at breaking horses—an important part of the frontier life.

Mrs. Sanchez was born Helen Hernandez, daughter of Dr. Manuel Hernandez, who ranched near San Geronimo.

They met at the Joe Lee Ranch on Bandera Road while attending church services there. As was the

custom at the time, the parlor was turned into a chapel when a visiting priest was here to say Mass. When she was 16 years old and he was 22, they were married in the same setting by a priest. One of their bridesmaids, Mrs. Mary Woller Marnock, attended the anniversary Mass as well this month.

For several years Mr. Sanchez worked on various large ranches in the area including one owned by the Wollers, the Gallagher Ranch and the Lytle Ranch.

They later developed the Sanchez Ranch from land once part of the Hernandez Ranch. Mrs. Sanchez is descended from Canary Islanders, some of the earliest settlers here of Spanish descent.

A reception followed at the homeplace on the Sanchez Ranch, and a barbecue attended by about 400 guests—many of whom were relatives or lifelong friends—was also enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanchez had nine children, of whom seven are living, and all were present for the occasion. These are Mrs. Stella Hernandez, Mrs. Alice Cisneros of Ohio, Mrs. Celia Mendoza, Arthur Sanchez and Arnold Sanchez, twins—the latter of whom now lives in Ohio—Mrs. Ella J. Dufford, and Mrs. Beatrice Cardiel. In addition two grandsons who spent most of their boyhood with their grandparents were like extra sons. They are Donald Louis Dufford and Rudolph Terrazos.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanchez have 33 grandchildren. One of these, Richard Arthur Sanchez of California, made the trip to attend in addition to all those in the area.

They have 46 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren also.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanchez enjoyed their role on the occasion, and lead active and inspiring lives on their ranch. They continue to enjoy their work and their large and close family. Congratulations go to them from the community.

75 Attend Woller Reunion

The annual Woller family reunion held this year on Sunday, August 10, was attended by some 75 descendants of Nikolaus and Theresa Millendorf Woller, according to John Igo, one of the participants.

Other descendants still living in the Helotes area or nearby and attending the reunion were Mary Woller Marnock, Anna Woller Igo, Ada Woller Ebner, Henry Woller, Joe Woller and their families.

Also attending were Adela Schuh, Bill Woller, Fred Woller, Howard Woller, Vivian Woller, Weatherill, Caroline Woller Cronkrite, Patricia Woller Surtees, Patsy Schuh Hill, Vernon Ebner, Cora Woller Schwartz, Ruby Brandt Vinson, Eunice Ebner Laskowski, Charles Marnock and their families.

Woodrow Marnock and Charles Marnock, descendants of Nikolaus Woller on their mother's side, are also grandsons of Gabriel Marnock, a member of the family which occupied the historic Marnock Mansion on Scenic Loop Road.

The original Wollers — Nikolaus and Theresa — came to Texas — he from Schoenau, Bavaria, and she from Holland — as part of the great migrations from Middle Europe to the New World in 1849-1851. They landed at Indianola on the Texas Coast and then settled in the San Antonio area.

Nikolaus was one of the stonemasons on St. Joseph's Church, by Joske's of Texas, during its construction, and later worked in the construction of St. Henry's Church in San Antonio.

Nikolaus and Theresa had seven children: Steve, Al, Joe, Frank, Mary, Annie, and Caroline. Of these, three bought property and settled in the Hausmann Road-Babcock Road area near Helotes, by 1880, possibly as early as 1870.

Joe married Nancy Lee, of the Lee Ranch family of Grey Forest. Frank married Mary Cadena, from a merchant family out of Mexico; and Steve married Wilhelmina Zuebecke, of the Culebra Road family. Annie married Anton Gittinger; Mary married Anton Rippes; and Caroline became the first nun in the family.

Nikolaus Woller died in San Antonio on December 12, 1905, at the age of 87.

This year's reunion was staged in the Confraternity Building of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Helotes.

Fair Starts Aug. 30

The 70th Annual Kendall County Fair at Boerne is set for Labor Day Weekend, August 30, 31, and September 1.

Northside Sets Rules

The Northside school board has consolidated student dress codes for boys and girls and come up with the following new policies:

1. Footwear must be worn.
2. Hair must be clean and neat.
3. No see-through shirts and midriffs.
4. No tank tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, exposed backs or midriffs.
5. No beards or mustaches.
6. No indecent patches, writings or drawings on clothing.
7. In classes where safety (in the case of machine tools) or sanitation (homemaking classes) is essential to classroom function, special regulations regarding dress must be enforced.

The new code was adopted by the board at their regular meeting on August 4.

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Adult Night Classes Set

Nineteen night school courses will be offered this fall in the Northside District's adult and continuing education division.

Registration will be held Sept. 2-5, between 7 and 9 p.m., at these schools: Marshall, Jay and Holmes high schools, Hobby Middle School, and Forest Hills Elementary.

The cost per course is between \$10 and \$20 depending on the books needed and class size. Each course will last about 12 weeks.

Courses to be offered include typing, shorthand, and bookkeeping, oil painting, jewelry design and macrame, income tax and everyday law, Russian, Spanish and English as a second language, the high school diploma course, and eight others.



Mrs. T. W. Schwarz

Miss Julie Ann Walz, Thomas W. Schwarz Wed

Helotes Hills United Methodist Church was the setting Friday, August 15, of a candlelight ceremony in which Miss Julie Ann Walz of Helotes was married to Thomas W. Schwarz, also of Helotes, with Rev. Collin T. Furr, pastor, officiating. The hour was 8 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Walz. She recently represented this city as Miss Helotes. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. Walter Schwarz, Sr., and the late Mrs. Schwarz.

The bride wore a candlelight gown featuring a lace-trimmed skirt and a lace bodice outlined by pearls. Traditional sleeves gathered at the wrist, complimented the empire waist. Her bridal illusion veil was attached to a lace coronet headdress.

Her bridesmaids wore pastel gowns of pink, yellow, or green, identically trimmed with ecru lace at the neck, midriff, and sleeves.

Maid of honor was Miss Gail Loe of San Antonio. Bridesmaids were Misses Sara Walz, sister of the bride, and Debbie Jones of San Antonio.

Serving as best man to the bridegroom was Frank D. Rousseau of Helotes.

Groomsmen were Robert C.

Walz, Jr., brother of the bride, and Terry Poehlman, both of Helotes. Ringbearer was Louis Walz, younger brother of the bride, and the flowergirl was Laura Schwarz, niece of the bridegroom.

During the beautiful ceremony the candlelighters were Tony Ippolito, of this city, and Louis Walz. The organist for the occasion was Mrs. Donna Noyes.

Following the church service, a garden reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Bandera Road, after which the couple left for a honeymoon trip to the coast. The newlyweds will live in San Antonio on Whitby Road.

Helotes May Get Savings and Loan

Application for a savings and loan branch office in the Helotes Park Estates Shopping Village has been made by the Medina Savings Association of Hondo.

A hearing on the application will be held in Austin before the Savings and Loan Commissioner for Texas on Sept. 15 at 9:30 a.m.

Applications for a bank in Helotes have been made in the past by two other groups, but none were authorized. This is the first application for a local savings and loan association office.

Otto Weltner Honored Here

Otto Weltner of Cedar Crest Drive, Grey Forest, celebrated his 91st birthday on July 28 at his home with his children and friends.

Two days earlier, a pre-birthday party was given for him by Mr. and Mrs. Hy A. Weltner, Sr., of Kerr County. A turkey and ham dinner was served. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wanke, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Stappenbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Otto R. Weltner, Mrs. Letta Minohr, Mr. and Mrs. Lenton Ray, Grace Patmor and daughters, Cynthia and Chryl, Lloyd Evans, and Mark Tieken.

Recipe Of The Month

Eleanor's Banana Cake

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup shortening
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups sugar — creamed together
2 eggs added one at a time and beat well with electric beater.
1 cup mashed real ripe bananas.
Stir in above mixture.
1 teaspoon vanilla beat in above mixture.
Sift together three times 2 cups flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon soda and $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt.
Add to above mixture alternately with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup buttermilk.
Bake at 350 degrees in long cake pan for 30 minutes.

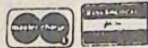
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Ann Hernandez To Be Honored

Miss Ann Hernandez, bride-elect of Michael Jouett, who plan to be married at the Helotes Baptist Church on Saturday, August 30, will be honored at a bridal luncheon at Scrivener's Tea Room, Saturday, August 23. Hostess will be Mrs. James Logan. In addition to the bridesmaids, the mother of the bride will also be present.

The bride-elect is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hernandez. She is granddaughter of Mrs. Pasquelina Madla Hernandez and is of pioneer families of Helotes and San Geronimo.

She is a graduate of John Marshall High School and an August 16, 1975, graduate of Southwest State University in San Marcos. Her fiancé also attended the University, where they met. They have been honored by a series of social events, and several showers have honored the bride-elect.



Mrs. Richard Bennett

Garden Setting For O'Hara - Bennett Wedding Ceremony

In a garden wedding at the home of the bride, Miss Jan O'Hara was married to Richard Bennett. The ceremony took place on Sunday afternoon, August 10, before an ivy-covered arcade with Rev. Collin Furr of the Helotes Hills United Methodist Church officiating.

The bride, given in marriage by her father proceeded down the aisle of simulated carpet grass beneath giant oak trees. She was wearing a traditional gown of silk organza with re-embroidered lace, pearl-encrusted. The floor length gown had an empire waist with covered buttons. Her mantilla was of similar lace enhanced by an illusion veil.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike O'Hara of Helotes and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. William Bennett and Mrs. June Bennett, of San Antonio.

The bride's attendants wore garden gowns of white organza with pastel multi-colored flowers embossed on the long skirts.

Maid of honor was Miss Cathy McCammon. Bridesmaids were Misses Linda Flores, Jackie Hesse, and Susan Haby.

The double-ring ceremony included John Williams, nephew of the bride, as ringbearer. He presented a heart-shaped pillow upon which rested the pear-shaped diamond solitaire with a wedding ring fitted in the double band mounting.

The flower girl was Clorissa Haase, a niece.

The best man was Doug Tatsch.

Groomsmen were Mike Taylor, Fred Mayfield, and Gary Giese. Ushers were Robert Williams and Mick Haase.

The bride's bouquet was designed by Lynn Barnes and was of daisies, baby's breath, white roses and carnations. Her bridesmaids carried small nosegays of complimenting flowers.

The reception following the wedding was held on the patio of the bride's home, where tables had a three-tiered bride's cake with yellow and white daisies and a bridegroom's cake of chocolate with scrolled icing.

The bride's wedding cake was served by Mrs. Mary Williams, sister-in-law of the bride, and the groom's cake was served by Mrs. Ruth Williams, another sister-in-law. The bride's book was attended by Miss Marie Parrigin. The punch was served by Beth Haase, a sister-in-law, also.

Pictures were taken on the occasion by Mary E. Anderson.

A niece, Mary Sue Williams, was in charge of the net birdseed bags used in the going away ceremony.

Following a honeymoon in Estes Park, Colorado, the couple will reside in San Antonio at London House Apartments. The bridegroom is employed by Mission City Imports, and the bride is on the staff of Northside Independent School District. They have attended San Antonio College and plan to continue their education.

Women's Club To Meet Sept. 2

The Helotes Women's Club will hold its first meeting of the 1975-76 year at the Scenic Loop Youth Building in Grey Forest on Tuesday, September 2, beginning at 7:30 p.m., Mrs. Martin (Valda) Terry, president, has announced.

All current and former members are urged to attend and are welcome to bring guests. The brief business meeting will include discussion of the year's goals and projects, and the chairmen of committees will be announced.

The Club is more than a quarter of a century old. It has been active here in social and civic projects. A membership drive will be held this Fall to interest new residents, and a tea is being planned for October.

Benefit Bar-B-Q To Be Sept. 7

A barbecue picnic to benefit the San Antonio Chapter of the American Diabetes Association will be held Sunday, September 7 from 3 to 9 p.m. at Pavillion II, Raymond Russell Park.

Recreational activities will include games after the serving hour.

Tickets are available at the office, 1800 McCullough. For further information call 224-2925.

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Mrs. Kenneth Wayne Gomez

Miss Susette McDonald, Kenneth Gomez Marry

On Saturday evening, August 9, marriage vows were exchanged in a double-ring ceremony between Miss Susette Marie McDonald and Kenneth Wayne Gomez. The wedding took place during a Nuptial Mass with Rev. Louis Trawalter as celebrant at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Helotes.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Patric McDonald of Helotes. The bridegroom is son of Mrs. Dorothy Gomez and the late George A. Gomez.

Susette wore a traditional silk organza accented with Venice lace. Her long veil was accented with the same lace as the gown.

Her sisters were among her bridal attendants. Maid of honor was Miss Debbie McDonald, who wore a yellow empire style dress with picture hat, as did the other attendants. Mothers of the couple wore gowns in different tones of green.

The bridesmaids dressed in yellow with chiffon sleeves, carried spring bouquets of yellow roses and daisies.

Bridesmaids were Misses Kathy McDonald, Carol Gomez, Mary Ann Keyland and Lynn Traugott.

The younger sisters of the bride, Linda and Melissa, junior bridesmaids, wore yellow empire style dresses, as did their smallest sister, Jackie, who served as ringbearer.

Best man was Ronald Gomez, brother of the bridegroom.

Groomsmen were Brian Applegate, Ray Hendricks, Tom Woollett, and Terry Hanley. Ushers were Oscar Montemayor and Mike Dowd.

Organist for the occasion was Mrs. Loretta Lang.

The parents of the bride hosted a wedding reception at the Family Affair Steak Loft in Helotes for about 300 guests. Many guests were former classmates of the young couple. The bride is a recent graduate of Ursuline Academy in San Antonio. Darrell Ayres provided music for the reception.

Following a two-week honeymoon in the mountains, the couple will reside in San Antonio.

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Dear Mrs. Brown:

I want to thank you for the nice article in your paper about our
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now have some most interesting classes to attend. The children's
class was then most successful and this pleases me, since they are the
"artists of the future."

The entire Guild wishes to thank you and your husband for all of the
times your paper has helped our organization.

Dee Dee Saathoff
Helotes Art Guild

Kirby Praises NYC Workers

Tom Kirby, general manager of
Grey Forest Utilities, expressed
great satisfaction this week at the
performance of the two local
youths who worked for the utilities
this summer under the Neigh-
borhood Youth Corps program.

The two are Carl Graves and
Anthony Valdez, who worked as
maintenance men and painters.
The program ended with the
reopening of school.

Participation in the program by
Grey Forest Utilities was through
the cooperation of SANYO,
grantee agency for the Bexar
County NYC program.

Kirby said two Bexar County
citizens, Nick Gonzalez and
Kendall Taylor, now are working
full-time for the utilities under the
Comprehensive Employment
Training Act of 1973. This is the act

which created the nationwide
public employment program.
They will be employed for one
year and have been assigned to
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Water Levels In Edwards Remain Constant

SAN ANTONIO—Water levels in the Edwards Underground Reservoir have declined very little in the last two months, the Edwards Underground Water District, reported in its August bulletin.

Ordinarily at this time of the year, water levels would be at their lowest, the EUWD noted. But they remain at near record levels.

In Bexar County where the usage is the greatest, and the decline the greatest, there is still enough water in the reservoir to keep both San Antonio and San Pedro Springs flowing.

For some time now, water levels have been higher in the Edwards Aquifer than in years past.

The average spring flow through the end of 1974 had increased by 10 per cent at Leona Springs, and about 2½ per cent at Comal and San Marcos Springs.

For some time, the EUWD noted, scientists have been saying that a climatic change is taking place and this may be substantiated by the all-time low temperature for August recorded in San Antonio a few days ago.

Regardless of what the reason may be, it is a fact that the average annual recharge has steadily increased and is now estimated to be about 30,000-acre feet a year greater than it was 15 years ago, the EUWD report added.

Latest official readings of water levels in altitudes in feet above mean sea level were as follows:

Well at Uvalde, 881.0 (all-time high, 882.2; low, 811.0); Sabinal, 804.0 (all-time high, 813.5; low, 664.0); Castroville, 713.5 (all-time high, 731.2; low, 622.3); Hondo, 746.6 (all-time high, 762.5; low, 662.3); San Antonio, 677.0 (all-time high, 696.5; low, 612.5); New Braunfels, 627.8 (all-time high, 629.8; low, 613.3); and Kyle, 587.6 (all-time high, 593.8; low, 542.2).

Spring flow in cubic feet per second was 50.1 at Leona River Springs compared to an all-time maximum of 52.3, a minimum of 0 and an average of 11.6. It was 385 cfs. at Comal Springs at New Braunfels, compared to an all-time high of 534, a minimum of 0 and an average of 281. Spring flow at San Marcos Springs was 271 cfs., compared to an all-time high of 300, a minimum of 46 and an average of 161.



Mr. and Mrs. John B. Sorrell

Mr. and Mrs. John Sorrell Reside In Grey Forest

Mr. and Mrs. John Brent Sorrell are at home in Grey Forest following a wedding trip to the coast. The bride is the former Miss Teri Marie Huff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Huff of Colonies North, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Sorrell of Grey Forest.

They were married in an afternoon ceremony on Saturday, June 14, at Forest Hills Presbyterian Church of Helotes with Rev. Samuel L. Terry officiating.

The bride's maid of honor was Miss Laura Sands of San Antonio. Serving as best man to the bridegroom was Richard Weyel of Helotes. Ushers were Buck Nichols and Scott Sorrell, brother of the bridegroom, both of Grey Forest.

The reception immediately following the ceremony was held

at the home of the bride's parents.

The bridegroom, who is a graduate of John Marshall High School, is employed in San Antonio by an electrical company. The bride is attending John Marshall High as a senior student.

The newlyweds have been honored by several parties in the past month.

Fire Fighters, Funds Needed

A call for daytime volunteer fire fighters and for annual contributions has been made by the Helotes Area Volunteer Fire Department.

The fire department has answered 34 fire or emergency calls during the first six months of this year. In all of 1974 it answered 74, and in 1973, 72 calls.

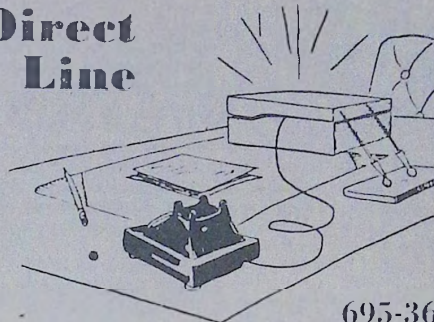
The amount of money on hand is \$729.82 after having expenses totalling \$6,615.78 during the past year. Income included area resident donations of \$4,495.60 plus county aid of \$2,850.

The call for donations is made each year in August.

Fire Chief Wayne Chauffe explained the critical need for daytime volunteer firefighters this way:

"Simply put, we have very few volunteers available during the weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The situation is such that there may be certain days when there are no trained volunteers in the Helotes area. We have an excellent nucleus of trained volunteers during evenings, nights, and weekends, but the need

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Mrs. R. U. T.

You can get a duplicate by notifying any social security office, and generally it can be handled by mail, according to Gilbert G. Gonzalez, social security district manager in San Antonio, Texas.

"You can usually get a duplicate card faster if you've kept a record of your social security number and give it to us when you report your loss," Gonzalez said.

"Your duplicate card will have the same social security number on it," he said. "Your social security number is yours alone and remains the same for life."

A social security card is issued with two parts, perforated so the card itself—the smaller part—can be detached and carried in purse or wallet.

"The card you carry is the part you show to an employer to be sure he correctly copies your name and social security number into his records," Gonzalez explained.

"The remaining larger part should be kept in a safe place as a permanent record of your social security number," he said.

People's earnings from jobs covered by social security are credited to their social security number to build retirement, disability, survivors, and Medicare protection for themselves and their families.

People should apply for a social security card several weeks before they need the number for a job, Gonzalez continued.

Over 9 million duplicate social security cards were issued last year. The San Antonio, Texas, office is located at 309 Dwyer Ave. Telephone 349-3991.

for fire protection and rescue is a 24-hour requirement."

Chauffe said the fire department is issuing a special plea to local merchants, retired persons, ladies, shift workers, ex-volunteers, professional firefighters and others who are generally available during the day.

The department will establish training as required, Chauffe said. No firefighter or board member receives any salary or other compensation.

School Days Bring Holidays

By the dawn's early light, the school children reappeared along the roads in the Helotes area Monday morning for the first day of the new school year.

While they waited for orange buses, gone from the roads since last May, they may have been cheered by the news that the first holiday of the new school year will be September 1, Labor Day.

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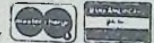
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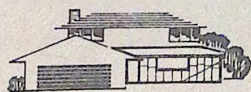
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GREY FOREST

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benefitting any special person or group of people."

He set no deadline in the letter for responses to it.

Not involved in his decision were the recent problems involved in the operation of the swimming pool in Grey Forest owned by all property owners and operated by the Scenic Loop Playgrounds Club, Inc.

However, the swimming pool contretemps deepened the division of most Grey Forest residents into two political groups, one headed by Mayor Faust and the other by ex-Mayor Jack Nottingham.

Mayor Faust was elected to the office in April, 1974, for a two-year term. He had served as a member of the Grey Forest city council in 1968-70.

Retired from civil service at Kelly Air Force Base, he owns and operates ELF Industries in Helotes. Associated with him in the firm are his wife Joyce and his sons Bruce and Byron.

The City of Grey Forest had an official 1970 census of 395 persons. Located three miles north of Helotes on the Scenic Loop Road, it is unique in that the entire city is zoned for single-family residences. The only commercial

enterprise in the city is the Grey Moss Inn, which was granted a zoning variance because it has been in its present location since the establishment of the area as the Scenic Loop Playgrounds.

Scenic Loop Playgrounds was established in the early 1920's as a resort and vacation area. Most of the houses there were weekend houses until the Great Depression of the 1930's when some people started living there permanently.

The housing shortage in San Antonio during World War II gave another impetus to permanent living.

The City of Grey Forest was incorporated in Aug. 1962, with the same boundaries as the Scenic Loop Playgrounds subdivision, chiefly because of fear that the city of San Antonio would soon annex the area. The name "Grey Forest" was taken from one of the streets in the subdivision.

In 1968 a group of Grey Forest officials sought and secured a loan of \$1,400,000 from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to construct a natural gas utility serving not only Grey Forest but a large part of northwestern Bexar County as well, plus the city of Boerne in Kendall County.

The Grey Forest mayor and city

council serve as the board of directors for the utility.

In the same news letter which carried the mayor's statement of his willingness to resign, he announced that the city council was able to make in June the second consecutive full payment to HUD for the gas utility, but that "we are still \$211,200 behind in back payments," and he said it will be a struggle to make the December 1975 payment.

The problems of the gas utility have severely complicated the work of the mayor and city council of the small, residential community.

Marshall High Cheerleaders Win

Marshall High School cheerleaders received the Award of Excellence as top cheerleading squad in summer competition of the National Cheerleader Association in Seguin.

From among 1,000 high school cheerleaders the Marshall squad earned eight blue ribbons, the Spirit Stick, and the Award of Excellence.

Marshall cheerleaders, directed by Mrs. Linda Booker, are: Pam Thrailkill, Holly Stowe, Carla Moss, Arlene Keller, Stephanie Morrison and Kris Story; junior varsity: Lori Swan, Pam Barron, Gwen Andrews, Karen Keiffer.

AQUIFER

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all its water from wells Tucson, Arizona, also is dependent on wells, but it is much smaller than San Antonio.

What San Antonio's citizens and officials should be more concerned about is developing surface supplies of water—something that they have just begun to do with the recent agreement with the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority for surface water from Canyon Lake, and with the recent endorsement of the Cibola River dam near Stockdale.

Nobody wants the Edwards aquifer to be polluted. But even unpolluted, its water will not be enough for all its users.

"For the period 1934-1971, the average annual discharge from the aquifer equaled 542,000 acre-feet and the average annual recharge to the aquifer by precipitation and stream loss equaled 531,000 acre-feet." (An acre-foot is enough water to cover one acre of land one foot deep.)

This is the recorded data of the Texas Water Development Board. Already we have a deficit of 11,000 acre-feet for the 37-year period.

How much more water is down there than was drawn out nobody knows. Perhaps there is enough to serve all the users till the end of time, even though we draw out more each year than goes back. Perhaps not.

What we do know about the Edwards aquifer is basically this: The Edwards (Balcones Fault Zone) aquifer consists of the Georgetown Limestone, Edwards Limestone, and the Comanche Peak Limestone which are in hydraulic continuity (water runs from one to the other).

The Edwards is the most im-

portant member in that it yields large quantities of water due to its extensive honeycombed and cavernous nature.

Water entering the Edwards aquifer generally moves southward across the outcrop zone of the aquifer and then eastward through the artesian portion of the aquifer toward the natural discharge points which include the Leona River Springs near Uvalde, San Antonio Springs and San Pedro Springs in San Antonio, Comal Springs at New Braunfels, and San Marcos Springs at San Marcos.

Springflow from the Comal Springs and the San Marcos Springs represents a significant portion of the base flow for the Guadalupe River. (So it's still mainly Edwards limestone water that we may get from Canyon Lake.)

In addition to springflow, water is withdrawn from the aquifer for public supply, irrigation, industrial, domestic, and livestock-

watering purposes.

Municipalities which rely solely on the aquifer for their water supply include San Antonio, Uvalde, New Braunfels, San Marcos, and numerous other regional communities.

The irrigation pumpage is centered in the western portion of the aquifer and the municipal and industrial pumpage is centered in the eastern portion of the aquifer.

The Texas Water Development Board currently is making a regional study of the Edwards and this investigation will be part of the board's San Antonio Regional Environmental Study, which will present alternative, comprehensive long term plans for water resources development and management in the San Antonio region.

A look at the map of the aquifer would indicate that a lot more places than San Antonio and a lot more counties than Bexar are involved in the management of Edwards aquifer water.

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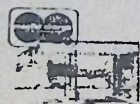
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