

Person-to-Person

Frequent visitors to Helotes are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cutting. He is the Channel 4 weatherman on week-ends, and is a distant cousin of John T. Floore and Mrs. Bern Vinck.

Among 24 law students at St. Mary's University who were recently named to the Dean's Honor List for completing at least two semesters of law work and for being in the top 10 per cent in academic average, several were from this area. They include Joan Dell Weaver, Virginia Van Steenberg, Paul A. Olson, Louis A. Logan; William Palmer, Eleanor L. Curry, and Charles J. O'Connor.

Parishioners of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church attended a memorial Mass marking the 17th anniversary of the Death of Rev. Alfred H. Rabe, S.M. who was a leader in Helotes highly regarded by the community and under whose care the present church was built. He was a president of St. Mary's University for many years before coming to Helotes. He was born Dec. 23, 1886 and died Oct. 27, 1953, while serving as pastor.

Abed at her home on Scenic Loop Road is Mrs. Hub Stappenbeck, suffering a crushed disc. We wish Gretchen a speedy recovery.

Dr. Jim Arthur, the new dentist in Helotes, and his wife, have bought the former Battersby home in Grey Forest.

Plan to attend the community Thanksgiving Service being planned for the eve of Thanksgiving by all the pastors here with services to be at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.

Many hunters from this area have gone to Colorado and Wyoming to hunt deer and elk. Some have already returned with their game. One group consisting of 14 men brought back 16 deer and 2 elk, which they have stored at Toepperwein's.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Schueneman and their children, of Houston, made a week-end trip to Helotes visiting their parents, the Edward Kempf's and the Leon Schueneman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rodriguez, sister and brother-in-law of Mrs. Rudy (Irene) Zepeda, are building a bakery near Ibarra's Ranch House and will feature Mexican style breads and pan dulce. We welcome them.

Bob Chivers, brother of Mrs. Ed Faust and Mrs. Jack Ramsey, is back from his tour of duty in Viet Nam and is out of the service. He has taken a job in San Antonio. His father also lives in Grey Forest.

Festival Association To Meet Nov. 4

A meeting of the Helotes Spring Festival Assn., Inc. has been reset for Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Helotes School Cafetorium and those wishing to join are invited to attend. Committee assignments essential for planning the 1971 Festival and Cornyval will be completed along with electing additional members to the Board of Directors. Film of past parades will be shown by Rev. Louis Travalter, a director.

The October meeting was postponed by the executive committee to avoid conflict with two

other events of civic interest in the community, an officer said.

Charter memberships, available throughout 1970, are two dollars per person, and citizens of this area as well as those interested in the annual event's success are invited to join. A fund-raising dance will be scheduled sometime this fall to help defray expenses. Invitations for the Festival to join in other celebrations have come in this month from Yorktown's Western Days and from Laredo, and the organization hopes to set up a means of participating in the future.

Citizens Here Move To Keep Helotes on Map

Machinery for incorporating Helotes as a municipality was set in motion at a meeting held Monday, Oct. 19, at the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church under the sponsorship of the new Helotes Park Civic Association.

The overflow crowd included citizens from Helotes

Ranch Acres, Evans Valley Acres, San Geronimo, the Hausman Road, Leslie Road, Galm Road, and Loop 1604 areas, and downtown Helotes as well as Helotes Park Estates. They almost unanimously called for incorporation. Grey Forest citizens were observers.

Robert E. Linder III, president of the new civic association, presided. Speakers included Victor Engle, chairman of the Hills and Dales Annexation Committee.

At a previous meeting on Oct. 15, Earle Cobb, Jr., the lawyer representing Hills and Dales in their fight against annexation by San Antonio, was speaker. He pointed out that if Helotes will petition to incorporate before San Antonio annexes the University of Texas site area, Helotes will have established its own jurisdiction rights and subsequent actions of the City of San Antonio will not affect the ability of the citizens of Helotes to incorporate.

An election to incorporate will have to be held before incorporation can actually be accomplished. The action authorized on Oct. 19 was only to petition for incorporation.

Dwayne L. Hasse, chairman of the Helotes Park incorporation committee, said the plat of the proposed area to be included was due from the surveyor last Tuesday. The area extends from Rudy's and Irene's Restaurant on the west to Loop 1604 on the east and includes Helotes Ranch Acres, downtown Helotes, Helotes Park Estates, Evans Valley Acres on Hausman Road, and a part of the Leslie Road area.

In less than a week after the meeting at the Helotes Presbyterian church, the City of San Antonio announced that it will begin on Nov. 19 to annex the new university site and the area around it for one mile north of Loop 1604. Annexation of this area is due to be completed by Jan. 1. San Antonio will have territorial jurisdiction for five miles beyond its new boundaries, according to a state law. This five miles would include part of the new town planned on the Lytle Ranch.

Another announcement came from the Fourth Court of Civil Appeals, which was hearing the suit of Hills and Dales contesting the legality of San Antonio's "spoke" annexation out IH 10 and Loop 1604 which had already placed Hills and Dales under the city's territorial jurisdiction. Judge Jim Barlow announced a decision upholding the legality of the spoke annexation. Hills and Dales planned to appeal the suit again.

Chairman Hasse said the Helotes committee plans to push ahead vigorously with its plans to petition for incorporation, in spite of these announcements.

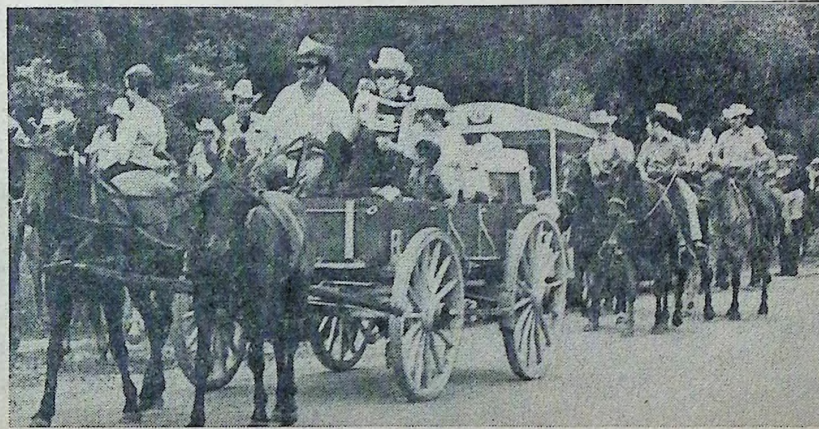


Photo by Bill Terry

TRAIL RIDES ARE A WAY OF LIFE in these parts. Here last summer's Bandera Regulars head for San Geronimo after nooning in Helotes.

Kountry Kickers Coming Through

Honorary Trail Boss Johnny Bush will lead the Alamo Kountry Kickers through here this week-end on their annual trail ride from San Antonio to Bandera, Sat., Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, Pat Halpin, president has announced. Late registrations may be made Friday, Oct. 30 at the Bandera Drive-In from 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. There will also be an opportunity to register during the drive along the way. Everyone riding must be registered and pay a six dollar fee, he said.

From Bandera Drive In at 8 a.m., the group will head toward Toepperwein's Place where they will enjoy a 30-minute stop. Lunch stop will be in Helotes from 11 a.m. to noon. After a stop at the Floore Country Store and elsewhere here, they will go on toward Bandera. A 30-minute stop Saturday afternoon will be Villarreal's Ice House and then on to San Geronimo for the night.

Saturday there will be a free Barbecue and dance at Pete's Place with The Branded Men playing.

After hitting the trail Sunday morning there will be a special stop of 20 minutes and then on to Pipe Creek for lunch. A final stop in the afternoon will be at the Roadside Park before the group heads into Bandera. Many of the riders have been through here with the Bandera Regulars and other rides and they invite their friends to join them. Come by to talk at the stops.



This little girl was the littlest rider on another ride. Here she enjoys standing after dismounting her quarterhorse during a noon stop in Helotes.

Lytle Ranch Site To Become Town?

A feasibility study and a land use plan for building a new town on the former Lytle Ranch near Helotes have been completed, according to a recent announcement by a representative of the Alamo Area Council of Governments. The new town would have a population of from 60,000

to 75,000 persons. Developers are Hayden Head of Corpus Christi and Lawrence Wood of Refugio, who purchased 8,400 acres of the ranch from W. J. Lytle, Jr., last year.

Shortly after the purchase, they offered 1,000 acres to the regents of The University of Texas System as a site for the new University of Texas at San Antonio. The site was turned down by the regents as being too far from San Antonio, although they said it was their second choice.

The developers of the Lytle Ranch—known also as the San Antonio Ranch—announced at the time of the regents' decision that they planned to develop a series of communities there anyway.

The feasibility study and land use plan were developed by William L. Pereira and Associates of Los Angeles, Calif., one of the most outstanding land development firms in the world. Assisting is an Arlington, Texas firm, Christian, Miller and Honts, Inc. (Continued on Page 2)

Hills and Dales Changes Name

With a change in names for Hills and Dales Estates to University Hills, the local subdivision on Loop 1604 and Babcock Road has been given a new general sales manager. He is C. P. (Buddy) Autrey, long active in local real estate circles. A major expansion of the subdivision, now seeking incorporation as a municipality, is planned.

Helotes May Have Company?

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The developers plan to file an application for a loan from the Department of Housing and Urban Development under the federal New Town Act of 1968. The act requires that the project must provide for balanced housing of all types, mixed income levels for inhabitants, economic feasibility, a practical plan for financing land acquisition, planned orderly growth of the area, and a concept

consistent with areawide planning regulations or principles. Loans may be insured for up to \$50,000,000.

Town or Country, That is Question

The review committee of the Alamo Area Council of Governments first would have to approve the application.

Some objection has been expressed in San Antonio newspapers to the project because the site is on top of the Edwards Underground aquifer, source of San Antonio's drinking water.

Some objectors would like to make all the Helotes area a great big wilderness preserve, but the government doesn't have any laws for that at present.

The entrance to the Lytle Ranch is located about two miles northwest of Helotes on the left side of the "Riebe" curve. The ranch extends to Culebra Road on the West and to Bandera Road again near San Geronimo. Mr. Lytle retained about 500 acres of the ranch near San Geronimo.

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In addition to his successful postal career, he was for many years a champion in the fight against polio as represented chiefly in the "March of Dimes" campaign to provide funds for research, and care of victims. All citizens of Bexar County and South Texas owe him a debt of thanks, for this as well as his service with the post office.

Beer Theft Solved Here

Deputy Sheriff Jack Young and other Bexar County officers unearthed evidence leading to the solving of a break-in Friday, Oct. 16 at Floore's Country Store. Picked up were two youths of this area, one 18 years old and the other a juvenile, about 16.

According to one account, the boys evidently used a crowbar to remove a heavy chain and lock which had been placed on a storage chest several months ago after the owner, John T. Floore, and his staff had noted some disappearance of beer cases—which Mr. Floore estimates amounted to about a thousand dollars worth over a period of time.

On Friday night, however, some 20 cases had been removed from the chest. Mr. Floore noting one partially filled case on his sidewalk, went inside planning to return to pick it up. However, the case disappeared before he could retrieve it. Mr. Floore estimates that the damage to the door amounted to about \$150.

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One hundred lawyers of the Junior Bar Association held their annual get-together Oct. 20 at Floore's Country Store.

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Mrs. C. L. Colbert

bert, Long Beach, California, was solemnized by Chaplain (Major) Thomas E. Richardson, Sunday evening, October 11, in Chapel #1, Kelly AFB.

Miss Patti Smith was maid of honor. Other bridal attendants were Miss Vicki Kirkes, Mrs. Bruce Hopper, the bridegroom's sister, and Miss Jodi Hopper, flower girl.

Bruce Hopper, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, was best man. Groomsmen were Sgt. Ervine Rawlings, and Norman E. Simmang, uncle of the bride. Master L. A. Bergstrom, Jr., brother of the bride, was ringbearer. Ushers were A1C John Lamonica and Jiggy Johnson.

A rehearsal dinner honoring the couple was given at Cactus Jack's Steak House by the bridegroom's parents on the eve of the wedding. Valerio's Restaurant in San Antonio was the setting for the bridesmaid's luncheon given by Mrs. C. N. Simmang, grandmother of the bride, and a brunch was given for out-of-town guests at Oak Hills Country Club by Mrs. Norman Bodet.

Previous to her marriage, the bride was also feted at a crystal party at Ted's Hickory Pit, given by Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kyser and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hammett; a personal shower at the St. Anthony Club given by Mrs. Tony Rozance; a pottery shower at La Fonda Del Norte, given by Mrs. Wallace Bernard and a linen shower at the home of Mrs. Norman Simmang. Mr. and Mrs. Art Creager also honored the couple at a barbecue party at McQueeney Lake.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Penthouse, Kelly AFB Officers Club. After a wedding trip to Mexico, the couple will live at Westwood Apartments.

Adolph Lee's Celebrate 50th

A celebration of the Golden Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Lee, Sr., who were married in 1920, was hosted by their children on October 23.

A Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Rev. Louis Trawalter was held in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Helotes. A reception attended by their many friends and relatives was held at Ibarra Ranch House.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee have ranched here many years and are natives of Helotes.

Thirty-one members of the Zion Lutheran Church of Helotes attended the Fifth Biennial Convention of the American Lutheran Church held at the HemisFair Arena in San Antonio, Oct. 21 through 27.

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Women's Club Here To Mark 20th Year

A Tea celebrating the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Helotes Women's Club will be held Sunday, Nov. 8 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Confraternity Building of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Mrs. Rimón Ham, president and general chairman of the event has announced. It was in 1951 that a group of ladies of this area formed the service and civic club. At first it was in conjunction with the Leon Springs Presbyterian Church, of which its first president, the late Mrs. Claire (Mabel) Cheney was a member.

In order to offer a wider membership to those living here, headquarters were moved to the Scenic Loop soon after, and the club became independent of church affiliation. For the following decades, it has been a force in the community, often giving assistance in time of distress to individuals and families. The group has also helped form other organizations and carry on major civic goals here. Several charter members are still active in the group, which

last year launched a clean up and beautify program here.

Special guests will be all former members who are urged to attend, as the 1970-71 begins the third decade, Mrs. Ham says. Each active member will also have an opportunity to invite a guest who might be a prospective member, she added.

Girl Scouts to Meet

Nearly 3000 Junior Girl Scouts from the San Antonio Area Girl Scouts Council are expected Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. at HemisFair Plaza to take part in the Junior Treasure Trek. The event is designed to emphasize the International Friendship aspect of Girl Scouting.

Clara Roberts Shows Paintings

A show of the works of two well-known artists continues through Friday, Oct. 30 at La Galeria, 502 Paseo de La Villita, in downtown San Antonio, and is open to the public.

The show which opened Oct. 14 with a cocktail reception features the works of Clara Beth Roberts, a member of the Helotes Art Gallery who resides in Grey Forest, and of Phyllis Hayes, of the River Art Group and the San Antonio Art League.

Both are well-known throughout Texas for their variety of subject, style and media. Mrs. Roberts' works are also on display in the Helotes Art Gallery, as she is a popular and successful member of this group. She has had ten one-man shows and this in her second two-man show.

Leon Valley Gets New Art Gallery

The Art Gallery and Gift Shop has been opened this month in Leon Valley in the rock store which also houses an antique shop.

The art shop, owned by Clara Beth Roberts, Sallie A. Boozer, and Vi Southworth, well-known local artists, will feature works of several Helotes area artists as well as some from San Antonio.

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The parsonage, located on Bandera Road here, was completed in 1969. Rev. Collin Furr is pastor.

Donations will be accepted for improving the parsonage.

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A FUN FAIR attraction—the mystery lady-who-knows-all-about-you—holds the interest of a 1970 fairgoer. This year's General Chairman Margie Barker and her committees were commended this week by P-TA President Margaret Martin for their successful fair and for raising over \$2,500 for school projects.

Diamond Dee Street Dance To Be Tonight

Grand opening of the new Diamond Dee Steak House in Hills and Dales is being held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday this week, it was announced by the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Dee McKay and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fisher.

Dale Keith and the Starlite Ramblers will play for a free street dance in front of the restaurant Friday night, Oct. 30 from 7 to 11 p.m.

The Diamond Dee opened informally on Oct. 1 and has been attracting large crowds all month.

Dr. and Mrs. Rod Jurado and five children—three boys and twin girls—are new residents of Helotes Park Estates. They moved here from Florida. Dr. Jurado is stationed at Wilford Hall Hospital on Lackland Air Force Base. Mrs. Jurado said they all really like Helotes.

Mrs. E. J. Gilliam recently returned from a trip to St. Louis to visit her stepmother and sister . . . Ralph and Vi Swift recently visited their daughter, Paulette, and her husband and one-year-old son in Illinois. They made the trip to Illinois via Big Bend, where they spent three days. Vi said she "could live in the Big Bend forever!"

McEntire-Perkins Wedding Solemnized

Miss Celeste Perkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas S. Perkins became the bride of William W. McEntire, son of Col. and Mrs. William E. McEntire, in an evening ceremony Saturday, Sept. 26 in Incarnate Word High School Chapel with the Rev. Fr. Lawrence J. Stuebben of Castroville performing the ceremony.



Mrs. W. W. McEntire

Celeste was lovely in her gown of pale ivory silk organza. Re-embroidered Alencon lace appli-

ques, jeweled with seed pearls, adorned the high neck empire bodice and short scalloped sleeves. Repeated lace motifs flowered the flared 'A' skirt which swept gracefully wide and full into a Chapel train. Fresh flowers mixed with heirloom orange blossoms held her full silk illusion veil.

Maid of honor was the bride's sister, Miss Beverly Perkins. Bridesmaids were Miss Janet Burney, Miss Madeleine Gilbert, and Mrs. Jack Wilson, cousins of the bride, and Miss Jan McEntire, sister of the bridegroom.

Junior bridesmaids were Cindy and Julie Whitehurst, nieces of the bride, and flower girls were Sherri and Shelly Whitehurst, twin nieces of the bride.

Best man was Tom Butler of Odessa, Texas. Ushers were Richard Perkins, brother of the bride, and John A. Whitehurst. Groomsmen included Don Nelson, Ralph Beck of Dallas, Charles Robbins of Tampa, Florida, and Doug Perkins, brother of the bride.

Assisting as alter boys were Stephen Perkins, another brother, and Kenneth Whitehurst, a nephew of the bride.

Ringbearer was Michael Whitehurst also a nephew.

The bride is a graduate of Incarnate Word High School and recently received her degree from The University of Texas at Austin. She spent childhood vacations in Helotes and the Scenic Loop and has many friends here. She has been teaching in San Antonio for the past year.

The bridegroom who is stationed at Fort Hood, Texas is a graduate of Highlands High School and has a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University at College Station.

Following the wedding reception held at the home of the bride's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Whitehurst, on Tower Drive in Hill Country Estates, the couple departed for a brief honeymoon to Mexico.

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Medical Center Grows

UT Dental School, VA Hospital Next

Two major expansions in the nearby South Texas Medical Center were announced late in October.

First, construction of the 760-bed Veterans Administration Hos-

pital was announced as going to begin about Dec. 1. It will cost \$31,993,000 and will open about the end of 1973. It will be built adjacent to the Bexar County Hospital and the University of Texas Medical School on 33.3 acres.

Second, regents for the University of Texas System approved plans for a \$24,100,000 Dental School in the same medical center. It will be connected with the University of Texas Medical School in order to integrate facilities for teaching in the basic sciences and use of experimental animal programs.

The Medical Center is located about two miles south of the new University of Texas at San Antonio site on Loop 1604 and Babcock Road.

JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

John Henry Newman, 68, a resident of Grey Forest and lifelong resident of Bexar County, died Oct. 3 at a San Antonio hospital following a brief illness.

He was a retired sales manager for Tom Benson Chevrolet Co., and is survived by his wife, Mrs. Persia Newman; one daughter, Mrs. Curtis O. Higgs of Port Arthur, and five grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gilbert Cruz, George Schaefer, N. A. Pendergrast, Nolan Pendergrast, Jr., and Frank Wyatt. Honorary Pallbearer is Tom Benson.

Mr. Newman was civic minded and contributed much to the growth of this area. He donated the first fire truck available to this area—which was maintained by the Scenic Loop Playground volunteers for several years before the organization of the Helotes Area Volunteer Fire Department. Memorials are being sent to the American Heart Fund.

Mrs. Amelia Menchaca Algueseva

Mrs. Amelia Menchaca Algueseva, a native lifelong resident of Helotes, died Saturday, Sept. 28, in a San Antonio hospital at the age of 74. She was born Amelia Lee, a member of the pioneer Lee family here.

She is survived by her husband, Jesse Algueseva, and nine children. These include five sons—Severa Menchaca, Bennie Menchaca, and Ray Menchaca, also Reynaldo (Sonny) Algueseva, and Jesse Algueseva II and four daughters—Lena Balero, Sally Barrera of Lubbock, Della Garrison, and Yolanda Davis.

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A burial Mass was said by the Rev. Louis Trawalter at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church here and burial was in the parish cemetery.

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This Time To Vote Also Offers Choice

An off-year election (so-called because it's an election year in which there's no race for President) of more than unusual interest will come to a climax on Tuesday, Nov. 3, when the voters do their choosing at the polls.

Helotes voters—Republicans, Democrats, or other—will vote at the Helotes Volunteer Fire Department fire house, Bandera at Galm Road, Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Leon Valley voters will pull the levers in the Leon Valley School cafeteria, and Leon Springs School.

What makes this election different is that several strong Republican candidates threaten some Democratic hopefuls this year. In times past, there was little suspense in Texas elections after the Democratic primaries in the Spring.

In spite of all the Republican publicity this year, voters will find on the long ballot a large number of uncontested races, that is, for positions for which there is a Democratic candidate only.

The chief contested races in which citizens in Northwest Bexar County may vote are:

For Governor of Texas, in which the incumbent Democrat, Preston Smith, again is opposed by Paul Eggers, a rather strong Republican opponent against Smith two years ago. But Smith has even greater strength now than he had in that race.

For United States Senator, in which Democrat Lloyd Bentsen, Houston insurance executive and Lower Rio Grande Valley

land developer, who knocked off incumbent Ralph Yarborough in the primary, is opposed by George Bush, also of Houston, presently a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. On this one you can toss a coin.

For United States Representative, in which long-time incumbent O. C. Fisher of San Angelo is opposed by Richard Gill of San Antonio in the young Republican's first political race. Only a really upsetting Republican sweep could put Gill ahead.

For County Commissioner, Precinct 2, in which Tom Stohandske, Democrat, and Lauren Barneby, Republican, both seek to succeed veteran Ollie Wurzbach, who chose not to run this time. Stohandske is considered an easy shoo-in.

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, in which the candidates are Oliver Chamberlin, Republican and Fred Clark, Democrat.

Seven proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution on which the voters are supposed to say yes or no will lengthen the ballot even more.

Only two, No. 2 and No. 3, have produced much controversy. No. 2 is the liquor-by-the-drink amendment. No. 3 is opposed by most ranchers and farmers. It would authorize the Legislature to establish a method of assessment of ranch, farm and forest lands "based upon the capability of the lands to support the raising of livestock or to produce farm and forest crops." Opponents say it would favor land speculators and "Sunday" farmers.

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Holiday Mailings**

Helotes Postmaster Charles Davis has announced that when the Post Office Department says mail early for Christmas this year it means early.

Christmas packages to friends and relatives in the United States should be mailed between Dec. 1 and Dec. 10, and greeting cards between Dec. 11 and Dec. 15.

To Alaska and Hawaii they should be mailed between Nov. 30 and Dec. 4 (unless the sender is using air mail; then he has until Dec. 14).

These dates don't apply to military mail going overseas. Deadlines for surface parcels going overseas is Nov. 6 and for airlift service is Nov. 27.

Surface parcels to friends and relatives in Mexico should be mailed by Dec. 4, greeting cards by Dec. 9, and air parcels by Dec. 16.

To facilitate Christmas mailings, Postmaster Davis announced that the Helotes Post Office will be open on three Saturdays in December from 8 a.m. to noon. The dates are Dec. 5, 12 and 19.

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