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Person-to-Person

Mrs. Calvin D. Foster, wife of Lion Club Officer Cal Foster, has been receiving much recognition lately for her fine work as president of the San Antonio genealogical society. She is a Mitchell from Tyler and versed on many Texas family histories.

This is the time for Christmas shopping and the holiday parties and open houses are being scheduled daily. The Women's Club had its annual celebration Dec. 2. The Silver Belles will have theirs on December 12.

The Wrangling Wrecks will have their big party at the NCO Club of East Kelly on Dec. 17, and will include dinner-dancing music. A. C. Medrano is entertainment chairman, and Oran B. Manwarren, Hub and club secretary, or Arturo P. Garcia, president and Wheel, can be contacted for details.

Mrs. Royce (Jerry) Cottrell has been hospitalized and her friends are hoping that she will soon be better.

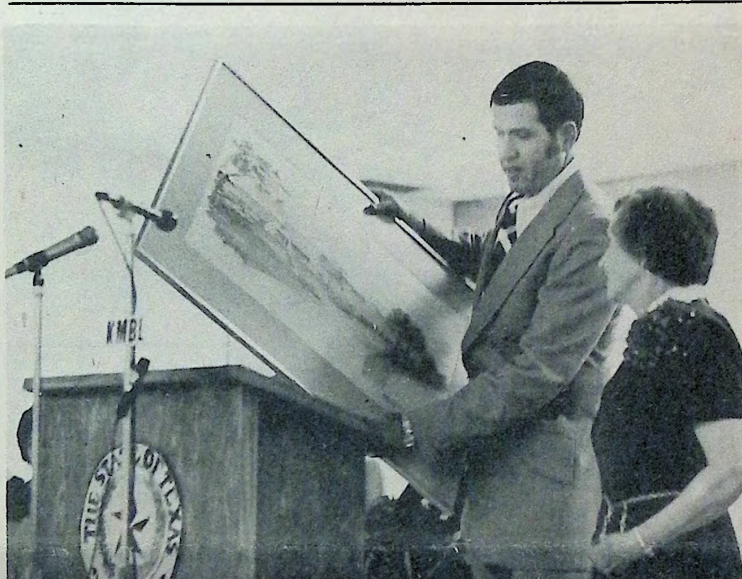
Among faculty members and their families are many who have chosen Helotes and the nearby countryside for their homes—making the trip daily to UTSA especially close. John and Jeanne Hackett from Connecticut now reside on Scenic Loop Drive in Grey Forest in the former home of the nationally known artist Robert Wood whose prints of landscapes have been best sellers. Hackett is a professor of English at UTSA.

Martha Finto will be guest pianist at the Trinity University Community Orchestra performance Thursday, Dec. 11, playing Beethoven. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Finto and has been studying piano since she was eight. She has studied music in London and is a Trinity student.

Deborah Siege Gaschen and Alice Ann Hardy of San Antonio are nominees of Trinity University for the national competition for 65 Danforth Fellowships for College Teaching Careers.

Mrs. Gaschen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Clifford Siege of 451 Graham. She is majoring in social sciences and pre-medicine. Miss Hardy is the daughter of Harvey L. Hardy of 215 Atwater. She is majoring in mathematics and economics.

1500 Acres To Be Developed Near Leon Valley



Photos by Bill Terry
An architect's drawing of Coke R. Stevenson Middle School is presented to Mrs. Stevenson by Vice Principal John Armstrong during dedication ceremonies.

Wayne Nance, president of Royal Crest Homes, announced a new development to cover 1,500 acres and be known as The Great Northwest, to be located along Culebra Road north of Grissom with easy access to this area and to The University of Texas at San Antonio.

The subdivision, estimated to be developed at a cost of \$37,500,000, was presented at a gathering at Oak Hills Country Club—where a map was displayed.

Three divisions listed will be called Emerald Valley, Amber Hill, and Silver Creek, work on which has already been in progress.

The rolling land has cedar, oaks and many fine native plants such as laurel and persimmons, and these will not be destroyed, he said. The homes are expected to cost from \$35,000 to 45,000 for homeowners who purchase them.

Freshmen, Sophomores Welcome At UTSA

Freshmen and sophomores will be able to attend The University of Texas at San Antonio three months ahead of schedule—beginning in June, 1976, UTSA President Peter T. Flawn has announced. Summer classes will begin June 2—less than six months from now. Dr. Flawn said UTSA will accept applications for the summer sessions now. Juniors and seniors have been on campus—along with graduate students—since September.

The decision to enroll freshmen and sophomores this summer will enable students who planned to attend UTSA in fall, 1976, to get a head start, he said.

Local students who attend college away from here will be able to attend UTSA classes while they are home for the summer also.

UTSA also offers a credit-by-examination program for students who have acquired knowledge about a subject through special studies, training or experience.

"Scholarships, grants, loans and a work-study program will be available for students, including freshmen and sophomores, during the summer sessions," Dr. Flawn said.

Freshmen are admitted at UTSA on the basis of their high school class ranks and entrance examination scores. They may take either the Scholastic Aptitude Test or the College Entrance Examination Board (SAT) or the

Dedication Ceremonies Honor Gov. Coke Stevenson



Photo by Bill Terry
Mrs. Coke R. Stevenson presents a gavel used by the late Gov. Stevenson to the student body of the Coke R. Stevenson Middle School. Accepting the memento is Steward Goodson, left.

Mrs. Coke R. Stevenson, widow of the former Texas Governor for whom Northside ISD's seventh middle school is named, spent Nov. 25 at the new school, greeting audiences at two ceremonies. About 1600 students now attend the school opened in September. Key speaker for the 9 a.m. dedication at the school located at Guilbeau and Tezel Roads was San Antonio lawyer and long-time Stevenson associate, J. Kellis Dibrell. Gov. Stevenson—who had been given the honor of having the school named for him before his recent death—was represented by

delegation from Junction.

Northside School Board President, Dr. Carl Raba, greeted 30 visitors from Stevenson's hometown of Junction at 7:30 p.m. ceremonies.

Participating in evening dedication was 16-year-old Coke Stevenson Corbo, San Antonio, great-grandson of the late Governor.

Guests at Stevenson Dedication included: Mrs. Coke R. Stevenson; Mr. and Mrs. Coke R. Stevenson, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Murr (Jane Stevenson Murr) a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Mel Corbo (Linda Stevenson Corbo) a granddaughter; Master Coke Stevenson Corbo great-grandson; Master Scott Corbo, great-grandson; Miss Scotty Stevenson, granddaughter; Mrs. C. Gardner Franks, sister.

The ceremony was broadcast in its entirety to Junction over Radio Station KMBL.

Christmas Lights To Benefit PARC

A Memorial Christmas Tree, sponsored by Alpha Rho Chapter of ESA, will be lighted Dec. 14 on the grounds of Helotes Hills United Methodist Church. For a dollar donation to the PARC fund, a light will be turned on in memory of

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Marie Conley played for the Women's Club while guests and members sang Christmas carols at their annual party.



Photo by Bill Terry
Stevie Johnson—youngest guest at the Helotes Women's Club Christmas party—follows Mrs. Lucile Owen down the covered dish line. He is son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Johnson who also attended. Some 40 persons enjoyed the turkey dinner, auction, and gifting.

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Artist Richard Shader answers questions put by a couple of buyers at the annual Christmas Art Show and Sale now in progress at the Helotes Art Gallery here. Weather permitting art is shown outdoors and the public is enjoying it.

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Alamo Savings Pays Dividend

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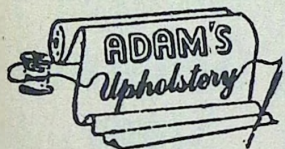
Free Concert

The Trinity University chamber singers will present a Christmas concert Sunday, Dec. 14 at 8 p.m. in the Chapman Graduate Center Great Hall.

Open to the public, the free concert will include a program of motets and carols from the 1500s and 1600s as well as from the 1960s and 1970s.

The 14-member chamber singers select group is directed by Professor of Music Claude Zetty.

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Folkloric Dancers To Be At VFW Hall



Teresa Champion, who will appear here at the VFW Hall Saturday night, is shown dancing at the recent Folklife Festival. She teaches the Helotes children who will be dancing also.

Fiesta Folklorica de Helotes will present its "First Christmas Show" Saturday, December 13, at 7:00 p.m. at the VFW Hall here on Bandera Road.

Teresa Champion, instructor and director, will bring professional and student groups from her San Antonio studio to perform with her Helotes students in 15 acts.

Ms. Champion and her own children, Chayito and Elsa, will perform also. Mr. Champion, "El Curro," famed flamenco guitarist, will play for these dances.

Ms. Champion will bring members from her famed company "Fiesta Flamenca" who dance to "El Curro's" flamenco guitar. Among these will be Josie Champion (El Curro's sister) and Lulu Chavez.

Members of Fiesta Folklorica composed of parents with Mrs. Gloria Valadez as president are making costumes and decorating the hall.

Snack foods will be sold at intermission.

Admission is open to the public. Donation for adults is \$1.50 and 75 cents for children. For further information call Mrs. Arturo Garcia at 695-3586. Children from six years old may join groups of 12 students in new classes also.

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Helotes dancers here do the Flamenco before a Folklife audience at HemisFair Plaza. They have recently entertained the Women's Club and the Lions Club here, and will appear Saturday at VFW.

Exhibit Features Chamber Music Presidency Trio To Appear

An exhibition entitled "The Presidency: Irreverent and Relevant" is being presented at the Trinity University Coates Center through Dec. 17.

The exhibition includes original prints, posters and memorabilia related to the presidents of the United States, and issues and slogans of their presidential campaigns.

Dates for the exhibit coincide with the American Issues Forum topic "A President: An Elected Executive."

The San Antonio Chamber Music Society will sponsor a chamber music concert on December 10 when the Hillyer trio will perform at Incarnate Word Auditorium at 9:15 p.m.

The program includes works by Mozart, Saint-Saens and Hindemith; tickets can be purchased at the door the night of the performance.

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The West Side Lions Club will sponsor free diabetes screening tests Saturday, December 13, at Ben's Food Super Market, 510 Hwy 90 West, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. under the direction of the San Antonio Chapter of the American Diabetes Association.

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As one shrewd person pointed out—The trucks can bring things cheaper than a busy person can drive, then waste time walking around large stocks of merchandise unrelated to their needs, fight crowds for attention and the whole bit of city shopping.

Ann Landers in a recent column, nationally syndicated, said she wished she knew the answer to what a small, independent businessman can do. It is difficult to convince his friends and neighbors to shop at home or to appeal to those who like the personal attention they seldom get in the impersonal giant stores.

Ann was commenting on a letter from a small merchant who pointed out that there are millions of "little people" who have small stores. In fact, most businesses start that way.

The letter put such questions as "Who do you ask to cash your checks? Who do you ask for credit when things are tight? Who do you ask for contributions for your raffles, etc.?"

The merchant asked how often do you drive past his place of business and go to a giant store thinking you might save a few cents without giving the local merchant a chance or comparing his prices?

It is Christmas time and your local merchants have bought wholesale with you in mind. If they do not have everything, most of them will order it for you specifically. That personal attention adds a dimension to life in a smaller town that big city dwellers can only remember—unless they have the good sense to drive out and shop here, too.

ECHOS FROM THE PAST

"Observations Upon Soups."

"When one reflects that two centuries ago Soup was of such importance in the diet that the Soup Tureen was upon practically every table and the wise traveller carried Soup in his pocket on long journeys, it seems strange to find it of so little consequence today. The thoughtful reader who is also an accomplished cook would find much profit in studying the herbs, seasonings and vegetables that gave these old soups their distinction. He may not find pocket soup as necessary as did that compleat Gentleman, William Byrd of Westover in Virginia, Esquire, who, in 1729, recommended his favorite Recipe to Forrester in his "History of the Dividing Line," saying:

"... This Glue is so strong, that two or three drams, dissolved in boiling water, with a little salt, will make half a pint of good Broth, and if you should be faint with fasting or fatigue, let a small piece of this glue melt in your mouth, and you will find yourself surprisingly refreshed.

One pound of this cookery would keep a man in good heart above a month, and is not only nourishing but likewise wholesome... But as it will be only used now and then, in times of scarcity, when game is wanting, two pounds of it will be enough for a journey of six months.

But this Broth will be still more heartening if you thicken every mess with half a spoonful of Rockahominy, which is nothing but Indian Corn parched without burning, and reduced to powder..."

Contract Let For Turnarounds

Highway construction contracts let in November by the State Highway and Public Transportation

Commission include Bexar County work in this area. Houston Bridge and Engineering Co., of Houston was awarded the contract with the low bid of \$230,260.76.

The project includes retaining walls, turnarounds and entrance ramps on Interstate Highway 10 at Huebner and Wurzbach Road. The turnarounds will decrease congestion at the intersection by allowing left turns between the frontage roads and expressway, eliminating stops at the traffic signals.

The work, which will require an estimated 160 working days, will be under the direction of John Stockton, Supervising Resident Engineer, State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

Long Career Of Help With Poor



Sister Mary Benetia Vermeersch, C.D.P., died Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the age of 93 years. She had spent 70 years as a Sister of Divine Providence, mainly in Texas.

Born in Brussels, Belgium, in 1882, she came with her parents and two brothers to Texas, where her parents both died in 1893. She was educated by the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio and in Mexico, where she learned to speak Spanish and came to love the Mexican people. She often claimed to be a Mexican herself thereafter. In 1898 she entered the Congregation of the Sisters of Divine Providence in Castroville, and was professed in 1904.

Last year Sister Benetia celebrated her 70th Anniversary as a Sister. Delivering the homily at the Anniversary Mass was Bishop Patrick Flores, who acknowledged Sister Benetia's help for himself and many other young men in becoming priests.

Sister Benetia was buried Dec. 4 at 3:30 p.m. in the Providence Cemetery at Our Lady of the Lake Convent in San Antonio.

Festival Ballet To Dance Dec. 19

Christmas is a family time, and the "family" of Festival Ballet of San Antonio at the International Theatre, Hemisfair Plaza, is planning to celebrate Christmas in a traditional way, with music, dance, and children.

Highlight of the celebration is Festival Ballet's second repertoire program on Friday, December 19, at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday afternoon, December 21 at 2:30.

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Lyon-Key Wedding Takes Place In Clyde



Mrs. Robert Craig Lyon

Cynthia Ann Key, became the bride of Robert Craig Lyon in a ceremony Saturday, November 29, at 4 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Clyde, Texas. Rev. Wayland Dowden of Snyder officiated.

The bride is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Key of Clyde, and the bridegroom is son of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Lyon of Helotes.

brothers of the bride. Photographer was Wade Schlameus of San Antonio.

The bride's parents hosted the reception at the church.

A graduate of Clyde High School, the bride attended Tarleton State College. She received her BS in Business Education at Texas Tech University where she was a member of the band, National Collegiate Association of Secretaries, and president of Pi Omega Pi. She is presently teaching at Lackland High School in San Antonio.

The groom is a graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School in San Antonio. He served four years in the United States Navy, and he is presently employed as a computer operator for United Aerial Mapping, Inc. in San Antonio.

After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico, the couple will live in San Antonio at 5335 N. W. Loop 410.

Mandry-Blizzard Engagement Told

George Mandry, Jr., has announced his plans to marry Miss Rebecca Susan Blizzard December 22, 1975, in Cortland, New York.

Miss Blizzard is a native of Dryden, New York, and a 1973 graduate of Dryden High School. She attended Tompkins-Cortland Community College from 1973-74, and entered the United States Navy July 3, 1974. Miss Blizzard is a graduate of Operations Specialist "A" School, and is currently stationed in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

George Mandry, Jr. is perhaps best remembered from his many years of service to the area in his father's hardware store. He entered the U. S. Navy in 1972, and attended both Electronics and Personnelman class "A" School before being transferred to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, in 1973. George was transferred to the USS PUGENT SOUND (AD-38) in 1974, and is currently working in the ship's Public Affairs Office.

Miss Blizzard and George met during a recent deployment of his ship to Guantanamo Bay for refresher training. While it was not love at first sight, George says, it "sure didn't take long to get that starry eyed feeling."

The young couple hope to return to the Hill Country area in 1977, when George will once again work with his father in business.

Miss Terry Engaged



Miss GERALYN Terry
Bride-elect

The engagement of Miss GERALYN Terry, daughter of Mr. John Marshall High School and Mrs. Corbin Terry of Lake attended Tarleton. A series of McQueeney, to Danny Maltzberger, parties and showers are being son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome given in her honor. The wedding is planned for Saturday, January 3, 1976, at Helotes Hills Methodist Church.

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Tamale Workshop To Be Tuesday

To help celebrate its 65 years of service this year in San Antonio, the local YWCA is offering a wide variety of Christmas workshops at all three centers during December.

At the Las Palmas Center, 411 Las Palmas Drive a tamale-making workshop, will be held on Dec. 9, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

A very special event will be the children's Christmas banquet on the evening of Dec. 10. It is sponsored by the center and parents of boys and girls, ages 6 to 12.

"Santa's Workshop" for boys and girls, ages 4 to 13, will be open on Dec. 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be "activity corners," with instruction on woodwork, arts, and crafts. A Santa and a pinata will lend a festive air, and each child will have opportunity to make a Christmas decoration to

take home. The YWCA is a United Way agency.

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honor of a loved one or friend, said Kaye Daughtry, publicity chairman. PARC Building construction is progressing under direction of Robert Walz, she said.

Donations will be accepted by the area churches and local business establishments, she said.

Or Pat Cote or Barbara McCubbin of Alpha Rho may be contacted.

Alpha Rho encourages everyone to "Turn on a Light for PARC" which is the name given the projected park and recreational center, to be located adjacent to the Methodist Church on Bandera Road. The Memorial Tree is Alpha Rho's way of supporting the PARC project, Mrs. Daughtry said.



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November Has Little Rainfall

December which came in desert-cold and bright and has produced several foggy days will have to tally an inch of rain to make 1975 just an average year in the rainfall department in Helotes.

November with .05 of an inch of rain for the entire month, according to Henry Brauchle's records, could well be the driest November on record. The total rainfall for the first 11 months was 26.85 inches—and despite the upcoming holiday festivities, a good rain will be a welcome sight to farmers, ranchers, and those who care about the water table—which has not so far dropped enough to create a worry, but could hurt owners of shallow wells

if it does. With three weeks left, that inch is very likely to be available, but it wouldn't hurt to pray for rain soon.

UTSA SPRING TERM TO OPEN IN JANUARY

The University of Texas at San Antonio is accepting applications from new students for the spring, 1976 semester. Spring classes begin January 19 and end May 15.

UTSA offers courses for juniors, seniors and graduate students. Freshmen and sophomores will enter in June.

Registration, orientation and advisement for the spring semester will be January 12-15.

Board Report November 24, 1975

Northside Trustees voted to name the District Baseball Field after Northside patron, Jake Inselmann, former City Clerk and Holmes High Booster Club Officer, who died Nov. 18, in their Nov. 24 meeting.

Jake Inselmann Baseball Field is currently under construction at the Athletic Complex. Approval was also given to proceed with construction of a press box and concession building for baseball games.

In other construction items, Trustees agreed to proceed with bidding of ten elementary gymnasiums in two phases. First five to be built are on the campus of Cable, Mackey, Passmore, John Glenn, and Adams Hill.

Bid in the amount of nearly \$221,000 was awarded to Clyde Abbott Inc. for construction of the Rayburn Vocational Building, David Bradley Architect.

Trustees approved an order calling for a public hearing on the upcoming Trustee election. The hearing will be Dec. 15, also the date of the next regular Board meeting.

Conduct of the hearing, to discuss the April 3, 1976, Trustee election, is prescribed by the new Voting Rights Act.

Proposals for the election include creation of one additional voting precinct, moving one precinct voting place and realigning Glenoaks area (formerly in the Leon Valley box) to vote at Neff Middle School (proposed site of the former Sunset Hills Precinct).

All suggested precinct changes are designed to make it more convenient for District residents to vote.

Honors also went to three high school band directors, for their students' recent achievements in UIL Marching Contest. Marshall band director, Charles Kuentz, was singled out for his band's selection as Best in Show, Astroworld Band Festival, Houston.

In continuing efforts to improve secondary intramural programs, the Board approved expenditure of \$42,000 during the second half of the school year to hire additional physical education teachers to be specifically charged with enlarging athletic opportunities for all secondary students.

Policy handbook updates of some administrative job descriptions plus addition of the job outline, "Visiting Teacher," were approved, as were Annual Audit Report, 1974-75 and the monthly financial report as sub-

mitted.

Approved as submitted were San Antonio, neighboring towns purchasing office items according and communities.

The annual Christmas Parade will be touring nightly December 15th through December 22, 1975.

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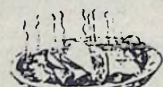
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Chef John's Loft Opens In Helotes



Photo by Bill Terry

Chef John himself is shown removing fresh-baked rolls for dinner at the newly-opened Chef John's Loft Restaurant in Helotes Park Plaza.

A well-known restaurant has been taken over here in the Helotes Park Plaza and opened by Chef John. Now known as Chef John's Loft the doors were open on Thanksgiving Day, and customers have given excellent reports.

Chef John is considered one of the top food operators in the Southwest. His experience dates back to 1936 when he purchased his first restaurant in Houston, Texas.

Chef John is one of the very few chefs from the old school who subscribe to the belief that every order a chef prepares must be an individual masterpiece. In his Loft at 12946 Bandera Road, the little chef prepares seafood, USDA Choice steaks, Mexican food, and other delicious dishes.

The Loft is open for lunch every day from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and for dinner every night from 5 p.m. to

10 p.m.

On Saturdays and Sundays it is open all day from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Chef John bakes all his bread, rolls and pastries, adding an extra touch to an excellent menu. The prices are reasonable, too, adding to the Helotes restaurant circuit another fine place where visitors and natives can enjoy a safe society.

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The Albuquerque Area Office, U. S. Civil Service Commission, announced that effective im-

mediately, applications are being accepted for Correctional Officer positions with Federal Institutions located in Texas and Oklahoma. Salaries for these positions start at \$9,946 per year.

Information about qualification requirements and application procedures may be obtained from the Federal Job Information Centers of the U. S. Civil Service Commission in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana. Addresses and phone numbers for Federal Job Information Centers may be found in the white pages of your telephone directory under U. S. Government. Applicants will receive con-

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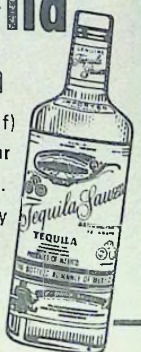
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