

AREA POPULATION 3500

Guatay	200
Jamul	952
Pine Valley	956
Campo	1256
Descanso	776
Jacumba	852
Harbison Canyon	1208
Total	9273

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RECALL OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES DEFEATED

THE ECHO REVIEWS THE NEWS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST IN 1962

With this issue the Alpine Echo starts its sixth volume of publication and is the beginning of the second year of publication under the present publishers.

The Echo takes the opportunity in this Anniversary Edition to present a pictorial review of many of the events that have transpired during the past year which have been of community-wide interest.

With the advent of water and the extension of the freeway system during 1962, a rapid development is taking place in the Alpine and Mt. Empire area. Many new residents are moving into this area, new businesses and industries are being established, and many of the present inhabitants are improving their property in a manner which was not possible before the availability of water.

The Alpine Chamber of Commerce has become very active, employing a manager and establishing a program of advertising the community. Also, it has established annual events including a horse show and a Christmas decoration contest.

The Pine Valley Fire Department advanced from a volunteer status to a legally constituted paid

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Alpine Weather Has Been Variable

Last weekend Alpine experienced real summer weather with temperatures rising into the 80's, which was caused by an East wind.

The weather for the past two days, however, has undergone a change to a moist condition with the Echo rain gauge showing measurable quantities of rain.

C Of C To Install Officers At Dinner

The Alpine Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual dinner and installation of officers on Saturday, January 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Alpine School auditorium.

The dinner will be catered by Michaels of Lemon Grove, which arrangements are under the direction of Dinner Committee chairman, W. H. "Corky" Jones. Mrs. Katherine Black is in charge of the decorations for the tables, and has a surprise in store which she says she believes to be quite novel.

Mr. Orville Palmer, chairman of the Entertainment Committee, announces that following the dinner and the installation and introduction of the new officers, entertainment will be furnished by the noted organist, Walter James Slocumb, from San Diego.

Dinner tickets at \$2.50 each are available by advance sale only at the Chamber of Commerce office at 2121 Highway 80 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily, and at many of the Alpine business houses.

The Chamber is having a membership drive during this month. Anyone interested in becoming a member should contact Manager Bill Tragsdorf at the Chamber office. After the membership drive has been completed, a business directory of Alpine will be prepared.

INTIMATE GLIMPSES

By BEA LA FORCE

Sometimes these days with taxes soaring, zoning imminent, and our State growing too fast for its own good with the whole world wanting to live in California, we look around in alarm for some reassuring sign. Is our pleasant country living doomed? Are the wild acres all to be converted to dwellings, our wilderness covered by cement slabs and sidewalks? Visions of a vast subdivision with houses all in sight of each other and sewn tidily together by wide gleaming ribbons of super-Freeways seems to predicate the foreseeable future and gives us the shivers.

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For the wilderness is a vital part of our American heritage. Wild lands, their freedom and grandeur, are woven into our National character and have influenced the best in all our arts. As the settlements blend along the highways we feel afraid that the wilderness is vanishing. But a little study convinces us that this is not so.

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Just over a 100 years ago Henry Thoreau sensed a threat to the wild lands in the country's rapid growth. He was the first American to speak out for preservation and conservation when there seemed to be much more space than could ever be used. He knew that it was vital that some of our lands remained forever wild. Fortunately, other far-sighted individuals agreed with him and due to these early conservationists we have open land that will always be wilderness.

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This is the comforting view we can take when we feel the city's hot breath on our necks and the pinch of zoning rules. Think then of the stake every citizen has in the vast wilderness that will never be changed—the 186 million acres of National Forest that belong to us all. This acreage, designated as wilderness, is being protected for these specific values. No permanent roads may be built into any of them; all commercial uses are forbidden, except for already established livestock grazing. To penetrate these primitive lands,

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Mt. Empire Schools To Have Tax Vote

The trustees of the Mt. Empire Unified School District are calling for a tax override election on April 16 which will be consolidated with the regular school trustees election held on that date.

The District is now operating on the maximum allowable rate of \$2.54 for each \$100 assessed valuation which expires on June 30, and reverts to the base rate of \$1.65 unless the voters approve an increase for the next school year.

The trustees are requesting a 50 cent override which if approved by the voters, will provide a maximum rate of \$2.15 which is 39 cents less than the present maximum.

The vote for the tax override will be requested in the election for only the 1963-64 fiscal year.

KILDGORE, REYNOLDS AND WILCOX RETAINED BY MAJORITY VOTE

The unofficial returns from the special recall election held last Tuesday gave a majority vote in favor of not recalling School Board members Charles Kildgore, John R. Reynolds and Laurence M. Wilcox whose recall was sought in the special election.

Public Hearing On Zoning To Be Set

The setting of the date for a public hearing before the County Planning Commission on the zoning of the area within the Alpine Union School District will be on their agenda tomorrow, Friday, January 11 with a recommendation from the Planning Director that the date be set in approximately one month and also with a request that the Commission make a request to the Board of Supervisors for the establishment of interim zoning pending the determination of the final zoning for the area.

Mr. Harold Mattly, Project Supervisor in the office of the Director of Planning, states that the boundary descriptions of the different types of zoning are now being prepared for use in establishing the interim zoning if the Planning Commission makes a request to the Board of Supervisors for such zoning.

He further states that the descriptions will not be completed for some time and the request for the interim zoning could not be made until the descriptions have been completed.

New Plans For Isobel's Gift Shop

Isobel's Gift Shop, which has been owned and operated by Mrs. Isobel Pellegrin for nearly 10 years was recently bought by Fran and Jim Hall and will be open for business as of today.

The new owners will retain Isobel's gift line. However, they will have two new additional services to offer. One will be their candle making business, and the other will be an animal photography studio. Mr. and Mrs. Hall will be remembered as former owners of the Alpine Cafe seven or eight years ago.

Isobel plans at the present time to do some gardening at home and then in the near future to open her own ceramic studio. She will still have her ceramics available for sale and plans to continue her ceramic classes, in addition to her knitting classes.

Her many friends in Alpine wish her success in her new venture.

New Paint Job On Town Hall

Have you noticed the Town Hall lately in Descanso? It is certainly going to look nice with a fresh paint job. Thanks go to the Flaming Arrow Patrol of the Boy Scout Troop 151.

Bill Flowers, patrol leader and members Tom Flowers, Leon Sykes and Martin Connors are doing the work and using their own funds to purchase the paint.

This is a week-end project and it will take a little time to complete the work.

The voters turned out in large numbers at the three polling places within the Alpine Union School District. There were approximately 600 voters who cast their ballots at the Alpine School, 113 at the Community Hall in Harbison Canyon, and 44 at the residence of Mrs. Anjanette Little in Japatul Valley.

The ballots were processed and the votes counted at an early hour after the polls closed in the Harbison Canyon and Japatul polls where the number of voters was small, but the tabulation of the ballots was not completed at the Alpine School poll until about 1:30 a.m.

The number of voters who cast their ballots from the five Alpine precincts at the Alpine poll, according to Mr. Frank Doerr one of the election officials, was the largest number of voters who had ever voted at an election from these five precincts.

The vote was so close on some of the candidates that the results were not definitely known until

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Urge Early Auto Registration

A letup on the volume of motor vehicle registration for 1963 was reported today by Ennis Scott, manager of the La Mesa DMV office.

Pointing out a February 4 deadline for renewal without penalty, and aware of the long, slow-moving lines that always developed in the last few days, Scott urged all local residents to come in now.

"Right now, we'll guarantee the quickest, most efficient service possible, Scott said, but added that the same quick service may not be the case during the last hectic week of renewal.

Scott estimated that the renewal operation to date is running 24 percent above last year. He also pointed out that straight processing of automobiles only on the renewal cards mailed from Sacramento is available at Security Bank, 850 N. Second St., Bostonia; Security Bank, 205 W. Main St., El Cajon and First National Bank, Euclid and Federal, San Diego.

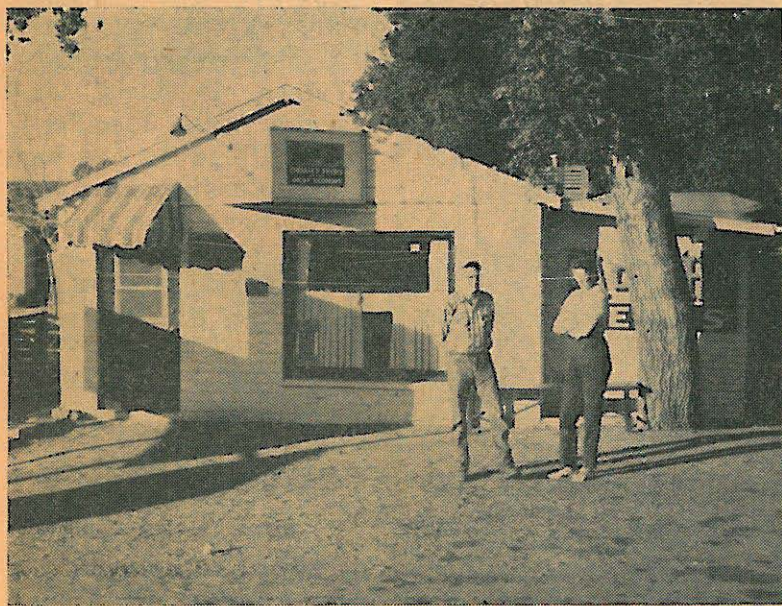
Scott said that license plates for types of vehicles other than automobiles will be issued only at the Department of Motor Vehicles or at auto clubs for their members.

Property Changes Hands In Guatay

Mr. Don Moore from the Air Force in Mt. Laguna has purchased the property in Guatay formerly occupied by the Mills Gem Shop. The property consists of approximately three-quarter of an acre between the restaurant and Hilltop Supply.

Present plans are that Mr. Moore will remodel the rock building for a refrigeration and appliance repair business.

FEED BUSINESS OPENS IN ALPINE



Les Green, owner, and Miss Lowthian, customer, in front of Feed store

The Mt. Empire Feed of Alpine held its grand opening last Saturday. Mr. Les Green of Alpine Heights Road established this new business which is located at 2538 Highway 80, which was the old VFW Hall.

Mr. Green states that he is the local Ace Hi distributor for all of their feed products. Among the many products available are hay, dog, horse and cattle and bird feeds, insecticides, serums, vaccines, all kinds of dog and horse supplies and garden supplies. This is a very extensive assortment,

and many items not normally carried in stock can be ordered.

About 100 persons attended the grand opening on Saturday, and enjoyed the courtesy coffee available to all customers. Les has provided a coffee mug, properly inscribed, for a large number of local people, and says, "Just come in and get your name on a coffee mug."

A beautiful floral basket was presented by Norman Foster of Nor Bob Trophy Company, a local concern, to make the opening a more festive affair.

Type III Sabin Due February 10th

Plans for dispensing Type III Sabin oral vaccine in San Diego County on February 10 were announced in a joint statement by Dr. J. B. Askew, M.D., director of the San Diego Department of Public Health, and Dr. John A. Bishop, M.D., chairman of the Sabin on Sunday program.

Type III Sabin oral vaccine will be available at the same location and during the same hours as were the Type I and II. In Alpine, it will be available at the Alpine Union School from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The SOS committee urges immunization with Type III vaccine for children, in whom the danger of naturally occurring poliomyelitis is greatest. Persons taking the vaccine should realize that there is a potential risk of vaccine induced poliomyelitis, especially in persons over 30 years of age.

In view of the generous response of the public in the donations for Types I and II vaccine, it is now possible for the SOS committee to offer Type III vaccine without charge.

MISHAP ON HIGHWAY 80

The holiday season has not been a very happy one for the Bob Scherf family of Morena Village. Bob, who has a clothes cleaning route in the mountain area, had an accident with his delivery truck the weekend before Christmas. He was having trouble with his truck and stopped along Highway 80, east of Alpine, and while he was standing there talking to a policeman who had stopped to help him, someone came along and rammed into the truck, knocking it down an embankment, scattering clothes all over.

Lucky the policeman was there to see what happened, as it seems Mr. Scherf is coming out of the mishap without much loss to him. He bought another truck and was back in business the following week.

Nursing Accredited At San Diego State

San Diego State's department of nursing has been approved for accreditation by the National League for Nursing. It is the first collegiate program of nursing to be accredited in the area. The League is recognized by private, federal, educational, and professional agencies as the official organization responsible for accrediting programs of nursing education.

San Diego State nursing graduates will now be eligible for the public health nursing certificate.

The department of nursing has grown to a fulltime faculty of 12 and an enrollment of 260 nursing students. The clinical facilities of four local hospitals, the County Health Department, and the Visiting Nurse Association are available for studies by students enrolled in the nursing program.

MARY GOULD PASSES

Mrs. Mary Gould of Spring Valley passed away on Wednesday, January 2. She was the mother of Mary Jane Scherf, of Campo, Pat Russel, formerly of Morena Village, Dorothy Naslund of El Cajon, and Evelyn Hawksley of Lake Morena. Mrs. Gould had not been well for some time and Evelyn, being a nurse, was taking care of her.

Mrs. Gould will be remembered by a large group of women in the Campo area, as she came to Campo once a week a few years back and helped her daughter, Evelyn teach a class in cake decorating.

She was very active in the Spring Valley Woman's Club, and will be missed by a great many people.

Speedy Recovery

The many friends of Elbert Stebins will be happy to know that "he isn't taking it laying down." Elbert, who is employed at Florence's Market, was suddenly taken ill and had to have an emergency appendectomy at the El Cajon Valley hospital a week ago this Wednesday. He resides on Arnold Drive with his wife and two children.

Friends expect to see him back to work just about any day even though it usually takes much longer recuperating from such an ordeal.

From The ECHO 1962 Picture File

Water Coming To Alpine



In January work was underway for the installation of the transmission water mains to bring water to Alpine. Several contracts had been awarded for the installation of the service lines to be installed on many of the Alpine roads. This work of installing the mains was to bring Alpine an assured water supply to replace the wells that were running dry.

Pictured is water line at Arnold Way and Tavern Road being inspected by A. L. Adams, President of the Alpine Heights MWD, and Director of the Rio San Diego MWD.

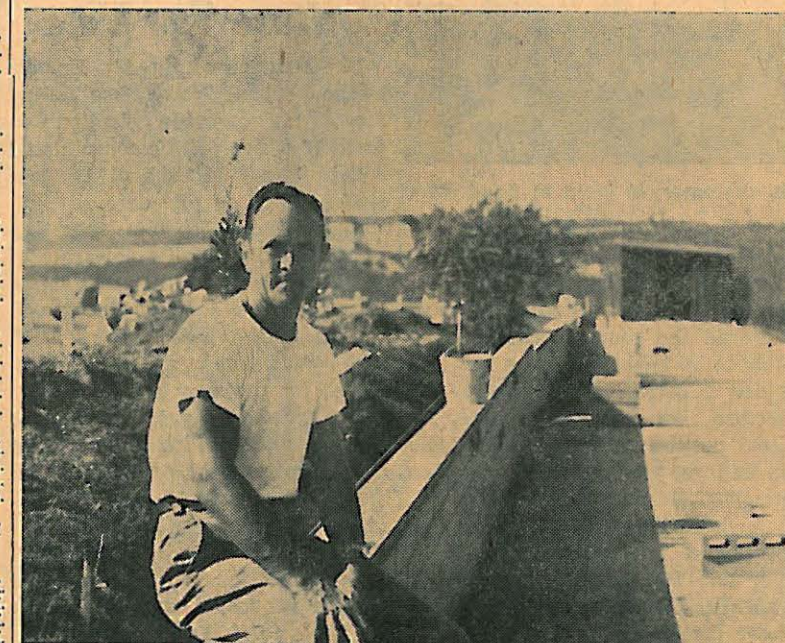
CHURCH SERVICES

ALPINE COMMUNITY CHURCH—Rogger M. Larson, Ph.D., Pastor HI 5-2110		
Sunday School For All Ages	.....	9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship Services	.....	9:45 A. M. and 11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship Service	.....	7:00 P. M.
Pilgrim Fellowship (Junior and Senior)	.....	7:00 P. M.
Church Guild, Every Wednesday	.....	10:00 A. M.
Family Dinner, Thurd Friday Each Month	.....	7:00 P. M.
QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH—Rev. Thomas Bolten, Pastor HI 5-2145		
Sunday Masses	.....	8:00 and 10:00 A. M., and 5:00 P. M.
Daily Mass	.....	8:00 A. M.
Receive Confessions Saturdays	.....	3:00 to 4:00 P. M.; 7:00 to 8:00 P. M.
Religious Instructions for Children Attending Public Schools:		
Harbison Vanyon	.....	10:00 A. M. Saturdays
Alpine	.....	11:30 A. M. Saturdays
FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. James Arnold, Pastor		
Sunday School For All Ages	.....	9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship Service	.....	11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship Service	.....	7:00 P. M.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	.....	7:30 P. M.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF THE WILLOWS—Rev. Vaughn Steen, Pastor		
Sunday School	.....	9:30 A. M.
Morning Worship Service	.....	10:45 A. M.
Evening Worship Service	.....	7:30 P. M.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday Evenings	.....	7:30 P. M.
ALPINE LUTHERAN CHURCH—Rev. Charles W. Tedrahn, Pastor		
Morning Worship Service, Women's Club	.....	10:45 A. M.
Sunday School, Every Sunday	.....	9:30 A. M.
BETHEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD—Rev. Eva Bailey		
Sunday School For All Ages	.....	9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship Service	.....	11:00 A. M.
Evangelistic Sunday Night Service	.....	7:30 P. M.
Prayer Service Thursday Evening	.....	7:00 P. M.
BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH, Descanso—Rev. Joseph Prince, Pastor		
Sunday Mass	.....	9:00 A. M. and 10:30 A. M.
Holy Days and First Fridays Mass	.....	7:00 P. M.
Daily Mass	.....	8:00 A. M.
Confessions heard before all Masses		
HARBISON CANYON COMMUNITY CHURCH—Rev. Floyd French, Pastor		
Sunday School for all Ages	.....	9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship Service	.....	11:00 A. M.
"Crusaders for Christ," Each Monday	.....	7:00 P. M.
Women's Missionary Group, Each Wednesday	.....	10:00 A. M.
Bible Study Group, Each Friday	.....	1:00 P. M.
HARBISON CANYON BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. Rolland Butler, Pastor		
Sunday School for all Ages	.....	9:30 A. M.
Morning Worship Service	.....	10:30 A. M.
Youth Group, Sunday Evening	.....	6:00 P. M.
Evangelistic Service, Sunday Evening	.....	7:00 - 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting, Each Thursday	.....	7:00 - 8:00 P. M.
CHAPEL OF THE HILLS, Descanso—Rev. Ernest Mielr, Pastor		
Sunday School	.....	9:45 A. M.
Church Worship	.....	11:00 A. M.
M. Y. F.	.....	6:30 P. M.
Evening Hymn Sing	.....	7:30 P. M.
OUR LADY OF THE PINES CHAPEL, Mt Laguna		
Sunday Mass	.....	12:15 P. M.
CHURCH OF CHRIST—Clyde Goff, Pastor		
Community Club House, Pine Valley		
Bible Study	.....	9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship Service	.....	10:45 A. M.
Evening Worship Service	.....	7:00 P. M.
Weekly Bible Study, Roe home, Oak Lane, Friday	.....	7:30 P. M.



First officers of the Alpine Historical Society together with officers of the San Diego Historical Society. From left, Wilbur Shields, Secretary of the San Diego Society; Bea LaForce, Secretary-Treasurer; Ralph

Walker, President, and Lenore Lusk, Vice-President, Alpine Society, and James Reading, President of the San Diego Society. Under the leadership of these people, the Alpine Historical Society was founded in March.



James Amundsen, President of the Alpine Cemetery Association, seated

on a new retaining wall, a part of the improvement and expansion in the Alpine Cemetery in March.

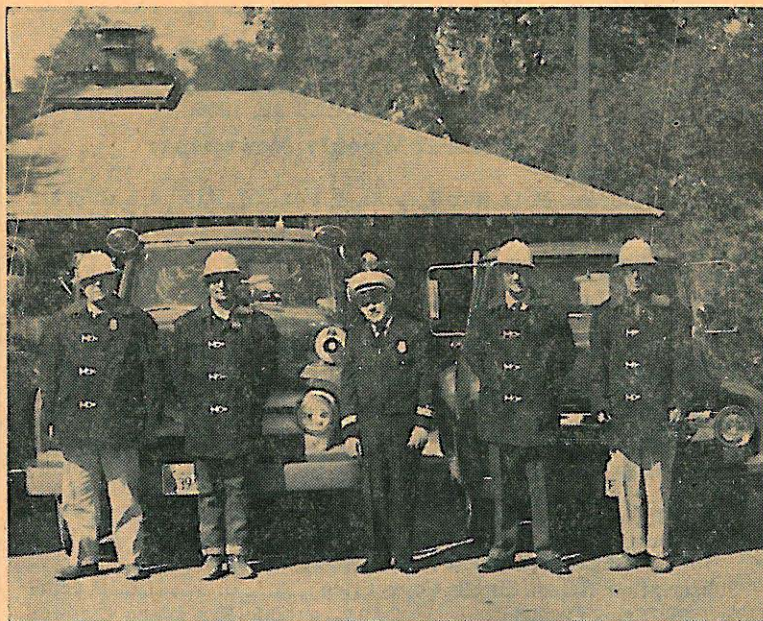


Alpine Woman Honored

In April, Mrs. Harry Colby, a Past President of the Alpine Woman's Club, was honored by being elected President of the Southern District, San Di-

ego County, Federation of Woman's Clubs.

Mrs. Colby had previously served two years as Second Vice-President, and two years as First Vice-President of the Southern District Federation, and was elected unanimously to the office of President.



At a special election on May 8th the residents of Pine Valley formed a Fire Protection District which will establish a paid fire department to replace the volunteer department. The volunteer personnel are pictured from left, R. T. Hadley, Louis Perna, Chief John Pingley, Ed Orbom and Nathan Morse.

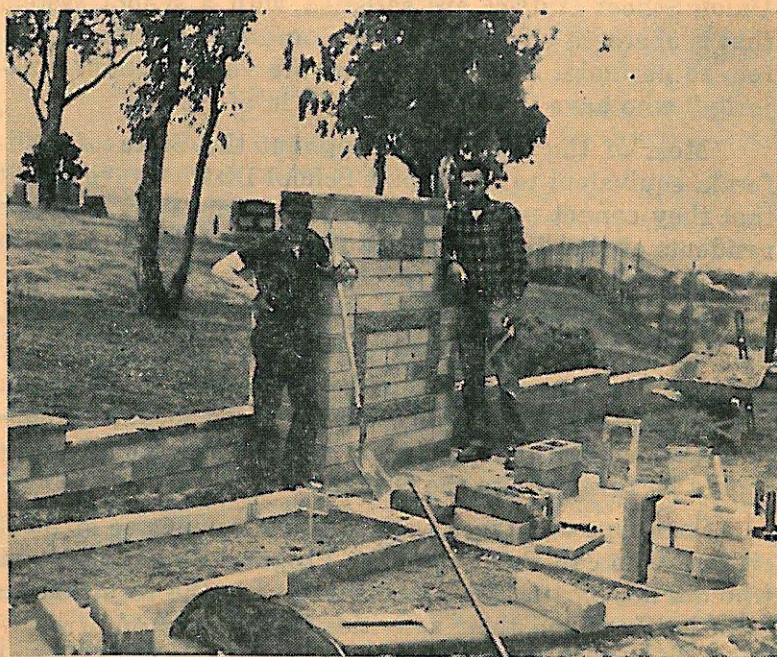
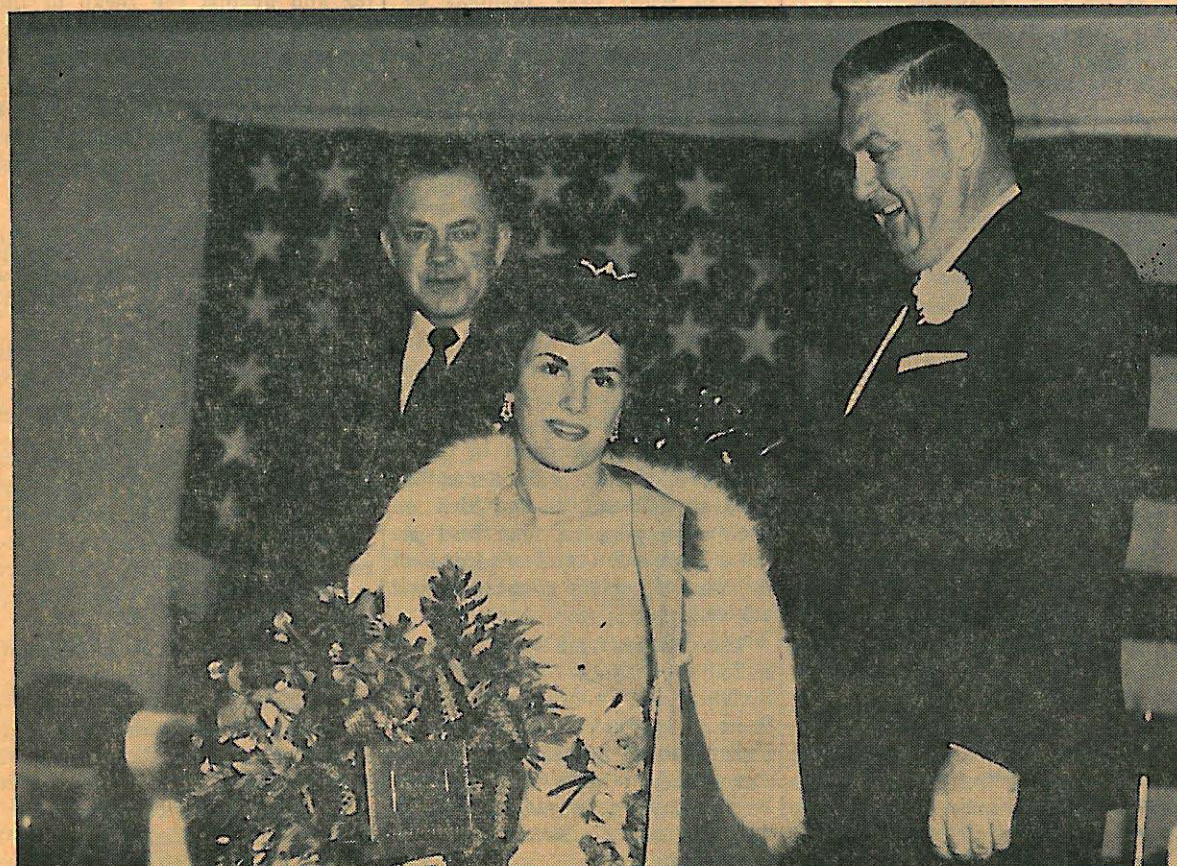


In April, Roy Setser of Alpine Terrace discovered a petrified plant on his property. A petrified plant is a rare phenomenon,

and according to Mrs. Fern Latham, was apparently a succulent of the Crassula species.



The Baron Long Reservation held their annual ceremony for the crowning of the May Queen, the Blessed Mother, on May 20th. The ceremony is an annual event held each May at the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the reservation.



On Memorial Day, May 30th, the VFW Post 5233, Fleet Reserve Association No. 258, and World War I Barracks No. 2716, dedicated a new Veterans War Memorial in the Alpine Cemetery. The construction of the memorial was supervised by Bert Fuller, left, and he was assisted in the work by Guy Phelps, right.

On May 5th, the Pine Valley Fire Department presented their annual Fireman's Ball. The main event of the evening was the announcement by Fire Chief John Pingley that Miss Andrea Suprenant had been chosen

Queen of the Ball. Pictured from left, Fire Chief Pingley, Miss Suprenant, and San Diego Vice-Mayor Frank Curran, guest of honor.

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The Alpine Schools

Last Tuesday the majority of the voters of the Alpine Union School District who cast their ballots voted against the recall of the three School Board members whose recalls were sought, the result of which is that John R. Reynolds, Charles Kildgore and Laurence M. Wilcox will all remain on the Board.

These three members, who have called themselves the "constitutional majority," have formed a voting block which has been controlling the policies and activities of the School Board for some time. Their actions arouses a sufficient numbers of the citizens of the community to request an election on their recall which was defeated, not by a landslide, but by a sufficiently small majority to indicate that their prior activities have not been endorsed by an overwhelming majority of the residents of the District.

The decisions and actions of this "constitutional majority" are responsible for the kind of schools that Alpine now has. Prior to the present school year the District was operating on a budget supported by an authorized tax rate of \$1.51 to supplement funds available from other sources. This tax rate expired a year ago and reverted to a maximum allowable rate of 90 cents.

There were two elections held during the first part of 1962 on the proposition of authorizing a tax rate increase to \$1.86, one election in January and the other in June. At both elections the tax rate increase failed to get the majority by a wide margin.

Are we to understand that the residents of the Alpine Union School District are satisfied with a school system that is operated on a 90 cent rate, and for this school system to be under the direction of the "constitutional majority" who have just been retained in office?

Most of the Districts throughout the State of California equivalent to the Alpine School District have found that they cannot provide the scope of education that the residents of the districts desire for their children on a 90 cent tax rate.

Mr. Reynolds has stated that a tax rate increase election would probably be discussed by the Board in the near future. We assume that this discussion will be based on the amount of funds required to be raised locally to support the educational program which the Board feels should be furnished to the District.

Sometime ago there was formed a committee of local citizens who call themselves the Progress Committee, and who did not participate as a committee in the recall movement but confined their activities to the purpose of making a study with the School administration and the School Board of a budget that would furnish to the children of the district the scope of education which they would believe was necessary. This committee is still active and state that they intend to continue their study in order to be properly advised of the tax rate that would be necessary to support such a budget and lend their efforts to support a tax increase election for such an amount if an election is called.

As we have previously stated, the residents of the School District should either support their School Board or get a new Board. By last Tuesday's election, the majority of the voters have supported and endorsed the present School Board majority. It should now follow that, unless they have made a mistake, the majority of the voters in the District should support this Board and provide the District with whatever funds through taxation the Board feels is the amount necessary whether this be the present 90 cent rate or some other amount.

Letters To The Editor

Letters must have signature and address, be subject to being condensed and will not be returned. The opinions expressed are the opinions of the writers and may not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Alpine Echo.

Dear Editor:

It is very difficult for me to write this letter but I feel it necessary as a great blunder has been made by keeping these men in office. I cannot be a good loser in this case, knowing a terrible injustice has been done to our children and most of all Mr. Gilley.

We will never have another superintendent with the ability, qualification, aptitude, capability and honesty of Mr. Gilley. Some say everyone can be replaced but not a devoted man like Mr. Gilley.

Believe me our children are going to suffer.

Do you realize we have a one man board. Mr. Kildgore's only function on the Board is to make Mr. Reynolds's motions and Mr. Wilcox is there to second the motion. Is this fair play?

When will John Reynolds move his desk back in the office?

Remember your School Board has full power at our school.

Many voters did not take the time to read their ballots carefully. Did they understand it? NO. This showed by the votes cast for the recall candidates.

What does it take to wake up this community?

Remember John Reynolds can be voted out of office in the spring. This is our only chance for education in this community. Maybe those that felt so sure of a recall and did not vote this time will come to the polls this spring.

A bitter mother.
 Joanne Nichols
 Rt. 1, Box 158
 Alpine, California

JOHN BILSKY MOVING TO PV

Alpine's genial John Bilsky is moving his residence to Pine Valley as of the 16th of January. John has been a very active participant in the affairs of Alpine ever since he arrived some years ago.

He has been the secretary of the Alpine Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 258 for one year in addition to being secretary of the Alpine Youth Center.

His new job will be working at the Hobart House in Pine Valley and his many friends from Alpine wish him best wishes in his new occupation.

Meeting Of Kiwanis

Mr. Rennie Hollett presided at the weekly meeting of the Alpine Kiwanis Club of Thursday, January 10.

Mr. Howard Sanders showed pictures and told of his experiences in operating a camp in that vicinity for five years, 50 miles from Jackson, Wyoming. This was in wilderness country where permanent trails were forbidden and transportation was by horse only.

An added interest to all Kiwanis members is the condition of Vice-President Dick Robinson who is reportedly improving from a setback with his heart.

Guatay Union Station To Be Remodeled

Plans have been completed, and work will start in the near future on the remodeling of the Union Oil Station at Guatay.

The remodeling will include new buildings, pumps and grease rack, as well as paving of the entire area. This will make it one of the most up-to-date stations on Highway 80 from El Cajon to El Centro.

Robert Garin Locates Missing Saw

During the latter part of November, Robert Garin of Pine Valley reported to the Sheriff's office that a Porter Gable Chain Saw had been stolen from his home (the former Klicka property). Last week Tony Walker purchased a chain saw from William H. Miller, a gardner at Hobart House, for \$50.

Mr. Louie Perna of the Hilltop Supply in Guatay states that as this was the same make saw that Garin had reported missing, the Sheriff's office became suspicious, but the serial number had to be checked, so Louie was contacted by them and it took him several hours to find the original sales slip of August 8, 1959. The number on the sales slip was the same as on the saw.

Saturday Mr. Miller was arrested and later released on bail pending arraignment on Monday, January 7, in the El Cajon Municipal Court. Monday when he appeared his bail was raised to \$5,000 and as he was unable to raise that amount, he was jailed.

Jr. Fire Patrol To Enter Contest

Just six weeks ago the Pine Valley Junior Fire Patrol was formed. These youngsters are a very enthusiastic group we can all be proud of. Todd Mallon age 11, Ralph Nunnery Jr. 10, Clarence Phole 11, Robert Russell 13, Benjamin Tulloch 9, Clifton Turnbull 13, William Turnbull 14, Steven Winkelman 10, comprise this patrol and they are all on hand every Friday afternoon when Chief Pingley calls them to order.

Their training has consisted of fire prevention, junior first aid, tools and equipment, semaphore. They are now learning the "Make and Break" hose drill and will enter the "Make and Break" hose contest at Imperial Beach, sponsored by the Imperial Beach Fire Department on July 4, 1963.

Chief Clarence Gish of the Imperial Beach Fire Department will show films of last year's contest.

County Allotted Highway Funds

Apportionment of \$12,913,047 in State and Federal funds to California counties for construction on county roads included in the Federal-aid Secondary System was announced today by the State Department of Public Works.

The allocation, which is for the 1963-64 fiscal year, includes \$8,762,019 from the Federal government and \$4,151,028 in state matching funds.

San Diego County's share for 1963-64 amounts to \$434,907, of which \$334,907 is Federal money and \$100,000 from the State Highway Budget.

Federal funds for county roads and State matching money are distributed to the counties according to Federal and State regulations.

The Federal funds are apportioned to the various counties according to the formula used by the Federal government in distributing Federal-aid Secondary funds to the states—one-third on the basis of area, one-third on rural population, and one-third on mileage of certain classes of mail routes.

The money from State sources is for the use of the counties in matching the Federal funds on the basis of approximately 60 percent Federal to 40 percent local funds. According to State law, \$100,000 is the maximum amount which may be use in matching its Federal allocation.

Rabies Clinic Has Large Attendance

The County rabies clinic held in Alpine, California Wednesday evening at the Alpine Elementary School, January 9 was reported to be very successful, reports Dr. A. K. Samter, D.V.M., doctor in charge. In two hours 217 dogs of every description were given their important rabies shot from as far away as Mississippi and Yuma, Arizona.

An unfortunate event occurred during the evening when a small girl arrived with her cat. The kitty, seeing the room filled with dogs panicked biting the child severely on the hand. Dr. Samter applied first aid immediately and told the child to report to her doctor. Dr. Samter asked the Echo to be sure and thank his many assistants. Two Explorer Scouts from Post 243, sponsored by the S. D. County Vet. Medical Association, Keith Ostensio, Pat Strepe from El Cajon and Jack Gainer who works for Dr. Samter.

Seven Alpine ladies also helped. Without this assistance, Dr. Samter stated the job would have taken from three to four hours.

Milk Goat Assn. To Hold Meeting

Mr. William House of Alpine, corresponding secretary of the Southern California Milk Goat Association, announces that a regular meeting of the Association will be held Sunday, January 13, in the Agricultural Building of the El Cajon Valley High School at 2 p.m.

Plans will be made at this meeting for the activities for the coming year.

Resident Passes

Mr. Harold W. Littman, a county resident for 55 years passed away Friday, January 4, 1963 at the Grossmont Hospital after major surgery. His survivors include his widow, Ione H. Littman, one daughter, Mrs. Donald Mitchell, two sisters, Mrs. Eva Gallagher, San Diego, Mrs. Alice Bennett, La Mesa and two grandchildren.

Mr. Littman's occupation was a machinist. He was also a World War II veteran and a member of the Fleet Reserve Association, No. 258 of Alpine.

Recall Defeated

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 the votes at the Alpine precinct had been counted and the totals for the three polling places tabulated.

The unofficial returns from the three polling places give totals for and against the recall of the three Board members as follows:
 Kildgorefor 346 against 401
 Reynoldsfor 352 against 389
 Wilcoxfor 329 against 408

The unofficial count at each of the polling places for and against the recall is as follows:

Alpine School
 Kildgorefor 245 against 349
 Reynoldsfor 250 against 341
 Wilcoxfor 228 against 361

Harbison Canyon
 Kildgorefor 88 against 24
 Reynoldsfor 87 against 22
 Wilcoxfor 87 against 19

Japatul Valley
 Kildgorefor 13 against 28
 Reynoldsfor 15 against 26
 Wilcoxfor 14 against 28

The unofficial tabulation for the candidates to succeed the Board members if they had been recalled gave totals as follows:

To succeed Kildgore if recalled:
 Campbell 358
 Whitt 287

To succeed Reynolds if recalled:
 Schwenck 313
 Thorpe 326

To succeed Wilcox if recalled:
 Hoistad 301
 Webb 323

The Social Whirl

ALPINE

By DEBBIE MARSHALL

Mrs. John Vitalich on Victoria Drive has just enjoyed a four-day visit with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sturgen. Mr. and Mrs. Sturgen from San Diego are old friends of Mrs. Vitalich.

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Jack Isaacs visited his mother, Mrs. Hazel Isaacs over the weekend in Lakewood, California. She is spending the winter in California with one of her sons and hopes to come to Alpine for a short while to visit Jack, Betty and her two grandchildren before returning to Missouri.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tomlinson motored to Alpine for a short visit with their good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ingalls and family over the weekend.

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Vera Bartley just returned from a two-week holiday trip with her daughter, Dalena, to Dallas, Texas. While there she visited with her parents, brothers and sisters in her home town during the Christmas and holiday season.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Parsons spent a two weeks' vacation visiting their respective families in Denver, Colorado, and Wichita, Kansas.

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Mr. John C. Byrne from Pittsburgh, Penn. is visiting his family, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Kramer and sons. Mr. Byrne flew out from Pennsylvania arriving on one of Alpine's most beautiful days. He plans on spending two months before returning home.

CAMPO

By FAY FARRIS

Guests for New Year's dinner at the Farris home were Bill and Mabel Thompson of Alpine Estate Trailer Park. The Thompsons returned a few weeks before Christmas from a two and a half-month trip by plane and train. They toured Florida, flew to the Caribbean and visited all the Islands, flew to New York and spent three weeks with their son, Jack, who showed them all the sights. They left by train and visited in Washington, D.C., Davenport, Iowa, Denver, Colo., and San Francisco. They had a wonderful time, and we are looking forward to seeing their moving pictures which we understand will be in the very near future.

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The Mt. Empire Masonic Club will meet for dinner and a short meeting at the Pine Valley Clubhouse on Friday evening, Jan. 11 at 7 p.m. with the dinner hostesses being Bobbie Hasenmaier, Gwen Leach, Helen Smyth, and Fay Farris. There will be entertainment after the dinner.

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One nice thing about the holidays is that so many people who have lived in Campo pay a visit at that time. Those who came this year were Jack Carter and wife, Chet Yanke and family, James Harrod of Boulevard, Neal Thompson, son of Lavern and Tommy Thompson of Campo, and the Ray Atzet family from El Centro. Their friends and families enjoyed their visit very much.

DESCANSO

By PATRICIA RICE

Mrs. Christine Rasmussen spent several days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Oliver and Mrs. Oliver's sister, Mrs. H. Parsons in Spring Valley. Both the Olivers and Parsons are former residents of Descanso. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons leave in the near future for Colorado

where they will make their home.

Mrs. Echo Atkins is back from

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her two-month trip north visiting her family. She reports a wonderful time and looks forward to a return visit around Easter.

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Nice to have Ethel White home again. Ethel and her children, Toni, Terry and Tim spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kins in Ekalaska, Montana, after helping them move from Dutton, Montana where her father recently retired from teaching due to illness. Ethel says they all feel like seasonal travelers after spending six days and nights on the train.

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Miss Pat Simpson, a new resident of Descanso is helping in the Hilltop Cafe.

HARBISON

By PAT PATTISON

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jennings, of Harbison Canyon Road, proudly announce the birth of a new daughter, Carol Renee Jennings. Both mother and daughter are now home and doing fine.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Barbara) Dane of Poway were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Pipes of Harbison Canyon Road. The Danes are former residents of the Canyon and still retain property here.

MT. LAGUNA

By COLLEEN INGALLS

Another new baby to arrive on Mt. Laguna in addition to the heir of Mr. and Mrs. John Bessey, is William David Bradley who was born to Sgt. and Mrs. Bradley of the U. S. Air Force, on December 13, 1962.

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Rev. and Mrs. Addison Moore look forward to a winter vacation this year and will leave Mt. Laguna, January 13 returning February 17.

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Ruth and Clay Stuart had a very unique way of saying hello to their many friends at Christmas time. A five-year letter was mailed just loaded with newsy events of their family and friends.

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Such good news to hear from this same Christmas letter about Grandmother Patchett who is well and happy living in a trailer in El Cajon. Mountain folks are a special type of people and Grandmother Patchett is one of the specials. She is very well known and loved in the area.

PINE VALLEY

By JANE ORBOM

Jim and Bess Warne left Monday for their usual winter trip to Arizona. They closed their home on Corte Madera Road for two months of trailer living in Organ Pipe Cactus National Park, Tucson and Phoenix.

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Santa left Johnny and Lee Pingley beautiful new gold and brown wall-to-wall carpeting on their living room, hall and TV room.

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The Mountain Empire Woman's Club held their first meeting of the New Year Wednesday at Mary Griswolds on Pine Boulevard. It was preceded by a luncheon at 12:30. Plans were made for the coming year with some very interesting projects presented for consideration.

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The regular monthly dinner and meeting of the Mountain Empire Masonic Club will be Friday, January 11 at the Clubhouse at 7 p.m. Hostesses will be Fay Farris, Gwen

Leach and Bobby Hasenmaier. Bob Kemp promises a real surprise entertainment.

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The picture show last Saturday following the Improvement Club meeting was a huge success. The Mohamed family from El Centro, who have owned a home here for many years, but who rarely spend much time in the Valley came for the meeting and picture show.

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Miss Judy Goodwin, daughter of Ewart Goodwin of San Diego and Corte Madera Ranch will become the bride of Charles Linford Bieler February 23. Judy spent most of her early childhood at Corte Madera.

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After a wonderful holiday season which included the Rose Parade in Pasadena, Harry Zimmerman was involved in a freak accident (Gail missed being in it as she was in a telephone booth). Last Friday while waiting in line at the Mission Valley Shopping Center Car Wash the driver in the car behind him accidentally stepped down on the gas crashing into the rear of Harry's new Ford, which in turn pushed him into the car ahead causing a chain of accidents. Four cars were badly damaged, Harry's to the extent of over \$500. After 22 x-rays and two days in El Cajon Valley Hospital, Harry is home, but still not up to par.

Ladies Auxiliary, WWI, Elects Officers

At the regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of World War I, held January 2 at Fuller Hall, officers were elected for the ensuing year, as follows: President, Goldie Vancil; senior vice president, Esther Francisco; junior vice president, Olive Cassidy; treasurer, Julia Sachse; chaplain, Sally Nixon; conductress, Chastina Griswold; trustees, Pauline Oeser, Gladys Waldron, Sally Nixon, and guard, Mona Hansen.

Installation of the above named officers will be held February 4 at Fuller Hall at 1:30 p.m. Installing officer will be Verla Arrow-smith of La Mesa. Refreshments will follow during the social hour.

It should be noted that at the last meeting held, the meeting date was changed to meet the first Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

It's In The Library

By ELIZABETH C. WEST

Come visit your library—it's open Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 5 and Saturday from 10 to 2.

Here is a partial list of the new juvenile books received recently from the San Diego County Library Headquarters.

For the beginning readers: Dr. Seuss's "Sleep Book"—this book is to be read in bed. Animal stories about cats, dogs and ponies. William Hurley's latest "Dan Frontier Scouts with the Army," "Fine Eggs and Fancy Chickens" by Mickey Klar Marks. Two city children move to a farm and learn how to look after animals.

For older children: "Elephant Cargo" by Winifred Hammond. This is based on a true story about transporting animals from Siam to the West Coast. "A Man Grows Tall" by Steve Lamos—an adventure story about hunting wild animals in the Sierra Madre Mountains. "Climb to the Top" by Matthew Kostka—another mountain climbing tale "an exciting struggle between man and nature."

Also two new volumes in the Childhood of famous Americans series: "F. W. Woolworth, Five and Ten Boy" by Elizabeth P. Myers and "Lew Wallace—Boy Writer" by Martha E. Schaaf.

Psychiatrist Guest Speaker For PTA

At the regular meeting of the Alpine PTA, held Tuesday evening, Judith Guthers, child psychiatrist, gave a very interesting talk and showed a film dealing with behavior patterns in children. Before her talk, the Boy Scout Troop of America, No. 105 of Alpine presented the colors and gave the evening inspirational.

Hostesses for the evening's entertainment were the third grade room mothers.

The Alpine PTA meets the second Tuesday of each month. The February 12 meeting will feature a program with a foreign flavor, and also two other features during the month of February to be publicized at a later date.

EL CAPITAN NEWS

Seventy dollars were made for the El Capitan High School Athletic Loan Fund, said Joannie O'Leary, Commissioner of Pep, when a "Powder Puff" football game was held Monday, December 17, on Dr. E. R. Herring's pologrounds.

In this sport, El Cap junior and senior girls competed against each other for victory, the juniors beating by a 12-0 score when Linda Bailey and Judy K. Smith ran for touchdowns.

The rules of the game were no different from regular football, except that each girl wore a special bolt with a flag stuck at each hip. The object of this was to grab a flag off the girl who was carrying the ball and raise it to show the ball was dead. The tactics soon resorted, however, to tackling, shirt and hair pulling, and tripping.

The Pep Band and varsity boys provided the entertainment for the fans. A hand corps was made up of boys from varsity football, track, tennis, and other sports. Five senior boys acted as cheerleaders, Glenn Cook, Art Staite, Rick Walker, Leon Herzog, and Ken Aeschliman.

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Circulation of books has increased in the El Capitan High School library since a new order of 3,000 books has been placed, 700 of which have already arrived, said Mrs. Elaine Warren, librarian. An average of 150 to sometimes over 200 books are checked out daily.

The new adjustable shelves will be filled with books concerned with history, social and applied science, language, biography, arts, recreation, and reference, to name a few.

By June, Mrs. Warren expects 10,000 books to be in the library.

Alpine Rainfall Below Normal

During the period from July 1 to December 31 in 1962, the rainfall recorded on the Echo rain gauge was only 0.92 of an inch, which is considerably below the normal for Alpine in this period.

The Weather Bureau in San Diego reports that the rainfall measured during the same period at Lindbergh Field was only 0.24 of an inch, which was the lowest rainfall ever recorded for this period by the San Diego station since its establishment.

Intimate Glimpses

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the visitor must go on horseback, on foot or by canoe. There is no other way to reach them. Gaining some areas requires several days such travel after leaving the highway. They say, it's an experience like discovering a new continent. The traveller stands in his own new world, one beyond civilization's influence.

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Located on parts of 73 National Forests in 14 states are 14½ million acres of National Parks. This area equals the total acreage of New Hampshire, Connecticut, and Massachusetts. In California alone we have approximately 1,700,000 acres which include some of the world's most extraordinary natural wonders and spectacular scenery. There's Yosemite with 758,000 acres, Sequoia 385,419 acres, King's Canyon with 453,768 acres and for contrast, the Lassen Volcanic area of 105,000 acres, to name the most impressive.

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Perhaps someday we may have to rely upon these shared lands for our wide open spaces. Perhaps we'll see a time when we cannot live in easy reach of a city and still own the wide vistas we now enjoy. Not because our government will take our land, but because the exploding population will crowd us out. Wilderness appreciation is an outgrowth of civilization, anyhow. It's only in the last half century or less that Americans, confined and wearied by an ever more complex society, have turned once more towards someplace beyond the smell of gasoline and the roar of motors. We all own wilderness, pristine land to enjoy and pass on to our children as their sacred inheritance to protect and preserve and hand on as a trust to their children to be kept as wilderness forever.

Acacia Club Meeting

The Acacia Club, Alpine's Masons and their families, will meet next Friday the 11th at Fuller Hall at 6:30 p.m., for the usual pot-luck supper, according to Mrs. Orvill Palmer, who will be one of the hostesses working with Mrs. Vernon Rood.

Entertainment will be provided by Mrs. Elizabeth West, Alpine Librarian, who will give a reading and tell about the functions of the library.

All Masons and families of Masons are cordially invited.

News Review

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department. The zoning of the Alpine area got underway during 1962, and several of the property owners owning larger parcels are developing their property to provide home sites for newcomers.

The County established a beautiful new public park in Pine Valley and has made extensive developments in the park for recreational use of the public.

These events, and others, are reviewed pictorially in this issue.

The Echo looks forward to the year 1963, and will continue to present through its columns the news and events that transpire which are of community interest.

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In June, at the end of the school year, Mrs. Forrest (Hazel) Hohanshelt announced her retirement from her position as school teacher in the Alpine schools which she had held for 34 years.

She estimates that she had taught 1000 pupils in Alpine, many of whom, or their families, still reside in the area.

Pictured are from left, Chuckie Hill, who was in her last class in Alpine; Hazel herself; Tom Hill, Jr.; Chuckie's father who was a student in her first year at Alpine, and Miss Mary Carver, who was Hazel's first principal at a La Mesa school where Hazel taught before teaching in Alpine.



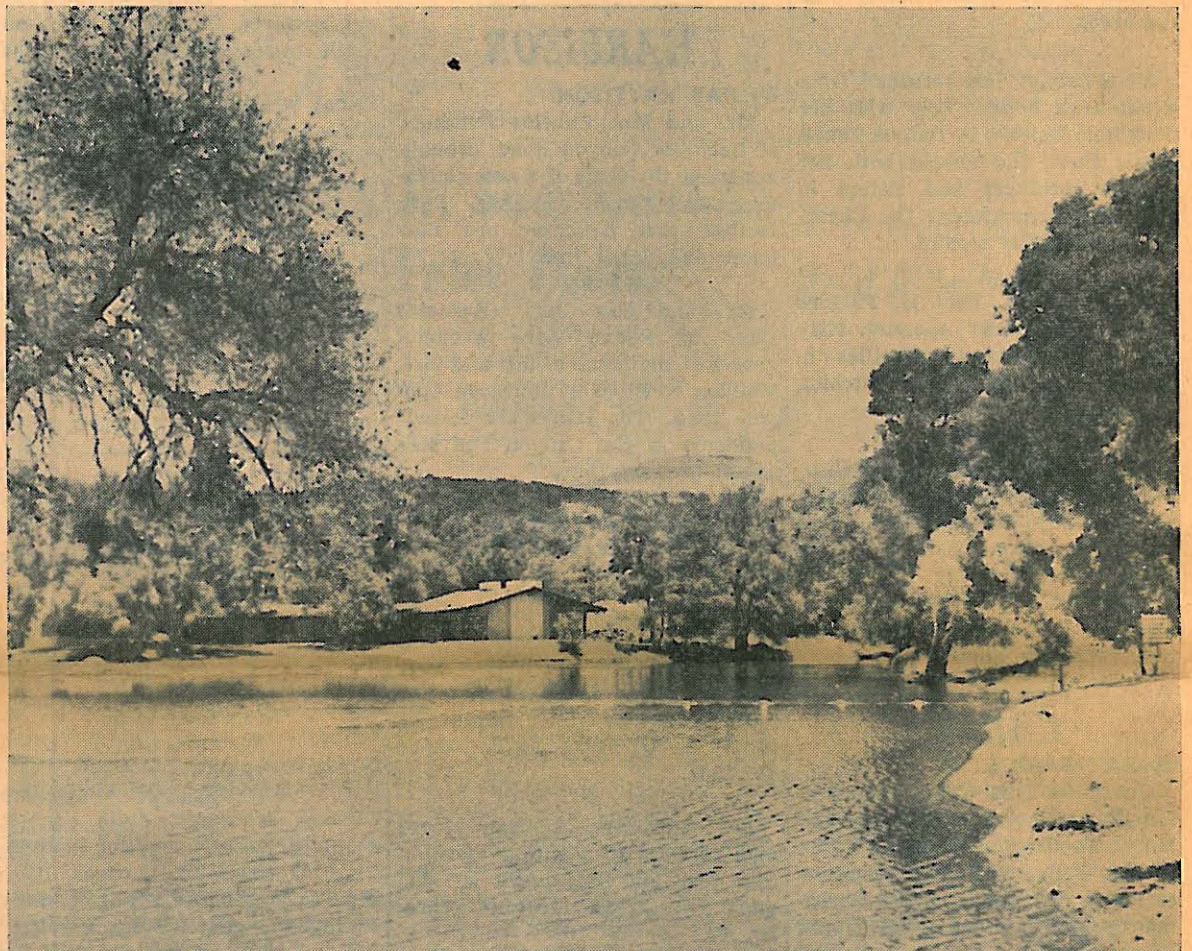
On June 12th, the Alpine Woman's Club installed their new officers for the ensuing year. Pictured are standing from left, Mrs. H. H. Latham, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Lenore Lusk, Recording Secretary; Mrs. D. Westphal, Third Vice-President; Mrs. C. P. Vancil, Second Vice-President, and Mrs. E. Sachse, First Vice-President. Seated from left, Mrs. Mace Bratt, outgoing President, and Mrs. H. W. Johnson, the new President.



A Navy jet plane crashed near Chocolate Summit Drive on June 27th, killing the pilot and



starting a brush fire which was quickly extinguished after burning over a few acres.



Palo Verde Ranch, an attractive new rural subdivision in the easterly section of Alpine, was formally opened on July 8th.

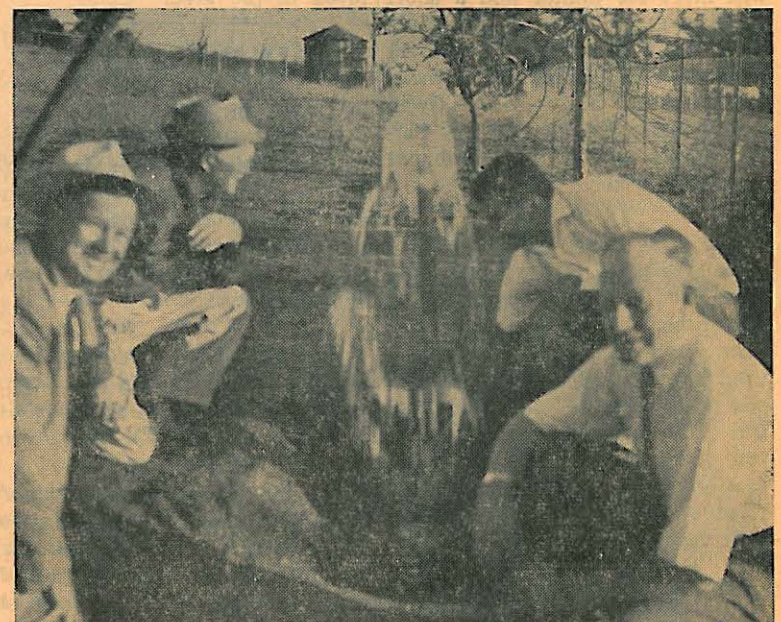
The subdivision contains a lake and many beautiful oak trees, and the lots are served by winding roads through lovely terrain. The first unit consists of 50 parcels each with a minimum of 2½ acres, and has been developed by Mr. Auren Pierce who has built for himself a lovely home (pictured) on the shores of the lake.

Victoria Rock

In June the Alpine Historical Society appointed a committee with Phillip Hall as Chairman with its primary concern the location and preservation of



old historic landmarks. The committee is to explore the possibility of acquiring Victoria Rock, an old landmark on Victoria Drive, to preserve it as an historic landmark.



Rio Water Here At Last!

On July 24th, happy as if it were the fountain of youth, these members of the Alpine Heights MWD kneel at meter as Rio Water gushes forth in its first run through Alpine pipes. From left, Directors J. C. La Forge, Frank Wilson, Al Adams and Fred Baker.

BIRD WATCHERS SEE RARE BIRDS

Each Christmas Day members of the Audubon Society in San Diego take a bird census counting and tabulating the number of species which they observe. This year the members spotted 166 different species, which is 10 less than counted last year, which they attribute to Christmas Day being overcast and windy.

They observed three rare species, a red cardinal which is seldom seen West of Arizona, a tern which is a native of Mexico and usually appears in San Diego County only in the summer, and a harlequin duck which is a native of the Aleutian Islands.

OBITUARIES

JOHN G. ROMAINE

Mr. John Gurdon Romaine, a long time resident of Alpine, died January 4 in a Santee hospital at the age of 84. Mr. Romaine resided at his home on 1865 South Grade Road and his last employment was as a caretaker for the Willow Glen Farm several years ago.

He leaves three daughters, Mrs. Violet Kearns of Pasadena, Mrs. Laura Sullivan of New York and Miss Faith Romaine of the home in Alpine. He is also survived by two sons, Mr. John H. Romaine of Encinitas and Mr. Vernile Romaine, 18 grand children and 23 great grandchildren. Mr. Romaine was a native of New York and had been in the community for 34 years.

Services were held in the Paris Mortuary Chapel on January 7, with Rev. Roger M. Larson officiating. Internment was at the Alpine Cemetery.

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MAY F. TRAGSDORF

Services were held January 7 for the mother of Mr. Bill Tragsdorf, manager of the Alpine Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. May F. Tragsdorf passed away at a rest home in El Cajon on January 4 at the age of 76. Mrs. Tragsdorf was a native of Minnesota and had lived in this county for the past 13 years.

Besides her son, William B. Tragsdorf, she is survived by two brothers, Peter Fladstol of San Diego and Harry Fladstol of Sparta, Wisconsin; two sisters, Mrs. Kay L. Hall, Eugene, Oregon and Mrs. Olena Lenerville, of Eureka, California.

Private services were held at the El Cajon Mortuary Chapel and a memorial service to be followed later in Neillsville, Wisconsin.

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Fire Commissioner Ill

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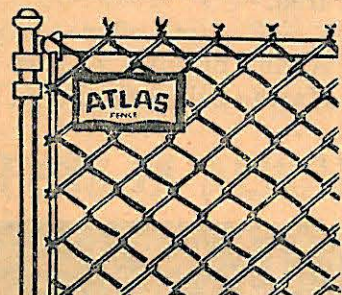
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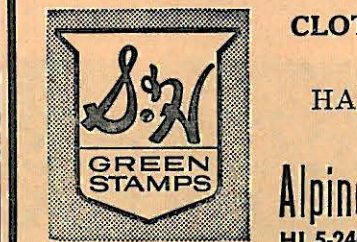
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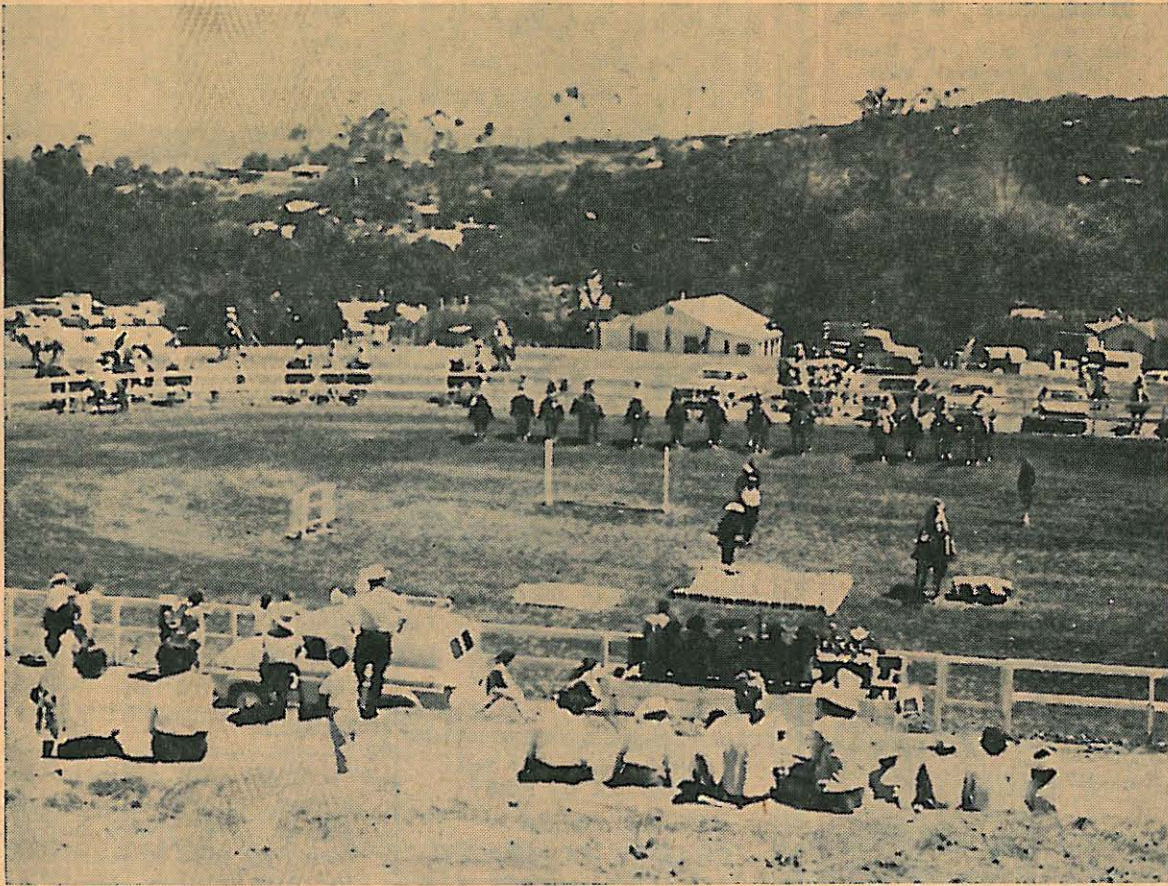
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First Alpine Viejas Days Horse Show



On August 4th and 5th was held at the horse show ring on the Peacock Ranch a horse show sponsored by the Alpine Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber has named this show the Alpine Viejas Days Horse Show and intends to make it an annual community event.

On Saturday was held a Junior point show which attracted a total entry of 225 competitors, and on Sunday was held on Open Show with an entry of 152.



Dinosaur Land, an amusement and recreation park, with attractions for young and old, had its formal opening in Alpine on the Peacock Ranch on August 5th. The ribbon cutting ceremonies are pictured with County Supervisor Frank Gibson cutting the ribbon. Earl Chamberlin, Dinosaur Land manager, third from left.



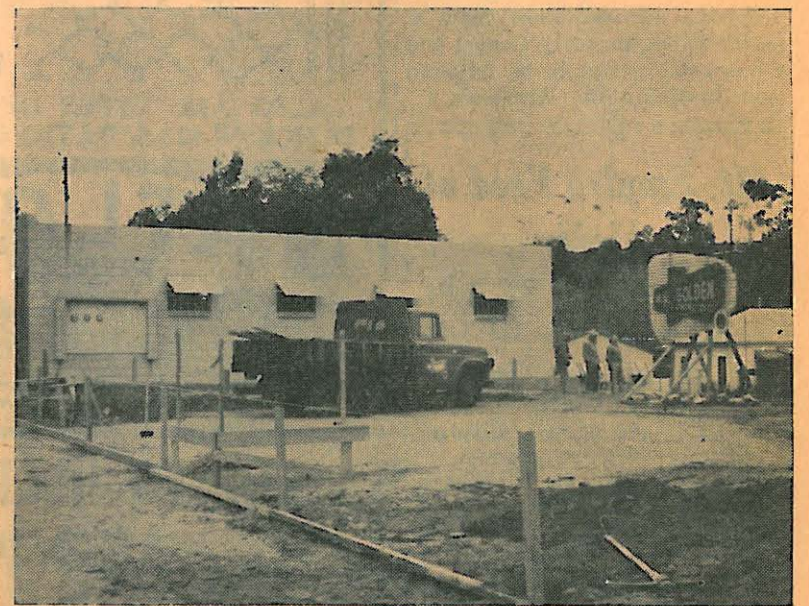
The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Chapel of the Hills in Descanso held a unique fashion show in the Pine Valley Clubhouse on September 22nd.

The theme of the show was Fashions of Yesteryear showing costumes dating from 1780 through the 1920's. The show committee pictured from left, Mrs. Ruth Meier, Betty VanDusen and Ethel White.



On November 20th, there was presented at a public meeting in Alpine a tentative zoning plan for the area within the Alpine School District which had been prepared by the County Planning Department, assisted by a Planning Advisory Committee of local citizens, which is the first step toward the final zoning of this area.

Pictured above discussing zoning on a map of the Alpine business district are from left, Louis Landt, Martha Schwenk and Al Hinkle.



The construction of the building to house Alpine's first bank was commenced on December 31st. The bank will be the Alpine branch of the Security First National Bank, and will furnish complete banking services to the community.

The County of San Diego dedicated a new, beautiful park and playground in Pine Valley on August 19th.

The Park has been equipped by the County with picnic tables and stoves, a horse shoe court, baseball diamond, tennis court, swings and slides for the children, and restrooms.