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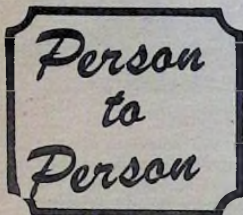
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## Council To Vote Again On Tax Rate



This was the week that summer ended this year. Not with a bang but gradually, ushered out by afternoon showers and cool mornings. This was the week that summer ended here, not by the calendar but in spirit. After a long, merciless summer, suddenly it was a time to be out and about. ....

Gloria Salinas-Oatman of Helotes Park Estates, has been awarded a 1982 MAXI from the International Council of Shopping Centers. Gloria is marketing director for Central Park Mall. Her award is for a community relations program entitled "Reflections '81: A Week for Women."

The beautiful new Braun Station Elementary School on Tezel Road near Coke Stevenson Middle School was dedicated this week on Tuesday. Speakers included Northside Superintendent Jack C. Jordan, Principal James L. Carson and Braun Station Developer John T. Saunders.

The Holmes Band Booster Club will have a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, Oct. 2, in the high school cafeteria from 4:30 to 8 p.m. The price will be \$3. The Holmes bands will play.

Nancy Smith is president of the Helotes School PTA for 1982-83.

Correction: Iris Chauffe is vice president of the Stevenson Band Boosters, not the Stevenson PTA, as previously reported. Derlene Daily is president of Stevenson Band Boosters.

For the fourth year in a row a Hobby Middle School cheerleader has been selected as the 1982 All-American cheerleader by the National Cheerleaders Association. Monica Fierro, eighth grader, was awarded

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### UTSA Enrollment Hits 11,143

UTSA officials today (Tuesday) announced that 11,143 students are enrolled for the fall semester at the university.

The figure is a 5½ percent increase over fall 1981 enrollment. Entering freshmen increased 13.2 percent this fall. They are the largest class with 3,789 students.

"We are very pleased with UTSA's continued growth," said Dr. John Brown, director of admissions and registrar. "Strong community support and high academic standards are contributing to our continued increase in students."

Current figures also show 455 students enrolled in UTSA's new undergraduate engineering program. Through the program, students may earn bachelor of science degrees in civil, electrical and mechanical engineering.



GETS \$1000 SCHOLARSHIP

Trinity University home building student Phyllis Moody (center) receives a \$1,000 scholarship check and hard hat from Charles Martin (right), president of the South Texas chapter of Associated Home Builders and Contractors. John Martin (left), chairman of the Trinity department of home building, was on hand to introduce Moody at the association's general membership meeting.

### '83 Cornyval To Be April 29-May 1

In the first meeting for 1982-83 of the Helotes Spring Festival Assn., the dates for the Cornyval '83—the 18th annual Festival—were set for April 29-30 and May 1, 1983. The usual date is determined as the first week-end in May.

Jim Benke, president, said that avoidance of May elections and conflict with Mother's Day celebrations favored the date chosen.

The Festival in 1977 had the dates of April 27-May 1 and attracted one of the largest attendance records, as Fiesta San Antonio momentum appears to be a factor.

The audit committee with

Don Belto as chairman and with membership approval chose Pittman and Pittman to do the annual audit closing out last year's records. When the total is approved, a dispersal of money to participating local non-profit organizations will be announced. Approximately 12 civic groups will be awarded a sum for their projects.

Committee chairmen were appointed following the introduction of the current officers. Belto is executive vice president, and he will be in charge of publicity and the carnival. Chairman of publicity is Lucy Brown.

Benny Benavides, second vice president, will be in charge of booths, health and sanitation, and security. The chairmen of various committees in this group were not announced at the meeting held at Gill Savings, Monday, Sept. 13, at which 26 paid-up members were present. However, several names were suggested and the association anticipates no trouble in filling these essential positions.

Third vice president Don Reddout, who was chairman of the Cornyval Parade last year, will be in charge of the 1983 Parade—and Nancy Reddout will be chairman assisted by Barbara DeMartino—and he will also head special events.

Fourth vice president Jim Wilson, member of the board, will be in charge of the coronation, float design and float transportation to parades. On his design committee Margy Beatty and Ellen Utz were named as

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### Hearing To Be Sept. 21

The Helotes City Council has set a new hearing on Tuesday, Sept. 21, on the tax rate for the property located inside the incorporated city. At the previous hearing, three aldermen, Guy Burnett, Leonard Hill and Ruddy Loeffler, cast votes for a rate of 18 cents on \$100 evaluation. Verna Thompson and Pat Wootton voted for 21 and 20 cents respectively. It was assumed that a simple majority was required and the tax was set.

However, a ruling by the State tax attorneys requires a two-third majority of all elected aldermen. This means that a minimum of four aldermen must agree to set a new tax rate—in this case the first one for the City of Helotes.

Councilman Burnett, in charge of the tax committee said the next meeting, to be held on Tuesday at 7 p.m., has an element of urgency since tax notices will be out by October. He also announced in the absence of Mayor Tom Beatty at Thursday's council workshop meeting, due to business in Austin, that the regular city council meeting will be held Tuesday following the hearing.

All interested persons are urged to attend this all-important meeting.

### Clark Girl To Seek Injunction

The parents of a 15-year-old Clark High School junior expelled this week for drinking beer do not object to the new strict Northside District discipline rules, but they do allege that the rules are not being enforced equally among all students.

The girl became ill at a school dance on Aug. 27. She and some other students supposedly had been drinking beer before the dance. She was expelled Wednesday night by the

Northside school board. The other students had received suspensions.

The girl's attorney, Tom Stolhandske, said he would seek an injunction in a federal court to stop the expulsion, and the girl was allowed to remain at Clark this week.

The student's mother said that the girl had been dieting and that she may have had a stomach virus, as several members of the family had experienced the virus.

### Blanco Road To Grow

Work has begun on the extension of Blanco Road (F.M. 2636) by the State Highway Department.

The improvement will construct a two-lane 24' wide three-mile extension of Blanco Road from its present end north of Loop 410. The new facility will follow the route of an existing county road.

The \$505,000 improvements are expected to be completed by May, 1983.

### Stolen Dynamite Found

Helotes residents breathed easier last week after nearly 600 sticks of dynamite stolen from a construction site at San Antonio Ranch were discovered a week later by a Randolph Air Force Base lieutenant while he was jogging on Lookout Road in northeast San Antonio.

The dynamite along with a quantity of primers, boosters and other blasting equipment

disappeared over the previous weekend from a locked metal storage unit. The door of the storage unit was twisted off its hinges.

The air force lieutenant saw the dynamite lying in the grass in a field. He called the police, who moved the dynamite to the San Antonio Police Department and called the contractor for the San Antonio Ranch project.



## Hearing On Water Resources Set

Congressman Abraham Kazen, Jr. (D-Tx.), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs U. S. House of Representatives, has announced that the Subcommittee would hold hearings in San Antonio, on Monday, September 27, on legislation designed to alleviate serious groundwater overdraft conditions in Texas and seven other Great Plains States.

The bill, HR 6187, was introduced in the House earlier this year by Chairman Kazen and five other Members. If passed, the bill would amend the 1902 Reclamation Act to make the development of water storage from artesian wells a

legitimate function of the Federal reclamation program.

The legislation also provides for an 18-month study of the feasibility of various groundwater recharge methods. After completion of the study, the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the various States and local governments, will identify twelve sites in areas with declining water tables, and will construct demonstration projects to test the feasibility of different recharge techniques which have been identified by the study.

Chairman Kazen said that, although there have been a number of studies of various underground aquifers which are being seriously depleted,

the legislation, if enacted, would, for the first time, provide for actual on-the-ground demonstration projects which will test the practical application of methods of recharging the depleted groundwater sources.

"The information which is developed through the enactment of this legislation will be of benefit not only to the Great Plains States, but to every other area of the country which is dependent on underground water supplies", Kazen said.

"I am particularly enthusiastic about this proposal because I represent a part of the City of San Antonio, one of the largest metropolitan areas in the country which is totally dependent on groundwater", he continued.

The hearing will be held in Room 33 of the SAN ANTONIO CONVENTION CENTER commencing at 8:30 a.m.

Persons wishing to testify should contact the Subcommittee office by telephone at: 202/225-6042, or in writing to: Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources, 1522 Longworth Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Witnesses are requested to bring fifteen copies of their written testimony to the hearing to be prepared to summarize their presentation as they testify before the Subcommittee.

## Trail Ride To Begin On Oct. 1

The 20th annual Medina County Riders Benefit Trail Ride will begin Friday, Oct. 1, at VFW Post 7108 on Braun Road with the sign-up at 5 p.m., followed with a dance at 8 p.m. The Fleetweld Cowboys will play, and the dance is open to the public. Tickets are \$3.

The Trail Ride will leave Braun Hall Saturday morning for Hondo with a lunch stop at Highway 90 and Loop 1604 and an overnight stop in Koenig Park, Castroville. They plan to reach Honeo Sunday afternoon.

As in previous years, the ride is to raise funds for the Medina County Association for Exceptional Children, which sponsors a school in Hondo for handicapped children. To date the rides have raised more than \$67,000 for the fund.

Those who ride with the group are asked to make a donation of \$10 for each person 12 years old and over or \$5 for riders 5 to 11 years.



SCHOOL SECRETARIES ELECT

Leading Northside Educational Secretaries Association for School Year 1982-83 as president is Libby Mills (top right). She is a secretary at Holmes High School. Also elected was Marty Willard (top left, Anson Jones Middle School secretary, as vice president. Other officers are seated (l-r) Liane Coyle, secretary; Marie Molchan, treasurer; and Betty Puckett, president-elect.

## Blue Birds Open Rolls

Orientation classes for membership in the Blue Bird Auxiliary will be held Oct. 4 and 5 at 7 p.m. in the 5th floor auditorium at Methodist Hospital.

Open to men and women, membership in the Auxiliary is available to interested

individuals who complete orientation and who are willing to fulfill a commitment of service.

Volunteers are needed daily, in the evenings and on weekends to serve in many areas of the hospital as well

as in the Blue Bird Thrift Shop.

Inquiries for additional information regarding orientation may be directed to Mrs. Phyllis Weinman, director of Volunteer Services, at 692-4519.

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## NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

The City of Helotes conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase your property taxes by greater than three (3%) percent on Monday, August 30, 1982 at 7 p.m.

A public meeting to vote on the tax rate will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1982 at 7 p.m. at the PARC Bldg.

City Council  
Helotes, Texas



# Kerrville Music Fest Set Oct. 2 Toastmistress

The Kerrville outdoor music festivals will close the 11th season of events at Quiet Valley Ranch with the now annual "12 Great Hours at Kerrville" at the outdoor theater on Saturday, Oct. 2.

The ranch is located nine miles South of Kerrville on Texas Highway 16.

On stage at the outdoor amphetheater, described as one of the most perfect accoustically in the nation, a dozen announced stars will perform from 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon until 2

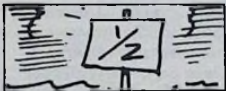
a.m. Sunday morning.

Scheduled to appear are David Amram, Bobby Bridger, Allen Damron, Nanci Griffith, the Banded Geckos, Lisa Gilkyson, Ray Wylie Hubbar, Ramblin' Jack Elliott, Lindsay Haisley, Bill Neely and Kenneth Threadgill.

Tickets are \$5 per person in advance, \$6 at the gate plus \$1 per person for overnight camping. Children under 12 are admitted free when accompanied by their parents.



Shirley Roeder of Helotes is the new president of the International Toastmistresses Clubs' Council Four in the Rio Grade Region. Ten clubs make up the membership of Council Four. Mrs. Roeder has been a member of Toastmistress Clubs for eight years. She is an inventory management specialist in the Directorate of Material Management at Kelly Air Force Base. She has been largely responsible for the success of Kelly's Community Education Speakers Bureau, an organization of Kelly employees who present speeches, lectures and seminars for various groups in the San Antonio area.



The Pacific Ocean holds half the water on earth.

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the honor after competing with 650 other cheerleaders from throughout Texas. Past All-American Hobby cheerleaders — all now tudents at Clark High — are Tracy Nichols, 1981; Kay Lynn Greer, 1980; and Sarah Brown, 1979.

The 1930 Main Avenue High School graduating class will have a get-together Tuesday, Oct. 5, at the Pearl Brewery Jrsey Lily Room from 7 to 10:30 p.m. There will be barbecue dinner, an orchestra for dancing and other festivities. All Main Avenue High School graduates are invited. Phone Mary Carr Paschal, 227-7655 before Sept. 30.

Helotes area citizens contributed \$450 to the Muscular Distrophy fund this year. Collected in containers in local stores was \$150. But the big push came from a dunking booth in front of the Stop 'N Go Store in Helotes Park Plaza. The dunking booth brought in \$300.

Honored for her years of service with the Grey Forest Medical Volunteer Fire Department as an outstanding Emergency Medical Technician, Ginger Stutes was given a surprise party by her many friends and neighbors. When asked how she was willing to take time from her busy rounds to attend the party at PARC on

Friday, Sept. 8, she explained: "Tex Allen (Allen Fischer), a well-known C & W musician, also a resident of Grey Forest, had a surprise birthday party at the same event. We thought the party was for the other." When Ginger's father appeared, he explained that he had a job to discuss with Columbus Stutes, Jr. — Ginger's husband, and noticed his truck parked there. Now that's how to keep a surprise a surprise. Incidentally Kitty Fischer was a co-hostess for both parties and good at not letting the cat out of the bag as the saying goes.

Alpha Rho and Kappa Psi chapters of Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority are conducting a series of rush parties for the 1982-83 year. A luau was held at the home of Nora Nelson on Sept. 14, and other events are set for Oct. 3 and Oct. 12 at the Maples House.

The Helotes Hills chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons plan to have a Games Party on Friday, Sept. 24, at 1:30 p.m. at the PARC building for its members.

The Silver Belles installed its new officers at a luncheon meeting at Wyatt's Cafeteria with outgoing President Marie Parrigin conducting an impressive ceremony. She used keys as the symbol — presenting each new officer with a decorator key — of their various offices explaining that keys open doors and

they also close some doors which should be left locked. New president is Lucille Stemen, and the civic and social club has planned a busy year.

Sympathy is extended to Frank Kennedy and his family in the loss of his grandmother, Hortense Kennedy, 82, who died Tuesday, Sept. 7, as a result of a fire at her home in Boerne.

Local citizens who remember the visit of Prince Rainier and his beautiful wife Princess Grace to Helotes in 1968 during the HemisFair mourn the passing of the Princess Wednesday, Sept. 15. The royal couple wanted a glimpse of Texas as it is remembered from the movies and were guests of Mrs. Amy McNutt at the famed Gallagher Ranch at San Geronimo. While there, they rode horses and enjoyed Texas hospitality. En route, they rode in an ambassadorial limousine through Helotes on the old highway. They saw the landmark general store, the downtown location of the ECHO, (now Pittman & Pittman) and Floore Country Store. In front of the ECHO, the reigning Miss Helotes, Mary Jane Logan, prepared a poster with a welcome message which she held up for them to see. The gesture was acknowledged by the Princess as well as the Prince. It was a great moment in Helotes.

### FANCY THAT!

The famed Red Baron of World War I, Manfred von Richthofen, was so highly regarded by the Allied forces he flew against, that they gave him a hero's funeral after he was shot down by a Canadian flyer.

Not one but three Red Barons will fly again this summer, exciting young and old at more than 60 state and local fairs around the country. Using antique biplanes, they'll fly in support of a community service program for youth organizations. Red Baron Pizza sponsors the program that will award \$500 checks for youth projects at each fair stop.

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## Along Our Route

### Letter to the Editor

As a concerned citizen of Bexar County, I feel a responsibility to comment on the upcoming contest for the position of Constable, Justice Precinct 2.

There is a vast hiatus in the qualifications of the two candidates. Very simply, one is a licensed law enforcement officer with over twenty years experience and the other is an individual with no credentials above a 70-hour reserve officer course and work as a security guard.

So what's the big deal? Very few people are aware of the fact that the constable's department is an integral part of the criminal justice system. There is indeed a vital law enforcement function which requires leadership with a background in law enforcement.

Unfortunately, the office can be filled by any citizen with no qualifications who is elected to the position. In this day and age when responsible law enforcement is synonymous with a properly educated and trained officer, it appears ludicrous that a position of such responsibility can be filled by an individual with virtually no training.

I would like to make a plea for the voters to exercise their duty and vote this November. There is a large problem in the electoral process called public apathy. Many people can care less who is elected to a position or what their qualifications may be.

Another is a lack of impetus to get out and vote. We are "voted out" having recently gone through a number of pollings on various and sundry issues.

A third is a tendency to vote on partisan political lines or for other reasons regardless of the issues, or in this case, the qualifications of the candidates.

As a voter with 25 years of experience in all aspects of law enforcement and is vitally interested in responsible law enforcement, I urge the voters to beware of dissimulation. There will be pretenses of qualifications on the part of a candidate.

I hope that the voters will do the following:

1. Foremost... get out and vote.
2. Scrutinize the qualifications of the candidates.
3. Make a choice based on the potential for excellence on the part of the candidates as opposed to a sack of empty distractors.

There is no doubt that the voters of Precinct 2 will indeed make the right choice based on an intelligent decision making process.

Sincerely,  
H. A. (Bennie) Benavides

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## WASHINGTON VIEWPOINT



By Abraham [Chick] Kazen, Jr.,

Last week the House of Representatives approved the Conference Report on the Department of Defense Authorization Act to provide authorization totaling \$177.8 billion for our defense system.

The measure passed by a vote of 251-148, and I was proud to support it.

It has been said that a strong national defense to protect the United States from aggression is the single most important duty of the Federal Government. If this statement sounds too strong, consider the fact that all of our cherished freedoms stem from our Constitution and our system of government, which must be guarded at all costs.

I am often asked how this nation can afford to maintain a strong deterrent force in this age of expensive weapons systems. My answer is that we cannot afford otherwise. I do believe that we should make every effort to cut the waste from defense spending—and as any veteran or member of the military service will tell you, waste does exist—but I join the majority of Americans in demanding that we not cut the muscle which serves us so well.

### BALANCED BUDGET UPDATE

I have for the past several years introduced legislation to balance the federal budget, and I was joined this year by a large number of members and, more recently, the President, in support of such an amendment to our Constitution.

As I have said before, Texas has a long, successful history with a system of pay-as-you-go, and there is no reason that the federal government cannot do the same.

I had hopes that the House Judiciary Committee would expedite its consideration of this bill, as we were told by Chairman Peter Rodino. I had avoided signing a discharge petition to force the Committee to report the bill to the floor because it would have been returned under a House rule which allows no amendments on the House floor. I prefer the flexibility of being able to open up the legislation if it appears that critical changes are needed.

In addition to that, as a member of two active committees in the House, I know the value of processing legislation through an orderly system of hearings to ensure a thorough examination of the issues.

After waiting all summer for the Judiciary Committee

to act, however, it is apparent that the subject is much too important to postpone any longer, and I have signed the discharge petition calling for the bill to be placed before the House.

Congress is in recess and I will be spending all of my time in the 23rd District, where I look forward to meeting and talking with South Texans on the many issues that affect us all.

### SOME REDUCTIONS

The bill, significantly larger than last year's, is in fact \$5.6 billion below the request of the Administration. This was possible in part because of favorable contract negotiations. In the M-1 tank program, for example, it is now possible to procure 855 tanks, 79 more than originally requested, for \$96.6 million less than requested.

In other programs, Congress approved reductions because the services simply could not justify the need. In other areas, programs were deferred because of competing requirements for dollars.

I was particularly pleased that the bill included authorization for \$200 million for the

Guard and Reserve Forces, and that the chief of each Reserve component will list his spending priorities and report to the Armed Services Committees of the House and Senate.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I recognize the contributions of the Guard and Reserve as a part of the Total Force concept. For example, the Army National Guard makes up 27 percent of the Air Force tactical fighter aircraft fleet. These forces must be modernized if they are to perform to full capability.

"He that lends, gives."  
George Herbert

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If you were born today, you share your birthday with about 625,999 other Americans. According to the Census Bureau, an average of 626,000 people celebrate their birthday on any given day in America.

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## New Director

Dr. William Mitchell has been named director of the Division of Continuing Education at UTSA. In addition to serving as division director, Dr. Mitchell will continue to teach in the College of Business and to serve the college as its director of Executive and Professional Development Programs. Dr. Mitchell joined UTSA in 1976.

## Bicycle Auction

The San Antonio Police Department will hold an auction of bicycles unclaimed by the former owners. The auction will be open to the general public and will be held at the Police Storage Lot, 443 Ninth St. on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 9 a.m.



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## Wet Weather Driving Needs Special Care

A car skidded across the wet pavement toward another car stopped at a traffic light. Would the driver of the skidding vehicle regain control before the crash? This time he did.

It was a reminder. Driving on rain slicked roads requires extra care. Sickening crashes, cars wrecked, people killed and injured frequently follow the storm.

What can a driver do?

The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation (SDHPT) offers some life saving suggestions. Wet weather driving requires our best efforts to avoid injury to ourselves and others.

The first thing to do on getting into the car, whether the pavements are wet or dry, is to buckle up those seat belts. Whether it's a couple of minutes, couple of hours, or an all day drive, buckle up those seat belts.

When it's raining remember your vehicle isn't going to stop, turn, or start off like it does on a dry day. When you brake on a wet surface the water reduces the friction between the pavement and your tires. You may slide on the wet surface. You may ride on top of water

—hydro-planing. You need to drive slower on a wet pavement, brake and steer easier.

On those wet days allow yourself more time. Give yourself, and your fellow drivers a margin of safety. Leave earlier, and drive slower. Reducing your speed will give you greater control of your vehicle. It will also give you a better chance to respond safely to other drivers' actions.

Although turning on your car's headlights during a daytime rain storm may not help you see any better, it will make you more visible to the other drivers.

Avoid low water crossings if possible. They frequently overflow their banks rapidly. Do not drive into water unless you are certain it's safe. Rising water is no respecter of persons. Try to use an alternate route if your usual one has low water crossings that could pose a threat.

Alternate routes are also a good idea if you can find one that has less traffic on it. Although it might make your trip a bit longer, it's often well worth it.

Keep these suggestions in mind the next time rain starts to fall.

"Slowly but surely humanity realizes the dreams of the wise."  
Anatole France

## Varsity Cheerleader



Jackie McDonald, former Helotes resident, now is a varsity cheerleader at Clear Creek High School in League City, a Houston suburb. She is 17 and a senior. She also was a cheerleader at Coke Stevenson Middle School. She was graduated from Helotes School and Coke Stevenson before moving to the Houston area. Upon graduation from Clear Creek she plans to attend the University of Texas in Austin. Jackie is the fourth of the six daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Patric McDonald.

## Election Is Sept. 25

Voters in Bexar County will have a chance to say "Yes" or "No" on \$82,200,000 worth of bonds proposed to be issued by the County Commissioners Court in an election set for Saturday, Sept. 25.

Four propositions will be on the ballot. The first is for \$8,500,00 in bonds for a new

county administration building. The second is \$32,000,000 for a new jail. The third is \$7,000,000 for a new juvenile detention center. The fourth is \$34,300,000 for road improvements.

The road proposition would be matched on a 4 to 1 basis by the state, so that \$137,200,000 would be available for county roads. In the Helotes area selected for improvement are Scenic Loop, Braun, Guilbeau, Tezel and Talley Roads, FM-471 and Loop 1604.

Voters in the Helotes area will vote at the following polling places: Precincts 2061 and 2063, Grey Forest City Hall; Precincts 2064 and 2065, Helotes School; Precincts 2066, and 2067, Coke Stevenson School; and Precinct 2062, Leon Springs Volunteer Fire Department Station No. 2 on Fair Oaks Parkway.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

"Patience is a necessary ingredient of genius." Disraeli

## Red Cross Sets CPR Week-end

In a major effort to make lifesaving training more accessible to the public, the San Antonio Area Red Cross Chapter will present the Texas Save-Life Festival, Oct. 1 thru 3, at the Institute of Texan Cultures, to teach cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

According to Michael J. McMains, Ph.D., chairman of Nursing, Health and Safety Services, the need for CPR training remains strong. Through the Texas Save-Life Festival great numbers of people can become familiar with the basics of one-rescuer, adult victim CPR and first-aid to the choking victim.

Dr. McMains cited statistics published by the American Medical Association which said that, of the more than 700,000 annual deaths from heart attacks or other events resulting in cardiac arrest, 350,000 occur outside the hospital. Many of those deaths need not have occurred. If CPR is applied by a bystander or family member within minutes after a car-

diac arrest, the victim's life may be saved.

Citizens are urged to mark their calendars for the RED CROSS TEXAS SAVE-LIFE FESTIVAL. Anyone over the age of 13 can learn CPR. It only takes four hours. Cost is \$3.50 for materials. Schedule: Friday, Oct. 1, 6-10 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 2, 8-12 noon, 1-5 p.m. and 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, 8-12 noon and 1-5 p.m.

## Special Program To Air On Drugs

A special three-hour television program dealing with drugs is scheduled for airing Tuesday night, September 21, on Channel 4, a San Antonio television station.

Titled "Texas Epidemic: Why Your Child is on Drugs," the program will begin at 7 p.m. It is been recommended viewing by law enforcement agencies.

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## Trinity Athletics Have New Look This Year

Trinity University initiated its new athletic program Sept. 11 when the Tigers opened their football season against Colorado College at E.M. Stevens Stadium.

This year, Trinity will compete as an NCAA Division III Independent and will play schools that have similar academic philosophies and whose students share similar interests with Trinity students.

To carry out this new program, Trinity sports teams—football and basketball in particular—will travel much more. The Trinity football team truly has a national schedule this season, with the Tigers traveling to Chicago, Los Angeles and Colorado Springs. In fact, a fourth road trip—to Monterey, Mexico, to play the University of Nuevo Leon—makes the '82 Trinity football schedule an international one.

In addition to providing Trinity athletes the kind of competition which will allow athletes develop their maximum potential, it is hoped that these trips will also serve as an educational experience. Additional time has been scheduled for the athletes to visit cultural and historical sites.

Three home football games have also been scheduled. In addition to the season-opener with Colorado College, the Tigers will take on Millsaps College on Sept. 25 at 1:30 p.m. and the University of Saltillo (Mexico) on Friday, Oct. 22, at 6:30 p.m.

The abbreviated, 7-game schedule is due to the late change-over to the new program. In the coming seasons, the football schedule will increase to eight or nine games.

Trinity's student-athletes seem very receptive to the new program. Head football coach Gene Norris reports that more than 50 students have turned out for the '82 football team, as compared to 36 last season.

Football is not the only sport with a new look this year. Both the Trinity men's and women's basketball schedules have been completed and the athletes in these sports will enjoy the same benefits as those on the football team.

The men's basketball team will compete in tournaments in Indiana and Mississippi and will also fly to Colorado for three additional games. The men's basketball season will culminate with Trinity hosting a four-team tournament, which includes Millsaps and Colorado College.

Coach Pete Murphy, starting his 13th year as men's

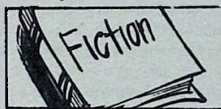
head basketball coach, feels the move to NCAA Division III Independent status will be rewarding for all student-athletes.

The women's basketball team is scheduled to play 23 regular season games. The highlight of the schedule is a three-day road trip to Colorado to take on the Air Force Academy and Colorado College.

The new athletic program will not affect the men's and women's tennis programs. The Trinity tennis teams will continue competing on the Division I level, where Trinity has long been nationally recognized.

The women's tennis team finished third in the country this past season and the men's team finished sixth.

With every player returning to both men's and women's tennis teams, the Tigers will be strong contenders for the national championships in 1982-83.



The word "fiction" comes from the Latin fictio, which means something invented.

## UTSA Cross Country Teams Debut Today

The UTSA men's and women's cross country teams open their '82 seasons Friday, Sept. 17, with a home meet on their newly-cleared and charted course.

Last year the Roadrunners trained in various locations around the campus and ran only in out-of-town meets, so the course will be getting its first competitive test. UTSA coach Jim Skaines says the course is fast, but challenging.

"Our runners think the times are going to be good on it. There aren't really any severe hills, but there are enough slopes, bumps and turns to make it interesting. People can't just put it in drive and keep it there...they'll have to shift gears," Skaines said.

The men, running a four-mile course, will host Texas, Pan American, Southwest Texas and Texas A&I. UTSA's women will run against the latter three schools in a two-mile race starting at 6 p.m. The men will run at 6:30 p.m.

The Roadrunner men will be paced by the 1-2 punch of junior college transfer Roger Soler and soph letterman Danny Hernandez. Soler, originally from Lima, is the Peruvian national record holder in the 800, 1500, 3000 and 5000 meter races. Her-

andez, a Jay High grad, won four races last year as UTSA's number one runner.

Ty Tracy, a senior letterman from Churchill High, has apparently nailed down the number three position, but a mixture of freshmen, transfers and lettermen are in hot competition for the remaining four positions. "We're still young and inexperienced, but we have better depth and talent this year," says Skaines. "The kids who were here last year are more knowledgeable about what's expected of them."

Among the women, Melanie Hennis, who was the Roadrunners' top runner last year, is again showing good form, as is Ann Fitzsimmons, a newcomer from Madison, Wisc. Wendy Norman, the Briton who won the gold medal in last month's World Pentathlon championships in France, should provide a great boost.

The UTSA's will be honing their skills this week for a busy schedule in the coming month. The Roadrunners will be in Houston for the Rice Invitational Sept. 25 and have scheduled home meets for Oct. 1 and Oct. 8. The Westlake Invitational and the Texas Invitational will be held the following weeks in Austin and Georgetown, respectively.

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## Now Starring



Forrest Tucker, 40-year veteran actor of stage, screen and television, opened Tuesday at the Fiesta Dinner Playhouse on Loop 1604 in "The Georgia Gentleman," described as a broad comedy with a love triangle plot. The play will continue through Oct. 17 on Tuesday through Sunday nights and Sunday and Wednesday matinees. Co-starring with Tucker is Jennifer Bishop, formerly of the "Hee Haw" television program.

## McCarthy To Speak

Eugene J. McCarthy, former presidential candidate, will speak at The University of Texas at San Antonio on Friday, Sept. 24, at 7:30 P.M.

The lecture titled "The State of the Nation" will be in the KIVA, Room 2.02.18 of the Multidisciplinary Studies Building. Admission will be \$4.

## Pops Music To Be Free

Soft evening breezes, twinkling starlight and favorite tunes performed by music students at The University of Texas at San Antonio are sure to make the Pops Concert on Thursday, Sept. 23, a delight. The program will be free.

Three UTSA Ensembles will combine to present music ranging from the light classics through the swing

## Violets To Be Shown

The Magic Knight African Violet Society of San Antonio will hold its African Violet display and sale at Wonderland Mall on Saturday, Sept. 25, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission will be free.

## Sausage To Lead Menu

The Fraternal Order of Eagles of San Antonio will have a family style sausage fest on Wednesday, Sept. 22, at 2230 Hunt Lane (off Loop 410 between Marbach Road and Highway 90 West). Serving times will be 11 a.m.

to 2 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3.75.

The proceeds will go to help burn victims in the Shrine Burn Ward in Galveston, said Martin F. Reinhard, secretary of the San Antonio area.

## Disabled Get Week

Mayor Tom Beatty signed into effect this week a proclamation designating Sept. 20-25 as Rehabilitation Awareness Week in Helotes. Warm Springs Rehabilitation Hospital, near Gonzales, was cited in the proclamation for its efforts to restore disabled persons to independent lives.

The hospital's current public awareness campaign, of which Mayor Beatty's proclamation is a part, is aimed at educating Bexar

County residents about the benefits of and subsequently increased chances for stroke and spinal cord injured patients to return to self-reliant family lives through rehabilitation.

Warm Springs numbered among its 1981 patient roster approximately 700 Bexar County residents. Over 10,000 Texans faced disabling strokes or spinal cord injuries last year, with more than 6,000 receiving comprehensive rehabilitation at Warm Springs.

## Free Talks On Health For Seniors

A series of free, public lectures on various health topics of special interest to senior citizens will be offered for the fifth year the The University of Texas Health Science Center.

Beginning Monday, Sept. 20, and continuing each Monday through Nov. 22, the weekly medical "Good Health" talk shows will be offered live on the health science center campus and broadcast simultaneously via the school's Teleconference Network of Texas to other sites in San Antonio and nearly 90 sites throughout

the state.

Subjects to be discussed during the 90-minute sessions include diabetes, the aging heart, allergies, pain management without medication, sleep disorders, the aging ear, common foot problems, thyroid gland function and emergencies.

Each lecture will begin at 11 a.m. in the University Plaza building, 7526 Louis Pasteur Dr. Participants on the campus and at other listening sites will have the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers. They will learn to differentiate between what might be considered the normal aging process and conditions that are out of the ordinary.

Speakers are drawn from the health science center faculty and from the community.

Although the programs are free of charge, parti-

## Edwards District To Seek Surface Water

Directors of the five-county Edwards Underground Water District this week created a surface water development fund and adopted a budget of \$3,119,000 for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

The budget includes \$2,100,000 to be accumulated in the surface water development fund during the fiscal year.

The board, which held its bi-monthly meeting in the fourth floor conference room, Tower Life Building, also adopted a resolution proposing to set the tax levy of the district at 2 cents per \$100 property valuation in the Bexar, Comal, Hays, Medina and Uvalde County areas of the EUWD.

In lengthy discussion of the \$3 million budget for 1982-83, directors indicated there will

be a change of emphasis in the future from the recharge dam concept for the Edwards Aquifer to one of providing surface water to supplement the underground reservoir.

It was pointed out that in the district's regional forums this summer the need for surface water to meet future water requirements was consistently expressed by those attending.

The new surface water fund, which will be ac-

cumulated out of tax revenues, will be expended periodically by the district for the development of surface water for use within the district and for related projects, including, but not limited to, the conducting of surface water studies, acquisition of land and rights-of-way, and the purchase of water rights, to the end that surface water may be made available to decrease the burden on the aquifer.

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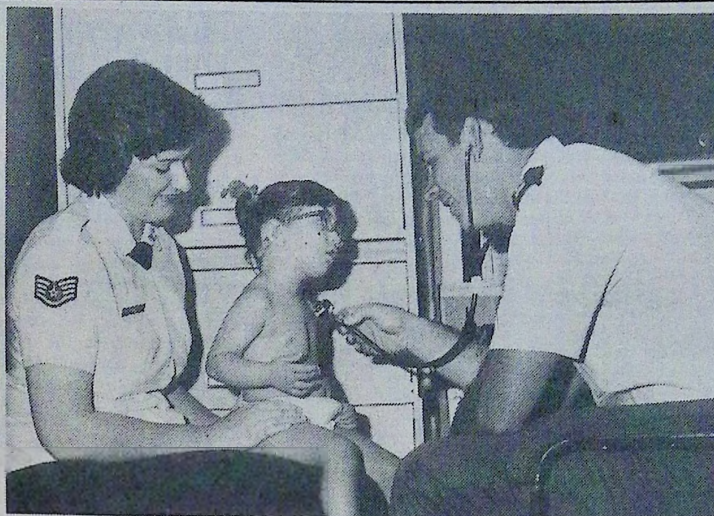
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## Premature Baby Makes Successful Fight For Life

By SSGT. Vickie Parra

"It's a girl. She's very tiny, and she's struggling. We'll do all we can."

These are the first words I can remember coming from under the anesthesia two years ago at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center.

Our baby was premature. She was three months early. All we could do was place her in the hands of the staff and pray God would guide them.

The next word I remember will stay in my mind forever: "Surgery."

I had doctors standing all around my bed trying to explain phrases like "Patent Ductus Arteriosus ligation," which I was told is a valve in her heart that should have closed at birth, but because of her prematurity had not. It would now require surgery. I was told it was a simple operation, but because of her size, problems could develop very easily. She couldn't die. I had never seen her, never held her, never told her how much I loved her.

My first trip to the neonatal nursery was the most frightening trip of my life. My husband, Steve, tried to prepare me, but no amount of preparation could have helped when we came through the doors. There were doctors and nurses all around the bed.

I knew at once it was my baby. She was going to die and there was nothing we could do. I was her mother, why couldn't I help her? They couldn't let me see her, she was too critical.

Later that day, and for the first time, I finally got to see my new baby daughter. God, she was so tiny. How could a body this small possibly live, and if she did live, what about brain damage and the multitude of other problems that could haunt her? As they explained the vast equipment that was attached to our baby, I heard, but didn't understand. All I could see was the baby with wires and tubes everywhere.

She was on a special bed especially for premature babies, laying on a water cushion. Overhead, heating units were hooked to monitors and taped to her tiny chest. I was told these automatically turned off and on to keep her body temperature constant.

There were still other sen-

sors that monitored her heart rate, blood pressure and respiration. She had three drainage tubes coming from her chest from the heart surgery. A navel catheter to give and take blood, patches over both eyes to protect them from the bright lights and a respirator to make breathing easier.

I think the biggest surprise to us was that she wore no clothes. Why didn't my baby have something on? It's funny I didn't ask about all the vast equipment attached. My motherly instinct went right to work. I wanted my baby to be protected from the elements. She lay on a newborn disposable diaper that looked as if it could envelop her.

Then I glanced up at the lights over the bed, and I saw a bright pink card "PARRA INFANT, 2 lb. 2 oz." What she would really weigh without all those tubes and wires, I was afraid to ask. She was a tiny angel in God's hands. We named her Angelina.

As days became weeks and weeks became months, we felt we became a part of the family in the nursery. The doctors, nurses, and technicians always welcomed us and took time to help us hold our baby. With Angelina, this was a major chore.

Baby and attachments all had to be moved at the same time, and that required two staff members and one of us. We were told about a group of nursery parents, doctors and nurses called UNITE (Understanding Neonates In Traumatic Experience) and attended every meeting. This support group was a place you could go to vent your feelings. And I did so quite often. There are also nursery graduates there and to see a healthy two year old running and playing and enjoying life really changes your whole attitude.

As the days multiplied, so did Angelina's problems. The first three months of her life were stormy. The doctors seemed to choose their words very carefully, never allowing us too much hope.

Her condition was complicated by severe respiratory disease requiring treatment with high oxygen pressures and concentrations. Her lungs ruptured on three occasions and she had problems with bleeding disorders, elevated calcium levels, numerous infections and poor nutrition. It seemed when they got one thing under control, two more came to take its place. She was struggling for her life.

Our priorities changed, the most important thing in our lives was this baby and the time we had to spend with her. I was terrified, Steve was trying very hard to be strong, but you could see the torture in his eyes, growing every day. The fear of losing this baby, for us the only baby we could ever have, was almost more than he could bear.

Just as she celebrated her four month anniversary in the hospital, for the first time we began to see a twinkle in her little black eyes. It took Captain (Dr.) Richard Bell, neonatology fellow in charge of her case, a few days to give us encouragement, but finally he said she was getting better and when she put on some weight, we would talk about taking her off the respirator.

We were exhilarated and very frightened. We had seen Angelina struggle for breath when it had been tried before, but Dr. Bell assured us she was bigger and stronger now. For the first time, we could actually see her getting better. She began to put on weight.

Angelina was born the 23rd of October 1980 and this was February 1981. At four months, she weighed barely five pounds and was just like a newborn. On February 4, 1981 at 10:04 a.m., Dr. Bell came in and removed Angelina from the respirator; the machine that had been keeping her alive for four months was gone. Could she do it on her own? Only time would tell.

This time, as before, we sat vigil by Angelina's bed. We heard her first cry into the world and we cried too. For twenty-six hours, I sat beside her bed, praying. This time she was going to make it, she had to. She made it. She still required high rates of oxygen, but for the first time, she was breathing on her own.

Another first was seeing her entire face. She had always had the respirator in her mouth and tape across both cheeks. This was Angelina's turning point. One month later we brought Angelina home; still on oxygen, but she was home.

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## Bell Adds Hot Line

Citing rapid changes in the telephone industry, Southwestern Bell Wednesday launched a new consumer information program, called "Let's Talk," to give its customers answers to questions they may have about telephone service and the industry. The company established a toll-free number, 1-800-555-5000, to answer questions from its customers.

The toll-free number will be answered Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., through September 26 and from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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possible chairmen.

The current Miss Helotes, Iris Hall, and her court have been invited to a dozen events and have participated in parades in some. These are Comfort, Boerne, Seguin, Luling, Pleasanton, Floresville, Castroville, Hondo, Bandera, Taylor and Cuero. They have an invitation Oct. 16 to Yorktown and Oct. 23 to Stagecoach Days in Leon Valley. The final ride of the current court will be Fiesta Flambeau in April and the next Cornyval Parade, April 30, 1983.

The secretary for 1982-83 is Helen Wendt and the treasurer is Fred Wendt, a past president and board member.

Co-chairmen of the membership committee are Rose Belto and Marie Parrigin. Membership is open to interested persons in the community and dues are two dollars. The next meeting will be held Monday, Oct. 4 at Gill Savings at 7:30 p.m.

throughout the remainder of the year. The program is being conducted nationwide by the local Bell companies and AT&T.

"Customers may call this number with questions about such subjects as the consent decree agreement, rulings by the Federal Communications Commission, and any other matters that affect their telephone service," said Jim Reed, division manager-residence services for Southwestern Bell. "We want to provide any information we can to be as helpful as we can."

Customers should continue to call their local business office with specific questions about their individual telephone bills and service, he added.

## Trinity Big In Volleyball

The Trinity University volleyball team is expecting big things from itself as the 1982 season begins.

After all, the Tigers qualified for the AIAW Division III national tournament last year with a squad made up almost entirely of freshmen and sophomores. This year, the Tigers return eight of nine players and have picked up seven new

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## Gill Agency New Name

The San Antonio based insurance agency, Richard Gill Company Agents, has recently changed its name to Gill Insurance of Texas. The

change is a reflection of the

increased growth of the company and its expansion to areas outside San Antonio, enabling the company to offer insurance serviced throughout Texas.

The company was originally established in 1923 by Richard Gill, and since that time has developed into one of the largest fire and casualty agencies in the San Antonio area.

## CPS Offers Budget Plan

City Public Service is now accepting applications for its Budget Payment Plan (BPP), which is designed to make monthly utility bill amounts more uniform throughout the year, according to Cecil Henne, CPS' Manager of Customer Services.

"Under the BPP, the amount of each month's utility bill is about the same," Henne said, "so this gives the customer a better idea of how much to budget monthly for gas and electric service."

"Under the traditional billing system, a customer's bill varies from month to month, depending on how much energy is used. BPP allows the customer to pay less during high-energy-usage months in the summer and winter by paying a little more in low-energy-usage months in the summer and winter by paying a little more in low-energy-use months of the spring and fall."

To arrive at approximately the same bill amount each month, the BPP employs an averaging process based on a customer's 12 most recent bills. The plan neither increases nor decreases any customer's total gas and electric bill over the course of time from what the total bill would be without the Budget Payment Plan.

CPS will continue to read the customer's gas/electric meters each month and to provide complete billing information based on actual consumption.

Henne said the BPP is available to any CPS residential customer who has not

experienced disconnection of gas or electric service for non-payment of a bill within the past 12 months. The current BPP enrollment period will end Nov. 30.

Details of the BPP are contained in a leaflet/appli-

cation form which is being mailed with September utility bills. Application forms are also available from CPS' three Customer Service Centers—146 Navarro, 303 Mission Rd. and 4919 E. Houston St.

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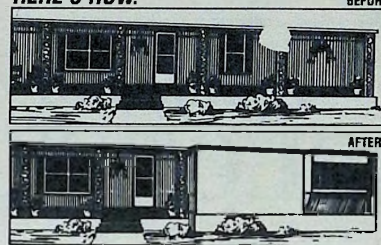
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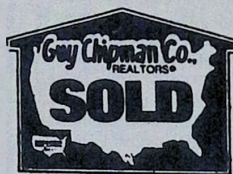
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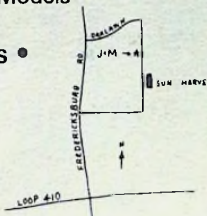
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## Early Missions Ran Large Cattle Ranches

A team of archaeologists at UTSA's Center for Archaeological Research (C.A.R.) has discovered that a large herd of "vaciada" once grazed at a Spanish colonial ranch near Floresville. Trouble is, no one seems to know exactly what a vaciada was.

That's just one of the difficulties confronting researchers trying to piece together information about the lifestyles of Indians in south Texas during the late 1700's. A lack of proper records is compounded by the fact that not all the archives dealing with the Spanish colonial period have been properly indexed or translated.

In addition, records that are available occasionally contain words which appear to be from a dialect no longer in use, as seems to be the case with the mysterious vaciada. Yet, Anne Fox and her team of C.A.R. archaeologists enjoy the challenge of finding pieces of the puzzle that tell the story of South Texas' past.

Fox's team recently completed its third investigation of Las Cabras, a Spanish colonial ranch located on the west side of the San Antonio river south of Floresville. The research is being completed for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, which plans to develop a historical park in the area.

According to Fox, cattle were originally grazed near the missions. However, as the population of the town grew, this practice became unfeasible and the missions began to locate their ranching operations farther away. Mission Espada chose Las Cabras for its site, which was operated from 1750 to the late 1700s.

Courtenay Jones, one of the archaeologists involved in the investigation, said the missions originally controlled vast areas of land around San Antonio. When immigrants began arriving to settle and build ranches, they found little land available. Consequently, in 1794, the Spanish government turned over mission-controlled land to immigrant ranchers.

While Las Cabaras was in operation for Espada, padres at the mission wrote in their reports to Mexico of the successes they had in training the Indians to care for the cattle and goats which supplied food for the mission. Only 26 people, including men, women and children, handled the large ranching operation.

In 1772 an inventory taken of the holdings at Las Cabras showed 470 horses, 1,200 head of cattle and 1,100 sheep. Also listed among small livestock with sheep and goats were the vaciada, numbering slightly over 1,600.

"In a systematic way we are discovering exact wall lines of structures on the site,

trying to determine the lifestyles of the Indians that inhabited the area," Fox said of the team's work. "We have found evidence of a three-room stone structure in addition to a number of brush and thatch houses, plus corrals."

She said the lifestyle of the Indians operating the ranch echoed those at the mission, but on a simpler scale. The site is very well preserved and the team has recovered quite a bit of ceramics which they hadn't anticipated finding.

Jones noted the lifestyles of the people at Las Cabras represented a mixture of cultures, mingling Indian and Spanish influences. The artifacts recovered ranged from crude Indian-style pottery to fine examples of imported Spanish ceramics. Other artifacts which the team has recovered include hardware, religious articles, crucifixes and beads.

## UT Medical School Gets Accredited

The medical school at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio has been accredited for the next seven years by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME), the national accrediting organization for medical schools.

"The seven-year accreditation is the longest the medical school has received in its 15-year history," said Dr. Marvin Dunn, dean of the school.

He added that the LCME, which conducted a site visit last winter and filed its final report a few weeks ago, was highly complimentary of the institution, the faculty and the educational programs.

"The report praised physical facilities such as classroom and student laboratory space, but noted a need for more faculty research labs, a consequence of the success of the faculty in competing for research grants," Dunn said. He added that the report also singled out for excellence the new library building, scheduled to open next year.

"The Committee was impressed with significant improvements in the relationship with Bexar County Hospital District," Dunn said, "which was a major concern on the last LCME visit."

## Loving County Loses One Person

Loving County isn't living up to its name. During 1981 the population fell to 90, down from 91 the previous year. No births were recorded in the far West Texas county while one death was reported.

## Youths Join Accident Study

4-H and FFA youth will have the opportunity to become accident investigators starting the week of Sept. 19-25. That's the week proclaimed by Governor Clements as Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Week.

During the week, youth will take part in the 1982 self-help accident report program being conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service of the

Texas A&M University System.

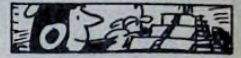
Dr. Gary Nelson, Extension safety engineer and coordinator of the study, said that 4-H and FFA youth will be given an accident report form through their 4-H leaders or school advisors. Their job will be to recall any serious accident that may have occurred to a family member or close friend in the past 12 months.

Nelson explained that if an accident has occurred, a full description of the incident will be prepared. Key questions also will lead the investigator to discover causes of the accident and how to prevent future occurrences.

Completed reports will be sent to Texas A&M university for study to get a statewide picture of the types of accidents occurring in homes

and on farms and ranches.

Nelson said that results of the study will be used to develop accident prevention educational programs for Texas families and agricultural producers.



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