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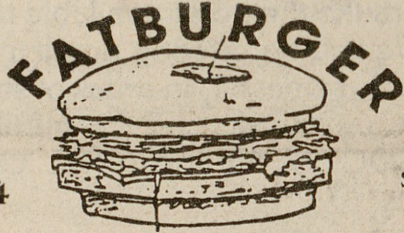
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September 9, 1987
Rm 206 Rudder Tower
7:00 p.m.

This semester's possible speakers already include:
The Kuwaiti Ambassador
John Stockwell, former CIA agent
and any, if not all, of the
Presidential Candidates

Tourists flock to Mass site for early visit

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tourists already are descending on the site where about 500,000 people are expected to gather this week to attend a Mass said by Pope John Paul II.

People are posing for photos on the altar steps and strolling through the site of the Sunday Mass, especially those who won't attend.

San Antonio was chosen by the pope as a stop in his nine-city U.S. tour because of its majority Hispanic population and the emergence of Hispanics within the Catholic Church.

"This will be our only opportunity to be so close to where the pope will be," G.M. Rodriguez of Potet said Saturday.

Rodriguez brought his wife's elderly aunt, Maria Lujano, of Omaha, Neb., to see the site and photograph her on the altar steps.

"This is a once in a lifetime," Lujano said. "I don't think there will be another opportunity for me. I don't know if I'll be here next week."

Carlos Hernandez brought seven relatives to the site where he has worked 12-hour shifts since Thursday overseeing the setup of double-wide mobile homes near the altar.

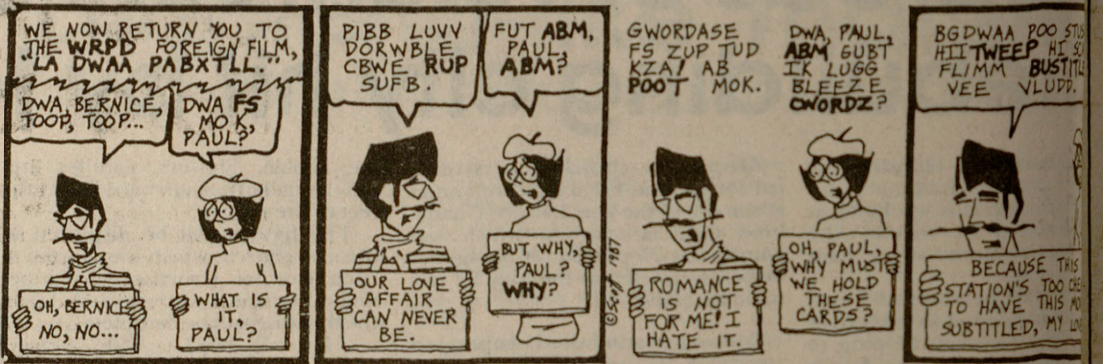
Hernandez took a break from final preparations to take photos of his family.

Hernandez's 9-year-old daughter, Nicole, said, "It's pretty good because I was standing where the pope will be talking to the people."

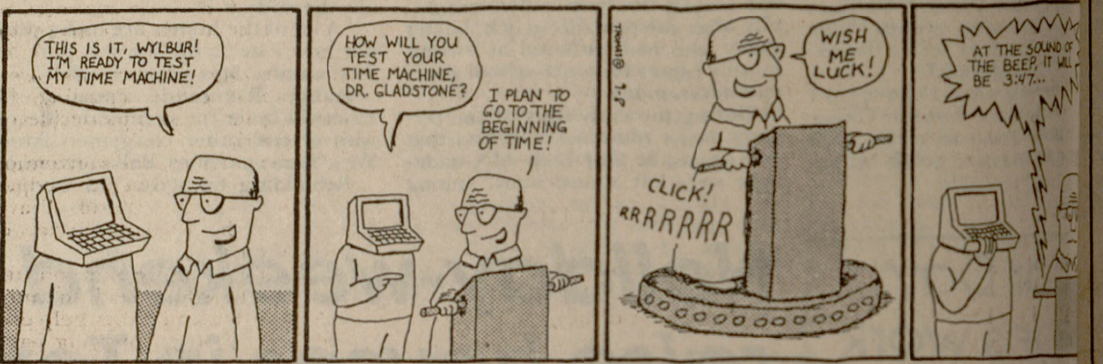
Hernandez's wife, Herlinda Hernandez, said she wanted to be photographed at the altar because she cannot attend the Mass. Mrs. Hernandez, a bus driver with the South San Antonio School District, will shuttle worshippers to and from the site for 10 hours beginning at 5 a.m. Sunday.

"This (the photograph) will be my remembrance of the pope when he came to visit," she said.

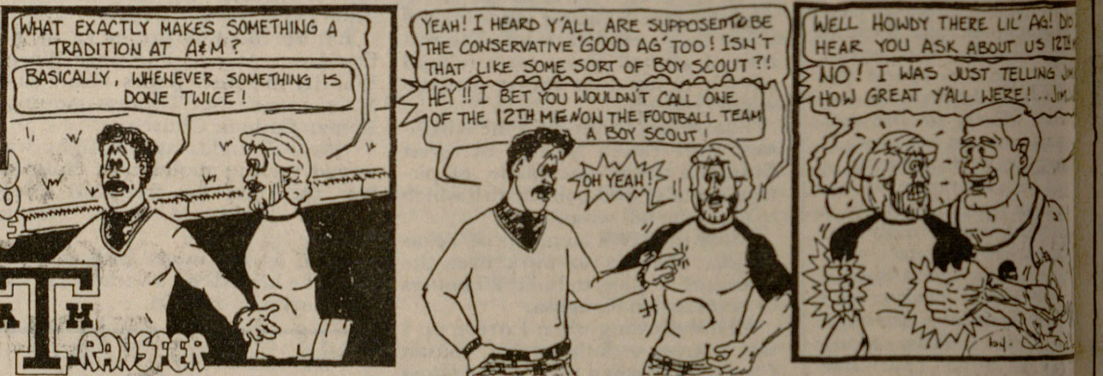
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First Mexican-American bishop overcomes humble beginnings

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Pope John Paul II's escort for his Sept. 13 visit is a man who dropped out of high school to support his family and was turned down on his first attempts to enter the seminary.

The job is a dream come true, said Archbishop Patrick Flores, who overcame humble beginnings to become the country's first Mexican-American bishop.

"First, I'd never thought that I would ever go to Rome, much less think that Rome would come to us," Flores, 58, said recently.

The pope chose San Antonio as a stop in his nine-city U.S. tour because of its majority Hispanic population and the emergence of Hispanics within the Catholic Church.

"For me it's a historical event that is going to become a reality, the Lord willing," Flores said.

In 1970 at age 40, Flores was consecrated auxiliary bishop of the San Antonio Archdiocese, becoming the country's first Mexican-American in the church's hierarchy.

After a recent Mass in which 68 couples reaffirmed their marriage vows, Flores moved through the crowd, shaking hands, kissing babies and posing for photographs with worshippers.

He blessed a tearful woman in a

wheelchair and told her, "You pray for me and I'll pray for you."

Flores' friends and associates say the archbishop is a simple, compassionate man; a defender of the poor, who chose quarters at Assumption Seminary next to his chancery office rather than a more elegant residence.

"He's not an intellectual man, but he's a man of great pastoral wis-

Flores was the sixth son of nine children born to Patricio and Trinidad Flores, deeply religious, illiterate migrant farmworkers who wanted their children to have an education.

While growing up in Southeast Texas, Flores says he personally experienced racial discrimination — attending segregated schools and being refused service at restaurants.

other member of that entourage was John McCarthy, now in Austin.

"He was an extraordinary, sensible person, but on the quiet McCarthy said, "Everybody him, but he was not tapped as a strong-leader type."

Later, during his early career work in poor parishes, Flores impressed by the need to be down-trodden, McCarthy said. "Now he's a leader in the church in Texas, a leader in the structure of the church and an extraordinary leader in the Mexican Hispanic community," McCarthy said.

Flores was instrumental in establishing the Mexican-American Cultural Center in San Antonio and helped found the National Foundation for Mexican-American Scholarships and the National Hispanic Scholarship Fund.

He has held numerous positions within the Catholic Church. In 1983, was one of four U.S. bishops who went to the Synod of Rome.

Today, Flores says he has no grudge for the racial prejudice endured.

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— Brother Martin McMurtrey

dom," said the Rev. Virgilio Elizondo, rector of San Fernando Cathedral and Flores' friend of 20 years.

"He's a very compassionate man. He's a very simple man, but not a simpleton," Elizondo said.

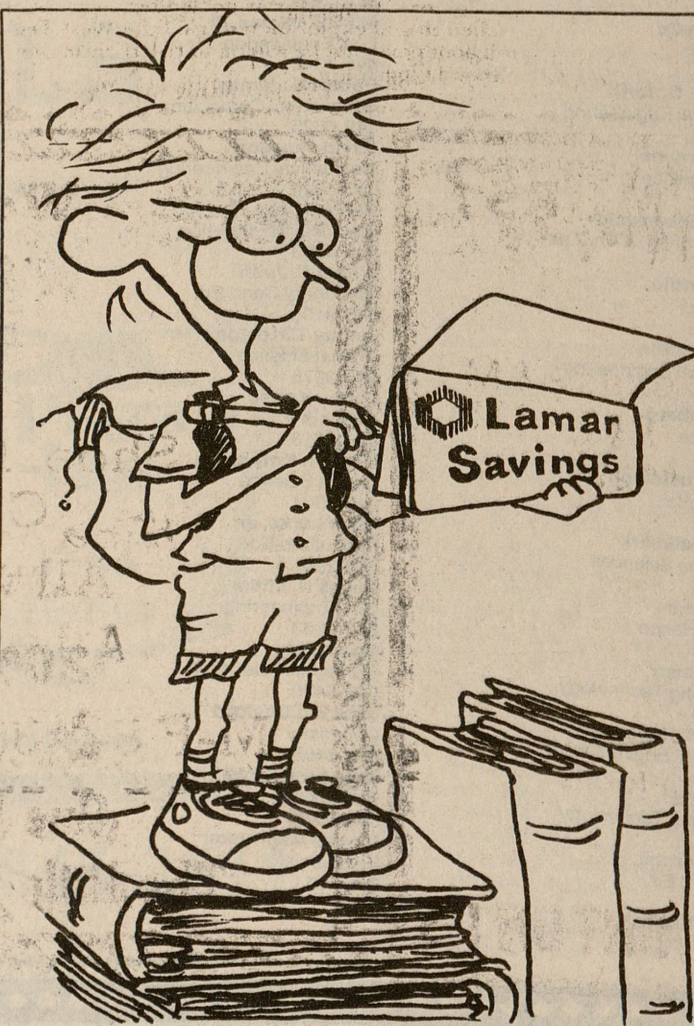
Brother Martin McMurtrey, who wrote about Flores' life in "Mariachi Bishop," also lauded Flores.

"I tried to find the flaw in this man," he said. "I never found it. Not a single person have I heard say anything against him. He's really respected."

Flores badly wanted to become a priest, but, in 1945, he dropped out of the 10th grade to help support his family.

His desire to become a pastor never waned. He tried several times to get into a seminary, but was denied because he was Hispanic, had not finished high school and did not have money, he said.

In 1947, with the help of a nun and Bishop Christopher Byrne of Galveston, Flores reentered high school and in 1949, he entered St. Mary's Seminary in La Porte. An-



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