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Person-to-Person

Margie Barker of Helotes Park Estates will be featured in a Christmas art show at the Northern Hills Gallery beginning Dec. 12.

Dining out at the Helotes General Store Restaurant Thursday night were, among others, the Fred Pizzini family of Bandera Road and the George Sterzenback family of Grey Forest.

The John Marshall High School choir will be singing Christmas carols along the San Antonio River Friday night, Dec. 11. The Coke Stevenson Middle School choir will sing Monday and Tuesday nights, Dec. 14 and 15. A group from the John Marshall foreign language department also will sing Tuesday night.

Westfall Branch Library is exhibiting the watercolors, posters and pencil studies of Judy Bauch Teal during December.

Cathy McFeaters has been named editor-in-chief of the John Marshall Rampage, student newspaper.

"Roadrunner" Tony Gonzalez III, a graduate of Holmes High School, is the mascot of the University of Texas at San Antonio.

John Marshall's Paul Gruber and Jay High's Holly Shupp will be Romeo and Juliet in Northside District's 1981 Shakespeare Festival, all this month at the Northside high schools.

Dr. Wm. S. Rowe, practitioner at Town and Country Veterinary Hospital and Leon Valley Veterinary Clinic, recently attended the Ninth Annual Veterinary Surgical Forum in Chicago.

Eighty-five lecturers, mostly professors of surgery at American veterinary medical schools, presented new techniques, new equipment and the results of surgical research in an intensive surgical forum.

Dr. Rowe, a member of the Texas Academy of Veterinary Practice with a

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Council Sets Hearing

The Helotes City Council which will meet on Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. in the PARC Building will adjourn for a Public Hearing to begin at 8 p.m. This will be for the presentation by the budget committee of the proposed budget for the City of Helotes.

At the meeting Dec. 3, the council approved the names of eight persons to serve on the new Zoning and Planning Commission, and appointed Dr. Bob Demski as Public Health Officer.

In a previous executive session, Nov. 24, Ed Lytle was appointed Acting City Attorney. The contract was to be signed this week.

Approximately 17 citizens attended the meeting which is open and is scheduled regularly for Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the PARC Building at Helotes United Methodist Church. Mary Stiles is City Secretary.

Rain In Nov. Below Normal

November '81 will go down in memory as mostly dry and sunny here. Total rainfall for the month was only .6 inches, but Henry Brauchle, local weather observer and rancher, says he has seen Novembers drier than that.

Last year, November had a welcome 5.6 inches, and 1980 finished with a total of 32.6, safely above average.

Rainfall in 1981 is about 55.7 inches. Two months—June with 16.7 inches and October with 12.4 inches—accounted for about half the year's rainfall. If those mon-

ths had been following each other, flooding would have occurred, he said.

The most rainfall for the year was noted in 1973 with 64.8 inches. A rain is needed now for good range conditions, believe it or not, Mr. Brauchle said.



Christmas Days Coming

Dec. 12-13

Helotes To Hold Holiday Open House

Next Saturday and Sunday—December 12 and 13—known as Helotes Christmas Days—might be described as a week-end in old Helotes as well as the surrounding

shopping areas. Sponsored by the Helotes merchants, it is time for all the hectic shopping and fun associated with more sophisticated times to come to a blaring halt and for everyone to head for or stay in the hills and think about what Christmas celebrating is all about.

Since Helotes has a knack for parties, this one has grown over the years—usually because the local art groups invite everyone to shows and sales. Then everyone needs a Christmas tree and Christmas greenery—and that calls for suitable ornaments and homespun decorations...Since horse and buggy days, the leaves of Helotes have shone as the best sight during the holidays. Now the merchants can add antiques and gifts galore for the shopper to browse and choose.

Everyone is invited to an auction, to see the specialties in the shops, to bargain hunt, and to stay for dancing in the well-known places as Floore Country Store.

Wanda Terry, chairman of Christmas Days here, and one of the owners of Helotes General Store, has made space available for local artists and craftsmen to display their wares in the front of the Store—now undergoing many changes. That is also the location of the auction Saturday afternoon with Jack Not-

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Walking away with the honors as the Color Guard for the recent installation of the Mayor and City Council were the girls from the Girl Scout Troop No. 463 after the Boy Scouts were unable to attend. Joe Bambeck was in charge of the presentation.

Law Alumni To Hear TV Newsman

CBS Television newsman Bob Schieffer is the guest speaker at the St. Mary's University Law Alumni Association annual banquet tonight, Dec. 4, at La Mansion del Rio Hotel.

Ernest A. Raba, dean of St. Mary's law school from 1946-78, will be honored as the school's Distinguished Alumnus of the Year. He was a student in the first freshman class of the St. Mary's law school and graduated top of the class in 1937.

Schieffer's subject is "Information Explosion: Television in an Age of Momentous Events."

Before joining CBS in 1969, Schieffer was a reporter for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and an anchorman for WBAP-TV in Dallas-Fort Worth. He was the first Texas newspaperman to report from Vietnam.

His coverage for CBS included weekend news anchorman, the White House, the Pentagon, Democratic and Republican political conventions, and Presidential elections.

Schieffer also has contributed to numerous CBS documentaries, including specials on the White House and Watergate, U.S. defense, and the Pentagon operations.

He currently is a CBS national correspondent assigned to Washington, D.C.

Raba became dean of St. Mary's law school in 1946 when the school was located downtown at 112 College.

When he relinquished the position of dean in 1978 to assume fulltime teaching duties at the school, he had occupied the longest continuous deanship of any living law dean in the United States.

Among guests at the banquet will be The Rev. David Paul, S.M., St. Mary's new president; and last year's distinguished law alumnus

Judge Ted Z. Robertson, Dallas Court of Appeals.

Virginia Van Steenberg is president of St. Mary's Law Alumni Association. Other officers are Frank Herrera, vice president; Jane Bockus, secretary; and Frank R. Southers, treasurer.

Suburban to add branch

Suburban Savings, 1735 South W. W. White Road, has revealed plans to open their second facility at 7072 Bandera Highway. The announcement was made by Richard N. Waite, Jr., president of Suburban Savings Association.

Suburban Savings will occupy 1,400 square feet in the Grass Valley Shopping Center currently under construction by the Rohde/Wade Development Company. A half-acre adjacent tract of land will later be developed

into a drive-in teller facility.

Kris Crow, who has been named manager of the Grass Valley branch, said Suburban Savings selected this site in order to give residents of the Leon Valley-Helotes area a much needed financial facility for both savings and loans.

The new Suburban Savings Grass Valley building, located at Bandera Highway and Grass Valley just south of Huebner Road, is scheduled to open mid-January, 1982.

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David Amram, internationally-known American composer-conductor, will come to Kerrville from New York to conduct soloists, chorus and orchestra in highlights from Handel's Christmas oratorio "Messiah" at Kerrville Municipal Auditorium at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 13.

The sacred holiday season concert is the first in a series of five special events being presented by the non-profit Kerrville Music Foundation, Inc. as its first Kerrville Winter Music Festival. Tickets will be available at the auditorium box office one hour before the performance at \$6 for adults and \$3 for youth, ages 18 and under.

The Festival Orchestra, which includes more than a dozen of last Summer's Festival Orchestra members, is drawn from the Austin Symphony Orchestra and will be performing both the Overture and Pastoral Symphony in addition to seven recitatives, five airs and five choruses from "Messiah" concluding with the famed "Hallelujah" chorus.

Engagement Announced



A formal announcement party on Saturday, Nov. 28 was given by Mrs. Carol Haese to announce the engagement of her daughter, Miss Linda Haese to Salvador Farias III.

The bride-elect is a graduate of John Marshall High School. She is presently attending San Antonio Beauty College.

Her fiancé was educated at Antonian Prep School and is a graduate of John Marshall High School also. He is presently employed at McCoy's Lumber Company.

They have selected August 15, 1982, for the wedding date.

Planetarium To Show First Christmas Skies

Recent information which indicates that Christ's birth may have occurred several years later than previously thought will be the subject of "The Story of the Christmas Star" at the San Antonio College Planetarium beginning Sunday, Dec. 6.

A new edition of the program will be presented at the planetarium at 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Dec. 6, 13 and 20.

This year's program will discuss recent information which indicates that previous ideas about Christ's birth probably are wrong, as are ideas about the location of the Christmas Star or the Star of Bethlehem which heralded the birth of Christ.

Astronomers now believe Christ's birth occurred several years later than originally estimated and have identified several celestial objects such as comets, meteors, novae and the planets as the object called the Star of Bethlehem.

The first part of the program will attempt to pinpoint the time of Christ's birth. The various space bodies which could be the new Christmas Star then will be examined.

Admission for "The Story of the Christmas Star" is \$1 for persons 18 and older. Students six to 18 are admitted for 50 cents. Children

under six are not admitted to public shows. Admission for SAC and St. Phillip's students and faculty is free.

The Dec. 20 program will be the last public planetarium show for 1981. The planetarium then will close for public shows until the first Sunday in February, when it will reopen with a new program.

Mary Maskew, secretary of the Leon Valley Grange has announced that the Christmas Party will be Saturday, Dec. 19 at 2 p.m. at the Grange Hall. There will be games and refreshments for the members and their invited friends.

The Lions and Lionesses will have their annual Christmas Ham and Covered Dish Supper at the Lions Club Pavilion on Sunday, Dec. 13 during Helotes Christmas Days, from 4 p.m. The meal will be served at 6 p.m. and members will bring any guests they have during the celebration.

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Dr. Young Joins Staff

Dr. Carlton E. Young has joined the staff at Town and Country Veterinary Hospital and Leon Valley Veterinary Clinic.

Dr. Young comes from the Hondo area. He graduated from Hondo High School in 1972, and entered Texas A&M University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science in 1976. After earning this degree, he worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the Screw Worm Eradication program and with the

Medina County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office.

In 1978, Dr. Young returned to A&M to study veterinary medicine. In 1980, while attending veterinary school, he was awarded his second Bachelor of Science degree—in Veterinary Science. Then, in 1981, he earned his DVM from the College of Veterinary Medicine. In addition to these

academic experiences, he has interned with veterinarians in the San Antonio area.

Dr. Young has begun his practice of veterinary medicine as a general practitioner, with a specialty interest in small animal internal medicine.

His non-professional interests include music, golf, hunting and fishing.

Dr. Young is married to the former Lee Ann McWilliams, also of Hondo.

Martha John DeWitt has been visiting her Mother, Hardie Warden and was among the guests at the birthday party this week for Linnie Varnon given by Cleo Taylor with several close friends also acting as co-hostesses. Linnie—active in the community—is going to celebrate her 86th birthday on Sunday, Dec. 6.

November 30 marked the birthday also of Ross Barham, a well-known citizen. His wife, Matilda Barham, former postmistress of Helotes, is improving after having been hospitalized recently. Mr. Barham is a charter member of the Helotes Historical Society and a former contractor.

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ingham as auctioneer. The profits—over expenses—will be used as a gift to the Historical Society from the merchants, she said.

Several Street sales will be offered and there is even a possibility that Santa Claus will arrive Saturday—mode of transportation at this time still uncertain. He may commandeer a buckboard, wagon, or fire engine.

The local churches will be having advent and Christmas services as usual. And there is too much that will be sponsored to report it all.

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specialty interest in veterinary surgery, stated that this is one of the most informative seminars offered in the field of veterinary surgery—with veterinarians from all states and several foreign countries attending.

Houseguests of Carol and James Lancaster this week are Olga and David Kwiecien and daughter, Christine, from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The Lancasters with their children, Kimberley and James, enjoyed a trip during the summer to Fort Lauderdale to see their friends.

Lydia Alguiseva has returned from a visit to Hawthorne, California and she also accompanied friends on a sightseeing tour of Universal Studios. Her parents, Joe and Stella Alguiseva of Floore Country Store made a hunting trip to Colorado, but Joe had to come back to the Hill Country to get a deer, this year.

Mrs. Terry says, "Come on out and have fun—probably in the sun."

New Bank

National Bancshares Corporation of Texas has announced that its application to organize National Bank of Commerce—Wurzbach has been accepted for filing by the Comptroller of the Currency.

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Fine-Feathered Friends To Fare Well



A tree-trimming event—the second annual "Christmas is for the Birds, Too"—is scheduled at Helotes Elementary School on Friday, Dec. 18, at 8 a.m. Sponsored by the Lionesses Club of Helotes, the good things birds like—such as popcorn and sunflower seeds—are hung in garlands on trees for the birds to find.

Shown here are some of the boys and girls who took part in the first annual trim. Here one child asks a friend's opinion of the dainty fare to be hung.

Lionesses and teachers supervise the event, and the Lionesses have a Dec. 14 workshop to complete the garlands at the Lion's Club Building.

Las Posadas Set For River Walk On Dec. 13

Twinkling lights and shining faces will signal the beginning of the San Antonio Christmas season when the glow of thousands of candles illuminate the banks of the San Antonio River during the 13th Annual Fiesta de las Luminarias, Dec. 11, 12 and 13.

Candles in white paper sacks lining the River Walk from La Mansion del Rio to the Arneson River Theater are the focus of the "Festival of lights." On Dec. 13 the river will be the setting for a Las Posadas pageant.

Fiesta de las Luminarias follows a tradition begun by Spanish villagers in the mid-1500's to represent lighting the Holy Family's way to Bethlehem. The luminaries have evolved through the centuries from blazing pinon boughs to today's candles.

Fiesta de las Luminarias is sponsored by the San Antonio River (Paseo del Rio) Association.

The Las Posadas pageant, sponsored by the San Antonio Conservation Society and the River Association, reenacts Mary and Joseph's search for an inn. The pageant will begin at sundown on Sunday, Dec. 13. The public is invited to join Members of the Conservation Society in the pilgrimage along Paseo del Rio. The pageant will assemble at La Mansion del Rio and journey to La Villita Assembly Hall patio, where hot chocolate and bunuelos will be served.

Choral groups will continue caroling nightly on the Paseo del Rio through December 22 as part of the 1981 Downtown Holiday River Festival.

High Blood Pressure Study Funded Here

Between 20 million and 40 million people in the U.S. suffer from high blood pressure (hypertension). Some six million to nine million of them are over age 65.

With the help of a newly-awarded federal research grant, a physician at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio hopes to prove his hypothesis that hypertension

should be treated differently in different patients according to their ages.

"Medicine's ability to control high blood pressure has increased tremendously since the 1950s, but a large proportion of people being treated still are not well-controlled," said Alexander Shepherd, M.D., Ph.D., assistant professor of pharmacology and medicine.

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President Ford To Speak

Former President Gerald R. Ford will be the keynote speaker at a free enterprise dinner to be sponsored by the St. Mary's University School of Business and Administration Jan. 28 at La Mansion del Norte Hotel.

Ford's address will be the fourth in a series the St. Mary's School of Business is conducting during the 1981-82 academic year as Forums on the Future of Free Enterprise.

The former President is expected to discuss the responsibility of government to guarantee economic freedom.

St. Mary's free enterprise forums are supported by the Dr. Scholl Foundation and the Association of Private Enterprise Education.

Tickets for the Ford reception at 7 p.m. and banquet at 8 p.m. are \$50.

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Our Lady of Guadalupe Day Set

A celebration of the 450th anniversary of the appearance in Mexico of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas, will be observed Saturday, Dec. 12, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church here. The anniversary of the present church edifice will also be observed.

The community celebration has been a tradition in Helotes for many years.

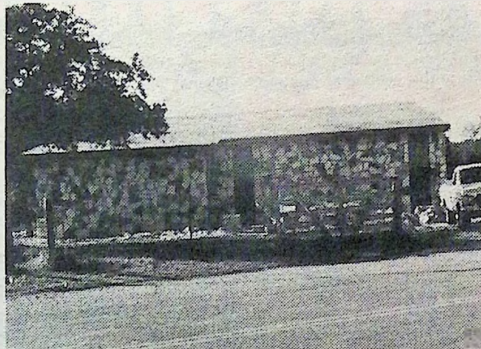
The observance will begin with a Mass at 7 p.m. celebrated by Rev. Ed Jach, pastor. Giving the homily will be Rev. Robert Sargent, S.M. A Spanish choir directed by Deacon G. T. Zapata will sing, and a Children's

Liturgical Dance will be performed by children from the parish.

There will be the traditional procession of Roses with a representative for Juan Diego, who saw the apparition of the Virgin of Guadalupe in 1531.

For the first time, the new hall nearing completion will be used for the social event. The ladies of the Altar Society will serve tamales, pan dulce and beverages. The entire community is invited to attend this celebration.

The church and new hall are both located on Riggs Road in downtown Helotes, off Bandera Road.



Although not quite ready for a grand opening, the new hall will be used for the first time Saturday, Dec. 12—marking a highlight of the religious and social celebration.

Christmas Kettles Are 90-Year Tradition

The familiar red kettles of the Salvation Army that appear on the Christmas scene around San Antonio immediately after Thanksgiving are now a 90-year-old tradition.

A major fund-raising device to assure Christmas Cheer to needy families and children, the kettles date back to December of 1891, when a Salvation Army captain, in San Francisco, resolved to provide a free Christmas dinner to 1,000 poor persons. But—he thought—how was he to pay for the food?

As he went about his daily tasks, his thoughts suddenly went back to his days as a sailor in Liverpool, England. On the Stage Landing there he had seen a large pot, called "Simpson's pot," into which charitable donations were thrown by passers-by.

The next morning he secured permission from city

authorities to place a similar pot at the Oakland Ferry landing at the foot of Market Street. No time was lost in securing the pot and placing it in a conspicuous place.

By Christmas of 1895 the kettle was used in 30 Salvation Army Corps areas in various parts of the West Coast. When two young Salvation Army officers instrumental in the original use of the kettles were transferred back East, they took with them the idea of the Christmas kettle.



Echo File Photo

The anniversary of this church building—Our Lady of Guadalupe—will be observed, along with the 450th anniversary of the appearance of the madonna to Juan Diego in Mexico, will be observed here during Helotes Christmas Days.

Edwards District Gets Delay In Wildlife Suit

The Edwards Underground Water District has approved an agreement with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to delay litigation for a period ending May 31, 1982, concerning the Fish and Wildlife Service designation of a critical habitat for aquatic and plant species in the San Marcos Springs area.

The agreement does not affect the legal positions of the parties to the civil action instituted by the EUWD in the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, Aug. 14, 1980. The sole intent is to stay the litigation while defendants attempt to develop recovery plans for the four designated species that will provide a basis for settlement of the litigation.

The goal of the recovery plan will be either to downlist or de-list the species designated by the FWS as the fountain darter, San Marcos salamander, the gambusia and Texas wild rice. The first three are aquatic life.

Tom Fox, EUWD general manager, stated the district feels "it is a victory on our part to get the FWS to agree to add a member of the

EUWD to the recovery team and to make a complete analysis of the economic impact of such things as restrictions of ground water pumping."

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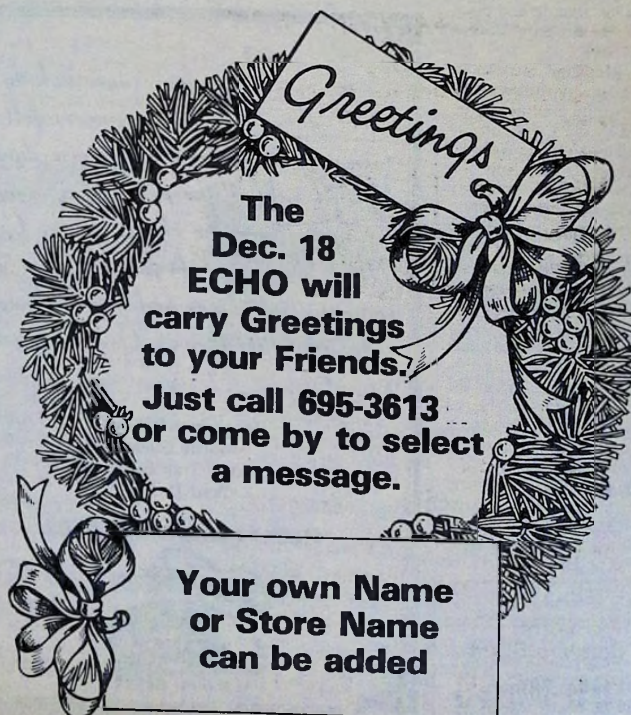
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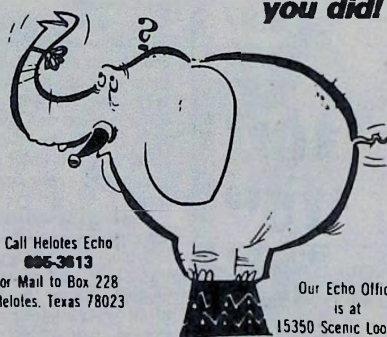
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

An exhibit of new works by San Antonio College art faculty member Ray Cox continues, Koehler Cultural Center, 310 W. Ashby, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission free. All works in the show are collages made from found materials, chiefly paper.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

The annual rummage sale of the Sisterhood of Agudas Achim Synagogue will open, 1201 Donaldson Avenue, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The sale will continue on Sunday, same hours.

The first invitational show and sale of the Texas Glass Artists Association will open, Mercantile Bank, Loop 410 at McCullough, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sponsored jointly by the National Kidney Foundation and Bexar Kiwanis Club to aid children with kidney disease. The show will continue through Friday, Dec. 11. Free admission and parking.

The San Antonio College Madrigal Singers and the Early Music Ensemble will present "A Merry Old English Christmas," McAllister Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Admission \$2 and \$1.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

Texas Attorney General Mark White will be the featured speaker for the semi-annual meeting of the Alamo Area Council of Governments, Airport Holiday Inn, noon. Tickets \$8.50.

The San Antonio Police Department will hold an auction of motor vehicles unclaimed by former owners, Police Storage Lot, 3625 Growdon Road, 10 a.m.

St. Mary's University music department will present its Christmas concert, Treadaway Hall Auditorium, 8 p.m. Admission free.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

"Coping With Inflation," a National Issue Forum sponsored by the National Retired Teachers Association and American Association of Retired Persons, will open, San Antonio Convention Center, 10 a.m. Admission free. Betty Furness, NBC consumer reporter, will speak. The forum will continue through Saturday, Dec. 12.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

Helotes Christmas Days Sales will open, Downtown Helotes and Helotes Park Plaza, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Christmas Days Sales will continue on Sunday.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

A traditional German candlelighting Christmas service will be held, Trinity University's Margarite B. Parker Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Admission free.

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The Lucky X Turkey Shoot, sponsored by the John Marshall Naval ROTC Booster Club is scheduled for Sunday, December 13 from noon 'til dark at the National Gun Club on Hwy. 471.

Johnny Blackman, chairman of the event, said that shotguns only, not larger than 10 gauge will be allowed. There will be 100 dressed turkeys given as prizes for the target shoot. Proceeds go to the ROTC unit for equipment needed.

Deadline

Deadline for applying for admission to the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary center in San Antonio is Dec. 18 for the spring semester, according to J. David Fite, off-campus center coordinator.

Classes will begin Jan. 18. Registration for new and former students is at 10 a.m. Jan. 5 in the administration building at Mexican Baptist Bible Institute. Late registration will continue through Jan. 25.

Application and additional registration information may be obtained from Jeter Basden, director of admissions and registrar, P. O. Box 22000, Fort Worth, Texas 76122.



(L-R) Dorothy (Kathy Molter) is caught by the Wicked Witch of the West (J.D. Robertson) in "The Wizard of Oz" at the Maddux Theatre of Incarnate Word College through Dec. 12. For times and tickets call 828-7500, noon to 5 p.m.

Textbook On Aquifer Out

The first definitive textbook dealing specifically with the Edwards Aquifer, titled "Water, Water Conservation, and the Edwards Aquifer," is being provided at no cost to all earth science classes in the 28 school districts in the five-county Edwards District. It was prepared by the EUWD and Southwest Texas State University's Edwards Aquifer Research and Data Center. The text was written principally by Edmund A. Marek, Ph.D., assistant director of the EARDC (Education Center); Thomas P. Fox, general manager of the EUWD; and Glenn Longley, Ph.D., director of the EARDC.

The soft-cover book, with full color photographs, maps, charts and drawings, covers such subjects as the water cycle, surface and ground water, run-off and recharge, geology of the Edwards, water use, and water conservation and resource planning.

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