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"SKIS IN THE SKY" SHOW NEXT MONTH

John Jay, widely known producer of first rate ski movies will bring his newest "Skis in the Sky" to Yosemite, February 7 and 8. It's a two hour movie during which Jay narrates in an interesting and amusing fashion, unmercifully ribbing the awkward "snow-bunnies." The show has had glowing reviews from both skiing and non-skiing audiences.

"Skis in the Sky" is scheduled for two showings in Yosemite. It will be at the Village Pavilion on Saturday night, February 8. Tickets are .60, including tax, and will go on sale January 10 at Yosemite Gift Shops,

the Village Store and Badger Pass Ski House. There are only 300 seats in the Pavilion. When they're gone, they're gone. So don't wait too long!

On February 7, in conjunction with the Yosemite Winter Club Ski Dinner at The Ahwahnee, Jay will present his film and narration. The Ski Dinners are scheduled for Friday nights to begin toward the end of January. The next Sentinel will announce the date of the first party. Marshall Hall will again occupy his old role as MC. Plan to see the show one of the two nights.

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GRINDINGS FROM THE Y.T.S.

Vacation time being over, the Y.T.S. is geared for a busy winter. Frank Pierce's trip to Wisconsin was reported as being a lot of fun. He says he's glad to get back to the Valley, however. It's nicer to live at 32 degrees above than 32 degrees below.

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In the spring a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of making love—or however it's said. Miss Trythal says "I'll take my vacation in the spring time." (HMMMMM).

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Adams, Garfield and Phillips are back in stock after a *reportedly* successful hunting trip in Northern California and Oregon and claiming daily limits. (Which is how many, boys?).

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Dapper Dantibo spent two weeks at Monterey and Carmel. However, he is very quiet about his golf scores.

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Wes Hull took five days visiting friends in the Southland. Activities included a ferry boat ride from Glendale to Burbank; the purchase of a fog horn for car; a slushy trip back to Yosemite; took off rubber shoes, hung up rain coat and returned to work. Wes may be quoted as follows: "The weather down south was swell—but it rained all the time."

BUNDLES FROM HEAVEN

That long legged old bird, the stork, was busy during the month of December. On the 6th he delivered another son, Kent James, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Daring. Kent James weighed 6 pounds and 12 ounces and is des-

tined to become a fine playmate for his big brother Stuey.

Miss Margaret Drown made her appearance on December 16 to make a "threesome" in the home of Eugene and Marian Drown. Voice and all, she weighed seven pounds and two ounces.

Carole Mary Hogan became a Christmas present for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hogan, arriving on Christmas Day! She tipped the scales at five pounds and eleven ounces.

And to Ranger & Mrs. Art Holmes, George William arrived on the 30th day of December. He weighed in at six pounds and thirteen and a quarter ounces.

SEEN AND HEARD FROM

Among the many who came "home to Yosemite" for Christmas we saw Mary and Don Tresidder, Oliene Mintzer, Della, Herman and Peter Hoss, Midge Pittman, Sally and Bob Plumb, Jack Hinton, Jean Brandon, Olive Lorenc, Bill Gwinn, Roy Lally and his family. There were many who could not come but sent their greetings from all over the country: John and Rose Wegner from Sequoia National Park; Christine Smith from the ranch near Fresno, where there are no shortages of meat, eggs and cream; Carolyn and Cecil Tinkey to say they have sold their place in Richmond and will be at home at 460 St. Ann's Drive, Laguna Beach, shortly after the first of the year; William (Bill) McNamara, whose health has improved and who is now working for the Yellow Cab Co. in Merced; Winnie Kinnard writing from Cambridge, Mass. how much she enjoys keeping in touch with Yosemite through the Sentinel.

Paul Tobin wrote from Desert Inn at Palm Springs; Olga Schomberg from her home in Evanston, Ill.; Florence Scribner from Oakland—she is already looking forward to summer and her return; Kathryn Donahue from Meriden, Conn., her home town to which she has returned for a while; Fred Geisdorff and family from San Jose; Marie Henningsen from San Antonio; Lee and Esther Bailey from Oakland; Walter and Rose Lintott from El Cerrito; Carol and Frank Brockman from Seattle where they are enjoying the change to city activities . . .



Our Staff Photographer was a very busy man over the Holidays but managed to pass along the above pictures taken at Christmastime:

Top—Escorted by Ginny Ann Sturm, Bobby Ewing receives his present from Santa.

Center—Enjoying their first dinner at The Ahwahnee on opening night are Marian Gray and Phillips Webb.

Bottom—Mrs. Bill Lally presents her granddaughter Mary Louise to Santa Claus at the Christmas Party.

CLOTHING DRIVE CONTINUES

The campaign for clothes for overseas relief, sponsored by the Park Church, will continue until January 13. Our recent cold weather reminds us that millions across this world are meeting much more severe conditions with threadbare clothing. Will you do your part to help? Bring your old clothes to the Standard Oil Station near the Company general office and ask the attendant to show you the stall in which the clothes may be placed.

Mr. Glass, of the Park Church, wishes to thank the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and the Standard Oil Company for their cooperation in this collection.

The special offering for overseas relief, taken during the observance of Christmas in the local church, now totals \$71.98.

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CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

The first candlelight communion service of the New Year will be held this Sunday, January 5 at 8 p.m. in the Old Village Chapel. Mr. Glass will speak on the theme, "Christ, the Light."

At the eleven o'clock service, Alydine Bowman will be the soloist. Mr. Glass will speak on "Four Things to Do in the New Year."

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CHURCH SERVICES

Mass—8:30 a.m. in Old Village Chapel.

Morning Worship—11 a.m. in the Old Village Chapel.

Brief Service (Protestant) — 9:30 a.m. on Sunday in the Old Village Chapel.

WANT ADS

FOR SALE. Ladies' hockey skates, white. Size 7, \$5.00. Call Sylvia Lindroos, No. 139.

ICE RINK IN GOOD SHAPE

Congratulations to Everett Edwards and his crew for the wonderful ice rink set up. Skating is excellent and many of the locals are showing great improvement on the thin blades. After a few brisk turns round the rink, visit one of the local fountains for a hot chocolate—a good way to finish off an enjoyable evening.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE NEWS

Among the many visitors to the Park during the holiday season staying at the Rangers' club were Mrs. Betty Drury Edwards and her husband. Mrs. Edwards is the daughter of the Director of the National Park Service. From the Regional Office in San Francisco Miss Metcalf, her mother and a friend, Mr. Brown, were in. Francis P. Farquahar and family spent several days in the Park. Among many other National Park interests, he has done much work in place names of the Park. Former Ranger Frank Givens, now Custodian of Pinnacles National Monument, with his wife and children, came in to spend the holidays with friends here. Bob Sovulewski and his family spent a few days in the Park. His father, Gabriel Sovulewski, was a Supervisor of Yosemite National Park in 1915 and 1916. There are several Sovulewski decedents who make their home here in the Valley.

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The wee folk of the Valley added their bit to the Christmas spirit. Sponsored by the Sunday School, and under the direction of Mrs. Alfred Glass, readings, solos, duets, and caroling were given. "The Star," a two scene playlet, written by Mrs. Glass from a child's viewpoint, was presented by the older Sunday School children. It was very interesting the way the children interpreted the birth of the Christ Child. One of the highlights of the evening was the scratching of an itch. Oh!, to have never acquired self consciousness. With the old familiar carols being sung again all appreciated the work that the youngsters did as well as that of the ones behind the scenes.

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We announce that Pete and Jeff Thomson, sons of the late C. C. Thomson, superintendent of Yosemite, now have a camera store at 1350 Polk Street, San Francisco, and that Cal Willette, former sewage plant operator in Yosemite some years ago, has bought out Edwards Camera Exchange, 1428 Spring Street, Paso Robles. Now camera fans, there are two more addresses to write for your needed equipment!

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It was great to see our own Steve Tripp back in Yosemite for a very brief visit last month. Steve is now Chief of the Employment Division, Bureau of Reclamation, in Washington, D.C. He was in California to

visit the various Reclamation Areas and go over their employment problems. No one has ever been more interested or more enthusiastic over Yosemite National Park than Steve. He was accompanied on the trip by Mr. Brown, Chief of Employment of the Sacramento Office of the Bureau. One of the highlights of their trip was a quick look-see at The Ahwahnee where Steve had many good times in the early thirties.

NEW SKI PAPER PUBLISHED

A new ski paper is about to see light. Called "THE SKIER," it will be the official publication of the California Ski Association, an organization that has done countless good jobs in the interest of skiing in California and Nevada. It will be a weekly publication, the first issue scheduled to appear January 2, 1947. Sixteen issues will be printed and the subscription price is \$1.00. William Stensaas, well known to many Valley skiers, is the editor and it will be published in Modesto. It will contain news of interest to all skiers about events, places, people and the activities of the C.S.A. There will be frequent bits about Badger Pass and our locals as well as some of our prominent skiing guests. The Yosemite Winter Club endorses the new paper as a worthwhile effort to bring to all up-to-the-minute ski news.

Mail your dollar to Wm. Stensaas, 1214 J Street, Modesto, California, for sixteen issues of a really good ski paper.

LOCAL SKIER INJURED

Bill Cuthbert, who will be remembered as one of the best skiers to come out of these hills, suffered a broken leg while competing in the Nationals at Sun Valley. His mother, Myrtle Cuthbert heard over the radio the terrifying rumor that Bill had broken his back. So, though a broken leg is bad enough, she was relieved to learn that the rumor was unfounded. Mrs. Cuthbert is recovering from a broken shoulder herself. Best of luck to mother and son.

Arnold Fawcus, one time ski instructor and man of letters in the Valley, was back to his old haunt over the holidays. Arnold is in the publishing business in Paris now and in addition is writing a book on skiing which will be illustrated by Tyler Micolcau, another former Yosemite instructor now at the Sugar Bowl.



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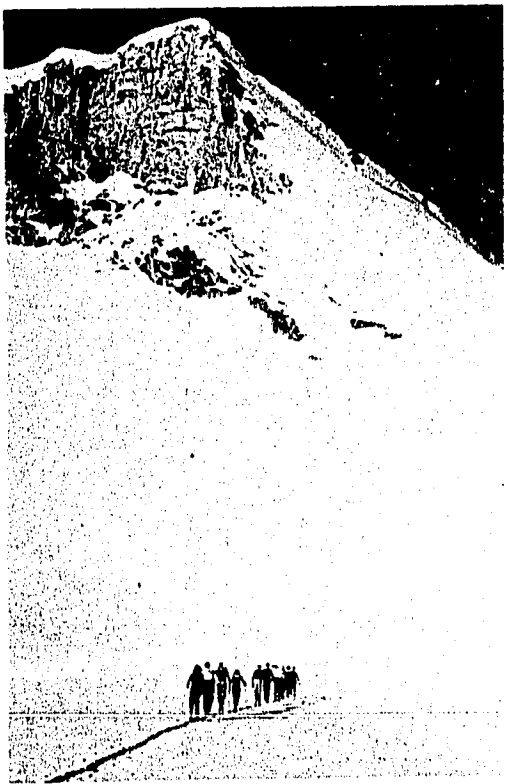
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SKI DINNERS AND DANCES TO RESUME



SKI FILM DATES CHANGED

It was announced in the last Sentinel that "SKIS IN THE SKY," John Jay's ski film, would be shown at The Ahwahnee on Friday night, February 7 in conjunction with the Ski Dinner. For a number of reasons, mainly that more people would be able to see the movie, the Friday night show has been postponed until Saturday night when there will be two shows at the Old Village Pavilion. The first show starts at 7, the second at 9:30 p.m.

All tickets will be sold in advance commencing January 20 and will be on sale at Yosemite Lodge and Ahwahnee Gift Shops, the Village Store and at Badger Pass. The

price is .60, including tax.

The Valley people have been showing great interest in the performance and a sell out is expected so you are encouraged to get your ticket as early as possible.

RECORD CROWD ANTICIPATED

The Friday night Ski Dinners that have been great successes in the past with the local gentry as well as the guests, will begin on January 17 at The Ahwahnee. The opening party will be without benefit of orchestra, as its arrival will be sometime later. However, phonograph records will supply a variety of good dance tunes.

In the interest of propriety, gentlemen are asked to wear neckties and coats or ski jackets (in addition, of course to the other essentials). Ladies are asked to wear ski trousers or skirts. *No Ski Boots, Please!*

The charge for the dinner and the dance is \$2.45, including tax. This is a reasonable figure for an Ahwahnee dinner alone, so there will be no reduction for privilege card holders. Make your reservations with The Ahwahnee Front Office. See you on Friday Night!



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Badger Passes

News of the Fortnight

Big races in the stem turn class last week found Pat Dryden of the cafeteria tying with Frank Ellersick of Los Angeles for second place. The event was clocked by Bob Lint, recently appointed Assistant Director of Winter Sports. Bob was an instructor prior to his new job.

Trubi, Le Roy Brooks and former instructor Bill Cahow attended the meeting of the Fresno Ski Club at which Trubi plugged loudly for Badger.

Sunday is locals' day at Badger. Johnny (the postman cometh) Hansen and one of the full time instructors gives special attention to Valley residents in handling the slick slats.

Casualty Column

Syd Ledson has done it again! With a hip to ankle cast he now enjoys the scenery from the back of the bus instead of battling the road from behind the wheel.

When four boys go skiing and two come back limping, this moonlight skiing has to stop. It sounds romantic but it's not all it's cracked up to be. Ask Don King and Ken Cornell.

Toney Frietas' wife Elsie is now strictly a porch skier due to an injured ankle twisted on an icy slope.

"I Wish I Had My Camera"

Trubi's eye-appealing stocking cap with its blinding colors that droops clear to his waist was tenderly knitted by Stanford coded Nadine Mahlm.

Terry's blonde hair combed into a more intricate glamor coiffure each day. How does she do it?

Do Mary's black furry after ski boots have any connection with the disappearance of a certain black kitten?

Old 152, the employees' bus, collapsed from old age between Chinquapin and Badger. So out we got and started thumbing, Edith determined to reach Badger even if she had to walk. (P.S. She got a ride).

AHWAHNEE WANDERINGS

After seeing The Ahwahnee through the mad scramble of the Holidays, Dick Connett slipped out to San Francisco for a few days. He recently had with him his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cochran of Oakland and their two children Susan and Dick. Susan, not yet three, handles a pair of skis like a Swiss.

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Nancy Taylor is now the official soda dispenser in the Sweet Shop. Sammy Ballante, man of all trades, gave up the job for a turn with the Maintenance. Before Sammy left the Sweet Shop, he had become devoted to a ring tail cat that came up through a ventilator from the hotel basement every afternoon at three-thirty in quest for tid bits. His change broke up a beautiful friendship.

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Desk Clerk Frank Bailey and Badger Pass hand Dorothe Brand are impatiently waiting for Springtime. They announced their engagement a while back and have set a yet undisclosed date in April for the big event.

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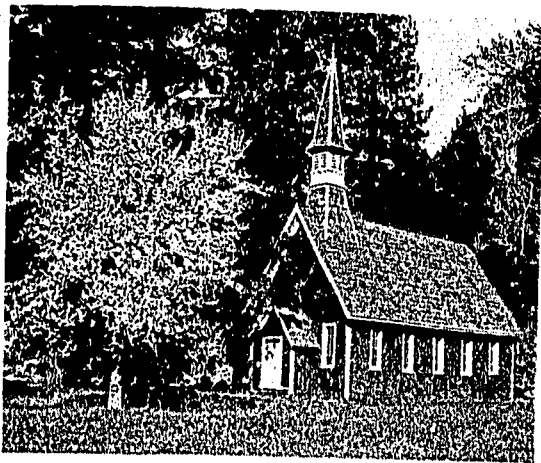
Edith Beer is now minding the ski rental customers at Badger instead of being secretary to Manager Connett.

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Arnold Benson, first pilot of elevator No. 1, was seen taking his constitutional last Sunday morning. He walked from Badger Pass to Chinquapin and liked it!

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We had some movie great with us recently. Miss Judy Garland and her secretary Kay Thompson; Miss Lucile Ball and bandleader husband Desi Arnaz; and Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Lynn.



CHURCH SERVICES

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MOVIE AT CHURCH, SUNDAY EVE.

The sound movie, "A Certain Nobleman," will be shown at 7:30 Sunday evening at the Old Village Chapel. The film will depict a well-known Bible story and is produced by Cathedral Films of Hollywood. The service will also include the singing of many favorite hymns and a sermon by the Rev. Alfred Glass. Everyone is welcome.

At the 11 o'clock service, the soloist will be Alice Cruze of San Francisco. Mr. Glass will begin a series of sermons under the general title "A Spiritual Pilgrimage." The Brief Services will be held at 9:30 and will close at 10 a.m. Stop in for a church experience before you go skiing.

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CLOTHING DRIVE CLOSES JAN. 20.

The drive for old clothes for Overseas Relief will close on Monday, January 20. If you have clothing you would like to give to help those in distress in Asia and Europe please leave it at the stall near the main Standard Oil Station—ask the attendant for directions.

The amount of money received for overseas relief now totals more than eighty dollars. If you would like to give a cash gift, see Mr. Glass of the Park Church.

FROM HERE AND THERE

Ralph de Pfyffer has a new model, namely, Margaret Lou who was born on January 4. She is already a charming little lady—(eye witness)! Margaret started out with 6½ pounds.

A "Junior" arrived in the James Spencer family on January 12. He was a husky little fellow at seven pounds and fourteen ounces.

Congratulations to the de Pfyffers and the Spencers.

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Leona Fox, cashier at the Spoon and one of the smilingest people in the Valley, met with an accident recently when she skidded into the mountain this side of the Briceburg grade after encountering an unexpected stretch of icy road. Foxy, as she is known at the Spoon, suffered rib injuries and a lacerated knee cap. Vern Appling and William Martin, occupants of the car, were also injured. Vern was thrown part way through the windshield, receiving serious cuts on the face. Martin escaped with scratches.

Our best wishes to Foxy and Vern for a speedy recovery.

MUSIC PROGRAM

Would you be interested in listening to fine classical music some evening? Then lend an ear . . .

On Wednesday evening, January 22 at 8, Doug Whiteside will preside at a get-together for music lovers at Best's Studio. The tentative program will include Wagner's Die Gotterdammerung, Siegfried's Rhine Journey and Funeral March; Bach's Partita No. 2 in C Minor; Schumann's Piano Concerto in A Minor, and Quartette No. 8 in E Minor by Beethoven.

CAMERA CLUB

Twenty camera enthusiasts gathered at the Best's Studio January 14 to discuss the revival and reorganization of the Yosemite Camera Club. It was a preliminary meeting to explore the possibilities and set up plans for following meetings.

The first regular meeting will be held at 8 p.m., February 3 at Best's Studio and everyone who is interested in becoming affiliated with such an organization is welcome. The program arranged for that night will include an election of officers and an exhibition of color slides. Call Lola Peterson, Hotel Division, phone 100, if you wish to attend.

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE NEWS

The Annual Meeting of the Yosemite Credit Union will be held at the Masonic Club next Monday, January 20 at 8 p.m. Members of our "local bank" will be interested in the extraordinary growth of the organization which now serves the credit needs of a large part of the Park employees.

Everyone interested in the credit union is urged to attend this meeting. Members should at least fill out their proxies and ballots and mail them to George Bailey, Treasurer, in the event they cannot attend the meeting.

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Ben and Gayle Tarnutzer and Gayle's two brothers John and Don Rawles were in the Park recently for a few days of skiing.

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Mr. and Mrs. Don McHenry (hereafter to be referred to in these columns as Don and Bona) and their two sons, Bruce and Keith, arrived in Yosemite a week ago to occupy the Brockman house. Don is the new Park naturalist and comes to Yosemite from the National Capitol Parks, Washington, D.C., where he has been park naturalist for a number of years. While there he initiated many new features in the educational program, such as conducted trips on barges on the historic old Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. Remember seeing pictures of it in the National Geographic?

Bruce McHenry will soon join the bus group attending Mariposa High School, while Keith is attending grammar school in Yosemite.

The moving van which left Washington with the McHenry furniture before Christmas is expected to arrive almost any day.

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Announcements have been received that Phyllis Cole, daughter of Jim and Jessie Cole, formerly of Yosemite and now at 29 Palms where Jim is custodian of Joshua Tree National Monument, was married to Walter Raymond Bolster on December 18.

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At the year's end, George Bailey had a race with the stork and lost by only a few hours when he registered the Credit Union's newest member, George William Holmes, born to Art and Dorothy Holmes on December 30.

The youngster arrived at 10:45 and George Bailey was there to sign up his membership at 2:50 p.m. We venture to say that not many youngsters have a bank account at such a tender age.

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The first shipment of trout eggs arrived at the Fish Hatchery on January 6, marking the start of another busy season. The shipment consisted of rainbow trout eggs.

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Park rangers are asked many questions about many subjects, but Sam King at Badger Pass had an unusual one the other day. A visitor approached Sam and asked if there was an ice skating rink at Badger Pass. "No," replied Sam, "but there is a skating rink in operation at Camp Curry in the Valley."

"Any ice on it?" asked the visitor.

OLD VILLAGE STORIES

With the winter in full swing, the Village Store crew is ready to help one and all enjoy the season. In every department can be found items of interest to both the locals and guests.

In the curio department, Ellie Smith and Evelyn Gullie are proud to display the new calendars with twelve beautiful Yosemite scenes. The cases and shelves are also covered with new glass and leather articles.

Pauline McKee, always the busy saleslady is ready to help the skier with the latest in ski clothes. Many new articles in baby clothing are being added to the shelves daily.

A change has taken place in the meat department with Sam Blumberg on a needed vacation and genial Homer Huot, last year's Camp Curry Store butcher taking his place.

Local housekeepers are welcoming many new items now appearing for the first time since the war—hardware such as saucepans, Revere Ware, double boilers, skillets and roasting pots.

Irene Uken, who was in the Store for a year and an half is taking up the duties of a housewife. She is greatly missed by all her friends.

The members of S-9 welcome Hazel Whitely back to the fold after an extended siege of sickness. She suffered severe injuries in an auto accident last November.



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YOSEMITE'S OLDEST INDIAN PASSES ON

Maggie Howard, perhaps better known by her Indian name Tabuce, died following several months of failing health Saturday, January 25, at Mono Lake. This is sad news to her many friends in Yosemite and throughout the country, for Tabuce was known and admired by many people who used to visit with her while she pounded acorns or wove baskets at the small replica of an old Yosemite Indian village back of the museum at Government Center.

Tabuce was one of the last of her people to live according to the customs of her ancestors. She preferred to eat Indian food, such as acorn bread, seeds, bulbs and nuts. She gathered ka-cha-vee, an insect delicacy composed of larvae which are washed up on the shores of Mono Lake at certain times.

No one knows how old Tabuce was at the time of her death, but in all probability she was in her late eighties. Many oldtimers of the park remember that she was apparently an elderly person when they first knew her thirty or forty years ago.

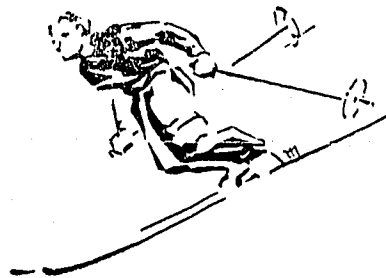
Tabuce possessed an unusually good sense of humor. On one occasion when an elderly woman casually asked her how old she was, Tabuce replied: "I'm sixteen, how old are you?" She cooperated with many photographers by posing for pictures, but naturally resented having her picture taken on the sly without the usual modest tip. We remember one time when she came into the museum after a busy afternoon of working on Indian crafts, answering hundreds of questions of visitors and posing for many photographers. She was disgruntled because someone had taken her picture from behind a tree. "Humphh" she grunted, "take my picture all the same bear."

Tabuce was given her Indian name by her

mother at Mono Lake. The name means "grass-nut" or "sweet root dug from the ground." Her people were Piutes, and they used to make long treks into Yosemite Valley in summer and return to Mono Lake in the autumn. She is survived by two sons, Willie Williams and Sim Lundy, both of Mono Lake. Three of her nieces are living in Yosemite at the present time. They are Lucy Telles, Alice Wilson and Agnes Castro.

Tabuce will be buried near her ancient grounds and the scenes of her childhood in the vicinity of Mono Lake. Her passing marks another chapter in the interesting history of California Indian life and those who have known her will consider themselves fortunate.

—SEE SKIS IN THE SKY—



SKI MEET FEBRUARY 8 AND 9

The Yosemite Winter Club will be host for the Class "B" Ski Championships at Badger Pass February 8 and 9. The Meet will consist of Downhill, Slalom and Combined for both men and women. The Downhill race will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and the Slalom race at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday. The Downhill race will be run on the Rail Creek course and the Slalom will be set on Tempo Dome. Bob Gallison, Tito Sigal and John Wight are scheduled to represent the Yosemite Winter Club.

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Badger Passes

The long awaited snowstorm arrived and with it a rushing business in the parka department.

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"Hambone," Mr. Hamilton, as he is known on Wednesdays in Merced, plowed the porch with the little putt-putt and refusing to don a parka because he didn't want to be mistaken for a skier.

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Any injured skiers needing one sock or one mitten, call our lost and found. We have enough for everyone.

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Ray and Peg Malby out from Glacier Pt. recently for a Sunday dinner at The Ahwahnee.

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HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital reports that only one local needed mending as a result of skiing mishaps since the last Sentinel. Marion Gray, Curio Warehouse beauty, broke her ankle but is now up and about.

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Old man stork stayed in his nest.

—SEE SKIS IN THE SKY—

AHWAHNEE WANDERINGS

A recent Ahwahnee guest apparently is well supplied with automobiles. John Kasenbrock, one of the bellmen, asked him where his car was parked so that he might send it to the garage. The guest looked puzzled and then said, "Good heavens, which car did I bring with me?" Ho hum!

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Wendell and Vickie Otter are expecting to entertain their 13 year old son, Dick, over February 1 and 2.

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SKI DINNERS CHANGED

Bigger and better Winter Club Ski Dinners are planned for the future. It was decided that rather than have a Ski Dinner every Friday night at The Ahwahnee, all those concerned would be better pleased by having them less frequently and on a grander scale. Four dates have been set for the remainder of the season on which Ski Dinners will be held: February 7 and 14; March 7 and 28. The price will remain the same, \$2.45 for dinner and the evening. Plans include music by an orchestra rather than records, folk dancing exhibitions by some of the talented locals and folk dancing contests with prizes for the nimblest couples. Except for these dates there will be no ski dinners.

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NO PRINCE

We had been looking forward to seeing the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia whose visit was expected early next month. For "reasons known only to the emperor," the visit has been cancelled and we will never, at least not now, have the opportunity to show our Park to the visiting nobleman.

—SEE SKIS IN THE SKY—

Going, Going, Gone!

If you haven't gotten your ticket for "Skis In The Sky," hop right out and get them because they're going fast. They may be purchased for .60 at the Gift Shops, Badger Pass, and at the Village Store. The movie is reported to be Jay's best—which makes it a bang up good show. The date, February 8 at 7 and 9:30 p.m. at the Old Village Pavilion. It is doubtful if there will be any tickets on sale at the door.



Our roving reporter caught the above picture showing the Badger Pass crew leaving in the Snomobile to break trail to Ostrander Ski Hut. Not shown in the picture, but trailing two miles astern, John Loncaric and Harold Ouimet are snowshoeing at top speed to climb aboard the wagon. The trailing sled is for Harold when he finally catches up.

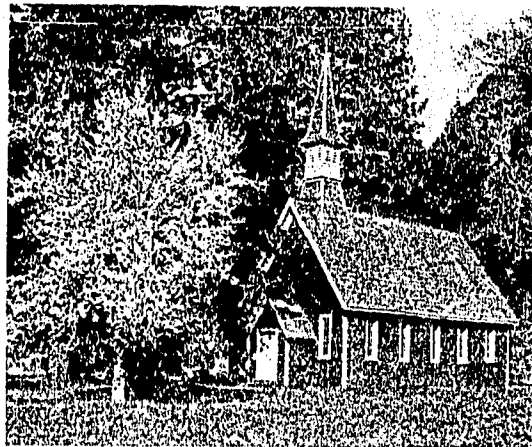
BOY SCOUT COURT OF HONOR

The first Boy Scout Court of Honor ever held in Yosemite took place last Wednesday, January 22 at the Ranger's Club. In addition to members of Cub Pack and Scout Troop 50, more than 60 parents and friends attended the program. The purpose of the meeting was to recognize and award Cubs and Scouts who had advanced in cubbing and scouting grades. Two new boys, Robert Eckart and Keith McHenry attained their first rank and became members of the Cub Pack. Cubs Rolf Clark, Billy Cramer, Gary Scott, Jimmie Starr, and Larry Miller were given awards for advancement. In addition the last three named boys were graduated to the Scout Troop as Tenderfeet in a special ceremony. Scouts Mike Adams, Charley Castro, Wally Brown, Paul DePfyffer, Larry Hoyt, Ted Phillips, Peter Robinson, and Jack Miller

were advanced to Second Class rank on their completion of the specified tests. Bruce McHenry was introduced as a new member of the Scout Troop as a transfer from Washington, D.C. Bruce is the ranking scout of Troop 50, having attained first-class status.

Awards were made by Ralph Anderson, Cub committee chairman, William Brown, Troop committee chairman, and visiting scouters Robert Laird, District Commissioner, and D. S. Milliken, Neighborhood Commissioner, both of Merced.

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"Our Reading Habits," Sermon Topic

At the eleven o'clock service at the Old Village Chapel the Reverend Alfred Glass will preach on the subject "Our Reading Habits"—third in a series "A Spiritual Pilgrimage." Jeanne Kirk is the soloist. Brief Service for skiers and others at 9:30 to 10.

Elmer L. Hommel, NPS cashier, has just resigned, and is moving to Sacramento. The Hommels, Elmer, Dorothy and Dennis will be leaving for Sacramento in about two weeks. They have already located a comfortable apartment.

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

The new secretary in the Park Engineer's Office is Miss Phyllis Leeders of Chicago. Miss Leeders was formerly in the Branch of Plans and Designs of the Director's Office in Chicago. Miss Olive Lorenc is the new stenographer in the NPS accounting office. She formerly worked in the Y. P. and C. Co. accounting office. The new ranger on the force is Kenneth R. Ashley. Mr. and Mrs. Ashley came from Walden, Colorado, and are now living in the apartment formerly occupied by Helen Gemmer just opposite the Hamers. Esther McMaster has moved into the house formerly occupied by Annette Zaepffel before the teacherage was converted into two attractive apartments. Mr. and Mrs. James T. Murray moved into the house west of Bill Stevensons' near the Lodge, and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Ewing and son have moved into the house at the east end of Army Row west of the Lodge.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Ranger Tom Rixon to Miss Betty Carlson, Y. P. and C. Co. employee. Spring must be just around the corner, for there are several other forthcoming marriages too. Thomas R. Tucker, blister rust foreman, and Evelyn F. Buschlen, Glendale, will be married February 15. Lee H. Duzzini, NPS painter, will be married to Lucille Murphy, El Portal, on February 1. They plan a week's honeymoon in Mexico, after which they plan to move into the home they bought from Johnney Charron at El Portal.

SCHOOL VISITORS

The Valley and Badger Pass will be the scene of much merriment when visitors from a number of private schools make their annual junkets to Yosemite. Miss Burke's school in San Francisco has had one group in and another will be here over this weekend. The Sarah Hamlin girls skied, skated and generally enjoyed themselves over the

past weekend. Boys and girls from the Chadwich Seaside School in Rolling Hills will be here 31 strong for a week. Girls from the Castilleja School in Palo Alto, Douglas in Pebble Beach and the Dominican Convent in San Rafael will be here soon.

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CREDIT UNION NEWS

The annual meeting of the Yosemite Credit Union was held at the Masonic Club on January 20. As you might expect, everything was well organized with Charles Hill, President, and George Bailey, Secretary-Treasurer, stationed at the door to register every shareholder as he or she entered the building. However, George was so busy turning out a fine annual statistical report, getting ballots and proxies in to be sure of having a quorum, and a hundred and one other details that he completely forgot the minutes of last year's meeting! There was a slight interruption to the meeting while someone went after the minute book.

Officers for the coming year are almost the same as those who served last year. Charles Hill will again be President, George Bailey, Secretary-Treasurer. Other members of the Board of Directors are as follows: Ed Bowman, Bill Ellis, Al Glass, Bill Lally, Gene Ottonello, Helen Schroeder and Ellis Whitley. The Supervisory Committee consists of Sturge Culver, Dick Ditton, Florence Morris, Carleton Smith and Ralph Anderson. The Credit Committee reelected again this year is composed of George Goldsworthy, Alice Hewitson and Frank Ewing.

The meeting turned into a nice social occasion when refreshments of hot chocolate, coffee and sandwiches were served.

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WANT ADS

FOR SALE. Six year old size crib, wood,— in fair condition. Springs good. Excellent inner spring mattress: \$15.00. Small tricycle, \$2.50. Call Thelma McGregor, 61J.

COMING MOVIES

"Wild Bill Hickok Rides Again" with "The Strange Woman" on a "Strange Journey" and signs up for "Two Years Before the Mast."



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BANQUET CELEBRATES BOY SCOUT WEEK

The Father-Son Banquet held at the Masonic Club on the evening of February 11 by the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts turned out to be a big success. Practically every boy in the Valley from the young cubs to dignified high schoolers joined with their dads, or other dads assigned to them for the evening, for a grand get-together around a delicious pot-luck supper prepared by the mothers and served by Grace Robinson, Bobby Starr, Bona Mae McHenry and Audrey Scott.

The occasion for the dinner was the celebration of Boy Scout Week being observed throughout the nation. Bill Brown acted as MC and enlivened the evening with his stories and ribbing of those who could not boast of having a son. He called attention to Charlie Hill who has neither son nor daughter, but even worse than that—to Jim Taylor who has neither son, daughter nor wife.

Many interesting talks were given on hobbies. Homer Robinson pointed out the possibilities of "whittlin'" and passed around a few samples of a small statuette of a deer in various stages of completion to show how easily it was done.

Bobby McIntyre talked at some length on his many worthwhile hobbies which include skiing in winter, fishing in summer, and collecting stamps and paper money from all parts of the world. He modestly indicated that he was as good or better than his dad in some of the sports.

Bruce McHenry, recently arrived in Yosemite from Washington, D.C., explained how interesting the hobby of collecting snakes can be. He told of his talks before groups of Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts on this subject, and ended his talk by casually dropping a "snake" in front of the toastmaster. This was the more appropriate since Bill Brown doesn't particularly like snakes, and how was he to know

that this wasn't a live one!

Lou Hallock gave a detailed demonstration of how to tie a fly, not a housefly but a trout fly. He prefaced his demonstration with a fine little talk on good sportsmanship and how we must become accustomed to the need for smaller limits, to safeguard against over-depletion of the trout population. He urged Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts to be good conservationists and fish not for numbers, but for the sheer sport of catching a few. After his demonstration there was evidenced considerable interest by the boys in learning to tie flies, and Lou generously offered to help them individually or in groups.

Other talks were given impromptu by Superintendent Kittredge, Mr. Hilmer Oehlmann, and Emil Ernst. Emil is an avid stamp collector and supplements his hobby studying the early history of postal service in Mariposa County. He told the group of some of his interesting discoveries along this line, and offered to assist the boys in this hobby of stamp collecting after they have started their collections.

The evening program was concluded with an expression of appreciation by the entire group for the splendid work being done with Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts under leadership of Al Glass (who was unable to be present) Gene Ottonello, Cubmaster, and Homer Hoyt, Assistant Scout Master.

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Badger Passes

PASSING GLANCES

Sue coming in from the slopes and shoving her skis at Dale saying, "These things just don't work right." Next time, Sue get some skis that can ski . . . Carl Munson, spending all his time taking movies instead of skiing, until time to go home. You can't do both . . . Louise and Bob, who have had a half day's skiing before the rest of the crew ever gets to Badger . . . John Weeks, new ski school hand, Bob Hicks, Bill Crawford and Mike Rossi, cafeteria department. The welcome mat is out . . . The past weekend was nothing short of sensational—races, storms and crowds. To go from the sales room to the cafeteria, you just got into the mob and, after a slow, rough trip, you were there—or down in the ski room or up on the balcony. Woe to him who tried to change direction!

John Jay, who kept us all in stitches with his wonderful movie, finished thirteenth in the Class "B" Championships.

Did you ever get Edith Beer started on the customs of the Swiss or the culture of the Far East? After having lived practically everywhere in the world she is a fascinating conversationalist.

It's nearly time for Syd Ledson's cast to come off—but someone else can take his place in the damaged department. Betty Aro is reduced to a porch skier now with a hip to ankle cast—another pulled ligament.

Somehow we're sorry Johnny Hansen's baby wasn't a girl. We all like candy better than cigars. All but Syd.

AHWAHNEE WANDERINGS

Reminiscing over last Friday's Ski Dinner, we decided that the funniest incident of the evening was Zeppy, who, in the middle of the folk dancing exhibition, insisted in leaping over the shadow of the microphone thinking it was an electric cord—not once, but twice! Next funniest were the Tyrolean hats borrowed for the occasion. Bob Lint's fitted like a bucket—hitting everyone just below the ears.

Voted the best dancer of those at the trainer's table was George Oliver, judging from the many compliments heaped upon him. Marian Gray ran a close second in her attractive costume and her cast-bound leg. Elsie Frietas, back in the running after ankle difficulties, was among the top three—especially when she threw herself into la rhumba! Which reminds us: let's have some sambas. Dorothe promises to teach us how if we will show up at the Curry folk dances.

A fine three-piece orchestra, an accordion, string bass and guitar, has been secured for the nightly enjoyment of the hotel guests. Two members are oldtimers at The Ahwahnee and we welcome their return. Richard Ferraris heads the trio with Warren Wiseman and Harry Mordecai assisting.

BUNDLES FROM HEAVEN

Peter Jorgen Hansen, heir apparent to the House of Hansen, arrived on February 6. It is said that he wears ski boots instead of booties, sleeps in a rucksack, and yodels instead of crying.

Steven Michael Mahoney, which is as fine an Irish name as there is, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Mahoney on February 3.

Glad to have them aboard!

MAN OF THE HOUR—Amos Neal. Enthusiastically demonstrating all the gadgets on his new Chevy—somewhat embarrassed when the automatic windshield wiper failed to perform as per booklet stated. Mrs. Proctor in the same predicament.

MAN OF THE HALF HOUR—Phil Webb. Nonchalantly following a bus girl in the cafeteria loaded down with his tray (the busgirl was).



If you've been putting off buying winter needs, now's your chance to get them, and at a saving. We have six waterproofed snow suits for children, sizes 2 to 6 that will go on sale on Monday. There are several new, best grade ski racks for the top of your car and a good selection of fine quality ski jackets. Look in on the clothing department early if you are interested because they won't last long!

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Note to Messrs. DePlyffer, Hansen and Mahoney. We have a new shipment of those 3-cornered pants that are so popular with the cradle set.

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We all miss Jerry Fasano, the "Kid from Brooklyn." He has been confined to Lewis Memorial Hospital for two weeks and will now have to spend several weeks at home. Wife Helen is in the city undergoing an operation and we are all pulling of a speedy recovery of the Fasano Family.

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Next door in the Shoe Shop, Briney and Helen Wammack are happy with their new granddaughter who is visiting them.

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From Degnan's, across the way, we hear that Barbara McCauley Thornton became the mother of an eight pound boy on February 3. Barbara is well known to the locals and her husband Joe is the son of the man who originally built the Village Store.

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The Spoon looked like the Mocambo recently when eight pretty girls from the General Offices had dinner there before being hustled to Badger for a picture taking episode. There were reserved signs on the tables, fancy salads, delicious soup and, of all things, hamburger steaks. No floor show except Sammy.

Doodling with Dete

SPLASH COURTESY! Is there such a thing? Don't believe Emily Post has ever written anything on it, but the abuse of it the past weekend would fill pages! Try walking over Sentinel Bridge some puddle-day. You have two choices — both wet. Take the splash or step over the rail into the Merced River. At that, the river would be cleaner, for it isn't the splash that's so bad — it's the stain it leaves behind. Methinks 't would be fair to carry a can of mud as pedestrian ammunition.

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TO THE LADIES: Keep Wednesday, February 26 open for the second Ahwahnee luncheon. There was a good turn out for the January meeting, but it is hoped that the next four monthly luncheons will have even better attendance. When you receive notice, return the reply card as promptly as possible to insure reservations. Those of us who heard Mr. Walker's interesting talk on "Leisure Time" may well take his advice by making it applicable to the diversified programs to be offered. Nancy Loncaric will take us into the realm of Music on the 26th.

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A CHILD'S PRAISE: "Mother, Mr. Glass doesn't preach about God—he just talks!"

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RECORD TIME was made last Wednesday at Badger! Thirty-nine school kids poured from the buses, mounted their skis and were out on the slopes in classes in 15 minutes flat! Like to see that many adults try it. It was the first of the ski lessons to be given Yosemite's lucky youngsters on Wednesday as part of their physical education activities. Hot chocolate and cake at the end of the lesson contributed by Virginia Adams, was an added climax to an already perfect day and you can be sure they will be ready for "more of the same."

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SCOUT CORNER. The Scout Room in the Museum was the scene of an impressive candlelight service when Brownie Troop No. 1 and Int. Girl Scout Troop No. 2 met together for the first time last Monday evening. The

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

The editorial staff of the Sentinel appreciates a card received from Jim Cole, Custodian of Joshua Tree National Monument, which reads as follows:

"To someone in Yosemite, I send thanks for such a fitting tribute to a mutual friend. Whoever wrote the news item on "Yosemite's Oldest Indian Passes On" must have known Tabuce as I knew her."

Supplementing the story about Tabuce's passing, we learned from Lucy Telles that burial took place at Bishop instead of at Mono Lake as originally planned. Lucy took the bus to Merced during the heavy snowstorm, went to Coleville where she met her brother Harry Tom who operates a ranch there, and with relatives they drove through a veritable blizzard to Bishop for the funeral. Snow had drifted on to the highway more than a foot deep in places. The winds howled down from the crest of the Sierra, and it was with the the greatest difficulty that they managed to get through.

From Lucy we learned of Tabuce's failing health, how Tabuce seemed to realize that she had a short time to live and had called an Indian Service man to make "three wills" for the two sons and a niece. The estate is reported to have amounted to approximately \$1800, which included a \$1,000 bond.

The primitive ritual of the old-time Indians was carried out by Sam Kinney, a Piute Indian who sang five songs starting about 9 a.m. and ending at 10.

As Lucy described the ceremony — "The body on one side of the fire and the dancers crying there and going around the fire—men, women, everybody." Five more songs were given at the cemetery where Tabuce was laid to rest, her quaint homemade dresses buried with her in her coffin.

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In Yosemite for a very brief visit, Lon and Inger Garrison with a friend Mrs. Chase, all of Grand Canyon, stayed at the Rangers Club Saturday night. Lon is now assistant superintendent of Grand Canyon National Park, is well known here since he served as ranger in Yosemite back in the thirties. Incidentally, their Christmas card this year in the form of a miniature newspaper with detailed stories of the doings of their interesting family was one of the cleverest we have ever seen. The Garrison party could stay only one night,

and had to be on their way back to the Canyon next day.

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Many changes have taken place in the personnel of Yosemite since Florence Williams, efficient secretary, served the National Park Service here. Many, however, are still here and will be interested to know that she is operating a magazine agency from her hotel room in Los Angeles, although severely handicapped by arthritis.

Wouldn't it be swell if each of us who knew her would send her a subscription or two, or possibly send for our renewals through her. It would be so little for us to do, yet would mean much to her. In any event, she would know that we haven't forgotten her, and that would mean a lot.

Her address is 1254 West 6th Street, Los Angeles 14, California.

SQUARE DANCE DATE CHANGED

Our next Square Dance will be Thursday, February 20 at the Camp Curry Dining Room as the regular dances are now being held on Fridays, to take care of the weekend visitors.

Practice period will be from 8 to 9 and beginners always learn enough then to enjoy the evening program of square and social dancing.

New Valley residents are urged to come. Make up your party to dance "your style" and take in the few remaining dances.

Your committee is eager for your suggestions to keep dances up to the pleasure they have afforded during the past few years.

MORE DOODLING

occasion was threefold; a Brownie Scout Investiture—taking in Lillian King as a new member; a Brownie Fly-up ceremony wherein Barbara Jean Anderson and Patricia Oliver received their wings entitling them to leave the Brownie troop and enter the Int. Scout troop; and third, a Girl Scout Investiture in which the same two girls and Lucy Clark became members of the Girl Scout Troop No. 2. Formal acceptance into the troop was acknowledged for Doris Hewitson and Shirley Winslow. These girls have been members for some time, but had not previously gone through the Investiture ceremony. Refreshments were served by eight of the Scouts who are earning their Hostess Badge under the capable guidance of Mrs. Knowles.



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NEW SKI LIFT READY---BUT SNOWFALL LATE

After enough unavoidable delays to try the patience of a saint, it now appears that the long awaited Constam "T" bar ski lift will be in operation this weekend. Skiers, local and visiting alike, have looked yearningly at the towers, then the cable and sheaves, and finally when the chairs began to arrive, it looked like the great day was about here. Well, barring any more unforeseen calamities, C-Day is here. Now, all you good skiers, pray for some more snow.

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ADDITIONS TO SKI SCHOOL

The Ski School does so much business, two new instructors have been added to take care of the aspiring customers. John Weeks, from Modesto and Stanford, will work with the beginners, and Dave Clark, Merced and the Sierra Club at Norden, will take them as they come.

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PHOTOGRAPHERS VISIT PARK

Josef Meunch and Allen Rinehart, two well known figures in the field of photography, recently visited Yosemite to capture on color film some of the winter beauties. Meunch, who has done considerable work in the Park, assisted by his wife Joyce, concentrated on ski action pictures taken principally on Tempo Dome. Ski instructors Brooks and Hansen and Ski School Director Trubi cut all sorts of fancy capers in the deep powder snow.

Incidentally, have you seen "West Coast Portrait," the new book by Hastings House? It contains 95 of Josef Meunch's finest photos, including a number of beauties of Yosemite. Included with the total of 250 photos are many interesting etchings well arranged for an excellent over-all effect.

Rinehart, representing the National Geo-

graphic, made color pictures both in the Valley and at Badger Pass. According to Rinehart, the Yosemite pictures will be a part of a picture story on snow sports scheduled to appear in a next-winter issue of the Geographic. Watch for it . . . you may be in it!

Early this week Rinehart accompanied Oscar Sedergren, Duane Jacobs, Buck Evans and Charley Proctor on a trek to Glacier Point for photos of that area.

FREE SKI MOVIE

"FOCUS ON WESTERN SKIING," a two-hour film on skiing in the West will be shown at the Old Village Pavilion Saturday Night, March 1 at 8 p.m. It was filmed and will be presented by Jack Seabern, publisher of one of the best ski magazines in the country—"Western Skiing." There is no admission charge. Get there early for a good seat!

Welcomes--Wedding Bells and New Arrivals At the Lewis Memorial Hospital

Welcome to Dr. Baysinger, an ex-ranger naturalist, and his family, which includes two and one-half year old David who is quite a boy.

Another welcome is Nola Krog, R.N. of San Mateo. You may recognize her by the deluxe red bike.

Wedding bells for Betty Moe, our R.N. of Oregon, and Ken Mooslin, our summer doctor. Wedding to be held in the Chapel.

Billy, along with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Overton are thrilled with the new arrival of Jacke Jane on the 24th of February, weighing 7 lbs, 7½ oz.

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Badger Passes

The Ostrander Lake ski trips are providing considerable diversion for our ski instructors. Bud Smith and John Weeks took in a party last Tuesday. Trippers were Nancy Taylor, Eunice Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Magdry, Lester LaVelle, Mr. Malm and Bob Maynard.

VACATION NOTES

Dick Connett will entrust his hotel to his staff for two weeks while he is vacationing. Dick's first stop will be Sun Valley for skiing, then on to San Francisco for we're not sure what. He will be accompanied by his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A.S. Cochran.

Grace (Hobby) Hobson is spending her spring vacation at Laguna Beach and finding many subjects to shoot (kodachrome).

Marion Bell, former paymaster, spent the holiday weekend in the Valley.

Esther and Lee Bailey have recently moved from Oakland to Santa Ana where Lee is now engaged in the building business. Naturally they want the Sentinel sent to their new address. Earl and Irene Uken Prentice also asked to have the Sentinel sent to them at Redondo Beach where Earl is the meat cutter at the University Club.

SCOUT ITEM

United Air Lines has announced through their Chicago office that they will be glad to furnish to any Boy Scout or Cub Scout in the Yosemite area information in connection with any of the aviation merit badges and the Air Scout program.

Mr. Boynton, station manager of United Air Lines in Modesto, stated that the local office will be happy to assist the Boy Scouts in aviation study and achievement. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Scout Office at 914 Eleventh Street in Modesto.

Badger had a few people over Washington's Birthday—3,967 to be exact—which is an all time high. Some were sun bathing, some skiing—both were equally good.

Thanks to office help Hazel Hindley and Yvonne Cunningham for their assistance during the weekend rush.

Sue is no longer a bride. She and Carl celebrated their first wedding anniversary on February 17.

As this is written, Toney Frietas is predicting a storm before midnight Thursday, February 27. As a matter of fact, he's taking bets. By the time you read this Sentinel, he will either be a weather prophet or in disgrace.

Springtime's in the air! Nola and LeRoy have that look and Nola has a brand new ring.

Ginnie Gilmore's fiance, Bob, recently discharged from the Navy, is up for a few days' skiing. More wedding bells?

Passing Glances

Elsie waxing skis; not hers but Betty Daniels—a bribe to get Betty to make another twenty-five runs with her. It didn't work!

Kendall—a flyer, skier and guest, circled over the big hill in his AT-6. He dropped a parachute message which landed in the tallest tree. Who wants to climb up and get it?

Everyone in brand new Bally boots after the sale at the Village Store.



OLD VILLAGE STORIES

Washington's Birthday provided a good workout for the Village Store. It greatly resembled a summer's day, what with a record crowd and the warm weather.

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Expecting a busy day, Mr. Brown prevailed upon the good natures of Esther Doll and Carrie Eisele, two of the cutest girls in the General Office. Carey made an excellent Curio girl, while Esther divided her time between the Drug Counter and the Store Office. Both girls agreed that it was fun, but a little tiring.

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The sale of winter clothing and supplies has been quite a success. Ski jackets and wind-tuckers are still aplenty for the prospective customer.

Ski boots and ice skates are still on sale and are really a bargain. There are no small size ski shoes left; only sizes ranging from 8 to 11 and they are in Bally, Bergman and Sportsmaster. Although the ice skating is over for the season, it will pay you to buy now for next year.

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Charles Vogel, an employee from last summer at Camp Curry is the new butcher in the meat department.

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Jerry Fasano is seen often around the Store now. He is feeling much better after his visit of two weeks in the Lewis Memorial Hospital. Helen is home from the hospital in San Francisco and is greatly improved.

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Beth Saunders and Ellen Mathison, both Village Store employees of last summer, were visitors in Yosemite for the weekend. They were disappointed in not finding more snow, but were glad to see their old friends.

Dan Cupid's Aim Good

That pink little man with the quiver full of arrows has been working overtime. On Valentine's Day, Agnes Doyle and Cy Wright were married in Merced at Agnes' mother's very attractive home. Although Agnes and Cy tried to keep the wedding small, they both have so many close friends and relatives that the house seemed filled to the eaves. Agnes wore a blue suit styled in the latest fashion, with a small straw hat that shaded from pink to pale wine. Her flowers were a beautiful lei of pink carnations tied with white ribbons. The house was decorated with lovely bouquets of white stock and yellow jonquils and one large arrangement of pink fruit blossoms and pink tapers. After the ceremony, the wedding cake was cut in the approved manner and refreshments were served. Then Cy and Agnes kicked up their heels and scooted across the neighbor's lawn to a waiting automobile and sped away.

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Round number two was the marriage of Evelyn Buschlen and Tommy Tucker on February 14 at the Old Village Chapel. It was a double ring ceremony with Mary Jane, Evelyn's sister and Temple Schlagater, a friend of Tommy's, acting as attendants. The bride chose a short white dress with a finger tip veil and carried a bouquet of red and white carnations. The maid of honor was dressed in blue and carried pink carnations. A gala reception followed at the Ranger's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker will continue to live in the Valley after their honeymoon.

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Marian Gray will (take) Phil Webb for better or worse very shortly. The only real clue to their intentions is that they are hunting for a house . . . plus the fact that they are practically inseparable. Then, Louise Satterlund appeared Monday wearing a diamond on the proper finger. The lucky man is Warren Starnes, a Mariposa rancher. No date has been set, but with spring in the air it probably won't be long now.

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Bob Seach and Louise Hyder will take the step March 11. They have a house in El Portal ready to move into, which is a part of the Toney Frietas real estate holdings.

N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

A group of locals interested in Scouting accompanied Gene Ottonello in his new station wagon to attend the 26th Annual Meeting of the Yosemite Area Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, at Merced Tuesday.

There were 540 enthusiastic Scouters at the turkey dinner held in the pavilion at the Merced Fair Grounds. The principal speaker was James Corson, Dean of Personnel at the College of the Pacific at Stockton. The dinner was efficiently served by uniformed Scouts.

Those who accompanied Gene were Al Glass, Scoutmaster, Homer Robinson, Bob McIntyre, Harry Parker, Sturge Culver and Ralph Anderson, members of the scout and cub councils. The group beamed with pride to discover Gene Ottonello's name happened to head the list of 92 names on the back of the program.

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In Yosemite for a few days skiing over the Washington's Birthday Holiday were Gayle and Ben Tarnutzer and Gayle's handsome young brother Donald Rawles.

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A recent visitor was Ralph Griswold, enthusiastic skier and skater who worked in the NPS engineering office about ten years ago. Always a tireless outdoorsman, Griswold confessed that during last summers Sierra Club outing he sometimes got short of breath while climbing mountains above 10,000 feet elevation. Most of us have had that experience as far back as we can remember!

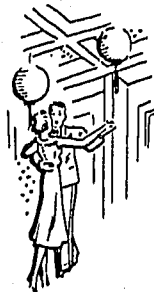
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Visiting Harry and Kit Parker and their son Harry Mack this week is Kit's mother who will be leaving soon for her home in New York.

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The largest number of people yet to congregate at Badger Pass scattered themselves over the ski slopes last Saturday, Washington's Birthday. A total of 4351 entered the Park on that day and a large percentage of them visited the Badger Pass area.

Ranger Sig Johnson told us of one young couple arriving late in the afternoon and asking about accommodations. They were just sure that they would find a room in the Valley, because they noticed so many cars were leaving the place!



SQUARE DANCES STILL POPULAR WITH LOCAL ATHLETES

Next Thursday, that's March 6th son, is the date of the next Square Dance. One of the many attractions will be an exhibition of Folk Dancing by Dorothe Brand's Group, a top hit at the Ahwahnee Ski Dinners.

Camp Curry Dining Room proved to be a popular choice for the new square dance series, so with a fine lineup of dances, the exhibition, together with refreshments, will assure you a fun-filled evening next week.

CAMERA CLUB MEETING

The Yosemite Camera Club, which is a growing, active organization, will meet Wednesday, March 5 instead of Monday, March 3, as previously planned. The meeting place has not yet been determined, according to chairman John Loncaric, but it will be announced on the bulletin boards in the Valley. The Club's darkroom will be in operation next week and will be available for member's use. Dr. Starr and other club members have donated equipment. Anyone interested in photography is invited to attend.

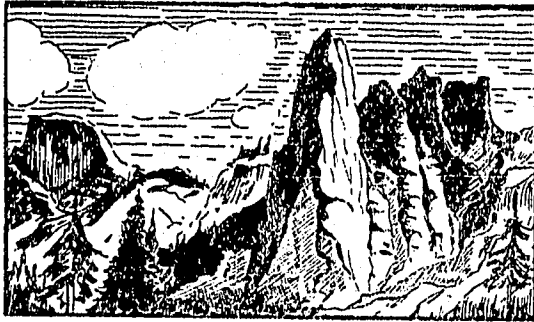
The many Yosemite friends of the Barnett family were pleased to learn that Emily and George became the parents of a baby girl, Marjorie, February 13th in Madera. Several days ago Hilda and Jess Rust saw the baby and report she's a chip off the old block—red hair and deep blue eyes.

CHURCH SERVICES

Mass—7:30 and 8:30 in Old Village Chapel.

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MARCH OF DIMES---RED CROSS NEWS

A total of \$106.60 was collected in Yosemite in the recent March of Dimes campaign for the benefit of the victims of infantile paralysis. Practically all of this amount was from the individual containers placed at the various units, stores, etc. around the Valley. The Yosemite Post 258, American Legion, added \$5.00 to complete the total.

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Members of the Junior Red Cross recently sent 34 gift packages consisting of toys, and miscellaneous useful items for shipment overseas. In addition a box of bunny-rabbit tray favors were sent for use in hospitals in this country.

Gift boxes packed and sent by the Yosemite Junior Red Cross over a year ago have brought many interesting letters from the youngsters and teachers in the war-devastated Philippines. Most of the letters express deep gratitude to America for the help rendered, and rarely is there any request for further aid even though it is apparent that they are in great need.

One of the most recent and most pathetic letters read in part as follows: "I'm writing you a few words because I received an American Red Cross and it was a white bean seed. All of the seed that we received here in Santa Ana Elem. School we planted it. Now the plant is still one month later. I think no harm of as by protecting the plant out of harmful, like of Bugs, Beans bugs . . . all of us want to write a letter for we are asking any kinds of vegetable seeds, as the cauliflower. And please kindly don't miss the only things we are asking."

Needless to say, the Junior Red Cross is ordering a good selection of seeds suitable for growing vegetables in the Philippines.

The bean seeds which were mentioned in the letter were taken from bean bags made

by our local youngsters for playthings. For good reason, the gift boxes may not contain foods in the usual sense, but it is desirable to include bean bags which may possibly serve for food in a pinch. This is the first instance to come to our attention where the bean bags served as a valuable seed supply.

KEEP THE RED CROSS ON THE JOB

The case of Marilyn Muzzurco of San Jose, 3½ year old victim of a rare kidney disease, illustrates the wide range of services available through the Red Cross. San Jose Red Cross authorities in a recent newspaper story reported that the money needed for Marilyn's treatment would have been given by the Red Cross if that organization had been approached.

In addition to these more spectacular types of aid, the Red Cross continues its rehabilitation work with wounded veterans and its overseas service to the men in our occupational forces. Incidentally, these "men" are largely youths of 20 and under, and their need for wholesome recreation is very great. Hence the importance of the Red Cross in this field.

In the recent epidemic of hotel fires and railroad and airplane disasters the Red Cross has been on the job with trained personnel and sympathetic service for injured and bereaved.

This is Red Cross Month. Will you do your part in helping your Red Cross to continue its work of mercy by giving generously when approached by local representatives.

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"PRODIGAL SON" WILL BE SHOWN

The well-known biblical story, "The Prodigal Son" will be shown at the Old Village Chapel on Sunday, March 23 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

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AHWAHNEE WANDERINGS

The Ski Dinner Dance at The Ahwahnee last Friday night was a great success and was well attended. The results of the day's collegiate jumping were announced, and a demonstration of folk dancing, under the direction of Miss Dorothe Brand, was well received.

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It is being told around the Hotel of the engagement of Miss Dorothe Brand of Badger Pass and Mr. Frank Bailey of the Hotel desk, the nuptials being planned for April. Our best wishes to the popular young couple.

It seems we have quite a hiker in our midst. She took a nice long walk to the top of Yosemite Falls and reported the view was wonderful. We wonder how Margaret feels these days! Last report she was still alive.

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Penny Babcock, one of our young operators at the switchboard, is leaving us for a three weeks' vacation. She is planning on spending most of the time with her family in Van Nuys. Have a good time, Penny.

We are wondering how our manager, Mr. Connett is doing with his skiing in Sun Valley. Last report he was having a wonderful time and the snow was fine.

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CAMERA CLUB NEWS

The Yosemite Camera Club plans its next meeting for Monday night, March 17 at 8 in the Colonial Room of The Ahwahnee. Members are asked to bring their ten best slides which will be projected and admired and discussed. There is no limit as to subject. As ever, interested photographers who have not attended previous meetings are invited.

LOCALS TO SKI IN MEET

Back in 1941, a ski team from the Yosemite Winter Club took a drubbing at the hands of the Southern Skis Club of Los Angeles. Another team will have a chance to avenge this defeat on March 29 and 30 when the Inter Club meet will be revived—with all the attendant hilarity. One of the qualifications to compete is that the entrant must never have finished better than thirteenth in any skiing event. So we shouldn't want for runners. Three events are scheduled; slalom, downhill and an obstacle race. Prospective racers will be notified.

If you or you or you want to join the fun, call Mr. Proctor at 91 and you're on the team. The coaching staff consists of Ralph DePfyffer and Sturge Culver. Henry Berrey is manager, and Dr. Sturm, the trainer and team surgeon. Winter Club President and team captain, Al Siegal will be on the side lines encouraging his racers. In the same fashion that the Olympic Ski Team is now being selected, time trials will be run at Badger Sunday, March 16 for the slalom and the downhill; not so much to see how well the entrants can ski but if they can ski. Mr. Berrey will meet the team at 1 p.m. under the Ski School bell. The obstacle race will be a surprise to all.



Badger Passes

Last Sunday night, Pat and B.J. were hostesses at a miscellaneous shower for Louise Hyder at Sue Munson's home. A number of Louise's old friends from Badger and the Lodge were present.

At 7 a.m. on Tuesday, March 11, Louise became the very lovely Mrs. Bob Seach. She was dressed in an exquisite turquoise spring suit and carried a bouquet of tube roses, carnations and orchids in a snow flake design. Father Walsh officiated at the ceremony in the Old Village Chapel. Louise's attendant was Pat Powers and Trubi was best man. The party left the church under an arch of crossed ski poles. The wedding breakfast was held at The Ahwahnee with the Trub-schencks and the Munsons entertaining the

wedding party. Compliments to Bertha Sarver for her lovely table decorations and to Fred Pierson for a wonderful breakfast, especially the wedding cake. The bride and groom left immediately for Carmel.

The long awaited Constam finally started stirring from its lethargy last Saturday and went into action. Everybody at Badger gazed in rapt amazement as two by two the T-bars guided skiers up the hill. But many and varied were the comments afterwards.

Helen Ledson thought that those who were able to handle the T looked very graceful. Two of the rangers, whose names shall go unmentioned, fell four times on their first trip.

Bill Hughes fitted everyone to a T, Carl Munson was at it again, this time shooting movies of Dot and Frank, Sue and Lowrie folk dancing to the music of Ritchie and the boys on the Badger porch. Ritchie is on the casualty list. Glad he waited 'till almost the end of his stay. Mary's limping after a day of shopping in Merced. Lowrie limping after a trip to Ostrander (by himself and by moonlight). Which proves people should stay at Badger.

OLD VILLAGE STORIES

The Village Store is first to recognize the signs of spring. Soon to be seen on display will be bathing suits, sun dresses and sun suits. So even if some people are still skiing daily, why don't you get prepared for summer, and see what the clothing department has to offer?

It seems that Mr. Brown doesn't know his own strength. Tiny Ethel Spurgin is still suffering from a dislocated rib received when Mr. Brown was swinging her at the local dance about two weeks ago.

Leona Fox, who received injuries in an auto accident in January is back on the job at the Spoon.

Frank and Terry Eubank, spending part of their vacation in Los Angeles met with some bad luck. Someone broke into their car and stole their clothing. They are now spending their time at Badger, where they think it is safer.

St. Patrick's Day falls on Monday and we will see how many Irishmen are in Yosemite. It will be the best day of the year for Pop Danley and Jack Ring.

OLYMPIC FUND PROGRAM

A ski team to represent the United States in the 1948 Olympics is being selected now at Sun Valley. It will cost a lot of money, \$42,000 in fact, to train, move and house the team. All this money must come from voluntary contributions. Any lesser amount means a reduction in the number of skiers or shorter practice periods. On March 29, Yosemite people will have a chance to do their part toward assuring a successful and victorious team when two excellent ski movies will be shown in the Old Village Pavilion. The films are "Ski Pro Holiday" and "The First Winter Ascent of Mt. Bulyea," both filmed in the Canadian Rockies by our old Ski School Director Luggi Foeger. They are reported to be spectacular both from the standpoint of the skiing and the scenery. Net proceeds will be given to the Olympic fund. Further details will be posted soon but plan to come to the show and next year when the U.S. team wins, you can remember you did your part.

OVER THE MOUNTAIN

Doug Coe, of Long Beach, who will be remembered by many Valley people as the man who makes a yearly trip over the Sierra in Winter, has done it again. Mr. Coe went by bus to Leevining then on skis to Yosemite Valley. The trip took nine days including a three day stop at Tenaya during the recent snowstorm. The lake is frozen and Coe skied across it. He reports that while the snowpack at the higher elevations is noticeably less than normal it seems to have a high moisture quantity.

FISH HATCHERY NEWS

The Yosemite Fish Hatchery is really in the business of rearing trout now with a million Rainbow, 150,000 Eastern Brook and 2,000,000 Loch Leven growing fatter every day. In addition to all of these, the hatchery expected to receive more than 100,000 spring spawning rainbow about the middle of April.

Leonard Nixon and Bill Overton have recently set up an interesting exhibit of Bill's color transparencies showing the planting of the trout, and other scenes around the Park. They hope that by having some good displays worked up, they can save themselves much time and many questions from interested visitors.

N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

A youngster in Tucson, "Airzona", recently wrote to Park Superintendent Kittredge for information on Yosemite, and added—"I am nine years old. My hobby is collecting National Parks."

All rangers have been notified to be on the lookout for this fellow and to make sure that he doesn't succeed in getting Yosemite. If Half Dome is missing some bright morning, you will know where it went.

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Gus Eastman delved into the history of accidents in Yosemite recently and uncovered some interesting figures. Park records show only one death due to collision of motor vehicles. In June, 1934, a motorcycle and an automobile collided and killed the motorcyclist. Between September 13, 1941 and February 22, 1947, five and a half years, there were no deaths due to upsets caused by cars running off roads, hitting trees, road banks, etc.

There are no records of pedestrians ever being killed here by an automobile. Let's keep our fingers crossed on this last score, however, and resolve to keep up the remarkable record by always walking on footpaths at night, wear light colored clothing or carry something white like a newspaper, or carry good flashlights.

The low accident rate in Yosemite may be due to constant warnings given at entrance stations, continuous sanding of roads during icy conditions, and enforcement of the 35 mile per hour speed limit.

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All Yosemite residents who would like to have some good apples from the old orchards growing here in the Valley will have an opportunity this year. It is planned to prune the orchards through a cooperative effort in which we can all take part. This will not only greatly increase our chances for having larger better fruit next fall, but will improve the appearance of the orchards as well.

The work of pruning the trees should take place within the next few weeks, and all interested local residents should get in touch with Emil Ernst, park forester, as soon as possible to volunteer their services and arrange for the proper tools and instruction.

FOR SALE—Davenport in good condition. See Jerry Fasano at Old Village Store.

LOST ARROW

The Lost Arrow Employees' Club has a new guiding hand, Miss Vivian Marshall, former Red Cross overseas worker, is the new hostess and she has some big plans in store for all employees. On Monday, March 17, there will be a dance in honor of that famous Irishman, St. Patrick. Come and wear something green!

Plans are underway to obtain new records and weekly dances will be held regularly each week with relaxed dress restrictions. The Chess and Checker Club will function soon, as will bridge, pinochle and cribbage clubs. If you play one of these games or care to learn, notify Miss Marshall.

Two ping pong tables now grace the Club and a tournament is in the making. Sharpen up your eye!

In order to make the Club a success, the hearty cooperation of all is sought. It is the employees' club and their efforts will make it a lively, enjoyable place, so come to the Lost Arrow when you are in need of relaxation.

Amateur night programs are on the entertainment list and several suggestions have been made for others. There will be a movie night soon and the advertising department will show kodachrome slides on Valley activities.

"SEE YOU AT THE CLUB"

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IN STEP WITH THE
LYRICAL
TANTALIZING
TOUCH OF SPRING!

The spirit of spring is now in the air
As witness the gamb'ling of
Deer, frog and robin.
You too can enthuse at the coming of spring
By gamb'ling, hopping, and bobbing.
AT THE SPRING SQUARE DANCE
Friday, March 21, Camp Curry Dining Room
ALL REQUEST PROGRAM

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CHURCH SERVICES

Mass—7:30 and 8:30 in Old Village Chapel.
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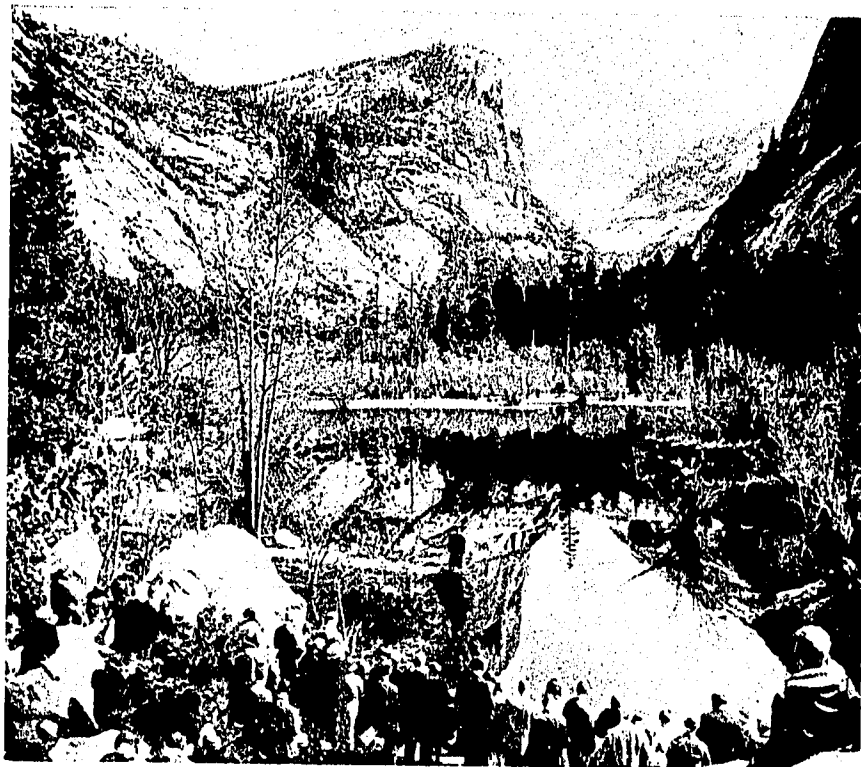
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EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE AT MIRROR LAKE

With the first silvery notes of the trumpet playing Bach's "Sleepers, Wake!" the traditional Easter Sunrise service will begin next Sunday, April 6 at 9:30. Held by the tranquil waters of Mirror Lake, with Half Dome looming nearly a mile high above, this annual service is one of the most inspirational and unique in all the United States. The time of sunrise at Mirror Lake, 9:32 a. m., makes this the latest service held in the country.

Music this year will be brought by the A Cappella Choir of the College of the Pacific under the direction of J. Russell Bodley. This choir, during its recent spring tour, sang at the Tabernacle at Salt Lake City. The Reverend Alfred Glass of the Park Church will

conduct the service and bring the Easter message.

Following last year's experience, local residents are warned to leave early for the service. Last year, automobiles were parked as far down as Indian Caves. If you start at an early hour, you will avoid the disappointment of missing this beautiful service.

An earlier Easter service for the radio audience will be broadcast from the Lake over NBC Pacific Coast Network. If you wish to tell out-of-valley friends about this broadcast, the time will be 9 to 9:30 a.m. through all coast NBC stations.

SPECIAL EASTER SERVICE AT CHAPEL

At 10:45 on Easter morning a special ser-
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OLYMPIC TEAM FUND

In spite of a downpour just at starting time and a minor delay while the waiting audience sang "who's got the key," the Olympic Ski Team Fund was fattened by \$44. This amount represents one-half the proceeds taken in from the sale of tickets at a showing of two of ex-ski school head Luggi Foeger's films last Saturday night. The other half of the money went to Luggi's new organization, Olympic Productions Ltd. in Montreal. The first film, "Ascent of Mont Bulyea," showed the scaling of a precipitous glacial peak in the Canadian Rockies. The second, "Ski Pro Holiday," depicted some beautiful terrain, masterful skiing and excellent photography. Those in the audience that were familiar with "Sun and Snow," made by Luggi at Ostrander Lake some time ago, recognized his photographic touch in several scenes.

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JUNIOR SKIERS

Several of the younger skiers of the Valley will compete in the Class C Championships and the Yosemite Junior Trophy Race to be held at Badger Pass, Friday and Saturday, April 4 and 5. Bill Brown, Mike Adams, Paul DePfyffer, Gary Scott and Ted Phillips, good skiers all, have entered both events.

The two events will be run together, as each includes a downhill and slalom. However, the combined scoring will be calcu-

lated differently as the Trophy Race rules call for more weight for the slalom than for the downhill race. This is done to encourage controlled skiing among the youngsters.

At this writing there had been received ten entries from the Reno Ski Club, four from Lake Tahoe and three from Fresno in addition to the five boys from the Valley.

These will be the last skiing competitions of the season, and at the close of business April 6, all facilities at Badger Pass will cease operation for this winter.

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INTER CLUB

The Yosemite Winter Club Team, Captained by Al Sigal and inspired by Sturge Culver's victory in the downhill race, came through to win the third Inter Club Ski Meet against the Southern Skis Team from Los Angeles last weekend. "No-check" Culver ran the downhill course in 51.1 seconds, faster than Southern Skis racer C. T. Hill. Third went to Paul DePfyffer with a 53.4. The slalom was a different story. C. T. Hill and C. Wawra, both from the south, placed first and second, while L. H. Scroggins, a guest racing for the local team took third. The rope race, in which a pair of skiers raced down the rope tow hill tied together by a thirty foot rope, was won by visitor "Pete" Bond and Bob Maynard, late of The Ahwahnee staff. It was a highly amusing event with much pulling of ropes, team mates going in opposite directions and becoming ensnarled in their rope.

Combined titles went to "Pete" Bond, Gayle Tarnutzer and Lenore Oehlmann, for the ladies, and to C. T. Hill, L. H. Scroggins and Paul DePfyffer for the men.

Individual awards were presented to the winners and a plaque to the winning team. It is a perpetual trophy to be awarded to the current Meet winner.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE (continued)

vice will be held at the Old Village Chapel for employees and others who would not be able to attend the Easter Sunrise Service. The service will close at 11:15. Mr. Glass will conduct the service. Special Easter music will be an important part. Everyone is invited.

OLD VILLAGE STORIES

Welcome back to Lillie Docker, cashier. Lillie is a regular summer employee and returns from wintering in Modesto. We also greet Steve Koller, who worked in the Fountain last summer, and who has been doing some traveling since. He will be with us for the season.

Pauline McKee is the first to go on spring vacation. She and husband Ray are at Death Valley and will later visit other points in the south. Gen Johnson will leave this month for a short visit to Illinois with Carie Eisle from the General Office as traveling partner.

Congratulations to Pop Danley, who celebrated his — birthday last week. Pop received many gifts from friends in the Store and young friends in the Valley.

Nettie Schilling of the Village Fountain is a patient at the Lewis Memorial Hospital recuperating from a recent operation. Also in the hospital is our old congenial friend Al Akers of "Greasy Spoon" fame. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

Mr. Brown, an enthusiastic angler, is always ready to show other local fishermen what the Village Store has to offer in tackle.

There are signs of spring in the Store with Easter baskets, toys, and cards on display in the show cases. Also the latest in bathing suits (brrrrr), play suits, and light summer dresses.

HOSPITAL NEWS

The Sig Johnsons are the proud parents of a second girl, named Julia Dawn. Her weight at birth was 8lb. 3oz.

Adding a new atmosphere to the hospital is Russian, Miss Benke, who along with her many talents can play the mandolin and guitar.

The visiting hours at the hospital are between 2 and 4; 7 and 8. Please do not ask to see the patients at other times, as it interferes with nursing duties.

Office hours are from 10 to 12; 2 to 4; and 5:30 to 6:30. These hours are daily except Sundays and holidays, at which time there will be only 10 to 12 office hours.

FOR SALE. Trailer. See Jack Parkerson—Ahwahnee Bar.

One sing. bed with spring and matt., spread, sheets, pillow slips, bed pad.

A desk, 9x12 rug, framed mirror, Call Wendell Otter, The Ahwahnee, 88.

LOST ARROW

WERE YOU THERE

The newly reincarnated Lost Arrow Employees' Club began the journey into its new phase of life with a bright beginning. On St. Patrick's night, the gaily decorated Club swelled with 200 dancers and the night was filled with music of Richie's orchestra that had just left The Ahwahnee. The band did a grand job of entertaining the crowd. Door prizes were awarded and Helen Jones and Toney Frietas were the winners. A brief but enthusiastic jutterbug contest was won by Betty Ochinico and Frank Stevens—making them the King and Queen. Bugs Blanche Tourand and Andy Campbell were the runners up. Evelyn Mitchell sang a vocal with the orchestra. We're expecting great things from her.

The party dispersed from the Club at 11:00 but some of the more Irish Irishmen serenaded the Valley residents. Thanks to Miss Vivian Marshall for a wonderful party and we'll be waiting for another.

OFFICE RAMBLINGS

Our reservations girl, Helen Satterstrom, broke her ankle when coming down on that "last run" recently. One of her skis was also broken in the mishap but she claims she is going to buy a new pair for next year! They say you are not a good skier until you have broken your leg once!

They tell me that riding down to Indian Flat on a bicycle is good exercise! Madeline of Paymasters did that very thing last Sunday . . . I'll stick to the car.

Indian Creek, over by the Old Tecoya Area, started its merry little medley March 26 about 10:30 p.m. It's a tune that really lulls you to sleep.

Two fat robins and a blue jay have taken over the little court in the middle of the General Offices. These spring beauties are so full of angle worms after a day's stuffing, they are barely able to fly home in the evening.

Saturday now finds many of the office girls dressed in their bicycling clothes instead of ski clothes. Bicycles can now be rented at the Lodge.

The horses will be brought back into the Valley on April 26. Dig out the jeans.

N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

A few months ago we reported the race between the stork and George Bailey, treasurer of the Credit Union, which resulted in George signing up George William Holmes as Yosemite Credit Union's youngest member on December 30, 1946. For all of these past two and a half months George William has beamed with pride over being the youngest member of a large progressive organization, but now all that has passed.

On March 14 George Bailey again rushed to the hospital and reportedly handed his book to Julia Dawn Johnson, two hours and forty minutes old, who signed her name with a flourish and in a loud voice which sent Avery and the nurses scurrying to shelter, demanded "When do I get my first dividend?"

Carl and Liza Danner returned from an interesting vacation trip through northern California and south as far as Death Valley. A casual check of the wildlife of Death Valley was made. Liza saw one lizard and Carl spotted two birds!

The recent relocation of the snow measuring stake at Badger Pass to give a more accurate picture of snow conditions there brought forth much interesting comment from skiing enthusiasts. Fred Sharpe observed: "Never in all my life did I see such a snowfall on a moonlight night!"

Margery Kennedy, museum secretary, is leaving Saturday, April 5, for a lengthy motor trip to Mexico. She will spend a few days at Death Valley first and her mother will accompany her on the trip. They plan to go leisurely and not wear themselves out by covering too great distances per day. Then, after seeing a good part of Mexico, they plan to return to Yosemite via the Coast Route and Monterey.

Arriving from Lassen Volcanic National Park this week are Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Robinson and their young son. Harry will be the new Assistant Park Naturalist at the Museum. They will live temporarily in the house formerly occupied by the Hiltons.

Announcements have been received from Dr. and Mrs. Richard Kredel, (formerly Margaret Boyd, secretary to the superintendent) that they have a son, Robert

Everet, born on March 10 at Pasadena.

Recent visitors to Yosemite were Kenneth Pennebaker and children, who came up from their ranch at Manteca with some guests. The Pennebakers are busy as ever operating a sizeable chicken business. On the date of their visit, they had 3000 chickens, but expected to have 5000 before long.

A Day with the YTS Dispatcher

7:45 a.m.

Emp: May I have a cab at C. C. please!

29W: Our drivers will not be on duty until 8 so you'll have to wait at least 15 mins.

Emp: But I need it right now as I have to be at work. Gee, I can walk it in that time!

29W: It's a beautiful morning for walking, isn't it?

9:00 a.m.

She: I'd like to have a cab at the Lodge. I want to go by the main Post Office for just a second, then I want to go to the Village Store, but that will only take me about 10 minutes. Then I want to go to C. C. to pick up my camera as I'd like to take some pictures at Mirror Lake. It's still 25c to Mirror Lake isn't it?

29W: Yes, it is mam. But for the Valley Tour you must make reservation with the transportation agent.

2:00 p.m.

She: I'd like to have the cab driver with the pretty blue eyes take me to Happy Isles.

29W: Sorry, Miss. But our policy to show no discrimination toward race, color or creed.

3:00 p.m.

New Emp: May I have a cab for D Dorm?

29W: As soon as one comes in you can take it, but might I suggest walking, as it's only about 100 yards from here, and you can save a quarter.

New Emp: Oh, that's OK. I've got a red ticket and I want to use it.

5:00 p.m.

He: About a half hour ago I called for a cab. Do you want me to sit here all day?

29W: The call was answered some time ago but the driver could find no one waiting. Where were you waiting?

He: Oh! In the bar!

(Ed. Afraid the boys will have to take the rest of the day off. Shortage of space does not allow us to list what goes on from 6 to 10. We'll wait for warmer weather).

Robinson



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CAN IT BE SPRING?

My dear! What goes on around here? Overheard Sunday at breakfast:

G.H.O. "When will you be pouring?"

J.V.H. "Oh—by Thursday or Friday, I think. It will take me that long to get my form in shape."

G.H.O. "O.K. I'll speak to Tom about the mixer."

It's alright, gals! Just a spot of patio fever that has hit our men. Symptoms: Sort of a faraway look in the eyes; your own suggestions by-passed as your favorite bush is moved; tendency towards nightly huddles with your neighbor's husband: AND sand and gravel tracked throughout the house! Cure — let 'em go ahead — it's what you wanted all the time, but you've known darn

well you'd never get it if you asked for it!

Where has the fever hit? Well, spottily, throughout the Valley. Your reporter hasn't had much chance to observe over in Government residential sections but has heard of a few cases there. Most contagious area seems to be on the Row and Tecoya. Some haven't reached "Patio" stages, but slight rash can be noted where patches of new lawn have been added here—a low curb there. More advanced cases can be noted in side yards at Van Housens, Olivers, Knowles and Browns where outside equipment scrounged from Wawona and El Portal by Tom Knowles is to be used. Complete face-lifting attacks took place at the Cooper's, Lally's and Oehlmann's estates. Ralph de Pfyffer is adding just a small annex to his patio (Peggy Lou influence, probably); Don Christiansen's new sandbox has become the rendezvous of small fry—keeps 'em of new grass; while Trubi's construction job has turned out to be a swing for the kids. Lawrence Taylor seems to be the only sensible one—his first act was to hang his hammock. Curly tossed out a bit of grass seed and hopes the birds don't see it. Dana Morgenson has been exposed, but his resistance is admirable. He takes a look at Van's, makes a remark about Oliver's—then goes on a hike! Charlie Proctor and Harold Oimet seemed to overcome the fever the most easily—they just let Maintenance take over. Henry Berrey is another sucker—seems to be fighting it out without assistance in his own back yard.

The after effects? A bit too early to report on that, but indications are they can be considered both good and bad. Backaches and new muscles make themselves known. Appetites double, but no cardiac reactions have been noted unless you can call bits of string laid out for the nesting jays and robins sentimental leanings. They seem to be happy, gals, so go ahead—do your spring cleaning by yourself and let 'em alone! 'Dete'

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OLD VILLAGE STORIES

The Village Store has welcomed several new employees within the past few weeks. In the grocery department, Herbert Hill, a returnee from last summer and John Johnson from San Francisco; Gerald Garner of Los Angeles and Roy Cavins from San Jose.

Two new drug clerks—Mary Howard, a free-lance artist from Los Angeles and John Powell, who has been traveling since his discharge from the service. Martha Michaelis has been transferred to the Wawona store for the summer season.

Ruby Holder, who worked last summer at Camp Curry gift shop is the new curio girl, and Art Caid from Long Beach is the new butcher.

Evelyn Gullic has returned from her vacation and her husband, Wallis is a new store employee.

Gen Johnson reports a grand trip to Illinois and Jeanne Kirk reports a few days of enjoyable shopping and visiting in Fresno.

It's back to New York for Jerry Fasano. He is greatly missed by all his friends. In a recent letter, he told of an enjoyable trip and sent best wishes to all friends here.

Village store daily hours are still 9:00 till 5:45, but it is now open seven days per week.

The Village Fountain is open from 7:00 A.M. till 9:00 P.M., but is closed each Tuesday. A summer crew has been added.

FAMOUS VISITOR

Burton Holmes, renowned globe trotter, travelogue producer and lecturer was a recent Ahwahnee visitor. Holmes was accompanied by a photographer who made several shots around the Valley which will be incorporated in one of Holmes' travelogues. In spite of his 77 years, Holmes is as spry as a cricket. He recalled a day in about 1888, when he assisted W. H. Jackson, one of the earliest photographers in taking some pictures of Bridalveil Fall.

AHWAHNEE NEWS

Frank and Dotty Bailey (the former Miss Dorothe Brand) are two fortunate newlyweds back once again in the Valley with a home to move into. For those friends anxious to call, their apartment is H 95 facing Lewis Memorial Hospital. Frank has returned to his room clerk position at The Ahwahnee.

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Everyone is envious of Preston Burkett, the tall bellman at The Ahwahnee with the soft southern drawl, of his recent vacationing in Mexico.

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Gerry Babcock, the gift shop girl at The Ahwahnee has finally found herself a new home at E Dorm after much patient waiting. Her sister Penny, the cheery-voiced telephone operator is going to miss her old roommate.

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Jenni Ostroska has left the side dining-hall and has been replaced by Bernice Smith.

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We understand there are some good singing voices among the busboys in the dining room. Ask Charles Rennie and James Tarpelin to give you a duet some time.

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Ray Welshan, a former busboy in the dining room, has been boosted up to dining room captain. That's a raise to be proud of.

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The Ahwahnee has indeed seen its share of romances this early spring. Dorothy Biffer and Wally Harriman, waiter, recently got married and are vacationing in Mexico. There will be a warm welcome for them both when they arrive back in the Valley on the 15th of this month.

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THE BICYCLE RIDER

The ruddy Englishman in shorts riding an English racing bicycle around Yosemite Valley lately is Eric J. Cooke of London who is leisurely seeing the United States and Canada before sailing for New Zealand about a year from now.

Cooke has chalked up 11,700 miles with his bike, first taking a 4600 mile trip throughout the British Isles, then crossing on board ship he took a spin occasionally just for the heck of it. Arriving in Canada he was told by immigration authorities that he would have to have more money than the Bank of England would allow him to withdraw from his homeland. "So I wrote to the president of the board of trade," he recalls "and told him, 'Look here, I'll be sellin' British goods for ye; that's what ye want, isn't it? I'll be showin' off British bikes and makin' myself known, and I'll build up the foreign market you're cryin' for. And bless me I was right. My trip is good will with a seal on it.'"

The bike weighs 36 pounds, and carries a 60 pound camping kit in addition to Cooke's 140 pound weight. His camping equipment is light and ingenious. It consists of a down sleeping bag, a waterproof umbrella type tent with a four-section bamboo center pole, a gasoline stove, canteen, food supplies, and two cameras.

He has had many unusual experiences travelling, going on big radio programs, lecturing to schools and colleges, attending a dinner given by the director of American Youth Hostels at Detroit where he met the girl to whom he is now engaged. About July 1 he will meet the girl in Portland and they will pedal northward into the Canadian Rockies. Eventually they plan to settle down in New Zealand and sell the products they have used on their extensive travels.

Surprise elopement to Reno was that of Myrna Montgomery (Lodge Cafe), and Bill Ewbank (Ahwahnee bellman), Friday night, April 25. Congratulations!

Bill Nieman left the Lodge Desk to manage Best's Studio May 1. John Fitzgerald is now dispatching the "hosses" at the stables.

Bob McGovern and Frank Hewitt are temporarily replacing Bill and John, but they will head for Camp 16 upon its reopening. Bob to manage and Frank to clerk.

FROM HERE AND THERE

It is getting to be that time of year when new faces appear among the rangers and naturalists, and many of those who are well known from former years are back on the job again. On the ranger force now are Wally Steward, Herb Ewing, Tommy Rixon, Alfred Ihlenfeldt, J. W. B. Packard, and James D. Murray.

The two new naturalists are John Schrawder, who has been operating the projector at The Ahwahnee lately, and George D. Ross, Utah State Agricultural College at Logan, Utah.

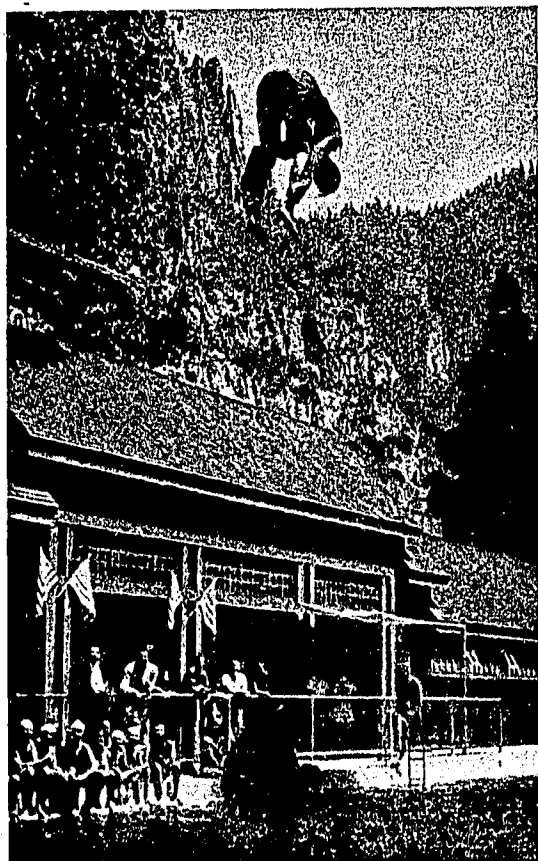
What to do about the cute little animal that found its way into the Ahwahnee basement was a problem for a day or two. He looked too small to be a skunk, and besides he had queer black and white markings over his back. He seemed gentle enough, yet looked too much like a skunk for anyone to want to get over-friendly with him. Without doubt he (or was it she) was a civet cat.

How to get him out of the basement without any ill feelings on the part of the little animal was the question. Plainly it was a case for skillful diplomacy rather than brute force, and after some concern over the best method of approach, it was decided to leave the door open and see what happened. The critter casually walked out seemingly smiling and nodding his appreciation as he went.

Joe Kelstrom, well known representative of the California State Auto Association, has opened his office at the Park Administration Building for the season.

RESULT OF ELECTION

By a vote of 202 to 109, certain categories of employes of Yosemite Park and Curry Co. indicated that they chose not to align themselves with the A. F. of L. Teamsters Local 386 of Modesto. The election authorized by the Secretary of the Interior was held last Wednesday, May 7 in Yosemite and climaxes an effort of more than three years by the teamsters local to gain recognition as the bargaining agent for the hourly workers of the Company. Officials of the National Park Service acted as referees in the election. Every person eligible to vote, according to the determination of the Secretary of the Interior, and in the Park at the time of the election cast a ballot.



Yosemite has two modern swimming pools. Watch for opening dates.

WEDDING BELLS

Marian Gray and Phil Webb became "Mr. and Mrs." in the Old Village Chapel May 3 with the Reverend Alfred Glass officiating at the ceremony. A beautiful bride, Marian wore a lovely dusty rose suit and hat and carried white roses. 'Duke' Doucette was best man and the bride's sister, Lorraine, her only attendant. Ushers were Thornton Elliot and Al Baab. At the organ was Nancy Loncaric, playing in her usual lovely manner. Special guests were Mr. (who gave the bride away) and Mrs. L. J. Gray, Mr. O. Gray (the bride's parents and grandfather) and Phil's mom, Mrs. P. Webb. After the reception in the Recreation Room at Tecoya, the newlyweds left for a short honeymoon in Carmel.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—Hollywood double bed, box spring and mattress. Good condition. Call Gwen Dinsmore at 114.

Anybody interested in a portable radio? See Mrs. Heinrich at Apartment No. H87, Tecoya.

CHURCH SERVICES

A service in honor of Mother will be held at the Old Village Chapel this Sunday, May 11 at eleven o'clock. Every mother attending will receive a token of affection. Dorothy Gregory will be the soloist. Mr. Glass will preach on the theme "Mother and the Family." "Every Mother's son" (or daughter) is invited.

A brief service is held at the Chapel from 9:30 to 10 a.m.

On Sunday, May 18, Mr. Glass is inviting all the couples for whom he read the wedding ceremony during his ministry in the Valley to be present at the eleven o'clock hour in the Chapel. The invitation includes all who have been married in the Old Village Chapel through the years. Mr. Glass will preach on the meaning and the possibilities of the marriage experience. May is observed in many of the churches as "Home and Family Month" and the local church is bringing that emphasis in the services of May 11 and 18.

At 8 p.m. on May 18, at the Chapel, the last communion of the "local" season will be held. The Rev. Harold Coleman of Mariposa will be the soloist and will assist Mr. Glass in the serving of the communion. The communion meditation will be given by the minister. Plan to attend this service of fellowship, the last until next fall.

OFFICE RAMBLINGS

Two momentous events were revealed last Monday morning in the Commercial Department. Vern Knuth now flashes a lovely engagement ring making her the intended of Bill Ellis of the Post Office. No wedding date has been announced.

No less surprising was the appearance of Paul Dinsmore's upper lip. He has removed that handsome R.A.F. style moustache! Just when we were getting accustomed to it too! (Who's we?).

HOW'S YOUR FISHING TACKLE

Only a little more than two weeks to the opening of the trout season. Better check your line and rod, and look over those moth-eaten flies. Mr. Brown at the Store has received a few new supplies for the fisherman, including lines, leaders and flies. Don't leave it until opening day!



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FOOD PRICES SURVEY

To keep all employees informed on Company activities is thought worthwhile and necessary. In The Sentinel there will appear, from time to time, articles containing accurate information on conditions that affect the Company, and likewise, the employee.

Recently there was a general raise in meal prices which unquestionably affected many employees. Therefore, it is proposed to start this series of articles with the background and evolution of the change in meal prices.

In the period preceding the freezing of restaurant prices when establishments outside the Park were making adjustments to compensate for rising costs, our prices were held to the levels of 1939-1940. A few increases were allowed in 1941. Some vegetable prices were raised in 1942 as a result of the great increase in the cost of produce following the evacuation of Japanese truck gardeners from California. We were granted an increase of 25 cents per meal in the Camp Curry Dining Room and at the High Sierra Camps in 1943.

A survey of cafeteria prices had been made in the fall of 1942 and spring of 1943 and cost figures were submitted to the National Park Service, which recognized that we should be given increases in our cafeteria prices to catch up with what had been going on outside. We were just on the verge of submitting an entire new list with specific justification for each item to be changed when the OPA freeze went into effect in spring, 1943. We immediately appealed to the OPA, and although the submission was pressed during the entire freeze period, the OPA refused to give us any relief on the basis that the general survey of restaurant operations was being conducted and pending its outcome nothing could be done.

With the removal of OPA powers, we were returned to National Park Service jurisdic-

tion. That body recognized our hardship but the Director stated no action could be taken toward increasing cafeteria prices immediately because of the President's "hold-the-line" proclamation, issued at that time. Some months later we were informed by the National Park Service that our increase submission would be considered and that we would have to make specific justification for each item requested. This was finally done and those prices were subject to study from December 1 until May, 1947, with joint and separate surveys of surrounding areas being made by the Company and Park Service representatives. The price of each item was compared with that of similar operations.

Not a single price was set without justification considered adequate by the United States Government, and the present cafeteria rates were approved on that basis.

Should any employee feel this or any following articles to be inaccurate or clouded, he is welcome and invited to bring his question to the general manager or to the personnel manager. Further, any employee having a question on such Company operations as that traced above is invited to write to the editor of The Sentinel where a conscientious effort will be made to present a reply to all readers. Constructive criticism of these articles is welcomed and will be received in the proper spirit.

LEGION TEAM VICTOR

The night of June 20 saw the Yosemite Legion ball team finally stop a three year winning streak of the Mariposa Owls (old men's team) when a 17-4 victory was scored by Yosemite. This brought a total of 63 runs scored in three games by the local team.

The Legion-sponsored team plays every Friday evening in Mariposa at 8 p.m. The league play started this month and will continue until August.

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AHWAHNEE NEWS

Wedding bells will be ringing in the not too-far-distant future for Gerry Babcock of the Gift Shop and Bert Lewis of the Dining Room. The announcement was a great surprise to friends of both the bride and groom-to-be and all are sharing in the enthusiasm of the wedding plans.

Those particularly susceptible to Cupid's arrows, beware! He's stalking again!

June 22 was a red-letter day at The Ahwahnee for it marked the first out-door barbecue since the closing of the hotel nearly five years ago. The Stained Glass Conventioneers proved to be the lucky enjoyers and from all reports it was a roaring success with those red-checkered tables sprinkled over the lawn. All part of a barbecue are the bugs that fly by evening — but even a buzzing mosquito or two couldn't dampen the ardor of hungry appetites.

There has been many an eager guest waiting patiently each evening with corn bread in hand to get a glimpse of the hungry little ring tail cat who visits favored rooms each day for his evening meal. Those who like wild life might enjoy the spectacle. He's a pretty little animal, they say—and not a bit bashful.

A piece of cheese from the kitchen and a trap from the storeroom did the trick with the little mouse who has been making his evening meals from the Hershey bars in the Gift Shop. The houseman, Jim Mead, can be congratulated for the feat. Now peace will again reign in the Gift Shop.

The Ahwahnee doesn't seem quite the same since our friend, Leon ("Boy, oh boy!") Brazitis has left us. But we trust he is enjoying his new work as luggage hustler and friendly assistant at Camp Curry.

CAMP CURRY NEWS AND VIEWS

The Firefall is over and the guests and employees are streaming into the writing room to their cards, letters and light chatter and their plans for the coming days.

To you old hands and the new ones, although we're a little late—welcome—and this comes from the management, represented by Cy Wright.

A lot of you probably wonder who is who in the different departments, so there follows a quick but incomplete summary of our local help. The front office includes Evelyn Mitchell, Jeanne Arnold, Enid Lauridsen, and Ellen Hall on the PBX (not all at once); Virginia "Effie" Norton, who hands out cards, etc.; on the desk are Mr. Wright, Mr. Otter, Hank Kimbrough, Bernie Doyle, Dave Curry, Pat Griffin, Julie Brun. Please don't anyone feel slighted if I left out your name. We'll do better next time.

In the porter department we find old hand Bill Conrad at the helm, assisted by Ennis Calloway, John Curry, Harry Nelson, Bob Robinson, Chet Tatoian, Louis Reynolds and Loren Jones. Across the street in the Grill, where the staff is headed by Ray Wheaton, aided by a swell gang including Norma Derby, Charles Murphy, Elaine Farley, Andy Scarborough, Ruth Haggman, Jack Onstot, Bob Barbagolata and Louise Seach. Betty Jean Dryden takes your money on the way out. We only know part of the cafeteria help —Bea Forsyth, Mary Tikijian, Diane Doane, Don (Camp 16) Nelson, Bill MacDonald, Del Monaco, and no last names June, Alice and another pretty little thing with the cutest pigtails. We'll try to meet the rest soon.

To the dining room and all its beauty—the charming manager Mrs. Maxwell, followed by "Droop Head" Lee Abrams, Nancy Taylor, Harry Hayes, Fred Champagne and Marian Holmgren. (We hear Marian has a lovely sister at the Post Office). More about these people later.

And now I bow my head in reverence to that staunch and hardy group of which your reporter is a member—the Camp Curry Pool Life Guards. Mr. Van Housen is our chief, represented by Bob Seach. The pool boss is Al Marquez and his helpers include Mrs. Danley at the desk, Ed Marquez, guard, Colleen and Dolores, and the one who says "this is all folks until the next edition."

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NEWS FROM YOSEMITE LODGE

This Lodge news is published sort of post-departure, the two fine scribes Joanee Pore and Marian Webb having recently left their stall for other pastures. Joanee has gone to Burbank for a rest and Marian with her new husband Phil to a place called Haley, which is in Idaho. Phil is a practicing electrician with the Sun Valley Electrical Co. All three are properly missed by their local friends.

It might have cooled off a little but it's still news if you haven't heard it. Billie Plumbe, Lodge Grill, hears the far off (July) sound of wedding bells. They are ringing for her and fiance Herschell Anderson. In the new faces department we find Jim Long of Los Angeles in the refreshment lounge; a new "Firefall" man, Ronnie Steiner; Diane Avery and Fran Lee, from San Jose and S.F. respectively, in the Studio; Gordon Adams from Los Angeles, at the front desk; Bobbie Russell from San Antonio, Texas and Bob Wharman, S.F., in the Grill; now on Jimmie Hamer's staff are Jim Averell and Don Huff. Welcome all!

Grayson McGovern is back in the Park and managing the Big Trees Lodge after a winter at the Furnace Creek Inn in Death Valley. Former manager Mangan was seen in the Valley recently. His visit is part of his vacation which includes stops at such far off lands as Canada, Hawaii and Australia. Good to see you!

The Lodge is now under the guidance of that man of many accomplishments — Fred Sharpe.

NOTE WELL

We all know that it is against the National Park Service regulations to feed the deer. The regulation was written for two reasons; first, to protect you from injury by deer, which sometimes misinterpret your good intentions and strike out with their sharp hooves or antlers; second, to protect the deer from such unnatural foods as popcorn or cigarette stubs. There is natural food in abundance and the inclusion of these unnecessary tid bits is detrimental to the health of the animals. So thoroughly does our Company subscribe to this Park Service regulation that its infraction by an employee is sufficient cause for dismissal.

FROM HERE AND THERE

There was much girlish squealing in the Timekeeper's Office last week when Hazel Hindley came to work an engaged woman! John Marsh of the Ahwahnee front desk is the fortunate man.

There were manly handshakes in the Y.T. S. recently when Eldon Joice made known that he and Miss Eileen Marteniano of Rio Vista would be married this Fall.

The Van Housen's son Jack and wife are now visiting in the Valley and none was ever a prouder father than Van. Jack is a Captain in the Marine Corps based in China and is now on a thirty day leave. He piloted fighter planes during the war, which is enough said.

Frank Ewbank was feted on his recent birthday with a "candlelight and spaghetti" party at a nearby tavern. A goodly crown attended and a right merry spirit pervaded.

In spite of the fact that summer's obviously here, there are several die hards, lead, unsurprisingly enough by Johnny Hansen, who ski on Sunday instead of taking part in one of the more typical June activities. Followers of this unseasonal pastime are Elsie Schone, the two blithe spirits, the Zeppys, Al Baab and Thornton Elliott, up from the flat land. The odd group goes up near Tioga Lake and reports that skiing is "swell."

The Mesdames Oliver and Anderson and small daughters recently spent a week with the Tarnutzers in Palo Alto. Gayle and Ben are both well and happy and Ben is reported about to fly away to Alaska on Pan American business. Did Barbara Jean take her white rat along?

In the Valley last Saturday afternoon and Sunday was the Trail Riders Association, some fifty or more horsemen from nearby San Joaquin Valley cities, who make an annual ride from Merced to the Valley. It's about a hundred miles and they did it in 3 days. First stop was Hornitos, then Wawona, then into the Valley. The horses were judged on Sunday.

Lenore Oehlmann was graduated from the University of California on June 19. The graduation exercises were attended by Mr. and Mrs. H. Oehlmann. Hilmer Jr. is hustling baggage at Yosemite Lodge.

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

While on a hike recently to Vernal Fall Mrs. Catherine Kittredge fell and broke two bones just above the ankle. Aid was summoned from the Valley and Lou Hallock and Bob McGregor responded with horses to bring her to Happy Isles.

Recent visitors to Yosemite were Dwight and Louise Humphreys and their two attractive daughters. Their youngest, a boy, was too small to enjoy the Park. Dwight and Louise looked exactly the same as they did when they left here five years ago.

Visiting Yosemite recently were Mr. and Mrs. Hillory Tolson, Assistant Director, National Park Service at Chicago; and Regional Director and Mrs. Owen A. Tomlinson, Region Four Office, National Park Service, San Francisco.

One of the big social events of the season was the marriage of Ross Smith, blister rust foreman to Miss Lorette Carr, formerly on the local hospital staff, on Saturday May 17.

New summer rangers with us are Neil Power at South Entrance, Henry Manning, E. W. Mattscke, Walter B. Tovey, Theodore M. Hansen, Jack R. Young, and Lawrence B. Brown. Carl Sharsmith is back on the naturalist force at the Museum and will go to Tulum Meadows about the middle of June.

Merwyn Raught, Gilbert Moody and Gale Alumbaugh are the new camp clerks at the Blister Rust Camps at Wawona, Crane Flat and Sugar Pine Pass respectively.

Virginia Pearce and Esther Litke, telephone operators, have returned from a trip east. Donna Donielson left for a month's vacation.

Merwin M. Davies, better known as "Bill," died suddenly from a heart attack at his home in Fresno last week. Bill had been a temporary ranger at Hetch Hetchy for the past few years and had many friends in the Valley.

News of the Littel family—Al and Ray are in King's Canyon National Park, where he is manager of the Grant Grove operations including Grant Grove Lodge, Meadow Camp and Coffee Shop, Studio and Store. Archer and family are living in Palo Alto and he is working in San Francisco as a statistician for the California Packing Co.

EMPLOYEES' CLUBHOUSE OPEN

The "Den" is now open—and just for employees. It's located right behind the Camp Curry Garage and believe us, the old building fairly jumped on opening night. Bob, the band leader, brought his boys over and the bugs wore holes in the floor. The opening party was such a success that there hasn't been room for all the satisfied customers since. However, we were just able to lay our hands on more chairs, tables, etc, so the shortage of equipment has been eliminated. We have all sorts of games and activities, many friendly faces, plus counsellors who assume intelligent expressions and try their level best to provide entertainment for you. "Nel" Bortells, a Camp Curry maid, has done some howling caricatures of employee activities and we are indebted to other maids for their voluntary curtain making. Some of the outdoor boys gathered local flora and donated their time decorating the building.

Following is a schedule of our activities:
Mondays: Bridge Session—8 to 10 p.m.
Tuesdays: Dancing—8 to 11 p.m.
Thursdays: Square Dance—9 to 10 p.m.

Employee nights at the Curry Pool are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:30 to 9:30 and Tuesday and Thursday at the Lodge Pool.

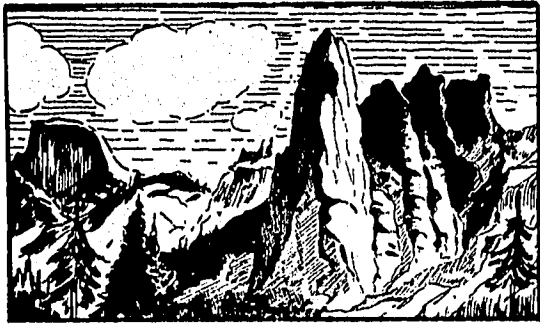
The clubhouse is open every day from 10 to 12, 2 to 4, and 7 to 11 p.m.

FROM HERE AND THERE (continued)

Miss Betty Plumb became the bride of Russell H. Lee at St. Luke's in San Francisco on June 20. There were a number of Valley and former Valley dwellers at the five o'clock ceremony. A reception followed at the Forest Hill Club in the City. The groom is a last-year medical student at Stanford.

Just before The Sentinel was set aside a few weeks ago, Louise Satterlund, who was employed in the Hotel Division, was married to Morgan W. Starnes of Mariposa in the Old Village Chapel by the Rev. Alfred Glass. Jess Rust gave the bride away and Lola Peterson served as attendant. The newlyweds are residing on a ranch near Oakvale.

Due to heavy demands on the print shop, the publication of The Sentinel was discontinued for a few issues. We trust our little paper will continue uninterrupted publication in the future.



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Aquapades Revived by Popular Demand

PRESENTING THE SECOND EDITION
YOSEMITE AQUAPADES OF 1947

The recently organized "Yosemite Swimming and Diving Association" will present the Second Edition of the Aquapades on Sunday evening, July 20 at 8:30 at the Lodge Pool. This event promises to be the biggest entertainment of its kind yet presented.

Water Ballets by a troupe of 12 include: Joan Lee Van Housen, Winston Mumby, Stan Bell, Yvonne Bordegaray, Patty Thompson, Bruce Kelley, Joan Stoner, Barry Weber, Betty Easterbrook, Fred "The Owl," Wally, Dorothy Wright, Colleen Bisson, Al Marquez and Bob Van Beber.

Included in the show will be fancy diving by top local performers, as well as some from nearby Universities.

Climaxing the performance, floats supporting the most glamorous girls in the Valley will be featured in a water-beauty spectacle.

Humor will be supplied by three world-renowned water comedians.

—Al Marquez

"HI"—FROM GLACIER POINT

Did you know that many of last season's employes are here again? On various jobs are Manager Wally Cathcart, Flora Farina, Fritz Raiguel, Florence Scribner, Margaret Thompson, Ed Benson, Alma Sykes, Enid Swanson, Ernestine Wallis, Jack Barrett, Rossanna Plum and Gertrude Warren.

Our new housekeeper, Mrs. Gladys Bowman, is an attractive and efficient addition to the hotel staff. The pillow punchers all agree she will be an admirable supervisor.

Flora with her nimble fingers is again entertaining guests on our Steinway each evening after Firefall. Community sings are also part of the program.

Peggy and Ray Malby, the intrepid winter-keepers, and now busy at Studio and desk, trekked to vicinity of Buena Vista Lake last week. They spent the night under "a canopy of stars" and returned with a mess of fish and mosquito bites.

Lucky are we to have genial baker, Ed Benson, rolling the dough again. The delect-

table aroma of baking goodies floats up through Melody Lane and we fairly drool with anticipation.

Weiner roasts and pow wows are being staged each week by the younger element and rumor has it, that several cases of "moon glow" have developed. In Yellowstone it is called "Rotten Loggin" but love by any other name is just as sweet.

The Studio gang are swamped with business, ranging from peanuts to pottery and from cards to copper. Overheard there recently—Customer buying a Skookum Indian doll, inquires naively: "Do you know to what tribe these belong?"

Wally Cathcart, in his decorating of the mantle, has surpassed the artistic achievement of last season and added a touch of Yosemite Winter Sports by hanging crossed snowshoes on either wall. Guests wax enthusiastic on first sight of the arrangement.

Margaret Thompson and Florence Scribner entertained fourteen of the gentler sex at a tea party on mezz floor Wednesday. The former, interpreting the tea leaves, caused many a girlish heart to quiver and in small town vernacular "a good time was had by all."

—Scribbie

SOFT BALL BUNTS

The first two rounds of play in the employes' soft ball league found The Ahwahnee team, powered by the strong men of the Valley—Pierson, Minerich and Snow tied with the scrappy Curry Cafeteria nine with two won and none lost.

These games are played every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in the local school grounds.

Bill Conrad, generalissimo of the Curry porters, is holding secret practice and will also field a team. He reports he cannot get a catcher to hold the slants of his pitcher Dave Curry.

STANDINGS OF TEAMS:	Won	Lost	Pctg
Ahwahnee	2	0	1000
Curry Cafeteria	2	0	1000
Yosemite Lodge	1	1	500
Curry Waiters	1	1	500
Band and Grill	0	2	000
Curry Kitchen	0	2	000

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AHWAHNEE NEWS

The arrival of summer with its multi-varied flowers has brought a riot of color to Bertha Sarver's bouquets at The Ahwahnee. There's not a wildflower that's not among those represented in her gay arrangements—soft lavenders of Shooting Stars, bright yellows of daisies with a splash of brilliant Indian Paint Brush adding its colorful bit.

We understand the flirtatious chatter of four-year-old Kitty has kept the Bellmen at The Ahwahnee both interested and hopping. But we also hear playing nursemaid is really fun to such a charming youngster.

The spirit of summer seems to have encouraged hard labor put forth in the form of car painting and polishing of late. Reid Dennis of the Transportation Desk had some assistance the other day in shining his car so brightly that his face shone in it. And not to be outdone, Dick Tapia of the Side Hall, soon sprouted forth in a newly painted car of "red rust orange" hue which can almost be seen coming in the dark. P.S. He even has shoes to match.

Doris Williamson of the Gift Shop has turned to tenting at Camp 16 for the next week or two. The reason, her family and 7-year old daughter are here on a visit.

—Janid Hettman

CAMP CURRY NEWS AND VIEWS

The first business to be taken up this time is our very grave mistake in referring to Norman Derby as Norma. Forgive us! Will you, Norm? Apologies also, B. J.

As the peak of the season approaches quite a few of our old employees are returning, such as, Miss "B" of the Kiddie Kamp, Stu Cross as Chief Clerk, Eddie Rutherford and George Meyers as bellmen (porters to you), Lydia Scharton in the Cigar Stand, Ginny Thompson, our burro picnic girl, and Ruth Molitor in the Curio. Don Whipple, Dick Merritt, and Raul Diaz are dispensers at the Grill. Also our former timekeepers, Mrs. Swartz and Mr. Baughman are with us. Last but not least is Bill Gordon, night auditor.

Our modest counselors did not mention

their names in their article last issue. They are Mary McClellan, Alice Lovett, and Harry Bronson all of whom have contributed much to the success of our Den.

Jerry, our ex-transportation man Debby Kettner, two of our former employees, came back to visit us recently. Jerry is now connected with the Visual Aid Dept. of the San Francisco City Schools.

Another former employee who paid the Valley a visit was Diane Harker, former cashier in the Cafeteria in pre-war days. Diane is now food checker in the Mark.

Barbara Brown, captain in the dining room who was recently crowned Miss Santa Rosa, won second place in the beauty contest at Santa Cruz for Miss California. She left for Hollywood on July 7 for a screen test at 20th Century Fox.

Two nice people that you ought to know are Sonja Scheel and Ellen Jorgenson. Both are from Denmark and by a strange coincidence came over on the same ship. Now Sonja is working as a maid at Camp Curry and Ellen is the beauty operator.

Bill Conrad represented the Valley at the Salinas Rodeo and we hear that he really "slung the bull."

Have you cast your eyes on the ties that the Front Office men have been sporting? But then how could you go through the front yard and miss them. We especially list Mr. Otter's bow tie and the dog ties that Hank Kimbrough and Bernie Doyle wear when they are on the same shift. Bernie has a tie ordered that will really cause a shock. Just wait until you see it!

People passing by Tent 11 in the Office Circle have stopped in amazement. From it you might hear something like this, "But I tell you he parked his cah in the gahrage" in the most Bostonian Boston accents of room clerk Frank McKenna. Then comes the answer from the really Deep South—Gulfport, Miss. Chip Craig, our genial Cigar Store manager, replies, "But I tell you-all don't know what you-all ah talking 'bout." So the discussion about everything from the Civil War to flying saucers continues between the Rebel and the "you-know-what" Yankee far into the night.

Our Transportation Office men are really the unsung heroes of the Camp. Gerry Crowley, Clyde Parminter, Harry "Wolf" Grothe, Reid Dennis, Ed Lee are the crew. Not only must they answer innumerable questions, find out very diplomatically the weight of prospective horseback riders, tell the people where to mail their letters and firmly insist that they do NOT sell stamps, but they must herd the incoming bus passengers safely up to the desk to register, soothe the more timid maiden ladies, and assure them that this is not a wilderness and that the Indians and bears are completely harmless.

DOINGS AT CAMP 16

Camp 16 didn't get into the news last issue so rather than have people go ignorant here is a rundown of what employees, characters, etc. you will see here most any time of day.

Wearing a groove from the front desk up to the back office telephone, pausing from time to time to point out to the more determined new arrivals why they aren't getting a tent alongside the river, will be seen Manager Bob McGovern. Registering guests and wondering when someone will come along who won't have to whip out to the parking lot to see what his license number is are room clerks Frank Hewitt, Howard Arnold, and Ollie Bauquier. Dodging traffic on the one way path in front of the safe as they tell people that twenty five sticks is a bunch and that a ten by twelve tent measures ten by twelve are cashiers Reva Scott and Bob Ray.

From time to time the back screen swings open and a big smile followed immediately by Mona "Mom" Anderson comes in—"How you doing, dears?" her way to the rack, then smiling again, borrows a pencil and proceeds back to the linen tent where she directs the activities of the maids and porters.

Should your gaze encounter a mustache as you look around the office it will be fastened on the face of a man in a white jacket, Commercial Stand Manager Mel Cissna. Working the muscles of their scoop arms into cramps as they dream of an invention where you just press down on a foot pedal (listen to Dorothy Shay's record 'Efficiency') and ice cream gobs fly out like toast are refreshment-crew men Al Guenthardt, Bill Truman, Lane Newman and Hall Evans.

For a while George and company were with us but they've been exterminated. Soon after opening day it was found that the house-count included one mouse, which shortly acquired the name George. It was at first thought that George would be kept on thru the summer in keeping with the wildlife conservation program. This plan was abandoned when George moved his family in and began to make extensive inroads in the Pecan Krunch supply. Mouse control equipment was brought in by Mel Cessna and head trapper Al Guenthardt speedily checked out George, Georgia, and Georgianna. But George, Jr., is still at large and thus far has managed to elude all snares.

That gets everyone in the act except the p. m. auditor, Bill McClusky who does a solo from midnight til dawn when the sideshow starts operating again. During the long hours he finds time to work up such plans as for buying an outsize Great Dane dog. He will train it to eat only raw meat and answer that Elmer-r-r-r call. One of these mornings those characters who call for Elmer are going to get Elmer. That's all.—Ollie Bauquier

EMPLOYEE ACTIVITIES

CLUBHOUSE—back of Curry Garage.
 Monday: Bridge Session 8 to 10 P.M.
 Tuesday: Dancing 8 to 11 P.M.
 Thursday: Square Dance 9 to 10 P.M.
 Clubhouse Open daily 10 to 12 A.M.
 2 to 4 P.M.
 7 to 11 P.M.

Free Swimming (bring your own towel)
 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Curry—Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

Lodge—Tuesday and Thursday.

Dancing Lessons at the Clubhouse—

July 15. 7.30 to 8:30 P.M.

July 23. 7.30 to 8:30 P.M.

\$7.50 for ten lessons.

OPERATION PAYDAY

It was the night before payday and all through the General Office could be heard the buzz of the Paymaster's Department. Your reporter, being averse to burning the midnight oil any oftener than necessary, was curious. Why were these fourteen young ladies working their fingers to nubs? Because the next day was payday. They were arranged around their offices in conga line fashion—in and out of offices—up and down hallways. Girls were calculating, girls were adding, girls were running check writing machines, girls were stuffing checks in envelopes, and girls were sealing the flaps—and near the end of the production line, sat Auditor Cramer in his shirt sleeves signing checks like a man in a bad dream. There was great concern over whether he would suffer a seizure of writers' cramp before the task was done. But, in spite of apparent disarray, it was easy to tell by the precision with which each girl worked that it was a highly systematized and efficient performance.

The paymaster's department actually is a sort of middle body—an arbitor—between the employee and the Company. It must be sure that no one is getting more than he's earned—nor that he is getting less. And many times, the regular procedure is put aside to get some individual's wages straight when, according to their regulations the employee would have to wait 'till next payday. For instance, in the case of a wage adjustment, Paymasters will go to any length to have the fatter paycheck ready on the day it's due—not a month later. This handling of someone's earnings is a tough job—one of the toughest in the general office. And in our prowlings, we've yet to see any section working harder and in greater harmony and co-operation.

Sometimes things happen that make their job more complex and difficult, such as employees failure to sign a time sheet. The Paymaster and timekeepers know that the per-

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

In case you don't know, the Museum is now open until 10 p.m. every day. Park employees who find it inconvenient to see the interesting exhibits or hear the talks on the formation of the Valley during the daytime can enjoy them during the evening hours. There is a scheduled talk at 8 p.m. in addition to the talks every day at 10, 2 and 4.

Three young fellows watched intently as a group of youngsters rode out of the corral at the stables on one of the daily burro rides. Turning to an employee one asked: "Don't you have any BIG horses?"

Not mentioned before in this column was the transfer of Ranger Cliff Anderson to Muir Woods National Monument. Cliff has been stationed at Wawona since his return to the Park after working in the shipyards during the war. He will be missed by his many friends in Yosemite.

Have you seen the recent Sat. Eve. Post with the article on the Lost Arrow climb? It is very interesting reading, and well illustrated with photographs by Marie Zaepffel.

Mrs. Clara Johnson, Kit Parker's mother, is visiting the Parkers these days following a transcontinental motor tour with an interesting couple from Austria.

The record travel of the Memorial Day holiday period still stands. The total number of visitors over the 3 days of July 4, 5 and 6 lacked 50 of equalling the record set a month earlier. Over the Fourth the 3-day total was 32, 949 as against 32,999 for the 3-day Memorial Day holiday.

It was more crowded in the Valley, however, since there were many more campers here overnight, totalling 17,147. Housecounts at the hotels, lodges, etc. on July 5 this year totalled 3,246, making a total of 20,411 overnight population. The nearest comparable overnight population was on July 5, 1941 when there were 13,348 campers and 3,679 at hotel units, making a total of 17,027 overnight visitors. There were approximately 33,000 people in Yosemite Valley on July 4.

Canibals B'Gosh

A camper recently wrote to Superintendent Kittredge as follows: "For years I have made the practice of carrying a coop of *friars* for fresh meat the second week. Would this be permitted in the Park?"

Ranger Lou Hallock was questioned by a visitor some time ago as to what a person could do to get a summer home in Yosemite. When Lou insisted that the only people who had homes in the Park were those who were employed here, the visitor insisted that there were private homes here, he had just walked through the residence area and saw where "Bing" Crosby had a home up here!

Miss Ruby Thomas, Virginia Pearce, Phyllis Leeders and Esther Litke enjoyed a short

trip to Merced Lake over the weekend. Not being acclimated to the high country atmosphere, they let the delicious warmth of the campfire penetrate their tired bodies and hurried them into bed fully dressed—not because the temperature was so low, but so they could rise in time to get on the lake for some skating before breakfast.

FROM HERE AND THERE

If you see a stagecoach, painted red, and complete with shotgun rider, dashing down the road in the Tecoya area, don't imagine the Y.T.S. has slipped to that. It will be "Old Betsy," valiant remnant of the Tecoya Turnpike Co., the creation of young craftsmen on the Row. And some of the group have been sold on the idea of being the horses!

Some of the better fishermen have caught a few fish in the river. However, J.G., who is one of the better fishermen, caught a Water Ouzel—on a fly, of course. He was fishing at the Cascades with Miles Cooper and while making a false cast hooked into a flying Ouzel. Like one of the "flying saucers" the bird soared half-way up Elephant Rock before J.G. put on the drag and brought the Ouzel to net. With the aid of "ghillie" Cooper, the hook was extracted. But don't believe an excited "bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

The first fawn was seen July 4 behind the General Office. He looked shaky and bewildered but not frightened. How long before he gets ulcers from eating popcorn and cigar butts?

Our sympathies to Mrs. Lester Shorb, whose father passed away July 1 in Porterville.

There's more childlife. This time a new donkey at the Stables, one of the burro picnickers. Mother has been going out on her regular trips and the offspring, Fuzzy, is obliged to tag along to make sure he gets his three meals a day.

OPERATION PAYDAY

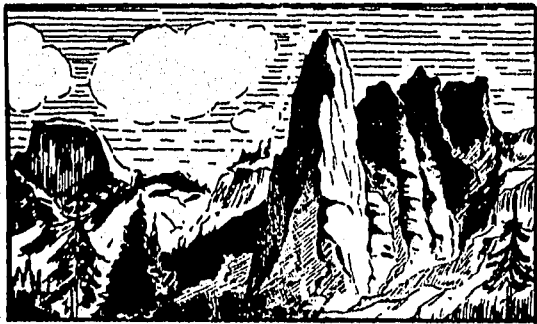
son probably worked some place and will hunt endlessly through the records to get him properly credited for having worked.

Speaking of their efficiency, we learned that a year ago the whole staff put in a 24-hour night-before-payday to get the payroll out. Now, this crew can get approximately 1500 checks out in a 12 hour effort. That's progress!

So when you get your paycheck, unfailingly on the 7th and the 22nd of each month, remember that behind it is a group of fourteen hard working, smart girls who give up many an evening to get your check to you—enough and on time. Their record—they've never failed to meet their pay day schedule.

A Palm to the Paymaster's Office!

Next week we cover the Laundry.



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FORMAL DANCE AT GLACIER A MUST



The Glacier Point Moonlight Formal, one of the social highlights of last season, will be repeated again this year on Friday, August 1, according to the announcement by host and manager, Wally Cathcart.

It is strictly formal for the ladies while the men's attire will conform to the dress regulations of the Camp Curry dance. There will be no charge for admission, the only requirement being your privilege card. Several novelty acts are also scheduled.

For those desiring transportation, buses will leave Camp Curry at 7:30. The fare will be \$1.00 plus tax per person for the round trip. Make reservations either at the Den or with Ruth Brown, counselor at the Lodge.

"HI"—FROM GLACIER POINT

Thursday—the night. Recreation Hall—the place and all employees are anticipating a wonderful evening.

It's a grand get-to-gether with many unique features on the program. The younger group are instigators with "High Hat" Jack Heid acting as M.C.

Earl Tapp and his convertible Jeep which, on provocation seats nine or more, is very popular with the ladies. His affections, however, turn to but one—it's your guess.

Instead of rescuing four maidens from the briney deep (Yosemite Pool) fair-haired Don Torrillo now saves biscuits from the burning blast. He is Ed Benson's helper in the bakery.

Delta Whitehead, Alta Dennison, Gertrude Warren, Rosalie Whiteside, and Margaret Thompson spent a jolly day last week outside the Park. They wined at Fish Camp and

dined at Coarse Gold, returning with the car filled to the top with melons and other fruits.

One of our frequent visitors is Edith Kay, now at the Big Trees. All her days off are spent in former haunts.

Mothballs are being shaken out of tuxes and the gals are pressing their formals, in preparation for the big event.

Humor from the Coke Stand—

Customer: "Have you an egg sandwich?"

Attendant: "No—the nearest thing to it is pressed ham."

Our hotel is having its face lifted and a fine job it will be through the efforts of Messrs Stamel, Walker, and Sullivan of the Maintenance.

Two peripatetic employees hiked in to Ostrander Lake last Friday night, with packs sufficient for a seven day trek and the dozen eggs in bottom of the heavier one. A cheering crowd sent them off but their exuberance had dwindled to a few fish and bad cases of sunburn when they were dragged into camp the following afternoon. Nothing daunted, however, they plan to climb Mt. Lyell next Saturday.

We, as well as the guests, are enjoying some fine illustrated lectures by Ranger Nolan and also the Sunday evening services conducted by Reverend Glass.

Miss Carrie Castle of Oakland and Miss Florence Hayden of L.A. are expected to be ten-day guests here next Tuesday. They are friends of Florence Scribner.

We are all keenly interested because of wedding bells to ring on August 10 for our young ranger here, Marty Britten and Ruth Luebke. Ceremony will be held in the Valley Chapel with Rev. Glass officiating. The groom-to-be is a Stanford man, now studying for his Ph.D.

WEDDING BELLS

Sometime in September, Betty O'Brien, of Maintenance, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis, Assistant to Chief Clerk, National Park Service, will be married to Mr. Tom Swaggerty, Purchasing Agent of the National Park Service. They will make their home here in the Valley.

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BATTLE OF THE BED CLOTHES

What do you think would happen to all the sleeping units in the Park, and to your own downy couch, if the laundry stopped operating. We'd be in a very unpleasant fix and not many hours would go by before the irate customers began to raise loud protesting voices. Finally, we'd have to shut our doors altogether—because you can't put a guest in a room where the bed sheets haven't been changed in a week.

The laundry does a monumental job. It supplies bed linen, towels, uniforms, etc., to all the company units—in addition to doing the shirts and sox of about 5000 guests and employees. And about 4999 of them are right down to their last handkerchief and need their clothes tomorrow.

So the laundry must operate fifteen hours per day—with no let up. Some sixty-five people keep their tumblers, dryers, ironers, etc., going at full tilt to supply everything and everybody with clean clothes.

In spite of pernicious rumors that you may have picked up, laundries don't, or at least our laundry doesn't, wash clothes on sharp rocks in strong chemicals. First, everything is segregated according to the kind of fabric and the color. Some things take more washing and some colors run, or bleed, in laundry language, more than others. The dirt is gotten out by three washings in Ivory soap in a washing machine very much like the kind you have at home—only much larger. They are rinsed next in five to seven changes of water and those needing ironing are delivered to the ironers where they are pressed on high speed equipment—a shirt, for instance, taking about six operations. If you need buttons or have a rip, these are taken care of after ironing. Rough dry things stay longer in the dryers and are tumbled and blown around by hot air till they're dry. No tricks or devilish pieces of machinery. It's all the system, the tools and a lot of hard work by the help. After a lot of laundry is completed, it goes to sort of an assembly room where Mrs. Jones' laundry is separated from Mrs. Smith's and sorted into bundles.

We said the laundry did a monumental

job. For example, it turns out, on the average of 15,000 sheets per week! Dexterous folding and feeding crews, operating a large ironer, turn out 360 sheets an hour and more. Comparatively, our laundry handles about as much work as would be needed in a city the size of Merced.

The dry cleaning part of the laundry is as specialized and systematized a proposition as the clothes washing end. Your suits go through the same processes as they do in a big city plant, in spite of being 'way up here in the hills. The surge of summer business has kept the dry cleaners up late too, and they still manage to do a first rate job and in good time.

So, some time, when your bundle isn't ready, remember that the laundry people have a critical, important job. Without their services, we wouldn't have any guests and no guests—no jobs. It's an endless battle they fight against a never-ending mountain of laundry.

CAMP CURRY NEWS AND VIEWS

Out of the heat of the past week there comes one story that we can't resist telling. A gushing female came up to an unsuspecting room clerk and simpered, "Isn't it just wonderful how that mountain erupts every night at nine o'clock?"

In case you guys and gals can't place the new manager of the Store, he's the man you used to try to avoid last year when you came in late, after getting a flat tire or running out of gas—of course. Congratulations, Wes Harmon, on the new job. We understand Wes has accepted a position on the faculty of Chaffee Jr. College for next year.

Don't waste your sympathy on the blonde telephone operator that you've been thinking has been working morning, noon, and night. Sisters Enid Lauridson and Ellen Hall are really confusing people, but drop around on Thursdays when they work on the same shift, and you'll find that it's easy to tell them apart.

Coming out of the fog that surrounds the University of San Francisco to the sunshine of our Valley for the summer are Bob Barbagelatta, Johnny Kockos, Tom Mitchell, Joe Kendrick, Jerry Crowley, Ed Cremen and many others. They are doing alright too in spite of the fact that they aren't Cal men.

"Pinkie" Bowman, the cute red-head who worked in the Post Office and sang on the program last year, is visiting in the Valley for two weeks. Pinkie is working in a summer stock company in Fresno.

Another ex-employee dropped in the other day, Winnie Kinard. Winnie and hubby are in the East where Bill is attending Harvard.

Remember the good old days when we had

the open-air dance at the Ahwahnee? Sid Hoff, whose orchestra was the main attraction of these dances, visited the Valley last week. Sid is now holding forth at the Ali-Baba in Oakland.

Don't blame Jean for the black eyes that Raul Diez has been sporting. Raul and brother Nick, boxers from Modesto Junior College, have rigged up a boxing ring, and when you spar with Paul Snow, you're lucky to get off with just black eyes. The boys held an inter-departmental match the other day to pick out a team to fight the Blister Rust Boys. The fellows were all well matched, and the bouts drew shouts of appreciation from the audience. Especially exciting was the exhibition match between the Diez brothers.

FROM HERE AND THERE

Alas! The wheels of progress have ground "Old Betsy," the Tecoya Turnpike darling right out of existence. However, the venerable lady has been transformed into a train and still makes the Tecoya run. Sweets and refreshments are hawked from the caboose. Wonder what she'll be next week?

Jean Kirk Cloward, our Village Store reporter, has been slighted by the short-sighted editorial department. Way back last May 29, she was married in Carson City, Nevada, to Dee Cloward, a C-2 warehouseman. Dee hails from Modesto and the happy pair are living in El Portal. Our apologies and belated congratulations.

Everett Edwards, Wawona golf course manager, batted himself out a 33 the other day on his home course! If that isn't a record, it should be.

The food at the Big Trees Lodge Cafeteria is nothing short of superb. Myrtle Cuthbert and her assistant, Louida Wiik, are very handy in the cookery department.

The Ahwahnee was visited by Mr. Bob Patterson, who also travels under the name Freddie Francisco, of the San Francisco Examiner. Mr. Francisco is a first rate newsman and story teller and has recently written Mark Hellinger's "Brute Force" into a motion picture story. Mr. Francisco also made some comments about The Ahwahnee in his column that were easy for Dick Connett to read.

Dete Oliver, erstwhile Sentinel contributor, took a throng of Girl Scouts to Ostrander Lake recently. During the four day junket, many amusing things took place, not the least of which was D. O.'s sun bonnet.

The Aquapades of 1947 are gone but not forgotten. It was a great show and Al Marquez and friends are to be congratulated on their production. Scotty Chisholm floating around the Lodge Pool on an inner tube, a daisy clutched in his toes, greeting the audience with "Lovely to see you," was about the funniest we've ever seen.

VILLAGE STORIES

Busy summer days are with us. The 4th is behind us, but Labor Day weekend is yet to come. In the meantime a large crew at the Village Store is ready to serve, both the tourist and local alike. Come early, or come late (don't you dare), you will always find a grand crew waiting to help you.

Among the interesting people working in the store is Mark Coates, behind the film counter, and Worth O'Neil, who is a packer. Many of our local skiers remember both as managers of the Fresno State Ski Team. During the winter they own and manage a sports shop for skiers in Fresno.

From New York hails Peggy Smith, sister of Sturge Culver. Peggy flew here from N.Y. early this month and will work until the fall when she will return East.

From last summer, we welcome back Preston Hutchins, a high school student from Berkeley and Stewart Cramer, who has been attending school at Menlo Park. Richard Gorman, a law student from Hastings College in San Francisco is here for another season. Another one of last summers employees is Irma Pierce, who teaches in Wisconsin in the winter.

Jack Ring, the Store baseball fan has been enjoying some good games with the Yosemite team in Mariposa. If the team loses, he feels pretty bad, but if it wins, he usually collects a few wagers. Two of Jack's sisters from Oakland have been enjoying a week's vacation in Yosemite.

Gen Johnson is always blushing after her day off. At least, that is what it looks like, but it is really the after effects of a holiday. Her first trip to May Lake was enjoyable. While there, she wasn't content to enjoy the day resting, but hiked to the top of Mount Hoffman, and got nothing from it but a bad sunburn.

Even in the hot weather, it seems the law must go on, and Mr. Brown has had to go to Mariposa often of late as a member of the Grand Jury. With all of the other stores under his supervision, he is kept quite busy. The Tuolumne Store is under the management of Mr. Singleton and at present, Mr. Wesley Harmon is the Curry Store manager. At the Camp 14 Store, Louie and Myrtle Duckworth are the co-managers. They were at Chinquapin last winter.

For Sale. USED Six tube table model Emerson radio in excellent condition. See Kenny Long, E-5, Yosemite Lodge.

Excellent UPRIGHT PIANO for sale, \$150. Call Ewbank at 11W.

N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

Visiting Yosemite the latter part of last week was Herbert Evison, Chief of Information of the National Park Service with headquarters in Washington, D.C. It was Evison's first trip to Yosemite since 1930 at which time he drove over the old Wawona Road to the Mariposa Grove and left the Park via the Chowchilla Mountain route.

Ranger James W. B. Packard is recuperating satisfactorily from the broken ankle as a result of the rescue of Al Baxter from the Upper Cathedral Spire on July 12. The story of the spectacular accident which resulted in Baxter breaking both legs has been widely publicized, and people from coast to coast have read about Baxter's fall and how 13 rangers brought the injured man down the perilous loose-rock talus slope to the waiting ambulance.

In the process, a large boulder was dislodged by the stretcher bearers, and it rolled over Packard's ankle and both legs of Assistant Chief Ranger Homer Robinson. Fortunately, Homer sustained only severe bruises and lacerations and has made a quick recovery.

It was one of the longest, most gruelling, rescues made by the rangers in recent years, lasting from late afternoon until well after midnight.

Victor Staff is the new ranger at Crane Flat. He is taking the place of Milo Abercrombie who has returned to Pasadena. John Shrawder, seasonal ranger-naturalist, has returned to his home near Philadelphia. He plans to resume his teaching career this fall. Ranger Cliff Anderson, formerly at Wawona and now stationed at Muir Woods Monument, was a recent visitor to Yosemite.

Mrs. Nell Thayer was in early this week to start the Annual Red Cross Swim at the Yosemite Lodge Pool. She left the Park hurriedly upon hearing of the serious illness of Mr. Thayer.

Travel to Yosemite passed the 500,000 mark recently, and at the time of this writing (July 22) 511,236 visitors have entered the Park this travel year since October 1, 1946. Last year there were 405,238 visitors at this date, making this year's travel 26% ahead of last year. If the present rate of increase in travel continues the remainder of the season, there will be a total of more than 800,000 visitors registered by September 30.

Ranger John Mullady tells a good story about a lady who asked him a number of questions about the hike to the top of Half Dome. When he told her it was a very strenuous hike and would require all day to make the trip, she asked; "But aren't there plenty of places where you can sit down and rest?"

Another good story from Glacier Point is concerning the lady who was very much impressed with the photographs of painting and

drawings depicting the height of the glacier period in Yosemite Valley. Turning curiously to the ranger, she asked; "Did they have cameras in those days?"

SOFT BALL BUNTS

The Curry Cafeteria is still riding high in the Softball League with five wins and no defeats. However, in two games they barely squeaked through by identical 11-10 scores. The Ahwahnee threw the first scare into the league leaders under the steady pitching of Fred Pierson, but Jim Durum subdued a wild last inning rally to gain the close verdict.

In their next game, the Dining Room, spearheaded by pitcher Bob Johnson, outhit the Cafeteria, but pitcher Howie King kept his hits scattered and again came out in front. Melvin and Webber from the Dining Room contributed lusty home runs while Gobeleski also poled out a four base hit for the Cafe.

STANDINGS OF TEAMS: Won Lost Pctg

Curry Cafeteria	5	0	1.000
Ahwahnee	4	1	.800
Yosemite Lodge	2	2	.500
Band and Grill	2	2	.500
Dining Room	1	3	.250
Porters	0	2	.000
Main Kitchen	0	4	.000

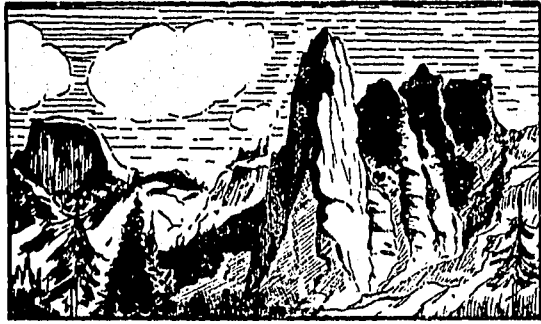
AHWAHNEE NEWS

Little did we suspect that there was a wedding a-brewing when Bernice Smith of the side hall left for home on a short leave of absence recently. But the news is true. Andy Chaney and Bernice have set the date for next week. The event will take place in Juarez, Me-hi-co, where they fly for their sojourn before Andy must return for his final weeks of bell hopping at The Ahwahnee.

Carroll Clark of the kitchen received some good news the other day. His request for getting into college has finally been granted and he leaves the latter part of August to attend Fresno State.

Our baseball team has proven itself "red-hot" with its recent victories at the Grammar school playground. The last score was said to be a landslide over Yosemite Lodge (16 to 8) despite the fact that the Lodge fared more admirably on hearty rooters. Could it be that the pretty girl boosters on the side lines are only a distracting element? That's the excuse we hear.

Now we know why Andy Campbell of the kitchen always seems to enjoy himself so much when the orchestra plays those fast rhythms at the dances. Andy was a professional dancer for five years—1915-20, and from the way he kicks up his heels and whirls the girls around we know the steps haven't changed so much in the last few decades. In fact many of us would do well to take a lesson or two from him.



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QUEEN CONTEST FOR COUNTY FAIR

Here's a chance to win fame and a hundred dollars, girls. The Mariposa County Fair, to be held August 30, 31 and September 1, will, like all good fairs, have a queen. She will be chosen, not by beauty alone, but by her ability to sell tickets—brains, in this case, being rated above beauty.

The details of the contest, as explained by George Oliver, queen contest chairman for this district, follow: Any girl, married or single, between the ages of 16 and 25, who is a permanent resident of Mariposa County is eligible. Prospective entrants will be given necessary entry blanks and books of tickets which are to be sold to Valley residents or to guests at .25 each—each ticket sold giving her twenty-five votes.

The contest is divided into two parts, the first part closing August 13. At that time, the contestant from each district who has sold the greatest number of tickets will be determined and until August 27, she will compete with the six other district winners for top honors. The first prize winner will receive \$100; the runner-up, \$60 and the next five \$50, \$40, \$30, \$20 and \$10, respectively.

Each contestant is expected to appear in the opening Fair ceremonies and the parade. The money taken in from the sale of tickets is to be used to purchase parade awards.

Two girls, Joan, also known as Jersey, Jordan, of the Curry Dining Room and Betty Jean McIntosh, of the Laundry, have already signed up and started selling tickets. (They read about the details in the Mariposa Gazette.) See George H. Oliver, Traffic Manager, Y. P. and C. Co., for details, entry blanks and tickets.

AQUAPADES AGAIN!

The hundreds of late arriving people who couldn't get seats for the last Aquapades will have another chance to see the show on August 17 at 8:30 p.m. when it will be presented again. Al Marquez, Aquapades maestro, says that his next show will be rivalled only by Billy Rose's. In order to pay for the shiny white bathing suits the ballet girls bought for the last show, a small admission charge will be made.

OLYMPIC SKI TEAM BENEFIT

If your path takes you to Los Angeles on Wednesday, August 13, don't miss the St. Moritz Ski Ball. Your \$1.25 admission ticket will help send an American Ski Team to the 1948 Olympics. The program will include a ski style and equipment show, ski movies, dancing and a chance to win one of the many door prizes. The Ball is to be held at the Altadena Country Club, which is generally to the north of Pasadena.

RECREATION

The hitherto invincible Curry Cafeteria softballers were soundly trounced by Red Woelbing's Lodge team by the convincing score of 19-0 on July 31. Behind the 6 hit pitching of Jules Ashworth the Lodge sluggers laid down a barrage of 15 hits including home runs by Les Reis and John Hughes.

Fred Pierson's Ahwahnee club is still on the pace with a 15-7 win over the Curry Kitchen and a 5-2 victory over Band-Grill.

Bob Johnson's Waiters are improving with every game. With Webber hitting an .800 clip and Will Lotter, a recent addition at short, they are definitely in the race.

STANDINGS OF TEAMS:	Won	Lost	Pctg
Curry Cafeteria	5	1	.833
Ahwahnee	5	2	.714
Yosemite Lodge	4	2	.667
Curry Dining Room	3	3	.500
Band-Grill	2	4	.333
Curry Main Kitchen	0	7	.000

In a swim meet held at the Lodge Pool on Sunday night, August 3rd, the Curry team dunked their cross valley rivals from Yosemite Lodge 45-23. Webber, Palmer, Hayden and Straight won firsts for Curry while Mumby, from the Lodge, copped the 220 free style and took first place in the diving event. In the medley relay the Curry team of Hayden, Straight and Mayhew defeated Bell, Marquez and Mumby, while the Curry 4-man free style team of Costales, Melvin, Webber and Hayden also won to cinch the meet.

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

Last week was a big week for Bill Purdy, 13 year old Boy Scout of Menlo Park, who won an all-expense trip to Yosemite for himself and family as a result of the winning slogan in a state-wide contest. The contest was held by the California Fire Prevention Committee, composed of members of the National Park Service, State Forestry Division, U.S. Forest Service, and various groups and organizations interested in safeguarding the State against fire.

Bill's slogan *Keep California Green and Golden* is being handed to every visitor to Yosemite these days, and it is believed that already the campaign against carelessness with fire has brought results.

Bill enjoyed hiking, swimming, fishing and riding horseback as well as motoring to Glacier Point and the Mariposa Grove of Big Trees. He appeared on the Camp Curry program one evening and another evening was introduced to a Camp 14 audience by Scoutmaster Mike Manahan of Yosemite Troop 50.

A Park visitor at Tuolumne Meadows is still shivering over a near-collision with a pedestrian along the Tioga Road. It seems he was driving from the Meadows down to Tenaya Lake, and while he was not traveling fast he suddenly saw a person on foot walking on the right-hand side of the road directly in his path.

Fortunately no one was hurt, but the driver insists that visitors be warned always to walk *facing* automobile traffic, and on the left side of the road. There is probably far more danger of accidents from this source in Yosemite Valley than on the Tioga Road, so *always* use the walks wherever possible, and whenever we do have to use the roads, be sure to *face* traffic, rather than turn our backs trustingly to it.

On a pack trip into the northern part of the Park this week are Superintendent Kittredge, Les Moe, Alfred Glass, Rangers Sam Clark and Martischang, George Oliver, Donald McHenry, Bob and Catherine Jane Andrews, Rolf Clark, and George Calkins. The

group left Tuolumne Meadows last Monday morning for Virginia Canyon. They plan to go to Benson Lake, Seavey Pass, Bear Valley, Tiltill and Lake Vernon and return via Hetch Hetchy.

Recent visitors in the Valley were Mr. and Mrs. Paul White who have been spending some time at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge. Paul was many years ago a seasonal ranger-naturalist in the Park during his vacation periods from Long Beach Polytechnic High School where he is a teacher.

Going into the high country the latter part of August are Park Forester Emil Ernst and his two boys, Freddie and Timmy. He will be accompanied on the trip by Ed Delaney and his young son. The group will take burros and pack in from Tuolumne Meadows to the northern section of the Park.

Carol Brockman is now visiting her friends in Yosemite and staying at Harry and Kit Parkers. She and Jean are enjoying their former stamping grounds while Bill serves as fire lookout at Mount Rainier National Park, and Brock devotes some time this summer to writing.

FROM HERE AND THERE

Eloise Aguirre of Paymaster and Melvin Brantley announced their engagement at the Glacier Point formal last week. Louie, as she is known locally, comes from Los Angeles, while Melvin and his family have been in or around the Valley for many years. The Brantleys have recently purchased the El Portal Hotel and are redoing it from cellar to garret.

Fishing has taken up the weekends of quite a few of the local anglers. A week or so ago, George Oliver, Sturge Culver, Marshall Hall, Stan Plumb, (former Traffic Manager) and Bill Dugan, S. F. adman, made a trip to Vernon, Branigan and Laurel Lakes. Old-angler Plumb did well at Laurel; the rest of the party had a good trip. Mr. Plumb is now in the peach business.

Another party of Les Shorb, Sherwood Spurgin, H. Ouimet, Bill Brown, Dr. Sturm, Ralph dePfyffer and Jack Van Housen reported big winds and little fish at Young Lake where they recently tried their luck.

On top of the stories about spotty fishing conditions, Dana Morgenson, who, with Jim Taylor, made a hike in to some of the remoter parts of the Park, tells us that a great big, hungry trout, that long—rose to the surface and struck at his toe as he lowered a hot, tired foot into a secluded stream. Which tale you may believe or not, as you choose.

Our best to Ella Greener, now recovering from an operation in the Lewis Memorial Hospital.

McGILlicuddy WILL LIVE

From the Shadyhaven Home for Ice Cream Scoopers and Other Nervous Wrecks comes word that Hector McGillicuddy, who went into a nervous breakdown on the job last week, is showing improvement. From statistics gleaned during moments when his mind momentarily cleared we are able to give a coverage of events leading up to his collapse.

Hector was in fine physical shape when he arrived in the Valley and took the job of scooping cones at Camp 16. As he'd had no previous knowledge of the work he knew nothing of the struggle he was facing. After a day of continuous scooping he was a wreck. He estimates in that time he scooped a ton and a half of the stuff making a total of one hundred sixty thousand swipes. In the course of the day this activity gradually disjoined his spinal column, wore his muscle fibers to frazzles, knotted his ligaments, flattened his arches, and unhinged his mind.

His vocal apparatus took a terrific pounding. During the day three thousand, seven hundred fifty people, after looking at the sign reading: Flavors—Chocolate, Vanilla, Tutti-frutti, and Prune Krunch, asked, "What flavors have you?" Three thousand, seven hundred fifty times he answered, "We have Chocolate, Vanilla, Tutti frutti, and Prune Krunch." "What! No Strawberry?" "We're out of Strawberry," he gasped. Innumerable times he repeated "Who's next?" "Double or Single?" "Ten cents a scoop." "I'll get to you in just a minute."

During the day one hundred twenty people claimed they had arrived before the person being served. He figures they left thinking he was the worst kind of a heel. At the start, he argued with the more determined ones. Later on he said nothing as his vocal chords were in such an exhausted state that he could only get out a hoarse croak. The ordeal so strained and inflamed he pharynx and trachea that a complete collapse of the vocal mechanism from the epiglottis on down resulted.

In spite of this total exhaustion of the vocal apparatus, extensive overtaxing of all joints, membranes, and muscles from neck to arches, clouding of the brain, and paralysis of the right arm from hand to clavicle, he would have made it through the day if a party hadn't asked for a cone of chocolate and vanilla. He scooped it with the chocolate on top. The person refused to take it; wanted the vanilla on top. That was the last straw. McGillicuddy broke into a hoarse shriek and commenced beating himself over the head with the scooper. Fortunately, in his exhausted condition, fellow employees were able to restrain him before he could do himself much further harm.

Though it is doubted he will ever be the same again, several days of complete quiet

have put McGillicuddy on the road to recovery. Doctors in charge of the case say that as soon as they curb his tendency to leap screaming out of the nearest window at the sight of an ice cream cone McGillicuddy will be ready for release.

—by Ollie Bauquier

CAMP CURRY NEWS AND VIEWS

Several of our former employees have come up for a visit these past two weeks, one of whom is Alva Brown, who was Assistant Manager of the Dining Room last year. "Brownie" is now Dean of Women at Stanford. Tillie Sample, for years the head of the Linen Room, and Edith Nelson, matron of the Terrace, were in, as were Mrs. Lane of the Kiddie Kamp, Roger Lane, ex-porter, and his bride. Also Ed Wells of the Grill and his wife, who worked in the Dining Room, and Midge Pittman of Recreation. Bill, the little tenor of the Sun Spot Quartet, and Dick Gaw, a pre-war master of ceremonies, all were in for short visits.

The old adage, "Where are you going my pretty maid?" really holds true this year at Camp Curry. This group of cute gals is headed by Mrs. Blair, the housekeeper, and Mrs. Mitchell, her assistant. They are helped in the Linen Room by Mavis Miller. Mavis, Marion Horst, and Nell Bortels are all students of the College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland. Nell, the creator of those clever cartoons in the Den, is the cousin of Betsy Bacon who used to manage the swimming pool.

The Dining Room is very proud of two of their members who have been singing on the program, Ernie Larsen, tenor, who works in the kitchen, and Katherine Thomas, waitress. Both have been favorably received by the audiences.

That red-headed fellow who the gals say remind them of Van Johnson, is none other than our Western Union boy, Harry Grogan. The line forms to the right, girls.

A lot of people have been asking about our orchestra. The boys are students of San Francisco State and are lead by Bob Holroyd. Bob is the little brother of Harold Holroyd who played with Bill Struble's Band up here a few years back.

Congratulations, George Meyers, on becoming the new assistant manager of the Grill. We think that you're just the man for the job.

We have a jolly crew at the Post Office, with Bill Ellis as head man. Leah Ashworth Dalton and George Grenfell have the stamp and parcel window. Madeline Holmgren, Jewell Crosby, Patricia Abbey, Donna Morrison, Dean Heisey, and Robert Gallison are the ones who sort the mail and shake their noggins when you come up to the window to ask for that long-awaited letter.

TAX INCREASE PROTESTED

Operations in a National Park are often made more complex by the lack of a clear distinction between the powers and jurisdiction of the local, state and federal governments. When the State of California ceded jurisdiction over Yosemite National Park in 1919, thus establishing the park in its present form, the State reserved certain rights and relinquished all others.

The State reserved the right to serve civil and criminal processes, the right to fix and collect fishing licenses and the right of the residents of the park to vote in local elections. It also reserved the right "to tax persons and corporations, their franchises and property on the lands included in said park."

Under the right to tax, the County of Mariposa has assessed and collected taxes on the property of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. for many years. Our Company has been the largest tax payer and has paid about 10% of the total tax collected in the county.

This year the County Assessor re-assessed the properties of the Company within Mariposa County raising the assessment from \$594,014 last year to \$1,317,250 this year and the amount of the tax from \$20,252.27 to \$48,882.07. With this year our Company will pay 20% of the total County Tax.

Our Company protested this action and appealed to the County Board of Supervisors for reduction of the assessment. Hearings were held at Mariposa July 21 and 25.

The Assessor's position was briefly this: The Company had been under-assessed in prior years and this assessment valued the Company's properties on the basis of current construction costs.

No allowance was made for the fact that the Company's properties are in a National Park and on federal land.

Our Company's position was that it had only such rights of use in its properties as were disclosed in its contract with the Secretary of the Interior. This contract is essentially a lease and title to buildings and improvements on leased land resides in the owner of the land, in this case in the United States. Under the terms of the contract, the Company may not sell or mortgage its properties without prior approval of the government. It may use its properties only for those purposes described in the contract. Furthermore, since there is no provision in the contract for the value of its buildings and land improvements on expiration of the contract other than by sale to another park operator, our Company believed it had not the same values as if it owned the land and buildings outright. Our Company maintained its values were those that tied into the terms of the contract, namely; net depreciated or book values. This method had been recognized by previous assessors and had been the

basis of county taxes for many years. An alternate value could be obtained by capitalizing at the 6% profit anticipated in the contract, the profits earned by our Company, or the dividends paid to its stockholders.

All these methods based on the contract gave substantially similar results.

The Supervisors decided against the Company.

Our Company feels justified in continuing the action into the courts, not only because it believes the basis of the assessment to be inaccurate, but because the Company and the employees of the Company obtain so little in return.

The tax rate in Yosemite this year is \$3.73 of which \$2.21 is for county roads, county police and fire protection and other branches of County government. These various county activities are of very doubtful benefit to residents in a National Park. Our roads are state or federal roads, our police and fire protection are federal and our law is federal law.

The schools are the only tangible return enjoyed by a taxpayer in Yosemite for the payment of county taxes. Our Company has been very happy to contribute the major share in supporting the Yosemite Grammar School; this year it will pay over \$9,000 out of a \$10,000 budget. It has been glad to assist in supporting the high school in Mariposa.

The final chapters in this story will probably be written in the courts. In a way, this is a test case since many questions of conflicting state and federal jurisdiction have not been determined fully. Our Company hopes for clarification as a result of this action.

WATCH YOUR CAMPFIRE!

It doesn't pay to leave your campfire burning according to Paul Runyon of Modesto, who was fined \$150 and removed from the Park for six months by Commissioner Gene Ottonello recently.

Runyon left a fire burning against a log near the North Crane Creek campground. Not only had he left his fire unextinguished, but it was burning against a log and it was outside of the established camping area. In other words, he had three counts against him instead of one.

Ranger Eugene Drown phoned the Chief Rangers Office in Yosemite Valley to be on the lookout for a blue jeep, since a blue jeep was known to have camped at the spot the night before. It was not long before the guilty party admitted having camped there, and pleaded guilty to the charge. For leaving his fire unextinguished, Runyon was fined the \$150 and fines of \$25 each on the other two counts were suspended providing he stay out of the Park for 6 months. (By that time snow should be flying and it will be reasonably safe to have him come in!)



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JERSEY NEAR TOP--BIG SHOW IS PLANNED



Camp Curry's Jersey Jordon is within striking distance of being Queen of the Mariposa County Fair. She sold about \$110.00 worth of tickets during the first half of the contest and can win the title with the support of Valley residents and employees.

The Camp Curry Dining Room crew, Jersey's most enthusiastic backers, will sponsor a big variety show Monday night, August 25 at the Den. Talent has been gathered from all units and the show will undoubtedly be one of the best employee productions ever presented in the Valley.

Admission will be by the purchase of a Fair Queen ticket from Jersey or one of her ticket sellers at the door the night of the performance. Each ticket gives Jersey twenty-five votes and the purchaser a chance on one of the prizes to be given away at the Fair.

MARIPOSA COUNTY FAIR DON'T MISS IT!

The Sixth Annual Mariposa County Fair, Horseshow and Rodeo opens at the Fair Grounds Saturday, August 30 and continues through Labor Day, September 1. The Fair

Grounds are about two miles out from Mariposa on the Mormon Bar Road.

The 3-day exposition opens Saturday at 10 a.m. with the grand parade through town to the arena where the Queen will be crowned (who, with your support, will be Jersey Jordon). Following will be a western horse show open to Mariposa, Madera, Merced and Tuolumne counties. Sunday afternoon, the program includes a roping contest for Mariposa contestants only. Local cowboys will compete for a cash prize and a \$230 roping saddle. Monday afternoon, the highlight of the Fair, the 6-event rodeo, will be presented in the arena. There will be dancing Saturday and Monday nights. Sunday night, the Yosemite Ranger Naturalists will present a "glorified" campfire program.

There is no admission charge to any of the grandstand events except the rodeo.

CAMP CURRY NEWS AND VIEWS

The following former residents of the Valley are back again working for the summer: Joyce and Phyllis Cole at Tuolumne, John Townsley at Mather, Sally Moen at the Lodge and Richard Hodges at the Store. Norma Jean Sprinkel is at Camp Curry. Welcome home, kids.

Flash! Come September 7 Ginny Gilmore of the Grill and Bob Lyons of Wawona are going to take the big leap. Congratulations.

Outside of a skunk who seems to have adopted them, the girls in the Curio Shop are having a very successful season under Ruby Paskell, assisted by Inger Norswing.

Monday night found all ears turned toward the dance pavilion to hear the new orchestra under the direction of Bob Thurlow. No one was disappointed as the strains of "Night and Day" rang out sweetly. Most of the boys hail from San Francisco State and the others are just out of the Army.

In spite of the fact that the Blister Rust Boxing team did not put in an appearance, the Curry Team put on a good show last Sunday. Paul Snow and Roger Heatherly
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OUR HOSPITAL

Getting poked by and saying "ahhhh" for the doctor isn't a particularly choice way to pass away an idle hour. However, these things to all men cometh, apparently, and we're fortunate in having Dr. Avery Sturm, his staff, and the Lewis Memorial Hospital a mere stone's throw away.

Lewis Memorial Hospital was built in 1929 by the National Park Service and named for W. B. Lewis who was Superintendent of the Park from 1916-1928 when he was appointed Assistant Director of the National Park Service.

Dr. Sturm is responsible for taking care of all the aches, pains and sprains of all the employees and guests in the Park—which makes up a sizeable crowd developing about 60-65 ailments per day that are treated at the Hospital. There are usually a half-dozen house calls to be made daily, in addition, and three or four times a month, the stork comes down the Hospital chimney. It's a busy place during the summer season. The Hospital has thirteen beds for adult patients, four bassinets for new arrivals and a crib for anyone in between.

Surgery, to which, dear friend, we hope you are never wheeled, is a first rate department, immaculate, glistening and equipped with all sorts of murderous looking devices. Any sort of general surgery can be performed here with the aid of the most modern technical apparatus provided in the largest metropolitan hospitals.

On the other hand, we have the kitchen and dining room, as spotless as the surgery, where a staff of four turns out culinary delights for the recuperating patients. No waiting in line, no macaroni and cheese and no checks in this dining room.

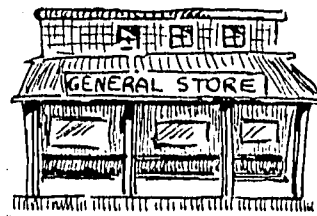
Because the summer people in the Valley are a highly active and mobile lot, climbing mountains, cycling, etc., there are more sprained and broken ankles and other joints than would be suffered by a much larger population in a city. Add to this the high cost

of skiing and we find that Dr. Sturm and associates have vast experience in the field of orthopedics!

Without going too deeply into the employee medical plan, to which all Company employees subscribe, its convenience and economy should be mentioned. It costs an unmarried employee five cents a day and a married employee eight cents per day, including dependents, for medical attention at the hospital. If hospitalization is necessary, rates are less than half those charged by reputable private hospitals elsewhere. Medicine, X-ray, house calls and special treatment are not included in the plan but are available to employees at fees far below the approved rates for the public. Some actuary once calculated that the average person spent about \$7.00 per month for medical treatment. We spend about \$1.50.

So, with no attempt to be sardonic in mind, we can conclude that when the inevitable detour from the rosy path of good health comes along, we're in a beautiful spot for the trip.

BUY A VOTE FOR JERSEY!



OLD VILLAGE STORIES

Irene Uken Prentice, formerly of our Curio Department, and husband Earl, who worked in the meat market, were guests of Evelyn and Wally Gullic recently. They were welcomed by all their friends and reported to miss Yosemite very much. They now live in Redondo Beach and are avid Sentinel readers.

One by one, the summer employees are leaving to return to school. Most, however, will be with us over Labor Day. Richmond Hughes, Stewart Cramer, Lloyd Coley and Richard Gorman will probably be gone by next week.

Joe Pruss, vendor wagon driver, left this week for a short period of active duty in the Army. He will be stationed near Los Angeles.

Old Betsy has been painted a shiny black after being in the round-house for several weeks. Chuck's new venture is a slide balanced dangerously on a couple of tables. Watch out for the splinters, kids!

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"HI" from GLACIER POINT

Bob Brundin, houseboy, peruser of "deep" literature and wielder of a lazy broom, left recently for his home in L.A.

Bill Gutzwiller's artistic tendencies range from steaks to a "queen's" taste—to dish gardens—to scaling adjacent peaks. He's a man of diversified ambitions and his fluffy hot cakes are super. His latest creation, "Half Dome" in a red-fir bark setting adorns a certain titian blonde's room in Seventh Heaven.

Flora Farina, doing double duty as cashier and pianist, is entertaining Angelo Pizzoi of Livermore this week.

There's been a kaleidoscopic shifting of employees recently, Ray and Peggy Malby transferred to Vogelsang last Thursday, Ruth Body from cafeteria to Studio, Bob Clark, the blond boy on office desk, Leona Travis added to housekeeping unit and Nettie Clark and Rebecca Pontius to cafeteria crew.

The bright and smiling *youthful* at the Sandwich bar is Dick Coons of Oakland.

Sunrises! Oh, what they mean to night clerk, Paul Adams, who goes tap-tapping on guests' doors in the wake of the morning. Surely, the poet spoke truly, saying "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin."

If you see Mercury with winged feet dashing down the trails—that will be Ray Adams chasing a stray gum wrapper. He is a government employee—nothing escapes his eagle eye!

This is authentic—Customer in Studio. "Do they put the people in cages when they feed the bears?"

With a hoot and a snort our Firefall Boy, Ronnie, tears up the hill in his latest acquisition. "Diablo." All it needs is a siren—all you need, as a passenger, is a reliable insurance policy.

Familiar sights—Mrs. Warren diligently polishing her jewelry case in Studio—Kurt, the porter, tearing through the halls with a pitcher of ice—Rosanna, flipping cigarette ashes with one hand and shaking a linty mop with the other—Margaret rapidly thumbing through list for the price of corned beef, a la Heid—Scribbie, searching frantically through

stockroom for one more item to replace the many sold—Wally, a long sheet of "To Do's" in hand, chasing a recalcitrant bus boy down Hogan's Alley.

Marty Britten and his bride are living in a "Shangrila" and the campgrounds.

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CAMP CURRY NEWS (continued)

staged an exhibition match as did Raul Diez and Bill Mendoza. In the 165 lb class Marks Greer and Gene Adelbrock of San Diego State put up an excellent fight. Other good matches were between Rex Driver and Don Whipple, Pete Krenkle and Chuck Boucher, and Ernie Oppenheimer and Cliff Crane.

Master of Ceremonies of this year's Curry Program is Leonard Mac Swayne. Leonard was born in Georgia, studied music at the University of Georgia and in Paris, and has received very commendable notices from critics in New York.

Staying at Camp Curry these past few days were world-famous Dr. Lawrence and David Lillienthal of Atomic Bomb fame.

Those of you who were here before the war will remember those charming girls, Las Tapetias, who did much to make the program famous. The youngest of the sisters, Coco, was a visitor in the Park recently. Coco Lindeman Edwards is now working in the Student Employment Bureau of Stanford.

BUY A VOTE FOR JERSEY!

EMPLOYEE'S HOME BURNS

A fire totally destroyed the El Portal home of Charles Everett of the Curry Garage last Tuesday, August 19. Everett had built the home himself since last February when he came to work in Yosemite. The Everetts and their two children were on a picnic down by the river from El Portal when the fire occurred. Upon their return, they found their home completely burned along with all their household and personal belongings.

To help the Everetts over a very difficult period while they get re-established, any contributions of money and clothing will be greatly welcomed by them. The children, two girls, are five and three years old. Mrs. Everett wears size 16 dresses, etc.

All contributions of money and clothing can be sent to the Company personnel office. The Curry Garage employees have already collected a helpful sum.

Be sure to see the August issue of Pacific Pathways magazine. There's a double page, four-color reproduction of an Ansel Adams' Kodachrome of Mirror Lake in it.

AHWAHNEE NEWS



N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

John Wosky, Assistant Superintendent, was married to Naomi Davies, sister of Ed Davies, Assistant Chief Clerk, at the Christian Church at Carson City last Saturday, August 16. They were accompanied on the trip by Ed and Gertie who returned to Yosemite while John and Naomi went to Tahoe Village for their honeymoon.

Many social events have been held lately to honor Carol Brockman and Inez Townsley who have been visiting old friends in Yosemite. Inez has spent some time this summer with son John who is a fireguard at Mather this season.

Did you hear the explosion in the Lost Arrow section recently? It was the result of a rock falling from a high cliff, bouncing over several ledges, and finally landing on a rock a short distance south of the bridlepath.

When the falling rock hit the rock in the Valley, it seemed to completely disintegrate into small fragments with a sort of explosion which sent granite in all directions, even neatly placing one flat section on top of one of Les Moe's most recently erected signs.

It is said that one housewife who was out hanging up clothes was so frightened she ran a hundred yards straight in the opposite direction, through a lawn sprinkler and all, without feeling a drop.

Did you hear about the visitor who asked the ranger at Glacier Point "When do you let 'er loose?" The ranger, nonplussed, asked what she meant and she repeated, "When do you let it go? When is it released?" The ranger, seeing a glimmer of light and assuming she meant the Firefall, asked "You mean the Firefall?" "No," was the reply. "We heard that some time every day you release a glacier up here so people can see it move!"

Art and Ruth Moen and their daughter Marilyn came in last Sunday to visit Sally Moen who is working at the Lodge this summer. It was the first back to Yosemite for several years, and Art, Ruth and Marilyn were busy looking up their many friends. In case you don't know, Marilyn is the stunning blonde skier with the red shirt who appears in the popular skiing film "Sun and Snow" featuring a winter trip to Ostrander Lake Ski Hut.

Word from Doris and Win Churchill, former residents of Yosemite, that their daughter Barbara, now 18, is to be married before many months. You may remember Barbara and Sue as attractive small youngsters of the Churchills when they lived here.

What a great pleasure it was to have Mother Curry visit The Ahwahnee last Sunday for luncheon. The beautiful crown flower lei she was wearing was a gift from her son-in-law in Hawaii. It seemed to radiate some of her own charming personality. Among those who accompanied her were her daughter, Marjorie, Miss Pinkerton and Miss Margaret Jabes.

As summer draws to a close there are many good-bye parties being given for those saying farewell. Bud Busch, one of the smiling front desk men, was honored the other evening at a picnic at South Fork and attended by a lively group of ten among whom were Miles Cooper, Bill Ewbank, Bob Grey and their wives. We hate to see all our old friends go but the departures are accompanied by gay festivities which make us look forward all the more to their return next summer.

Notes of a tea pourer. Those who have been near The Ahwahnee terrace at tea time of late have undoubtedly noticed the number of English accents. It somehow seems so in keeping with the "tea and crumpets" and the great increase in the number of tea sippers also bespeaks many English visitors. All of it creates an enjoyable atmosphere, well in keeping with the quiet dignity of the hotel.

To stray from the sublime to the ridiculous for a moment—we all are wondering by what interesting feat the fragrant "wood pussy" was shooed from his abode under the front office floor boards, on under the gift shop and thence to his wide open spaces. Incidentally, the sprayer which remained for so long on the front desk since the episode has become known as the "skunk atomizer."

SOFTBALL NOTES

As the six softball teams go into the final week of play it is anybody's race with three teams tied for first. The Lodge moved into the charmed circle on August 14 with an 8-7 win over The Ahwahnee. The two teams were tied going into the 7th inning, when, with two outs, Les Reis of the Lodge walked and came clear around when a long fly by Rex Driver was dropped. Although Fred Pierson held the Lodge hitters to 7 hits while The Ahwahnee team was collecting 11 off of Jules Ashworth, tighter fielding by the Lodge team accounted for the victory.

A 3-game play-off between the top four teams will start Saturday, August 23.

STANDINGS OF TEAMS:	Won	Lost	Pctg
The Ahwahnee	6	3	.667
Yosemite Lodge	6	3	.667
Curry Dining Room	6	3	.667
Curry Cafeteria	5	4	.555
Curry Grill	4	5	.444
Curry Main Kitchen	0	9	.000



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Is that 107W? Well, the faucet in . . . etc., etc.

8:00 a.m. "Hello Maintenance—this is Joe at the Lodge—the toaster in the cafeteria is on the blink!"

8:05 a.m. "This is Susie at Curry—the heater in Cabin 22 is making an awful noise!"

8:10 a.m. "Hello—we're out of crockery and the dishwashing machine needs fixing!"

"Who's calling?" No answer.

So the day begins at Maintenance—and it gets worse as it goes along.

To many of us, Maintenance is the department that takes twenty minutes to fix something that we think should only take ten—it's the department that repairs the plumbing in the guest's cottage instead of patching our own broken window.

Maintenance is charged with a tremendous responsibility—the maintenance and repair of all Company buildings and equipment, erecting and dismantling the temporary camps, providing watchman and fire protection and the constant inspection of safety measures. These cares would be mighty if all our installations were centrally located. Consider how they are magnified when our units are so widespread. From Tuolumne to the Big Trees is a long span. Camp 16, the Lodge and Camp Curry housekeeping units and the five High Sierra Camps must go up in the early summer and be dismantled and stored in the fall. Ask someone who has helped erect Vogelsang in June about the mosquitos. And about the icy nights in August when the camps are being taken down. Or about shoveling snow at Badger, chopping trees, or digging out a caterpillar stuck in six feet of snow.

To do all the things that need to be done to keep our units functioning smoothly the service of 87 men are required and their skills include electrician, plumber, carpenter,

machinist, painter, canvas-worker, locksmith and engineer. Tasks undertaken by these crews are varied almost beyond your imagination. All in a day's work come requests to repair a stove in a employee's residence; to patch a tent at Camp 16; move a huge piece of laundry machinery in a hurry or nobody will have clean sheets. Most of the telephone requests are urgent. For instance, if a storage refrigerator ceases to refrigerate, the contents will spoil. If visitor Jones does not get her heater repaired immediately, she will "blow her top," and scratch Yosemite from her must-return-to list.

On an average day Lily Taxeria, who listens to the sad stories of mechanical breakdowns, takes about 40 calls. These are then noted on work orders and the urgency of each one considered. They are then passed along to the appropriate crew for repair. Critical jobs—exposed wiring, plumbing failures, etc., are taken care of first and the less acute disasters later.

Everyone's plight is an emergency.

In addition to these 40 odd hurry-up calls to keep things going, Maintenance also usually has under way three or four large projects such as work on the Badger Pass Ski House, on the ski lifts, painting all the tent frames prior to storage. Several years ago Maintenance built the General Offices.

Machinery and cash registers and the like don't break down only between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Few nights go by during which Mr. Carpenter or one of the Maintenance people isn't routed out of bed to take care of a malfunction of one sort or another.

During our busy summer, the impact and wear on machines and buildings and fixtures is very heavy. Many unskilled people are

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OLD VILLAGE STORIES

Seen around the Village Store were Beth and Bill Birchenall, formerly of Yosemite. Bill, store manager in 1939-40, went on a fishing trip to the mountains, while Beth stayed with the Carpenters, and then continued down to Cathay Valley with Virginia, where she enjoyed a few days at the Mariposa County Fair.

Jack Ring, member of the store family can now be found at his September hideout. In other words, he is again managing Tuolumne Store. He will be there about three weeks, when he will close it for the season. Jack just loves that walk from the store to the Lodge every morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton, former Tuolumne Meadows Store managers, left for San Francisco on Tuesday, due to Mr. Singleton's bad health. They hope to be able to return next year.

A group of people have left the Store to return to school in different parts of the country. Peggy Smith flew to S.F. on Wednesday where she will spend a few days and then continue home to New York by air. Two other travelers are Leon Crosby and Henry Begin, who will fly to Maine this next week to continue studies at the University of Maine. Wes Harmon, manager of Camp Curry Store and son Don, of the Village Store, left Wednesday to return to school. Wes will teach at Hollister and Don will continue at High School.

Iris McFadgen of the Camp Curry Store has returned to her former position as nurse at the hospital. She is missed by her fellow workers but welcomed by the hospital staff.

Don't think that with all of these people gone and others leaving daily that the store is minus a crew. Quite a few of last year's

personnel and a few of the summer crew are still here for the winter and ready to serve one and all.

WATCH THIS COLUMN FOR NEWS OF PRE-INVENTORY SALES

"HI" from GLACIER POINT

A merry party of five, Ernestine Wallis, Margaret Thompson, Gertrude Warren and Alma Sykes piloted by big, blond and beautiful Bob Clark left the Point Monday evening. They spent the first night at Tuolumne Meadows and the second at Lake Tahoe, returning Wednesday, rich in exuberant enthusiasm but poor as to pocket.

At Reno—they met their Waterloo!

Said a little boy here recently, "Yes, we're staying up here to see the stars fall at nine o'clock."

Mrs. Florence Raiguel, who has been visiting with her son and his wife, returned to her home in Grand Rapids, Michigan, last Wednesday.

Dependable—reliable—Steadfast — That's Dick Ballard of the culinary department. Under his soapy manipulation every glass shines like crystal and every plate wears the luster of Havilland.

Two tables of Zioncheks have been the chief Saturday evening diversion during the season. Two hostesses serve light refreshments, and though stakes are low, games have been interesting.

Counting a "day off" lost in which she fails to conquer another peak, Marie Martin of the H.K. division leaps nimbly as a gazelle from Star King to Tenaya Peak, then to Mt. Hoffman—and with nary a pain or ache. How green is my envy!

Soundly and securely we slumber now that Scotty Rehart keeps his nightly vigil over our abode and shoos nocturnal prowlers back to their lairs.

David Moss of the Laundry is a frequent visitor. He claims the moon shines brighter at this altitude. Ho Hum!

The Evangeline Adams of the Point—that's Ethel Chamberlain who reads horoscopes by the stars, car or tea leaves.

Room C—Seventh Heaven—contains more secrets than any session of the U.N.

The season is nearing its close, no doubt, for even the golden mantle squirrels are inquiring about housing facilities and with us the watchword is: "It won't be long now."

CAMP CURRY NEWS AND VIEWS

Now that Labor Day has come and gone everyone is talking about winter plans. Hank Kimbrough has gone to The Ahwahnee as room clerk. The Arnolds, Howard and Jean, Norma Maxwell, and Mrs. Blair are returning to Palm Springs. The exodus to Cal includes George Meyers, Bill Gordon, Bruce Prentice, Dick Merritt, and Jack Hightower. San Jose State and possibly the Olympic Boxing Team of 1948 are claiming Nick and Raul Diez. Doris Weaver and Virginia Effie Norton are taking a graduate course at the Armstrong College in Berkeley.

We didn't realize until after they left that we had two celebrities in the dining room—cute blonde Jane Baker and her fiancée, Will Lotter. Jane is Women's Representative on the Student Council at Cal, and Will was on the Cal Baseball Team which won the National Championship this spring. He is going out for football and track and wants to become a coach.

Leaving the Store are Byron Ishkanian who has a track scholarship to U.S.C., and Elton Murphy, quarterback on the Mariposa High School Team.

Our school marms who are returning to duty are Lydia Scharton (Cigar stand) and Pat Pinnell (Curio shop) to Fresno, Mary McClellan and Alice Lovett, counselors, to Las Vegas and Arizona respectively.

Have you noticed the sparkle on Harriet Holsinger's left hand as she waits on people in the Curio shop? Don Lockman of The Ahwahnee is the man. No date set yet!

Many thanks to the Dining room kids for the excellent program they put on in the Den the other night. Bill Moody, Hersh McMullen, George Manoogian, and Mace Danziger were the "brains" behind the scenes.

An old-timer of pre-war days, ex-porter Harry Polson was in for several days. Harry is now an underwriter for an insurance company in San Francisco.

Bob Bowman, a last year's Transportation office man also breezed in over the week-end for a visit. He is now attending Cal.

Certainly was good to see Kathy Lally, now an interior decorator, when she dropped in for a few days.

AHWAHNEE NEWS

With all the recent departures of friends heading back for home and school, there have been a few old timers here to visit the Valley once again. Among them a warm welcome is due Bernice Smith (now Mrs. Andrew Chaney) who is here from Los Angeles visiting husband Andy. It's good to see the familiar faces back again.

Others who have been recently welcomed into the fold as Ahwahnee workers are Hank Kimbrough, our new room clerk, and Silvia Simonds who has replaced Connie Edmondson in the Gift Shop. We suspect that Silvia will quickly pick up a chatting knowledge of Spanish from her co-worker, Gerry Babcock, who has been overheard of late keeping up her end of the conversation with many of our South American and Mexican guests. Let it never be said that The Ahwahnee doesn't make its guests feel at home—"no es verdad?"

Among the recent Hollywood celebrities here keeping The Ahwahnee on its toes have been Yvonne DeCarlo and Janis Paige, both adding their share of festiveness to the atmosphere of the hotel. But the real feeling of festivity came from the reports of the Fair at Mariposa over the weekend. The whole affair was quite spectacular in its feeling of "Gay Nineties" days with Yosemite-ites carrying away a goodly number of the honors.

OUR MAINTENANCE DEPT. (continued)
operating equipment with which they are not familiar, with the result that we may have more failures than would be the case when the use was spread out over a full year and experienced operators were available. That's why Maintenance is busy around the clock and why we may have to wait a while to get something repaired. But they do a consistently fine job and deserve our understanding and cooperation.

"Maintenance! I can't get into my room. No, the lock's not broken. I've lost my key!"

RADIO REPAIRS AVAILABLE

Radio repairman H. R. Gillette, who has been in Camp 6, Government entrance, for the past two months will be available until October. He has a complete stock of tubes and parts and has had many years experience in the radio repair business. Gillette plans to return next year.

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YOSEMITE ENTRY WINS PRIZE

The old stagecoach that usually reposes at Wawona had its wheels greased and was hauled over to Mariposa for the County Fair Parade. Driven by Lowell Ledson and occupied by some of the local beauties dressed in the style of the '90's, the entry won first prize for horse drawn vehicles.

BEAUTY ENTRANT TAKES THIRD PLACE

Jersey Jordan, the Yosemite entry for the Queen of Mariposa County Fair, ran third to winner Helen McNutt of El Portal, and Gloria Guenther of Cathay Valley, second place winner. Jersey worked hard and had the support of her Valley friends but her job in the Camp Curry dining room kept her from getting around to all the potential ticket buyers in the County. She rode on the Queen's float, a beautifully decorated Y.T.S. bus. Bertha Sarver, of The Ahwahnee, made a lovely job of dressing up the bus in greens, cones and flowers to make a fitting float for the Queen and her entourage.

NEWS FROM THE BIG TREES

Edith Kay, one of our waitresses was recently awakened about 5 a.m. by a very loud pounding on the roof. Thinking it was one of boys playing pranks, she grabbed her robe and dashed outside with fire in her eyes, ready to lay someone low. The pounders were a pair of chipmunks high in a sequoia dropping cones on the roof. Realizing that there is a hard winter ahead, Edith forgave them for disturbing her slumber.

Mrs. Merrill of the Curio Shop is under the Hotel Division's suspicion of trying to blow up the Lodge. She emptied her wastebasket into the fireplace one afternoon and shortly there was a tremendous explosion showering ashes and dust all over the lobby, scaring our porter, Dave Duran, out of his wits. Investigation brought to light three shells of flashlight batteries which were evidently in the basket. From now on Dave says he will personally empty the Curio's refuse. Wonder if that's what was intended?

We welcome to the fold Frances Lance; a little late, but nevertheless welcome. Her

husband is with the Armed Forces in Korea.

Wawona Point seems to be the place these past few evenings. With the nearby forest fire covering the sky with a smoky haze, the sunsets are nothing short of terrific. The familiar cry is, "Edna, do you have any more Kodachrome?"

SOFTBALL NOTES

At the completion of the 30 game schedule, with 6 teams competing in a hotly contested race, The Ahwahnee team landed on top of the heap, barely nosing out the Lodge and Dining Room who were tied for second.

But it was the 4th place Grill team who came with a rush and blasted their way to the top in the play off by disposing of the Lodge and then edging out a victory in the last half of the 7th after trailing the favored Ahwahnee champs throughout the early innings.

The team managers, Fred Pierson, Ahwahnee; Jack Onstot, Grill; "Red" Woelbing, the Lodge; Bob Johnson, Dining Room; Vere Butler, Cafeteria; and Ernie Oppenheimer from the Main Kitchen all did a swell job and a bigger and better program for next year is anticipated.

TOP TWENTY HITTERS

(Only those who played in 5 or more games are included)

Player	Team	At Bat	Hits	Pct.
Driver,	Lodge	37	20	.540
Wark,	Lodge	28	15	.535
Melvin,	Dining Rm.	34	18	.529
Klippel,	Ahwahnee	34	17	.500
Butler,	Cafeteria	51	24	.470
Costa,	Cafeteria	30	14	.466
Selman,	Ahwahnee	36	16	.444
Costales,	Dining Rm.	28	12	.429
Johnson,	Dining Rm.	32	13	.406
Minerich,	Ahwahnee	42	17	.405
Ashworth,	Lodge	20	8	.400
Lotter,	Dining Rm.	28	11	.392
Parkerson,	Ahwahnee	28	11	.392
Snow,	Ahwahnee	44	17	.386
Tinhoff,	Kitchen	26	10	.384
Kelstrum,	Ahwahnee	21	8	.381
Woelbing,	Lodge	35	13	.371
Pierson,	Ahwahnee	44	16	.363
Onstot,	Grill	39	14	.358
Thomas,	Ahwahnee	42	15	.357



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THE OLD VILLAGE EMPORIUM RELAXES



The Village Store, besides purveying every kind of commodity from smoked caviar to baby's diapers, serves a social need in the lives of Valley dwellers. You can find out where the fish are biting and on what fly; what kind of wax you should use on your skis; how to cook zucchini au fromage en casserole. Housewives make dates for tea, exchange cold cures and heaven knows what else. Nowhere are such good, reliable rumors passed along by customers. All these services are available daily and absolutely without charge.

Like the other Company enterprises that serve the visitor, the Village Store is confronted with the usual spring disturbance of having business increase in astronomical proportions almost overnight. The number of employees jumps five-fold in about a week. And instead of stocking 100 pies, it becomes necessary to stock 1000. In fact, during the busy season, the store sells a staggeringly great number of popular foods. On a normal July day, 3500 quarts of milk go out of the ice box and about the same number of loaves of bread off the shelves. Watermelons are hauled in and sold, three truckloads a day!

In spite of the hectic pace and the thousands of customers that bulge the walls, the Store people still seem to find time for a little

personal service, time to take care of the unusual requests of visitors and locals. Like the lady at The Ahwahnee who had to have a quart of goat's milk every day. The milk of the goat was the only thing that would combat her peculiar ailment. The Store had no goat's milk and knew of nowhere to get it; nor did Borden's have it. However, after a wide search of the back lots around Fresno, Borden's manager found a cooperative goat and the required quart was shipped up daily.

Valley babies who need obscure and remote ingredients for their formulae are taken care of and certain kinds of canned foods are stocked for just one customer. Many items otherwise unavailable are ordered specially for local people.

We have heard, and so have you, people grumble about the high price of food at the Store. The Store is singled out as the one place in the country where ground meat is 80c per pound. To these malcontents we say, shop outside somewhere, anywhere, and make a fair comparison, brand for brand, cut for cut of meat. We recently saw a lady in one of the biggest chain, "sell for less," stores in Los Angeles pay 84c for two ordinary looking pork chops. So much for the high cost of eating.

The Village Grill, or Spoon, where the food is good and *appears promptly*, is under the wing of the Store. Some sort of a record was set the day when 10,000 ice cream cones were delivered to waiting hands. How Nat, Foxy, Gladys, Vince and others take care of the crowds that descend like locusts without becoming jibbering idiots will probably stay burried in their own calm bosoms.

We are looking forward to winter; to Mr. (continued inside)

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"HI" from GLACIER POINT

In white cap and long-tailed coat, His Highness "Murphy" officiates at both meat block and kitchen range. The added duty of porridge-stirrer just accentuates his dignity.

Overheard at Firefall area:

Wife—"So that's Half Dome! Whatever became of the other part of it?"

Husband—"Guess the Park Dept. hauled it away!"

A gay party of six—Alma Sykes, Herbert Hageman, Margaret Thompson, Earl Tapp, Flora Farina and Florence Scribner, squeezed into Earl's jeep Wednesday and drove grandly to Bass Lake—weather perfect, food very satisfying and company congenial.

Mrs Rosa Steiner arrived from Los Angeles this week to spend the rest of the season with her son Ronny, the Beau Brummell at the desk.

To date 31,060 bags of peanuts have been sold at the studio—will someone serenade us with the Peanut Vendor?

Rosalie Whiteside is chief instigator of a farewell jamboree this coming Thursday. There will be gayety and merriment as befitting the final gathering of a group who has worked together so amicably all season. Costumes or evening dress—whichever you prefer. Several recordings are to be made. Order one early, for demand will greatly exceed the output.

With a cheery smile and a pleasant word, Jackson Myers of the culinary department, concocts his favorite dishes and then dispenses same to a hungry populace. Our hats are off to him!

Little boy in Studio: "Mama, buy me a belt with road lights on it, willya?"

The gal with the willpower:

That's Helen Hayes, who has lost sixteen

pounds in two weeks, despite temptations of Ed's delicious rolls and pastry.

Two pleasant-faced chaps have joined the ranks as bus boys. They are Orvin Larson and Fred Reim.

Rebecca Pontius visited with Fresno relatives over the weekend.

Our Studio floor shines like a mirror since Frank Payne began manipulating the waxer. He's an old deck hand from the Navy.

While a group watched an ambitious chicory cut down Jeffrey pine cones recently, a woman with a Park Avenue accent inquired, "Really!! Are they cocoanuts?"

—Scribbie

NEW S. F. OFFICE HEAD

Amos Neal, whose last assignment in Yosemite was assistant manager at Wawona, was made manager of the San Francisco office and assumed his duties September 15th. Dick Gibson, former manager, will head the Los Angeles office. Last reports were that Amos was happy in his new home but will welcome a hello from any Valley people who squeeze in a call at 39 Geary Street.

NEW SKI SCHOOL HEAD

The director of the Yosemite Ski School for the coming season will be Bill Cahow, according to Charles N. Proctor, Winter Sports Department chief. Bill will be remembered as having skied at Badger for many years and having instructed under Luggi Foeger before the war and under Trubi for one winter following the war.

The Trubschencks are leaving the Valley soon as Trubi has accepted an active duty assignment with the Air Force.

VILLAGE EMPORIUM (continued)

Brown looking less harried, to Jack Ring and Ellis Whitley helping women whose arms are full of groceries and children; to seeing Pauline McKee selling ski shoes to people who have no intention of buying them; to Gen and Jean with their adding machines; to Pop Danley, everyone's choice for president, giving apples to the children; and to the host of others who make the Village Store one of the nice things about life in the Valley.

The only thing we need is a cracker barrel and a red hot stove—and a spittoon!

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CAMP CURRY NEWS

A swimming pool with no water; a parking area using but half of its capacity; the dance pavilion with a handful of customers; a grill, cafeteria, and dining room operating at half speed—so Camp Curry nears the end of its 1947 summer season.

Among the notables leaving this week is Bill Conrad, the ever returning head porter. Bill has been in Yosemite almost every year since 1919. With him goes a certain atmosphere that he alone creates; those that know him, know that with Bill another good part of Camp Curry has gone till next year.

Evelyn Mitchell is another that left this week. Evelyn will be remembered by her singing, especially the Indian Love Call, which she sang almost every night during the Firefall. We are now wondering how Ennis Callaway, caller of the Firefall, will sound trying to replace Evelyn!

After going through the "goodbye—see you next year" routine, Harry Nelson left last Sunday morning to return the same afternoon with minor cuts from an accident he suffered a few hundred yards from Arch Rock. It seems Harry can't tear himself away from the Valley.

WINTER CLUB TO BE REVIVED

The Yosemite Winter Club, the original sponsor of winter sports events in which Yosemite residents and visitors participated, will be rejuvenated this winter. The Winter Club hibernated, to a great extent, during the war, and its presence was missed by all who enjoyed taking the various ski tests and attending the Winter Club frolics. Further announcement of the plans for the coming winter season will be made soon in the Sentinel.

VISITING PHOTOGRAPHER

Josef Muench, whose photographic work on the west has appeared in many publications recently, just completed a three weeks' tour on foot of the Yosemite High Sierra accompanied by Mrs. Muench. Muench said the trip was highly successful, which means he was able to get pictures he wanted. A new book of his views on Yosemite is scheduled to appear early next year.

AHWAHNEE NEWS

Once again Convention Time is just around the corner for workers at The Ahwahnee. It will start off with the California Tractor Dealers' Convention on the 20th and work up to a grand climax on September 28, at which time the 650 delegates of the National Coffee Association will take over. All are expecting a holiday spirit to reign!

A welcome to the many new faces seen around the hotel, the owners of which are busily putting in their oars preparing for the winter season. At least there will be many a duck-tail cut from the nap of the neck! Our new barber, Charlie Hall, has arrived from Camp Curry—and doing a good job too. Edith Beer is responsible for the artistic and colorful flower arrangements about the hotel since Bertha Sarver has left us on a three-months' leave of absence (she'll be back in time to see the wreaths go up for the Bracebridge Dinner). Hello, too, to Bob Mills in the side hall, newly arrived from Los Angeles. He and Doty Verhaar make quite a team, the speed of which can scarcely be equalled. Also the new elevator operators, Vince Perkins and Bill Barone, are doing famously in keeping the youngsters amused with up and down rides . . . All in all, The Ahwahnee is still humming with activity and many an eager word is heard spoken for the winter sports season which will soon be upon us.

SIGHTSEES!

The new Indian Village at Tecoya with Chief Chuck as head tribesman. The local kids (and grownups) never had so much fun since Chuck's arrival.

The new signs at the Dam—but keep your eye on the road while you read 'em!

Paul Dinsmore—stripped to the waist—but with a tan still rosy red.

Skiers, anticipating a heavy winter, eagerly watching the Maintenance crew putting the finishing touches on Badger. Syd Ledson, with his perennial cigar, encouraging the boys to do a good job.

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

Travel over the recent Labor Day weekend did not keep pace with the record-breaking crowds of July 4 of this year. There were 519 less visitors this Labor Day weekend than last year when 22,183 came into the Park. Campgrounds had about 1000 fewer campers this year than last.

The reduction in the number of visitors is attributed to the fact that there were a great many fairs going on throughout the State.

Harry Parker, Harry Robinson and John Battenburg are on glacier survey this week. The group is measuring the glaciers on Mt. Lyell, Mt. Maclure, Mt. Dana and Mt. Conness.

Five members of the House of Representatives visited Yosemite this week following hearings of the Small Business Committee in Reno. The first to arrive were Congressman and Mrs. Grant, of South Bend, Ind., accompanied by Congressman Walter Floeser, the Chairman of the Committee.

The following day Congressmen R. W. Reihlman, M. W. Rowell, and Maddren and their respective families arrived at The Ahwahnee and drove to the Mariposa Grove that afternoon. All left for San Francisco the next day.

Brigadier General L. J. Whitlock and his daughter stopped off in Yosemite en route from Tokyo to Fort Sam Houston. General Whitlock served throughout the war as Deputy Chief of Staff (in charge of Supply) under MacArthur, and has been living in Japan since the end of hostilities.

The Yosemite Brownie Troop No. 1 under leadership of Mrs. Helen Wammack and Mrs. Denise Nixon decided they would go camping the latter part of August. Instead of hiking to Ostrander Lake as their big sisters, the Girl Scouts had done earlier in the season, they camped out in Camp 9, popular stamping grounds of many another group of Scouts. They camped one night and took a side trip to Indian Caves.

While the Brownies didn't have the unforgettable experience with illness that the Girl Scouts had at Ostrander, they enjoyed some thrills. During the night some of them heard a weird call or scream. All sorts of possibilities came to mind. Maybe it was a mountain lion, or a bobcat. A few more calls convinced them it was an owl.

To make sure that the bears didn't get their

bacon and sugar, they put all food safely away in their locked cars only to have the squirrels eat up most of their crayons!

HERE AND THERE

Elsie Schoen, of the Traffic Dept. left on her vacation in Chicago wearing Thornton Elliot's newly bestowed engagement ring. She got the ring on Friday night and left on Saturday. Which seems like a heck of a time to go to Chicago.

Hunters—Note Well! Before you shoulder your gun and go off after game, you'd better check the local regulations about transporting killed birds or deer into the Park and about where you can camp with respect to Park boundaries.

The first rain of the season fell September 15-16 generally all over the Park and was gaged at .44 inches. This was the first rainfall since June 7.

Mr. Gillette, the radio repairman who was announced as living in Camp 6 has moved to Camp 4, where he is again in business. His Post Office box is 282.

The male population of the Valley took a big jump during early September. A young man arrived in the family of the Ronald James on the 6th; the Loren Trubschenck's and the Thomas Tucker's additions came on the 9th and the new Newman on the 17th.

VILLAGE STORIES

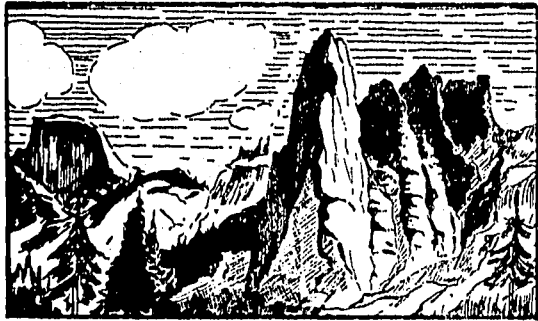
Inventory will take place on October 1 and the Store will be closed for the day. Directly following inventory the store will be closed on Sundays.

Watch the clothing department for bargains—playsuits, socks, and other articles are reduced in price now.

If you have seen members of the Store riding around in an ancient car, they have been on official business. The Company provided us with the "whoopie" to deliver supplies to Camp 14 and Camp Curry stores, and to use for other errands. A recent traveler on the "whoopie special" was Pauline McKee of the clothing department. She claims it was fun, but hard on the hair-do.

Slips that pass the editor—

On a recent movie leaflet "the stars made the most of their exciting rolls . . ."



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YOSEMITE WINS

Yosemite Grammar School opened its 1947 season October 4 with a convincing 46-25 victory over Bear Creek Grammar School. Spearheaded by Carl Wilson, a fast, hard driving fullback, Yosemite swept into an early lead and added to its advantage as the game progressed.

Bear Creek fought hard but was out-manned, though it packed enough punch to score in each quarter. At all times, its speedy backs were dangerous breakaway threats, exploding suddenly with touchdowns from any part of the field. Bear Creek scored first on a 40 yard run by Robert Hibpsham from end-around to lead momentarily. Its second touchdown climaxed a march late in the second quarter when Dwayne Longenbaugh, fullback, plunged over from the one yard line. In the second half Ned Warner returned a kickoff 60 yards to score while his brother, Phil, scampered 55 yards with a pass in the closing moments of the game.

Yosemite presented two complete teams; one light and fast, the other heavier and loaded with power. The light team, though badly outweighed, played Bear Creek on fairly even terms, scoring one touchdown of its own on a nine-yard pass to Bob Lamkin, thus completing the longest march of the day, some 65 yards.

The heavy team carried too many weapons for Bear Creek and pushed over six touchdowns, though it played only a third of the game. Carl Wilson, Burleigh Johnson and Eddie Estes scored a pair of touchdowns each.

The outstanding feature of the Yosemite attack was its diversity. Power smashes into the middle were mixed with end-arounds and a short passing game to keep the pressure on continuously. Charlie Castro, captain and quarterback, handled his team like the veteran he is. In addition, he completed

10 out of 18 passes, two for touchdowns. Charlie and George Murphy, at center, played the entire game except for one short breather just before the end of the half.

Circumstances reduced Bear Creek to the six starting players so Ted Phillips, Yosemite alumnus, was pressed into service against his former teammates. It was a hot day and Ted saw plenty of action.

Yosemite's next game with Cathay's Valley has been postponed indefinitely. As a result, negotiations are under way to play two games with Sebastopol. A tentative schedule follows:

October 18—Sebastopol—Here

November 1—Sebastopol—Mariposa

November 8—Mariposa—Here

December 6—Mariposa—Mariposa

SUMMARY

YOSEMITE—(FB) Wilson, Compton,
(HB) Johnson, Lamkin
(QB) Castro, Adams
(RE) C. Eckart, Ernst, Adams
(C) Murphy, Ouimet
(LE) Hallock, R. Eckart, Ouimet.
BEAR CREEK—(FB) Longenbaugh
(HB) Phil Warner, Phillips
(QB) Ned Warner
(RE) Robert Hibpshman
(C) Ronald Hibpshman
(LE) Parker, Morrow.

Score by Periods—

YOSEMITE	19	7	6	14—46
BEAR CREEK	7	6	6	6—25

Scoring—

YOSEMITE: Touchdowns—Wilson 2, Johnson 2, Estes 2, Lamkin.

Conversions—Wilson 3, Murphy 1.

BEAR CREEK: Touchdowns—Phil Warner, Ned Warner, Longenbaugh, Robt. Hibpshman.

Conversions—Phil Warner.

OFFICIALS: Paul Snow, Referee; Bob Minnich, Umpire; Stewart Cramer, Head Linesman.

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CACKLES FOR CHUCKLES

We welcome the return of "Duke" Doucette to the Valley as manager of the Lodge Cafeteria. Duke just closed Tuolumne Meadows Lodge after a very successful season.

Payhee Mizell, former Cafeteria Manager, recently revisited the Valley for a day or two.

Jimmy Hamer, the "Yo-all Head Porter" has the record long distance "front." A guest parked his car in the Old Village, walked over to the Lodge and registered.

Joe Meredith, room clerk, has the amazing faculty for spotting all the new cars in the Valley. He will argue the weight, horsepower, model, make and price of everything new on four wheels.

In the hearts and flowers group, Colleen Bisson (studio) had her Kenneth visiting her the past week end Ah! L'amour.

Do you have any pipes available—the smoking variety? John Malone has a handsome collection but will gratefully accept additions.

Bob McGovern, having closed Camp 16, has joined the happy ranks of room clerks.

Our Sonny "Coffee man" Lewis has the makings of a real photographer. Don't let the frequent flash of bulbs scare you. We are anxious to see the results of the pix taken at the theater the other night. Should be some rare expressions among them.

Our artistic fancies are pleased by the hand painted ties worn by George Simmons of the Transportation desk. They're done, and expertly, by his wife Sylvia.

A Texas guest recently inquired if our \$3.00 a day rate included meals.

That's all, folks!

LODGE LODGINGS

One of the facts that we would like to present to prove that the feminine employees of the Lodge are very hardworking gals is their daily task of caring for their coiffures. It has been reported by several male inhabitants of the annex that they spend at least half of the day "putting up" their silken tresses—the other half taking it down.

Profiles of Genius—Dick Jaeger expounding the philosophical theories of a porter to a cozy group around the campfire at (attention Paul Snow) midnight—Jean Brandon, of Post Office fame, knitting, giving information to your erstwhile reporter, and finding mail for Joe Doakes—all at the same time.

To the bewilderment of all concerned, the business at the Gift Shop has been picking up steadily in spite of a decreasing house count. It has been intimated by some that this might be due to the presence of two new very comely employees in the persons of Colleen Bisson, summer lifeguard, and Annette DeWeese, high country hasher.

With the wind up of the World Series, work has once more been resumed in the kitchen. Coach "Bats" Pierson was thinking of issuing uniforms. Quite a bit of confusion resulted in whether the home plate was going to be in the salad pantry or the soup kettle.

Bedlam has nothing on the Village movie when Joe Meredith went into competition with Donald Duck. Of course Joe still can't wiggle his pinfeathers.

LIFE MAGAZINE PRESENTATION

The very dramatic and worthwhile LIFE show, "The New America" will be presented for Yosemite people in The Ahwahnee auditorium on Monday night, October 13 at 7:30. George Oliver arranged with the advertising group that will be conventioning at The Ahwahnee then and with the LIFE people for this special showing. First consideration will be for Yosemite Grammar School students, then for other locals.

The show is like nothing ever witnessed before and has been shown to very few audiences in the U.S. Inasmuch as it is to be shown for the advertising convention immediately after it is shown for us, everyone is urged to arrive on time and depart promptly.

OVERSEAS RELIEF

This winter hunger and cold will bring greater suffering than ever before to the peoples of Europe and Asia. In the midst of our plenty, we cannot but carry a sense of responsibility for our less fortunate fellowmen. Here are some suggestions to give you an opportunity to help:

1. Send old clothing overseas through the local church.
2. Give money. The local church received an offering this week for overseas relief and you may add your gift to that amount. You may also send a CARE package with a gift of \$10.00.
3. Have your family take responsibility for a family in Europe—by personal correspondence you can determine the needs of a certain family and do something directly about it. This approach also brings the advantage of an enlarged perspective of the world in which we live.

If you want to help, telephone Alfred Glass at 125W.

CHURCH SERVICES

Roman Catholic Masses—7:30 to 8:30 a.m. in Old Village Chapel.

Protestant Services—9:45 a.m. Sunday school for children at the Schoolhouse.

10:15 to 10:45 a.m.—Brief Service. Designed for employees with no other free time but open to everyone.

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Special music. Sermon by the local minister, Reverend Alfred Glass.

EMPLOYEES' CLUB OPENS

The employees' clubhouse at the Lost Arrow is now open and welcomes all privilege card holders. Hours are 7-11 p.m.; 2-5 Saturday afternoon. The hours from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday are set aside for the local youngsters. The club is closed on Wednesdays.

Edna Berkland, better known as Miss B, is the counselor in charge and plans an opening dance soon to get the fall and winter season under way. Ping pong, chess, checkers, dancing and a host of other activities are available. The soda fountain will be open and under the able hand of Joe Thomas.

VILLAGE STORIES

With the coming of October 1st, came inventor. "Pop" Danley was counting carrots and lemons. Ellis Whitley busy with the cottage cheese and Lillie knee deep in miles of spaghetti and macaroni. Pauline McKee was measuring and counting black and white shoestrings, and others, like Evelyn, counting her jewelry and Francis her many cures for aches and pains. Gen and Mr. Brown, who have inventoried Camp 14, Camp Curry and Wawona Stores, besides the Village Emporium, are now busy trying to find an excuse for not helping next year. They have been counting groceries instead of sheep at night.

Jack Ring, due to the cold weather, is with us again. Actually, the Tuolumne Store is closed for the season and Jack is back with us to carry on as usual.

Vacation time sees Ellis and Hazel Whitley touring the state. Frances Powell and her husband Russ from C-2 have left for awhile. Pauline McKee leaves next month for a trip south. Elnora is planning a trip to Los Angeles and Jeanne plans a trip to Utah. Mr. Brown will leave soon for San Diego and on up the coast to Mendocino, where he will vacation at the seashore for a few days.

THE SAGA OF STINKY

Behind the Lodge lies a tale. The tail belongs to a skunk. The animal's name is "Stinky." He belongs to Louis Smith of the kitchen staff.

Louis has a hobby for skunks. He has known many of them in his life.

But to keep a long tale down, "Stinky" is a New Yorker. He hails from Brooklyn and speaks with a Bronx accent.

Louis raised him from a pup. He gives his pet a daily bubble bath, uses Life Buoy and puts Arrid under all five arms.

"Stinky" is taken for an airing each day. He can't understand why folks flee from him. They associated with him in Brooklyn.

Although he carries his tail proudly like a peacock, he always has a downcast look. It's because local skunks won't have a thing to do with him.

Their nose knows. "Stinky" isn't atomic any more. He's been defrosted.

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

Ranger Eugene Drown and family left Yosemite September 20 for Stony Ford where he will serve in the Forest Service organization west of Willows in the Coast Range. Gene and his family will be missed by their many friends here who wish them success in their new location.

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Joseph Silva Jr. and Carl White, both of Mariposa, were apprehended October 5 with unsealed firearms above the Wawona meadow, by District Ranger Jerry Mernin. They pleaded guilty next day before U.S. Commissioner Ottonello and were fined \$50 each.

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Have you heard any shooting around the Valley lately? Don't be alarmed for it is only Buck Evans and his .22 rifle, (and hand gun, and howie knife, and poison barley) out after ground squirrels. Buck has accounted for hundreds of these animals which have increased in population beyond all bounds.

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The travel year of 1947 ended September 30 with a total of 775,478 visitors recorded, an increase of 20.9% over last year's previous record travel. For the past few months it has been anyone's guess as to what the final total would be. Following the July 4 record-breaking crowds it seemed that 800,000 wouldn't be far off. Then came Labor Day and fewer visitors this year than last and the percentage of increase over last year fell off.

The decrease late in the season may be attributed to several things, first the large number of fairs going on over Labor Day, and the general feeling that this is a dry year for Yosemite and not the best time to see the Park. The overall figures, however, prove that 1947 was the biggest year on record for the number of visitors to Yosemite National Park.

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Alma and Bill Breckenkamp are having a fine vacation in Southern California while Fred and Marge Quist look after Billy. Part of their three weeks' leave is to be spent with friends on a brand new boat.

AHWAHNEE NEWS

With the wintry blasts just around the corner many heads can be seen getting together in discussion groups planning how to pass long winter evenings in both merry making

and worthwhile activities. Anyone with constructive ideas to offer are cordially invited to lend their experience (or lack of it) to the fun and merry making. There will be Folk Dancing (headed and ably instructed by Dotty Bailey), as well as the newly formed Little Theater group which has already goaded enthusiastic participants to send home for musical instruments and beseeching families to raid the household attics for costumes. Then there's the Yosemite Songsters who are forming anything from a Barber Shop Quartet to holiday caroling groups for the time when the Christmas spirit fills the air. You can see The Ahwahnee is buzzing.

It isn't enough that the Coffee Conventioners left us with our heads whirling. From all the Yosemite old-timers who ventured their opinions, the unanimous opinion was that it was about the biggest thing that has hit the Valley since the Great Flood of nineteen hundred and froze to death—and perhaps no less catastrophic. But everyone agrees that even the extra work was fun midst the hustle and bustle and it now seems so much the harder to settle down to a quietly functioning routine—hence the activity-packed plans for the winter months ahead.

PICKING UP THE DAISIES

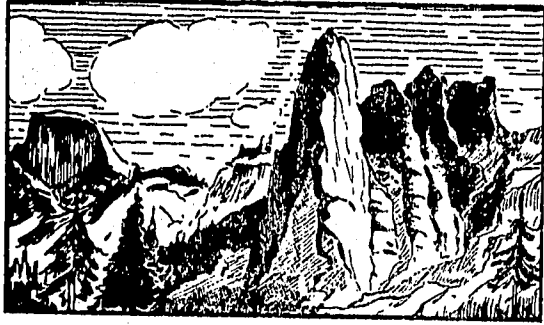
Just heard from that genial Irishman, Jack Dawson. Jack has finally taken the opportunity to return to the auld sod, and from all accounts, is having a wonderful time.

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Latest engineering feat is the "barn" now being constructed on the Morgenson's patio. Chuck is still handling his gang with an iron hand—no laying down on the job. The outside finish of the building is rather unique, being made up of practically every brand of peach, orange and egg boxes on the market. The Tecoya moppets spent their first night under a canopy of rather low-hanging clouds.

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There are a lot of children playing around the Tecoya area and before it is too late, we ask the local "Barney Oldfields" to take it easy going round the back road—you've got plenty of time!



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YOSEMITE WINS AGAIN

If you weren't out on the local grammar school gridiron last Saturday afternoon, October 18, you missed one of the liveliest six-man football games of this or any other season. In a routin' tootin' free-scoring fracas, the Yosemite team decisively out-pointed Sebastopol Grammar School, 46-19, to continue its newly-acquired winning streak.

Leading the scoring parade with five touchdowns was Carl Wilson, who, at fullback, spent most of the afternoon tearing off huge chunks of yardage in the direction of the opposition's goal line. His running mate, Burleigh Johnson, accounted for two more.

Aiding all this hustle and bustle to no small degree was the accurate passing of Charlie Castro, who completed 5 out of 9 tosses for a total of 67 yards.

Defensively, the locals continued to show improvement, stopping dead in its tracks a determined upsurge by Sebastopol in the fourth quarter after a blocked kick. Special mention should be made of the play of Eddie Estes at left end and Jimmy Starr at center, both of whom were stalwarts on defense.

For Sebastopol, Clark McCall, at fullback, also did some powerful running, scoring two touchdowns and gaining a net total of 185 yards. This was the first time Sebastopol had played football in actual competition having taken up the pigskin art only this season. Their starting team played the entire game without relief, and demonstrated an amazing ability to carry on effectively against heavy odds.

A return game will be played with Sebastopol on November 1, at Mariposa.

SUMMARY

Score by Periods—

YOSEMITE	21	13	6	6—46
SEBASTOPOL	7	6	6	0—19

Scoring—

YOSEMITE: Touchdowns—Johnson 2, Wilson 5.

Conversions—Estes 2, Starr 2.

SEBASTOPOL: Touchdowns—McCall 2, Wilkinson 1.

Conversions—McCall 1.

Line-Up—

YOSEMITE—(FB) Compton, Wilson

(HB) DePfyffer, Johnson, Lamkin

(QB) Castro

(LE) Eckart, C., Estes

(C) Murphy, Starr

(RE) Adams, Clark.

SEBASTOPOL—(FB) McCall

(HB) Wilkinson

(QB) Wass

(LE) S. Crouch, Wilson

(C) Gann

(RE) A. Crouch, McKeever.

OFFICIALS: Paul Snow, Referee; Bob Min-
erich, Umpire; Stewart Cramer, Head
Linesman.

YOSEMITE KINDERGARTEN DANCE

A dance will be held at The Ahwahnee on October 25 at 8:30 p.m. to raise funds for the Yosemite Kindergarten, it was announced by Mrs. Oscar A. Sedergren. Tickets are being sold by mothers of kindergarten youngsters and will also be on sale at the door on dance night. The price is fifty cents. Besides dancing, there will be entertainment by Mr. and Mrs. Wommack and by Frank and Dorothy Bailey. Dress is informal and the usual Ahwahnee dance attire is in order.

The community kindergarten is held Monday through Friday in the Pohono (Boysen)
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LODGE CACKLES AND CHUCKLES

With the coming of winter, many of the outlying units are closing. Among them, Crane Flat — which called for a farewell party, attended by Crane Flat's local *hard workers*—Tom and Bob Van Bibber and Vic "Spaghetti" Staff. Boy, what a feed. Among those taking reducing exercises were Don "Photo" Huff, George, Sylvia and Margo Simmons, Mickey Poplar, Betty McIntosh and Jeannie and Joe Meredith. After the feast, merriment was in order with imitations, singing and the usual antics of Jumpin' Joe.

Our hearts and flowers section is glad to announce the recent wedding of Gay Morrow, Lodge Grill and Howard Berkstrom, of The Ahwahnee. Mr. and Mrs. Berkstrom purchased a trailer, joining the happy group living in Camp 6. Congratulations!

Fred Sharpe, Manager, recently returned from a Hotel meeting at Palm Springs. He looks none the worse for wear—in fact, speaking of wear, he is wearing a new pair of sport shoes that look a bit reminiscent of Palm Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe are going on their vacation soon. A well-earned one it is too. Both Mary and Fred have made us all feel like a team this last summer.

Mary, incidentally, besides being a room clerk at the Lodge is custodian of the Lost and Found Department. Early this morning a long distance call was received from Salt Lake City inquiring about a lost pair of slippers. The humorous part of the call was the fact that in calling and waiting for Mary to check for his lost slippers, his bill must have been ten dollars. The slippers were found—Ladies slippers—value approximately \$3.50.

If you want to see something new in hair-do, see Phyllis Gaspar of the Grill. A new one every day.

"Sonny" Lewis, Cafeteria, has purchased a Speed-Graphic camera, the photographer's dream. You may expect flash shots in bigger and better quantities.

Jimmy O'Brien, Bar manager, has been afoot, waiting for his convertible's new top. Hmmm, expect rain, Jim?

The guest asked if it was all right to keep his Pokes in his cabin. Mr. McGovern misunderstood and said, "No, I'm sorry, Sir, we don't allow "pigs" in our cabins."

FROM HERE AND THERE

So far as we can tell, the first skiers of the season were Mary Thomas and Ginny Pierce, government workers. The eager two went up to Tioga Pass on October 13 and reported the skiing was wonderful — when was it ever otherwise?

General Mark Clark made a splendid talk before the ad men convening recently at The Ahwahnee. The General discussed some of his experiences and difficulties with the job of occupying Austria. Eddie Bracken, one of the funniest men on two legs, was also on the program and brought howls of laughter from the guests. The General is an ardent fisherman and was led to some of the best local waters by Jack Greener—but with minor success. Not enough wind, or something!

The Tecoya Engineering and Construction Company is keeping Shipbuilder Kaiser awake nights. The Eckart boys and associates now have a river going yacht on the ways. At least those were the plans yesterday.

Always last with the latest, we report that Doris Kuntz and Marshall Stimson were married October 3 in Mariposa. Congrats.

News from Phil and Marian Webb is that they have a little boy now. His name is James and shows a decided interest in radios already.

Marian Green of the Commercial Dept. and Don Berry of the Government are going to take the big step soon. They announced their engagement on October 13. While no date has been set for the wedding, they are making plans for an extensive honeymoon thru the east.

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NEWS FROM THE AHWAHNEE

Everyone at The Ahwahnee was happy to see Edith Beer's smiling face the day after the rock sliding episode in the Valley. About nine o'clock on the night of the foundation-quaking occurrence, those of her friends who had not seen her since noon began to speculate on "Where's Edith?" believing that she had gone gathering greens in that general vicinity about the time of the slide. Their fears were ungrounded, of course, because Edith was safe at home. She will be happy to know there were many friends who were ready and eager to start a searching party on that dark night.

Did you know we had a ballet choreographer in our midst? One of our room service waiters, Bob Mills, is mighty handy at providing entertainment for the sidehall diners with his Highland Flings and his "tica-tica-ta" Sambas. How about a lesson, Bob?

The Ahwahnee has undergone quite a change with the Dental Seminar men who took over the hotel recently. The contrast with former conventions being the hard working attitude of the group. These men were here on business, a fact substantiated by not bringing their wives along to act as distracting elements. They even had daily diet menus planned and carried out to a "T" a determined "practice what you preach" program.

Bill and Merna Ewbank's house warming last Friday night proved to be a roaring success; in fact the walls of their little house soon began to bulge like a Disney cartoon, with sounds of gaiety and merrymaking issuing from within . . . We think more people should move into new homes—it's always an excuse for a good time.

YOSEMITE KINDERGARTEN DANCE

(continued from front page)

Studio under the capable direction of June Brown, who conducted the Grizzly Club this past summer. There are now ten children enrolled in the school and it is hoped that more will enter soon.

Any Valley resident interested and whose children are from four to six is invited to talk to Mrs. Sedergren, Mrs. Les Moe or Mrs. Dana Morgenson about details of the school.

VILLAGE STORIES

People are coming and going at the Village Store. It's vacation time. Recent returnees are Francis Powell, who spent a few days in Los Angeles, and a few in Yosemite, and Ellis Whitley who roamed around the State visiting his grandchildren and attending the horse races. Why, Ellis!

Mr. Brown has just left and so has Pop Danley. Mr. Brown will visit various coastal spots, while Pop will spend most of his time in Stockton. Nat Bredeman has just returned from a week's relaxation in L.A. He reports a very enjoyable trip, but the weather did not permit his planned fishing. (C. of C., please note).

Wedding bells will ring again soon in the Village Store. Gen Johnson, the office cutie and Ralph Rainey, the handsome butcher are both going around with starry eyes. Wedding plans are not definite yet, but the big event will probably take place in the near future. Best wishes to them both.

Welcome back to Martha Michaelis, who spent the summer at the Wawona Store. She and Frances Powell are the two drug counter clerks, with Martha specializing in the wrapping department.

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Tom Renton who died October 10 in San Francisco. Tom had been in the Valley since 1945 and worked in the Village Store and The Ahwahnee butcher departments. He will be missed by his many friends in the Valley.

WHAT'S IN A NAME

Have you ever waited and waited for a check that never seemed to arrive? Well, Helen Fasano had returned from a shopping spree in San Francisco, and among her purchases was a very nice coat which had dazzled her under the indirect lighting of one of the city's larger department stores. But when viewing it under the crystal clear air of Yosemite it didn't look so good. So she asked for the return of her seventy-five bucks, to Helen Fasano, B Dorm, Yosemite National Park, etc. Weeks of waiting finally brought the check to Mrs. B. Dorm, Yosemite National Park, etc. So—what's in a name!

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

A Court of Honor meeting of local Boy Scouts was held at the Masonic Club, Wednesday, October 22 with Scoutmaster Mike Manahan in charge. After a welcoming talk by Assistant Scoutmaster Al Glass, there was a presentation of Troop Cub Pack flags by Ralph Anderson for the Mariposa County Community chest. An American flag was presented to the Troop with an effective ceremony lead by Past Commander Lester Moe of the American Legion Post 258. Troop and Cub Pack charters were presented by Basil Sullens, Chairman of the Southern District, Boy Scouts of America. Under presentation of awards, Ted Phillips was advanced to Troop Scribe; (we hope to have many good items on scouting activities in future Sentinels from Ted). Others who received awards were Den Leaders Robert McIntyre and George Robinson, and Cubs Ralph Clark, Roger Rust, Robert Eckart and Freddie Ernst. After a short speech by Mr. Oehlmann, Scoutmasters benediction was given and refreshments were served.

Yosemite Pack Scout Troop No. 50 will soon be highly publicized with a long article in Boys' Life, national scouting magazine, and a photograph of the Troop made by Ansel Adams recently.

The local Girl Scouts are still beaming over seeing a picture of their troop in American Girl, magazine for Girl Scouts. The Troop was photographed on Stoneman Bridge with Half Dome in the background by Ralph dePfyffer.

At a recent meeting of Boy Scouts Troop No. 50, Francois E. Matthes gave the boys an interesting talk on some of his experiences as a Scoutmaster and later as a Scout Commissioner. Dr. Matthes has devoted much time to scouting. He told of visiting Yosemite with a troop of Boy Scouts and having the thrill of being held up by a highwayman. According to the story, the highwayman lined up a number of early day motor buses, and Dr. Matthes was obliged to act quickly in order to safeguard the Scout funds, which he was carrying. He thrust the billfold under the cushion of the old bus, and passed as one of the boys when the search was made. It is interesting to note that Dr. Matthes wrote the Map Section of the Boy Scout Handbook.

Yosemite Scouts have unusual opportunities to meet distinguished visitors; earlier in the year, General Hap Arnold graciously consented to talk to the local group at a Court of Honor meeting. The General excused himself from the State Foresters Convention long enough to address our Troop.

Carlton Smith recently heard from former Park Engineer Elton Hilton that Ralph Griswold passed away recently. Mr. Griswold will be remembered by his many friends who knew him when he worked in the Engineering Office for the National Park Service. He was an enthusiastic mountain climber and skier.

In the same letter, Mr. Hilton told of the death of Leland S. Jewett, carpenter, who worked for the NPS for many seasons between 1924 and 1940 when he was retired.

APPLES READY FOR PICKING

Superintendent Kittredge, in a recent note, suggested that now is the logical time for Park residents to pick apples in the several local orchards.

He suggests that "picking should be done with care and not by shaking the trees. If picked without bruising, the apples will keep for a long time.

"Another point which should be emphasized while we are reaping the benefit of this apple crop is the fact that the crop exists because of the interest and the hard labor of a group of men and boys who undertook the operation by the sweat of their brows during off hours. Some men worked one day or more. Many of them worked many days, all volunteer labor. Among those who were eager to help in this public enterprise were the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. Miss Degnan hired a man to work in her place.

"Many thanks to those who took so much interest in pruning and spraying the trees, and to nature for providing a good crop."

LOST ARROW PARTY

A great Hallowe'en party is scheduled at the Lost Arrow on October 31, according to Miss B. Fun and entertainment unrestrained are planned, including a 10 act variety show. Festivities will begin at 7 and end at 11. So put on a false face and we'll see you there.



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Community Chest Drive Now Open

This week the Mariposa County Community Chest campaign to raise funds for United Service Organizations, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Campfire Girls got under way. The quota for Mariposa County is \$1500 this year, and Yosemite is asked to contribute \$500 of this amount.

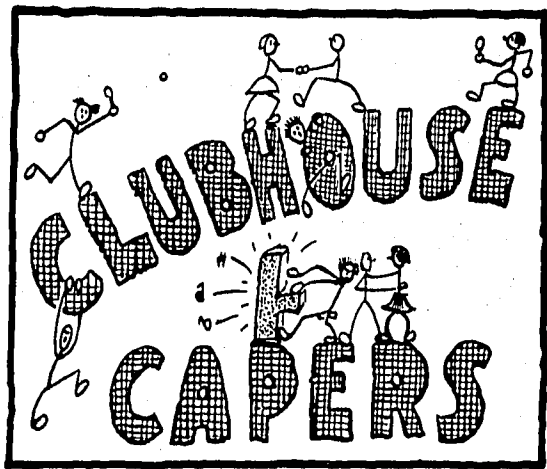
It seems almost needless to mention the important work being carried on by the USO for the disabled veterans in hospitals and for the entertainment of our Armed Forces to relieve the monotony of service overseas. Now that the excitement and patriotic fervor of the war years is over, we may sometimes forget that there are still thousands of Americans in other lands, badly in need of the generous support we gave to them during the war.

In addition to helping carry on the work of the USO, we help our local Boy Scout, and Girl Scout organizations by supporting the Community Chest. Part of the money we contribute will be used here at home for our own, and our neighbors, boys and girls.

Let's pull together and complete the drive by November 12.

ODDITIES

Helen Glass reports not only a very fruitful but also interesting summer as far as the church offerings are concerned. Besides the tinkling silver, churchgoers also deposited in the plate the following: one bottle deposit, one key tag, one screw, two tax tokens, eight street car tokens, a dime from the Straits Settlements, assorted Canadian coins, and last but not least, a United States two cent piece dated 1865.



HALLOWE'EN DANCE BIG SUCCESS

As usual, the annual Hallowe'en party at the Yosemite Grammar School was one of the highlights of the year's social calendar, especially of the youngsters.

The party was well organized by the teachers, Mrs. Wilder, Miss Schmidt and Mrs. Shorb. The judges of the best costumes assembled and the grand march wound in and out of the three school rooms. Judging the costumes were Mike Manahan, Johnny Hansen and Briney Wammack.

After some deliberation, they announced that the winner for the funniest costume was Charlie Castro as a fat woman. Second prize for funniest went to Billy Proctor as a skeleton. First prize for the prettiest went to Hilda dePfyffer who wore a beautiful Swiss costume which the dePfyffers brought back from Europe. Second prize for prettiest was won by Carol Dierksen who was dressed in a Valentine costume. For the most original costume, Anne Adams took first prize as a Navajo Indian and Ginnie Ann Sturm won second prize with the "new look," a long black suit with Gibson Girl shirtwaist and black tie, black stockings and black shoes.

Delicious refreshments of homemade cakes and punch were served.

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LODGE CACKLES AND CHUCKLES

November 1st. Ah, yes! Many changes in our Valley. The first snow, on the Valley floor being among the major changes, encouraged a few eager snow bunnies to wax up their skis.

Yours truly, living in Camp 6, will probably become a "Snowshoe Smoe" or a "Pontoon Pedro" in the daily commuting to & fro.

Cy and Agnes Wright left Sunday on vacation, planning to travel eastward through Chicago, Kansas City, etc., then south to New Orleans and home again. Others taking advantage of our "slack" season and seeking air or (smog) in the big cities are Margurite Radigan, Jimmie O'Brien and Norma Carr. Maizies Hornor, Dell Martin and Helen Bradley just returned from their nerve-racking trek to the big cities.

Wendell Otter returned to relieve Cy as Manager during the absence of Fred Sharpe. The Otters spent their time off down Albuquerque way.

The hearts and flowers column writes of the approaching wedding bells for Mary Jane Thompson and Glenn Reese who will be married in our little Chapel. They will make their home in El Portal.

More vacations! Jimmy "You-all" and Betty Hamer plan to lose their shirts in Reno, then journey to Virginia City for a little study of the "Old West." Lena and John Schweiffler have their vacation all planned and will depart soon.

Millie Taylor is also back from vacation. And sporting a new dress—opposite to the new style "longies"!

George Simmons, with wife Sylvia and little Margo left for the Southland. George

will be remembered as the enterprising chap with watchmaking as a sideline.

We have only one complaint registered so far about Hallowe'en. The local moppets complained that too many people attended the party—therefore draining their source of "Trick or Treat." Guess that was kind of a dirty trick!

Say—anybody wanna buy a letter?

VILLAGE STORIES

In a brief ceremony in Carson City, Nevada, Gen Johnson and Ralph Rainey were married. They returned to Yosemite Tuesday morning, where they will take up house-keeping in the trailer camp. We wish them the best of luck and happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown returned from a very enjoyable trip through Death Valley and up the coast of California to Mendocino County. Mr. Brown reports good fishing in Big River and managed to land a 20 pound salmon—already canned.

Minnie Everston recently returned from a trip to Missouri where she visited her sister.

New Yosemite Valley residents are Jeanne and Dee Cloward, who have purchased a new trailer and are living in Camp 6.

Chester Kuntz, of the Village Store, is now convalescing in the Lewis Memorial Hospital. We are anxious for his return to the Store.

SQUARE DANCING!

The Yosemite Social Club invites all privilege card holders and their friends to join in the Square Dances to be held during the fall and winter.

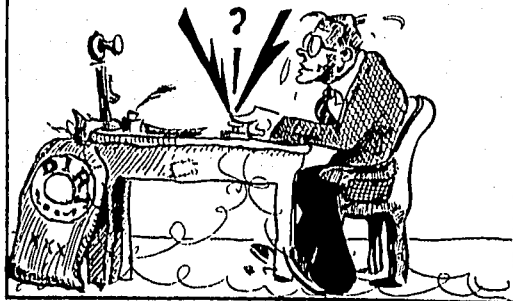
In response to many requests from square dance devotees, the program will be limited to Square Dancing only, with the usual polkas, schottisches and waltzes.

Many people think it increases the fun to bring enough friends to make up their own but don't let that stop you—come over for a good time of fun and dancing.

Had your Wheaties today?

RING MISSING. Elsie Schoen recently lost a plain gold ring at Yosemite Lodge. It's near and dear to her heart and hopes someone will find it and return it to her soon.

HOT OFF THE WIRES



There are certain significant signs of approaching winter that appear simultaneously with the change of seasons:

—Hats and caps left on the cafeteria cloak rack — a silent reminder that someone is used to going bare-headed.

—A knitted glove kicked about unnoticed until the sweeper swishes by with his broom and it is turned into the Lost and Found to await its mate.

—The Firefall lighting up Glacier Point just once a week instead of its nightly glow.

—Scotty McGregor displaying his colorful array of a dozen stocking caps. He claims he has one for every mood and situation.

—The empty stables now that the horses are grazing in the meadows of the lower altitudes until next spring.

—Jack Curran driving with his car top up—making it difficult to see the "Lady of the Hour."

—And familiar faces disappear into the outside world to get a smattering of city life as the Valley folk go on their vacations.

—Less and less noise of clattering garbage cans at night as the last stray bears go into hibernation.

—Mr. Goldsworthy walking briskly to the office decked out with woollen scarf, gloves, and jaunty hat; taking into consideration the bare facts, the latter is a necessity on these frosty mornings.

—And finally, Nature seems at her best when autumn blends the greens into yellows, the yellows into reds, the reds into browns; and then reveals a new silhouette as the trees finally stand nude. Softly the fresh snow will smooth out the awkward angles, give nature her virgin cloak of white under which life is renewed in the spring.

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Following up Saturday's snow debut, Virginia Pierce, Mary Thomas, Al Baab and Bob

Bralsford started for Badger equipped with skis. The road closed at Chinquapin only challenged them on. Powder about a foot deep wasn't the best snow to ski on, but they managed to pack down a run on the jump hill. After the run back on Trail 7 to Chinquapin, they are now in the process of putting a base back on those skis.

Cafeteria employees are continually giving out impressions to the guests on their respective jobs. For instance, a guest asked Jeanette Grandmaine, one of the servers, if she ate that food she was dishing out. Convinced by her affirmative answer, he piled his tray heavy and muttered: "You look husky and healthy—and that's good enough for me!" In that case, our maids should look well-rested as an example of our Beauty Rest mattresses, the Laundry workers should be spick and span with Rinso written on their faces, taxi drivers should never walk, and cooks should never complain of stomach ulcers. This sort of leaves the bartender who doesn't take a nip and a Badger Passer who doesn't ski in a quandary.

A battle of brains versus brawn seems deserving of some comment as John Bradley, Lodge Kitchen soapbox orator without a soap box and Howard Doucette snarl in feudin' ways each time they meet vieing for the title of "Best Bouncer." Basket Ball?

Grace Ewing and Jules Ashworth are quite elated with their new Lodge Post Office—a brightly lighted, well-heated, spacious room. If comfort and contentment speed the mails through, we should be picking messages out of thin air. Incidentally, personal boxes are available at a nominal fee.

Friends of Marialice Cartrell, former Village Store Star, may be interested to know she is designer and manager of Craig of California Clothing Manufacturers in San Francisco. Between strenuous working hours, a night school course in color, and furnishing her new apartment she is quite busy; but she often thinks of her Valley Days.

"Still waters run deep!" It isn't generally known, but we have a "Nick Lucas" in our midst. At the tender age of 12 he tickled a mean guitar. Don't be surprised girls if you are serenaded one of these bright moonlight nights.

(Ed. Thanks for your column, M.H. We hope you will find time for future contributions).

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FROM HERE AND THERE

The Yosemite Troop 50, Boy Scouts, enjoyed an evening's trip through the sewage disposal plant under the guidance of Counselor Fred Quist. The boys had an opportunity to look through microscopes and see the various types of useful and harmful bacteria, and the part they play in the operation of the plant. Fred brought out the point that the sewage plant is of great importance in maintaining high standards of public health in the Valley.

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Twice weekly practice sessions are now in order for the Yosemite singing group under the direction of Donald Edward McHenry, Chorus Director. The chorus is concentrating on Christmas music for the holiday season. If you like to sing, or know anyone who is anxious to join the group, the practice sessions are held Monday and Friday evenings promptly at 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Old Village Chapel.

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It's not too late to join the dancing classes at the Lost Arrow. Contact Dotty B who is planning a special makeup lesson for those who missed the first. Scheduled dates for the classes are: November 19, December 3 and 17 from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. so that all late workers will have time to get to class.

Something added—Something new—There is going to be a weight-lifting club, with classes meeting at the Lost Arrow, beginning Monday, November 10. Joe Meredith and Glenn Reese will give instructions.

Bring your own weights!

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FOOTBALL GAME. The first of two mighty tussels between Yosemite and the Mariposa Grammar Schools will be played Saturday, November 8 at 2:15 on the Yosemite gridiron. Come out and lend your lungs to the cheering.

FOR SALE. Apartment washer — \$29.50. Portable Handy Hot, perfect for one or two people's wash, with wringer. Little use. (It's had little use, that is). Call at Apt. H-95 and see this wonderful buy.

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IT'S GETTING COLDER. Don't wait until your motor has frozen to think about buying anti-freeze. The garage reports that there is a supply on hand and suggests that Valley people buy theirs before the visitors get it all.

The Yosemite Kindergarten fund is some \$140.00 fatter as a result of the dance held recently at The Ahwahnee. The committee, headed by Jane Rust, wishes to thank Earl Pierson, John Fitzgerald, Dorothe and Frank Bailey, Shirley Connor, Dick Connett, and the staff, and all the community people who helped make the dance such a success.

CLOTHING SALE

Here's a chance to get rid of those neck ties you hate. The local Girl Scouts are sponsoring a "hand-me-down" sale at the Ranger's Club on Saturday, November 22. Bring your no longer wanted skis, ski boots, toys, etc., —in fact anything not too big to get into the Clubhouse and the Girl Scouts will sell it for you at the price you have indicated. The Girl Scouts are managing the sale only as a convenience to local people.

Those interested in disposing of such articles, bring them to the Ranger's Club during the morning of November 22, and they will be sold during the afternoon and evening.

With a sizzle and a snap, the roaring log fire on September 27 set the mood for Lodgers and guests in A and B's cozy den. Hostesses, Maggie, Phil, and Gwen (Lodge bus-girls) served hot dogs, apples, cookies, and coffee to the smooth rhythms of Lucille Mullen's records. Sonny Lewis was the cut-up of the evening, and everybody danced and enjoyed the refreshments.

Those responsible for a wonderful evening have received many compliments and plans are being made to have another shindig soon. Have you any suggestions?

Latest venture of the Tecoya Construction Company is a Boys' Clubhouse. Chuck did the excavating of the basement, with plenty of advice from the bystanders. Think the lads will need some kind of a heating system during the winter months, as the recent rains kind of warped the door and windows.

Chuck's latest recruit is Alan Dierksen, a hardy, two-hammer craftsman.

Don't be surprised to see the old slide take the shape of a ski jump after a good snowfall.



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Investigating Committee of One Investigates New Serum Potent; But Not Un-American

by Joe McFluke

Kicking my tilted chair from under me, the Editor bellowed, "The Sentinel goes to press tomorrow. The printer is tearing his hair (what he has of it) for copy. Take your head off the typewriter and start pounding it with your hands!"

"If you hadn't upset my tender feelings," I hissed, "the story would have been practically finished. I had just figured how to invent a robot-writer."

"You're way behind the times," the Editor sneered. "Scientists have just discovered Glumatic acid. It's an intelligence serum. The biggest miracle since alphabet soup. Hurry over to the hospital, get an injection and your story will unfold itself."

"Oh, boy! Just what I've been waiting for," I whooped, rushing out of the building.

Arriving at the hospital, I found the lobby filled with school children. Fighting my way through the excited throng, I saw Dr. Sturm filling a giant syringe full of the three R's.

"What about this new Glumatic acid?" I panted.

"It's the real thing, Joe," he cried. "We've had the ABCD and E vitamins. Now the remainder of the alphabet has been included in Glumatic acid."

"How will it effect school attendance?" I gasped.

"It looks like the children are out for a permanent vacation," he sighed. "Contracts of the school teachers have been cancelled. The school board and football coach have resigned. We will just give the kiddies a daily dose of intelligence fluid and they can spend the remainder of the day skiing."

"How about a shot of this brain food in my arm?" I implored.

"It's only for those who have something for the serum to work on," he snickered, running the needle into Malcolm McGregor's vein.

Walking dejectedly from the hospital, I met Randy Rust. "Have you had any of those injections?" I moaned.

"I'll say I have, McFluke," he hooted, "but I can see you haven't. I used to read comic magazines, but now I confine myself to Spinoza, Aeschylus, Shakespeare, and Kathleen Winsor."

"It seems I'm forever ambling around without getting any place," I groaned.

Strolling down the road, I met Gordon Glass. "Have you had your Glumatic today?" I queried.

"I sure have," he exclaimed. "I'm leaving tomorrow for Paris by Pan American (plug for Ben Tarnutzer) to study dress designing. The younger generation must get the hemline back to where it belongs."

"Glumatic does bring higher thoughts," I whistled.

A short distance away I saw Randy Morgenson. "How do you like getting your home work out of a tube?" I grumbled.

"It's much more accurate," he said. "June Brown always used to bawl me out because Pop had done my problems wrong."

"Huh," I puzzled, "your dad seemed to know his figures pretty well at the square dance."

Shuffling along, I met Timmy Ernst. "I'll bet you had your Glumatic today," I volunteered.

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AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

Like leaves in a high wind, the Ahwahneean have been scattering all over the landscape on vacations recently. Curtis "B Flat" Platt and Duane Boone are back from Manchester, Iowa, on a secret mission for Glen Power. Ronnie Heathman off to Seattle to see his folks. Rose Crossley and Bill Ewbanks bumped into each other at the Grand Canyon. Minnie Beardsley, Eddie Trossauer, Georganna Meler, and Jack Parkerson covered the Northern half of the state while Fred Pierson, Lillian Eddy, and Geraldine Babcock went south. Veteran leaf Denis DeCaillet has come back for another stay home on the range in the kitchen. Pete Cramer is spending his vacation in the Lewis Memorial Hospital. Good luck, Pete! As soon as the wind stops blowing, we're sure all our leaves can be raked back into the old pile.

Back Stairs Gossip—

The Duke and Duchess of Montoro (means "Mountain of Bulls") were THE guests of the month and the Duchess (she's the daughter of the Duke of Alba) looked just like the pictures in "LIFE Goes to a Wedding."

Welcome to Bob McConnell, our new tonsor.

Our tea service is really the split shakes these days with Edith Beer exuding charm over the china and silver. She's quite the exponent of the "New Look" what with her Gibson Girl blouses and longer dresses.

Doings Department—

Dale "Deerchaser" Devine, Dale "Alaska" Ellis, Ken Williams, Jack Ferrell and Bob Robinson busy as squirrels in the grounds planting seeds of wallflowers, poppies, Iris, Godetias and Flax, and other assorted wild posies under the recent direction of Mrs.

Michaelis. Let's hope they come up where they are supposed to!

Andy Campbell's birthday party at the Arrow was a definite success. The guest of honor was dressed in a nifty shirred tinfoil number and all had a fine time. Among the mountain of gifts he received some marshmallow forks, a tin or artichoke hearts, a pair of waterwings, three yards of mattress ticking and other useful item for the dorms.

—by Bob Robinson

YOSEMITE V.F.W. POST 9657

A V.F.W. Post has been recently organized in Yosemite. It will be know as Yosemite Valley Post No. 9657.

Initiation of members will take place at 10 a.m., Sunday, November 23 at the Masonic Hall in the Old Village. Members of V.F.W. Posts are cordially invited to attend.

Regular meeting nights of this Post will be every 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at the Masonic Club Room, Yosemite.

MATRIMONIAL MEWS

Florence Watson, one of our Laundry girls, became the bride of Nick E. Brochini at Reno on November 8th. A reception and open house was given by Phoebe Hogan at which a large attendance enjoyed a delicious supper of enchiladas.

MARIPOSA WINS—BUT JUST WAIT!

Yosemite Grammar School's erstwhile winning football team ran smack into Mariposa's squad on Saturday, November 8, at the local gridiron. The result, alas, was the first setback of the season—27-2. Mariposa, outweighed for perhaps the first time in the series between the schools, quickly took a commanding lead which was never seriously threatened.

But this Saturday, November 22, the return game will be played at Mariposa. Nobody on the local team is expecting this sad story to be repeated—morale is high—and win or lose a good game is assured. Pack up your car with a load of friends and be there by 2:15 for an afternoon of fun in the mellow Mariposa sunshine.

Score by periods for November 8 game:

Yosemite	2	0	0	0	2
Mariposa	6	14	7	0	27

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SUPERINTENDENT KITTREDGE
APPOINTED TO NEW POSITION

Superintendent Kittredge is leaving Yosemite December 1 for Washington, D. C., where he will take up the duties of Chief Engineer of the National Park Service.

The Kittredges came here from the Grand Canyon in 1941. Both were responsible for successfully surmounting the many problems arising in Yosemite during the war years, and for their untiring efforts in Red Cross and War Chest campaigns. Under leadership of Catherine Kittredge, the women of the Valley made hundreds of articles for the Red Cross.

We shall always remember Mr. Kittredge's tireless energy, not only for looking after the comfort of every Park employee, but also for keeping friendly and helpful relationships with people in surrounding communities.

Mr. Kittredge will be succeeded in Yosemite by Dr. Carl P. Russell who wrote in his revised "100 Years in Yosemite"—"In all this varied experience with the scenic masterpieces of the National Park System, Frank Kittredge maintained a sincerity of purpose in safe-guarding the natural and historic values of the Parks."

TO THE LADIES

Wednesday, December 10 marks the opening luncheon date of the No-Hostess Luncheon series for 1947-8. All Park ladies, and those who live in El Portal, are cordially invited to take part in these interesting events. If you do not care to partake of the luncheon with the group, try to attend the hour program planned afterwards. Lunch is served at 12:45 at The Ahwahnee on December 10.

Miss Minette Stoddard, Merced County Librarian will be our guest speaker at this luncheon. Those who have heard her interesting talks before are looking forward to her discussion on the latest books.

STOP THE PRESS: A baby boy was just born to the Munsons, 6 pounds and 14 ounces and his name—Lars Bjenks Munson. Many congratulations Sue for being so patient.

BEWARE OF JIMMY VALENTINE

Don't be scared if you should hear a noise beneath your window one of these dark p.m.s.—it's either a harmless deer or else Frank Anderson, our locksmith. It seems that Frank attended the Locksmith's Convention in Los Angeles recently and one event of the evening was a lock-picking contest. After sandpapering his fingertips down to his elbows, Frank managed to cop second place. When interviewed he stated that next year he expects to be champion and intends to keep in practice during the winter months.

Should any local sleuths feel the urge to capture Frank "in the act"—just remember he is a former Olympic cycling champ and holds the title of U. S. Cycling champ for the 100 mile race. Who wants to chase a man for a hundred miles? And his top speed was over 98 miles an hour. Quite a hunk of man.

JOE McFLUKE CONTINUES

"Sure did," he shouted, "and now I'm on my way to the Conversation Club. I'm going to read a paper entitled 'Congress Suffering CIPHERITIS.' It fully explains the Marshall Plan. Instead of a loan of \$15,000,000,000, I'm suggesting our senators talk in terms of cents—say \$7,444,434,333.22, making it more easily understood by the common man."

"That would make much more sense to me," I marveled, particularly the 22."

Continuing on my way, I chanced across Richie Ouimet. "How do you like a Glumatic education?" I muttered.

"I've only had three shots," he pondered, "but after explaining to dad how material atoms are made of subatomic particles of protons, electrons and neutrons and showing him the bomb I'm making in the basement, he hurriedly wired Dr. Tresidder, begging my immediate admittance to Stanford for post graduate work."

"You'd go up much faster at home," I predicted, "especially if you finished the bomb."

Rushing back to the Sentinel office with fewer ideas for a story than England has dollars, I found Tim Berrey in the Editor's chair and Billy Overton typing out my column at a lively clip.

Sitting down in Lola Peterson's lap, I filled out an application for the Old Age Pension.

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"Rosebud Radigan," the most unpredictable thing on wheels, is now Marguerite's most treasured possession, now that she is learning to drive. So letting down my hair, I pen the following verse (or worse):

CLEAR THE TRACK

I've lately acquired an automobile,
It's vintage?—I'm not very certain,
For learning to drive, and still keep alive
When the cedars I'm just barely skirtin'
Is a dangerous task for a damsel to try
If the roads are inclined to be skiddy,
So I'm warning pedestrians—motorists too—
Watch out for a dark Irish biddy!
Every morning at six I start out for work,
I'm beginning to do this much better,
But before I arrive at the fire engine house,
I've flooded my old carburetor.
I'm not giving up 'till I master this thing,
My mistakes I am constantly checking,
For who knows, I might feel
Like grabbing the wheel
On the next moonlight night and go
Necking!
If your dinner check's wrong
And I charge you too much
For the noodles, or maybe the dressin'
I was taking a look at a little red book—
"How to Drive in One Easy Lesson."
I've improved quite a lot,
For now when I drive
I aim for the Lodge Kitchen door,
Then push in the clutch and throw out a gear
And skid to a stop at Camp 4.

Howard Doucette is scheduled to manage Badger Pass this winter. We're anxious to see how he makes out with his tap dancing routine on skis. With his new responsibilities, he will have little time to keep up his guitar practice. We understand he locks himself in a room one hour each day and devotes this time to strumming and humming.

Everyone has his favorite pastime, and Earl Pierson is courting his first love—horses—while vacationing at Bear Valley. His legs are becoming quite bowed from riding the range, and he is so proud of his bewhiskered face (last count—four long ones and two not so long).

The Hackenyos sisters, Mabel and Hazel are chanting a new theme song—"I'll never

Smile Again" as they are evicted from "B" dorm and moved to "A," to make room for the married folks who have housing problems. Remember M. and H., next year is Leap Year—if you want your old room back!

The letter "S" fell off the menu board the other day and many guests were surprised to find we were serving "liced Tomatoes. Just wait until the Inspector gets hold of that one!
—M.H.

YOSEMITE RE-UNION PLANNED

A recent letter from Bay Muldoon to Grace Hobson informs us of plans for another Yosemite Re-Union. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet your old Yosemite friends and talk over old times. The dinner party is to be held at the Claremont Hotel in Berkeley at 7 p.m., December 14. Reservations and checks should be mailed to Rader Crooks at the hotel not later than December 10. The dinner, plus all taxes (and dancing if desired) will come to \$3.07 per plate.

Remember this date—December 14 at 7 at the Claremont!

OVERSEAS RELIEF

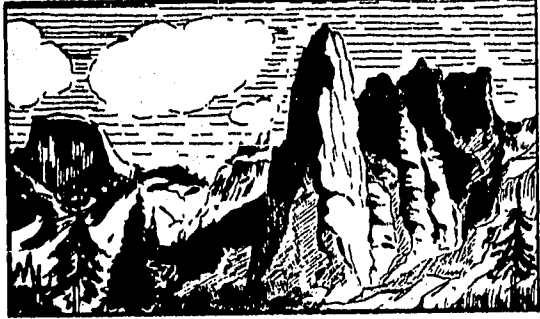
About 600 pounds of clothing was shipped to New York this week for use in needy European countries. Over forty dollars was sent to Church World Service as a result of the special collection in the local Church on the World Wide Communion Sunday. Many Yosemite families have been sending food and clothing overseas ever since the need arose.

The offering of the Thanksgiving Day Service at the Chapel will be sent overseas through Church World Service.

Park Church Services

Roman Catholic Masses at 7:30 and 8:30 in the Old Village Chapel.
Brief Service for Protestants, designed for Cafeteria and Dining Room workers, at the Chapel each Sunday at 10:15 to 10:45 a.m.
Morning Worship at 11 a.m. This Sunday—soloist, Katherine Parker. Sermon by Mr. Glass, "The Cup of Thanksgiving". Hymns. Thanksgiving Day Service—10:30 to 11:45 at the Chapel. Special Thanksgiving music and Message.

LADIES! Our new beauty operator has arrived from San Francisco—Margaret McCaffrey. Make your appointments now.



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CANDLE-LIGHT MUSIC TO USHER IN THE YOSEMITE CHRISTMAS SEASON

The stirring Christmas cantata "Bethlehem" by Maunder sung in a candlelight setting in the Camp Curry dining room by the greatly augmented Yosemite choir will open the Christmas season in the Valley on Sunday, December 14 at 8 p.m.

Presenting this dramatic cantata for the first time on the Pacific Coast, the local singers have been working enthusiastically for over a month on what promises to be an outstanding musical event. Solos will be sung by Virginia Adams, Kit Parker and "Andy" Anderson with Dr. H. A. MacPherson of Berkeley, baritone soloist, and a tenor soloist from Fresno also participating. The accompanist will be Nancy Loncaric, playing a Wurlitzer electronic "pipe" organ obtained for the occasion through the assistance of the Hockett & Cowan Music Store of Fresno. The rendition of the singing of this cantata will be recorded on a magnetic tape recorder by Mr. Jack Arbuckle, sound engineer of Fresno who will also operate the amplifier for the occasion. Donald Edward McHenry, Park Naturalist, recently with the Washington (D.C.) Choral Society and the National Symphony Orchestra is the musical director. This will be a public performance.

NEWS FROM THE HOSPITAL

Little Susane Buzzini, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Buzzini arrived in Yosemite on November 23, weighing a mighty 6½ pounds.

Nurse Helen Fisher recently joined Dr. Sturm's staff, to take the place of Iris McFadgen. Miss Fisher hails from Santa Monica where she performed her duties.

JINGLES BY JOE

With press time so close at hand it calls for a little noodle juggling of gray matter to transpose some of the local chatter from lips to prose—So . . .

Cy and Agnes Wright just returned from vacation looking quite healthy and rested.

Paul Snow and his "new car" have also returned to the Valley.

Our hearts and flowers column missed the boat last edition, but 'tis never too late to mention a wedding. Mary Jane Thompson and Glenn Reese were united by Rev. Glass in as neat a little weddin' as ever these hills did see. The reception (arrangements by Edna Berkland) was in "B" Dorm. The "get-away" car was decorated but good, The horn hooked up to the brakes, rocks in the hub caps, tin cans, and bon ami galore. Even the Arch Rock checking station was tipped off, and the newlyweds had a rough time checking out on their way to a three day honeymoon in Monterey. They are now making their home in El Portal.

The "Hardtimes" Dance, sponsored by the American Legion was a whopping success, thanks to Briney Wammack, who acted as M.C. The costumes brought out hidden talent in many. Charley Morfoot of our kitchen took top honors in the men's costume prize, while Jeannie Meredith (Reservation Dept.) walked off with the ladies' prize.

As I close up shop for the day, my glance strays to the calendar—Hmmm! Only umpteen more shopping days to Christmas. Well, there goes those pennies, nickels and S & H Stamps. G'nite all! —Joe Meredith

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MARIPOSA ROLLS AGAIN—32-7!

That pesky team from Mariposa seems determined to spoil the Yosemite Grammar School's football season regularly each year. On Saturday, November 22, at the Mariposa High School field, they did it again by winning the second game of this year's home and home series by the convincing score of 32-7.

Mariposa took a commanding lead in the first quarter, scoring three touchdowns in quick succession. Elgin Rhoan, on the first scrimmage play after receiving the opening kick-off, broke loose from mid-field and galloped all the way. After holding Yosemite for downs, a long pass from mid-field again planted the ball in pay dirt, while the third score followed immediately after the next exchange of kicks, Mariposa marching fifty yards to the end zone in seven plays.

This had all the ear-marks of slaughter about it, but the Yosemite squad did not intend that it should continue. Their defense suddenly stiffened, and the second quarter was played on even terms, the ball moving up and down between the 20 yard lines without either team being able to push it across.

Opening the second half, Yosemite rose to its highest pitch of the game. After receiving the kick-off on the 25 yard line and running it back to the 43, the locals marched the remaining 57 yards in 10 plays to a well-earned touchdown. Carl Wilson plunged over from one yard out for the only Yosemite score of the day and followed with the conversion.

Apparently needed by this uprising, Mariposa charged back into the game with gusto after receiving the kick-off and sent Meline all the way for 60 yards and a spectacular touchdown, the longest run of the day.

Twice more Yosemite staged determined marches, once for 50 yards and once for 55 yards, only to be stopped each time some 20 yards from the goal. The second time Mariposa, on taking possession of the ball, did some marching of its own. Eighty yards they went in 8 plays, for the final score of the day.

Statistics were, of course, heavily in Mariposa's favor. Total yards gained from passes and rushing showed 389 for Mariposa and 196 for Yosemite. Mariposa made 12 first downs to Yosemite's 10, and completed 3 out of 6 passes, while Yosemite completed one out of 12.

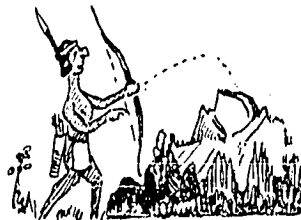
The summary of the local season, now closed, shows two games won and two lost, which, after all, is not a record to be disdained in these days of rough and tough schedules. And there is always next year! The hard-working and capable staff, Head Coach Sterling Cramer and his assistant, Dick Ditton, will assure you the search for that victory over Mariposa goes on relentlessly.

The lineup for Yosemite follows:

QB—Castro, RH—DePfyffer, LH—Wilson, FB—Johnson, RE—Compton, RT—Adams, RG—Ernst, Hallock, Ouimet, C—Starr, LG—Clark, Lamkin, LT—Murphy, LE—Estes.

Summary by periods:

	1	2	3	4	Total
Yosemite	0	0	7	0	7
Mariposa	20	0	6	6	32



LOST ARROW ACTIVITY

SQUARE DANCE PRACTICE every Monday night, with Joe Liskey directing—it's real fun!

Mickie Poppler is our champion waight lifter, while Vince Gionella, the 2nd, has made good progress in the sewing circle. He doesn't even get crossed up on the cross stitch!

NOTICE: Square Dance at Camp Curry dining room on Friday, December 5 at 8:30.

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FROM HERE AND THERE

Amos Neal, present manager of the San Francisco office will go to the Los Angeles office soon to replace Dick Gibson who is on the very brink of returning to duty in the Air Force. Out of the blue, Dick was called up for a flight physical, found sound and given time to get ready. Nell Lane will take over the first position in San Francisco.

Mother Curry became a great grandmother for the third time on October 14 when Marjorie Curry Woods was born to Lt. Cmdr. and Mrs. Mark W. Woods in Baltimore, Md. The new arrival is known to her close friends as 'Jorie.' Her mother, the former Marjorie Williams, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams of Honolulu.

A note received recently from Carl and Peggy Forstman reveals that they now live in Forestville on the Russian River Highway, where Carl is in the electrical contracting business. While here, Carl was an electrician with the Company. They will be happy to see any Valley people whose steps take them to Forestville.



SCOUT CORNER

The Boy Scouts of local Troop 50, under leadership of Scoutmaster Mike Manahan, were given an interesting tour through the Yosemite Power House by Homer Crider. A complete description of turbine output, capacity, regulation and operation as well as the purchase and sale of power through PG&E brought many intelligent questions from the boys. These tours of various educational points of interest offer an incentive for future vocations.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

The Editorial staff would appreciate your checking the spelling of proper names when sending in your little blurbs. This would save much resetting of type. Thanks!



VILLAGE STORIES

The last of the vacationers have returned. Jack and Nat report a very nice time in Los Angeles. Pauline and Ray McKee spent an enjoyable time in Sacramento and Merced. Ellie Smith was in Bakersfield and Jeanne and Dee Cloward enjoyed a trip through Nevada, Utah and back to Los Angeles.

Leona Fox tells of an enjoyable time in San Francisco. On the 24th of November she celebrated her birthday at the Balalaika. Harold Muller and Gladys Adams were present.

Thanksgiving Day, Roy Cavins and Harold Muller went to San Jose to visit their families. Jen and Ralph Rainey went to Santa Monica to visit friends.

Virginia Duke and Dolly Scott were the envy of all the girls having Thanksgiving Dinner at The Ahwahnee when they showed up sporting beautiful corsages donated by Tom Moran and Art Binder.

CHURCH ITEMS

NAVAJO RELIEF—The special offering taken at the Thanksgiving Service of the Park church, at the suggestion of the congregation, was sent to the Ganado Mission in Arizona for the relief of the Navajo Indians. The offering totaled \$58.09.

CHRISTMAS SERMON SERIES—During the next three Sundays, the Rev. Alfred Glass, of the Park Church will preach a series of sermons leading to the Christmas experience:

- December 7—"The World B.C."
Soloist, Jean Cloward.
- 14—"An Expectant World."
Virginia Adams.
- 21—"The New World."

The sermons will be preached at the 11 o'clock hour at the Chapel. The singing of Christmas carols will be part of each service. The Brief service is held from 10:15 to 11:45 a.m.

A Christmas Day Service will be held at the Chapel from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m.

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N.P.S. RAMBLINGS

Carl P. Russell, Park Naturalist in Yosemite from 1923 to 1929 has returned to his earlier stamping grounds to become the Park Superintendent succeeding Frank A. Kittredge. Carl and Betty are well known to many oldtimers of the Park, and they are looking forward to making many new friends in the Yosemite community.

Since leaving Yosemite in 1928 to become field naturalist in charge of National Park museums, Carl Russell has had a wide experience in the National Park Service, not only in interpretive activities, but in administration as well. In 1937 he became Regional Director of Region 1 with headquarters at Richmond, Va. and in 1939 was appointed chief naturalist in the office of the Director of National Parks.

A year prior to accepting his new position, he was appointed to the Chairmanship of the National Parks Committee within the International Council of Museums, United Nations Educational and Cultural Organization. His travels and studies in foreign countries facilitated his work in organizing this committee on a world-wide basis.

Carl and Betty have a son Richard, a student at the University of Michigan, who is majoring in natural history. During the summer Richard has worked on blister rust in Park areas.

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Among the many vacationists going and coming these days are Ken and Ethel Ashley and Fred Martinschang who have just returned from a two week motor trip to see relatives near Denver. Art and Dorothy Holmes and little Anita spent several weeks touring Mexico where they visited Art's brother, a mining man. George William was a bit too young for such a jaunt, so was left in San Diego.

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The McIntyres are visiting relatives in Seattle on their vacation. Gus and Ada Eastman visited in San Luis Obispo.

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The Farewell Party for the Kittredges held at the Rangers Club last Saturday night, was attended by more than 200 friends of the departing superintendent and his family. The party was in the form of an informal reception, with young and old from the Valley and various outposts gathering together for a

pleasant visit.

Al Glass made an excellent presentation speech on behalf of the entire community, and gave the Kittredges a large framed colored picture of El Capitan, Mr. Kittredge's favorite Yosemite landmark. In addition, a saddle leather "fortnighter" was given the couple, and announcement was made that they would receive "The New World Symphony" as another going-away present.

Refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee were served in the dining room.

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Don Berry, NPS employee, and Mariana Green, were married by the Rev. Alfred Glass at the Old Village Chapel on Armistice Day. They plan to spend their Christmas honeymoon in the east.

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Jerry Mernin, former district ranger at Wawona, left Yosemite early this week with his family for Ashville, North Carolina, to become Asst. Chief Ranger of Blue Ridge Parkway.

Jerry started his NPS career in Yosemite in 1929 as a temporary ranger. With the exception of about two years during the war when he was in the Navy, he spent most of the years since 1929 in Yosemite.

The Mernin family, Jerry, Emma, Lynn and Gerald Jr. will be missed by their many friends who wish them every success in their new location.

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Glenn Gallison received his appointment as park ranger dated November 14.

CHRISTMAS CAROLERS TO SING

How would you like to liven up the Valley on Christmas morning by raising your voice in song? If that appeals to you, see Dorothe Bailey who is directing the Carolers. Rehearsals will be held every Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m. and on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Pohono Studio. The finale to the Christmas Morning singing will be breakfast at The Ahwahnee!

FORMER EMPLOYEES PLEASE NOTE

A number of former Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees have left personal belongings in the Tecoya Dormitories. These people are asked to have their things removed immediately or they will be disposed of.

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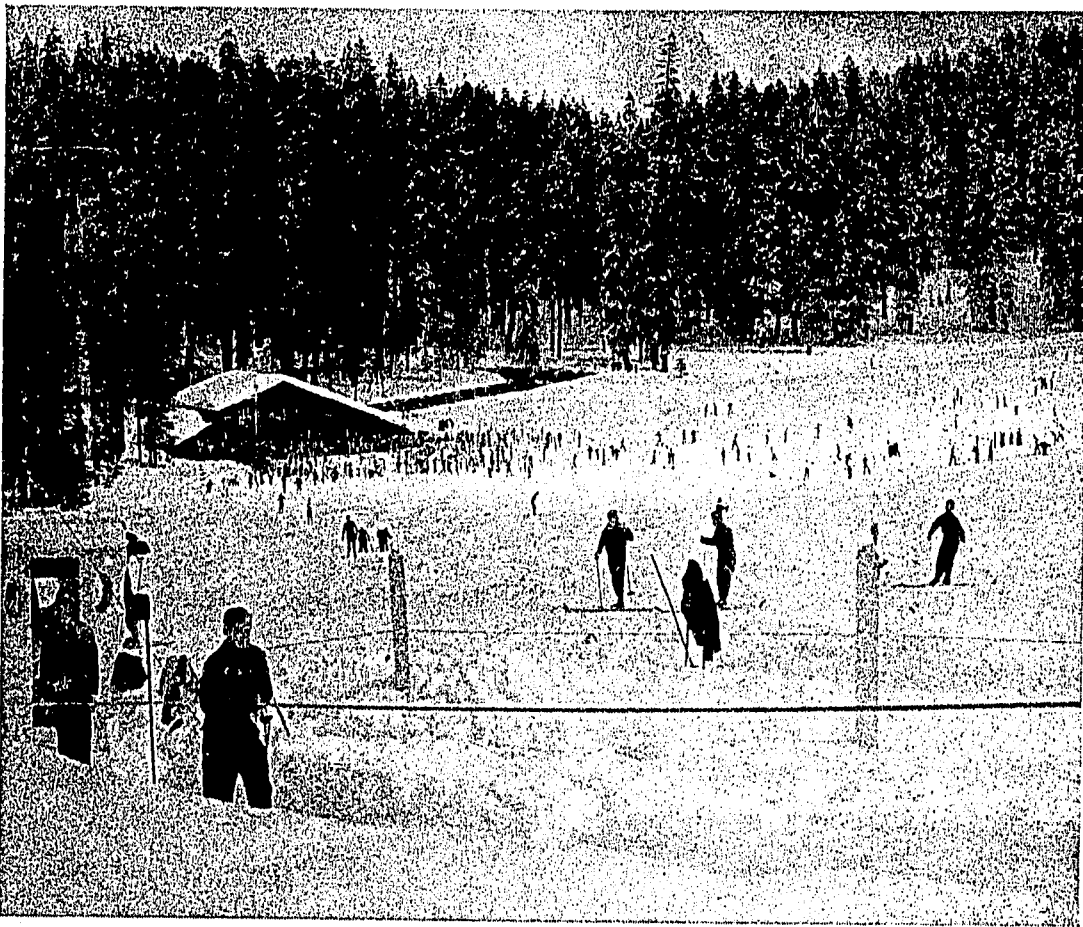
Wishes You a Merry Christmas

and a Bright and Prosperous

New Year



JOIN THE YOSEMITE WINTER CLUB



AHWAHNEE NEWS

The Ahwahnee seems like Earl Carroll's with everything but revolving stages these last few hectic days before Christmas. Dick Connett's office is like Central Casting what with fitting the Jester, (Bill Barone would make a good one), fitting appointments for costumes, greasepaint to be exhumed, vigil lights on the mezzanine and the Wassail Bowl to find. Random impressions—the hammering from Hugh Merritt's upholstery shop in the basement—the platforms behind the great tapestry in the Dining Room—the walnut pulpit just installed in Bracebridge Hall.

Charles Mills and Dave Duran think it would be a good idea to install a Christmas tree in the elevator! And Bob Robinson's little trees in the Sidehall trimmed in pink pork chop pants! And Bertha Sarver with her crew of Mrs. Russell Eddy, Espert Sugg, Dale Devine, Jack Ferrell, Cy Wright and "Berry Picker" Bob Mills have done a beautiful job with cones and candles, boughs and berries. Chef Pierson's just-posted Bracebridge menu—such exciting dishes as Peacock Pie, the Baron of Beef, the Plum Pudding and the Boar's Head thereon. We think Frank Bailey's cheeks should be used instead of an apple in the boar's mouth! And like gray-tailed squirrels, Minerva Beardsley, Mary Rawlins and Georgia Houser run around with their cheeks full of nuts and with hats full of names to choose for the Christmas Party. And the special news that Santa Claus will be there and arrive by plane from the East! The newly-organized "Longhairs" music club with lots of plans for a symphonic winter with "Migraine" Mills at the record player. And B.J. and Victor Lipmeyer, now legally an entity won't be able to buy that station wagon this Xmas! Louise Buck-

mann's new red dress should be hung on any Christmas Tree! Ted Rider received an early present on his forehead at the skating rink. Oh, well, Ted, it will heal into a glamorous Heidelberg dueling scar.

Superlatives—the brilliant skiing sweaters of Ed Mahaffey—the SIZE of the Yule Log—and the hundreds of dollars it cost Ted Goglewski to ship that big red box of cones to his mother in the East. But Ted says it was worth it. Wayne Phillips and Dorothe Webster gilded cones that are the talk of the dorms.

Well, we've just time to wrap a few more neckties for Uncle and Pop. Poor Pop, he will have enough ties to lower himself from a burning building by this Christmas! And we hope you get those pink satin waterwings trimmed in black ostrich tips you've always wanted this year—fond reader. Personally, we're plumping for a set of monogrammed marshmallow forks. A Merrie Christmas to all from all of us at The Ahwahnee.

CHURCH SERVICES

ROMAN CATHOLIC. The Old Village Chapel. Midnight Mass on Christmas Morning. Christmas Day Mass at 8:30 a.m. Confession—Christmas Eve from 7 to 9. Sunday, December 28 Masses at 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. New Year's Day Masses at 7:30 and 8:30.

PROTESTANT. The Old Village Chapel. Christmas Day Service. 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Soloist, Katherine Parker. Christmas Sermon. Singing of Carols. Sunday, December 28. Sermon by the Minister, "The Possibility of the Impossible." Brief Service each Sunday at 10:15 to 10:45.

SURVEY BY EMPLOYEE GROUP

The recently formed employee group, made up of foremen and unit managers for the purpose of presenting constructive criticism of company operations and to discuss problems of mutual interest, felt that because of the sharp and continued rise in the cost of living, some study should be made of living costs both in Yosemite and outside areas. With this in mind a committee of two was appointed to survey the selling price of like items in Yosemite and in Fresno. The survey included not only foodstuffs, but other merchandise, laundry and cleaning services, and housing rentals. The survey brought out some very interesting figures and shows that Yosemite residents, by taking advantage of scrip, can purchase on equal footing with those doing their marketing at Black's, Safeway, and other similar stores in Fresno. The survey also showed that laundry and cleaning prices are much lower in Yosemite than in Fresno.

It was found that, relative to housing, where direct comparisons were possible, outside rentals are conservatively double those in Yosemite.

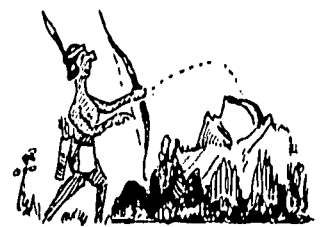
Those interested in actual figures are invited to stop at the office of the Village Store where the results of this survey are now available.

NOTICE

The Yosemite Credit Union office is now located in the west end of the Post Office Building in Government Center. George Bailey, Treasurer, has announced that his office hours will be from 3 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

AHWAHNEE SWEET SHOP HOURS

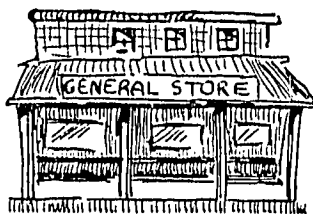
The Ahwahnee Sweet Shop, now serving grilled sandwiches, hot sundaes, and refreshments is open 2 to 11 p.m. daily.



LOST ARROW CHRISTMAS PARTY

For Teen-Age Employees
For employees who haven't reached the grizzled age of 21, a Christmas Eve Party will be held at the Lost Arrow, according to the Arrow's Billingsley, Miss B. It will be a jolly affair, complete with appropriate Christmas activities.

AND ENJOY ITS VARIOUS ACTIVITIES



VILLAGE STORIES

Come snow and ice, Christmas and skiing—the gang at the Village Emporium is all ready for locals and guests. Pauline, always the busy clerk, is dividing her time between helping the customer who has to have a present for her Uncle Henry, whom she hasn't seen for years, and the one who can't find ski pants that are long enough.

Evelyn and Ellie are busy selling and replacing curios and trying to watch the phonograph so that "It Might as Well be Spring" won't play more than three times in a row. Ralph is trying to convince his customers that they should have ordered their turkey early and Pop Danley is busy telling all the little kids about Santa Claus.

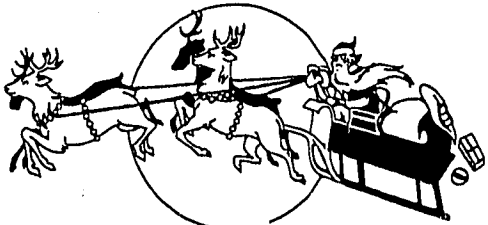
Jeanne and Gen have set up a gift wrapping counter amidst the bundles of laundry. Mr. Brown and Jack Ring are trying to figure out a way to get all done that must be done before Christmas.

Attention! The Store will be closed on Christmas Day. The Village Grill will also be closed, but will be open on New Year's Eve from 12 midnight to 2 a.m. for their annual New Year's breakfast.

Briney Wammack from the shoe shop will be gone till the middle of January. He and Helen and granddaughter have left to spend the holidays with his family in the middle west.

The members of S-9, S-12, Spoon and the Store all join with the Sentinel Staff to wish all a very Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years.

Martha! Have you had your air today?



SANTA CLAUS IS COMING!

We've received word from the North Pole that Santa Claus was making a stop at the Camp Curry Dining Room at 7:45 Christmas Eve to distribute gifts and candy to all the children of local residents. Only GOOD children, of course.

All parents of such children and other local residents are invited to attend.

(Attention—Oscar Sedergren. The office of The Sentinel is not headquarters for Santa Claus).

WANTED: One pair skis, 6'3" to 6'6". See Ranger Ashley at Arch Rock.

FOR SALE: One pr. girls white figure skates size 3, Wilson Bros. make, in excellent condition. Call 138J.



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE NEWS

Harry B. Robinson, Asst. Park Naturalist in Yosemite since April 1, 1947, left the Park this week. Robby has been detailed to the Region Two Office of the National Park Service as Acting Regional Museum Preparator until July 1, after which he may possibly accept the position on a permanent basis. He will spend one month in Washington, D.C. at the Museum Laboratory to become acquainted with the present status of museum technique. Millie and young son George will go with him to his home in Missouri for Christmas. The Robinsons will be missed by their friends in Yosemite.

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One of the most effective Christmas programs ever presented in Yosemite was held in the Camp Curry dining room on Sunday night, December 14, under the leadership of Al Glass, minister, and Donald Edward McHenry, choir director. Al and Mac did a magnificent job of assembling local talent, an electronic organ from Fresno, and enough outside soloists to round out a beautiful program.

As a result of crowded conditions in the chapel at Christmas programs in the past, it was decided to have this year's performance in the Camp Curry dining room. The open log fire in the fireplace added to the charm of the scene. The program started with the lighting of many candles along the sides of the hall by Joan Wosky and Frances Freeman.

A Christmas cantata consisting of three parts included solos by Virginia Adams, Kit Parker and Andy Anderson all of Yosemite, and Edwin Hughes, tenor from Fresno, and Dr. H. A. MacPherson, baritone from Berke-

ley. Miss Esther Frankian, Fresno, assisted by Nancy Loncaric, played the electronic organ.

Under the leadership of Anne Adams the local Girl Scouts took the part of the angel chorus which sang in the back of the hall. The local Boy Scouts of Yosemite Troop 50 did their good turn, too, by acting as ushers.

Following the program, the choir and families were entertained at the Rangers' Club by Helen Glass and Bona May McHenry. At this get-together the group heard recordings of part of the program made by Jack Arbuckle, sound engineer who did so much toward making the sound effects of the program a success.

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Ruby Thomas suffered an injury to her knee while skating recently, and is having to spend some time in the hospital. Too bad, Ruby. Hurry up and get well!

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The local Girl Scouts made the rounds of residences late Wednesday afternoon singing Christmas carols under the leadership of Dete Oliver and Helen Glass. Following the carol singing they all went to the Lodge for dinner where a special table had been reserved for them, and where each received a box of homemade candy from Dete and Helen.

New Arrival. This Sentinel was printed on the Greener's early Christmas present—a new, high-speed Miehle Vertical printing press that went into production last Friday. It replaces the old press that ground out the news of the Valley and endless other miscellany for a score of years.



YOSEMITE RE-UNION

Florence Scribner, formerly of Glacier Point, now of Oakland, writes that the re-union of former Yosemite employees held at the Claremont Hotel on December 14 was a rousing success. The highlight of the evening, and a charming gesture on the part of host Rader Crooks, was the beautiful birthday cake ablaze with candles and sparklers, presented to Mrs. Eske, of San Jose.

Among the seventy persons present were: Bill and Mrs. Lally, Walter and Rose Lintott, Bill and Dorothy Jonas, Leo and Hermia Eldred, Peter and Barbara Kat, Jack and Lucille Simpson, HESSIE, Betty and Max Hoffman, Jack and Bay Muldoon, Johnny and Marian Quartarola, Ray and Lois Sample, the Don Campbells, the Bill Lintotts, the Rader Crooks, Martha Raffensperger, Ray Hinekley, Bill Birchenall, Bob Brantley, Florence Scribner, Floris Eske and her daughter Jeannie.

It was interesting to observe that, out of the entire gathering, the Lallys were the only family connected with the Company.

MISCELLANEOUS

For men only—Robert McConnell, tonsorial specialist at The Ahwahnee, says that the Old Village barber shop isn't the only barber shop in the Valley. Barber McConnell has his razors, shears and clippers ready for all comers.

Radio Repairman Gillette reports that he is always in his trailer at Camp 4 from 5 to 6 p.m. and after 7 p.m. His Box No. is 282.

Fight Movies Here. Newsreel motion pictures of the controversial Louis-Wolcott fight will be shown at the Old Village Pavilion on the night of Tuesday, January 6 in addition to the regular feature which is "The Arnelo Affair."

Elsie Schoen, Traffic, became Mrs. Thornton W. Elliot recently. After a week of skiing at Alta, they took up residence in a cozy trailer in Camp 6.

Something has been added — The "Elsie, the Cow" butter pats at the Cafeteria.

YOSEMITE WINTER CLUB MEMBERSHIP GROWS

The Yosemite Winter Club, once the spark behind many splendid winter sports activities, is being renewed and its membership increased. A full program is planned that will include ski dances at The Ahwahnee as well as skiing events at Badger Pass. Besides ski tests and a chance to compete in local informal races, the Winter Club offers a subscription to the California Ski Association official weekly paper THE SKIER, and, after the season, a copy of the Winter Club year book. Memberships are available at the Y.T.S. agent's desk at The Ahwahnee and Yosemite Lodge.

CONSERVATION OF ELECTRIC POWER

At this time of the year, demands on the Valley electrical system are extraordinarily heavy and frequently there is a considerable overload on the sub-station transformers.

Employees and residents are asked to turn off all electric lights and heaters when not in use and not needed.