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FIRES SHOW EXTREME DANGER, OFFICIALS SAY

With four menacing blazes last week, Alpine Fire department proved its worth to the community. However, officials point out that many are still lax in rigidly inspecting their places, and incinerators.

Thursday at 2:45 a.m. the boys put out a fire in a pickup that had hit the guard rail on Old 80,

(PLENTY MORE ON PAGE 15)

ALPINE STEALS SHOW IN HISTORICAL PARADE

Alpine went over the top at the S.D. historical days parade Saturday. The living float with the famous Sassy Set square dancers and their lively orchestra and caller, danced itself into everybody's heart and with Carl McCall's famed buggy, made two photos on the Union's full page illustrations, the most used for any

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SEWER ELECTION NEARS

It is now only a matter of days until executive machinery will have Alpine's sanitary district ready for bond election, reports Cecil Lewinson, C of C president. The site has been appraised, and all plans readied. It will, if passed, and just about everyone in the area hopes so, give the green light to stimulate building activity of much needed business and other housing.

ALPINE WEATHER— June 1-15 '50, 'tis the sun that maketh all things shine". Average temp. 76-50; extremes, 85-46. Moisture .10. Visibility 60 miles!

YOUTH CENTER ELECTION IS JULY 7.
(STORY PAGE 2). TEN-ACRE SITE IS
READY. PAUL ROBERTS PHOTO SHOWS
GROUND-BREAKING. WORK HAS START-
ED ON NEW SCHOOL JUST ABOVE.

TEMPLE SMITH TO BUILD

For some weeks Mr. and Mrs. Temple B. Smith, he works with Fred Rushing, had their 9½ acre homesite up for sale, but this week they decided that they might as well battle it out and build their own. So work is starting at once on a modern home on a slightly hillside overlooking Glen Oaks. He has a fine well, garden and some land cleared.

DEAR EDITOR

Pasadena. Dear Mr. Irvine: Will you please run the following in your fine little paper as this is the best means we know of to express our sentiments toward your splendid community:

We wish to thank you good people of Alpine for the way you have stood by our daughter Evangeline Rushing, Fred and Linda during her recent illness. -Christopher & Alice Stone

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Suter are in S.F. on business while daughter Joanne Erickson and her little girl Terry Ann hold down the ranch. Bill may have to go on east while Mrs. S. returns to Alpine.

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YOUTH CENTER ELECTION

Annual selection of officers for 52-53 to pilot the destinies of Alpine Youth Center, will take place Monday, July 7, 8 p.m. at the Woman's club. Every member of the board is expected to be on hand for this most important event.

Editor's note- It is the honest belief of this director of the Y.C., that, in view of the urgent need for an Alpine Civic center and an adequate auditorium for use of all bodies of this area, that the Y.C. constitution should be amended so that a determined drive can be made for funds to erect a building in the near future. We feel, after talking with many citizens and organizations, that if the youth idea were transformed into something that would benefit all the people of Alpine, it could be put over successfully. This would in no wise deprive our young people of a fine place to hold their activities, and by making it strictly for all, everyone would thus benefit, and soon.

NEW ST. PHILOMENA CHURCH DEDICATED

Sunday was a banner day of realization for Catholics of Alpine when their lovely new edifice was officially opened by the Bishop of San Diego, The Most Rev. Charles F. Buddy. He told them how fortunate they are to have a complete church even to the air-conditioning system, when it often takes years to see the building finished.

Visiting priests were Mons. Dillon and Fr. Anthony of S.D., Fr. Davis, El Cajon; Fr. Bartholemew, Santa Isabel; Fr. Le Guyader, retired, Alpine, and Fr. Murphy, local pastor. The Sullivan choir of St. Augustine's presented the beautiful music with a lovely Ave Maria solo by Mr. Sullivan. The Bishop and priests were entertained at a breakfast by Mr. and Mrs. John Vitalich and family, 16 being present. The new church is a splendid addition to Alpine's finer developments.

TITUS JOINS RECORD

The new reporter for El Cajon Record at Alpine is Lawrence Titus, Kiwanian, Boy Scouter and general promoter of civic interests in this area. He replaces Velma Trail, who formerly covered these hills.

Kendal Brown is still in the hospital suffering now from a collapsed lung. He has been in several months.



BETTY NOBLE IS BUSY

DOWN IN SOUTH CAROLINA

"Please tell all my friends in Alpine hello for me and that I think about them often" writes TSgt. Betty Noble, formerly of the Willows. She adds that she enjoys the Sun which her mother (Mrs. Markley) sends from Denver. "I am very happy with my assignment in the USMC here at recruit depot, Parris Island, S.C. and imagine that I will be here for at least another 18 months. I have a company of 136 women... and I love each and every one of them". Fine work Betty!

The Clayborne La Forces, she is librarian, are enjoying a vacation to the piney loveliness of Lake Tahoe. Clayborne, junior, is piloting Sky Mesa ranch during their trip, and Barbara Latham is issuing books in Bea's absence.

Bert and Lucille Perrin are enjoying a visit from his mother of L.A. Bert is with State Parks & Beaches, stationed at Cuyamaca park.

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KIWANIANS SHOWN LAGUNA TUNNEL PLAN

When John Abbott, La Mesa realtor and retired civil engineer showed his maps of the back country and explained the future of the great 34 mile tunnel, every Kiwanian realized that the future of this entire area is vitally concerned over the realization of such a huge project. Jack Wilson, chairman of the evening, presented a fine program, for Abbott pictured in no uncertain terms and backed with fact, figures and vision, how such a tollroad under the hills would transform this area. Space forbids the entire story of the idea, well worth pursuing by every resident hereabouts. Abbott also touched upon scouting, as he has spent many years in promoting this fine activity. The talk was roundly applauded.

OPPORTUNITIES IN ALPINE— Taxi and luggage trailer rentals.

THESE GIRLS ARE HANDY

More about Alpine's artists of Tavern Road, Winona Copper and Jo Ann Adams who have remodeled and decorated their house in out-of-this world manner. Tommy Hill is grading and oiling the driveway. Winona spent her vacation putting on the roof-- during those warm days, too, and she did a swell job, while her pal laid the lino.



JOINS MOTHER AT FLINN SPRINGS— This is attractive Marie Rose Morris, who just arrived to help her mother, "Irish" Kitty who runs the cafe at Flinn Springs County park near here.

ALICE GIBSON CIRCLE MEETS

Members of the Alice Gibson circle of the Lakeside Community Presbyterian church met yesterday at Flinn Springs cafe for their regular monthly luncheon. Guest speaker was Mrs. Julian Flinn De Frate of S.D. who gave an interesting talk on the growth of Flinn Springs and adjoining areas as her father was the original owner of this county park.

Mrs. De Frate told them how her father had herded cattle across the plains with a wagon train from Greenville, Mo., to Flinn Springs when he was only 19. Her father died in 1915 at the age of 74 and was buried in the family cemetery which is located a short distance from the park.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hoggard, owners of Alpine Villa, flew to Chicago and N.Y. for a two weeks vacation.

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BY C.I.

When Hazel Hohanshelt presented "Here Comes Charlie", a full 3-act play, for one matinee at the Women's club, and two nights for the public, she proved that eighth-graders really can show up their elders. I'm not alone in saying that this clever show so well acted and so finely directed, as well as presented in a jolly good setting, was just as entertaining and near-professional as many a troupe of community players or high school actors put on anywhere!

I'm proud of Alpine school, its kids and the teacher, Mrs. Hohanshelt who so well directed it. I've

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After a fortnight's visit with son Bal and Marie in Hillsville, Va., the Darnells of the Willows, bussed to Easton, Pa., to Mr. and Mrs. Elias Fritts her sister, whom she had not seen for 30 years. Darnell reports a wonderful trip, flying home via United. "Thrilling indeed" he says, "to think we drove east in six days, then back in only 14 hours! When we crossed the Rockies they told us we were 20,000 feet up, with cabin at 4000 foot condition, and it was quite comfortable. We're mighty glad to be back in Alpine."

seen many a play in big cities, and lots of workshop productions, and this little hometown play was just as good as any.

The play was practically written for the comic character of Uncle Alec, done so naturally by Hans Kern. His laconic temperament fit the character as if the author had known Hans. He drew laugh after laugh. Linda Caldwell as Aunt Fanny showed definite talent in that difficult character part while Charlie romped through the part in the capable hands of Sue Jeffers, definitely star material. Dorothy Farrankop did a clever and dignified bit of nice trouping with the society matron role, and her daughter, Vivian, by Miriam Wilson was right to the part. Larry Elliott, the lead, was nicely done by Albert Mullins, really at ease in the meaty part. His friend by Stephen Mercer ran right along for good, steady acting. Another comic highlight well done was Mortimer, by Clarence Hamren. Nora the cook and Officer McGrill were well handled by Sherie Knox and Phillip Doren.

The staging was perfect, due to the director and her crew: Bill Ballinger, Tom Harrelson, Bob Batson. Announcers were Bettie Reabold, Sharon Ingels. Author was not noted but I'd like to pat him on the back for a bang-up good piece, clean, comic and with some lessons in it as well. Yep, I'm mighty proud of our Alpine youngsters. You who missed it, really missed something.

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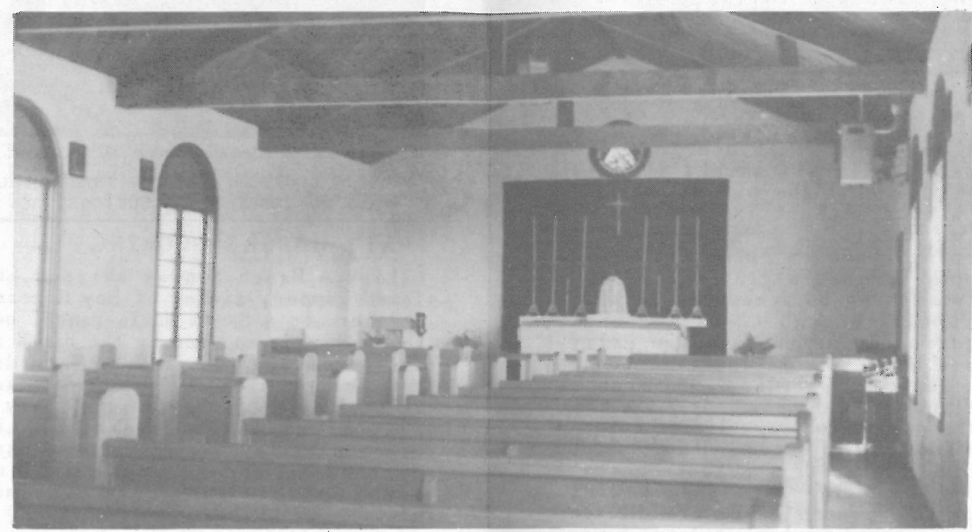
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GUINEA PIG GARDENER

By Hazel Hohanshelt

EDITOR'S NOTE. DUE TO THE HEARTY RECEPTION OF THIS UNIQUE COLUMN-- BY AN ALPINE PIONEER, SCHOOL TEACHER, AND ACCOMPLISHED MUSICIAN, WE WILL RUN IT AS OFTEN AS SHE FINDS TIME TO WRITE. IF YOU HAVE ANY FINDINGS, ALONG THIS LINE, CONTACT HER SO SHE MAY GIVE OTHER READERS A CHANCE TO GROW THINGS THAT LIKE ALPINE'S FINE CLIMATE AND GOOD EARTH.

Can you afford one tree that pays for itself, not in the fruit that it bears, but in its beauty and grace and its friendly shade? The beautiful Cutleaf Weeping Birch, with its snowy-white trunk, its slender, pendulous branches and feathery foliage of small, deeply serrated leaves, is an ideal specimen tree. In the fall the leaves turn a bright



JOHN HEYDON'S INITIAL EFFORT TO ILLUSTRATE HAZEL'S COLUMN SEEMS ABOUT RIGHT FOR THIS TIME OF THE YEAR. HE IS ONE OF HER STUDENTS. NOW IN SECOND YEAR AT GROSSMONT.

yellow, and in dropping, just seem to melt into the ground.

I have never raked a leaf from under our lovely birch, which we have planted at the edge of our lawn. In winter without its foliage, it is as beautiful as in summer. Its weeping branches, hung with raindrops, against a gray winter sky, is something to remember. It grows just tall enough to be a perfect foreground for the average California home. Now is the time to see it. January, February, or March is the time to plant it.

The purpose of this little column, you know, is to recommend some shrub, fruit, flower or vegetable which I have tried and found successful. Most of you are gardeners in your own right and need no "helpful hints" However, many of us need a "lift" in our garden morale, and that comes from planting something new and different. What a new hat can do for your personal spirits, a new plant can do for your gardening zeal! I am trying out over a dozen new things so watch for my invitation to come and see results; that's where the guinea pig idea comes in -- I'm it!

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ackerly of S.D. spent the week with Dr. Frank Bornowski while his wife went to L.A. to visit friends.

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HIWAY 80 C OF C
HAS LIVELY MEET

Last week's monthly dinner, Hiway 80 C of C was a tops affair, members report, with Carl Schroeder, president, in the chair at the new Flinn Springs cafe where Kitty served a delicious dinner.

Tom Bomar, S.D. C of C gave an enlightening resume of the tourist business in the county. In a year over \$7 billions are left in these parts, Tia Juana alone having 8½ million visitors who leave \$15 millions. "We all should make the most of our natural resources in attracting visitors," he declared. more are coming west all the time, in '51 there were 34% more cars through Yuma and already for '52, 28% more.

The chamber is working for Hiway 90 to join 80 along the route which will increase incoming traffic. It was voted to support keeping cable cars as an attraction in S.F. The Annual picnic will be staged at Flinn Springs park on July 9, with Marion Norcross as chairman with Miss K. Dowd, Judge and Mrs. Thatcher, Don and Mrs. Walker, Mark and Mrs. Schaeffer, Ralph May and R.G. Mayer. on July 1, 8 p.m. there will be a board meeting at Mrs. Marshall's home to discuss plans for the year ahead. Freeman Durgin made a brief pep talk, and a committee was named to work with the planning commission to prevent a junk yard coming in near Flinn Springs park.

WEEKLY SCOUT BARBECUE

Every Saturday and Sunday for the next few months there will be a public, Mexican style, pit barbecue on the Boy Scout site above the new school. Everyone is invited to come and bring friends to the feast, staged by two Chefs de Mexico, says Hans Kern, pilot of the building activities. The tariff will be \$1.50 a plate, the money going into the building fund.

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Youngest tots will be Cynthia Irvine, Alpine and Susan Dorman, Descanso. They will sing as well as dance, "The Teddy Bears Picnic".

The Sharp sisters, Jane and Jeannette, advanced dancers who have been studying several years with Joyce Belloni, local teacher, will present fast tap, rhumba, shim sham and soft shoe.

Because many of her students are local Girl Scouts, Mrs. Pelloni will give proceeds to the Alpine Girl Scouts.

Appearing will be Jimmy Hinds, Mary Anne Bell, Margo Fulk, Edna Jean Hoover, Joyce Dawsey, Marilyn Smith, Susan Heinrick, Merilu Wilcox, Karen Waddel, Patricia Lawton, Helen Maroney, Ruby Lee Small, Mary Ellen and Betty Jane McLeod, Sandy Withem, Jerry Lynn Rorie, Jane and Jeannette Sharp. Helen Withem of La Mesa will be accompaniest.

SECURITY TAKES ON
VALLEY BANK

On July 1 the Security Trust & Savings Bank of S.D. will hang out its shingle over the popular E.C. Valley Bank and its parent branch in Lakeside, it was announced by Presidents A.J. Sutherland of the S.D. institution and Robert L. Swearengin of the E.C. house. Officers and personnell of the latter will be unchanged, he stated.

Regarding the proposed branch which The Sun announced last issue, Mr. Sutherland stated on the phone that the petitions are out and that the matter will still have to be gravely considered as it is no easy matter to open branches everywhere. The entire matter depends upon the indicated potential volume of business of the back country.

FOR HOMES & HOMESITES

See

DON BATES

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Mrs. Henry Martin, Huntington Park, is visiting her aunt, Marion Norcross for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Butcher entertained 14 members of the family at dinner last week on the Golden Wedding anniversary of his sister Mrs. W.F. White, Chula Vista. Only non-member was the Rev. Dr. Nile of the Episcopal church.

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John Talamantes and Dick Brotherton are home on 28 days' leave from serving in the army training back east.

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BIG PARADE (From Page 1)

rural county town. This was the work of Alpine C of C with Pres. Cecil Lewinson, and Blanche McCall, Chairman, deserving credit for sparking the event and a host of others who took part, including the runner-up queen candidate Gail Wilson, who missed the jewel by just a few votes.

Alpine's section was led by Mrs. Arthur Prztt in her famed silver outfit riding Pico, who knows his parade! Then came Paul Gastalum on Larked Linda; Anne Caldwell and Carl McCall next, then the big dancing float. Highlight was Mrs. Foss, representing Alpine's oldest family, in her mother's wedding dress. Dancers, who kept it up all the time were Lois Sherman, David Moore, Ruby Lee Small, Neil Hoffman, Mike Dearman, Elsie Mockler, Alice Robinson, Jack Boyd, and caller, Chas. Dyson. Billy Ball drove his father's tractor pulling the big float on Reg Small's trailer. Credits for building the float go to Jerry Dearmin, Art Sherman, Mike Dearmin, Jack Boyd, George Stone with many other helpers. Bill Suter built the barn. Sam Crystal and Helene Sherman painted it. Forrest Hohanshelt drew the plans and advised. Scouts loaned the lumber and some was bought. In addition Helene Sherman float chairman, made costumes. Jean McCullough, bonnets. Helene did a lot of other things as did Art, the entire group, including Fred Rushing and Jack Blankenship with his big trailer-truck; Mrs. Claude Young, ticket sale for the queen, with Coyla Brown and Carmen Bailey.

Alpine should be mighty proud of its C of C for getting such wonderful publicity for the community and all who did the hard work of getting things ready deserve a lot of commendation.

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The beautiful 160 acre Circle K Ranch, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Al Kay, has just been sold direct to E.Z. Sproul, Seal Beach, who takes possession before July 1. He is the father of Mrs. Frenzell, Alpine teacher. The ranch, just above town, has a fine adobe home, 4 horse stalls and other equipment, and many beautiful trees. The Kays are leaving for a two months' vacation to Loup City, Neb., Laramie, Wyo. and Elko, Nev. They will return to live in Alpine. Daughters Ann Iay, with Valley bank, lives in El Cajon and Mrs. Thos. Eaton, at Boni ta.

Mrs. R.B. "Doc" Frenzell, Alpine teacher, was given a jolly farewell by Bert and Lucille Perrin at their Oyamaca Park home. She is going to Japan to join her husband, Capt. Frenzell, in the navy.

Maybelle Butcher is spending two weeks with her brother George Butcher and Mrs. Butcher at their Alpine home. She is from Seattle.

FIRE DANGER (From Page 1)

driven by Edgar Zimmer, of Adobe Hacienda, above Willows. Loss was \$1500. insured.

A grass fire on 80 and another at the Graham place, called for quick action in preventing spread of dangerous flames. The worst was Sunday noon at McCall's ranch where the department report says a faulty incinerator started grass, then brush burning on the adjoining Rix ranch. This took all afternoon to clear, with 14 pieces of equipment from state and federal forestry, with 100 men.

"All these fires should be a reminder to residents" states chief Sam Randazzo, "to carefully check incinerator for clearance of 30 feet, and be sure it has a spark arrester." Burn only before 10 and after 6, and definitely not if a wind is blowing. Everyone should have a copy of the burning ordinance, from any official, (or see the Sun for Mar. 13).

"Every run of our equipment, or state or federal" points out commissioner McKie, "costs taxpayers a lot of money, besides endangering property and ruining watershed." Another point is that if anyone burns, or allows a fire to damage another's property, he is liable by law for damages, which can amount to a lot.

"It is setting a poor example for neighbors" says Randazzo, "besides the obligations of forestry and state fire crews extend only to soil conservation, structural fires have last priority, brush and wooded creek fires coming first".

Bruce McCall painfully burned his hand and arm when he tripped and fell on a hot wire while fighting the fire.

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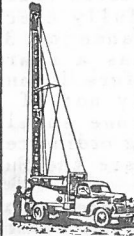
WESTS SELL HOME

David and Mabel West have just sold their beautiful Descanso home, which he built, to Paul Gurrod, formerly of Alpine. David left yesterday in his car for his old home in New York for a vacation and visit with relatives, while Mabel planed to visit friends in Joplin, Mo. before returning to Alpine. When Dave gets back he plans to build a new home. "We certainly have missed Alpine" he declares, "and the old ranch on So. Grade road" adjoining the old Castro place!

ROAD STATION IMPROVED

Sam Hanson, capable head of the county road department here reports the big new barn completed and work going ahead fast on the 130 foot stone retaining wall; more yard room for this growing establishment which keeps all the roads around Alpine in fine shape.

Editor's note- the folks of this area who know Sam and his crew, really appreciate the big task they have to keep things smooth with the ever-growing traffic in the back country. Thanks, Sam.



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