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Welcome to Mr. Otto Weltner, Cedar Crest Drive, Grey Forest, who has recently moved here from Welfare, Texas. He has three daughters living in this area: Anita Wanke, Hills and Dales; Gretchen Stappenbeck and Letta Minohr, Scenic Loop Road. Also he has four other childrenone daughter. Ella Holden, Ausone daughter. one daughter, Ella Holden, Austin; and three sons, Henry A., Alice; Herbert E., Welfare; and Otto R., New Braunfels. We are happy to have him in our community.

Walter Haby is undergoing tests at a local hospital.

Fred and Miriam Jersig and their daughters, Debbie and Marjean, visited here from Houston and were entertained at the Sherwood Nelsons, and the Ike Par-rotts where an old-fashioned gettogether with many of the Scenic Loop friends was held.

Paul Doerr has returned from Europe. The Ralph Swifts enjoy-ed a tour of West Texas includ-ing the Big Bend.

The Helotes 4-H Club officers are Janice Bendele, president; Debbie Steubing, vice-president; Cindy Ricks, secretary-treasurer. Others are Recreation Leaders—Lorraine Young and Phil Galm; Sergeant at Arms—Carl Wanke; Reporter, Carol Spengler; and Council Delegate, John Vickery. To join call Mr. Sam Galm at 688-3151 or Mrs. Larry Ricks at 688-3191.

Dewey Hart has been in Mc-Closkey General Hospital in Temple for a check-up recently.

Mrs. Alta McCoy has volunt-teered to be Grey Forest census taker and we expect to report a population increase since the last decade.

Sp/4 Jim J. Garcia, here visiting his family after a tour in Korea, will be going to Viet Nam next. His father Mr. Florencio Garcia, expert technician at Kelly Air Force Base, has been over there for 30 days duty.

Chuck Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Stevens, has moved to San Antonio to do computer research work after several years working for the Austin Veterans Administration. He holds a degree from The University of Texas.

The Mazurek twins-Lola and Linda-are both some distance from home. Linda is stationed at Port Smith, Virginia and grad-uated Sept. 5th as an Ensign. Lola is teaching chemistry at the University of Wisconsin in Madi-



Helotes Women's Club officers-on a real clean-up campaign are pushing the community to keep the Hill Country beautiful. Shown here pushing the broom are Mrs. H. E. Brown, left, president, and Mrs. Rimon Ham, vice-president. At the right is O. P. (Push Broom) Schnabel, well-known San Antonio insurance man who founded the Beautify San Antonio Association and campaigns continuously against Litter Bugs. He spoke to an interested local citizenry, and pushed his "Keep America Beautiful" program. The Women's Club has distributed numerous trash baskets and have elicited the aid of the County in keeping Scenic Loop Road free of trash.

Mrs. Ham, who is now President, recently complimented the civic groups of Grey Forest for gathering six truckloads of debris from the Scenic Loop. Others have also taken up the campaign to keen this a heautiful area.

## '70 Festival Assn. **Chooses Officers**

At the second 1970 meeting of the Helotes Spring Festival Assn. Feb. 10, Mrs. Fred Anderson was elected unanimously to preside over the Fifth Annual Helotes Spring Festival and Cornyval to be held the first weekend in May here. Other officers will be Ray Johnson, vice-president, Mrs. David McCain, treasurer, and Mrs. Mar-

garet Julien, secretary.

The Festival will open Thursday, April 30, with the coronation of Miss Helotes 1970. Mrs. Frank Logan is chairman of the Queen's contest which will be conducted from among high school girls in the area. Closing date for entry will be the week before the event. Her assistant

chairman is Mrs. Ralph Madla. The parade which will be on The parade which will be on Saturday morning, May 2, at 11 a.m., will have Ed Faust as this year's chairman. He was president of the Association for 1969.

Friday night's free street dance at John Floore's Country Store at the Helotes Park Plaza will be (Continued on Page 2)

### Pat McDonald Seeks Office

Patric McDonald of Helotes claims the honor of being the first paid-in-full Bexar County Republican candidate. Accompanied by his eight-year-old daughter Kathy who was dressed for Frontier Days here recently, Mr. McDonald handed over the filing fee to Richard Franck, vice chairman of the Republican Party of Bexar County, to enter the race for Precinct 2 County Commis-

He seeks the office pledging "economical, efficient and practic-al progress in County Govern-ment." The incumbent is not expected to seek re-election.

Mr. and Mrs. McDonald and their children reside in the Forty Acres area of Helotes and are well known here.



Patric McDonald shown with young booster of the Equality Bus Bill. Perry Nelson wrote winning essay in 1968 backing the bill.

## Frontier Days Relived Here

By Dade Rayfield

Costumed in the frontier dress of a century ago, the entire enrollment of the Helotes Elementary School on hand outside the Floore Country Store when the Cow-boy Capital Trail Ride arrived in Helotes recently. Headed by Trail Boss Frank Anderwald of Bandera, the riders were heading for San Antonio and the opening of the 1970 San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo.

### You All Come!

Friday the 13th will have special importance in March, and everyone is asked to mark the date. That is the night of the big dance to help the Helotes Spring Festival Assn. raise funds for the Fifth Annual Spring Festival.

Dale Keith-fresh from Nash-Date Kerth—Fresh Holl Nashile ville—is due to play, and the public is invited at one dollar per person to help defray the expenses for the big May show. With the Starlite Band will also be Allen Fischer.

This is the second dance in the history of the event and Mrs. James Linder is chairman this year. It will be at John Floore's Country Store from 8 p.m. to mid-

More than 300 youngsters and their teachers as well as scores of area residents greeted the riders here when they broke their journey from Bandera to San Antonio to honor Mayor John T. Floore . . . or maybe it was to water their horses after a morning's ride from San Geronimo.

Riding point as the trail-riders crossed Helotes Creek and approached the Country Store, were horsemen flying the flags of the United States, the Lone Star State of Texas, and of the Free State of Bandera. Behind the out-riders came Trail Boss Anderwald and the 1970 Cowboy Capital Trail Ride Queen, blond, blue-eyed, 16-year-old Debbie Dockery of Atascosa City. The attractive cowgirl queen is the daughter of Lee Dockery of Atascosa and Mrs. Anita Ross of

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Frank Anderwald, trail boss of the Cowboy Capital Trail Ride, is greeted by John T. Floore who, as "mayor" of Helotes, was given a commendation for his part as Goodwill Ambassador to this year's Stock Show. Shown in front of the Country Store where several hundred gathered to greet the riders.

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ester, acting chief of the section. "Further information may be obtained from the Interagency Board of U. S. Civil Service Ex-aminers in the Federal Building, San Antonio or the Civil Service Examiner-in-charge at most large post offices. Ask for a copy of an-nouncement 409 'Technical As-

### Chandlers Move **Into Helotes**

Ralph and Jerry Chandler, who have owned ice houses along the Bandera Highway for 16 years, have moved to Helotes and now are owners of Chandler's Ice & Food, formerly an ice house owned by Jap Jones. They are located near the Scenic Loop bridge downtown. They are resi-dents of Babcock Road and are well acquainted here.

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### Festival . . .

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on Saturday night. Dale Keith is expected to provide the music with his Starlite band.

On May 3, Sunday's big events will include the Second Hill Country Horse Show at Pepper Mar-tin's ranch. Mrs. Roberta Gauthier has been selected by the Saddle Tramps, local riding club, to head this event.

There will also be a big art show at the Helotes Art Gallery, sponsored by the Guild.

Other chairmen were named at a meeting called for Feb. 19. Anyone wishing to join the Festival Assn. or to help stage the big annual event is invited to attend the meetings called by the organization or to contact the various officers.

Fred Pizzini, last year's vicepresident, is designing a member-ship card for the association. Everyone in the community is invited to join, directors said. This invitation includes those in the greater Helotes territory—such as Leon Valley, Leon Springs, San Geronimo and Pipe Creek as well as the Lake area.

In the first four years of the Festival's history, the Western celebration has attracted thou-sands from San Antonio and Houston as well as other parts of Texas to participate. Artists from outside the area and floats from elsewhere are invited also.

Plans are to have a float in the Battle of Flowers parade during San Antonio's Fiesta this year. Last year's float took prize in its division there. float took second

### College Graduate To Join Crusade

Miss Bonnie Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson, is a recent graduate of Southwest Texas State University, and has received a bachelor of arts degree in French with a minor in Government. Bonnie, who has been here since graduation, will be working in Roanoke, Virginia with Campus Crusade or Christ International for the remainder of the school year and will be in Arrowhead Springs, Calif. this summer for further training. In the fall she will return to Roanoke.

Founded by Dr. William R. Bright at UCLA in 1951, Campus Crusade has since spread to hundreds of campuses in this country and 35 foreign countries, Bonnie said. The present international staff numbers appears tional staff numbers approximately 1,800 and is interdenominational. One of the contributing factors to Campus Crusade for Christ's phenomenal growth she explained, is that each staff member is responsible for findmember is responsible for find-ing enough individuals and groups or churches—to agree to share the equivalent of his monthly living allowances, plus a percentage for overseas expan-sions and missions, insurance, etc.

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Anyone interested in taking part in this strategic movement of winning people to Christ, may do so, she said. Bonnie hopes to leave for Roanoke March 20.

### JM P-TA To See 'Guys and Dolls'

the Marshall P-TA meeting 7:30 p.m. at the school auditorium on Tuesday, Feb. 24. Mrs. John Bryant, P-TA publicity chairman, said that the business meeting will be brief in order to schedule A preview of the John Mar-shall High School senior play— "Guys and Dolls" will highlight are invited to attend.

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Two major fires last month resulted in practically total de-struction of both dwellings and in the death of an elderly occu-pant of one despite efforts of units from the Helotes Volunteer Fire Dept. joined by the Leon Valley Fire Dept.

The second fire, Jan. 26, oc-

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One of the hard working members of the Helotes Volunteer fire department battles a blaze in McNeel Park which caused \$15,000 damages before it could be contained.

in 1970 as a Leon Valley resident the survivors. died also of burns after her clothing brushed a heater.

The Grey Forest fire was attri-buted to an accumulation of gas.

curred in McNeel Park, a suburb of Grey Forest where in a fire on Jan. 7 the Sherman Convalescent Home burned to the ground, resulting in the death of an 67-year-old woman. Hers was the second fire death for the area in 1970 or a Leon Valley resident.

In both cases the flames shot 40 feet into the air, witnesses reported. The home in McNeel Park—a well-known landmark rark—a well-known landmark—suffered about \$16,000 damages. The occupant was away at the time. According to reports by the Fire Dept., the fire was attributed to faulty wiring.

Fire Chief Jack Ramsey said that firefighters were fortunate in containing the fires to their original structures as other homes were endangered if the fire had been allowed to get out of hand.

Add to this the hours spent in meetings for fire training, as well as of the Board of Directors and the County Fire Association and you begin to realize the total dedication given by volunteer fire fighters. They receive no pay, no gasoline or car allowance, little credit and sometimes even less appreciation. They do, however. appreciation. They do, however, receive the most important and rewarding awards of all, the personal pride and satisfaction for a job well done in helping and assisting their neighbors in time of emergencies, ite said.

Emil B. Biering

Following a heart attack, Emil B. Biering died in a local hospital on January 5, 1970 at the age of 78 years. A member of a pioneer family here, Mr. Biering was born in Helotes May 11, 1891 and spent his entire life in Bexar and spent his entire life in Bexar County. He was a veteran of World War I and was assigned to Leon Springs. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Frances Schell Biering, and a son Marlin of Helotes as well as three daughters, Adelaide, Lenora, and Irene all of San Antonio. He also leaves 13 grandchildren and three leaves 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Biering observed their Golden Wedding anniversary in August, 1969.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. L. Bohls. Burial was in Zion Lutheran Cemetery

New Company Offers Service

Decker Electric Co., which opened Feb. 13 is among the new services here. Mr. and Mrs. Mike F. Decker, formerly of San Antonio, have been property owners on Farm Road 1604 here since last March.

Mr. Decker who holds a master electrician's license has also had 10 years experience.

## Schools Let 2 Contracts

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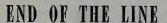
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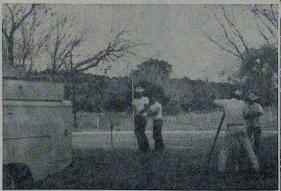
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Winding up the survey of Highway 16's new route-as far as the Scenic Loop—are State Highway employees shown here just across Floore Road. Where grass grows now, work on a divided highway is scheduled to begin sometime this Spring.

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## **Expert Explains Ways** To Turn on the Heat

By following a few tips on care | furnace are almost impossible for and inspection of his heating sys-tem, a homeowner can enjoy greater comfort, extended equip-ment life and often save 10 percent or more on fuel costs, says a local Carrier specialist. Cold floors, drafts and uneven heating from one room to another indicate a deficient heating system, Tommy Terrell, co-owner of Ter-rell Bros. said. Dirty fans, filters and ducts, and poorly adjusted burners are the main culprits.

"Filters should be checked about every second month and fan blades should be inspected annually to make sure they remain relatively clean. This will help main-tain proper air flow through the furnace and good circulation to all rooms," Terrell said.

Registers should also be inspected and periodically cleaned with a vacuum, to prevent air flow restriction, he said, partic-ularly those registers hidden from view by furniture.

"Fan motor bearings should be "Fan motor bearings should be oiled once or twice a year unless the motor is of the permanently lubricated type," Terrell said. "And belt-driven fan motors should be checked occasionally to be sure the belt is not too tight, too loose or worn."

In gas-fired furnaces, a soft feet in 1969 over 1968. Readings blue flame with luminous tips in in December in the third week dicates proper air combustion. If the flame is yellow and smokey surface in 1968 and 87.61 feet in or a solid hard blue, burners need 1969. However, there was a drop adjusting by a serviceman. The same is true when an odor of fumes or signs of rust, corrosion or soot around chimneys and flues exist, he said.

Irregularities in an oil-fired Texas.

a homeowner to detect. But if the furnace emits a regular, loud bang or if the homeowner has to activate the reset button more once, a serviceman is needed.

"The most even heating is ob tained by setting the furnace fan to run almost continuously," he said. "It costs only pennies a day and eliminates uncomfortable temperature fluctuations and stagnant air conditions.

### 1969 Rainfall Just Average

Although Helotes has been known in past years to double the rainfall recorded for San Antonio, the two areas were about the same for 1969.

Locally, Weather Observer Ross Barham recorded 33.55 inches in the Bandera-Scenic Loop area. San Antonio's weatherman tallied 31.41 as the official 1969 record there.

This year's headstart can be noted by the fact that January there tallied 1.1 inches, although Helotes had that amount by Jan.

The water table was up 2.31 showed it at 89.2 feet below the surface in 1968 and 87.61 feet in of 5.17 feet from Nov., 1969 to a month later, showing seasonal temporary fluctuations. Local water sources are some of the most dependable in the State of

### Woodman, Save That Big Tree!

The Grey Forest City Council took under advisement a bid to treat and cure the troubles of the large lone live-oak tree which graces the front of the City Hall.

It was decided at a recent regular meeting to consult several experts before allowing anyone to work on it.

One member added, "It's worth a great deal to save it."

Another suggested that a "Tree Saving Dance" might be held to raise sufficient funds for the tree doctor's work. Surgery is expected only as a last resort and should be minor only—cutting limbs frequently injured by the tall trucks along the Scenic Loop Road, the commissioners were told.

### Along Our Route

Dear Friends-

Thanks for the subscription reminder. I still enjoy the news from Helotes, where my dear wife and I spent fourteen years of our retirement life.

Now that she is no longer with me in the physical life, the memories of the days gone by, and of the many dear friends that we came to know and love in Helotes, are stamped indelibly in my mind.

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## ASTRO SCOPE

by Gehi (An Echo \* Feature)

Feb. 19 to March 20

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Loves financial gain, great vitality, frank.

### Garden Club Plans Grange Names Flower Show Here

In preparation for their flower show in April, members of the Helotes Hills Garden Club will have a program on staging standard flower shows. They will meet at the home of Mrs. Leo S. Bender, 10503 Bar X Trail, Wed-

nesday, March 11 at 12 noon.
At the Feb. meeting in the home of the president, Mrs. Fred C. Anderson, the guest speaker, Charles B. Laughlin, a landscape architect, discussed horticulture for this area. He answered quesfor this area. He answered ques-tions not found in books for the local gardeners. A horticulture section will be part of the upcom-ing show slated for April 18, to which the public is invited.

which the public is invited.

In reviewing the accomplishments of the club, Mrs. Anderson said that Landscaping of the Helotes Firehouse—the Club's civic project last year—was one of six chosen as winners by the San Antonio Garden Center project committee, and the Club received a purple Honorable Mention rib-

Officers serving 1969-70 include Mrs. O. R. Legg, first vice president; Mrs. Charles B. Laughlin, second vice president; Mrs. W. H. Cave, secretary, and Mrs. Homer Taylor, treasurer.

#### Miss Gladys Arthur

Funeral services were scheduled for 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at Roy Akers funeral home for Miss Gladys Evelyn Arthur of Helotes who died Feb. 17, at the age of who died Feb. 11, at the age of 63. She had taught in San An-tonio schools for 43 years and been a principal of Laura Steel Elementary School there before her retirement.

She is survived by three brothers including H. A. Arthur of Helotes. Among numerous other nie Canada of Leon Vall survivors are her nephew James report a wonderful time.

# 69-70 Slate

Officers of the Leon Valley for 1969-70 are as fol-Grange for 1969-70 are as follows: Clifton Lampman, master; Walter Schuh, overseer and also memorial chairman; Marguerite Weiss, Lecturer; I. C. Crow, steward with Walter Denes, assistant steward, and Grace Denes, lady asst. steward Others are William Whittaker, chaplain; Paul Weiss, treasurer; Ruth Lampman, secretary; and Fred Galm, gatekeeper.

Also included are Jennie Crew, Ceres; Helen Davenport, Pomono; and Amalia Benke, Flore.

Executive committee chairman is William Coleman and Youth chairman is Mary Bacon. Walter Schuh, overseer and also

chairman is Mary Bacon.

CHARLES LOUIS KUENTZ, SR. Sympathy is extended to the survivors of Charles Louis Kuentz, Sr., 72, a member of Leon Valley Grange, who died Dec. 27 and was buried in Zion Lutheran Cemetery here on Dec. 29, following services at San An-29, following services at San Antonio's Zion Lutheran Church. In addition to his wife, Emmy Kuentz, he is survived by his son Charles L. Kuentz, Jr.; daughters, Mrs. Viola K. Heinig, and Mrs. C. J. (Ruth) Lampman; two sisters, 9 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren.

H. Arthur, also a resident here. Services were to be conducted at

Services were to be conducted at the Funeral Chapel, 515 N. Main, by Rev. L. D. Mahany. Burial will be at St. John's Lutheran Ceme-tary, San Antonio.

Mrs. Jap Jones, little Jamie, and Mrs. Virginia Springer, vis-ited John Jones, in Hawaii. Ac-companying them was Miss Bonnie Canada of Leon Valley. They

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### Frontier . . .

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San Antonio. A mule-drawn chuckwagon and other horsemen and horsewomen followed.

A scroll commemorating this year's ride was presented to Big John Floore by Trail Boss Anderwald as San Antonio newsmen and television cameramen recorded the momentous event for history. Similar ceremonies, without press coverage took place earlier press coverage took place earlier in the ride at Pipe Creek and San Geronimo, where Mayors Ed Jennings of the former and Lato Martinez of the latter, were honored. The trail riders spent their first night out of Bandera at San Geronimo. Dale Keith's Starlite band played for the dance and Bar-b-que.

Helotes viewers of the spectacle were able to see The riders arrived a little ahead of schedule, or at least before the arrival of the San Antonio press corps, did their ceremonial

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> Some local viewers may have seen the epic a third time that night on the tee-vee.

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Recent deaths here include several who have been part of this community for many years. In addition to their families they leave a host of friends who will miss them.

resided in the Scenic Loop area and Grey Forest for 18 years, died Feb. 16. She is survived by her husband, Jack Conrad. She was part-owner of the Miracle Rock Shop in Helotes for many years and an expert in her field. She had a journalism background THELMA CONRAD
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Helotes Baptist Funeral services were held Feb.

1 with Rev. C. C. Maddox officiating. Burial was at Roselawn.

Her other survivors include her mother, Mrs. Louis Long and a sister Mrs. R. C. Roberts, both of Shattuck, Okla.

#### SOPHIE SPITTA

Mrs. Sophie E. Spitta, 78, for-merly of Grey Forest and a recmerly of Grey Forest and a rec-cent resident of Fredericksburg Road, died Feb. 7, in a local hos-pital. She is survived by her son Adolph F. Spitta of this area, and two daughters. A native of Germany, she also leaves three brothers and five sisters as well as six grandchildren. A member of the Church of Christ, she was well versed as a horticulturist. She was an active member of the Scenic Loop Playground Club and assisted in the beautifica-tion of the parks, receiving the Good Neighbor citation in 1961.

### Felipa T. Menchaca

Felipa T. Menchaca, aged 81, a resident of San Antonio, passed away on Jan. 25, 1970 at 5:30 a.m. at Methodist Hospital.

She is survived by five children, Mrs. Steve Leal of Pipe Creek; Nick Menchaca of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Louis Delgado and Mrs. Lucio Hernandez of San Antonio, and Ray S. Men-chaca of Helotes. In addition, she 10 grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Menchaca was well-known

here and often visited in this

community.

Burial was at Madla's Cemetery here on Jan. 27.

### Flower Barn Opens Here

Annie and Bud Wineinger opened The Flower Barn Nursery on Bandera Road on September 2.. They have a new building for their business on 4 and-a-half acres purchased from Ralph Benke. They have their own green house, also.

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### Saddle Shop Is Newest

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Mrs. Gauthier who handles sad-Mrs. Gauthier who handles saddles and other equipment is also an experienced rider. She was chairman of last year's Festival attraction, the first Hill Country Horse Show. She has been chosen by the Saddle Tramps, trail-rid-ing club, to be this year's chairman again for the May event. The new shop will be open six days—every day except Sunday,

ELNORA VERNON
Mrs. Elnora Vernon, 67, of Belotes died Jan. 29 and is survived by her husband, Hubert H. Vernon. She also leaves five sons, and a daughter, Mrs. Wesley of Christ. Interment was in (Sue) Burks, of Helotes; 20 North Mission Park.

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