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## Person-to-Person

Mr. and Mrs. Gas Jarvis recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Bern Vinck.

A new arrival here is David M. Poor III, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Poor, Jr., who was also welcomed by grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Wallace, and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David M. Poor, Sr. He also has many young aunts and uncles to greet him. His mother is the former Becky Wallace.

Mrs. John T. Martin of Pipe Creek visited in Helotes recently.

Mrs. Jim Ella Klemcke of Hills and Dales Estates and daughters, J. Renell and Wanda, flew to Baltimore, Maryland, recently to attend the wedding of her son and their brother, Harold G. Klemcke to Miss Clara Hughes. The wedding was on Saturday, May 30. Harold is a first lieutenant in the military intelligence. His wife will continue to work at NASA, near Baltimore, where they will make their home. Following the wedding, Mrs. J. E. Klemcke spent three weeks with her other son, Donald.

Sarah Walz who lives on Bandera Road here won first place in the Leon Valley Grange sewing contest. She went on to take third place in the Texas State Grange sewing contest, held recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Galm had as their guests over a recent weekend Mrs. Helen Perry of Iraan and Mrs. J. R. Fisk and Mrs. Mable Garner of Houston. They attended the dedication of the L.B.J. National Park.

The Loft Art Gallery—a tourist attraction gaining favor with art lovers—was recently opened across from Joske's of Texas. Ruby Rizzo, artist and president of the Helotes Art Guild, is one of the owners getting featured billing on TV. Located on the Alamo Plaza, the gallery stays open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on big days. Sounds like San Antonio's answer to New Orleans, where no one ever rolls up the sidewalks.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Leo Schott and her family in the recent death of her mother who was a resident of Bandera, Texas.

Expected to be here to celebrate his birthday July 16 is Marine Air Corps Sergeant Darrell D. Michel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Michel of Bandera Road here. A graduate of John Marshall and veteran of Viet Nam, he is at present stationed at New River, North Carolina.

Betsy Hart, Miss San Antonio 1970, is a San Antonio College student and a graduate of Marshall High School. We wish her well in the Miss Texas contest.

# Local Area Gets UT

## 600-Acre Campus To Be Open In '73

The University of Texas at San Antonio will begin taking shape here and will be opened about 1973. This is the biggest news in town.

The Eyes of Texas turned on this area May 29 as the Board of Regents—meeting in El Paso—settled the location

of the newest of three State branches of The University of Texas, created by legislative action in 1969. There were several other appealing sites around here—but all-in-all consensus is that the Regents made an excellent choice in naming the 600-acre site dubbed the Delavan property the winner.

Helotes is happy to welcome this institution to its midst, a poll of citizens indicates, despite a few reservations regarding unknown future problems.

The site was donated by Texas Industrial Profit Sharing Trust, Inc., after they acquired it from George B. Delavan, Sr., who made the original offer of 200 acres. Charles A. Kuper was one of the principal donors along with Servtex Materials Co. This was formerly part of the Moos Ranch.

It is stretched along Outer Loop 1604 and bounded by Babcock Road, Hausman, and near IH 10. There is excellent transportation for most present needs from many areas of South Texas as well as San Antonio and the Hill Country.

Taking Hausman Road to Loop 1604, it is about five miles from the Helotes post office. Hills and Dales, a local subdivision, is across 1604 and Del Oaks is on the Hausman Road side.

Dr. Arleigh Templeton arrived July 1 to take over his duties as UT/SA's first president. His headquarters will be a landmark restaurant and former French restaurant offered by the City of San Antonio and located on HemisFair grounds.

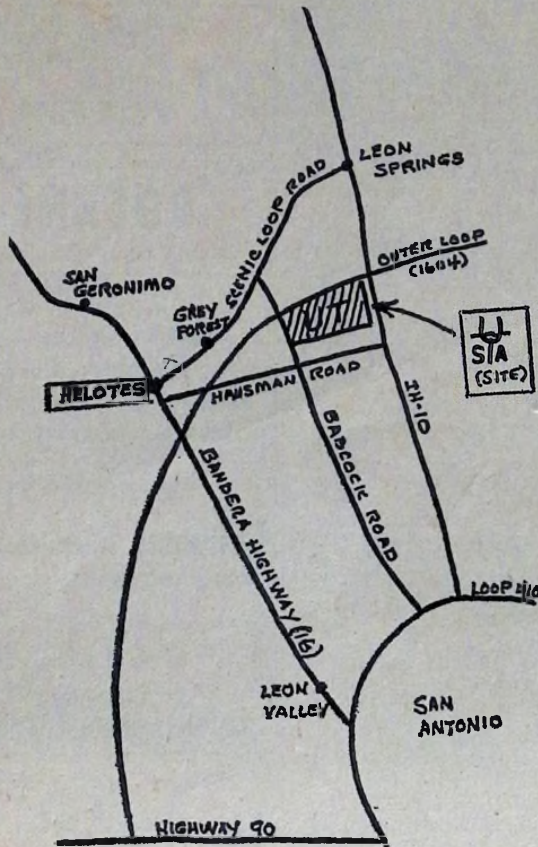
UT/SA was created by action of the Texas legislature in 1969, and funding of approximately \$30,000,000 is expected in the 1971 session. Doors of the campus

are due to be opened no later than September, 1973, and projections are that at least 3,500 students will enter. The mature growth is expected to be about 10 times greater, as the campus absorbs the student pressure from The University of Texas at Austin. The main University, founded in 1881 in Austin by action of the legislature, opened its first buildings to students in 1883. The Austin campus has the largest college enrollment in the State and has one of the 10 largest single enrollments in the United States. Official count for 1968-69 was 32,000 full-time students with several thousand more now.

At present, Dr. Templeton is conducting a preliminary study of the site and planning to consult with architects. The only noticeable structure on the land is a modest-sized windmill complex and the only residents to be moved off are livestock and the wary deer. The land is oak-studded and rolling with a crest in the center reminiscent of the original roll of Austin's famed Forty Acres.

Two similar branches created by the Legislature are The University of Texas at Arlington, serving the Fort Worth-Dallas area and The University of Texas at the Permian Basin for West Texas.

Land values here are reported to have been affected by the announcement, although the burgeoning Southwest Medical Center, including The University of Texas Medical School, had already put a premium on land from here to San Geronimo and over to Boerne. Leon Valley has been booming for the past two years.



This map shows the location of the 600-acre site chosen for the UT/SA, to serve the South Texas region. Hills and Dales lies just outside the Northwest boundary. Grey Forest Gas Utilities, belonging to the incorporated City of Grey Forest—also Northwest—has lines already on the campus. The utilities company serves 900 customers including Marshall High School and the City of Boerne, at present. IH 10 is the nearest major highway enabling easy access from San Antonio as well as the Hill Country. Loops 410 and 1604 make access from South Texas easy. San Antonians will have a wide range of routes.

## EDITORIAL

## Welcome To UT/SA

Such questions as "Will the drag be in Helotes?" or "How can we gain from this new institution?" are interesting and may even be proper—depending on why we ask. But the real purpose of a great University is to educate the minds of its students so that they may take their rightful place as leaders.

When all is said—there is no fortune greater than knowledge. The influence toward better scholarship even in elementary grades and in high school will be felt immediately as students in this area see a chance to go on to higher learning.

The University of Texas is not a school for the uneducated . . . and those who enter traditionally—although they may not be rich in any other respect—must be virtual scholars all their young lives to be able to survive the rigors of the classroom.

We welcome the school not only for the residents around here, but for all who may come from far and near—on scholarships with little cash to throw around—or in limousines. Helotes is like that, and so we say welcome to The University of Texas at San Antonio, and to all who come to teach or study or work here.



Little Roy Balero, Jr., who was one year old on July 2 gets his first haircut from Mrs. Elaine Graham at Ella's Barber Shop. He isn't too sure he approves. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Balero, Sr.



## Dentist Opens Practice Here

Dr. James R. Arthur, a native of Lindale which is near Tyler in East Texas — has moved this month to Helotes and is opening practice here as a dentist. His offices are located in the former dental office in the second unit of Helotes Park Plaza.

Dr. Arthur is a graduate of the Baylor University College of Dentistry in Dallas. He is married and has two little girls.

He chose Helotes, he said, because he enjoyed growing up in a small town and he also likes the Hill Country atmosphere here. Citizens of this community extend a welcome to him and his family.

Mr. Ernest Mazurek is home and in good health following a short stay at Methodist Hospital for a routine check-up.

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# Moorman-Lewis Exchange Vows

Miss Karren Moorman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Moorman of Helotes, became the bride of John David Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lewis of Pipe Creek, June 7 in a double ring ceremony at St. John's Lutheran Church in San Antonio. The bride's ring is a family heirloom, first belonging to her great



MRS. J. D. LEWIS

grandmother. Officiant was Rev. Milton E. Mayer.

Attending the bride were Miss Teddie Lou Galm, maid of honor, and bridesmaids Miss Malinda Lewis, sister of the groom; Misses Lanel Boezinger and Nancy Stafford, cousins of the bride. The flower girl was Miss Dawn Steubing.

The bride's gown was of peau de soie under several layers of nylon organza. The narrow waist was emphasized with a wide band of Irish lace, and the full wrist length sleeves were organza,

trimmed with Irish lace. Her elbow length veil of illusion fell from a bow trimmed with the same lace. She carried a Colonial bouquet made of mums, baby's breath, and leather leaf. The bridesmaids wore pale blue dotted swiss, and carried Colonial bouquets of small mums and blue baby's breath, circled with leather leaf. Her lace-trimmed train was attached at the waist with a large Irish lace bow.

The best man was H. S. Colvin, III, of Kennedy, Texas, and the groomsmen were James Moorman, brother of the bride; Dennis Flentge of Rosebud, Texas; and Gary Troebel, Bronte, Texas. Ushers were Kenneth Moorman, brother of the bride; Dale Schuchart, cousin of the bride; Emil Knochmal and Wayne Weirich of San Antonio; and James Evans, Bandera. Acolytes were Scott Moorman, brother of the bride, and Ricky Steubing. Charles Ahrens, Jr., was the ringbearer.

Soloist was Miss Kathie Boyd who flew down especially for the wedding from Roland, Iowa. William Dierks of Wetmore, Texas, was the organist. The brass ensemble included Jon Bohls from New Braunfels; Miss Rhonda Davis of Seguin; Miss Linda Williams and Arthur Phelps of Randolph AFB.

After a reception at the church, the bride and groom left for their honeymoon in Big Bend National Park. They will make their home in College Station, Texas.

## Town Conducts Study

Grey Forest property owners are encouraged to check at the City Hall for the accuracy of the new property survey which has been posted there, Mario Barrera, planning and zoning committee chairman, has announced. A revised record will be made to correct and bring up-to-date the preliminary survey.

A copy of all building ordinances also will be distributed in the near future, he concluded.

## Local Clubs Aid Lubbock Victims

The Helotes Lion's Club had the assistance of the Grey Forest Youth Club recently to stop traffic going and coming here on Highway 16. Twelve teenagers were among those helping collect \$500 to help victims of Lubbock's storm. The travellers gave cheerfully—some twice.

Youth Club assistants were

Jan O'Hara, Pam Nicholson, Jan Jones, Elaine Powell, Becky and Debbie Collier, Jeanette Shoaf, Lydia Alguiseva, Bruce Faust, David Darnell, Phil Pittman, Jr., and Kathy Dunford.

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of Leon Valley, was Gretchen Kuhn, their daughter, who is a Marshall graduate and honor student at Houston's Rice University. Their other daughter, Evelyn Kuhn Vanidestine, has also recently returned after a vacation in Hawaii with her husband, Capt. Dennis Vanidestine, who flew to Hawaii from Thailand.

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Benny Owens—in bathing shorts—is shown helping anchor Mrs. Pinnick's car—just removed from deep water. At the door, Ed Faust checks the interior after Mrs. Pinnick was assisted to safer ground. She replaced this car with one bought in New Braunfels where Dick Miller is in the automobile business as a manager.

## Well-Planned Rescue Averts Near Tragedy

When the flash flood arrived here the final Tuesday in May, Mrs. B. J. Pinnick—on her way home along the Scenic Loop Road after teaching first grade classes—found her Buick suddenly going off the low-water bridge at the Wagner (Menchaca) crossing. Two cars ahead had got through, but the headwaters rose suddenly. Water climbed over the motor, and she recalls setting her brakes to keep the heavy car from sliding into the deeper water. Did it occur to her that she might drown if rescue did not arrive? She says yes, although she was really too busy at the moment concentrating on what to do to let it worry her.

One car drove up—took a look and turned back. She didn't ever hear whether they saw her trouble. Then Mr. Edwin Faust and his son Bruce came along. They sized up the predicament—and promised to bring help speedily. From then on, Helotes neighbors went to work, and Mrs. Pinnick says that she can't name them all or thank them enough.

John Lackey tied a rope around the steering wheel. Jay Miller helped. Telephone employees, including Don Johnson, worked with guidelines. Jesse Alguiseva climbed a tree and tied two guide

## Gottschalk . . .

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on the line paid us. They were, of course, all party lines.

We sold kerosene for stoves as there was no gas out there at the time.

"We used to go in from here to Alamo Heights. At the big rock house in Leon Valley, we once had to spend the night. There was the Nine-Mile Hill from the creek up. It was a hard pull for the truck in those days. The chain drive broke and we rolled back down the hill. But folks were hospitable and we spent the night."

After the war began, no one in Helotes could sell beer, as the Army had a rule that none could be sold within 10 miles of an army camp. Leon Springs had the cavalry—where among others Lieutenant Dwight D. Eisenhower spent some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Mazuerk, Jr., are planning a holiday visit here from their home in Lafayette, La., where he works for Texaco Co. and travels throughout the swamps of Louisiana.

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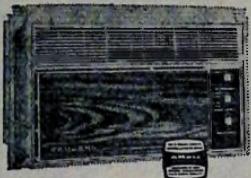
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## COUNTRY & WESTERN ROUND-UP

### He Never Picked Cotton At Least Not Too Much

By JOHN T. FLOORE

A gang of drop-outs and assorted transients were picking cotton for 35 cents per hundred pounds in Central Texas one hot day in September several years ago, and I noticed one young fellow who was very serious about his work. He was always humming some tune, but he just couldn't pick that cotton like the rest of us.

That night when we weighed in, I heard him tell the farmer that he wanted to get his pay as he was quitting that night. After he got his paltry sum, I asked him what he intended doing. This reply—"I am going to town and buy me a git-tar," if I have enough money, and learn to play it, and be one of them big singing cowboy Western fellers."

I never paid much attention to him, but several years later—after I went into show business—I began to hear about a young upcoming Country & Western singer named Willie Nelson, and upon inquiring around found out that he was the same little boy that I picked cotton with.

I had the opportunity of play-



WILLIE NELSON

ing him at the beginning, and he worked for peanuts then. But today he gets peanut butter on toast.

Willie Nelson is one of the tops today, leading all others in his field in many ways.

Willie will be at the Country Store, Saturday, July 25 for a homecoming. Make plans to give him a big welcome. He will appreciate it.

The very popular band which has attracted and pleased thousands at Floore store this year known as the Silver Dollar band, headed by the Ellison brothers, Larry and Gary, has become so popular and there's such a demand for them, they have organized another unit. They have been playing at Floore Country Store every Sunday afternoon for a free dance and will continue to do so throughout the year.

In addition, one of the Ellison brothers band will be playing for the regular Saturday night dance, alternating with that very popular Dale Keith aggregation. Larry Ellison will front the Silver Dollar Band and Gary Ellison will front the Gary Ellison Country Music Show. These bands are both tops and feature "Sticks Kennedy" the 10-year-old drummer, the most sensation-

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Don Reddout, who has been employed by Grey Forest Utilities since it was opened in 1968, was named acting manager by the Grey Forest city council at its meeting on May 21.

Former Mayor Jack Nottingham, who had doubled as manager during his administration, said that the gas utilities now had 900 customers.

Mayor C. O. Brown announced these special assignments for the members of the Grey Forest council: Mrs. Alta McCoy, Finance; Mrs. Ike Parrott, Fire and Police; Sherwood Nelson, Community Environment; H. A. Mikel, Roads and Parks; and Gary Prejean, City Utilities.

Mrs. Ike Parrott also was elected mayor pro tem by the council.

The council also passed city ordinances establishing a 20-mile-an-hour school speed zone along Scenic Loop Road and changing the name of Park Drive to Scenic Loop Drive from its intersection with Scenic Loop Road to its intersection with the old section of Scenic Loop Drive. Park Drive will remain the name of the street leading to the Lee Ranch.

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