

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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SCHOOL BOARD TO HIRE SUPERINTENDENT

El Cajon Valley Clinic To Open; New Building Nearing Completion

The attractive new medical clinic located at the corner of Grenfeld Avenue and Highway 8, El Cajon, adjacent to the El Cajon Valley Hospital, is almost ready for occupancy according to Mr. Louis Gano, Administrator.

Containing 11 offices for physicians, a dental office, a physical therapy unit and a pharmacy, the Clinic will cost approximately \$320,000. Mr. Gano said the Clinici pharmacy will largely replace the one now in the hospital which space will be converted to admitting office use.

Some of the offices will be ready for their new tenants by April 1st, Mr. Gano said, and the entire operation will be completed and occupied by the end of April. Dr. Earl C. Woodall, El Cajon Valley Hospital Chief of Staff, will maintain afternoon office hours at the Clinic from 2 'til 5 p.m. after April first. Dr. Woodall will continue his Alpine practice with morning office hours in Alpine from 9 to 12 as of April first. Also serving as attending physician for the new Alpine Convalescent Center now under construction, Dr. Woodall plans to take an associate at an early date to work with him in both the Alpine and El Cajon practice.

When the El Cajon Valley Clinic is completed open house will be held at a date to be announced later.

Fire Commissioners Warn Of Fire Danger

From all indications, Alpine and vicinity is in for a highly hazardous spring, summer and fall from the standpoint of the fire district and its volunteer fire department.

The lookout is so alarming the Board of Commissioners for the Alpine Local Fire District has enacted a new set of regulations designed to eliminate, as much as possible, those neighborhood conditions considered to be the principal causes for fires in this area.

Every effort is being made to remind the people of Alpine and vicinity of the serious fire conditions. Approximately 800 copies of the 1963 Fire Ordinance is being mailed; the two local papers have been asked to print the regulations and a substantial number of copies will be left at the post office to be given to new arrivals in the area.

The commissioners and the firemen are well aware of the incon-

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Paul Brock Returns Home From Hospital

Paul Brock, the Log Cabin's very likeable bartender, was suddenly taken ill and rushed to the El Cajon Valley hospital last Wednesday, after suffering from a stomach hemorrhage. He was in critical condition upon entering and lost some 6 pints of blood. However, we are very happy to report that he is now home and says "he never felt better." At the present time, arrangements have been made through one of Paul's friends, a Major in the Marine Depot in San Diego to replace the

INTIMATE GLIMPSES

By BEA LA FORCE

A stranger from the land of lakes and green fields said the other day, while gazing at our landscape, "what magnificent big rocks there are here!" He went on to use words like spectacular, dramatic, impressive. He's right of course. We mountaineers all know it, but magnificent, spectacular, dramatic big rocks have been ours for so long they have become almost invisible to us. In the wake of our visitor's warm enthusiasm, I took a good look around our hills and mesas to review our solid marvels. Inspired by this renewed interest, I made inventory and report.

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Up on Victoria Hill over to the northwest of town there is a famous old rock shaped like a gigantic mushroom. Some of the old-timers called it Table Rock, but most of them can't remember any name for it at all. About three miles up the hill from the intersection of Highway 80 and Victoria Drive, the rock used to be a favorite goal for hikers as long as 40 years ago. They'd take a picnic lunch and head for the rock where they'd eat and rest and perhaps take some snapshots before making the return jaunt. Sometimes they climbed to the rock's top and spread their lunch upon it. In warm weather they sat in the big stone's cool shade. They say the view from the rock top was splendid. On clear days the ocean was visible, a silver strip against the skyline. This mushroom rock is out some little distance west of our famous Queen Victoria rock which stands on the edge of the road named for her.

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Bell Bluff over to the southeast
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Dinosaur Park Offers Free Admission

As a get-acquainted gesture, Dinosaur Park will admit free anyone who brings to the Gate the word ECHO cut out of the Alpine Echo mast-head next Saturday, says Bill Masters, recreation director.

The featured attraction of the coming week-end, Saturday afternoon and Sunday will be Mrs. Virginia Basham of San Diego who has been engaged by Dinosaur Park to take over management of their Crafts Program. Mrs. Basham, formerly of the San Diego Park and Recreation Department, will hold craft classes for adults in the Dinosaur Park. Her program is planned to be of interest to retired people and others seeking an outlet for leisure time and a development of talents and skills, in the crafts line.

The helicopter you saw whirling and circling over the Alpine area on Monday, March 18, was one from the Whirly-Bird Club in San Diego, and it was taking aerial photographs of Dinosaur Park to aid the management in better utilization of their land.

Remember, get the Echo, cut out the word ECHO, that big word in the mast head and use it as a ticket to get in and see the Dino-

TOP APPLICANTS TO BE REVIEWED AT SPECIAL MEETING ON FRIDAY

The Board of Trustees of the Alpine Union School District will hold a special meeting at 8 p.m. on Friday at the Alpine School auditorium for the purpose of considering the applicants which they have determined to be the best qualified to succeed present Supt. Clyde Gilley whose contract was not renewed.

Large Turnout For Baseball League

Last Saturday at the Youth Center was a big day for approximately 80 days in the Alpine-Harbison Canyon area interested in that wonderful sport of baseball.

Several parents were present to officially sign-up the boys.

The Alpine Junior Baseball Association is in need of a refrigerator in order to have the concession in operation and an extra plea is extended for a concession manager. Mrs. J. L. Mosier has been the manager of the concession for many years but will not have available transportation this year and finds it necessary to resign.

Due to the large turnout of interested boys—the baseball league can really "go into action." On Wednesday, March 20, an organizational meeting to establish the various teams was held at the Youth Center and as usual all prospective managers, announcers, umpires, will be more than welcome.

African 'Surprises' Are Related

The speaker for the Kiwanis Club of Alpine this week will be Mr. Charles Richmond of La Mesa who roughed it in the interior of Africa for some months and will show colored slides and relate many surprises he encountered while touring this interesting country.

Last week's meeting was most unusual due to the fact that the guest speaker, Sheriff Joe O'Connor sent word at the last minute that he would be unable to attend and left the members literally "sitting with their hats on." Each member had been requested to wear a hat even through the dinner hour for Sheriff O'Connor's benefit but unfortunately the idea backfired. Chairman Ben Cerveny handled the emergency well by pulling some cards out of a hat selecting several members to speak on designated subjects.

Next Thursday, the Kiwanis Club plans a workshop and Board meeting. They meet at 7 p.m. in Fuller Hall every Thursday.

Members Of Volunteer Fire Department Elected

The following named persons were elected as officers of the Alpine Fire Department: Chief, Jack Blankenship; assistant chief, Malcolm Huey; captain, George Lutz; lieutenant, George Lengbridge Jr. and secretary, Milton L. Cooper.

The new officers were elected March 12 and will hold office for

The members of the Board have held several executive sessions from which the public and the press were excluded for the purpose of screening the 43 persons who had made application for the position. It has been reported that the Board members reduced the number to five applicants whom they considered best qualified based on their written applications, and had an oral interview with each of these five applicants last week. After re-considering the five, they reduced the number of applicants to two as the best quali-

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New Manager For Florence's Market

Mrs. Edward (Ed.) Rowan, manager of the meat department in Florence's Market for the past five years, has been named the new manager of the market by the heirs of the estate of Mrs. Florence Clarke.

Mr. Rowan has been in the meat business practically all his life, having been in business in Chicago for many years before coming to Alpine where he and his family reside. Because of his past experience in the field of managing and his very successful career in the meat department of Florence's, he was appointed to this position.

Bazaar To Be Given

The Gamma Gamma Sorority will hold a bazaar on Saturday, April 6, starting at 11:30 a.m. The chairman for this affair is Mrs. Mace Bratt.

Members will sell various items which they have made themselves such as aprons, pillow cases, and similar things. Coffee and baked goods will be sold.

A new pledge recently installed in Gamma Gamma is Mrs. Sharon Beale of the Willows, with the ceremony having been held at the last meeting held at the home of Betty Landholm in Spring Valley.

Recent Property Sales And Rentals

Mrs. Charlene Brown of Pierce Realty Company Alpine, reports the sale of the C. R. McBride property on East Highway 80 to Mr. Clayton W. Morrow of La Jolla. Mr. Morrow plans to do some improving and will move here shortly.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Alkire and son have moved into the Gerdes property on Highway 80. They recently moved their business, The Alpine Fiberglass Company to Finch's property which was formerly the Cleaners and they wanted to live in the vicinity. Rented by Mrs. Charlene Brown of

Important Statement
District Supt. Clyde Gilley wishes to state that "the entire expenditure for band uniforms for the school band" which was voted upon and approved by the School Board at its last meeting "will come from the Student Activity Fund and NONE from tax monies."

This statement is made due to the seeming misunderstanding of some persons in connection with this purchase

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Intimate Glimpses

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of Alpine has long been a landmark sought out by horseback riders in the community who want a nice trek over fairly rough country with an interesting destination at its end. Bell Bluff is so named because of its shape resembling a huge bell on the mountain side.

Over Harbison Canyon was a high arrangement of rocks looking truly barbaric, reminiscent of the crude balustrades of some ancient temple, gave the name to Temple Rock Ranch lying below it. In that area of unimproved land there are many grotesque rock formations which stir the imagination to find resemblance in them and give names to their curious shapes. Some it seems, could not have been made or piled up by the accident of nature, but must surely have been arranged by some giant hand with a certain design in mind. One on our land looks like a crudely carved Aztec idol.

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Centuries ago the Indians used the big rocks as corn grinding platforms on a community scale. This is attested to by some of the huge flat rocks as much as 20 feet across and more with a number of small round indentations in their surface made by the grinding stone in the Indian woman's patient hands. It's easy to imagine the scene of long ago under the oak trees. Old timers tell that in their young days, before fire ordinances were necessary, they used to camp and picnic on these big flat rocks. Building their cook fires in the center of one of them, they had a secure clean place up off the ground for their outdoor dining. Many home owners in the mountain areas utilize the natural boulders for landscaping purposes with very pleasing results. The soft grey tones of the rocks make perfect background for ferns and flowers, succulents or vines.

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Aside from their esthetic value, the big rocks are utilitarian to stock men. Range fields in the desert areas are more precious if they contain several huge rocks cast some shade for cattle in hot weather and protection from cold winds in winter. Called "cattle rocks" by the cowmen, these stone outcroppings are well known landmarks in our local range country. Get up close to one of these cattle rocks and you will see a polished area all around it where the cattle have rubbed against it for many decades.

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The stranger from the wet green land to the north saw the treasure on our hills and mesas. Let's keep aware of this distinctive part of our surroundings and allow the fantastic rock shapes to charm us as they do the strangers. Perhaps we should give more of them names and status as landmarks letting our imaginations fit them into the scene, instead of straining our vision for lush green fields impossible to attain.

Rabies Epidemic Continues

Even though indications point to a slowing down of the rabies outbreak that has lasted five months now, the condition still remains very serious. A total of 94 cases were reported as of this week with the news of a rabid dog in the San Ysidro area which bit another dog.

Dr. J. B. Askew, county health director, stated "a week without a case does not mean anything. This could be a lull between waves of infection spreading through the stray dog population." He also said the county could not expect to be free of the disease until a 4-6 week period passes without a report of any positive cases.

School Board

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It is further reported that at the Friday meeting the discussion will be regarding the offering of a contract to one of the two applicants which the Board has considered the best qualified.

The Board may also have to consider the salary to be offered the successful applicant since the District does not, at this time, know the local tax rate that will be permissible for the next school year. The present rate is 90 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation, and there is a special election to be held on April 16 to authorize an increase to \$1.89 per \$100 assessed valuation. If the tax rate increase does not carry, the District will continue to operate on the 90-cent rate.

In preparing a tentative budget based on the possibility of \$1.89, the Board included the salary of the superintendent to be \$11,500 per year. However, if the tax rate remains at 90 cents, this may have an effect on the amount the District will have available for the superintendent's position.

Held in conjunction with the special tax election will be the regular School Board member election at which trustees will be elected to fill the positions now held by Trustees John Reynolds, Fred Rushing and Stuart Day. Trustee Reynolds is not a candidate for re-election. Trustee Day is the lone candidate for a short-term position on the Board. Trustee Rushing, together with Richard Harris, Pike Meade Charles C. Campbell and John W. Gault, are candidates for the two full four-year terms to be voted upon.

Steering Committee

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eral questions. He then announced that there would be what he termed an "open record session" to be held at the Youth Center on April 23, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. for the convenience of all property owners in this district for the purpose of reviewing individually their respective property assessment.

Mr. Clyde Gilley, District Superintendent was then asked to present to the group material which he had compiled regarding the over-all needs of our schools. He stated that the purpose of this presentation was strictly to give information that was intended to stimulate their thinking on the proposed need for additional revenue for the school. Several important and interesting items regarding the need for the \$1.89 tax override election were discussed in detail and data sheets covering this subject were given to the audience.

Though there were many in attendance at this meeting, the need for additional workers to serve was emphasized and reports from the various coordinators seemed to indicate the interest and willingness of persons already contacted.

The need to present to the people of this area a true picture of what actually is needed for our schools and how our schools compare with other districts is of paramount interest to this Steering Committee.

The meeting was adjourned with the announcement that it would meet again this coming Monday evening at 8 p.m.

Alpine Local Fire District Burning Regulations for '63

1. Legal burning hours for incinerators shall be before 6 a.m. and after 6 p.m. only. All other burning by permit only.

2. A written permit is required to do any burning—at all times—except in incinerators.

3. Incinerators are required to have all openings covered with a plaster metal lath or any approved quarter inch (1/4-in.) wire mesh and the incinerator must have a clearing of at least 10 feet entirely around it—cleared of grass and brush to the soil.

4. Fire closure regulations will be strictly enforced in all areas within or adjacent to the Alpine local fire district.

5. It is unlawful to place or cause to be placed any inflammable or combustible materials which constitute a fire menace to any property.

6. It is required that all inflammable vegetation, growth or other material must be cleared at least thirty (30) feet away from every cabin, house, hotel, apiary, or other building or structure, or to the property thereof.

7. Any chimney upon any structure must have across the opening thereof a spark arrester as approved for incinerators.

8. Any person, firm or corporation who shall willfully commit, or cause to be committed, or who shall refuse or fail to comply with any of the facts contained in this ordinance, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six months, or by both such fines and imprisonment.

9. The Fire Marshal and other authorized personnel of the Alpine local fire district are authorized to inspect any property within or adjacent to the district, for the purposes of abating any condition that might constitute a fire menace to the public peace, health or safety.

10. Residents of the Alpine area desiring burning permits should call 445-2746 or leave notice at the Alpine fire house. The Fire Marshall of this district will then inspect the premises, and if no hazard exists, will issue the burning permit.

When you have a fire—indoors or outdoors—do not delay! Call the Fire Department immediately. Telephone 445-2343.

NOTE: The above regulations have been mailed to each post office box holder within the Fire District by the Board of Fire Commissioners, together with sketches illustrating the clearance requirements around buildings and incinerators. Also, enclosing a red sticker giving the telephone number of the Fire Station which may be stuck to a telephone or an object close to the phone.

A man can hide all things excepting two, that he is drunk and that he is in love. Antiphanes.

The Death Penalty

Governor Brown, supported by a number of the members of the Legislature, is again at this session endeavoring to have a law passed eliminating the death penalty for any crime committed within the State of California. Except, as we understand the proposed law, that the death penalty can still be invoked for the slayers of policemen.

Governor Brown, in support of his endorsement of the proposed law, is quoted as saying, "We have the death penalty in California today and it has not done any good."

Before attempting to argue for or against the proposed law, we would like to have the answer to two questions. First, why is the slaying of a policeman more serious than the slaying of a private citizen who is murdered while defending his property or life? Second, how can it be proved that having the death penalty in California today has not done any good?

Aid To Brazil

For a few days it appeared that Brazil might upset our entire give-away program.

The circumstances were these. Some United States official (name unknown, of course) stated that communists were making inroads in the Brazilian government. The statement was made at a time when a representative from Brazil was on a money-seeking mission in Washington. Brazil's President immediately demanded an explanation of the U. S. charges and instructed Brazil's representative to stop the money-seeking negotiations.

Fortunately the United States official (name unknown, of course) backed down on his statement, Brazil accepted the apology, and the money-seeking negotiations then proceeded.

This would indicate that if some United States officials (names unknown, of course) were to make similar remarks about all of the countries to which we are now giving aid, and all of these countries would take the same attitude as Brazil, and the United States officials did not back down, it would leave us with all of these billions and nobody to give them to.

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 Service	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 Canyon	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.	8:30 P. M.
Evening Hyzan Sing	7:30 P. M.
OUR LADY OF THE PINES CHAPEL, Mt Laguna	
Sunday Mass	12:15 P. M.

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ALPINE

By DEBBIE MARSHALL

Mrs. Clarence Stearns of Zumbrota Way, is expecting house guests next week. Mrs. David McNary of Freeport, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stearns, and two children, of Wilson, Wyoming, are coming to pay her a visit.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schweiss are enjoying a visit from Carl's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. George Steel of Brainard, Minnesota. Mr. Steel is a retired railroad man. He and his wife celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary on February 19 this year, the same day as the sixth birthday of the Schweiss' grand-daughter, Elsa Svensson.

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Dr. and Mrs. Frank J. Boronowski have been enjoying, as their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Grosvenor Hotchkiss, of Shorthills, New Jersey. The Easterners may be returning for another stay with their old friends here, before going back to New Jersey. They are now seeing other friends in California.

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Luncheons in the cool bright spring weather are one of the pleasantest ways for local hostesses to entertain. One such party was that given recently by Mrs. Frank J. Boronowski in her lovely home. Eight ladies, all former neighbors of the Boronowskis from their Pacific Beach days, gathered for the event. Most of the ladies have moved to other localities around the county now, but the early friendships have continued. Adding to the pleasure of the day was a surprise letter which arrived during the party, from another of the former neighbors, now living in Novato. "It was like having her join us," said Mrs. Boronowski.

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Not unlike the kind of thing expected of a group of "artists" is the party at Sky Mesa Ranch Saturday night when the Scrip-teasers, a 12-year-old club of playwrights and actors will hold their annual Christmas party. The crowd, numbering around 30, have in their membership several prize-winning actors, actresses and playwrights, of which number local writer, Bea La Force is one. The annual Christmas party is always late due to the very busy schedule of the club's members, but it's never been this late before. A gala feast, with music and entertainment features promises to make up for the party's frequent postponement.

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The 84th birthday of Mrs. Eleanor Kittredge was celebrated last week with tea party in her home on Marshall Road. Present were her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Campbell, Mrs. Norman Straas, Mrs. Alice Liebert, Mrs. Miller and others. Mrs. Kittredge had three daughters, has five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

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Mr. and Mrs. Norman Straas are looking forward to the visit of Mr. Straas' sister, Mrs. Esther Ball who will arrive next week from Wayne, Michigan. This is her first trip west and the Straas think she will enjoy it very much.

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J. C. La Force is back at his office again this week after a brief illness which made him a guest of the El Cajon Valley Hospital. Mr. La Force has a high regard for the hospital and its staff. "We're lucky to have this fine institution so nearby," he said.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wolcott, mother and step-father of Wendell Smith have been visiting the Smiths at their attractive home on Alpine Terrace this past week-end.

CAMPO

By FAY FARRIS

Mt. Whirlers Square Dance and Class was held at the Mt. Empire High School Auditorium on Saturday, March 9, and our caller Bob Dennington brought a lady with him by the name of Mrs. Ulrich, and announced to the group that they would soon be married. Everyone enjoyed seeing the two of them do some of the latest round dances together. Helen Pate was hostess. The next dance and class will be on Saturday evening, March 23, at 7:30 p.m.

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Trevor Kemp suffered an automobile accident week before last when he and his grandson Scott Kemp were driving on Buckman Springs road. Luckily no one was injured, but his car was badly damaged. He had to put on his brakes so hard he skidded, but did avoid injury to anyone. A lady and her small son were in the other car.

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Frank Warren of Cameron Corners was taken to the hospital last week with a heart attack, and Charles Haskell of Lake Morena also went in for a checkup and was immediately ordered to the Naval Hospital on account of his heart. We trust they will both be well and up and about soon.

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Charlotte Northington of Potrero gave a small luncheon and card party on Tuesday of last week for Ardelle Craft, Marie Lindemann and Phoebe Thompson, and on the way to the affair they stopped to see Pat Chase who is home recovering from a neck whiplash due to an auto accident reported before in this column. They enjoyed the party very much and found Pat doing very nicely.

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Kay Glenn was hostess for the Mt. Empire Woman's Club on Wednesday of last week at the home of Ladonna Muhlhauser; 34 enjoyed the delicious luncheon. The mystery prize was won by Helen O'Mar.

Further details were arranged for the "Parade of Fashions" being sponsored by the club and to be held at the Pine Valley Club House on Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. on March 30—donation \$1.00 for adults—50c for children under 12. The models have been chosen and they will wear fashions from Marthel's of El Cajon and jewelry by Cathie. There will be entertainment and refreshments. Tickets are now available, and they will entitle the purchaser to a chance on a tilt-top electric frying pan, whether they are present at the show or not.

Mrs. Helen Stevens of Lakeside attended the above meeting and gave a short talk about bus trips (also boat and plane trips) she plans for club groups and combines members of different clubs in order to have a quota. The Mt. Empire Woman's Club had already planned a bus trip for May 22 (Wednesday) to Farmers Market for lunch, Truth or Consequences TV show, to the Wax Figures Museum, and to Knott's Berry Farm for dinner. Anyone interested in taking this trip should contact Mrs. John Pingley of Pine Valley.

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Shirley Evans was back in Lake Morena a few days last week. She has moved her Gift and Gem Shop from Borrego to Salton Sea, and is very happy about the change. Everyone was glad to see her at the Mt. Empire Woman's Club meeting.

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The Homemakers Club met at the home of May Robinson on East Highway 94 last Thursday, and 15 members were present. It was decided to have the rummage sale

on April 5 and 6 from 11 o'clock a.m. to 5 o'clock p.m. at the Stone House in Campo. There will be lots of new and old articles for sale, so do not miss it, and mark the dates on your calendar. The Club's annual Breakfast Cook-out in the desert will be coming up soon, and the members always enjoy this outing.

DESCANSO

By Patricia Rice



Miss Diane Eileen Perkins Baptized

Little Miss Diane Eileen Perkins was baptized in a solemn ceremony Sunday, March 10, by Rev. John C. Jacobsen, pastor of the Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3993 Park Blvd., San Diego.

The Church holds many memories as Mr. and Mrs. Don Perkins, parents of Diane were married there nine years ago.

Diane wore a christening dress of white batiste embroidered with white satin ribbons, accompanied by a white file coat and bonnet before and after the ceremony. Her dress was affectionately designed by her mother and was worn by Diane's sister, Gail Maurine at her baptismal four years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Perkins attend the Alpine Lutheran Church in Alpine.

The godparents for Diane are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker of San Diego. They are Mr. Perkins' sister and brother-in-law.

Attending the baptism were Mrs. George Blank, mother of Mrs. Perkins, the Baker children, Judy and Bradley, Gail Perkins, older sister to the baby, and Mr. and Mrs. Hilmar Dalsvaag, aunt and uncle of Mrs. Perkins.

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Mrs. Cortland Howell, Mountain Empire Chairman for the Theater Arts Foundation reports a good sale of tickets, from this area, for the dinner and reception honoring actor Gregory Peck as well as theater tickets for the motion picture "To Kill a Mocking Bird." Theater parties included several local residents last Thursday.

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Last week end the Descanso School was broken into and much damage done by vandalism. It is a good thing the roof didn't leak as these mischief makers emptied all the powdered soap from the dispensers in the washrooms and if it had gotten wet the clean-up crew would have had a bubble bath. Understand the sheriffs have some good leads and we all hope whoever is responsible for the shamble they made of the schoolhouse will be severely punished.

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During the snow storm last Sunday there was a six-car pile up just one-half mile east of Descanso Junction with only two cars badly damaged and luckily no one was injured.

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Another wreck at the Sweetwater bridge—this one at 6:30 a.m. Monday morning when Marine Sargeant Frank Grzczkowski's 1963 Rambler skidded on the icy pavement and went out of control. Sargeant Grzczkowski, who lives in Descanso and commutes to San Diego, was thrown out of the car, but was not badly hurt. The car continued into the ditch and was completely demolished.

Mrs. Eloise Goodwin is home from Naval Hospital where she underwent surgery. We are all glad to have her back feeling fine.

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The Dalen Family from the Ranger Station enjoyed a day of fun in the snow at Mt. Laguna. Mr. and Mrs. Dalen as well as sons Gary and Danny are ardent ski fans and took advantage of the first snow of the season to try out the slopes. They took their two Alaskan dogs for a run in the snow.

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The Cortland Howells entertained Mr. and Mrs. Karl Placht from La Cresta who leave shortly for Europe, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fales from San Diego and Mrs. Watson Singer of La Jolla at a dinner party last Thursday.

MT. LAGUNA

By COLLEEN INGALLS

Friends of Mrs. Clay Stuart (Ruth) will be more than happy to hear that she is home now from her recent visit to the hospital and feeling much better.

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Mt. Laguna is now covered with two inches of the lovely white stuff and have had very high winds so snow is piled in many drifts of assorted shapes. The elementary children were treated to a "snow day" Monday which was most welcome.

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Mrs. Marcus McManus and Mrs. Del True, good friends, had lunch Saturday with their daughters at Anthonys and report a lovely time chatting and catching up on recent news of both families.

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What a nice surprise—the USS General Mitchell was diverted a short while to San Diego which enabled the Marcus McManus family to say goodbyes to their daughter Mrs. Jerry Kramer and son-in-law before sailing for Japan for their tour of duty of three years.

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Master Sgt. Johnson has received orders for Germany. Mrs. Johnson with their five children will continue to reside on Mt. Laguna until daughter Carole graduates from high school in June.

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The Holmes Ranch was the scene last Wednesday of a baby shower honoring Mrs. Betty Fisher. Several ladies from the mountain area were invited as well as some San Diego visitors. Nice time was reported.

PINE VALLEY

By Jane Orbom

Mr. and Mrs. Guilford Whitney of Corte Madera Ranch and San Diego celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary last Tuesday at the Kona Kai Club. Among the 350 friends and relatives who honored them were their three daughters and husbands, Messrs. and Mmes. Stephen Fletcher of Fletcher Hills, James I. Robinson of Point Loma and William Howard Nichols of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitney built their Corte Madera home by the lake in 1930 and have spent a great deal of time here. Mr. Whitney serves as chairman of the boards of Whitney's Department Stores and the First National Bank. Mrs. Whitney has been an active member of the executive committee of the Woman's Philharmonic Committee.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Pingley's house guests this past week were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ogburn of Oakland, California. The Ogburn's are ardent movie fans and brought their films of the South Pacific to share with their hosts.

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The snow storm last week end filled our valley with "snow bunnies." The cars were so thick along the back roads that some residents couldn't get in their driveways. It took Dale Gowdy one and a half hour to get from home in Pine Valley to Guatay and Louie Perna says it took him all of twenty minutes to get out onto the highway as there were so many cars passing.

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Connie Muhlhauser is busy getting candidates for Fireman's Ball Queen. Although the ball is not until Saturday, May 4th excitement is running high. By the way have you noticed those goodlooking posters announcing the ball?

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The meeting of the Taxpayers' Association of the Mountain Empire scheduled for March 20th has been postponed until March 27th, 8:00 p.m. at the Pine Valley Club House. Everyone is invited to attend these interesting and very worthwhile meetings.

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Interesting Speaker At Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Alpine will have as their speaker this week Mr. Nicos Mouratides, Assistant Professor of Sociology, San Diego State College who will speak on the subject of "Changes in Doctor-Patient and in Hospital Economic Relations."

Hostesses for the occasion will be Mrs. L. E. Carlson, Mrs. J. C. Ansell, Mrs. Leroy Simms and Mrs. Monty Brabazon. Program chairman is Mrs. L. E. Peterson.

Food For Thought

By Patricia Rice

"Rock" eggs are laid by a hen owned by Roy A. Kurz, Omaha, Nebr. The eggs are all odd shapes, bumpy and wrinkled, resembling rocks.

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Answers noted on school boy examination papers in Berkeley, Calif. "Rhubarb is a kind of celery gone bloody." "A grass widow is the wife of a dead vegetarian."

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An odd trust fund provides luncheon for London (England) sparrows. It is served every afternoon during summer months by a very correct waiter from a fashionable West End hotel. The fund is a memorial to an American woman who daily fed the birds while she lived.

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Defaulting customers in Chentu, China are forced to beg in front of the resaurant until they have enough to pay the bill.



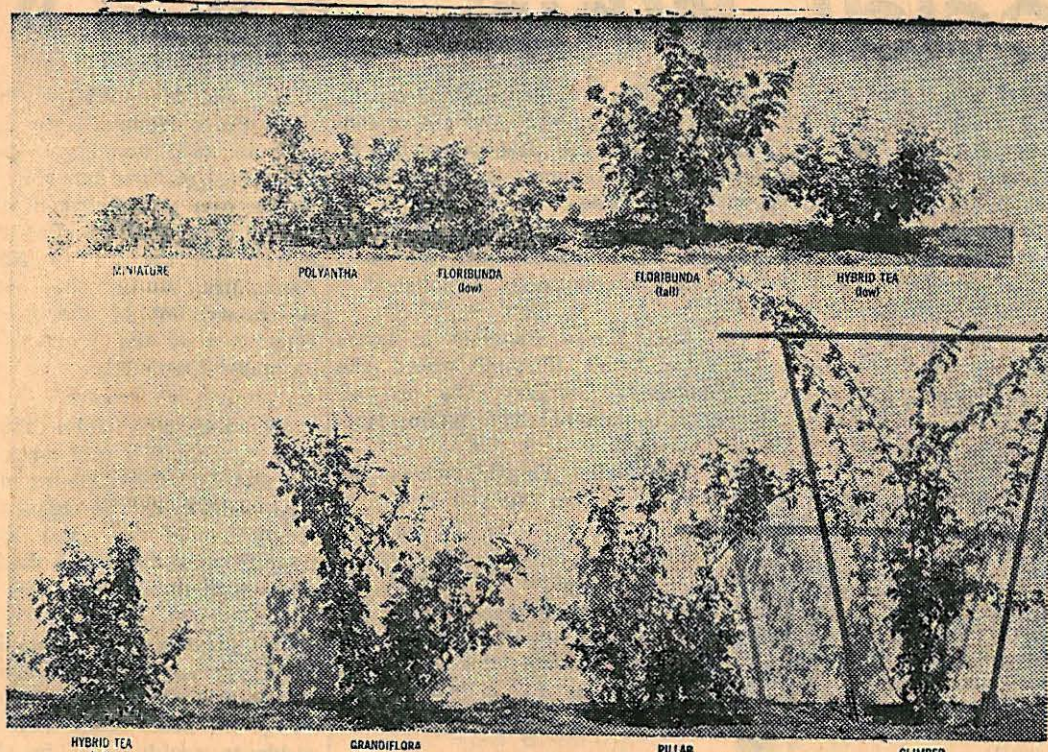
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THE ALPINE GARDENER

By JEAN McCULLOUGH

While the weather is still chilly why not explore further into the field of roses for possible new types to grow as foundation planting or underneath your picture window. These could be either miniature, grandiflora or floribundia, all low growing roses, coming in pink China dolls, or red Valentine, which blooms profusely for a good long time. As I have mentioned before, there are beautiful roses to suit any use you might want to put them to. The growers have really brought miracles with these wonderful plants.

The Rockrose is a satisfactory shrub for your garden too and it takes a minimum amount of care. It comes in pink with a red spot in each petal, also in white. Heavenly Bamboo (which is not a bamboo at all) but looks enough like it to deserve the name and has feathery lacy foliage which changes to a bronzy shade in the fall as well as setting bright red berries which are an extra dividend.

Abelia is also a very satisfactory evergreen shrub which has small white to pink flowers giving off a pleasing woody scent. Oregon Grape is another satisfactory and tough shrub with a splash of yellow blossoms in spring. The foliage takes on a red coloring later in summer and even later—black berries.

Now is the time to get shrubs and trees planted and they do so much to enhance one's property.

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Coming Events

- March—
- 21—Alpine Kiwanis Club. Speaker to be Mr. Charles Richmond showing slides of Africa. Fuller Hall, 7 p.m.
 - 22—Alpine School Boards—Agenda: Offer contract to candidate for position of District Superintendent. School auditorium, 8 p.m.
 - 25—Alpine Boy Scouts—Youth Center, 7:30 p.m.
 - 25—Alcoholics Anonymous, Fuller Hall, 8 p.m.
 - 26—Alpine Woman's Club—Speaker, Prof. N. Mouratides, 2 p.m.
 - 26—Volunteer Fire Department—Fire Dept. Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
 - 27—Gamma Gamma Sorority—Residence of Elna Bratt, Tavern Rd., 8 p.m.
 - 27—VFW—Youth Center, 8 p.m.
 - 28—Kiwanis Club—Work Shop and Board Meeting, Fuller Hall, 7 p.m.

Fire Danger

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venience imposed on some by these restrictions. But before its adoption each and every restriction was thoroughly analyzed and a determination made of its merit from a standpoint of community danger as a whole. The board's tentative plan is to wait approximately 60 days after the new ordinance has been mailed to all post office box and rural route box holders, then request an inspection by competent authorities of all incinerators and buildings within the district. Owners and residents of property then found not meeting the minimum requirements of the ordinance will be notified and advised of the changes or corrections that should be made.

Special mention is made of the fact that fire protection in this area comes not only from the Alpine local fire district, but also from the State Guard Station located at Flinn Springs and the U. S. Forest Guard Station located one mile east of Alpine. Both the State and U. S. Guard Stations are activated by sighting of smoke by the U. S. Forest Service Lookout and when smoke is sighted, apparently not coming from a permitted fire, they immediately proceed toward sending equipment to the area.

This added fire protection is vital to this area and the Alpine local Fire District and the California State and U. S. Forest Guard stations are in full accord and agreement on the fire protection methods that are to be applied.

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NOTICE REGARDING GENERAL ELECTION ALPINE LOCAL FIRE DISTRICT ALPINE, CALIFORNIA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a general election will not be held within the ALPINE LOCAL FIRE DISTRICT on Tuesday, April 2nd, 1963; that for the position of member of the Board of Fire Commissioners no nomination petitions were filed within the time required by law; that no petition was received from voters of this District asking that an election be held; and that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors will appoint a suitable person as member of the Board of Fire Commissioners of this District in accordance with Section 14060 of the Health and Safety Code.
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS ALPINE LOCAL FIRE DISTRICT
By: Orville C. Palmer, Secretary
March 7, 14, 21 '63.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION TO INCREASE MAXIMUM TAX RATE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE ALPINE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 20803 of the Education Code and on order of the Governing Board of the Alpine Union School District, an election will be held on the 16th day of April, 1963, in said school district between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., during which period the polls shall remain open, at which election there will be submitted to the qualified electors of said school district the following measure viz:

"Shall the proposed increase in the maximum tax rates from \$.90 to \$1.89, (such rate to be in effect in the Alpine Union School District for the school years 1963-64 and 1964-65, inclusive,) be authorized? Yes..... No....."
This maximum tax rate increase election shall be consolidated, pursuant to Sections 23300 to 23312, inclusive, Elections Code, with the governing board member election to be called, held and conducted in the Alpine Union School District at the same time and places.

Both the maximum tax rate increase election and the governing board member election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election; only one form of ballot shall be used; and the returns of both elections shall be canvassed by the Registrar of Voters pursuant to Sections 971.818 Education Code, and upon completion of the canvass he shall certify the results thereof to the Governing Board.

For the purpose of holding said election, the district shall be divided into Three Special Election Precincts and the said precincts are hereby established as hereinafter numbered and described:

SPECIAL ELECTION PRECINCT NUMBER 1
Shall include all the area within the exterior boundaries of the Alpine Union School District embraced in the following County General Election Precincts: Alpine—2, 3, 4, 5; portions of Alpine—1 and Descanso.
Polling Place therein shall be at the Alpine School Auditorium, Alpine, California.

Officers of Election for said Special Election Precinct are:
Inspector: Retna D. Schweiss
Judge: Myrtle Ingels
Judge: Frank J. Doerr

SPECIAL ELECTION PRECINCT NUMBER 2
Shall include all the area within the exterior boundaries of the Alpine Union School District embraced in the following County General Election Precincts: Harbison—3; portions of Crest—1, Dehesa—2, Harbison—2, and Jamul—2.
Polling Place therein shall be the Community Hall, Harbison Canyon, Alpine, California.

Officers of Election for said Special Election Precinct are:
Inspector: Virginia Hettinger
Judge: Nina Grayson
Judge: Beulah F. Culver

SPECIAL ELECTION PRECINCT NUMBER 3
Shall include all the area within the exterior boundaries of the Alpine Union School District embraced in the following County General Election Precinct: Japatul.
Polling Place therein shall be the Residence of Mrs. Anjanette Little, Japatul Valley, Alpine, California.

Officers of Election for said Special Election Precinct are:
Inspector: Anjanette Little
Judge: Elva Weisiger
Judge: Mazpha Elmer

A brief summary of the issues involved in the maximum tax rate increase election is as follows:
The purpose of this maximum tax rate increase election is to provide and maintain an adequate educational program.

Each qualified elector of the Alpine Union School District shall be entitled to vote only in the School District Election Precinct of which he is a resident.
Date: February 18, 1963

By Order of CECIL D. HARDESTY, Superintendent of Schools
CHARLES J. SEXTON, Registrar of Voters
By George A. Wren, Deputy
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