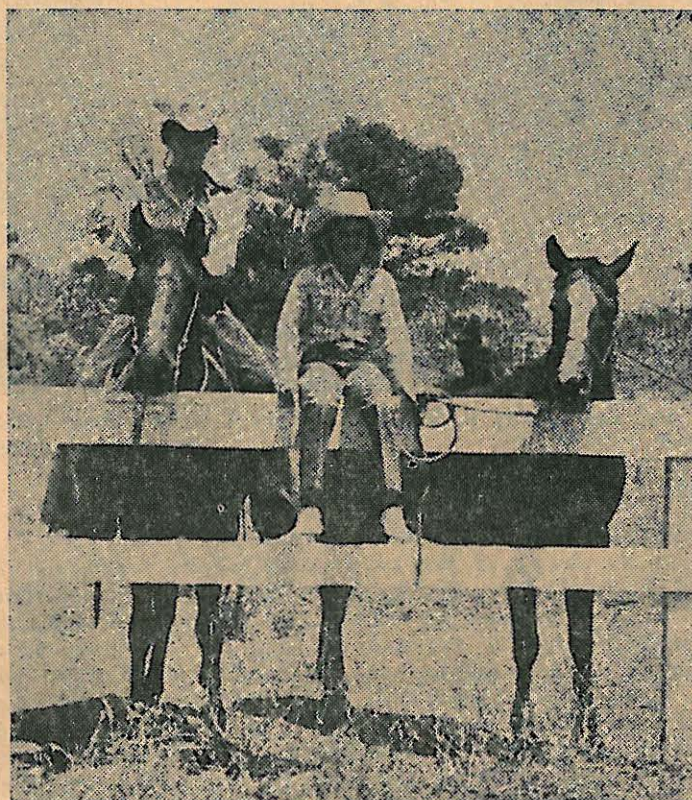


**AREA POPULATION 3500**

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

# ALPINE ECHO

Serving a Growing Area of Homes and Ranches



Bea LaForce Photo

Kathy Casey and Linda Rushing rest their horses after a workout for the Alpine Viejas Days Horse Show.

## ALPINE VIEJAS DAYS HORSE SHOW

All the horsey crowd of Alpine are busy working their horses, grooming and brushing, getting out their fancy show clothes, getting ready to show at the Alpine Viejas Days Horse Show on Saturday and Sunday, August 4th and 5th, at the show arena at Dinosaur Land, Highway 80, in the center of Alpine.

Show Manager Norman Foster, has done an excellent job of programming the classes to be offered to make sure that there is a class for everyone. On Saturday the junior riders will be in the saddle with a full schedule of trail classes, western equitation, and western pleasure events. Even the little ones will have a class to themselves with a Western Equitation class for children nine years old and under. The ponies will be shown in a Pony Western Pleasure class for juniors 17 years of age and under, and as there are a lot of ponies in the area, this should

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## Alpine Chatter

Mrs. Murphy Collins (Ann Roper) has just spent a pleasant two weeks at Oxnard visiting her cousin, Joyce.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Keller, of Alpine Highlands have had as their guests Mrs. Keller's brother, whom she has not seen in 13 years. Mr. Herbert Eggers and his wife, and their son, Bobby and his wife drove out from South Bend, Indiana last week to see the Kellers.

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The Roy Petersons and their

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## Giant Sea Turtle Ride



Artist Conception of one of the projected concessions at Dinosaur Park and Amusement Land.

## Dinosaur Land Opening Set

August 5, Alpine's Viejas Day Horse Show Sunday, has been set as the official opening of our fascinating Dinosaur Land Amusement Park, at the former Peacock Ranch. "Work has been going along fine, with few hitches," says business manager, William Tragsdorf. "Unless something very unexpected happens, we will have our official informal dedication on this August date. The real formal

opening will be in 1963."

The new amusement park, which will be a very unique attraction of the kind, will feature unusual entertainment concessions all following a pre-history design with relaxation and change from the modern scene the keynote of the plan. Designed for adults as well as children, the park will be a family playground.

## INTIMATE GLIMPSES

By BEA LA FORCE

This has been one of the liveliest bug seasons in many years, especially over the West and Southwest. Right here in our own territory flies amount to almost plague proportions. Some say this is always true of a good wet year. What benefits human kind seems to benefit all other species of animal life as well.

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Alpine honey bees have never been busier. Many new swarms have developed and moved over the area. One man has captured 14 new swarms which arrived in his orchard. The big carpenter bees have bored holes all around the town working in patios and especially fond of redwood. These amazing construction workers never strike. Maybe this is one reason the insect hordes may some day conquer the earth, as some scientists believe. Each specie cooperates perfectly in its respective society, seldom one part of their economy exploiting another.

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Writing seven or eight hundred years B.C. Joel describes a plague of locusts and worms, "Awake and weep and howl . . . for a nation hath come up over my land, bold and without number." (Joel 1:6). In another place he refers to the locusts as "A people many and bold." Very similar to the locusts of Joel's story are the Mormon crickets which have plagued Imperial Valley from the beginning of its agriculture. These insects will eat any vegetation they encounter.

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At the Warner Ranch this season grasshoppers were so bad that a converted campaign was carried out to control them. The man in charge counted 120 hoppers to the square foot.

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In the Gulf of Mexico area of Texas and Louisiana mosquitoes are now killing cattle and have already cost ranchers an estimated \$1,600,000. More than 200 grown cattle and 500 calves have died in one county alone. The determined insects clog the animal's nostrils choking them to death. Thousands trying to flee the air borne army.

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## FASHIONS UNDER THE STARS

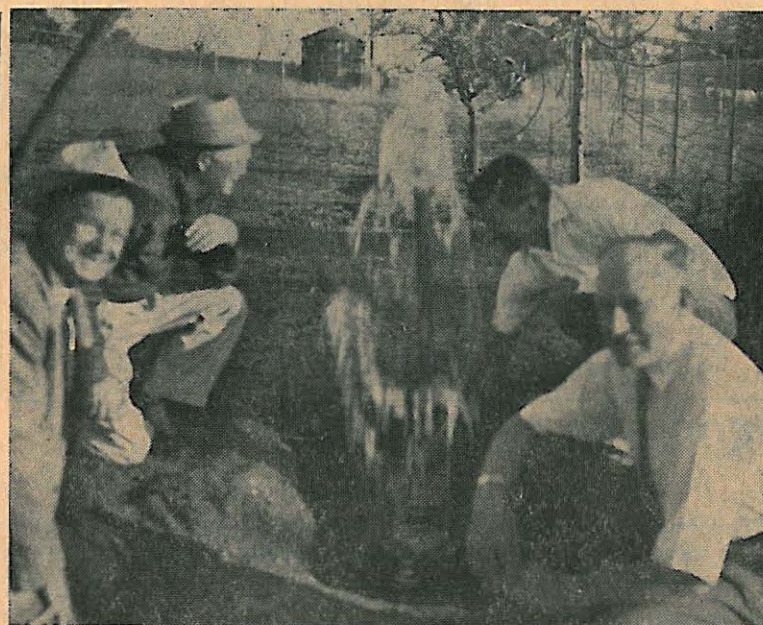
This Saturday night, July 28, at 8 p.m. at the Shady Rock Ranch in Alpine, the Gamma Gamma Sorority will put on another of their popular fashion shows.

The theme of this "Fashions Under the Stars" show will be Japanese, with the decorations carrying out the motive with lanterns.

The ladies' fashions will be furnished by Linda's of Lemon Grove, and will be modeled by Gamma Gamma members, Mimi Wilson, Jeanie Pierce, Jo Ellen Svenson, Cecil Gavin, Bobbie Whitt and Marian Witkens.

Fashions for men will be from Lentz' Men's Wear of El Cajon. They will be modelled by Hugh Prescott and Al Witkens.

Following the fashion show will be a program of dancing and swimming. Refreshments, including a cocktail bar, will be available. Tickets for this affair are \$1.50 per person, and are available either from Gamma Gamma members or at the gate.



Happy as if it were the Fountain of Youth, these members of Alpine Heights MWD Board of Directors kneel at meter as Rio water gushes forth on its first run through Alpine pipes Tuesday, July 24, 1962. L to r, J. C. LaForce, Frank Wilson, Al Adams and Fred Rohr.

## RIO COLORADO! HERE AT LAST; IT'S WONDERFUL ALPINERS SAY

The long awaited moment arrived Tuesday afternoon July 24th. The once unattainable, the so-called impossible was accomplished. Water from the Colorado river flowed into Alpine's new service lines and began ticking off its cool gallons in meters along the business center and into homes and multiple dwellings where water has been a desperate need for weeks past.

## Mystery 'Glow Worm' Found Here

What may be a rare luminous earth worm or centipede was found last week by Wendell Smith of Alpine Terrace, while on a drive on Japatul Road. It was early night when car trouble caused Mr. Smith to stop at the roadside. His attention was drawn to a shallow ravine near the road from which a tiny continuous pale light glowed. The strange luminescence intrigued him and Mr. Smith went to investigate.

"The light did not flash off and on or move about like a firefly," he said, "but glowed steadily in the darkness." Following the eerie glow, he found a small worm shining among dead leaves. It was a little over a quarter of an inch in

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## Youth Center Heads Visit Open House

Youth Center President, Bridgy Allen, and vice-president, Frances Gilroy report a pleasant time at the open house held Mon., July 23, at the new headquarters of the United Community Service in San Diego. Located at 12th and Broadway, the new offices are very nice, Bridgy says.

The ladies met a number of other representatives of agencies over the county, and enjoyed a delicious box luncheon. Speaker of the day was National United Community Services leader, Lyman Ford.

## Bees Attack Fire Control Officer

While inspecting for fire hazard near a group of bee hives, Assistant Fire Control Officer Buster Austin, U. S. Forest Service, from the Descanso Ranger Station, was severely stung by bees, who apparently resented the intrusion. Mr. Austin was taken to El Cajon Hospital for treatment, but later released.

"It's wonderful," beamed occupants and management of Pine Log Court where water shortage has been a source of inconvenience for some time.

"It's wonderful," said Mrs. Howard Latham of Alpine Terrace. "I've watered everything that

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## Three New Volunteer Firemen Join Up

Tuesday evening, July 17, at their regular monthly meeting, the Alpine Board of Fire Commissioners, approved the applications of three new volunteer firemen to the ranks of Alpine Fire Department's local crew. The new fire fighters are George Brant, who leases the Flying A Service Station from Jim Rorie; Horace Reynolds, forman at Dinosaur Land, and Charles A. Wickens jr. of the Mobile Station in Alpine.

There were no new problems for discussion, at the meeting, according to Mrs. Eunice Haney, secretary, but the Board will continue to meet monthly in readiness for any work that may arise requiring their attention. Commissioners are Al Hinkle, chairman, Dick Robinson, John Saks, Orville Palmer, and Phil Hall.

## Junior Class Dance "The End"

The junior class of El Capitan High summer session will sponsor a dance at Foster Gym at El Capitan on Friday evening, July 27, 8 till 11:30 p.m.

Music will be supplied by Vartones, a smart professional dance band and, as an added attraction, the Reed-McHenry singers, a trio of Lakeside boys, will entertain with vocal numbers. This is the big dance, called The End, celebrating the end of summer school. Admission is 50 cents per person.

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## PROGRESS STEP BY STEP

During the past several months, the tentative date for actually obtaining water service in Alpine has been set a number of times, but there has been the usual delays in the completion of such a project. The lack of material, labor stoppage, adverse weather conditions, the failure of some of the valves, leakages in reservoirs; conditions which always do happen, have all been overcome and water is now flowing in the mains and available to a large portion of our community.

The availability of water will now stimulate the development of Alpine. Local residents can now expand and beautify their property, and there will be many persons who will seek homes in Alpine, which should arouse the interest of all of the property owners and residents to take an active interest in the planning of the community for zoning purposes.

The Planning Department of the County have instituted the proceedings for zoning, and the benefits of the results of their work will be directly in proportion to the interest exhibited by the property owners whose property is being zoned.

At the present time there is no definite plan for the zoning. A tentative plan will first be developed and after it is ready for public review, each property owner's duty will be to assist in reviewing and refining the plan to the point where the community will benefit to the greatest extent possible.

## CHURCH SERVICES

**ALPINE COMMUNITY CHURCH**—Roger 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. J. 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. Robert Laird  
 Prayer Service Wednesday Evening ..... 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.

## Alpine Gardener

By JEAN McCULLOUGH

It is time now for some of us busy gardeners to just lean on our hoes and enjoy the fruits and flowers of our labors under the sun. Since our gardens do not need so much attention now, we can take time to laze a bit and admire them perhaps with a critical eye, saying to ourselves, "Next spring I'll plant a new shrub here or maybe a different group of flowers over there." You may have seen something especially desirable in a friend's garden and wish to duplicate it. A good time to plan for spring is now in the blooming season, the relaxing season, when there's no pressure to get the planting done.

It's garden tour time, too. What a source of satisfaction it is, to escort friends around your flower beds and hear exclamations of admiration from them when they view your choice blossoms.

Keep an eye on your chrysanthemums and pinch some of the tall ones back. There is still time to do that. Choose perhaps a new spot in your yard and have it made ready for some bulbs as the new crop will be coming into the market before long. It could be that your iris and narcissus beds need to be thinned or changed. Be thinking about these jobs in the offing as you loaf and enjoy your garden.

## ALPINE CHATTER

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son, Wayne, have just returned from a five-week vacation trip by car, which took them visiting relatives and friends in Michigan, Arkansas and Illinois. On the way home they stopped for a while at the Grand Teuton National Park in Wyoming. "We had a wonderful trip," says Mrs. Peterson, "and are trying to get rested up from it now."

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On the sick list. George Blank is in El Cajon Hospital. Gertrude Cook had surgery at the hospital last week, and is reported doing fine. Grover Dawson had to be taken to Naval Hospital Monday suffering from his second heart attack in one month. Mrs. O. B. Cooke of Alpine Terrace is in El Cajon Hospital recuperating from surgery.

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Janie Woodall's real happy these days. She has her driver's license and can now drive the family's pretty Impala.

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Anybody got a star girl rabbit? Stevie Woodall was given a pet boy rabbit for his birthday and wants a girl friend for it.

## Suzanna Jane Noble Betrothal Announced

Announcement of the betrothal of Miss Suzanna Jane Noble to Mr. Sedgwick Stephen Rogers is made by her parents, Mrs. Dorothy Walker Markley of San Diego and Mr. Chauncey Andrew Noble of National City.

Mr. Rogers is the son of Mrs. Ethel B. Rogers and the late Charles S. Rogers of New York.

Miss Noble is a graduate of Mercy College of Nursing, San Diego, and a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority.

After completing a tour of duty in Europe and Japan with the United States Air Force as flight nurse, she resigned her commission as captain.

Mr. Rogers attended New York University and is assistant manager of Security for American Machine and Foundry Company.

A cynic is a man who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing.

Clifton Edinger



Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Vancil of DeWitt Terrace on their 45th wedding anniversary. Bea LaForce Photo

## Vancils Celebrate 45th Anniversary

Monday, July 23 marked the 45th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Vancil of De Witt Terrace. Natives of Missouri, the Vancils were married in Colorado Springs, Colo. They came to California about 1938 and have lived in Alpine for the past three years. Mrs. Vancil is second vice-president of the Alpine Woman's Club and both she and her husband are active in many local social activities, including the World War I

Veterans and its Auxiliary.

About a dozen friends and relatives from out of town surprised the Vancils with a party on Sunday, July 22. The group arrived with a complete dinner all ready to eat. Monday the couple celebrated by themselves taking a day in San Diego.

Mrs. Vancil's summer project is heading an Alpine Echo subscription campaign for the Woman's Club to swell the club's treasury.

## Experiences In Interior Mexico

The Virgil Lockards of Pine Valley entertained their nephew, John Kent, his wife, Shirley and daughter, Carolyn, this past week. The Kents operated a restaurant in Guatay several years ago. Shirley taught at Mt. Empire High School when it was on Highway 80 and went with the school when it moved to Campo. At that time Carolyn was a pupil at Pine Valley.

After finishing her teacher training, Carolyn taught a year at San Marcos and last fall flew to Ixtapa Chispas, Mexico to work with the Tzeltal Indians in what is termed Jungle Training Camp. This is on the edge of the Central America Rain Forest, about 30 miles from the border of Guatemala and is under the sponsorship of Wycliff Bible Translators, Inc.

Carolyn and her group spent six weeks at what is called the Main Base, then moved on to build their own houses and live-off-the-land at what is known as Advanced Base.

The following is as Carolyn tells it: "The houses have mud walls and a dirt floor. We took a little stroll through the woods. We covered only about 50 miles in four days over the famous "Bear Trip." We were greeted at Lake Naja by the most primitive people one could imagine. We hung our hammocks and got our fire started, then cooked food for 10 people in one pot.

Never tasted anything so good as the conglomeration we cooked at the end of that trail. That night it rained buckets full and my hammock leaked, so I swam all night, just too tired to care. The next day we went to Lacondon to visit the Tzeltal church. I loved the walk through the Rain Forest with beautiful mahogany giants, split leaf philodendron and vines of all sorts everywhere.

I have never seen so much mud in all my life. We had to jump from mud hole to mud hole. One day we took a hike through dense jungle where he had to hack our way through with a machete. One of the men found a six-foot boa, so they carried it back to camp, after cutting off the head and we had boa steak for dinner. It was indescribably delicious—a real delicacy.

I have learned to chew sugar

## Intimate Glimpses

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During World War II "Skeeter beaters," members of a malarial control unit, fought side by side with Marines and infantry in the South Pacific. The mosquitoes out numbered the Japs by many millions raiding the camps by day and night.

Many harrowing true tales are told about the varieties of ants and their successful battles against mankind. If human beings must have wars, why can't the species get together and fight other species whose "nations bold and without number" are a very real threat despite every known method of control. Excavators found fleas and lice still living in the dust of Babylon.

## Campfire Programs In Mt. Laguna Area

The U. S. Forest Service has started their annual summer season campfire programs in the Mt. Laguna Recreation area. The programs are held every Saturday night in the amphitheater at the Burnt Rancheria Campground. The public is cordially invited to attend for an evening of fun, informative talks, and movies. In the past these programs have been very popular and an early arrival is advised to insure good seating.

The Mt. Laguna Recreation area is in the Cleveland National Forest and is located 40 miles east of El Cajon. It consists of two public camp grounds, two picnic grounds and one group reservation campground. Also many summer homes, a Catholic church and Protestant church, store and restaurant, all of which are under permit from the U. S. Forest Service, are located in the area.

Horse Heaven Group Camp ground is the reservation camp in the Mt. Laguna Recreation Area and is rapidly increasing in popularity. It is reserved for group use only and consists of three separate group areas in a beautiful meadow setting. One group area will accommodate 100 people, and the other will accommodate 50 each. Many dates are already filled and reservations should be made as soon as possible through the U. S. Forest Service, Descanso, Cali-

## CAMPO NEWS

By FAY FARRIS

Linda Parslow Brennan is the house guest of her parents Carl and Albertine Parslow of the Parslow Ranch near Lake Morena. With her is her 11-month-old son, Lance. She lives in Escondido and her husband is a coach at Palomar College, where they met. She was a student there and also worked in the office. Linda graduated from Mt. Empire High School and is well known in Campo.

Campo area has a sheriff now and his name is James Dargitz. He lives at the housing project at Rancho del Campo, and has a wife and two children. His phone number is 478-5518.

Chuck Hawksley, who owns the Grocery and Malt Shop in Lake Morena is now a registrar of voters, and has the necessary books at this shop. Be sure to register, if you have not already done so, for the November election.

Hugh and Helen Smyth spent a few days in their trailer at Green Valley Falls last week with friends. They are now home in Lake Morena, and their small grandson and granddaughter are visiting from Phoenix. The grandson came home with them a few weeks ago, and the granddaughter arrived by plane last Saturday.

The swimming pool at Mt. Empire High School is now open, and swimming lessons are being given children from Monday through Friday at 10 a.m. to noon. These lessons are free. Anyone desiring lessons at any other time when the pool is open to the public will be required to pay \$2 for season tickets for adults, \$1 for children through 18. Daily tickets will be 50c adults, 20c children through 18. Pool is closed Mondays except for classes.

Understand some of our local people won honors at the Del Mar Fair—Julia Iversen of Cameron Corners won a first place blue ribbon for a crocheted center piece, and third place for a Songs and Stories quilt. Glen Francis of Rancho del Campo won several honors in various classes and events for his Morgan horses.

The Board members of the Mt. Empire Republican Women, Federated met at the home of Marie Lindemann in Morena Village on Tuesday, July 17. The next regular meeting will be a sack luncheon in the patio at the home of Fay Farris in Lake Morena, where plans will be completed for a big affair to be held in October. All members are urged to attend to help formulate these plans.

Lake Morena Card Club met at the home of Fay Farris in Lake Morena on Wednesday, July 18. Eight were present including two guests, who were Margaret Roland of Buckman Springs Road, and Pearl Deines of Lakeside, formerly of Lake Morena.

Dinner guests at the Farris home on Sunday, July 22 were Margaret and Arthur Barber, Eugene and Vera Waller, and Clarence and Callie Theobald, all from San Diego. The affair was to celebrate the birthday of Alden Farris. Bridge was played after dinner.

## Alpine Kiwanis Club

At their meeting next week, August 2, the Alpine Kiwanis Club will be given a demonstration of a Porta Shop combination tool that will perform more operations to wood and metal than imaginable. This tool should prove a boon to the Do-It-Yourself men in this area.

The chefs for this meeting, which will be held at Fuller Hall, will be

## State Highway To Improve Roads

Bids will be opened August 23, 1962 in Los Angeles for the application of a seal coat on 45.9 miles of U. S. 80, State Sign Route 78, and State Sign Route 79, stated Jacob Dekema, Assistant State Highway Engineer for the State Division of Highways in San Diego.

The seal coat will consist of applying a coat of asphaltic emulsion to the shoulders and travelway with a layer of fine gravel rolled into the emulsion. The limits of the project on U. S. 80 will be between Harritt Road and Alpine, on S.S.R. 78 between 2.5 miles east of Escondido and Ramona and between 0.3 mile north of the San Diego River and 3.6 miles south of Ramona, and on S.S.R. 79 between four miles north of Warner Hot Springs and the Riverside County line.

Assistant State Highway Engineer Dekema indicated that this project is part of a continuous maintenance program by the Division of Highways to keep California highways in a safe, traversable condition.

In the event the bids are found to be satisfactory, work would be under way this summer, with completion scheduled for the fall of this year.

## HORSE SHOW

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prove a very popular class. Sunday's schedule is a complete point-show. The classes will be open in most cases to both adult and junior riders. Almost every breed of horses will have a class, including Western Pleasure classes for Morgans, Palominos, Arabians, Appaloosas and Quarter Horses. They can then compete together in a class for all horses.

Members of the Alpine Chamber of Commerce, which is sponsoring this event for Alpine, are busy getting the ring ready, making arrangements for refreshment booths, and brushing up their cowboy clothes to add color to the Alpine Viejas Days Horse Show. They extend an invitation from the Community of Alpine to all to come out and participate in the fun of showing, or come out and watch the others perform.

## Obituary For William A. Tondro

Funeral services were held Monday, July 23 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in San Diego for Bill Tondro. Death occurred Wednesday, July 18 at Mercy Hospital at the age of 74. Entombment was in Greenwood Mausoleum. Bill was well known in San Diego where he lived until 1917 when he moved to El Centro.

In 1919 he founded the Valley Auto Supply Company and later established branches in Calexico, Brawley, Holtville and Yuma. He was mayor of El Centro in 1946 and always active in community affairs both in Imperial Valley and Pine Valley. In 1941 the Tondros purchased the Shangri-La estate at Pine Boulevard and Spruce Road in Pine Valley for a summer home.

In 1956 they sold their El Centro home and this became their permanent residence. Bill was instrumental in forming the Pine Valley Mutual Water Company and was its first president after the Judsons relinquished it as a private enterprise.

Mr. Tondro was an active Mason, belonging to several lodges. He was also a member of the Elk Lodge, the Rotary Club and St. Paul's Episcopal Church of El Centro.

Surviving are his wife, Ella Belle; a son, Lyman W. (Bud); two daughters, Margaret Milstead of Yuma, Arizona and Barbara Gray of Upland, California; six grandchildren and three great-grand-

## Pine Valley Views

By JANE ORBOM

Grace Lockard is director of the Daily Vacation Bible School at the Chapel of the Hills in Descanso which started July 23 and continues through August 3. A wonderful opportunity for our young people as there are classes from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each week day for four-year-olds through senior high.

How we have enjoyed many former residents who were in the valley last week. Hugh and Pat Orr with their children, Tommy and Linda spent several days renewing old friendships. Hugh was with the fire department at Camp Lockett during the war after which he joined the U. S. Forest Service and eight years ago moved his family to Orangevale, California.

Rita Laverty Henderson, with her husband and two charming little daughters, is visiting her parents, the Charles Lavertys, at Boulevard and her aunt and uncle, the Carl Rogers, here in the valley. They have just returned from three years in Turkey and are en route to Edwards Air Force Base. Rita says they don't mind going to the Mojave Desert as it is much like Turkey. Rita is a graduate of Mt. Empire High School and was a popular member of the younger set before her marriage.

We were all saddened to hear of the death of Robert Harrison Benton Jr. Hal, as he was affectionally known, was born on Corte Madera Ranch 67 years ago. He was the youngest of three brothers and the son of Robert Benton one of the developers of the cattle business in this area. Twelve years ago he moved to San Juan Capistrano with his wife, Frederica, sister of our own Stella Breedlove. His brother, Roy was also in the cattle business here until his death a couple of years ago.

## Water Story

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needed it at last!" Others in that vicinity are quoted as chorusing the same words, expressing their joy at the miracle of water enough at last.

"It's so nice and clear and cold," we heard. "The pressure is real good," Tavern readers say. "I'm going to wash both feet at once now," a man grinned, "Been making them take turns, one a week." Says Alpine's gardener Jean McCullough, "I can't wait to get at watering my plants, really watering. There will be some fine gardens here now."

There were amusing aspects of the scene too. Fully 19 people solemnly declared they had secured the first gallon of the new water and bottled it for posterity. One even went so far as to have himself publicized in the Valley News to this effect. Who really ran off the first legitimate gallon will probably never be known. The first real use of it was in fighting the fire on Tavern Road July 11. Who got there first is not the important thing, but the fact that before many weeks all Alpiners who really want Rio water will have it at the turn of a faucet. Our long water famine is ended. The one missing element in our otherwise near perfect home-place is now supplied.

## Mountain Barracks Meeting

Members of Mountain Barracks 2716, of Veterans of World War I, and members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, will meet on Wednesday, August 1, at Fuller Hall in Alpine, at 7:30 p.m.

All Veterans of World War I and their women folk are invited



An early Alpine team, Ralph Walker on road grader driving six horses on old highway near The Willows.

## ECHOES OF THE PAST

Adelia Pennoyer Whitson

This article will be Echoes of Transportation in 1886. Railroads were the only means of transportation on land and sailing vessels on seas. Yes, there were steamboats on rivers. Compare this to the many ways we travel these days. By telling about the time to took in those days, I will tell of our trip to California from Wisconsin.

We came by train from Richland Center to Prairie du Chien, by steam boat to Juiney, taking three days and nights. Thence by train to Kansas City, where we bought our tickets to San Diego. I don't know why we didn't buy them in Juiney. From Kansas City it took five days and six nights. Compare this to travel today. I'd enjoy telling of experiences along the way, especially on the boat, but it would make this too long. That wouldn't be about transportation, anyway. I will tell of one experience that happened early morning of the day we reached San Diego. We didn't go to Los Angeles, our coach was changed to another engine at Colton. While the switching was being done, farmers came in carrying peck baskets piled high with muscat grapes to give to the passengers. My father was polite and took a small bunch, but the farmers said, "Here, you have children, you take more," and handed him a big bunch, really big. We had never seen muscats; we had concord grapes in Wisconsin. What a treat that was!

We arrived in San Diego about eight o'clock that morning, September 5, 1886. I remember because it was my aunt's birthday anniversary. We were met by a Mr. Keiller driving the queerest little vehicle drawn by two horses. He took us to the Bayview Hotel where there was an apartment ready for us. My uncle, R. A. Pennoyer and family had an apartment there, so we had a nice visit and rest for about one and one half months. I don't remember just how long. I know we were in Alpine the last of October or first of November.

My Uncle, Calvin Woods and son, Percy, came from Alpine, where they lived, driving two horses with a light wagon. They spent the night with us, then took us to Alpine. We started early because it was a long drive. We made quite a load. There were four adults, three children, two trunks and several suitcases. We left the veranda of the hotel as clocks were striking 6 a.m. We traveled till noon and were in El Cajon. De didn't stop in the settlement; you couldn't call it a village. There was a two-story house, a large barn, and a blacksmith shop. This was called Knox Corner.

We stopped where evidently many had before. There was a lot of clean straw so we unhitched, watered and fed the horses, then ate our lunches. We were there about an hour then hitched the horses up and traveled on. We walked onto the porch of my uncle's house (on what is now Harbison Canyon Road), just as the clock struck 6 p.m.—12 hours

pare how quickly this trip is made these days!

Means of transportation in 1886 were sails, steam, horses and human feet. The housewives in Alpine did their household duties and were dressed and ready to call on friends and neighbors early afternoon and walked a mile or so, made the call, walked home in time to cook a meal for the family by 6 o'clock. They had no buttons to push for light, heat, or any kind of help. They built fires in iron stoves and had good meals on time. This was life and transportation in 1886.

## Glow Worms

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length, very slender and of a nice coral red color. Mr. Smith carefully captured the amazing animal and took it home where he kept it for study for over a week. It continued to glow steadily for a while then intermittently, until it expired.

Efforts at positive identification of the specimen have not been successful, but it is assumed that it belong to a group of terrestrial Archannelids which live in humus and damp leaves, the phosphorescence caused by luminous bacteria or fungi. According to one authoritative text, "Phosphorescence of the sea or of flesh, wood, etc., is due to living organisms of various kinds and should more properly be called bioluminescence. Such light is the result of slow oxidation of material manufactured by the organism."

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cane out of which the natives make a raw sugar called panela. Tastes a lot like black strap molasses. Impressions certainly do change. Our little mud hut never looked so wonderful as when we returned after days on the muddy jungle trail. I had no idea how enjoyable it could be to learn to build your own house, furniture, paddle a dugout canoe, give a shot or take someone's blood pressure. Life was never dull."

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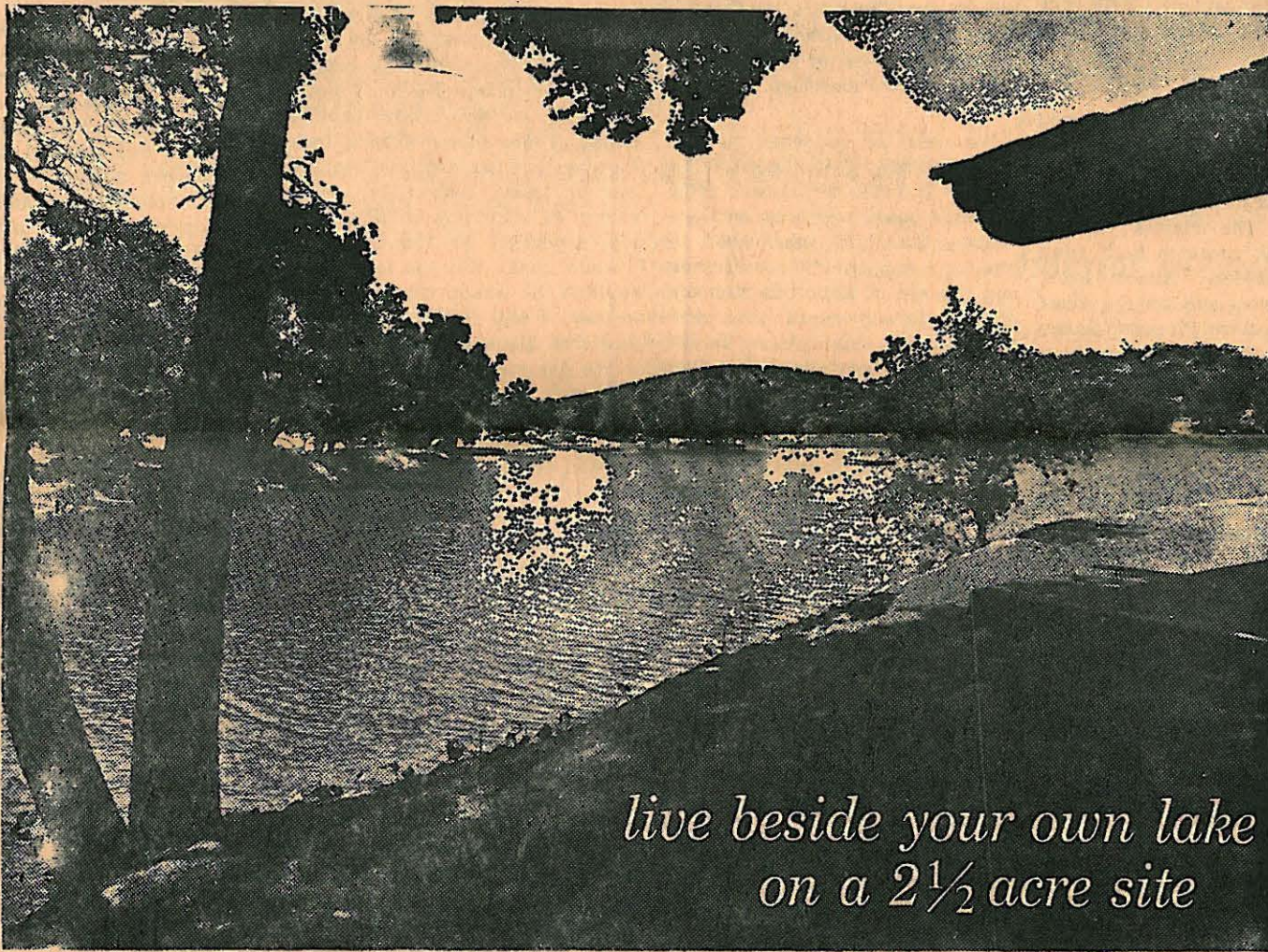
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