



# YOSEMITE SENTINEL

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## BADGER PASSES

Now is the time for all good skiers to come to the aid of BADGER—and pray, in any language, for snow. "Skiing in Yosemite" is not as yet. However, we, who have been up on the hill awaiting the arrival of winter, have not been idle. Badger is gleaming from the fresh coats of white and orange paint on every visible post and wall, to the beautiful green rental skis, and the sparkling windows.

The opening of the new season promises many events sponsored by the Yosemite Winter Club, all of which will be announced in the Sentinel. Buck Martin, Jr., will give the Winter Club ski tests this year, replacing Laurie Brown, who has left for Europe.

Bob Minerich is back at Badger, now as manager of the Lodge. He hints at some significant new ideas, such as buffet lunches on the wide sunny porch.

Dave Downing's Ski Patrol has lost Dale Ellis and Bob Wilson, but has gained Dale Devine and Ray Patton. Syd Ledson's crew has been hard at work preparing for the snow to come.

The ski rental and repair staff has lost many of last year's men—Cliff Osterberg, Hal Stoneman, Bob Rissel and Jack Naperalala. However, Stu Robertson expects to be joined soon by George Creelman, Al Gay, and Frank Harper. Lennart Ekenberg, who arrived in this country from Sweden last spring, will soon be hard at work repairing skis.

The salesroom staff has two new members—Marifran Cook and Beryl Miles, who will arrive with the snow. Midge Bodine is back for another season. Vi and Frank Gruetzner who feed all at Badger in the style to which they are accustomed, brought Mickey Fenton and Ward White with them from the Big Trees. Bea Forsyth is again checker and cashier, and Betty Ruggles, Hazel Wood,

and Sally Moen can be found at all hours in the cafeteria.

While Luggi has been in San Francisco representing Yosemite at Roos Bros, Spiros, etc., his instructors grew restless waiting for the snow and spent a warm-up week skiing at Mammoth. Evidently it was not warm enough for Bob Heeter and Jim McConkey, who gave up after their return to Badger, and left for a little golfing in the south. We hope that it will, of necessity, be a very short game.

## CHURCH SERVICES

### ORGAN AT 11 O'CLOCK SERVICE.

Last Sunday the congregation of the Chapel were very interested in the use of an organ originally brought to the Valley for the Bracebridge Dinner. The organ will be used again this Sunday at the 11 o'clock service. Mr. Glass will preach on the subject, "The Need for Courage." Brief service will be at 9:15 to 9:45 a.m.

### EMPLOYEES' DISCUSSION GROUP.

Several employees have asked about the resumption of the discussion groups held at the Rangers Club last winter. If you are interested in such a group will you plan to attend a meeting at the Rangers Club on Sunday, January 14 at 9:15 p.m. If you have the opportunity, also speak to Mr. Glass personally about your interest.

### HIGH SCHOOL GROUP.

The High School Fellowship Group, following a Christmas recess, will meet this Sunday, January 7 at the Rangers Club at 6 p.m.

### STUDY GROUP ON THURSDAYS.

The Study Group of the local church is meeting every Thursday night at 7:30. The present series of studies is "Minority Religious Groups in the United States." Everyone is welcome.

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### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

1950 Christmas at The Ahwahnee, even minus the snow, and with America at the crossroads—as always, truly Christmas. The wreaths of evergreen, masses of holly and red berries, welcoming warmth of candlelight, music, and good cheer met each and every heavily gift-laden guest as they entered the pine-scented glittering Ahwahnee.

Dick Connett's weeks of preparations rewarded . . . Dale Devine's towering beautifully decorated red fir Christmas Tree the center of attraction . . . Christmas festivities climaxed by the Bracebridge Dinner. Ansel Adams, the Bracebridge Singers, the candle-lit dining hall, the beauty of rich coloring and costumes, a never-to-be-forgotten occasion.

Lots of old friends and familiar faces showing up to work during the holidays . . .

Bill Meacham and Virginia Duke in the front office . . . William Barone, George Gatchel, Matt Urmanski, Carl Moseley, Eugene Crum, Ralph Davis, Ralph Reed all here. Also Ritchie Evanoff, who we were sorry to see leave before New Year to join the Army . . . Everyone glad to see Dorothy Munly out of the hospital and able to "deck the halls" so beautifully.

New Year's Eve and the dining room ablaze with crowds, candles and good cheer . . . Lee Brazitis didn't look even slightly ruffled over it all. . . Ditto Chef Fred Pierson, complete with pipe, swinging back and forth in his favorite old squeaky chair. And nice to have a glimpse of Barbara Brown up from her teaching in Livingston, looking wonderfully well. Other familiar faces returned to the dining room . . . Nagesh Gangla, John Walsh, Louise Hamilton and Ruby Larsen, (from a long and eventful trip to New Mexico), Bob Woods Bob Bryant, George Hoover, Ellen Mitchell and so many others. Also Don Hornor and Bob and Margaret Herzer . . . all in all—quite a re-

union.

Good luck and farewell to Mrs. Crossley, who is retiring early in the New Year to enjoy her well earned life of leisure.

New we're all set for just one thing—lots of snow and plenty of skiers.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

### STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

The Sentinel is happy to report herewith that Private Stewart Cramer has been heard from after a delay of some weeks. There follow excerpts from his recent letters:

11 December, 1950, South Korea.

"Our last mission was to hold the roads open for the rest of the troops to cross the 38th. When that was done, we crossed and came down to Seoul, or about twenty miles from it. In the last week we were attacked by guerrillas three times.

"In the North, it was so cold that we never took off our mittens all day long, even to eat. Food would freeze before you could eat it, and C Rations were almost impossible to eat, frozen solid in cans . . . The other day near Pyongyang when we were attacked around 4 a.m., it was so cold I could hardly drag myself out of my sleeping bag, and you can imagine how much I enjoyed a fire fight!

" . . . For quite a while, no mail was going in or out. There was no way for me even to tell you I couldn't write.

"We got the report on our last firing in North Korea. Our 4.2 Platoon was given credit for breaking up two Banzais in a night attack on the 2nd Battalion . . . They said we were all that stopped them. Too much trouble going into detail now, but the action that night and the day before was like a demonstration of Infantry tactics. Everything from the rifle companies, to artillery in a valley the size of two football stadiums end to end.

16 December, 1950

"We're set up 8 km. south of the 38th. Really snowing. I think we'll move on soon to a position along the Seoul-Inchon road. The artillery 105's, 155's and 8 inchers really sounding off.

17 December, 1950

"Still a few inches of snow everywhere. Today is clear and icy and the snow has crusted. I wish I were back in the mountain troops, having to fight in this weather. Then

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there'd be better equipment. The clothing we have is good only for a few hours at a time. It's really surprising what you can stand when you have to. But in comparison to the ROK's and the Korean civilians, we have nothing to complain about. I don't see how they live through the day, let alone the night! Light cotton clothes, no gloves, rubber or straw slippers. I've even seen bare feet, when I thought I was frozen to death.

22 December, 1950

"Well, we're in the same position we were in last time I wrote . . . I received the scroll with everyone's name on it (Ed. The scroll was 52 feet long when complete and contained 169 individual Christmas greetings). That was really wonderful! Having people at home that care is what keeps me going as much as anything . . . I bet General MacArthur doesn't get any more attention than I do! Speaking of generals, I should make PFC pretty soon . . .

"It's pretty easy to tell the difference between North and South Korean soldiers. To me, the Communists have a 'wrong side of the tracks' look . . . The ROK's look like 'red-blooded American boys' except they're Korean. The way they act, you'd never know what experiences they've been through or how recently . . . One who could speak English told us he had fought with the Japanese army against Russia, years ago, and had spent three years in Moscow as a prisoner . . . He fought with Japan again in World War II, and now he was in the ROK's fighting with us. He was quite old, a simple 'Gook,' as most people would look at him, who could write a book, if he ever gave it much thought . . .

"Yesterday, three of us went into a village and paid a family in cigarettes to let us use their house to wash and shave. They heated water for us. We couldn't wash as thoroughly as we wanted because they all gathered around, friends, relatives and neighbors, to watch. Helps a lot trying to shave!

"As I've been saying since Pohang, 'Won't be long now!' I still have all the faith in the world."

### LODGE ITEMS

This year, Christmas was more welcome than ever. Somehow, it seemed to come at the appropriate time, when we really needed to express the sentiments that the

spirit of Christmas engenders. A period of anxiety gave way to cheerful, merry feeling that is synonymous with this time of year.

The "Friendly Lodge" has really looked her best for the festive occasion and many favorable comments were made by guests about the attractive decorations in the Curio Shop, Lounge and Cafeteria.

The number of guests arriving was very gratifying—quite above expectations. Marguerite Radigan says she was happy to be going full speed ahead again on her checking machine. Last month she had so many free-mealers going through the line she said she thought she was working for the "Salvation Army."

Mr. Otter is happy now that his baby—"Pine Cottage" is restored and occupied again.

We were fortunate in having the "Bracebridge Singers" sing for us in the Cafeteria on a few unscheduled occasions. Both the guests and employees enjoyed their programs immensely.

Our best wishes to Bill Mitchell, who writes from Stockton telling us that he is now a married man. Bill worked behind the desk during the past summer.

Perhaps the busiest people during the holiday season were Bill Ellis, our mailman, and Ann Bredeman, his able assistant—with parcels and letters by the stacks, people asking questions, etc., etc.—yet always a greeting and smile for everyone. "Typical Lodge Service."

The sunshine of the past few days has been delightful, but now we are anxiously awaiting the morning when Bob Minerich and his patient crew will be pulling away in their new wagon—eyes sparkling—because there is snow in "them thar hills."

### LOST ARROW DOINGS

The next movie at the Arrow, Wednesday, January 24, will be an exceptionally fine combination:

"Quartet" and "Savage Splendor."

Either picture by itself would be first class entertainment, but Bill McCarthy has arranged to have both on the same program, thereby affording a rare treat.

News for the 35mm fans—bring your best slides (maximum-15) to the Arrow on Wednesday, January 31, where we will have a projection session beginning at 9 p.m. Spectators are welcome.

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### N.P.S. ITEMS

Arlene Taylor, popular telephone operator at the NPS switchboard, and Norbert Arens, cashier at the Old Village Store, were married in Reno on December 10. The happy couple spent a three-day honeymoon at the home of Norb's sister at Marysville before returning to Yosemite where they managed to keep the event a dark secret for more than a week. Arlene came to the park in 1946 as telephone operator and Norbert arrived here a year later. All good wishes to the newlyweds for 1951 and the many years ahead.

Gus Eastman, for many years a district ranger in Yosemite, retired from the National Park Service on January 1, after 25 years service. Gus served in every district of Yosemite National Park, and during his earlier years here he covered the entire park on horseback. When the Wawona area was added to the park in 1932, Gus was chosen to be the first district ranger there. Gus and Irene have rented an apartment in Mariposa where the plan to live for the time being. They will eventually locate in the Watsonville area.

Carl and Liza Danner have bought a home in Porterville after a year's travel around the country in their comfortable trailer.

Carl and Betty Russell have returned to the Valley from a relaxing vacation spent largely at Twenty-nine Palms and its surrounding desert area including the spectacular Joshua Tree National Monument. While traveling in the southern part of the State they met many former Yosemite People, including Frank and Vi Givens and their two youngsters Gayle and Dickie. Frank is superintendent of Joshua Tree National Monument.

At Escondido, Carl and Betty found Joe Dixon recovering from a recent operation at his beautiful avocado ranch. At Santa Barbara they saw Jessie Reed, a long time resident of Yosemite at the Arch Rock Station. Mrs. Reed and her sister own and operate a de luxe motor court at Santa Barbara.

Christmas cards always bring news of the whereabouts of former Yosemite residents. Realizing how impossible it is to mention every one, we will report on at least a few. The Lon Garrisons Christmas 'newspaper' was unusually long this year and contained an excellent article on their 20th wedding

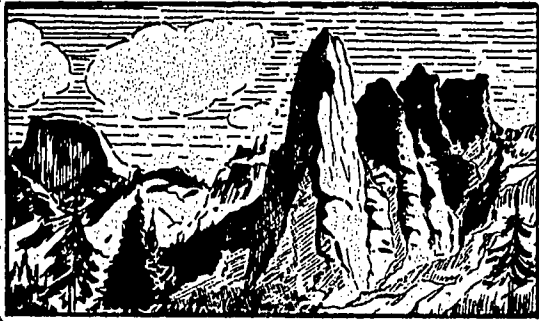
anniversary this year, recalling their happy years in Yosemite, Glacier, Hopewell Village, Washington, D.C. and Grand Canyon where Lon is now Asst. Superintendent. We are glad we are not the only people to get mixed up on our cards. Frank and Catharine Kittredge sent a number of empty envelopes to Yosemite friends in the "B" series—Breckenkamp, Bingaman and Brown. Others received the Kittredge's attractive Christmas letter okay. Lowell and Hazel Adams are still in Montana but Lowell is to take more postgraduate work soon. Frank Brockman has remarried recently, and sent along a snapshot of his bride and her two attractive sons to a few of his friends here. A card from Vernon Lowery came from Hawaii. Jack Emmert surprised his many friends here with a brief visit during the holidays. He came through with son Jack and wife, but could only spare a few moments in the park. Marge (Kennedy) Naramore wrote from Colorado: "We are now located at Hot Sulphur Springs as Bob has been designated Assistant Ranger on the Arapaho National Forest. We overlook the Colorado River and Byers Canyon and live in a modern hardwood oak-floored duplex apartment. The furniture is lovely and all neighbors nice. We are in the heart of the ski country and only need to cross the highway . . ."

### NEXT MOVIE CLASSIC

The Movie Classic Series will present on January 17, as the fourth program of its current season, the most famous American motion picture of all time, D. W. Griffith's "Birth of a Nation." Produced in 1915, at a time when movies were still regarded chiefly as mechanical marvels, its tremendous popularity quickly established the motion picture as a new art form. Some of the brightest stars of the early years of the silver screen—Mae Marsh, Lillian Gish, Henry B. Walthall, and Wallace Reid—were first brought to public notice through their work in this film.

There will be two showings, as usual, a matinee at 2 p.m. and an evening performance at 7:30 at the Old Village Pavilion.

FOR SALE—Revere 8 mm motion picture camera and case. One year old. \$45.00. See Frank Harper, Lodge Grill.



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## MARCH OF DIMES UNDER WAY

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis again appeals to us for support in combatting the dread disease. As a result of severe epidemics in the past few years, and the carry-over of thousands of patients still on the slow road to recovery, there is greater need than ever before for us to help.

When we are solicited during the coming weeks for the March of Dimes, let's remember the hundreds of patients, most of them children, who are depending for their very lives, upon the iron lungs furnished by our contributions.

## SOCIAL CLUB ELECTIONS

Officers for 1951 of the Yosemite Social Club will be elected next week, according to Carolyn Wathey Moore, who, 'though she has deserted her Underwood for a dishpan,' is the Social Club's press agent. The slate of officers proposed are: president, Don (Ducky) Morris, Ralph Davis and Bill Forsberg; for veep, Bill Moody and Carroll Clark; for secretary, Gloria Hunt, Betty Henry and Betty Barnard; for treasurer, Lois Nordlinger and Sally Moen. Ballots will be distributed with paychecks on January 22 and should be returned to Unit Managers not later than January 24.

## SHOE SHOP SCHEDULE

Larry Witcher, the shoemaker, reports that his shop in the Old Village will be open on Wednesdays and Saturdays only. Anyone needing shoe repairs may indicate on a note what's to be done and drop shoes through the chute provided for the purpose.

## CHURCH SERVICES

Next Sunday, January 21, a special service of dedication of the new Wurlitzer organ will be held at the eleven o'clock service. Already the organ has enriched the worship services of the local church and its continued use no doubt will aid greatly in creating a mood for worship. Florence Sedergren is the organist. Mr. Glass will preach on the subject, "People with Problems." A brief service will be held as usual from 9:15 to 9:45 a.m.

Roman Catholic Masses this Sunday

Due to weather conditions, Father Michael Stack found it impossible to reach Yosemite for last Sunday's masses. It is expected that the regular seven and eight o'clock masses will be held this Sunday.

## CREDIT UNION ELECTS OFFICERS

The Yosemite Credit Union held its annual meeting Monday night, January 15, with 73 members and 5 visitors in attendance. President Charles Hill outlined the successful operation of the past year and Treasurer George Bailey pointed out many interesting figures to illustrate the volume of business in connection with serving the credit needs of this community. George mentioned that more than \$340,000 had been taken in during the past year in deposits, repayment of loans, etc. There are now 523 members in the Yosemite Credit Union. Of these, there are 75 junior members (under 21 years old).

Officers elected at this meeting were new directors Art Robinson, Ed Renner, and Walt Woodman; new supervisory committeemen Bill Stevenson, Al Clark and Bill Ellis; and the same credit committeemen reelected, Florence Morris and E. C. Smith. The above will assist other members of committees elected for three year terms.

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January 11, the lucky day—SNOW FELL!

Dick Connet left after New Years for his annual vacation—New York City and points west. Bill Truman, when not busy keeping things in ship shape, can be heard on the Foyer Lounge Steinway—very nice, too!

Jack Curran recently celebrated a birthday—one of the many spent in Yosemite, without telling any of us or giving us a chance to help with the celebrating.

Four years is quite a while—and Anne Hulme, Verna Wright, Mary Rawlins and Georgia Houser are four girls who have piled up something of a record for that "service with a smile" in The Ahwahnee dining room—the same goes for Pete Cramer, Jack Farrell, and Bert Strome in the kitchen—also Catherine O'Keefe, now keeping everyone happy up the linen room way.

A welcome goes to Florence Isom, our new beauty operator, here from Los Angeles. Her specialty—"trying to please."

Also welcome to Madeline Deming, back at work in the Gift Shop after quite a spell in the hospital, and word comes that Vergena Shepard, in a Los Angeles hospital is doing fine and hopes to be back at the telephone switchboard before too long.

Those agonizing groans that were echoing from The Ahwahnee no so long ago came from Bill Moody, Shiva Gharat, Lee Brazitis and Ted Gogolewski, all players in that famous East-West football game—the East apparently won because a lot of westerners played for the Easterners—quite a game, no umpire, five men to a team, and with a football that escaped from Lost and Found, and is now winging it way back to its rightful Los Angeles owner. While here, it spent the time, when not being kicked around, in Bill Moody's handsome Ford runabout.

The Big News, however, is that Carroll Clark went home and found Johnny "C.C." was walking—also has eight teeth!

#### BADGER PASSES

At long last, Badger has, again, a beautiful, sparkling white covering—from Ski Top to the roof of the Ski House. This came, as all good things do, quite unexpectedly. A good many 'Badgers' were caught unaware, having strayed in various directions from the Valley, to await the snow. Also caught unaware was the weatherman after predicting snow regularly for the last month.

At any rate, the ski season is now here. The morning of Friday, January 12, found much activity at Badger in preparation for the weekend, and Bob Seach, nerve center of Badger, took it all in his amazing stride. Syd Ledson and his crew opened the operation of the Queen Tow and the Constam, Dave Downing gathered up his Ski Patrol who alternately skied and packed the hills, Luggi and the instructors rushed back from Mammoth to begin ski school classes Saturday morning, and the Ski House gathered its employees and its wits, to meet the coming skiers.

A wonderful opening weekend for Badger, we welcomed back many of our old friends who always seem to appear with the first snow.

We extend a hearty welcome to all in the Valley who would like to ski, or just enjoy the atmosphere at Badger, and remind you that ski school sessions are held twice each day, from 10 to 12 in the morning and 2 to 4 in the afternoon.

Come up and see for yourself whether or not skiing is your hidden talent!

#### JOHN JAY FILM

The inimitable John Jay, ski photographer and lecturer, will present his latest film, "White Magic," at the Old Village Pavilion on January 29. Many Valleyites will remember Jay's last visit several years ago and his hysterically funny film.

Tickets are on advance sale now at the Villag Store, Badger Pass, Yosemite Lodge, The Ahwahnee and Traffic offices. Admission price is .60, tax included.

**BLOOD TYPING PROGRAM**

As part of the State-wide Civil Defense plan the Yosemite Lions Club is sponsoring the blood typing of all Yosemite residents. If disaster strikes in California we can expect to receive and care for a considerable number of casualties from defense and metropolitan centers. Any whole blood required to treat these casualties will have to come from the community. Against this eventuality the local hospital must have a list of blood types and numbers of potential donors available.

Moreover, you have a vital personal interest in knowing your own blood type. If a member of your family or a friend ever needs a transfusion you will know immediately if you can offer your blood. And if you ever need a transfusion yourself, knowing your blood type the doctor can proceed much more quickly, when time is precious, in finding the right donor. Even though blood is cross matched before a transfusion, in an emergency the facilities for typing may not be available.

In the common interest then, register for your blood typing between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, January 22, 23, and 24. Places for registration are; The Ahwahnee front desk, Yosemite Transportation System office, Y. P. and C. Co. General Offices, Chief Ranger's office, Village store office, and the Yosemite Lodge front desk. We have to know how many residents wish to participate before ordering the necessary materials.

Many local people already know their blood types. It is suggested that this information be recorded at the time of registration. Such people need not have their blood retyped unless they are uncertain as to their type.

The actual blood typing will take place at the Museum on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, February 12, 13, and 16. Half of the cost is being assumed by the Lewis Memorial Hospital and the typing will be done by the staff of the hospital. Cost to the individual will be 50c. You will be given an identity card showing your blood type. By having your blood typed, you do not obligate yourself to be a donor. But you will be considered as a potential volunteer donor in case of an emergency.

Blood typing is a very simple, quick, and

painless procedure. The doctor only needs a drop of your blood from your finger.

Register January 22, 23 and 24, 1951.

**WINTER CLUB TEAM WINS MEET**

Competing against teams from the Oakland Ski Club and the San Jose Ski Club, a Yosemite Winter Club squad emerged on top in an informal inter-club meet, Sunday, January 14. Best time of the day was hung up by Bob Gallison who had elapsed time of 112.4 seconds for two runs of Dick Martin's giant slalom. Other skiers representing Yosemite were Tom Goodwin, Tom Clifford, Jim Scott, all of Fresno, Sturge Culver and school teacher Gina Clark, of Yosemite.

The race was held under almost ideal conditions, instead of in a blizzard which seems generally to accompany ski meets.

The best four times for each team were added to give a total team score. Yosemite's best turned in a total of 470.9 seconds; Oakland, 484.4; and San Jose, 645.8 seconds.

**NEW LUGGI SKI FILM**

As an added attraction at the first Ski Dinner Dance, to be held at The Ahwahnee on Friday, January 26, Luggi Foeger's new ski instruction film "Skiing is Fun" will be presented.

**THE SIGN IS STILL THERE**



A large gathering of friends of E. and S. Spurgin assembled at The Ahwahnee Tuesday evening in honor of the S's Silver Wedding Anniversary. A small package containing 25 bright silver dollars was given the happy couple.

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When we received a Christmas card from Joern and Louise Gerdts, formerly of Yosemite and now photographers in Salt Lake City, we marveled at the remarkable skiing ability of their son Christopher, age 3 or thereabouts. The photo showed the young chap sailing through the air with much the same grace and skill of his skiing father. A recent issue of Popular Photography (the one with the attractive young blonde on the cover) gives a clue to Christopher's extraordinary development. He is shown with a man-size shaving brush in the act of shaving. The kid has whiskers already!

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Helen Doty, Stevie Shea, Ginny Pierce and John Arbunich all joined George Murphy for a trip to San Francisco last weekend for a shopping expedition. While the others visited friends, George and Stevie attended the symphony.

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Robert R. Gros, well-known economist, lecturer and world traveler, will speak at The Ahwahnee Foyer Lounge at 8:30 p.m. on February 8 under the auspices of the Yosemite Lions Club. There will be no admission charge, and everyone is cordially invited.

Gros was a graduate from Stanford University with great distinction, is a friend of many national and international personalities shaping the destiny of the world today. His pertinent subject for us is "RIGHT NEEDS MIGHT," and his informal talk will include first-hand stories of his interviews with top leaders at Washington, D.C., Lake Success, and abroad.

Gros has generously suggested a question and answer period following his talk, so let's think up some good questions!

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Juanita "Kay" Kesheimer, formerly secretary to the Superintendent, writes from Cincinnati that she doesn't like the kind of winters they have there. Recent visitors to Yosemite were Wayne Henderson, seasonal ranger, and his family. Bernie and Mary Packard are leaving soon for Crater Lake National Park where Bernie has accepted a position under Lou Hallock, formerly a district ranger in Yosemite and now chief ranger at Crater Lake.

### MEN'S GLEE CLUB TO SING HERE

The University of Redlands Men's Glee Club, an outstanding group of singers with a varied program of interest to everyone, will present a program at the Old Village Chapel on Wednesday, January 31 at 8 p.m. The group is quite versatile, presenting solo numbers, an Hawaiian ensemble, quartet and other arrangements. Their coming will present a real opportunity for the people of the Valley to enjoy an evening of good entertainment. The boys will have dinner there through the courtesy of Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and sleeping accommodations and breakfast through the hospitality of individual homes. An offering will be taken to help defray traveling expenses. Everyone is invited on Wednesday, January 31, at 8 p.m. at the Chapel.

### AMOS NEAL RETURNS TO ARABIA

Former employee for many years, Amos Neal, paid a hurried visit to the Valley during the holidays. He has been with Arabian American Oil Company in Saudi Arabia for the last two years. Old friends around the Valley enjoyed hearing of his life and work in the far away land. Dick Connett, Dick's mother and Amos recently departed by motor for New York where Amos will board ship for the return to the Near East.

### FOR SALE

1 pair skis, 6, 9", black and silver poles—\$15. See Ralph L. Davis, The Ahwahnee.  
Pair metal Hollywood beds—like new \$8. Call Mahoney at 26W.  
Two pairs Anderson-Thompson Skis, new bindings and poles. Size 6'6" and 6'. Also pair men's ski boots, size 8½B, and pair of women's ski boots, size 5. Phone 8F13.

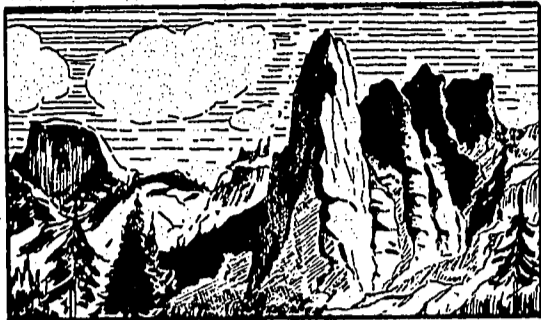
### WANTED

Set (2 vols.) "Fur Bearing Mammals" by Grinnell Dixon Linsdale. Will pay more than original purchase price. Mahoney 26W.  
Two pair ski poles for girls 10 and 12, in good shape. Call 125W.

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Winter has come,  
The housecounts riz,  
And here at the Lodge the  
"snow-bunnies" is!

Yes, the skiers have arrived en masse (some in a mess) with everything from clattering boots to sharp looking parkas. Among the "snow-bunnies" wandering around the Lodge, we see a few past employees with their bright, optimistic faces. However, the present workers are not to be outdone with smiles by the newcomers.

Seems there has been a new mechanical object added to the Valley, operated by one Eddie "Jolly-car." He needed a means of transportation for his horse so converted his best possession (formerly a station wagon) to fill the bill. Has anyone recognized it? He, frankly, is quite proud of it!

Smiling faces are being worn by Pat Engelky and "Pappy" Akers. They celebrated their birthdays with a joint cake. "Pappy" automatically took three-fourths of the "sweet bread," figuring he deserved it, being twice Pat's age. Must have had a practical course in mathematics!

Have missed the face of Johnny Hansen at the P.O. window lately—perhaps he's helping instruct at Badger. Johnny is famous for his skiing expeditions in August. No one knows where or how he finds that spot of snow—but what else could he do with such a store of equipment at that time of the year?

Around the Curio Shop things appear to be normal and the redwood burls are still sprouting their greens, in the dead of winter.

The girls can no longer standing drooling around the Reservation desk, as Bruce Brier is now mopping his brow in the cafe. Besides—he's married.

## LOST ARROW DOINGS

If the ice rink is a little chilly at night for your tootsies, remember there is Square dancing every Monday and Friday nights at the Arrow, and social dancing on Wednesday nights from 9 to 11:30.

Plans are under way for transforming the Arrow into a "Hofbrauhaus" (German Beer Garden) one night a week. The day is not yet set, but it will follow close on the heels of "Reno Days," February 21.

Congratulations to "Ducky" Morris, new president of the Yosemite Social Club, and to Bill Moody, Betty Barnard and Lois Nordlinger, his fellow officers.

Spirited campaigning and politicking in the Yosemite Social Club election of officers for 1951 resulted in the following candidates being elected to office:

President, Don Morris; Vice-President, William Moody; Secretary, Betty Barnard; Treasurer, Lois Nordlinger.

(Ed. Note). Presidential write-in candidate Bill Truman received more than a handful of votes.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Come with your favorite Valentine.  
Watch Posters for Time and Place

## YOSEMITE BLOOD TYPING PROGRAM

Almost 400 Yosemite residents registered for the blood typing program. This complete response to a civic responsibility on the part of our community should be gratifying to all of us. Those registered should report to the Museum either Monday, Tuesday or Friday, February 12, 13 and 16 between 8 and 10 p.m. Cost of blood typing will be 50 cents per person.

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### BADGER PASSES

The month of January has brought the most fantastic weather and skiing conditions imaginable to Badger. The slopes, which were lightly spotted with patches of white, were suddenly covered with deep snow, which was skied and packed as if no more snow was to be expected. The next snowfall provided us with good powder and now spring conditions prevail, providing an interlude of spring skiing.

The Tempo Dome tow is operating weekends, giving the skiers an opportunity to take advantage of spring skiing at its best. The fashionable skiers this week are sporting shirt sleeves and wonderful tans.

Badger lost one of its favorite people last week when ski fitter Stu Robertson left for Fort Ord. Stu had spent three winters at Badger, as well as many summers in the Valley and at Tuolumne Meadows. Brother Jim, a former Yosemite ranger, is up for a few days, lending a helping hand.

The salesroom has added to the staff with the arrival of Beryl Miles, who spends her summers in the Curry Studio. Beryl is an ardent skiing fan, and joins the rest of the salesroom girls in gazing longingly out of the windows toward the ski slopes.

It seems that Jim McConkey has earned a new name for himself. The old name, "Greedy McConkey," in tribute to his amazing ability to eat more food (particularly steaks) than any other know human, is giving way to "Unlucky McConkey." The other morning, Jim discovered that one of his boots had fallen on the heater during the night and had been badly burned. Jim was heard to go off muttering, "First my golf clubs were stolen, then . . ." He appeared later, after taking a spill, with several large rips in his ski pants.

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### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

A calendar of community activities for the month of February is attached to this issue of the Sentinel. The Community Council plans to prepare a similar calendar each month, if this one proves useful. Information concerning future events and meetings should be submitted to Lois Nordlinger in ample time for publication in succeeding issues.

### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

The ski season really seemed in full swing with the first Ski Dinner Dance of the season drawing a huge crowd over the weekend. All the ski instructors were in fine form and Luggi, as usual, took great pride in introducing them to one and all. The highlight of the evening, however, was the premier showing of Luggi's new film, "Skiing is Fun."

During the evening, Lynn Rogers, Bill Burrud and Bill Steen from the Los Angeles Times, were wandering around seeing that everyone got televised. That is everyone and Mary Rawlins. She got the special treatment.

Everyone enjoyed meeting John Jay while a guest at The Ahwahnee. Nearly all took time out to go and see his film "White Magic" at the Movie Pavilion.

Some minor ski casualties, as per usual, noted around the hotel: Tony Tuason, with a banged-up hand—Jim Erhart limping, and Nancy "Lanz" Maynard had a near hit and miss with a slalom gate—result, a weak in-step.

Everyone glad to see the new orchestra here to play in the Foyer Lounge Friday and Saturday nights: Tomi Law and the Treasure Tones.

A cherful sight—Betsy Barnard with her bright green felt slippers tip-toeing round like the night before Christmas, practicing, no doubt, to hold the lead she has with the ping pong paddles.

And something for the record—Those four lone girls in Housekeeping, Winnie Hughes, Ada Duncan, Mae Leupold and Audrey Torgerson really doing a job over the full weekend. Every room shipshape says Catherine O'Keefe, and everyone chipper as usual.

Happy Birthday to Parkey, 45 years old Sunday and doesn't look a day older!

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### STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

Postmarked Jan. 12, reached Yosemite Jan. 24. 30 Dec., 1950, (Near Seoul)

"The refugees are pouring southward constantly, getting away from the Chinese Communists. They are checked pretty carefully to see that there are no guerrillas in with them.

"Two Chinese Communist officers were recently captured, one intelligence and one ordnance. They told us that about an Army is assembled on our division front, the 139th Corps. I think it was, plus other units in reserve. Between now and the third, three divisions are expected to attack our front and one division to work around the 19th Regiment on our left flank to try to cut off our route of retreat, the road to Seoul. (Ed. This is about what happened, starting Jan. 2).

"The Red Chinese rifle companies are equipped with, besides rifles, Thompson sub-machine guns, U.S. heavy M.Gs. and Russian type heavy M.Gs., the kind mounted on wheels, I imagine, two 60mm mortars and two 81mm mortars. In addition, there may be some of the gigantic 120mm mortars which I've had coming in on me before.

"We're adding another sentry post tonight. I don't think I'll celebrate New Year's Eve.

"I had a tooth pulled on the 26th. You should visit the dentist in a regimental Collecting Station sometime. While the dentist works on you, his assistant pumps the foot pedal that operates the drill while someone else sits in the corner of the tent operating a guitar!

"Twice in one day I saw our fighters being shot down over enemy territory. The other planes circled around the pilots as they parachuted down, giving them protection. Immediately, infantry patrols went in on foot to get them out!"

### OLD VILLAGE STORIES

Nat Bredeman, bird-lover to the core, makes a daily practice of feeding the jays in front of the Spoon. He has quite a flock on deck each morning, it appearing that the worms have withdrawn out of reach for the winter. Watching this avian feast recently was a small child and his probably loving, but urban, mother who tenderly explained

that the nice man was feeding the pigeons—just like in Pershing Square.

A pair of would-be disc jockeys had a great battle the other day over whether a record then being played was Mary Martin singing something from "South Pacific" or Ethel Merman singing "Call Me Madam." Just before the hair pulling began, Ducky stopped the music and let the boys read the label on the record: Betty Hutton "Excerpts from Annie Get Your Gun."

A young lady tourist has driven Marilyn Staael from her career at the Village Store drug counter. The y.l.t. poured through stacks of current L.A. and S.F. newspapers after a particular news story. Marilyn made her exit after the lady bought a paper three weeks old rather than a late edition, because it contained the key article on "How to Reduce Easily."

Jack Ring claims that Ducky Morris is a cinch to be a first-class prexy of the Social Club because he's left-handed—so's Jack!

### MOVIE CLASSIC—BUSTER KEATON

The one and only Buster Keaton, as frozen-faced and funny as you remember him, will be presented by the Movie Classics on Wednesday, February 14, in his version of the Civil War, "The General."

Keaton, whose film trademark was the long, sharp-nosed face that never smiled, is generally considered one of the great masters of pantomime. Like Chaplin, he scintillated in an era when comedians had to act funny, rather than merely to speak funny lines.

An added short subject is "The River," a memorable documentary film which tells the story of the Mississippi River Basin and the effects of flood and soil erosion on the land and on the people.

Don't forget the time—2 and 7:30 p.m.

### "RENO NIGHTS"

Reno Night, February 21, starting at 8. Come in costume representative of the 'Gay Nineties.' Place—Lost Arrow. Door prize. Many other prizes. Fabulous games of chance with hardly any investment.

### WATCH FOR THE POSTERS

YOSEMITE LIONS CLUB JUNIOR GIANT SLALOM is definitely scheduled for Wednesday, March 21.

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### N.P.S. ITEMS

Carl Russell and Don McHenry attended the Second Regional Conference on conservation of natural resources sponsored by the State Department of Natural Resources, the University of California and the State Department of Education held in Berkeley last week.

Our sympathy to Arthur Holmes whose mother, Mrs. Marianne E. Holmes passed away at San Diego on January 16 at the age of 86. Mrs. Holmes has lived in Yosemite at various times and had many friends in this community.

Robert Gros, well known commentator and world traveler, will give one of his interesting talks at The Ahwahnee at 8:30 p.m. February 8th. His timely subject will be "Right Needs Might" and will be based on his wide experiences in diplomatic circles at Lake Success and in far corners of the globe. It is not often that we have such an opportunity to hear a man of this caliber in Yosemite. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. There will be no admission charge, arrangements having been made by the Yosemite Lions Club.

Look on your pantry shelves for any of Borden's Liederkrantz cheese spread in glass jars. Health authorities have warned of a certain poisoning in this product. Turn any suspect jars over to the National Park Service for test by the County Health Department.

The Annual March of Dimes fund-raising campaign will continue through February according to announcement of Lester Drummond, county chairman. The quota for Mariposa County is \$1500 which seems a small amount considering the cost for caring for a single case of infantile paralysis. It is not uncommon for severe cases of the disease to cost \$25,000 for treatment.

Few people can begin to afford to pay for proper medical and hospital care. For this reason if for no other we must support the March of Dimes as our greatest hope for combatting polio. With generous contributions from every employee in the Park, Yosemite may be counted upon to do its part.

Now recuperating at the local hospital is George Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Murphy, who suffered a painful accident while working on the toboggan slide.

### CHURCH SERVICES

#### DEDICATION OF ALTAR, FEBRUARY 7

The dedication of a communion table in memory of Ada Eastman will be part of the Ash Wednesday communion service on February 7 at 7:30 p.m. The communion table is being presented to the Park Church by Gustave Eastman. Ada Eastman was for many years a fine member of our community and this service of dedication will mean much to her many friends in the Valley. The service will be held in the Old Village Chapel.

#### LENTEN SEASON ACTIVITIES.

With the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 7, Mr. Glass will preach a series of sermons each Lenten Sunday on the general subject, "What I Believe." At the Thursday night Study Groups, the Reverend will lead a discussion on the closing events in the life of Jesus. The sermon series will be preached at the 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. services.

Next Sunday, February 4, the soloist will be Florence McCall. The sermon subject, "I Will Lift Mine Eyes."

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASSES will be held at 7 and 8 a.m. The Rev. Michael Stack is the parish priest.

#### LIBRARY WEEK

Plan to visit your Public Library during this week. Come in and browse, read, perhaps borrow a book or two. Become familiar with our really excellent small library. If the books you want aren't in the library, ask about our request system. If the county libraries haven't the books, we have the privilege of borrowing from the California State Library at Sacramento.

This is your library, here to serve the community. The next time you come in to the library, let's talk about the type of book you like to read. To know your taste in reading will help us serve you better.

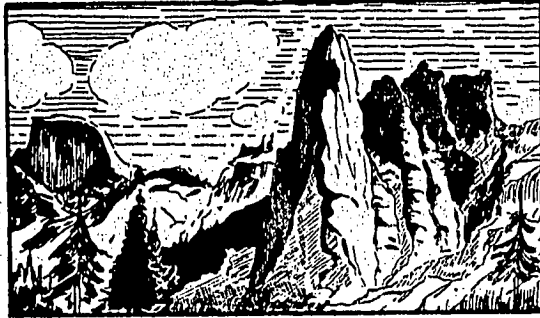
Don't forget Library Week—February 5-10. Open a good book and open the doorway to opportunity.

Hours: Monday and Thursday 2 to 4 p.m.

Friday, 7 to 9 p.m.

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--FOR QUICK SALE--'33 Dodge convertible \$35. One 17' house trailer—see Barbara Zrnich.



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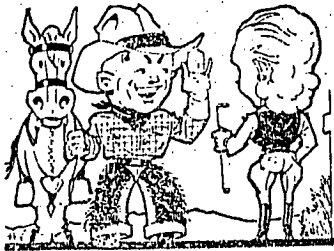
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1951

**RENO NIGHT--WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21 - 8 P.M.**

**Cowboy bold and his country gal**

**See you at eight at the Arrow Corral**



*The highest biggest little gambling  
hall in the world! Cum at eight  
and stay till you break the bank!*

LIMITED SPACE--BUT LOTS OF SMOKE  
LODED DICE--CONFUSION--FAKE DOE  
WILD WIMMEN

SHIFTY-EYED DESPERADOS -- BOOKIES  
CROSBY'S RACEHORSES -- CHISELERS  
MICKEY FINNS

### FABULOUS PRIZES

**Wear yer western duds and two guns  
fer yer libel tew git ruf treatment!**

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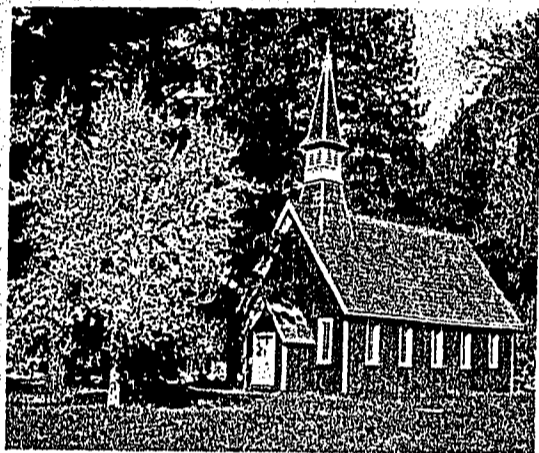
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CHURCH SERVICES

"WHAT I BELIEVE" SERIES.

The Lenten sermon series on "What I Believe" will continue this Sunday at the Old Village Chapel at 9:15 and 11 a.m. Florence McCall is the soloist at the 11 o'clock service. The sermon will be "What I Believe About Jesus."

STUDY GROUP ON THURSDAYS.

The Lenten Study Group will study the first words of Jesus from the cross, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." Time, Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

A DATE TO REMEMBER

Next meeting of the Women's Group at The Ahwahnee will be February 20. Make your reservation early for luncheon, which will be served at 12:45. Telephone 88.

Entertainment will be a musical program furnished by three Mariposa women:

- Mrs. Midfred Massey ..... Violinist
  - Mrs. Harold Rowney ..... Vocalist
  - Miss Rose Fraser ..... Pianist
- Remember the date—Tuesday, February 20.

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**The Bandit's**  
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OR  
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LOVE LAUGHTER  
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A two-act heartrending drama of Intrigue in High Society

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Watch for further announcements

CLUB OFFICERS NOTE

If you are the officer of a local organization—remember—to clear the dates with and give to Lois Nordlinger information regarding any special events planned for the month of March for inclusion in the month's community calendar, which will be issued the latter part of February.

For Sale—1940 BUICK SEDAN. Call 42J after 5 p.m.

## Reno Night

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21 at 8 P.M.  
LOST ARROW

GRAND PRIZE  
Universal Cook-O-Matic Waffle  
Maker and Sandwich Grill  
Combination

Many other prizes including  
Kraft cheeses Dinners at  
The Ahwahnee, Lodge, Spoon  
Canned Coffee Best's Studio Gift  
Store Merchandise Orders  
ETC., ETC., ETC.

COME EARLY—STAY 'TIL YOUR BROKE

### MOBILE BLOOD BANK

The Yosemite blood typing program was completed this week with over 400 Yosemite residents participating. It was an interesting experience for everyone and provided the hospital with an up-to-date listing of types and numbers of potential blood donors available when need arises.

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A mobile blood bank will be in Mariposa on Friday, March 2, to receive blood from donors in the county. This blood will be shipped overseas for the great needs of the wounded American soldiers in Korea.

Yosemite has been asked to supply forty donors. Alfred Glass is the local chairman and will be glad to sign up volunteers on the regular cards. Anyone from 21 to 60 may give blood. Young people 18-21 must have the permission of their parents. Mr. Glass hopes to form a car pool in order to make the trip to Mariposa easier for everyone. Definite appointment times will be arranged. The whole process takes thirty minutes but several are handled at one time.

The bank operates from ten to noon in the morning and one to eight in the afternoon and evening. If the trip seems demanding, remember the sacrifices and suffering of our fighting men. It is hoped to have a mobile unit in Yosemite later in the spring—but just now, let's cooperate with Mariposa on March 2. Call Mr. Glass today at 125W.

### STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

19 January, 1951  
South Korea

"I don't know what's become of the plans I told you of before. We were well on our way to Taegu, then stopped a little above Chunju, where we have been 2½ weeks. The closest town is Moman-ni, but I doubt if it's big enough to be on any map.

"A few days ago, the 2nd Bn. went on a patrol 17 miles in front of our lines. We stayed three days and the cold knocked us for a loop. We all got a touch of frost bite. Now that I've thawed out, I feel as if I've had my fingers and toes burned. Out of one rifle company that I know of, 'F' Company, 30 men were evacuated and one froze to death. In our platoon, we lost my squad leader, one forward observer, one radio man and a gunner.

"I never knew the 24th was cut in two. I'm glad I didn't. That's how it goes. You may hear awful things on the radio, while I don't know anything's going on. I can't see past the next hill.

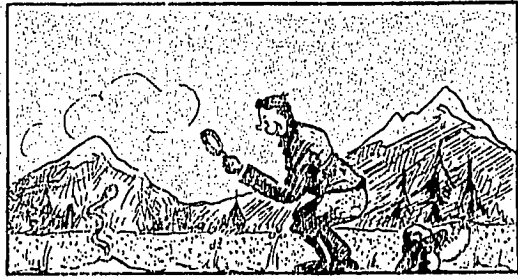
"I get a chance to practice my Spanish talking to a Mexican boy from Bakersfield.

"About six weeks from now—less than that when you get this—it will be March and spring will begin that month. Having warm weather again will make a big difference."

Stewart.

### A CHANGE OF DIET

Like a tasty tid-bit? Something a little bit different from the usual everyday menu! Then visit the Spoon when Nat concocts such delectable dishes as Chicken a la King, Hot Stuff Chili and Beans and his special—Merced River Fresh Clam Chowder.



N.P.S. ITEMS

Mary Ellen Degan has written to friends about Francis Donohoe, 1st Lt. of the 1st Marines, now recovering in a hospital in Japan. A Father Griffin, Chaplain with the 1st Marines, who suffered wounds while administering to the sick and dying in Korea and who is now at Oak Knoll Hospital in Oakland, reported Frank's experiences in Korea to Mrs. Donohoe. He stated: "They don't come any better than Frank. His bravery and example were an inspiration to his men and to all who came in contact with him." Father Griffin said it was amazing what the boys went through in their escape from North Korea, that the Marines carried their dead and wounded with them. When Frank finally reached safely, he took pneumonia and was hospitalized in Japan where he has since undergone an operation.

In his letters to his family, Frank has said little about his experiences, only the separation from Nell and their children. The youngest daughter, Mary Ellen Donohoe, was born in Yosemite on August 25, 1950, after Frank had left Yosemite to re-enter service with the Marines.

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Ranger Ed Parsegan suffered a broken ankle while on duty at Badger Pass on January 31. District Ranger Sam Clark is on leave for a month traveling with his wife who is appearing in a number of theatrical engagements, including New York City.

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Recent visitors to Yosemite were Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Hall from Mesa Verde National Park. Ansel Hall was one of the first rangers in Yosemite, and later became Park Naturalist at the time when Yosemite Museum was under construction. Hall headed the

Field Educational Headquarters as Chief Naturalist and Forester in the '20s and early '30s, after which he resigned to take over the operation of the accommodation facilities at Mesa Verde.

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Pvt. Richard Russell enjoyed a week's leave with his parents, Carl and Betty, before reporting at Fort Myer, Va., a redistribution center near Washington, D.C.

Mrs. H. J. Taylor, well known to many in Yosemite, passed away at the age of 88, on January 25, in Berkeley. "Mother Rose" Taylor has long been actively interested in the work of the Yosemite Museum. She has written several books on Yosemite Indians and for several years, worked with the Yosemite Naturalist Department during its formation period.

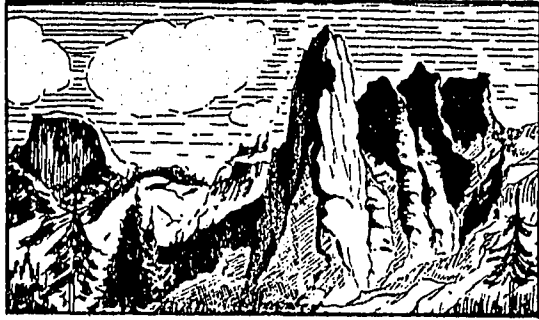
MARCH OF DIMES POETRY

Just in case you have not yet made your contribution to the March of Dimes, the following verses, composed by P. A. Clark of the N.P.S. Accounting Office, may be a pleasant reminder:

The "March of Dimes" is here again  
 We all should do our share  
 If our loved ones were paralyzed  
 We'd have worse things to bear.  
 So give to those poor stricken souls  
 Whatever you may please  
 Believing that your help will aid  
 To stamp out this disease.

According to word received from Alameda County Hospital, Miss Mary Degen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Degen, and a member of the class of young women who entered Highland School of Nursing in September of last year, will receive her cap at a ceremony Saturday, February 17, at Plymouth Congregational Church, Oakland. Mary graduated from Mariposa High School in June, 1950.





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Lawrence Taylor, Chairman of Yosemite Lions Club Safety Committee, presents book covers to a committee of local school children. The covers carry a design featuring Sentinel Rock with a slogan: "Like Our Sentinel Rock, be ever Watchful." A number of good suggestions for safety in Yosemite are listed. The covers will serve to protect school books and will be a constant reminder for Safety in the Park. Left to right are: Barbara Cooper, Cheryl Williams, Danny Sturm, Toni Culver, Gordon Glass, and Lawrence Taylor.

### NEXT MOVIE CLASSIC COMING

The theme of the Movie Classic program to be presented on Wednesday, March 14, will be the development of comedy in the cinema. Thirteen reels of memorable comic productions will span the era of development from "The Doctor's Secret," produced in 1908, to one of Walt Disney's first talkies, "The Skeleton Dance," 1929. Others in

the program are "Gertie, the Dinosaur," 1909; "His Bitter Pill," 1916, a Mack Sennett Satire on the familiar Western movie plot; the full-length production of "The Freshman," 1925, one of Harold Lloyd's funniest and best-liked films; and the immortal Robert Benchley in the "Sex Life of the Polyp."

The program will be shown twice, at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

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#### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

The spring bonnets are all put back on the shelf, and the winter parkas are back on the head. Winter is still very much with us, and skiing better than ever. Congrats to Ahwahnee Lanz Nancy Maynard, who with only limited practice time really brought home the bacon. Placed first in the F.W.S.A. Class B Women's Downhill, and fourth in the Slalom.

Everyone giving Irma Cunha a big welcome back after far too long a time away in the east. Now, as CAROL LANE of Shell Oil Travel Bureau, she is to be headquartered in San Francisco, and promises to spend all spare time in Yosemite.

Happy birthday to hard working superman Truman Emerson. He's now old enough to vote. Lois Nordlinger and Marguerite Tierney really made it a day, or evening, to remember.

It's good bye and good luck to Virginia Duke—off to San Francisco. Gloria Hunt will now share the cashier's window with Betsy Barnard.

Also good bye and good luck to Ray O'Connell leaving for S.F., and a welcome to Andrew Black. "Blackie" to everyone here!

Isa Terwilliger and Violet Murray are back with housekeeping, and Katherine Wilson, newcomer, has just started in.

Those strange noises and paint smells now wafting around the lobby are coming from the Foyer Lounge, which is going through a complete face lifting, and will presently emerge as a new fun room to be known as the Indian Room. Sounds grand.

Condolences to Mary Rawlins. Laid up with a broken knee cap after only not so long getting over a broken ankle.

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SEEN ON THE SLOPES—by Midge  
King Winter appeared in earnest, along

with everyone else who could drive, walk or crawl to Badger Pass, to spend a four day weekend. In fact, in spite of protests from the weatherman that "this is a mere flurry," he had brought us 13 inches by Sunday and gave no appearance of wishing to leave when the Sunday night lull fell over the lodge.

The Class B Championship Races brought racers and spectators from all over the far west, proving very exciting, although, at times the view from the lodge was blocked by the heavy snowfall.

Luggi, who spent a few days last week in the Lewis Memorial Hospital, (due probably to several recent television appearances in Hollywood) recovered in time to face the weekend races.

Among the guests we always like to welcome back were Mary Smith, who is skiing again after spending the summer in a cast—relic of Squaw Valley. Dr. Raleigh Davies and daughter, Joan, report that the copies of the Yosemite Sentinel, which he places in his Hillsborough office waiting room, are read more than the magazines (why not?)

The salesroom acquired a wonderful new member, but only for a week, when ski patrolman, Ray Patton, hurt his arm and was ordered off the hill. Ray pulled through the ordeal in fine form, and even re-decorated the jewelry display. Unfortunately, "Madame" Patton has now departed us for the Ski Patrol. We hope that we won't lose Joanie Van Housen, who often gets swept out on the porch by the weekend crowds.

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#### LODGE ITEMS

If anyone happens to be in the mood for a few light laughs and is uncertain where to go—try listening to the bits of conversation on the Lodge porch on a busy weekend. One evening, an oddly clothed group (by oddly clothed, we mean they had dispensed with the conventional ski dress and had on anything that could be hung, tied, or even wrapped around them for warmth) stood reciting poetry. Each in turn contributed some verse of renown until time came for one chap who had a frustrated look in his eye. He waited for complete silence, then, after a quick glance at the big red apple he held in his hand, he boldly announced: "An Ode to the Cafeteria." He then proceeded

with the poetry:

"I found a worm in my apple

He wiggled and made me laugh,

But my apple today wasn't funny—

The worm had been bitten in half."

In a previous issue, there was mention of Ed Jolicoeur's mechanical contraption. Well, since then, the once joked about car has won high respect and has been awarded a medal for good conduct in time of need. So here's the story. While a small wood fire smouldered in late afternoon on the Goldsworthy Ranch, Helen Pierson, Ed Jolicoeur and a local wrangler sat with blades of gypsum weed between their teeth, listening to the yarns of Cowboy Earl Pierson, who was telling how he could make a small fortune just by putting his brand on a few of the neighbor's cattle.

Off in the distance, two figures advanced, who at first seemed to be a couple of homeless Navajos. Soon identified were George Goldsworthy and John Floersch, breathless as a vacuum packed coffee can. They were given the greetings of the day, which was "howdy," followed by extensive interrogation. They explained that their new fool-proof Studebaker truck was marooned in deep mud at the Mariposa dump. They were readily pulled on to flat land by the one lung Jolly Car. "What were you doing in the dump?" the two were asked. "Just looking around for some old tires." Things are really getting tough, aren't they!

#### HOSPITAL NOTES

##### "GET WELL QUICKS"—

To Florence Morris, who has been abed for more than a week combatting a particularly obstinate flu bug.

To Lowell Ledson, who is back in the local hospital after a successful treatment in Stanford Lane.

To George Murphy, who is reported getting better daily after a serious accident, and is now ambulant (walking around).

And congratulations to the Eldon Joices on the arrival of 7lb, 10½ oz daughter—Diana Roberta on February 26.

#### SPECIAL FREE MOVIE

At the Lost Arrow

Walt Disney's "PINOCCHIO"  
Wednesday, March 7 at 9 p.m.

#### STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

30 January, 1951

"The Chinese, I think, have turned out to be not as tough as we first feared. They are ill-equipped, and we have been taking heavy toll of them.

"On the way up, we had engine trouble and were separated from the convoy. Somewhere along the line, we took the wrong road and got out in front of the lines, on a cowpath. There were eight of us and our three quarter ton truck and trailer, which looks like part of a Gypsy caravan, with buckets, stoves, washpans, rugs, etc., and wouldn't exceed 12m.p.h. While crossing a river on ice, we broke through and were resting on the frame, with wheels hanging free in the water. We got about 75 or 80 Korean civilians with ropes to get us out.

"Finally, they unloaded all the bedrolls, packs ammo, etc., and lifted the truck and trailer separately out of the water, hooked us up again and reloaded us. Later, four jeeps with m.gs. mounted, from the 24th Recon. came along on patrol. This lieutenant asked us, "What detail is this?" He was rather perplexed at meeting us out there.

3 February, 1951

"We are staying in houses now, the little mud, paper and straw huts with the heating system under the floor. The last two days it has been quite warm in the daytime, and not too bad at night.

"I've picked up some brushes and ink in an abandoned house. These empty houses would make you sick. Paintings and books piled up in the snow—beautiful cabinets used for firewood—just a small example. My mind has completely changed about these people. Everyone of them is a scholar or artist of some kind.

9 February, 1951

"We are now ten air miles from Seoul, southeast, I think. We've done quite a little firing the last two days, but none so far today. This last move was to link up with the 2nd Division.

"It's snowing again today. There shouldn't be too much more of this. The paper called this an early winter."

Stewart.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

### N.P.S. ITEMS

Lawrie Brown, ranger at Tioga Pass during the past few summers, writes a good letter from Innsbruck, Austria, telling of his interesting travels in Europe. He enjoyed his visit to England and Scotland despite unfavorable weather and made the most of his time walking and cycling or climbing in mist and fog.

He spent a week in Paris where friends assisted him in seeing the most important points of interest. While there he showed some of his excellent color slides of Yosemite. He reported conditions in France as better than in England.

After Paris, Lawrie spent a few days in Zurich, Switzerland, and at the time of his writing, he was in Innsbruck "which has a real mountain flavor and feeling." He expects to arrive in Vermont early in March and be back in Yosemite about May 1.

Recent snow surveys have revealed what we have suspected—that there is less snow in the high country this year than usual. All skiers can verify this too! When Buck Evans and Glenn Gallison went to Ostrander the other day they found an average depth of 58 inches with a water content of 16.3 as compared with the average over a period of years of 71 inches depth and 24.4 inches water.

At Gin Flat, Duane Jacobs and Harry Durning found a similar situation. On that course there was a depth of 44.1 inches of snow with 13 inches water as compared with an average of 67 inches with 23.2 inches water.

Any discrepancy you have noticed in the announced distance by ski trail to Ostrander Lake is due to the difference in the amount of the Glacier Point Road that is kept cleared of snow. A few years ago the snowplows kept the road open as far as Bridalveil Creek bridge. From that point to Ostrander Lake the distance was approximately five and one half miles. For the past two years the road has been opened only a short distance over the hump above Badger Pass, thus adding a good three miles to the ski trail distance one must cover to go to Ostrander. We can do our visitors a good turn by warning any who contemplate going to Ostrander to be sure to see the ranger at Badger first, and to be sure to start early in order to get to the hut before dark. This is especially important in event skiers are

caught in a storm enroute.

Lloyd and Judy Seasholtz spent a weekend recently in San Francisco to attend exercises when Joyce received her cap at the Stanford School of Nursing.

On the sick list is Charlie Hill who is recovering from an operation for the removal of an impacted wisdom tooth.

Many California newspapers have responded with enthusiasm to press releases and photographs bearing on this, the 100th Anniversary of the effective discovery of Yosemite Valley. The Fresno Bee, Stockton Record, San Francisco Examiner, Sonoma Union-Democrat, Merced Express, Mariposa Gazette and Merced Sun-Star have been especially cooperative. The Southern California Auto Club will run an article in their "Westways." Barney Bates, travel editor for "Sunset" may mention the Centennial later in the spring. The Standard Oil Company's public relations man in Fresno, Mr. Whittacre came to the Park to look into the possibilities for widespread publicity through their organization. KMJ will broadcast a Centennial program from The Ahwahnee on March 24.

Plans are under way for the dedication of a bronze plaque commemorating events at the site of James D. Savage's trading post at the mouth of the South Fork. The Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce will erect an interpretative sign and provide a suitable stone-masonry base for the proposed bronze marker.

### CHURCH SERVICES

The Rev. John Christensen of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Merced will be the celebrant in the Episcopal Communion service to be held at the Old Village Chapel this Sunday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m.

FOR SALE—4 used tires and tubes, 6-1600. Larry Usher, Camp 6 or Maintenance Dept.

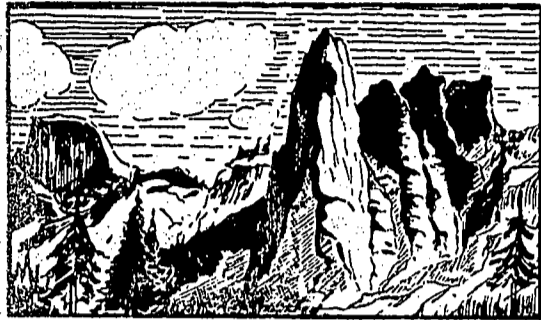
Singer sewing machine, prac. new, mah. cab. treadle and motor comb. buttonhole attachment. Phone 5F5.

### ANNOUNCING TWO GREAT DANCES

Your Host and Guest Callers—

SATURDAY, MARCH 3—Berkeley Folk Group with Madelynn Greene of S.F. in exhibition dances.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10—Salinas Lariat Swingers of the California Folk Dance Federation in costume exhibitions.



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SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 1951

### YOSEMITE CENTENNIAL--1851-1951

March 23. Two companies of the Mariposa Battalion of state militia, under the command of Major James D. Savage, are encamped on a flat near the mouth of a stream later to be known as Bishop Creek, on the South Fork of the Merced. Leaving on March 19 from their base on Mariposa Creek, the battalion has traveled to here by way of Chowchilla Mountain and Wawona. The Noot-chus and Po-ho-no-chees, two of the troublesome bands of Indians whose depredations precipitated the Mariposa Indian War, have already surrendered to Major Savage at this camp. He is now waiting for the Yosemite Indians to come in from their hiding place which is unknown to white men, as promised by the Yosemite Chief, Tenaya.

March 25. Major Savage tires of waiting for the Yosemite Indians who have still not appeared, and decides to hunt them out with a part of his command. Chief Tenaya is forced to accompany the party, which climbs laboriously out of the South Fork canyon to the top of the high lands dividing it from the Merced River proper. About half way, 72 Yosemite Indians are encountered making their way slowly through deep snow drifts toward the South Fork camp. Although Tenaya protests that none of the Yosemite Indians are remaining in their mysterious stronghold, Savage is not convinced that this group represents the entire band, and determines to push on to their hiding place. Tenaya is sent back to the South Fork camp with the other Yosemite Indians. Not long thereafter, the battalion reaches a point from which they look upon the awe-inspiring sight of a tremendous canyon—a view never before enjoyed by white men. A descent is made to the floor of this canyon as the day draws to a close, and a camp is

made near a waterfall that resembles a bridal veil. Around the campfire at night a suitable name for the remarkable valley is discussed, and the name "Yosemite" proposed by Lafayette H. Bunnell, is agreed upon.

March 26. In the morning the Mariposa Battalion moves camp to the mouth of Indian Canyon and spends the rest of the day exploring the valley. Although there is much evidence that Chief Tenaya has lied about the absence of other members of his band in the valley, only one ancient squaw is found today, who is too feeble to evade the searchers.

March 27. The discovery party returns to the camp on the South Fork of the Merced, and the growing shortage of provisions prompts Major Savage to order the move begun toward the Indian Commissioners' camp on the Fresno River.

The march to the commissioners' camp requires several days, because the captive Indians being escorted can not be hurried. The men of the Mariposa Battalion become more concerned with the difficulty of warding off hunger than with the watchfulness over their charges, and their caution is relaxed gradually as both whites and Indians engage in hunting game en route to the Fresno River. With only one day's march remaining, a final camp is made at night. Only Captain Boling and nine of his men remain with the Indians; Major Savage and the rest of the men ride on to the Indian agency, to get their first square meal in many days. The next morning there is some concern that Captain Boling has not arrived with the captive Indians as expected. When Major Savage starts back to look for them, a crest-

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#### YOSEMITE CENTENNIAL (continued)

fallen Boling reports that he has brought in only one young Indian; during the night the some 350 other captives have taken advantage of his imprudent decision that vigilance was no longer required, and have escaped to the wilds!

#### LODGE ITEMS

Easter time again at the Lodge—and the little Easter Bunny, while hiding the eggs for Easter Morn discovered a few things he thought might be of interest.

After observing that a lot of people congregate at the Lodge, he began snooping in search of good hiding spots for eggs. In the Grill he noticed that Mary Garrison was no longer wearing her decorated cast; and Bill Forsberg's hair, which had been clipped for Lent, was again looking normal. Kathy Carras, a former General Store employee, decided to get away from school teaching and help out the Grill during Easter.

As Rabbit sat restin', Mary Cox and Dody Widrig strolled in and related their latest experience with birds. The two roommates, much to the dismay of a Tecoya Dorm maid, had left a loaf of bread on the nightstand; the window being partially open, the birds flew in, had a party, and made quite a mess!

Edging his way through a small hole in the wall, Mr. Bunny found himself in the Lobby. To his surprise, the furniture had taken on new spring garb. Yes, looks very nice, thanks to Kern's Upholstery. On his hop past the reservation desk, Mr. Bunny saw a picture of himself which reminded him of the Special Easter Dance on Saturday night. He wants everyone to be sure to come, as the dance will offer fun for all!



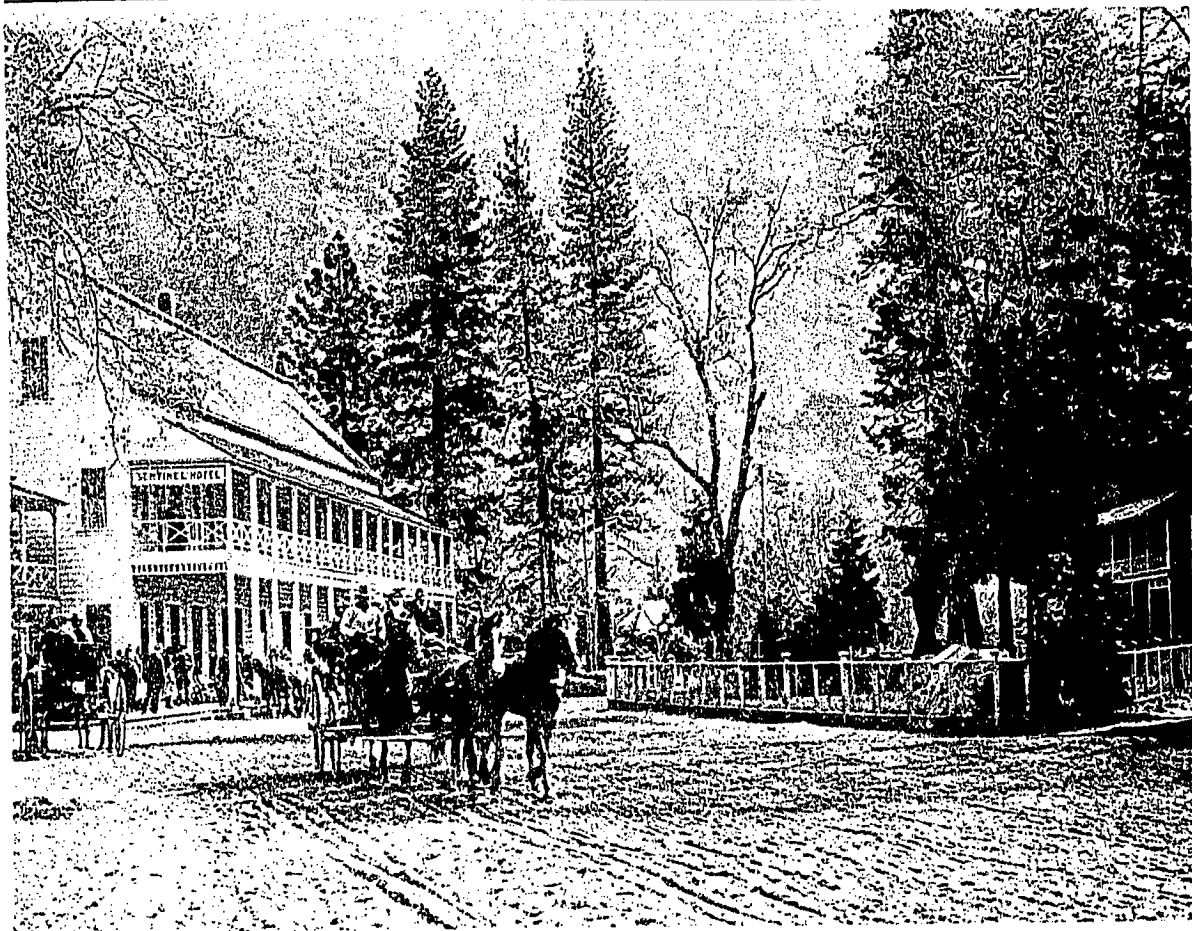
A gay evening in the Big Tree Room

#### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

A Century—less than a drop in the bucket of Time—and the realization that all of man's wisdom has produced nothing to top nature's grandeur. Spring, 1851, could not have been more glorious than this spring of 1951. Blue sky, snowy mountain tops, clear mountain air, and to get down to earth, still lots of good spring skiing. The robins are back from wherever they go in the winter-time, and if any further proof is needed that spring 1951 is really here, take a look at Dick Connett dashing to an early breakfast at the Lodge in his bright new yellow convertible with the top down—and with a brand-new sun tan.

Since Kenneyville, and the days the Kauffner and Kenny stables stood where The Ahwahnee now stands, many have come and gone—some of the most faithful to the lure of Yosemite's, and now The Ahwahnee's, way of life, must surely be Jack Curran, 1916; Dick Connett, 1929; Fred Pierson, 1930; and Miles Cooper, 1928. And of the women, has anyone been here longer than Loretta Ledson? Everyone is so glad Lowell Ledson is recuperating at his Cathay Ranch, and also, speaking of real old-timers, Jess Rust is home and doing well, no doubt impatiently sniffing the air and counting the days till his horses come over the hill. LATE NEWS: Nancy Loncaric and Eddie Howze walked off with Canasta honors at the Employee's Social get-together in the

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*Tourists go for a morning ride past the old Sentinel Hotel in the Old Village*

Colonial Room. What happened to that working committee? Rex Driver seen greeting friends here from Camp Fort Ord; word from Sweet Shop Gary Stay at Camp Roberts, passed his tests for the Officer Training Course. Virginia Duke writes that her new job in San Francisco is wonderful; and Marty Miller is off to the same city to see how Barbara Hessler looks in her sparky Air Line Stewardess outfit. Margaret Von Brecht has been seen out in the far reaches of Mariposa County coaxing her new-old Ford to please take the hills without gasping for air. A priceless relic of Yosemite early

days just came to hand—no date—"Bathrooms in this establishment have lately been furnished, and the price reduced from one dollar to fifty cents. They are elegant in appointment, and furnished with bay rum, arnica, glycerine, Florida water, mutton suet, pins, needles, threads, buttons, etc.; and to take a bath here is one of the luxuries of the Valley, and helps one to enjoy the beauties of Yosemite."

Did we say man's wisdom had produced nothing to surpass nature's grandeur—etc., etc. Let's not overlook man's effort regarding the modern BATH!

### CHURCH SERVICES

#### EASTER SERVICES—

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASSES in the Old Village Chapel, Easter Sunday, 7 & 8 a.m.

#### PROTESTANT SERVICES—

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE AT MIRROR LAKE—10:05 a.m. Music by the College of the Pacific A Cappella Choir. Sermon by Rev. Alfred Glass, "Easter, A Day of Trans-

formation."

(A special Easter Service will be broadcast over KMJ, Fresno, from 9:30 to 10 a.m.)

EASTER CHAPEL SERVICE, 11 a.m. Music by the A Cappella Choir. Sermon by Mr. Glass, "Easter, Day of Action." Singing of Easter Hymns.

STUDY GROUP will meet Thursday night, March 29 at 7:30 at the Chapel.

STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

9 Feb., 1951

"When we pulled into this position (10 miles SE of Seoul), about 9 p.m. three nights ago, I went in a jeep with the platoon Commo man and one H Co. out to the observation post to string a telephone line. We went up the road about a mile, then started up the mountain on the right, on foot. We were trying to find the F.O. who hadn't gone up yet. About half way up, I waited while the other went to the top, yelling "De Santas," the name of the 81 F.O. Of course, he wasn't there either. While I waited, a bunch of rustling started in the bushes, some 20 feet away. I got all prepared with my M-1, and waited.

"The H Co. man began hollering for me, "4,2,4,2," but I couldn't answer. This went on and on till I couldn't stand to wait any longer. I challenged this noise two or three times, and it gradually withdrew. I was afraid to open up because it was between me and the other man up on the O.P.

"I don't know what it was. Chinese patrols were all over the area and our rifle troops hadn't moved up yet. We fooled around till after midnight when the F.O's arrived. We finally got the line in and went back to the mortar positions.

22 Feb., 1951

"It's beginning to warm up now. It rained all night, so it wasn't too cold, at least not compared to what it has been. Mud all over the place.

"I hope to meet Dick Ditton's brother soon (Ed. Dick's brother Jim, is now in Korea with the Combat Engineers, 2nd Division)."

Stewart.

ONLY ONCE IN A HUNDRED YEARS!

YOSEMITE SOCIAL CLUB

"CENTENNIAL SQUARE DANCE"

WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS

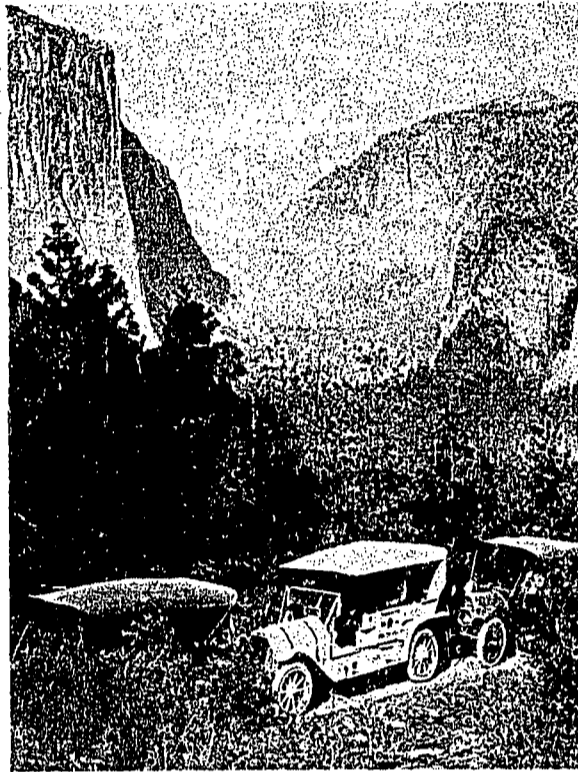
The Season's LAST Camp Curry Dance

MARCH 30, 1951

HOSPITAL NOTES

Michele Winterburn, daughter of the Jas. Winterburns, arrived March 16, well and happy and weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

John Murphy and Calvin Hendrix, both progressing nicely under our hospital's care.



Cooling off on the Inspiration Point Road

N.P.S. ITEMS

In an address on the subject of the Yosemite Centennial before the California Historical Society in San Francisco last week, Dr. Carl Russell found that in the audience were a number of old-time Yosemite-ites, including Mary Ellen Degnan, pioneer Yosemite concessioner; Lawrence V. Degnan, son of John Degnan; and Blanche Kenney, daughter of George W. Kenney, pioneer transportation man. Guy C. Miller, grandnephew of J. C. Lamon, the first homesteader in Yosemite, was also present.

A committee of the Mariposa Chamber of Commerce has erected a large explanatory redwood marker at the site of the J. D. Savage Trading Post, which stood at the mouth of the South Fork of the Merced River.

A recent newspaper photo showing Marines landing in San Francisco upon their arrival from Korea showed Lt. Francis Donohoe being welcomed by his wife and four small children. The appropriate caption stated, "He looked the happiest of them all."

Virginia and Dale Devine returned from their wedding trip to Grand Canyon. They spent several days at the Phantom Ranch.

Joan Wosky is spending a well-earned three-week vacation at home in the Valley.





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THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 1951

## YOSEMITE YOUTH APPEAL

The Yosemite Youth Appeal, a fund-raising program designed to provide a total of \$975 for six local organizations devoted to the welfare and development of our own boys and girls, started April 15, under the sponsorship of the Yosemite Community Council.

The organizations to be benefited, and the amount of their budget requests to the Council, are:

Girl Scouts	\$ 50.00
Brownie Scouts	50.00
Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts	300.00
Yosemite Badgers	350.00
Charles Goff Thomson Scholarship Commission	225.00
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	\$975.00

## ACTIVITIES TO BE SUPPORTED

The activities of the Scout groups are well known, as are those of the Badgers, which sponsors an athletic program (football, basketball, track) for the local children of elementary school age. The Scholarship Commission, although it has been in existence for twenty years, is not so well known. It provides a monthly payment of \$25.00 for nine months toward the expenses of the freshman year in college for the Yosemite boy or girl who best meets certain requirements of ability and need.

Main purpose of this campaign will be to attempt to cover, through one effort, the budget needs which have formerly been met by three or four separate drives, each conducted by the organization to be benefited. This drive will be organized in such a way that it will be possible for campaign workers to interview every employed person in

Yosemite. This has not been possible in other drives.

To reach the goal of \$975, the average contribution per person on a Yosemite payroll can be as low as two hours' pay. Pledge cards were mailed to all employed persons the week of April 15. The following week, workers will canvass those who have not returned their pledge cards.

It is felt that, due to the smallness of the contribution asked, a wide response can be confidently expected.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Save for Audrey Torgenson, the Lewis Memorial Hospital is without patients. Audrey, too, will be discharged soon, as she is doing well. Recently here, but now back to duty, was Mrs. Hal Packard, whose Benjamin Lawrence arrived, all 7 lbs, 10 ozs of him, on March 27. The Sentinel failed to mention earlier the fine skiing honeymoon taken by the recently married Joe Wangs. Mrs. Wang is the former Doris Peterson of the hospital staff.

Yosemite visitor Bill Hargis suffered a broken leg at Ostrander last week and had to be sledged out by his companions. Ranger John Townsley is cast-bound while a fractured fibula mends.

The Avery Sturms slipped away for a brief vacation at Balboa before the summer rush begins.

## LOST ARROW DOINGS

### LOST ARROW NEWS

Dancing for employees will continue at the Lost Arrow for the balance of the season. Come join in the fun.

Monday-Friday      Square Dancing  
Wednesday          "Regular" Dancing

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RED CROSS BLOOD BANK ON MAY 11

A mobile unit of the Red Cross Blood Bank will roll into Yosemite Valley on the morning of May 11 and set up equipment in the Masonic Club for about 130 blood donors. Blood collected in Yosemite will be used exclusively for our troops in Korea. It is an opportunity for local residents to save the lives of soldiers who are giving their all in the fight for a free world.

In a few days solicitors will call on all employees to get donors to sign up for appointments. Every consideration will be given to making appointments as convenient as possible to the individual. Many will be excused from work to participate, others may have an opportunity during off hours.

It is important that donors allow four (4) hours between light meal and appointment. CLEAR coffee, tea or fruit juices may be taken, but avoid the fats such as cream and butter. The donor must have a minimum weight of 110 lbs and the age limit is 21 to 60. Those between 18 and 21 must secure release form for parents signature.

The entire process of giving blood takes about 30 minutes. It is painless and with reasonable care should result in no after effects. Many people have given blood over and over again. Three months elapsed time is required between giving. For this reason, those who donated blood at Mariposa on March 2 may not participate on May 11.

Arrangements for bringing the blood bank to Yosemite have been made by the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, which will provide refreshments for the donors.

STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

South Korea, 11 March, 1951

Last night we returned from a two-day battle, taking a hill. It was one of the few chances we have had to observe our own fire. As we moved up to the base of the hill before dawn, we could see flashes of an artillery barrage plastering the side of a high peak, and clouds of smoke were rising. It was an impressive sight. The second night, I watched a grenade fight on the summit with binoculars.

The other day, we built a shack out of corrugated iron and were just moving in when the stove caught the straw on fire. Eighty rounds in my belt went every direction without much force. It's the cases that are dangerous, rather than the lead. I didn't lose anything personal, just a sleeping bag, a blanket and two shelter halves, which I got replaced.

22 March, 1951

We are now about five miles below the 38th. I don't know what town we're near. We've moved some 100 miles in the last two days. Yesterday was the first day of spring and very cold. Today, it's warm. In another two weeks it should stop freezing.

We went through the 25th Div. yesterday, and I saw two G.I.s lying beside the road, the first since North Korea I'd seen. You never "get used" to this, no matter how much experience you've had, like a paratrooper before his 100th jump. Before I saw action last summer, I was going to be the first man to go through a war without being scared, but it didn't take me long to learn differently. After seven months, a certain amount of confusion disappears, but that's all. A shot in the night, and my bones start rattling.

A while back, I watched wounded being evacuated by helicopter, two at a time in a "casket" on each side of the cabin. I watched it float noisily away. One of the wounded turned his head and looked at the ground through the green plexiglass, and for some reason I got a big lump in my throat. I couldn't understand it!

Seven months yesterday in Korea.

**PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK**

Public Schools Week will be observed as usual this year during the last week in April. A special meeting has been arranged for the evening of April 24 with the Parents Group which will feature a program in which all youngsters of the school will participate.

Mr. Erwin A. Dann, Assistant Superintendent of the Fresno City Schools and Past President of the California Teachers Association will be the principal speaker. All residents of Yosemite are invited.

Through the cooperation of the Masonic Club, Lions Club and the National Federation of Federal Employees, the two record players at the local school are being rehabilitated.

**GENERAL OFFICE NEWS**

New employees are gradually arriving at the General Offices as we try desperately to cope with mounting stacks of correspondence and other requirements imposed by the approaching summer season. We are happy to welcome Dorothy Speh of Escalon—Lorraine Grimm, whose home is Los Angeles and who comes to us from the Automobile Club of Southern California—Mary Ann Corthell, former resident and employee of the City of Mill Valley—Lucy Hallstrand of Tulare—and Harlene Sischo, who has augmented summer laundry crews in former years and who now braves the harrowing trip daily from El Portal to keep the Reservation Office from becoming completely submerged by the flood of present requests.

**FOR SALE**

At El Portal: 3 rm house with bath, furnished; large elec. ice box, cooler, garage, 150 gal. butane tank, fenced yard, fruit trees, grapes and berries. Price \$2000. Owner Ruth Ward, 2006 Manhattan Beach Blvd., Redondo Beach, Calif. Key at Nick Sischo, El Portal.

**MOTORISTS**—Take it easy on the gas when traveling the back road of Tecoya. Remember—there are children playing in that area.

**CHURCH SERVICES**

**PEWS INSTALLED IN CHAPEL**

To the great satisfaction of Roman Catholic and Protestants alike, pews have been installed in the Old Village Chapel. Since it was built in 1879, the Chapel has used a variety of seating arrangements. Most of the years, a bench-type of seating has been used. This type has been far from comfortable; also the kneeling benches left much to be desired. Now for the first time, the Chapel will have comfortable, substantial pews. It is anticipated that attendance at services will be greatly increased for both religious groups. Of course, the more comfortable seats will make a greater demand upon the preaching abilities of Father Stack and Mr. Glass, in order to keep the congregations wide-awake.

**SERIES ON THE "LORD'S PRAYER."**

The first phrase, "Our Father, who art in Heaven," will mark the beginning of a sermon series by Mr. Glass on the "Lord's Prayer." This prayer is widely used by all religious groups. The series will attempt to deepen the understanding and vitalize the meaning of this important prayer. The series will be preached at both the Brief Service at 9:15 and the 11 o'clock Morning Worship. All are invited.

**CAR BURGLARS TRAPPED**

Following a long series of weekend robberies from cars in Yosemite, Homer Lee West and wife of Lockford, California, were caught in the act of forcing entry into a parked car at Bridalveil parking area by Duane Jacobs and Stan McComas on April 14. The couple had apparently been rifling automobiles both locked and unlocked in various parking areas for a long period. They were taken before Commissioner Ottonello and bound over to the Federal District Court on a charge of larceny.

West has a long criminal record, having served time in San Quentin, Leavenworth and Huntsville for robbery and counterfeiting.

The Rangers Office urges visitors and locals to lock their cars and keep valuables out of sight.

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### N.P.S. ITEMS

Stephanie Shea, NPS file clerk, became the bride of George R. Murphy, NPS mechanic on March 17 at a morning ceremony performed by the Reverend Michael Stack in St. Joseph Church, Mariposa.

Miss Shea was attended by Miss Betty Koubele and Jean B. Charron was the best man. A breakfast was served at the Halfway House for the intimate friends who attended the ceremony. After this, the happy couple left on a short trip through Southern California and as far east as Phoenix. They are now living in an apartment in the Lost Arrow area.

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Bona May and Don McHenry took advantage of the Easter school vacation and spent an enjoyable week of relaxation in Death Valley visiting with the Ted Goodwins.

Following McHenry's return to the Park, the Harry Parkers departed for a trip to Kansas to visit with Harry's mother.

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Carl Russell and Oscar Sedergren attended the annual Wilderness Conference in Berkeley on March 30 and 31. Carl and Betty spent the early part of last week in San Francisco while Carl was spending some time in the Region Four Office.

The recently acquired statue of Reverend Starr King, prominent figure in bringing vivid descriptions of Yosemite Valley to eastern readers almost a hundred years ago, has been delivered and is now in the library of the Yosemite Museum. Mr. Gustav F. Liljestrom, San Francisco artist who arranged for the acquisition of the statue, is working at the Yosemite Museum this week on repair and rehabilitation of the collections of paintings there.

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Recent visitor to Yosemite was Ferdinand "Pete" Burgdorff, well known artist who painted the backgrounds in the life zone room of the Museum.

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The annual Easter Egg Hunt held on the lawn of the Superintendent's residence was a huge success. Fifty youngsters and a number of their parents, bringing the total to seventy person, enjoyed the thrill of egg hunting. The Yosemite Lions Club financed

the party and a committee of local mothers did a lot of work to help out the bunny.

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Richard Lemaster, Indian Village, was fatally injured in a auto accident near Oakhurst on April 1 while returning from Mariposa. Harry Johnson and Lorraine Chapman were seriously injured and are now confined in a hospital in Madera. Burley Johnson and Clarence Parker escaped with only minor injuries.

### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

More thanks to all those in every Ahwahnee department, particularly the department heads who contributed their time and money to the just completed 1951 Community Chest, Polio and Red Cross annual drives.

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The Ahwahnee Lanz Shop is closed and gone—the bright gay clothes as well as the bright gay manager, Nancy Maynard.

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Everyone intrigued with the fascinating mobile hanging in the Indian Room. Beautifully created by Robert Howard—surely a conversation piece to end all conversation pieces.

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Ski instructor Nick Fiore parked his skis outside just in time to put on a little white coat and now and every evening is busy as a bird dog bussing in the dining room.

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Louise Hamilton returned from a few days in San Francisco and Oakland where she saw Ellen Jorgensen, who is happy as a lark, and sends lots of messages to all her old friends in the Valley.

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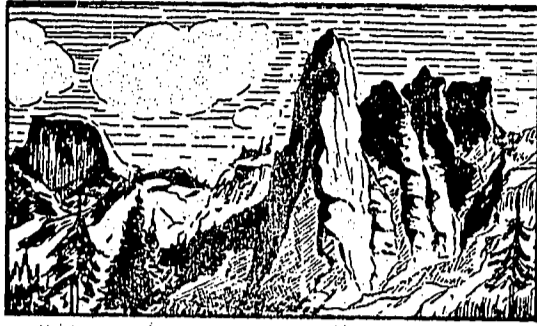
Ernie Metzner is just back from a five-month trip—and also back, but just for the weekend, Rocky Reinhart—all the way from Los Angeles on his motor bike.

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A welcome to the new telephone switchboard operator Pat Pierce—here from Phoenix.

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What was it Parkie and Eddie Miller found in the cash register April Fools Day!



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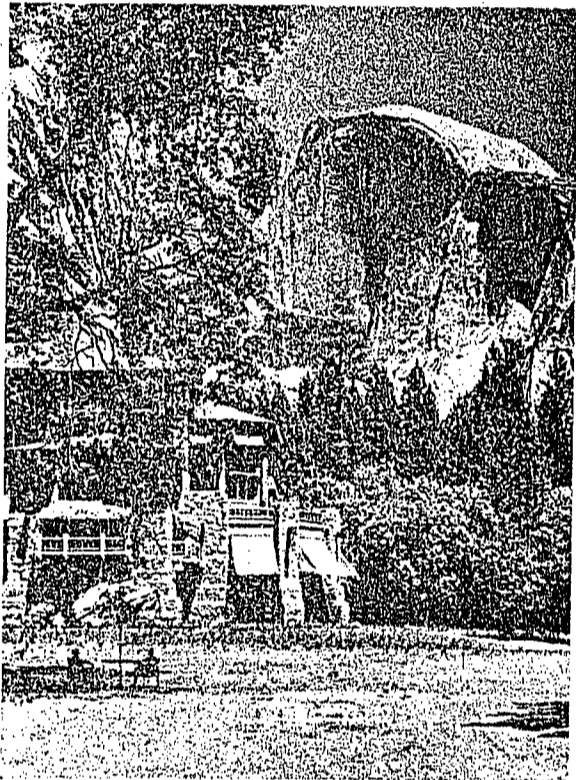
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### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

Everybody and everything keyed to the spring convention mood . . . Officially, it may be spring, but you'd never have known it up Chinquapin way last Saturday. Plenty of snow and plenty of chainless stalled people and cars. More than plain thank yous to the Standard Station, and the Standard gasoline truck men—pulling cars out, putting on chains and cheerfully giving rides to the stranded ones — coffee never tasted better than Hazel's Chinquapin brand. Dorothy Munly and Anne Hulme were amongst the many caught in the scramble.

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Betsy Barnard's family were others, but thanks to Bill Moody, Betsy eventually rescued them at Fish Camp.

Farewell to Jim Erhart, and what a good-bye party that was Gloria Hunt whipped up for Jim and Claire—over thirty were there. Those that overflowed Gloria's room had fun in the hallways!

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Lots of newcomers working at The Ahwahnee—amongst them Mrs. Minnie Pierce, Pat's mother, taking over seamstress duties in the linen room and Ida Nelson, Beverley McGrath and Van Mink back again for the summer season.

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Mr. G. McKeever, of Phoenix, on duty at the front desk. Also, (but just for the weekend) at the front desk, and as usual his bright, cheerful self, Duke Doucette.

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Rocky Reinhart is now a minute man at the Lodge Standard Station and in answer to the many inquiries, his mother, Margaret Von Brecht says the Ahwahnee Gift Shop will keep the same hours—8 a.m. to noon, and 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

### HOSPITAL NOTES

Several new arrivals at the Lewis Memorial Hospital, some little and some not-so-little. The little ones are: Jeanine Louise Ditton, who arrived May 31, weighing 7 lbs, 4 ozs, daughter of the Dick Dilttons; Gregory Roger Power, 6 lbs, 4 ozs, born April 28 to the Glenn Powers; David Roger Ashley, 7 lbs, 1 oz, April 8, poppa and momma, the Ken Ashleys. Not-so-little people: Nurses Lorraine Desrosiers, from Edmonton, Alta., Canada; Shirley Bruce, from Stoneboro, Penna.; on the staff, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rogers, from Merced.

Through the portals of the L.M.H. have passed recently Jim Winterburn, Luggi Focger, Lee Rust, Christine Weaver, Clara Cameron, and Bobby Weaver, who is wearing a post-ski season cast.

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LODGE ITEMS

The week-end guests wanted to know what gods were having pillow fights—"Couldn't be snow in April," they said. Well, that's the 'weather' for you—in spite of what it says in the travel folders.

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Along with the changes that nature has brought this spring, a number of transitions have taken place here at the Lodge. "Bon voyage" to Mary Garrison and Billie Woods who have decided to try their luck at finding work in Hawaii. In case they don't succeed, who has a pair of swim fins for a long trip home?

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Ross and Carolynn Moore bid 'farewell' to Yosemite last Sunday. They have moved, skis and all, to Los Angeles, where Ross will work for Hughes Aircraft.

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Midge Bodine, after her stint at Badger, is giving her assistance at the front desk, along with new employee, Eric Moncur who hails from Seattle, and George 'so you're from San Diego' Creelman, who just returned from a few foggy days in the land to the south.

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Helping rearrange the doo-dads in the old curiosity shop is Jean Rittenhouse . . . just helping rearrange, in the cafe, are Kevin Cary and Hank Dreuth, two impressive youths from Oakland.

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Marguerite Radigan, with her jar of black strap molasses under one arm and Gaylord Hauser under the other, went out with last Saturday's convoy, headed for two week's of sunshine down Carmel way. Bea Forsythe, back from a spree of relative visiting, is taking Marguerite's stand in the cafe.

Latest tale concerning guests, comes from Mary Garrison who was asked by a couple of gentlemen (??) awaiting service, "Miss, do you have frog legs?" Before Mary could reply, the other man said, "No, it's probably rheumatism that makes her walk that way."

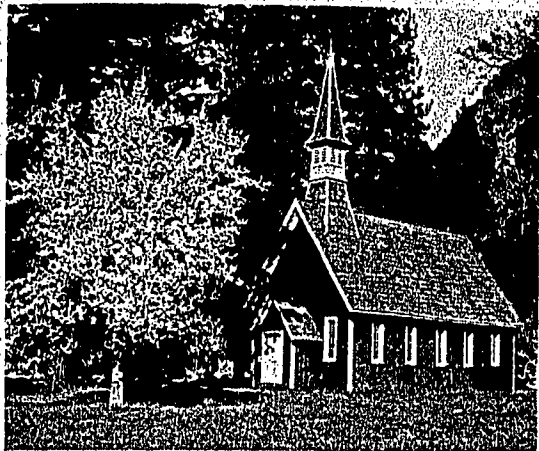
100 YEARS AGO TODAY—1851

May 9—Yosemite Valley is entered for the second time by Captain John Boling and one company of the Mariposa Battalion, over the same route used 6 weeks ago when a portion of the battalion, commanded by Major Savage, discovered the Valley. The purpose of this second invasion is to seek out and capture the troublesome Yosemite Indians; those rounded up the first time escaped from their careless guards.

May 10—A systematic search on both sides of the Merced River leads to the capture of five Indians. One of them is the son of the old Yosemite chief, Tenaya. When Captain Boling explains his purpose to him the Indian promises, in return for his freedom, to bring in his father and all of his people tomorrow. After Tenaya's son and one of his companions depart, a third Indian escapes his captors. While he is being searched for the other two become alarmed and attempt to flee, but are fired upon and killed by the guards. This is the first blood to be shed in Yosemite Valley in the course of the Mariposa Indian War.

May 11—Tenaya's son has not kept his promise. Because he has failed to return with his father's people, Boling's men set out to search for them. Pursuing a group of Indians who have left a fresh trail up the north wall of the Valley, the men narrowly avoid destruction from a shower of huge rocks hurled from above by the fugitives. However, they succeed in capturing Tenaya and a few of his followers, and another Indian is killed. The majority of the Yosemitees still elude their pursuers.

May 15—In reporting his experiences to Major Savage, Captain Boling today writes the first letter ever to be dispatched from Yosemite Valley.



### CHURCH SERVICES

The local church needs a reasonably good piano at a reasonable price. Please call Mr. Glass at 125W.

### STUDY GROUP ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

The Thursday night study group will continue through May in the review of the life of Christ as found in the four gospels of the New Testament. You are invited.

### BOY SCOUT SUNDAY THIS WEEK.

This Sunday, May 6, the local Boy Scout Troop No. 50 with officers and committeemen will be guests of honor at the 11 a.m. service in the Chapel. Florence McCall will be the soloist. Mr. Glass will continue the series on the "Lord's Prayer" under the topic, "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread."

### "MOTHER'S DAY" SERVICES—MAY 13.

The local Protestant church will observe Mother's Day in both the Sunday School and the church services. Mothers of Sunday School children will be honored at a special program at the School House at 9:45 a.m. on "Mother's Day." This program will be under the direction of Mrs. Hazel Overton, Superintendent. The same emphasis will be made at the 9:15 and 11 a.m. services at the Chapel. Mother will be honored with a floral gift at all these programs. Mrs. R. H. Anderson will be the soloist at the 11 a.m. service. Mr. Glass is urging the attendance of family groups on this day. The rite of baptism will be observed at this service.

TRAILER for SALE—L. M. Usher, Camp 6.



BILL CUTHBERT  
ON LEAVE HERE  
FROM NAVY

Bill Cuthbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cuthbert of Wawona, is home on leave after 8 months sea duty on the destroyer Ozbourne.

Bill, a radioman, first class, reports a harrowing incident occurring during the landing at Inchon. His ship had assisted in the barrage to liquidate the shore batteries preparatory to the landing. After it appeared that the shore guns had been silenced, his ship anchored between a peninsula in the harbor and an island off the peninsula. Immediately after getting everything secured, several Red Korean shore guns, evidently still active, began firing three inch shells at the destroyer.

It was then discovered that the anchor-raising machinery was out of commission, leaving the ship immobilized and a fine target. It became necessary to unbolt the anchor chain and drop the anchor free.

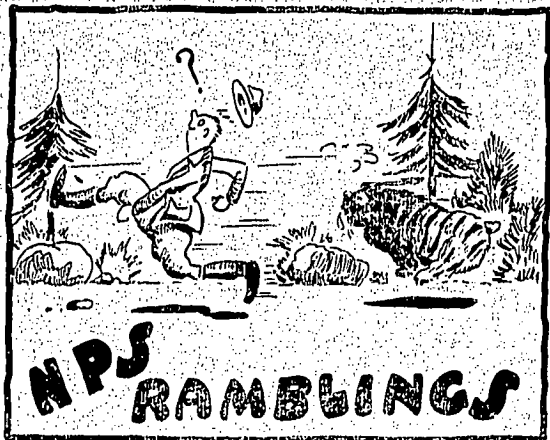
Bill says this took only five minutes, but with the shells landing on and around the ship, it seemed like an eternity.

### RE-UNION HELD

A reunion was held at the Malcolm J. Fuller ranch near Raymond, on Sunday, April 22, for all the fellows and their families who had worked at the Stables in Yosemite National Park. A pot-luck dinner was served at noon.

### A Message from the Brown Family—

"The W. C. Browns wish to thank all those who sent flowers to Mrs. Brown and helped out with our dinner on Tuesday night, as well as all the other helpful things that were done for us following the sudden loss of our mother and wife. We especially wish to thank Reverend Glass for the wonderful service."



During these critical times when our friends and relatives in the Armed Forces are giving everything for the cause of freedom we often wish we could be of more help. Such an opportunity is given us on May 11 when the Red Cross Mobile Blood Bank station wagon rolls into Yosemite to set up operation at the Masonic Club under the auspices of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion Posts.

If we are fortunate enough to meet their simple requirements as to age, weight and physique, each of us is urged to sign up to give one pint of blood at that time. Those who have not been solicited may get in touch with the person named on the poster at their particular unit. Let's oversubscribe in this very important opportunity to help those who are fighting for us.

Among the new NPS employees are Doris Urmev, Mariposa, stenographer in the Administration Building and Agnes Zellmer, who will be working at the Museum. We have just discovered others not mentioned earlier; June Smith, Ethel Spurgin and Betty Brown also have been working in the Administration Building since March 1.

Wally Steward and Jim Murray have reported as seasonal rangers on May 1. Laurie Brown, ranger at Tioga Pass for several seasons past, has returned with his bride, formerly Dottie June of Connecticut. Laurie has just returned from an extensive trip to Europe during the past winter.

Wayne Bryant reported for duty as Junior Park Naturalist in Yosemite on April 24. A few days later he was busy giving talks on history to school groups in Fresno in con-

nection with the observance of the Yosemite Centennial.

Glenn Gallison and Beth Wardell, formerly a nurse at the Lewis Memorial Hospital, have announced their engagement to be married at the Old Village Chapel on Saturday afternoon, May 26.

Ed and Mamie Eidam sure surprised us when they dropped in for a visit. They are now living at West Point, Mississippi, where Ed is connected with the TVA.



#### BIG DANCE MAY 5

A record crowd is expected for the jointly-sponsored VFW-American Legion dance to be held in the Camp Curry Cafeteria on May 5 at 8 p.m. There will be prizes and refreshments. Admission, .50, inc. tax.

#### YOSEMITE SKI INSTRUCTORS SCORE

Instructors of the Yosemite Ski School did well in the recent meeting of the Far West Ski Instructors Association convention held at Squaw Valley. Bob Heeter captured the Corty Hill trophy, given for the fastest time in a giant slalom by a certified instructor. Jim McConkey won a merchandise order donated by Hannes Schroll for the fastest time in the race by a candidate for certification. McConk also won the Elsie and Toney Freitas award for the most outstanding candidate. Bob Brelsford gave up the position of executive secretary to become president of the organization. Buck Martin, Jr., was elected vice-president.





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TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1951

## AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

Signs of summer — Sweet Shop open — Duckie Morris is in charge, and everything "frisky"—bright and shiny.

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The Ahwahnee pitch and putt golf course is in operation, Homer Armstrong, greenskeeper in charge, and all set for a busy season.

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Fred Pierson and his on-their-toes crew put on a bang-up "steak with all the trimmings" party for the 200 or more laundrymen and their wives at Wawona recently. Even with a brisk nor'wester blowing it seemed like summer—or did it?

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Nice to have all that glamour punching tickets at the Dining Room entrance; Anne Griffin, Mary Anne Corthell, Shirley Carter and Lorraine Grimm. All over from the General Office for the convention.

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A big welcome back to Margaret Hoel, here until Wawona opens—(try and keep her longer,) and congratulations to Nick Fiore—assistant to Ed Hill in the D. R.

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Dale Devine, with Jim Taylor and his fine Yosemite Square Dance Group got a big hand for their swell exhibition dance at the big Night Club Party put on by the laundrymen.

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Changes and additions: Paul Orsini now doing part time bar duties, ditto Bill Moody. Fred Hamilton is the new lounge night attendant, and Raymond Finnigan is handing out the tea cups.

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Amadeede Laet returning on his Harley Davidson from one of those trips to Glacier.

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FINALLY—those strange sounds coming

down the service elevator shaft proved to be Eddie Howze—stuck between floors—more fun!

## MOVIE MATINEE SCHEDULE

To clear up any doubt existing as to when matinees will be shown at the Village Theater, manager Bob Seach states the following schedule: matinees will be shown on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, and on Saturdays when the show is a one day run. The unusual, out-of-the-ordinary "art" pictures will be shown on Saturday as a regular policy. If you do not recognize a picture playing on any given Saturday you may be sure it falls in the aforementioned category and is a "good" picture.

## YOSEMITE YOUTH APPEAL

The Yosemite Youth Appeal, sponsored by the Community Council, has gone over the top in its drive to raise funds for local youth activities. The goal necessary to meet the annual budgets for the four Scout organizations, the Yosemite Badgers, and the Scholarship Commission was \$975. The actual amount collected to the first of last week was \$1,120.00 and additional contributions are still being received.

The amount raised in excess of budget requests will be retained in trust by the Council, to be used only in case of emergency needs in connection with the youth of our community. It is probable that most, if not all, of it will be available as a credit against next year's budget needs.

All those connected with the drive feel that the Yosemite community as a whole is to be congratulated warmly on its generous response to this appeal.

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#### MISSING IN KOREA

Jack Van Housen, captain in a Marine Corps night fighter aircraft squadron, has been reported missing in action over Red held Korea since April 13. According to word received from his unit, Jack was on a "night intruder" mission, attacking enemy trucking operations when, at about 4:15 in the morning, his single place ship was hit. He radioed this fact to a plane in the air nearby and stated that he was going to parachute. Several minutes after this last radio message, Jack's plane was seen to crash, explode and burn. Search planes from his squadron patrolled the area for several days and reported no trace of either Jack or his parachute.

Strong hope exists that Jack left his damaged plane, parachuted to earth and was taken prisoner by Red Koreans.

#### 100 YEARS AGO TODAY—1851

May 20. One company of the Mariposa Battalion under the command of Captain John Boling is still encamped in Yosemite Valley. The purpose of the current invasion, which began on May 9 when the Valley was entered for the second time by white men, is to round up the elusive and troublesome Yosemite Indians so that they can be escorted to the Fresno Indian Reservation. Fresh supplies for the battalion have just been received.

May 21. Some members of the invading party discover a fresh trail made by Indian scouts leading eastward. Immediate plans are made to follow this trail on foot, to attempt to find the hidden Indian encampment.

May 22. The search party starts out early this morning. The old Chief Tenaya, who

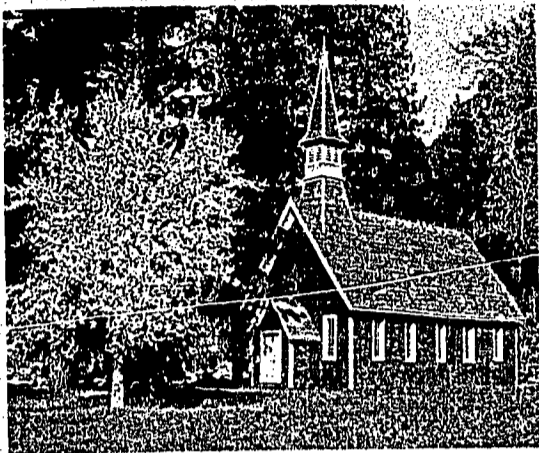
was captured on May 11, is forced to accompany the men in the hope that his usually immovable countenance might betray his people's hiding place when it is approached. At length the fugitives' camp is sighted in the distance, on the shore of a beautiful lake surrounded by glistening granite domes. The Yosemite Indians are taken completely by surprise and they surrender without a struggle; they are actually somewhat relieved that the pursuit is ended and they can look forward to a more comfortable, though restricted, existence on the reservation. The first expedition ever made into the Yosemite high country from the west by white men has been successful.

May 23. The return of captives and captors to Yosemite Valley is begun early this morning. In the interests of facilitating the journey, Captain Boling insists that the male Indians, as well as their squaws, carry a just proportion of their burden. This outrage against their ancient customs, which imposed burden carrying only on the women, brings bitter vituperations upon Captain Boling, especially from the squaws who resent the indignity heaped on their disgraced lords. As the cavalcade reaches a high granite ridge en route, Dr. L. H. Bunnell looks back at the lovely blue lake which it is intended that the Indians will never see again. Out of respect for the old Indian chief he proposes to perpetuate his name by naming the lake Tenaya. This despite the fact that the chief remonstrates: "It already has a name; we call it Py-we-ack," meaning Lake of the Shining Rocks.

#### BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM SUCCESS

The combined V.F.W.—American Legion blood gathering program netted 107 pints of blood, all of which will be reduced to plasma and flown to Korea. Of the 123 persons who reported, only 16 were rejected for physical reasons. This is about seven percent lower than the customary twenty percent anticipated rejection.

To Degnan's and Y. P. and C. Co., and to all those who helped, the Red Cross, American Legion and V.F.W. extend their sincere thanks. The donors best thanks comes from the knowledge that their blood may have helped save a life.



## CHURCH SERVICES

## ROMAN CATHOLIC MASSES CHANGED.

Beginning Sunday, June 3, the time and place of masses will be changed to the summer schedule. On that day masses will be held at the Old Village Pavilion.

The regular summer schedule will be 6—8—9—10—11, although at the present time, it is not certain that all masses will be held on the first Sunday. Check the weekly bulletin boards for the actual times.

## FOR SALE

Oil heater, large, dual therm carburetor—\$25. See Phil Stinchfield at Village Store.

Oil heater, small, with 35' of copper line—\$7.50. See Tim Vickers, Yosemite Lodge. (What about next winter, boys!)

'47 Ford sedan, excellent condition, radio, heater. See Sammy Ballante, Y.T.S.

Dining table, 6 chairs and buffet. 9x12 rug pad. 1 occasional chair, all reasonable. See Mrs. W. Woodman, House 136, phone 39J.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Little Mister Foeger arrived May 15 at 6 a.m., the second son of the Luggi Foegers. The young fellow weighed 6 pounds, 14 14 ounces. Returned to duty recently, we report Jack Parkerson, Martha Bingaman, Dallas Caywood and Patty Deane.

Jerry Woloschon, of Detroit, who went over Yosemite Falls without a barrel, is doing nicely under the care of Lois Cummings of Detroit.

Nurse Lorraine Derosiers who recently arrived from Canada, and Bill Cuthbert, late of Korea, have announced their engagement.

## N.P.S. ITEMS

Carl Russell has been invited by his Alma Mater, Ripon College (Wisconsin) to accept an Honorary Doctorate from that institution on the occasion of its 100th Commencement, June 9, 1951. Carl will return to Ripon to receive the award in person—his first appearance there since graduating there in 1915.

Jeff Thomson, son of former superintendent of Yosemite, C. G. Thomson, revisited Yosemite last week making photos in color and black and white for magazine publication. Jeff found many old friends in the Park.

Another well-known photographer, Hubert Lowman, was busy last week taking advantage of dogwood and waterfalls at their best. Lowman was accompanied by his wife and two small children who appear in many of his pictures.

Negotiations have been under way for the acquisition by the government of the White Wolf property on the old Tioga Road. Since several months will be required to complete title, the owner, Wilson Meyer, will still operate the popular resort this summer.

Of special interest to many in Yosemite is the recent publication of "Steve Mather of the National Parks," an excellent biography by Robert Shankland, incorporating interesting material furnished by most of the national parks on the father of the National Park Service. It was Stephen T. Mather who went to Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane back in 1915 and headed up the organization of the National Parks. The book published by Alfred Knopf, New York, is well illustrated and contains some pictures of exceptional historic interest. Yosemite is represented by a view from the Wawona Tunnel and one of the Rangers Club, a gift of Mather to the Park.

## PIANO RECITAL

Nancy Loncaric will present her pupils in a piano recital Sunday, June 3, 1951 at 2 p.m. at the Old Village Chapel. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend. A very pleasant afternoon is always enjoyed as a fine performance is given by the children.





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MONDAY, JUNE 11, 1951

## YOSEMITE CENTENNIAL THEATER

One of the most unusual projects of entertainment and recreation for employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is now getting under way. Employees of the Company are in the process of organizing The Yosemite Centennial Theater, in order to present legitimate stage plays originally produced in the old opera houses of California.

The Theater, using a nucleus of trained personnel, will present a series of contrasting plays throughout the summer. Plans call for the opening of the first production, a hilarious gay 90s melodrama called "Dirty Work at the Crossroads," by June 16. This play is based on an 1850 melodrama entitled "The Lancashire Lass," put on in many of California's opera houses in the early days. A site is being readied for the shows, and casting is now underway for parts in this and three other plays to be presented this summer. There are places available in the Theater for would-be actors, stage managers, property personnel, prompters, scene painters, etc., etc. No experience is necessary to enjoy this highly different form of spare time amusement. Anyone interested in being a part of these shows is invited to stop in between 9:30 and 11:30 p.m. at the Entertainment Office at Camp Curry to register and ask any questions. The final show of the season will be an original dramatization of the discovery and settling of Yosemite Valley.

Future plans call for as many as six performances a week, with possible trips to the Wawona Hotel and Glacier Point Hotel. Rehearsals are scheduled for employees' off hours. Curtain time for the plays will follow the Firefall. Anyone working for the Company is eligible to take part.

## WOODYARD BURNS

Over 2000 tiers of firewood burned in the Y. P. and C. Co. woodyard last Saturday afternoon at a loss of about \$10,000. (A tier of wood is 4' high by 8' long, by one length of wood deep; it takes about three hours to cut and stack a tier). Both the N.P.S. and Company fire fighting squads and equipment battled the blaze which raged from about 2 to 5:30 p.m. A crew of fifteen men stayed on the job all night to extinguish the flames completely.

The fire was discovered and reported by Bert Strome of The Ahwahnee.

The loss is serious not only from a dollars standpoint, but represents about 6000 wasted man-hours. The lack of wood will be a definite inconvenience to guests at the various housekeeping units in the Valley, and the clean-up job will be long and dirty.

Besides the calculable loss, there was a great possibility that a forest fire could have started that would have swept the entire Valley.

This fire, like most fires, was probably caused by a cigarette or match carelessly dropped within the fenced-in woodyard. The possibility of spontaneous combustion exists, although it is remote.

All Valley residents should regard this incident as a reminder of the great damage that can be caused by fire and should exercise extreme caution when disposing of smokes, etc., during the approaching dry summer season.

Friends of Lois Nordlinger and Bob Robinson of Carmel Valley, and a former Ahwahnee employee, will be interested to learn of their engagement and approaching marriage. Plans are being made for the wedding in late July.



Sidelines—The dining Room claims credit for opening the volley ball season. After being washed out once, a court was finally established at Camp 16, and you'll see June Butters, Gloria Miller and newcomers Jan Chavers, Phyllis Miller and Rachel Lawrence playing right along with the musclemen.



#### WAWONA GOLF CLUB FORMS

The newly formed Wawona Golf Club held its election recently with Charles Dantibo named as president. Other officers for the coming year are Jack Van Housen, vice-president; Helen Fisher, sec-treasurer; F. S. Culver and Chas. Hill, directors.

The club membership is open to all interested in golf, and frequent tournaments are scheduled to liven up the interest. The two dollar membership fee includes membership in the Northern California Golf Association.

#### A TRIBUTE

The students of the Stanford Law School have recently created the Hilmer Oehlmann Fund, as an active and permanent tribute to their classmate, Hilmer Oehlmann, Jr., who was killed in an automobile accident last December. Young Oehlmann, who was graduated from Stanford University *magna cum laude*, won the Law School's First Year Moot Court Competition, wherein an actual court trial is simulated with students participating. Because of Oehlmann's success in this competition, money collected into the Fund will be used to finance scholarship awards for winners of future Moot Court Competitions.

Several Valley people, having heard of the Fund, have inquired how they might participate. Stanford Law School students have asked H. K. Ouimet to be the custodian of funds contributed locally.

#### VALLEY SINGERS TO ORGANIZE

The Valley Singers, a voice choral group which brought much enjoyment to locals and guests last season, will reorganize soon, according to Glen Willard, director.

First meeting will be held in the Old Village Chapel at 10 p.m. Thursday, June 14. Transportation will be provided from the Camp Curry transportation platform to the chapel and return.

The Valley Singers group is open to anyone who has had experience in high school or college a cappella singing. Rehearsals will be held on Monday and Thursday evenings and seven performances are planned for the season. Anyone interested but unable to be at the first meeting may see Glen Willard at the Camp Curry entertainment office.

#### LIONS CLUB SAFETY COUNCIL

With the approach of the heavy operating season for both the Government and the Company, Club activities have been on a much reduced scale. All of us are too busy to give more than passing interest until our guests are taken care of for the summer months. However, the Bike Safety Campaign under aegis of the Safety Committee, Lion Taylor, Chairman, has been quite active with inspection of the bikes of the local school children. Approximately 50% of the school children are proudly displaying on their bikes the insignia of the Bicycle Institute Safety League. These insignia were awarded to the children with mechanically safe bicycles. The bikes were inspected at the close of the school year as a climax of Yosemite Lions Club Safety Campaign. The inspections were made through the voluntary work of Don Whipple of the local bicycle shop. To Don goes the thanks of the Lions for his capable assistance.

Additional safety insignia await those bikes that need attention or have since been worked upon. When the adjustments are completed the child should bring the tag with the initials of the person who repaired the bike to Mr. Whipple, Lion Taylor, or any other member of the Safety Committee, one of their school teachers, or to President McHenry and then they will receive their insignia of a safe bike.

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STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

15 May, 1951

Well, I guess we're planning to hold a long time in this position. Last night we started digging our gun in. We worked till 10 p.m. and quit, then worked all day today. We fixed a hole for the gun, with sand bags all around it, and an adjoining dug-out for the ammunition. After we finished that, we dug a bunker big enough for the whole squad. Tomorrow we will dig another small bunker for three men and a machine gun.

While we were digging in, the Engineers strung a double apron barbed wire entanglement across uphill, in front of our positions. One corner is about 20 feet from my tent. (I'm considering moving), and the entire thing will be mined.

Did you realize that the mortar-men pictured in Life and other magazines, last July, that had been butchered with their hands tied behind them, were out of this Company? I think they also showed some out of the 34th.

I don't know, but this position may be home, for a long time. A week-old "Stars and Stripes" has a "Hold U.N. Forces" article, the general idea being to set up a defensive line near the 38th to halt, for a little while, our North Korean attempts. So, I guess what we've been doing here the last few days is just a small picture of what the entire U.N. line is doing.

HOSPITAL NOTES

The stork department, having had a busy two weeks, proudly reports that: Mary Ann Robinson, daughter of the A. R. Robinsons, arrived on May 22; Ronald Wallace Marston, son of the C. E. Marstons, arrived on June 1; Kirk Anthony Brelsford, son of the Bob Brelsforas, arrived June 5; and Robert Clair Abbott, Jr., arrived. All mothers and babies are well and happy.

Mrs. Bill Ellis has been with us for a few days and is doing nicely. Lowell 'in again, out again' Ledson in again, and doing fine. New Nurse Gladys Grey from the City is now helping carry the summer load, and Mrs. Jack Van Housen lending a hand in Helen Fisher's administration department.

N.P.S. ITEMS

Gus and Irene Eastman, who are now living near Ripon, California, stopped in to see old friends and see the Valley before the seasonal rush begins.

Following a two year assignment in Hawaii National Park, Mary Gibbs, who is now working in the Region Four Office in San Francisco, spent several days in Yosemite—five years ago on the date of her arrival here June 1, Mary began her first tour of duty with the NPS in Yosemite.

Glenn and Beth Gallison have now returned from their honeymoon following their marriage on May 26 in the Old Village Chapel. A reception followed at the Rangers Club.

Bob Heyder, former Blister Rust Employee, was in the NPS Office to say hello to old friends. Bob has been stationed at Camp Roberts and is now on his way to Korea.

"Judge" Ottonello has moved to the new NPS residence and the Harry Durings are now living in the residence formerly occupied by the Ottonellos.

Among the employees reporting for duty for the summer season are telephone operators, Joane Paige, Winnie Skinner and Audrey Salava. The new stenographer at the Yosemite Museum is Isabel Small who replaces Agnes Zellmer who returned to Minnesota. Marilyn Arnold, who transferred from the Regional Office in San Francisco, is working in the Personnel Office.

YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

The Yosemite Youth Appeal Fund drive for 1951 realized a total of \$1190.13. All individual donations designated for particular groups were credited to those groups. All of the Youth Group budgets were met and the funds have been distributed:

Girl Scouts .....	\$ 50.00
Brownie Scouts .....	50.00
Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts .....	300.00
Yosemite Badgers .....	350.00
Charles Goff Thomson	
Scholarship Commission .....	225.00

The expense of conducting the drive was \$7.65. The balance of the funds collected will be held as a contingency reserve and as a credit toward next year's appeal.





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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

MONDAY, JULY 2, 1951

## THE DEN IS OPEN

Old timers know that the Den is the recreation hall for employees and have already dropped in during the week or so that it has been open. The Den is in the back of the garage (same building) at Camp Curry. Eleanor Topalian, new Recreation Counselor, has arrived, and together with Pop Danley will keep the Den open at the scheduled hours. From 9 to 1, from 2 to 5, and from 7:30 to 11 daily. There is entertainment of either an active or passive nature. Cold drinks, too!

Folk dancing is scheduled two nights a week. Ballroom dancing, too, will be on the program, as well as ping pong, shuffleboard, and various table games. There is a piano and phonograph; a comfortable corner for reading, writing, chatting—or just sitting.

You'll always find something to do at the Den. COME ON OVER!

## CHURCH SERVICES

Christian Science Services—Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Church Bowl.

Missouri Synod Lutheran at 11 a.m. in the Old Village Chapel.

Roman Catholic Masses at 6, 8, 9, 10, and 11 a.m. at the Old Village Pavilion.

Seventh-Day Adventist at 10, 11 a.m. at the Church Bowl on Saturdays.

General Protestant Services—Brief Services at 8:15, 9:15 and 10:15 at the Chapel. Sunday School 10 a.m. General worship service 11 a.m. The Church Bowl. "Sunday Evening Hour" at 8 p.m. at Camp 14. Youth Fellowship after Firefall in the Camp Curry Pavilion.

## SQUARE DANCING

The docey-do set is now provided with plenty of room, air, music and a professional caller at the newly instituted square dances held on The Ahwahnee tennis courts every Friday and Saturday nights. Dancing starts at 9 p.m. and is under the direction of caller Francis Monnier. Entrance adjacent to road intersection. Admission, 42c.

## SOFTBALL LEAGUE SWINGS INTO ACTION

The softball league is rounding into shape with the first league game played Saturday, June 20. Games will be played every day thereafter, until August 20 (except on Fridays).

Fred Pierson's Ahwahnee Warriors, defending champions, have lost several of their key men, as have several other units. A new entry, the Standard Oil team, will make a 5-club circuit. Other teams are Yosemite, Curry Cafeteria, Curry Grill, and the Dining Room.

Games are played at the School grounds, starting at 2:15.

Free employee swims are now being held at the Lodge Pool on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday nights, 7:30 to 10 p.m. Bring your suit and towel and join in the fun.

The Student Council group, consisting of representatives from 13 main units, held their organization meeting last Tuesday and laid the groundwork for another summer season.

The organization has proven very valuable in initiating and sponsoring interesting events during the summer months. The suggestion boxes placed in each unit have yielded many valuable ideas of benefit to the employee group and Company alike.

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### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

Jack Petty and his four-piece orchestra playing for five o'clock tea—a real treat for everyone.

And nice to have Bob Woods back again assisting Glenn Willard with the fine Ahwahnee entertainment program each evening.

Lots of life on the tennis courts now that Jo Zoller, Ahwahnee tennis pro is back for the summer season.

A welcome also to—Dick Gatchel, returning young minister, here Saturday evenings giving his interesting Sunday Church notices to one and all.

To Gloria Hanson, new Captain, definitely adding glamour to the Dining Room.

To Mary Lee Emerson and Arthur McKee—new team of decorators taking over Dorothy Munly's work. Dorothy now circulating amongst the curios at Curry Gift Shop.

To Paul Ludolph, the new night auditor. Joan Hoke assisting Helen Pierson as food checker and Arden Neary, relief at the busy switchboard.

Everyone's hoping it won't be long before Marion Gordon is well again and back in the Dining Room.

Congratulations to Fred Hamilton, busy lounge attendant, and his wife celebrating their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary—and her birthday.

"THANK YOU" from the Murphy Family

Dollie, Cliff Elton and George Murphy wish to thank all their Valley friends, the school faculty and students, for their kindness and consideration to George during the long recuperative period following his accident last winter.

### N.P.S. ITEMS

Word has been received that Betty Brown, NPS personnel clerk, was married to Jim McConkey, former ski instructor in Yosemite, at Banff, Alberta, Canada on June 16. Their many friends in Yosemite wish them the best of luck.

Among the recent visitors to Yosemite were Arnold and Hazel Williams of Stockton, who were here with Arnold's brother from the east. Arnold Williams was a photographer in Yosemite from many years, then became staff photographer for the Jackson Record. Roger Lestina, son of Rosalie and Henry Lestina, former NPS employee here, was in the Park camping with a group of Boy Scouts.

Trail crews are now busy opening up the trails of the high country. One crew, finding the Pate Valley trail completely gone beyond Morrison Creek, had to camp for the time being. They found the bridge out at Pate Valley. The upper portion of the Yosemite Falls Trail was severely washed out by the flood. Dirt is being packed in to fill the deep trench which was once the trail. This work will require several weeks for completion. Above Tuolumne Meadows the damage from flood waters was not so severe. Even the log footbridges near the Tuolumne Meadows High Sierra Camp were intact. Many bridges at lower elevations, such as on the north side of Hetch Hetchy have been washed out.

The Yosemite Field School composed of 17 graduate students from all parts of the country here to learn techniques of nature interpretation opened classes this week. The school, headed by Dr. Allen Waldo, geology professor at College of the Pacific, held their first campfire at Camp 19 on Sunday evening June 24. There the group met members of the Park staff and others who will take part in their 7 week intensive training program.

Dr. Richard Lillard, former seasonal naturalist, is touring Europe with his wife this summer, hence will not be back in Yosemite.

Among the seasonal naturalists this year are six members of last year's class of the Yosemite Field School—L. D. Moore, Sam Elkins, Wm. Neely, Gayle Alden, Sol Karlin and March Pitman. Mary and Bill Hood are back again giving valuable assistance

to the school. Mary Hood heads the Junior Nature School and, with her husband, makes man superb kodachrome photos of plant and animal life. Don't ever miss an opportunity to hear Mary Hood give one of her inimitable talks at a campfire program.

Wayne Bryant, son of Dr. Harold Bryant, Superintendent of Grand Canyon National Park, and founder of the Yosemite Field School, is now Junior Park Naturalist on the Yosemite staff.

#### BADGERS THIRD IN TRACK MEET

In the eighth running of the Annual Junior Olympics, sponsored by the Merced Kiwanis Club, the Yosemite Badgers finished third in the small school division, behind Hilmar Junior High School and Le Grand Junior High School. Seventeen were entered.

Richie Ouimet was high-point man in the Class D, with a first in the 50-yard dash, and a tie for second in the high jump. David Telles set a new record in the broad jump at 13' 4", as well as tying Richie in the high jump. Bob Eckart won the 50-yard dash in Class C, equaling the old record, besides placing third in the high jump. This makes the third year in a row Bob has won the dash, and is the current recordholder in Class D. Denny Dierksen was third in the dash behind Richie, while Bobby Dean was third in the broad jump behind David.

The Badger Relay Team of Richie, Denny, Tommy Christensen, and Bob Eckart was third. This brought the Badgers total to 28 points. El Portal's scoring was by Ronnie Kuntz, third in the 100, Bill Edison third in the high jump, Kenny Willett third in the broad jump, and Jim Caywood tied for the fourth place in the 100-yard dash.

#### FATHER STACK LEAVES MARIPOSA

The Catholic parishioners of the Valley wish to thank Father Michael Stack for his service in the Valley during the past three years, and particularly for the strenuous trips made from Mariposa each Sunday, to insure our having Mass while the All-Year Highway was closed. Father Stack has recently been appointed to Boulder Creek.

Father James Marron, formerly at St. James Cathedral in Fresno, will be the new pastor of Mariposa County. We welcome him to Yosemite.

#### CAMP CURRY CAPERS

Camp Curry is now in full operation, with the Store the last unit to open. The Den is going full blast with Monday and Friday evening folk dancing. All crews are complete, the dining room leading in size with some 70 odd (not so odd, Ed.) workers—and, did you ever stop to think of all the employees required just to prepare and serve meals to guests? The number is quite impressive.

The annual softball competition is in the making with a new dining room team, with Bob Reeds at the helm, on the practice field along with the more veteran Grill team.

The Curry dining room was the scene of an evening's entertainment seen by a gathering of employees and guests when Fleming Orem, the talented marimba player, proved his versatility by giving a talk on his trip through the Four Corner Country—where Arizona, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico meet and fuse their grandeur. His Kodachromes, excellent in color and composition, brought fascinating views of the Navajo Indian reservation, Monument Valley, Natural Bridges, National Monument, etc. The final touch was given by Mr. Bancho Jesse in the form of an 8mm film of the well-known scenes of our own Park, both the Valley and the high country.

Among the guests of the evening were Dr. George Forbes, Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Tolfree, Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, and Roy Whipple, all annual pilgrims to the Park.

#### CENTENNIAL THEATER A SUCCESS

The Yosemite Centennial Theater's opening play, "Dirty Work at the Crossroads" has been enthusiastically received by audiences since its opening performance last Friday night. The Theater was founded to present plays typical of the Gold Rush Days 100 years ago in California, and the cast includes several professional actors and actresses, supplemented by local talent.

The next play, Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest" is scheduled to open on July 5.

The Theater is situated near the second bridge on the way to Mirror Lake and the exact location is marked. Admission, 50c, including tax.

## STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

N. Korea, 30 May, 1951

Contrary to everything I wrote before, we suddenly got word to move out of our permanent position in the middle of the night. Right after we moved out, it began to rain in torrents and lasted all day. Toward evening we set up the guns, registered in and put up our tents. It stopped raining about 2 a.m. when I went on guard, so I changed into dry clothes in 6 inches of mud.

The next day we moved into position with the rifle troops across a huge gravel beach on the opposite side of the river from the face of the Pukhan reservoir dam.

We were under small arms fire until we were able to swing around under a huge railroad bridge and get into position behind the bank. The rifle troops moved up 200 ft. and set up the line for the night.

We got the mortars set up and were just starting to unload the ammo when Artillery began coming in. It lasted about an hour and kept us too well pinned down to do anything but get our own holes dug. There was so much confusion in this basin under the railroad bridge that I couldn't think straight. The Diamond Red Labor Co. (blue uniformed Koreans carrying supplies for the 1st B.N.) was running like a stampede of cattle. A Korean wildly backed a truck into the bank and came close to running a few of us down, and tanks were trying to move up and were making so much noise we were unable to hear the rounds coming in.

The barrage ended and the night passed rather peacefully.

We went over a pass in the rain at night and set up just 2 or 3 miles below the 38th. The next day we fired on a pocket of Chinese on a hill. During a lull, about a platoon of prisoners was marched passed us. It almost scared you to look at their faces.

The next day we moved up into the pass and our truck broke down so they left me and the driver with the truck and the rest of the Platoon moved on crossing the Parallel and down the other side. At noon the rain ended and during the p.m. we watched a Bn of Chinese come off the hill to surrender. At dark, a truck from the Co. Motor Pool came by to pick us up and towed us back over the 1st pass to the C.P. The driver and I spent the rest of the night under the

truck with an overcoat under us and a blanket over us.

The next day we got the truck fixed up and took off over the same roads to join the platoon. We crossed the 38th, drove through the 7th Div, about 30 miles west and some 10 miles north.

Last night I lay 5 feet from the road and watched 300 Chinese prisoners march by with one guard in front and one behind. I thought "Where else could you lie in bed and watch the Chinese Red Army pass in review."

All the time we were pushing, the rear echelon was catching hell from by-passed Reds. Regt. Collecting Station fought an all-night battle in which a Chaplain and one other was killed. The medics inflicted 100 casualties on the enemy before the Infantry stepped in.



## C. N. PROCTOR WINS WAWONA GOLF TOURNAMENT

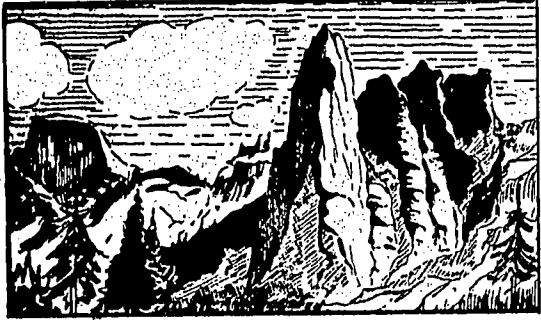
After a first round tie, Charley Proctor edged out Bob Heeter by five strokes in the playoff of the Wawona Golf Club's most recent golf tournament.

This week's blind bogey tournament ends July 1, and all the local linksmen are sharpening up for the annual Gold Pin Tournament to be held July 4. This medal play competition is open to all and a good field of Fresno golfers is expected.

For Sale—House, El Portal, two bedrooms, living room, bath, large kitchen, screened porch, utility room, garage. ¼ acre plot. Elray Swick, El Portal or Crane Flat Stn.

Upright piano, good condition. Myrtle Cuthbert, Lewis Memorial Hospital.

House trailer—18', complete, butane stove. Sam Clark, 7F12 or P.O. Box 77.



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## HOSPITAL NOTES

Born to Lola and Jimmie O'Brien, a son, Daniel Joseph on July 7—father, mother and son doing well.

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To the John Nolans, a son, Steven on July 16. Poppa Nolan is a NPS ranger at Glacier Point.

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Nola Krug, now living in Redwood City, came to the Park for a visit and was immediately pressed into service helping out with the summer crowds.

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Marion Gordon, of The Ahwahnee, is about to be returned to duty after a short visit.

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On the summer staff are Drs. Marvin Smith of Florida and Albert Hall of Berkeley.

## CHURCH SERVICES

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## NEW PLAY AT CENTENNIAL THEATRE

The Yosemite Centennial Theatre's new opus, "Importance of Being Earnest," was presented to the public last week at the Wawona Hotel. The audience of hotel guests and campers, together with the locals who trekked out for the premiere were rewarded by a first rate presentation of the Wilde play about the foibles of the Victorian 'upper-classes.'

The professionals in the cast, Joan and Pete Tewksbury, Richard Deacon, and Ann B. Davis, did splendidly, and were well supported by non-professionals Brynhild Robinson, Violet Gillespie, Frank Hand, Stan Jones, and John Miller. Especially enjoyable was the performance of Frank Hand as the very pious Rev. Chasuble.

The play is staged with the audience seated on four sides. Looking at the backs of the performers occasionally is not at all annoying and, because the seats are but four rows deep, lines of all members of the cast are completely audible.

Although "Earnest" is entirely different from "Dirty Work at the Crossroads," which has played to sell-out houses every night, it is quite worth anyone's fifty cents and ninety minutes of time.

## LAUNDRECAR IN OPERATION

Employees and all locals are welcome to make use of the Laundrecar, mobile clothes washing unit. It is located at Camp 14 on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday; at Camp 15 on Tuesday and Wednesday; at Camp 16 on Thursday and Friday. The service is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and the least crowded hours are in the afternoon and evening.

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#### N.P.S. ITEMS

Trails in the high country are rapidly being worked over for the hundreds of hikers and saddle parties who are taking to the hills. Doug Thomas, in charge of trail maintenance for the NPS in Yosemite, reports there are three bridges out at Hetch Hetchy; Falls Creek, Tiltill Creek and Rancheria Creek bridges—hence the trail along the north side of the reservoir is closed. Two bridges, Return Creek and Register Creek are both out in the Muir Gorge area. The Yosemite Falls Trail is passable on foot and should be completed for horse travel by the end of this week.

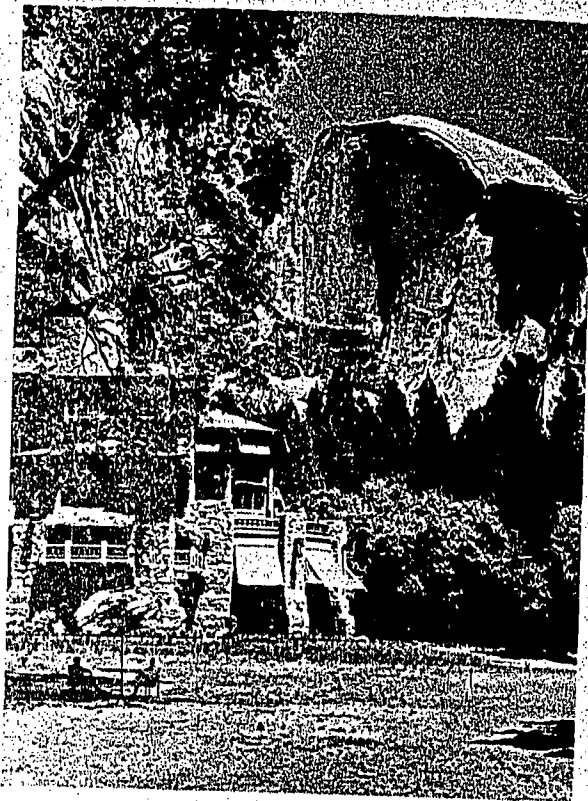
Seasonal ranger John A. Townsley left the first of the month in order to return to school at Boulder, Colorado.

Maud Hicks, now Mrs. Pylmann of the Sacramento area, returned to Yosemite for the gala occasion of the wedding of two of her former pupils of the local grammar school, Raye Lavonne Shorb and Elton Murphy. It was Maud's first trip to Yosemite for several years and she delighted in meeting many friends at the wedding.

Joyce Seasholtz is enjoying a two week vacation at home in Yosemite.

Two local girls, Pat Oliver and Barbara Jean Anderson, with their friend Carol Ross, joined Carl Sharsmith's three day trip to Mt. Lyell. A group of about 25 hikers left Tuolumne Meadows Sunday morning while their sleeping bags followed by mule to Mt. Lyell Base Camp, situated near timber line below Donohue Pass. They climbed Mt. Lyell on Monday and returned Tuesday.

Richard Russell is at home enjoying five days of well-earned leave from his Army unit at Camp Bullis, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.



#### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

Congratulations to both Mr. and Mrs. Keith Sumner. Gloria Houzer a lovely bride now, after a brief honeymoon back on duty in the alcove.

That cute little black and white kitten (full of meows) some thoughtless person dropped into Pat Pierce's lap at the switchboard Sunday morning, did find a haven, out of the Park, thanks to Bob Maynard, Hilda at the Stables, and especially to Vera Bays at the Kennels.

Art McKee responsible for the flower arrangements here, now on his own. Lee Emerson has left us for the big City.

Welcome to George Gatchel, transferred from Camp 16 to operating our elevators. And have you seen his haircut?

Also a welcome to Larry Helm, helping Don Morris in the Sweet Shop, here from Modesto J.C.

We know all about piano moving. Syd Ledson takes the cake, however. He and his crew brought in a wonderful concert grand—just like that. But before you could count the keys—What a man.

VILLAGE STORIES

One of Yosemite's familiar landmarks, Pickle Dome, bowed to the chicanery of Friday the 13th. While Lawry Miller and Andrew Koller looked on in horror, thousands of pickles plummeted toward an embarrassed S&W pickle representative.

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Birthdays galore at the Village Store. Evelyn Gullic and Shirley Foulds found birthdays a treat complete with cake, candles and curios. Still another party heralded the eagerly anticipated march of Kathie Plummer to the wilds of Glen Aulin.

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COLDS struck ye ole village. While Jackie Singletary blew, Shirley Curtis gargled, John Moore penicillined his throat, and Bud Thompson feverishly swept the floor with a temperature of 104 (couldn't find a mop), everyone in general felt lousy, but business was better than ever.

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Why are Phillis Woodward and Mary Anna Muckenhirn beaming at all the customers? It is because they are through with eight-o'-clocks, no-nod pills, and exams. Phillis graduated from Stanford while Mary Anna left the ivy halls of UCLA clutching her hard-earned diploma.

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Traitors to the Village Store include Jerry Brock who hangs washing in the Tecoya Laundry room, Marilyn Staael who shoots candy bars and gum across the Curry Cigar Stand, and Keith McFadden who has been sentenced to hard labor bussing dishes in The Ahwahne dining room. P.S. We miss them.

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Wade Strickland was so fond of you all last summer that he brought along David Newton, John Moore and David Colbert from the University of Mississippi to serve you all.

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For professional up-to-date and free fishing information, you are invited to see Lyle Forbes and Corwin Barfield at the fishing counter next time you come into the Store.



RECREATION NOTES

The Kanaki Kapers was a most successful affair. Since public opinion was strongly in favor of another party soon, we are happy to announce that "Dogpatch Drag" will take place Tuesday evening, July 24. Lil' Abners and Daisy Maes and all the other cartoon inhabitants of Dogpatch are urged to attend. Others will be admitted too.

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Ping pong tournaments are under way. Excited rooters warm the benches each evening supporting their favorites. There is still time to sign up for boys doubles, girls singles and mixed doubles.

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Folk dance nights are Monday and Wednesday. Jeannine from Le Conte Lodge is a fine teacher and with the help of Jim and other experts many timid onlookers have become proficient polka-ers.

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Social dancers are not being neglected as Tuesday evenings belong to them. They get in a good bit of extra practice on other evenings too.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

### STEWART CRAMER IN KOREA

27 June, 1951

"We are back in line now, having relieved the 17th Reg., 7th Div. The lines don't move. We fire a little in the daytime and have an occasional fire mission at night. We keep harrassing fire up all night. At present, the action on our front is all heavy patrol action. The 19th was hit pretty hard night before last.

"At midnight, night before last, our Co. of 12 guns plus 24 guns of the 2nd Chemical Mortar Bn. fired 6 rounds each—that's volleys of 36 rounds—a total of 216 rounds into a Chinese mortar position, catching them by surprise one hour before they were expected to open up. I never did hear the results, but I doubt if there was much left.

"Right now my squad leader and I are the only ones in the squad who were in the Army before the war started.

"This thing is nearly running into a year for me. I can say this has been the fastest and slowest, the hottest and coldest, and the most exciting and dullest year I ever spent.

"A lot of "cease fires" have been going overhead today. Some rumor spreader will come around in the middle of a big artillery barrage with the news: "The war's over" And someone will ask him "What do you call those things, cease fires?""

### NOTES FROM WAWONA

Again the Wawona Hotel is a beehive of employee activities. Les Hillmer is heading an activities committee composed of Irene Berry, Jim Leontiades and Andy Anderson.

Thus far the activities have included a rodeo and horse races, dances, beach party and excursions to the Valley and Bass Lake.

Taking advantage of the golf course and professional Everett Edwards' group lessons are, to name just a few, Dick Harrison, Wes Brown, Charles Forbes, Margaret Block, Dick Bethel, Hank Steffen, Agnes Graig, Norm Steen and James Ward.

Ichiro Inumaru and Dick Ishii, along with their guitars, provide entertainment regu-

larly on the Sequoia Dorm's front porch.

The caddies evacuated their cabin in the woods in favor of safer quarters in the main building. The reason given was "the biggest black bear in Yosemite."

The employee golf tourney is coming up in the near future and Bob Heeter, the local champ, will be one of the top contenders. Another amateur going in for golf in a big way is manager Doucette.



### WAWONA GOLF CLUB TOURNAMENT

Plans for the First Annual Wawona Golf Club Tournament were formulated at a recent meeting of the directors and committee chairmen, according to club president, Chas. Dantibo.

The competition will consist of seventy-two holes of medal play, with handicaps, and is open to all club members. Anyone may join the club by paying the \$2.00 membership fee.

The tournament will open July 28 and end August 26, during which period entrants will be obliged to complete their seventy-two holes of play.

According to Dantibo, there will be prizes awarded for low net scores, among men and women; the best eighteen hole round with handicap; best seventy-two hole score, with handicap, for players with handicaps of twenty or more; a hole-in-one or nearest-to-the-pin contest; and door prizes.

Several Fresno and Merced golfers belonging to the local club are expected to enter the tournament. Everyone is welcome to join the club and enter the tournament, says Dantibo.

**FOR SALE**—1950-98 Oldsmobile sedan—Original owner—\$2300. Heater-radio, etc. Mary Morris, Bests Studio.





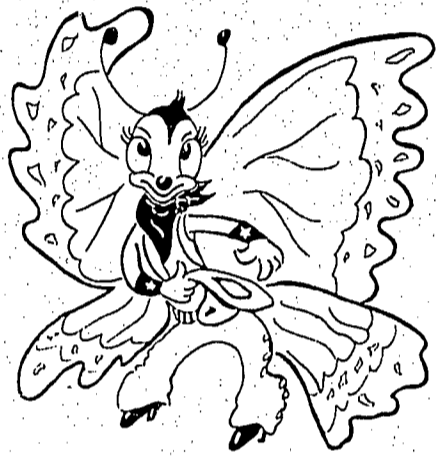
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## NAME THE BUTTERFLY CONTEST FOR MARIPOSA COUNTY FAIR

The Mariposa County Fair has adopted the little boy-butterfly, shown above, as its Fair trademark. The bug needs a name, however, and all suggestions are welcomed. Best name will receive a \$50 prize, \$25 for second, and \$10 for third. Mail names to Butterfly Naming Contest, Mariposa County Fair, P.O. Box 333, Mariposa. Contest closes September 3. (P.S. Fair to be held September 1-2-3).

## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Twenty-five years ago, last July 31, the All-Year Highway from Merced was formally opened. The completion of the highway, along with the success and popularity of the automobile, made Yosemite the destination for more visitors than it had ever known in the past.

Dedication ceremonies were held at a point near the Acorn Inn, and Gov. Friend Richardson and Stephen T. Mather took a prominent role in the ceremonies.

## THOMSON SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

The Charles Goff Thomson Freshman Scholarship for 1951-52 has been awarded to Frances Ellen Freeman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Freeman of Yosemite. Frances graduated from Mariposa High School in the Class of 1951. She plans to attend the Lenhardt School in San Francisco. The Lenhardt School specializes in training for secretarial work in medical, legal, and other fields.

The Charles Goff Thomson Scholarship Commission was organized in 1934 and is now supported by the Yosemite Community Fund. The Scholarship is awarded annually to a student whose parents have year-round employment in Yosemite. Frances is the fifteenth student who has been awarded the scholarship.

## SPORTS EVENTS AND SOFTBALL

Counselor Harry Brownson reports that employee events coming up are: a big swim meet at the Yosemite Lodge Pool on August 10; the annual Aquacade on August 23, also at the Lodge Pool; and a big boxing show scheduled for late in August — dates and details later.

As the Softball League is in the third and final round, Fred Pierson's Ahwahnee team seems to have a secure hold on the top rung of the ladder. Although the champions' big team of last year was broken up, Fred's vast chain of scouts came up with another strong contending outfit.

The standings of the teams to date are:

	Won	Lost	Pctg
Ahwahnee	10	1	.909
Lodge	7	4	.636
Grill	7	4	.636
Standard Oil	5	5	.500
Dining Room	2	8	.200
Cafeteria	1	10	.090

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### N.P.S. ITEMS

Mrs. Evelyn Plowman of San Francisco experienced an extraordinary accident on July 14 when she fell 800 feet down the 'blue slide' on the Leevining grade attempting to catch her dog which had tumbled down the precipitous slope.

Ranger Dave Downing at Tioga Pass Ranger Station went to the rescue and, with the aid of a jeep equipped with a winch and rope, succeeded in bringing the injured woman to safety. Mrs. Plowman sustained a compound fracture of the left arm, injured back and multiple contusions and lacerations. In the excitement, the dog disappeared completely and was not seen for about a week. He appeared at the power house, was fed and cared for until arrangements were made to get him back to his owners.

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Ranger and Mrs. Larry Riordan were swimming near their tent in Camp 6 recently when someone reported a young chap was drowning in the river nearby. Larry swam across the river, spotted the man rolling along the sandy-rocky bottom in about seven feet of water. Riordan dived and grabbed the man by the leg while another swimmer got hold of his hair. The two swam some distance through strong current and brought the victim ashore, then immediately applied artificial respiration. In a few minutes the man groaned and within fifteen minutes regained consciousness, thanks to the quick action of Ranger Riordan who holds a Red Cross card as a life-saving instructor. Especially commendable was the way Riordan persisted in following proper life-saving procedure in spite of advice from a large

crowd of panicky onlookers. The victim's name was Larry Young, age 19, a Chinese visitor from San Francisco.

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On Saturday, July 21, Lloyd and Joyce Seasholtz were in the vicinity of Waterwheel Falls when hikers told them about having seen a couple swept over the falls. They soon reached the foot of the falls and found Mrs. Norma Yeoman sitting bewildered among rocks and debris in a most precarious position. Lloyd dragged in some pieces of driftwood, crawled out among the boulders and assisted the injured woman to a safer location; then located her husband and helped him cross the hazardous terrain to safety.

After a brief examination, it was evident Mrs. Yeoman was in a critical condition and should not be moved until a doctor had time to reach her. Hikers donated spare clothing to ward off shock of the victim. A crude shelter was erected against the hot sun. Messages were dispatched by Boy Scouts to Glen Aulin, word relayed to Dr. Avery Sturm, and with the aid of District Ranger Stan McComas and a corps of rangers including Herb Ewing, Glenn Gallison, Ralph Jessen, Earl Homuth and Dave Downing, and a host of volunteers, the seriously injured woman was brought out successfully. Mrs. Yeoman is now recuperating at the local hospital. Mr. Yeoman miraculously escaped with only minor injured and shock.

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### FRANCIS DONOHUE DECORATED

Francis Donohue has recently been awarded the Bronze Star Medal and citation by the War Department. The citation read, in part, "for heroic achievement in connection with operation against the enemy while serving with a Marine Infantry company . . . as commander of a mortar section which was receiving heavy enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, Lt. Donohue moved to an exposed position to direct fire . . . When his section had been depleted by casualties and was running low on ammunition, Lt. Donohue made repeated trips over exposed territory to his command post for vital supplies of ammunition."

VALLEY SINGERS AT CHURCH BOWL

The Valley Singers Church Bowl concert will be held this year on Wednesday, August 15 at 9:30 p.m. This fine group of one hundred voices under the direction of Glenn Willard will sing a varied program. Soloists will include Donna Petersen, contralto; Arnold Gazarian, baritone; Mary McCormack, and Ann Graffam, sopranos; Douglas Hollenberg, tenor. Marjorie Trammel, harpist, will be featured on the program. The Travellers, male quartet, will add their harmonies to the occasion. Dorothy Metzner will accompany on the piano and organ. The beautiful arrangements of Richard Gray, Associate Conductor, will add to the enjoyment of the concert. An unusual feature of this year's program will be the guest conducting of Dr. Roy E. Freeburg, Director of Choirs and Music Education at San Francisco State College. Dr. Freeburg, through his students Glenn Willard and Richard Gray, has been interested in the development of the Valley Singers and has agreed to share in the Bowl program.

Last year one thousand people attended the concert in the dramatic setting of the Church Bowl. This year's program promises to overshadow the wonderful performance of last year.

This annual concert is presented as a contribution of the young people for the beautification of the Church Bowl. During the program an offering will be taken for this purpose.

Don't miss this outstanding musical event of the 1951 summer season. The date, Wednesday, August 15 at 9:30 p.m. in the Church Bowl.

"TAMING OF THE SHREW" OPENS

Shakespeare's comedy, "The Taming of the Shrew," opened Sunday last at the Yosemite Centennial Theatre. Having somewhat less than a nodding acquaintance with Shakespeare, our approach to the play was generally one of timidity. However, after a comforting little introductory speech by Director Pete Tewksbury, we went right along with the show, which was, indeed, robust and jolly.

Among other enjoyable elements of the

production was the enthusiasm of the cast. All members seemed to be participating cheerfully in their roles and were thus most convincing.

Perhaps the lion's share of acclaim should go to Director Pete Tewksbury for having gotten his fifteen non-professional people and his four professionals to a point where they sailed through the somewhat obscure lines and maintained the spirit of the play famously, with few noticeable hesitations or omissions.

In their typical fashion, Richard Deacon as Petruchio, Joan Tewksbury as Katherine, Hal Todd as Grumio, and Ann B. Davis as Curtis were splendid, and we found ourselves quite unable to decide whom we enjoyed the most.

Stan Jones, John Miller and Forrest Hodge as Lucentio, Baptista and Tranio, respectively, turned in first rate performances. Don Morris as Lucentio's servant, Biondello, was very amusing, moving about with amazing speed and grace.

The remaining non-professional people, Sterling Cramer, Gina Clark, Lorraine Babelle, Alice Field, David Wissmar, Tim Vickers, William Aggson, Arthur McKee, and Chester Miller were all enjoyable in their parts and, we thought, handled their lines and themselves most capably.

The costumes, made by Lucille Anderson, were lovely and gave a great lift to the otherwise austere setting.

The last performance of the Yosemite Centennial Theatre group will be in a Yosemite historical pageant to be presented about the end of August.

GROUP POLIO INSURANCE PLAN

All Company employees are eligible to participate in Group Polio Insurance policy which provides \$5000 coverage for each afflicted employee or family dependent. Individual premium rate for single employee is \$1.60 for one year; family rate for employee and dependents, \$4.00 for one year.

See S. S. Cramer in Accounting Office for details.

DOINGS AT THE DEN

The Art Gallery that grew to such proportions on the Den walls has changed character and become an evening of Dabbling in Art. This has been possible through the thoughtfulness of Jean Broadwell, who is the mother of Jeanine, our folk dance leader. Jean, being a teacher, has supplies of crayons, paints, clay and chalk which she has shared with us. Visit some Friday evening and lose your tensions by squeezing a hunk of clay.

Another friend in need is Joe Liskey. Maybe some of you remember, weeks ago, trying to balance a bridge game on a pair of knees. Joe has made us tables and more tables out of old odds and ends of lumber. He also keeps us supplied with wit-trying puzzles. Thanks, Joe!

The Blue Moon Formal to be held August 16 is a party you will all want to attend. Don't risk missing it by not lining up a date—pronto. In our democratic society a girl ought to be able to say, "I'd sure like to go the the Formal. How about taking me,?" to any fellow who looks good to her. Anyway, boys, don't make them have to get quite so democratic. Ask them all—NOW. Only \$1.25 per couple.

WEDDING BELLS DEPARTMENT

Brides' bouquets have been flying like blossoms in the wind with four local—or almost local—couples taking the big leap.

First, were Bandleader Jack Petty and Evelyn Johnson of the Camp Curry Studio, who were married in Reno on July 8.

A Church Bowl wedding on July 14 united Raye Lavonne Shorb and Elton Murphy. Rev. A. Glass officiated at the lovely ceremony. A reception followed at the Rangers' Club. Stockton is now their home.

Harris Corbett and Fern Keeley became Mr. and Mrs. on July 27 at the Old Village Church. Friends wished them well at a reception at the Masonic Club.

Lois Nordlinger and Bob Robinson, formerly of Yosemite, now of Carmel Valley, were married on July 29 at the Church Bowl. Their wedding was followed by a beautiful reception on The Ahwahnee lawn. The newlyweds are living in Carmel Valley.

MERCED ROAD CONTROLS

Traffic Controls on the All-Year Highway to Merced follows:

OUTBOUND CONTROL SCHEDULE:

Indian Flat, approximately 35 minutes driving time from Yosemite Valley, is the control point for outbound traffic. Highway from Indian Flat to Merced open during the following periods:

7:25AM—7:45AM	8:45AM—9:10AM
1:20PM—1:55PM	4:30PM—5:05PM
6:20PM—6:40PM	Road Closed All Night

INBOUND CONTROL SCHEDULE:

Briceburg, approximately 90 minutes driving time from Merced, is the control point for inbound traffic. Highway from Briceburg to Yosemite open during the following periods:

6:45AM—7:00AM	8:15AM—8:25AM
12:35PM—1:05PM	2:30PM—2:55PM
5:30PM—5:55PM	Road Closed All Night

WEEKEND & HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

Road open to Outbound traffic on Fridays from 6:20 p.m. until 6:40 p.m. Sundays. On holidays road open Outbound from 6:20 p.m. evening before holiday until 6:40 p.m. evening of holiday.

Road open to Inbound traffic from 5:30 p.m. Fridays until 5:55 p.m. Sundays. On holidays road open Inbound at 5:30 p.m. evening before holiday until 5:55 p.m. evening of holiday.

Stewart Cramer's usual column on the war in Korea is missing from this issue of the Sentinel. Stewart received his rotation papers on July 22 and is believed to be in Japan en route to the United States. Stewart was in his twelfth month of combat duty with the 24th division, the first American unit to see action in Korea.

FOR SALE—4.5 cu ft. Westinghouse Elec. Refrigerator. Nearly new motor element—\$40. See Dana Morgenson, Acct. phone 81.

ANNUAL EMPLOYEES

FOLK AND SQUARE DANCE FESTIVAL

WAWONA HOTEL—AUGUST 23 (Free)

EXHIBITION DANCES—Madelyn Greene

BARBECUE ONLY (Reservation necessary)



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## DOUCETTE WINS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Proving his superiority on the links as well as on the ski slopes, Howard Doucette won the first annual Wawona Golf Club's handicap tournament with a net score of 251 for 72 holes of play. Russ Powell's 267 took second spot while Ed Miller carded a 269 for third.

On the ladies side, Mrs. Sturg Culver was low with a 302, followed by Mrs. C. N. Proctor with a 308.

Ed Miller won the "closest to the pin" contest, dropping a shot within 13 inches of the 8th cup.

The tournament was followed by a barbecue and awarding of the handsome trophies and prizes.

It is said that Doucette has been made an attractive offer from A. J. Spaulding. The firm wishes to name a golf ball "The Duke."

## UNUSUAL MUSICAL ARRANGEMENT SCHEDULED FOR CHURCH BOWL

On Sunday, September 2, at the Church Bowl at 11 a.m., an interesting arrangement of religious music using the harp, violin, organ, and voice will be presented. Marjorie Trammel will play the harp; Dick Gatchel, summer minister, the violin; Florence Sedergren, the organ.

## AHWAHNEE SOFTBALL NINE VICTORS

For the third time in as many years, Fred Pierson's Ahwahnee team walked off with the top honors in the softball league. Don Nuttall, pitcher for the Ahwahneemen, played a heavy part in the success of the champs.

Red Woebing's Lodge nine, the only team to nip the champs, gained a second place tie with Frank Skoglund's Curry Grill team by beating them in the last game 13-10.

Standard Oil's team, under Charlie Simonian, disbanded with a 7 to 5 record, but forfeited two games in the last round. Jay Young's C C Cafeteria team and Bill Henderson's dining room team tied for the cellar spot.

### FINAL STANDINGS:

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Ahwahnee	14	1	.933
Lodge	10	5	.667
Grill	10	5	.667
Standard	5	10	.333
Cafeteria	3	12	.200
Dining Room	3	12	.200

## EMPLOYEE SQUARE DANCES

The Employee Square Dance group which held its annual dance at Wawona this year reports that there is no better place to go to than Wawona for the ultimate in hospitality, friendliness, and superb food.

## JOAN VAN HOUSEN LEAVES VALLEY

Joanie Van Housen left Yosemite recently to enter the Order of the Dominicans at San Rafael. She will devote her life to teaching. All our best wishes go with her.

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N.P.S. ITEMS

George and Rhea Burr and their attractive daughter Barbara visited old friends in Yosemite recently. George was an engineer for the NPS in Yosemite during the early 1930s and he and Rhea made a great many friends here.

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Lee and Esther Bailey, oldtimers of Yosemite, returned for a short visit recently.

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Bill, Alma and Billy Breckenkanm are due to return from their trip to St. Louis the last of this week. They are bringing home a new car.

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Marjorie Fay is back again as telephone operator at the NPS switchboard.

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Stephen Unger, age 9½, of Burbank, California, was intrigued by the sight of a strange creature along the Merced River at Camp 15. The animal was struggling to get away from some yellow jackets which appeared determined to sting it. It looked somewhat like a tarantula as it took off. At the Yosemite Museum, naturalists found it was a spotted bat, only the second one ever seen in Yosemite and about the ninth of its kind ever known to science.

Mary and Bill Hood spent hours making color photos of the rare find, and photos were taken of both the discoverer and the unusual bat. The ears are one of its most interesting features, long and capable of being curved much the shape of mountain sheep antlers. The spots on its back are so located in connection with the long ears as

to give the appearance of a grotesque head of a much large creature.

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Friends of Gayle Tarnutzer were surprised and pleased to see her and her husband, Joe Brower, on a recent honeymoon trip to the Park. Joe is a teacher, brother of Dave Brower of the University of California Press, well-known in Yosemite. The happy couple will make their home in Alameda.

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There was little fanfare, but a few days ago Yosemite travel hit a new high for a 10½ month period when it passed the record travel of last year. It now appears likely that 1951 will set a new all-time record for travel to Yosemite, all of this in spite of a disastrous flood last November which hampered travel over Highway 140 from Merced. The travel year is October 1 through September 30.

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Mrs. Dixon Freeland, wife of Supt. Freeland, Grand Teton National Park, and former Yosemite resident is visiting with son and daughter.



Dotty Dreeben, 10 year old girl from San Antonio, Texas, suffered a severe injury to her eyes when she and her family stopped to feed a buck deer along the highway five miles west of Government Center, August 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Dreeben had stopped their car in order to get a closer view of the deer and started to feed the animal. Dotty reached for the buck's antlers, now in the velvet and quite sensitive to touch. The deer reared back and struck the child with his front hoof above the eye and causing severe contusion and internal bleeding of the eye.

**SCHOOL REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Children shall be admitted to a KINDERGARTEN in districts having only one annual school term if they will be four and one-half years of age on or before September 1 of the current school year. Furthermore children shall be admitted to a kindergarten ONLY during the first month of school in any year.

Children shall be admitted to the FIRST GRADE only during the first month of any school term if they will be five and one-half years of age on or before September 1 of the current school year. It should also be pointed out that the California School Code is very exact about these legal minimum enrollment ages for Kindergarten and First Grade to the extent that no exceptions can or will be made. In other words there is no change in these requirements for the current year that began July 1, 1951 and will end June 30, 1952.

Kindergarten and First Grade will be advanced in Mariposa County to four years and nine months, and five years and nine months respectively. The new requirements effective for July 1, 1952 were enacted into law by the 1951 Session of the California Legislature because school teachers and school administrators have known for many years that many children in school before the full age of five years for Kindergarten or six years for the First Grade were too immature to succeed. School records prove that pronounced immaturity at the time of enrollment almost always results in failure at some point during the elementary years.

Parents who have children between the ages of four years and six months and four years and nine months for Kindergarten, or between five years and six months and five years and nine months for First Grade, are invited to come to the office of the superintendent of schools August 23 or 24 for a conference concerning the overall problem of the child's first school enrollment.

Parents will be required to show a birth certificate for every child's first enrollment or sign an affidavit of the child's birth date before the school principal at the time of enrollment. All schools will open September 4.

**STEWART CRAMER HOME**

Pfc Stewart Cramer, whose year of combat activities in Korea have been reported in these columns, has returned to Yosemite for a thirty day furlough. Stewart arrived from Japan on the Transport Gen. John Pope, August 24. He was picked up next day at Camp Stoneman by happy parents Helen and Sterling. Stewart reports to Fort Ord September 26 for reassignment.

**YOSEMITE TROUNCES MARIPOSA**

In a night game played at Mariposa last Thursday, a picked Yosemite team defeated an all-star aggregation from the Mariposa league 10 to 8. A grand slam home run by Bob Grey put Yosemite back in the ball game after trailing 5-1 in the early innings.

Keith Hale was on the mound with Parkerson catching. Others on the Yosemite nine were Jack Ring at first; Bob Grey on second; Leo Sullivan, third; Don Mellum, s.s.; Ken Trout, l.f.; Jay Young, c.f.; Hi Samanigo, r.f.; Don Nuttall, short center.

**SOLDIERS TWO**

Kit Whitman reports having heard from soldiers Carl Moseley and Gary Stay. Their addresses: Pvt. Carl Moseley, U.S. 56141218, Prov. Co. 732, APO 613, c/o Postmaster, S.F. Pvt. Gary Stay, U.S. 56141860, 728th Gun Bn., Fort Bliss, Texas. How about a letter from their friends?

**CENTENNIAL PAGEANT**

A dramatic pageant depicting the outstanding events in Yosemite's history will be presented by the Centennial Theatre players on August 31 and September 1. The cast of 50 will include many Valley people.

Curtain time for the Pageant will be at 8:45 p.m. at the regular Theatre site.

This will be the climax and final presentation of the Centennial Theatre. The group will return to its Barn Theatre at Porterville after a show at the Mariposa Fair. Don Morris is said to be joining the group, thus forsaking his Ahwahnee Sweet Shop duties.

AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

Last issue's Ahwahnee News must have got lost in the shuffle. Never got into print.

The Big News—Fred Pierson's Ball Team now the 1951 champions. Only lost one game all season. Congratulations to a husky team of ball players.

Centennial Theatre stayed dark to make room for the always popular Annual Blue Moon Formal—a wonderful party!

An art show to be hung in the Indian Room on September 1, 2 and 3. Submit your oils, water colors, black and white, crayons, decorative arrangements or what-have-you to the Den by August 31. Dick Cummings has all the information. Paintings must be matted for hanging, and have your name and address attached for sure. Limit 4 entries to a person.

Joe Zoller's tennis tournament is rapidly reaching the final stage. Joe, with a group of Santa Barbara U. of C. Sigma Alpha Epsilons left for their National Convention August 28.

Items: Jack Farrell's back. Bob Woods is now with the front office staff. Arden Neary takes over at the switchboard replacing Pat Pierce. Pat's mother Minnie will be missed in the linen room. Ethel Marquardt is now in the pantry, and Georgia Sumner is working in the alcove.

Dick Denham's draft board can't seem to forget him. After two and a half years in the Army, 14 months in Korea, pre-war, they're again showing interest!

TRUBI RETURNS FROM JAPAN

The Lorin Trubschencks, Trubi, Dawn, Lori Otto, Eric and Caroline, stopped in last week, after 39 months in Japan where Trubi served in the Air Force. He reports that the Japanese are first rate skiers and regard the sport as second only to baseball. For three winters, he operated a ski lodge for military personnel in the Japanese Alps. At an elevation of only 2000 feet, snowfall average about 10 ft in the area. For several months, Trubi flew combat cargo missions over the battle area in Korea. His next station is Kirtland A. F. Base in Albuquerque, N.M.

LODGE ITEMS

Mark Gale and Max Beaver, from Indiana and Mississippi, respectively, both sang at the employees' amateur show. Mark sang on the Curry program a while back and was, as a result, auditioned by a representative of a very fancy S.F. night club who liked his warbling. Mark, however, plans to do his singing locally for the rest of the season.

The Travellaires, who work in the local laundry during the day and sing at night, are going south for an audition at Metro-G.M.

Further success stories—this one about Jim "choo choo" Clark of the desk. Jim began here in 1947 portering at C.C.; graduated to his present job, and this winter will manage a Palm Springs hostelry. (Good training!).

'Tis said the lifeguards at the pool across the way are planning a farewell dinner at, no not the cafeteria, but at Snowline on the Fresno road.

Hear that the beach party, attended by those who couldn't attend the Blue Moon Formal, was a humdinger-sort of a consolation party.

If you see bodies sailing through the air, don't be alarmed. It happens here every day, since Benny Nara, judo expert, has opened his gym. Lots of willing pupils.

HOSPITAL NOTES

BORN: Mary Jane to Evelyn and Tommy Tucker of Wawona, August 24.

Robert Conrad to Bob and Catherine Bevington, August 21.

Paul, to Phyllis and Rod Broyles. NPS, August 11.

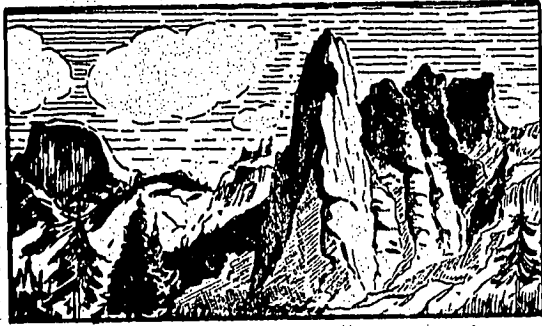
Nurse Shirley Bruce and Ranger Dave Clark will leave the Valley September 10 to be married after which they will live in Idaho Falls.

FOR SALE: 1947 Ford Station Wagon. Call Henry Berrey at No. 1.

1950 Ford Sedan. Radio, heater, etc. \$1595. See F. Walter, YTS or tent 133, Camp 6.

31' Traveler Trailer with shower and toilet. Phone Allan, Camp 16.





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### WAWONA GOLF CLUB WINS MATCH

The Wawona Golf Club team trounced the Merced squad recently in a team play tournament by a score of 16 to 5. Wawona members Houx, Dow, Dantibo, Lipka, Ouimet, Van Housen, O'Brien, Thomas, Culver, Patton, Dierksen, Seach, Proctor and Petty, playing against a like number from Merced, constituted the Wawona entry. This match is to be a home and home affair with the next contest at Merced at a yet undetermined date.

### YOSEMITE BADGERS

Along with Cal., Stanford, and other Pacific Coast teams, the Yosemite Badgers began practice last week, according to Coach S. S. Cramer. Nine out of 16 lettermen from last year's squad are returning. Last year's team, reputed to have been the Badger's best, broke the Mariposa jinx, beating the Mariposa team for the first time in the 11-year history of the Badgers. Coach Cramer figures he will have a stout line and speedy backfield.

### CHURCH NOTICES

Roman Catholic Masses—7 and 8 a.m. at the Chapel, in the Old Village.

Protestant Services—Brief service at 9:15 a.m. in the Chapel. Sunday school, 9:45 in the Schoolhouse. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel.

World Wide Communion Service.

On Sunday, October 7, the Park Church will observe World-wide Communion at a candlelight service at 8 p.m. This service is one of the most significant in the Christian year. As we observe the Lord's Supper locally we are joining with Christians of every race and color around the world. Mr. Glass will conduct the service. An offering will be received for Korean relief.

### NEW FACES AROUND GENERAL OFFICE

Roll call around the General Office discloses several newcomers (all girls, we're happy to report). Betty Clark, now in reservations, is from Huntington Beach, where there are more oil wells than people. She replaced Rosemary Meyer, who, Crossley and all, went to S.F. In Commercial is Joan O'Leary, late of San Anselmo, who replaced Marguerite Tierney. Kathleen Lynn has moved from the Y.T.S. office to Personnel, while Barbara Summers, wife of El Portal school teacher, has joined the throngs in Accounting along with Florence McCall, former Yosemite Lodge counselor, and Patricia Grey, wife of Ahwahnee ball star Bob. Hail and Farewell!

### PARENT'S GROUP ELECTS OFFICERS

The first gathering of the Parent's Group was a combination welcoming party in honor of new teacher, Lloyd Moore and wife, and business meeting. Moore has served in the Park as a summer naturalist and joined the teaching staff this fall. Elected President for the coming year was Thelma McGregor; Vice-president, Harry During; Secretary, Burgie Whitman; Treasurer, Isobel Dierksen; Asst. Secretary, H. Berrey.

### LIONS CLUB RUMMAGE SALE

Be sure to save your last year's skates, skis, winter clothing, bicycles, automobiles, or what have you, for another Lions Club Rummage Sale to be held November 7, 8, and 9. Watch for further publicity.

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AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

Swish . . . before you could say Jack Robinson summer went, and conventions hit . . . 350 strong . . . with never a dull moment.

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The Yosemite Centennial Theatre is dark and The Ahwahnee basketball court looks sad and deserted. The fine young group of players ended the season with the Centennial Pageant—the group and 200 others) a fitting climax. Good luck to Pete Tewkesbury and his fine young repertory theatre players. We'll miss them. The Ahwahnee has been a veritable arsenal—guns, black-jacks, gas masks, etc., and all the things sheriffs and policemen use—just to make things merrier after Fred Pierson's successful barbecue, the solarium awnings went in flames. Ask Ed Hill how to use a fire hose! Did a Sheriff throw a match?!!

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Mostly Goings—Glen Buzza off to college. Violet Gillespie (ankle all put together once more) leaves for her old stand at Bullocks, Palm Springs. Bill Meacham drafted—Fort Ord next stop. Florence Isom, our beauty operator all packed to see the sights in Washington, D.C. and all points East. And believe it or not, Dick Denman, after two and a half years with the U.S. Army, off for a brand new physical.

Margaret Von Brecht holidaying in the Pacific Northwest. and Bill Truman leaving us for Reservations Office in Hotel Division. What will he do for a piano?

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Rose Crossley was in the Valley, came to tea—looks fine. Louise Hamilton with a made-over ankle back at work in the dining room. Micky Curry (congratulations) is now back at her old stand—the switch-

board. And Ruth Molitor in the Gift Shop while Margaret is away. Wawona closing always brings a glimpse of Margaret Hoel, just for overnight—and Jean Bennett—on his way East.

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Certainly nice to see Marshall Hall dining at The Ahwahnee with two lovelies from the L.A. office, Evelyn Iverson and Marjorie Mandel. Where did the summer go!

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CONVENTIONS: Any "Ahwahnee-ian— at the drop of a hat—can tell you the tale of the habits and customs of approximately 1700 Peace Officers, NYLICS, Apartment Owners, Mortgage Bankers, Doctors and Nurserymen, not forgetting the wives that go with them—all of whom have tumbled in and out of The Ahwahnee since the last issue of the Sentinel.

Lots going on. Liaison-man Carl Munson over from General Office; Julie Brun at her old stand—cashier's window; "Plain John" in the barber shop promoted (so he says) from Old Village; Bob Minerich looking like Gregory Peck tossing off the hot cakes; Jack Petty and his piano turning up everywhere, early and late; once found playing to a crowd in the dark on back of a truck; Convention glamour at Wawona—the bright-as-a-button dining room girls doing a big job at the barbecue. Moody, Parky and O'Brien (sounds like a law firm) getting a late sun tan same place. Sorry to lose Gloria Hunt. Jane Foushay back. Jeanette Curry in the Gift shop, now Mrs. William Batchelder. Heard at the switchboard: "Everyone here looks like a beaten egg—except Dick Connett." During the scramble he even had time to flip away all the old elevator rugs. Now we have fresh-as-a-daisy ones laid out flat like the rest of us! Away we go—lie on your apron and hold on to your hat—another convention coming around the mountain.

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WOMENS' LUNCHEON SCHEDULED

The first of the autumn womens' luncheon meetings has been scheduled for October 24 at The Ahwahnee. Gene Ottonello will be the speaker and will give a highly interesting and provocative talk on the subject of "water dousing," or the location of underground water by the use of a divining rod.

## FROM HERE AND THERE

## RECENT VISITORS TO THE VALLEY—

Babs Godfrey Baker, in a letter to Florence Morris, reports that son Bill Godfrey has enrolled in Grinnell College, Iowa, after being deferred from the draft.

Recent visitors to the Valley were Herbert Earl Wilson and wife Alice who, some 25 years ago lived here. Wilson is the author of "Lore and Lure of Yosemite," and when living in the Park, told Yosemite legend at the Camp Curry program. The couple now travel the world, having recently visited in Alaska and Mexico.

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## Kittredges Visit Yosemite

Frank and Katherine Kittredge stopped off in Yosemite last week for a short stay. Both are well and, while they find certain aspects of dwelling in Washington interesting, expressed enthusiasm for the less hectic life of the Park.

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## Danleys Leave Yosemite

After seven years in Yosemite, "Pop" and Helen Danley left last week for San Diego where they will retire and enjoy the easy life. Both will be missed by their Yosemite friends. Bet you didn't know Pop's name is John!

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## Mobile Blood Unit Here October 6

The Red Cross Mobile Blood Bank will be in the Valley on October 6 to receive donations of blood. The visit is again sponsored by the local VFW and the American Legion Posts. Dick Ditton, phone 139, will schedule an appointment for anyone wishing to give blood. It has been six months since the Red Cross unit visited here, thus anyone who gave blood last time may safely do so again.

## VILLAGE STORIES

The blue-eyed speed demon you saw racing through the fruit and vegetables was Charlie Bond. It is the first time in history of the store that customers asked the fruit and vegetable man whether the meat is

tender. (Charlie is a Class A butcher, too).

That broad beaming face you see at the back of the store is Ellis Whitley. He claims it is the best summer he has experienced in the way of help (employees). Quote Ellis: "Tilton Phillips, Stanley Whitfield, Wade Strickland and Chuck Eckart really made things hum around here this summer."

The lady you see with boxes piled up to her chin is Lucy Ellen Whitfield. What is she doing? Just sorting dress products from the unit stores which have closed for the season. Ah yes, inventory time is with us again.

Evelyn Gullic hosted a fried chicken dinner at her oh-so-pretty home at El Portal. Those who attended and ate and ate and ate, were Irma Pierce, Shirley Foulds, Carol Egly, Shirley Curtis, Mildred Veano, Mr. and Mrs. Baron Hullen (Marvel), Kathie Carras, and Evelyn's genial hubby, Wallis. Delicious food served under the trees overlooking the Valley. What a fond memory for the office girls.

Letters are coming back already from the summer crew who enjoyed the hustle-and-bustle, hilarious life the store offers its employees. John Moore from Mississippi wrote that "he is sitting on the steps of his home, looking at the miles of cotton growing, and wishing for the time to come to return to the Valley." That's the way it goes. Don't we know. We're still here for the same reason.

For those who are interested, Jack Ring is happy to report that the last box of Kool Aid has been opened and will not present an inventory problem this year.

## STEWART CRAMER RETURNS TO DUTY

After a sojourn in Yosemite with Sterling and Helen Cramer, Pfc Stewart left September 26 for Fort Ord where he will resume his duties, probably being stationed somewhere within the Sixth Army area.

## LATE AGAIN!

Those responsible for getting the Sentinel out on a regular schedule apologize for the delay in the appearance of this issue. Some of the news is colder than a mackerel—some a little less cold. However, we'll try to do better in the future.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

### N.P.S. ITEMS

With several weeks to go on the present travel year, more than 800,000 people have already visited Yosemite—an increase of 1½ percent over last year's all time record. The month of August showed 9½ percent ahead of last year and September shows an even greater increase with 14 percent ahead of this part of the month last year.

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Park Forester Emil Ernst is expected to leave soon for a week's assignment at Lassen Volcanic National Park to assist in the cruising of 1235 acres of privately-owned land.

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Marie Zaepffel, formerly of Yosemite, and now working as travel agent for United Airlines, visited old friends here early in September.

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Betty Koubele is enjoying vacationing in Minnesota. Mrs. Ed Renner and children are now in Rochester, New York, visiting relatives. Ed is to join them later this month before bringing the family back to Yosemite. The Les Moes were last heard from in Portland, Oregon, where they have been enjoying a well-earned rest. Chris and Bill Anderson are enjoying a few days in Santa Rosa.

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Ansel, Virginia and Mike Adams left for Santa Fe, New Mexico via Grand Canyon and Monument Valley. They were to meet the Beaumont Newhalls, Eastman House, Rochester at Albuquerque. Mike is to fly back to enter Stanford, while Ansel and Virginia continue on to Aspen, Colorado for a big photography seminar for one week after which Virginia will return to Yosemite while Ansel goes on to photograph the Grand Tetons.

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Ernest L. Krumm, Jr., Boy Scout Leader, was apprehended by Ranger-Naturalist Sam Elkins at Ten Lakes with a grouse he had killed. The boy indicated his ignorance of Park regulations and stated he thought it was a chicken someone had lost. The court recommended as much leniency as possible and judgment was suspended. The boy is to submit an essay on conservation in court.

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The first mechanical ditch digger in Yo-

osemite is now at work west of Government Center in connection with providing utilities for the new Lodge development. Other interesting activity goes on at the dam now undergoing reconstruction.

The phone rings many times a day as people inquire as to when the controls on the All-Year Highway are going to be put in to effect. The contractor has moved in additional equipment but thus far it has not been necessary to impose the controls schedule worked up and announced for August 1. Wide publicity will be given the placing of these controls in effect. Until then, visitors and locals are not likely to be seriously inconvenienced using this road.

### FIRE WARNING

This is the time of year when the highest fire danger is reached in Yosemite. With practically no rain since the first of June, the forests are tinder dry and ready to explode at the drop of a match or cigarette. Everyone is urged to be extremely careful to prevent a major conflagration from developing.

### HOSPITAL NOTES

The fall exodus from L.M.H. included Shirley Bruce, mentioned earlier as the bride-to-be of Dave Clark, erstwhile ranger, and Alice Van Housen, who is going south to attend U.S.C. The R. K. Murphys left recently for Sacramento where Mary will reside for a while before joining Bob who is going to Elgin Field, Florida to serve in the Air Force.

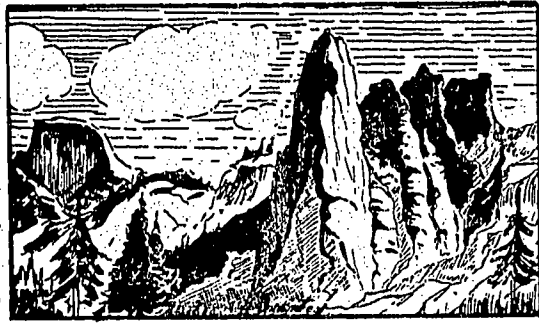
Now on the staff is Dr. Dana Howe who arrived recently from San Antonio.

### Logan Wells Passes

Logan Wells, who has been with the Company for eleven years, principally as guide and packer, died in the Lewis Memorial Hospital September 11, after suffering a heart attack at May Lake. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. C. Wells, of Madera and a brother W. G. Wells of Twain Harte. Funeral services were held at Madera.

FOR SALE—1939 Buick, radio, heater, seat covers, new tires—excellent condition. Call Bill Breckenkamp, 78 or 42W.

Two Trunks. Shirley Foulds, Village Store office. (Staying awhile, Shirley?).



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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1951

## RECORD BLOOD DONATION

One hundred-nineteen pints of blood were donated by Yosemite people on October 5 during the second visit of the Fresno Area Red Cross Mobile Blood Unit. Only four cities surpassed this count—Fresno, Visalia, Sanger, and Merced. However, on a comparative population basis, the Yosemite area responded roughly 1000 percent—better than the Merced area, for example. Of the 125 persons having signed up, there were but six rejections for physical reasons. The normal expected rejections for this number is 25.

The drive was jointly sponsored by the local posts of the V.F.W. and American Legion. Both organizations and the Red Cross wish to thank the Yosemite people for their splendid response.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Babies, babies, babies! The little bundles from heaven, in order of arrival, are John Russell Brochini, born to Flo and Ed Brochini on September 29; Maureen Catherine Curran to Audrey and Robert Curran of Mariposa on September 30; Christine Johansen to Helen and Ernie Johansen on October 2; Anthony Charles Brochini to Patsy and John Brochini on October 4; Patricia Lou Jaeckle to Virginia and Bob Jaeckle on October 8; a baby girl to the Robert Hunceys of El Portal on October 14.

A daughter, Sharman Eileen, 7 lbs, 11 oz, October 13, to Dr. and Mrs. Robt. Murphy, in Sacramento.

New nurses on duty at the L.M.H. are Frances Wilson from Long Beach and Marguerite Rumsey from Van Etten, New York who have replaced Shirley Bruce and Doris Wang. Dr. Marvin Smith has left the staff and has gone to Salt Lake City.

## BADGER'S SCHEDULE

The Yosemite Badgers open their 1951 football season on the school field in Yosemite, Saturday, October 20, against the Menlo School Cubs. The Badgers have a veteran team with ten lettermen returning of the sixteen who won letters last year.

Halfback Ronnie Kuntz is the 1951 captain, while Bob Weaver, left end, is co-captain.

The Badgers closed their practice with an informal game on October 13, with the Herbert Hoover Junior High School of Merced. The varsity held the strong Merced team to 25-14 score, while the junior varsity lost 6-0.

The full schedule follows:

October 20—Menlo at Yosemite.

October 27—Mariposa at Yosemite.

November 3—Menlo at Menlo Park.

November 10—Mariposa at Mariposa.

## AT THE ARROW

Hobo Party at the Arrow, Wednesday October 24 at 9 p.m. Games, skits, stunts, prizes and food. Come in your oldest of clothes for a good time. Planners are Cathy Alexander, Dete Rose, Avis Rose, Ruth Iverson, George DeBacker, and many others.

The floors bounce and the walls bulge every Monday and Thursday nights when so many learn square dancing under Jim Taylor's expert guidance. Wednesday, it's even dreamier when Joe Liskey brings his records for social dancing. See you at the Arrow!

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#### LODGE PODGE

A look behind the Lodge desk tells us we have a new member in the Yosemite family—Clarence Goad, by name. Welcome to the fold, Clarence.

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Pinch-hitter Duke Doucette from Wawona is giving the Lodge guests his happy smiles, while room-clerk-ski-instructor Bob Heeter, who spent most of the summer answering the cry of a wild golf ball at Wawona, will be with us until the white hills of Badger call him once more.

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Bellman Jimmy Hamer, after picking himself up from a dusty road, was surprised to learn that one of the roadblocks had been moved. One sad bicycle can be found in the Maintenance yard where the necessary repairs are being made.

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At the curio corner we find two oldtimers back in the ranks. Don't let the expression "oldtimers" fool you because these two young charmers and super sales gals who keep the souvenirs shining, are Beryl Miles and Sis Bodine. Sis is really doing a "bang up" job of learning to drive that new car of hers.

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Tamara Walden and Marie Hinton, those two bluebirds who have migrated back to the Valley are greeting visitors at the Lodge Grill. Stoney Stone is still recuperating from a nasty spider bite he acquired at May Lake, and Smiling Ed Jolicoeur has been doing some assisting at the Grill lately—that is, when his mare "Cindy" isn't giving him a good run around Mirror Lake.

Over at the Cafeteria, we find Coach Jimmy O'Brien from the Curry Grill giving his newly acquired team the old pep talk, what with the record October guest counts of late.

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Another small migration from various points, Camp Curry, Big Trees, Glacier Point, to the Lodge Cafeteria finds Kay Goodwin and Lois Hinck smiling at the customers from the cashier's booth. New pledges on the bus line are Robert Prutch, Kathy Kinnan, Bill Purvis, Gloria Moakley, Raul Valdez, Robert Wilkinson and Annette Lough. The regular eaters are now becoming fairly well acquainted with those fresh faces on the food line—namely Ruth Iversen, Maureen McCrackin, sisters Dete and Avie Rose, Kathy Alexander, Jeanette Conlen, Phyllis Dorman, Virginia McCall and Joan Creagh. The new fast-moving supply men are red-headed Jim Hughes and Bill (Arkie) Smith, the singing dishman.

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Checker Bea Forsyth was taken by surprise on October 16 when she was presented with a big birthday cake by the Cafe staff. It was one of Paul, the baker's delicious spicy spectacles. Not a crumb remained after the candles were blown out (and in a single puff, too). Now all the wishes will come true.

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Marifran Cook, late of T. Meadows Lodge and the Curio Shop is to be married to Bob Gallison, now living in Bakersfield, on October 27, in Burlingame.

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#### VILLAGE STORIES

Glad to see Andy back behind the lamb chops after two weeks at Wawona where he replaced John Serles who was vacationing. Andy reports a successful tour of duty except that his chores included that of postmaster, and he wasn't familiar with the prices of postal merchandise. On November 4, Andy and Vergena Shepard are to be married. They have purchased a home in El Portal and like Tom Sawyer, have been able to convince certain of the V.S. crew that landscape gardening is great fun. Manager Brown is vacationing in Fortuna and Jack Ring says that as soon as he crosses the threshold, he, Jack, is away for Reno to see the old gun collection at Harold's Club.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

Chester Wolfe recently enplaned for Detroit where he will buy a new Plymouth in which he will motor back to Yosemite Valley.

Irma Pierce is in Milwaukee (to see what made that city famous?).

Shirley and Bud Foulds will leave soon for San Mateo, where Shirley will likely take up her old trade of being a dental anesthetist. We'll miss you both.

Amongst the great varieties of edibles at the V.S., we note that the frozen food department now stocks fresh frozen crab legs which are dee-licious, whether eaten like an ear of corn or shredded in a cocktail. Also, in the icy depths is a complete enchilada dinner, including beans and rice. Coming soon will be frozen chicken dinners and spaghetti dinners. All are handy to have in the refrigerator when cooking gets to be more than unusually tiresome.

New in the cheese department are Casino, which is a domestic Swiss, an imported Gruyere, three Cheddars, and an imported Roquefort. Sampled all—and find all are excellent.

Andy, ever with his finger on the pulse of coming meat costs, reports beef likely to go up, lamb and pork both steady. So, gather your prime ribs while you can.

### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

The Big News—fall coloring. Everyone scurrying off after work to catch the glorious show—and get all the Indian Summer sunshine under the bluest skies. That and a full moon.

One more convention to go—then back to normal fall routine goings on.

The Ahwahnee back yard takes on a big face lifting—no more holes and puddles to jump. Art McKee and his flowers on the back porch got slightly mixed up with the oiled gravel during the process. Otherwise no casualties. Bill Worthen and Jim Blaine now at the front desk. Jane Foushee leaving for a winter's work (and fun) at Sun Valley. Fred Hamilton leaves to rejoin his family in Santa Barbara. Good luck to Fred. We welcome to the Transportation Desk—Bob Maynard.

Good bye and good luck to Jack Petty and his orchestra. Left us for the bright city lights.

### MARRIED COUPLES ONLY

Tuesday nights at the Arrow have been reserved for married couples who want to folk and square dance without having to dodge flying ping-pong balls, etc. The entire place is yours and Arthur Murray's local man, Jim Taylor, will be in charge. Don't sit home and stare at each other or argue—go to the Arrow! Every Tuesday at 9 p.m.



### ANNUAL LIONS CLUB

#### RUMMAGE SALE

AT THE POHONO STUDIO

November 7-8-9, 1951

(See later notices for times)

Go through the attic and you may find  
A floor lamp, a chair, or Venetian blind.  
In the cellar, untouched, a full case of rye  
That some thirsty person would gladly buy.

SKIS, SKATES, SHOES AND SUITS—  
BLOUSES, BONNETS, BUREAUS or BOOTS!

Bring your articles to the Studio and we  
try to sell them for you.

WE DRIVE A HARD BARGAIN!

### YOSEMITE LAUNDRECAR

Effective October, 1951 through May 15, 1952 the Yosemite Laundrecar will be located on the Yosemite Lodge Standard Oil Station lot, and will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. daily, Monday through Saturday. It is not mandatory that clothes be washed in the laundrecar to be able to use the driers. Drying time for ordinary washes takes about 20 minutes. Prices follow: (with privilege card)—Washing, 35c; damp dry, 15c; fluff dry, 25c; fluff dry, when garments are washed at home, 30c.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

### N.P.S. ITEMS

The big Hallowe'en Carnival for all the kiddies is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31 at the Camp Curry Cafeteria—hours 7 to 9:30 p.m. Arrangements will be similar to last year's party and the festivities will be opened by a grand march for all those in costume, after which the children may participate in the various games which are being planned. Refreshments will be served. An admission charge of 25c will be made for the grownups. The party is being held under the auspices of the Parents Group, with the cooperation of the Yosemite Lions Club. In addition to the attractions offered last year there will be booths operated by the American Legion, V.F.W., and the National Federation of Federal Employees.

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That well known Mr. Cupid has been quite busy with his arrow as the list of forthcoming marriages will show:

Miss Anne Neasham, daughter of Dr. Neasham of the Region Four Office, and Dixon B. Freeland, son of Edward D. Freeland now Superintendent of Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming, on November 11 at the Yosemite Chapel.

Miss Marilyn J. Arnold of the Personnel Office, and John S. Adams, Landscape Architect of the Region Four Office, on November 24 at Yellowstone National Park, the home of Miss Arnold's parents.

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To employees, summer may be the season for tourists but fall is the season for vacations. Among our vacationers coming and going are: Dot and Billy Holmes who returned from St. Paul via Western Pacific's Vista Dome train and enjoyed it very much. Donna Donielson leaves for Michigan over the same route this week. The Ed Renners are due back from New York soon; and recently returned from vacations are Arlene and Norb Arens, Olive and Fred Martischang, Helen Doty, Ruth and Charles Hill, and Fred Quist. Away on vacations are the Glenn Gallisons, George Baileys, Esther McMaster, the Homer Hoyts on a trip to the Southwest, Ed Parsegan, and the Art Freemans on a trip to Mexico City. Ralph Anderson left for a visit with relatives in Ohio. He hopes to get some pictures of fall colorings while there.

Mrs. Betty Driver resigned to join her husband who is now stationed at Camp Roberts; Arnold Sleveland resigned to accept a position with a lumber firm at San Bruno; Isabel Small completed her temporary assignment at the Museum on the 15th and has returned to San Francisco; Rothwell P. Broyles has accepted a position as Park Ranger at Tumacacori National Monument, Arizona. He and Phylis and son will be leaving soon for their new home.

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New additions to the office force are Mrs. Dorothy Guy in the Engineering Office and Mr. Bruce Bryer in the Fiscal Office.

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Recent visitors to the Park were Art Gunn and Carl Temple, former NPS employees.

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Our sympathy to Harry During whose mother, Mrs. Herman During, passed away suddenly Sunday morning, October 14. Harry's mother and aunt had been visiting here since the first of the month. Funeral services were held in San Francisco.

### GENERAL OFFICE NEWS

Back in the Traffic Office for a short time while Florence Morris is vacationing, is Marilyn Albaugh Henderson, who was married to Gerald "Red" Henderson last September 15 at the Old Village Chapel by the Reverend Glass. The newlyweds are living in a house trailer in Camp 6.

Personnel's Teddy Deckert will marry Robert McMichael in San Francisco on October 28. Peggy Malone of Accounting will be a bridesmaid.

Fern Corbett, Paymaster, will join husband Corky in San Francisco on November 1. Her work and wit will be missed.

To Fresno and the S.F. Opera Co's performance of La Boheme will go several of the G.O. people. Dick Connett and the John Loncarics saw it in the City and report a fine evening.

Newcomers are: Elenita Chaverri, Vi's sister, in Paymasters; Ethel Sahlin and Ann Trevethan in Accounting and Jean Prader, in Traffic.





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## JOHN JAY FILM HERE DECEMBER 21

John Jay will appear in person at the Old Village Theater to present his latest film, "Alpine Safari" on December 21. The skiing globe trotter will give his amusing commentary during the film, which shows U.S. and European ski centers, including Oberstdorf, Germany, where jumpers soar 450 feet from a tower ten stories high!

Admission price will be 60¢ including tax. Tickets will go on sale November 17 at the Village Store, Yosemite Lodge Transportation Desk, and at the Traffic Office in the General Office.

There will be a few tickets on sale at the theater box office the night of the show. However, to avoid disappointment, get your tickets early.

Don't miss one of the BEST ski movies.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Helen Fisher has gone back to the nursing staff and her administrative duties have been taken over by Betty Clarke. Mrs. Emma Anderson has signed on as cook—and a mighty fine one she is, too!

Virginia McCall of the Lodge and Bob Andrade, Ahwahnee Storeroom, are recovering from injuries received in an automobile accident two weeks ago.

Only one baby to report this week: Melody Noel Dunham was born to the Alfred Dunhams on November 2.

The Sentinel extends sympathies to Walt, Patty, Bobby and Ronnie Deane, whose father, Archie W. Deane, age 55, passed away November 13. Deane has been with the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Maintenance for the past five years.

## LODGE PODGE

Welcome back to Marguerite Radigan from a six-week tour of the east—Boston, New York, and the New England states. We have missed your pixie smile, Marguerite!

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For the last two weeks, big changes have been taking place at the "ole" Lodge. No less than 2500 square feet have been added to the cafeteria and when all the activity of buzz saws, nail-pounding and painting is complete, employees and guests will behold a fine new dining porch accommodating an extra seventy-five people, with interior design similar to that of the main cafeteria (who, the seventy-five people?) except for the large sliding windows that will face the towering cliffs behind the Lodge.

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In the "away-on-vacation-dept" we note that Cafe manager Jimmy O'Brien and wife have departed for a leisurely tour of several of California's fine towns plus a jaunt into Mexico and a fling at Las Vegas. Jim hopes to be a thorough disappointment to the games of chance there.

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Jim and Bettylee Hamer have gone—but their destination is unknown. However, suspect that he might be found in Reno during part of his absence from here. Bob Heeter is reported to be shooting ducks instead of golf balls. Sis Bodine back, looking very tanned after a holiday in Pasadena; is now knitting sweaters-to-order, and she reports a booming trade! Welcome to Louise Keller from San Francisco who has joined us in the Curio Shop, and to Pauline Phillips, now in the Cafeteria.

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#### BADGERS HAVE GREAT SEASON

If you have noticed those broad smiles on the faces of Coaches Sterling Cramer and Dick Ditton lately, it's a good bet that it has something to do with the Yosemite Badgers, who are behaving like a coach's dream of a successful football squad this season.

The Badgers are up there among the best of them with a record of two wins and only one loss to date, for a total of .667!

Opening their regular schedule on the home field against the Menlo School Cubs on October 20, the Badgers suffered their only defeat of the season, by the score of 13-6. The visitors fielded a squad that was very strong in its ground game, as well as putting up a rugged defense. Nevertheless, Yosemite held them scoreless during the first half, but fell victim to two power marches in the third quarter that scored each time. In the final period, the Badgers rallied. Bobby Weaver took a short pass from Ronnie Kuntz and wriggled for 45 yards through the whole Menlo team to the 5-yard line, from where Kuntz bucked it over for a touchdown.

The first of two games against the ancient rival, Mariposa, was played on the local field October 27, with highly satisfactory results. The 20-0 drubbing handed out by the Badgers to their foe was more sensational, since only once before in 18 games had Mariposa ever been beaten by Yosemite, and then only by a single point! After being held pointless in the first period, the Badgers rolled to a touchdown in each of the last 3 quarters, with long marches bringing the touchdowns in each case. The forward passing of Ronnie Kuntz was an im-

portant factor, setting up two of the three scores.

On Saturday, November 3, the Badgers made their big invasion of the season, traveling to Menlo Park, where they defeated the Cubs by the score of 25-21. Again, the powerful Menlo squad had things all their own way on the ground, but the Badger's aerial game turned the tide. Kuntz's passes to Weaver and Bill Edison produced two touchdowns, while Edison's interception of a Menlo pass produced a third. The other Badger score came as a result of a 30-yard run by Kuntz on a bootleg play. Following their game in the morning, the whole Badger squad witnessed the Stanford-Washington State game at Stanford.

An innovation this season has been the fielding of a junior varsity team, consisting of the younger boys of the squad. They played preliminary games to both Menlo contests, resulting in a 0-0 tie on the local field, and losing 6-0 at Menlo.

The final game, against Mariposa, was scheduled for November 10, Rain, however, forced its cancellation.

The twenty-four members of the Badger Squad are: Mike Abbott, Dick Alexander, Tucker Chapman, Tom Christenson, Bill Cooper, Don Craig, Bob Deane, Denny Dierkson, Stuart Durning, Bob Eckart, Bill Edison, Fred Ernst, Tim Ernst, Ronnie Kuntz, Don Marston, Larry Morgenson, Leon Phipps, Garry Pierce, Bill Proctor, Bill Senna, Joe Smith, David Telles, Bob Weaver, Wayne Wiswall.

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#### CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT

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Married Couples—Don't let the routine of dish washing, clothes washing, and house cleaning drive you to slashing your wrists! Brighten up your outlook at the Tuesday Square Dances at the Arrow—9 p.m.

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FOR SALE. Hotpoint automatic washer. See Bob Brelesford at House E-5.

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WANTED. One used vacuum cleaner for use in the Old Village Chapel. Reasonable price. Call 125W.

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FOR SALE—A brand new Westinghouse 4-burner stove, oven. White enamel. See Nat Bredeman, the Spoon.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

### VILLAGE STORIES

In an exclusive interview for the Sentinel, Village Store Manager W. E. Brown stated, "Our finest assortment of ski clothing—White Stag, Jantzen, Profile—will be on the shelves this week. Further, we will have a complete line of Stag and Henke boots with a price range of \$21—\$45, plus a number of lower priced boots. No need to write to Abercrombie & Fitch—get your ski gear at the Village Store".

Brown also stated that there is a good variety of Christmas toys, tree ornaments, lights and cards. However, the supply is likely to be limited, so be guided—buy now.

Beef-baron Andy Koller and Virgena Shepard were married November 4 in Virginia City. Charlie Bond is at the chopping block while Andy is away.

Chester Wolfe has left to take over a Lincoln-Mercury agency in Garden City, Kansas. Next time you're in Garden City, drop in to see Chester.

Smiling Marvel Hullen is at the drug counter while Ellen Whitfield is on vacation. Bet-a-million Ring has returned after doing the Bay Area and Reno.

The Village Grill has begun its winter practice of offering a daily hot dish prepared under the supervision of Chef de Cuisine Nat. All Escoffier had that Nat hasn't is a good publicity agent. And congratulations to the rest of the Spoon's crew—an elegant and efficient aggregation.

### AT THE ARROW

The Lost Arrow will soon look less lost. Orders to restore it were issued and presto! Mr. Carpenter's carpenters pulled out partitions and installed new white celotex panels. Harry Holmgren's painters cleaned all the woodwork and are painting the wainscoting a beautiful bleached-walnut brown. Gordon Warren's men will put on a new roof. So soon, we'll have that long-awaited pleasant clubhouse.

The Valley's married couples welcomed their special Tuesday evening square dance with a whoop last week. There were four squares and three couples over and everyone was pleased about the good time had.

### GENERAL OFFICE NEWS

Cashier's Maizie Hornor left November 11 for a few days in San Francisco, and then on to Ogden, Utah, where she will spend the winter with her sister. We'll probably be seeing her back in the Valley next summer.

'Tis reported that Jim Taylor has so many girls standing in line waiting to dance with him at The Arrow square dancing that he has to divide up his dances in order to keep them all happy. Don't forget the Arrow—Monday and Thursdays.

Peggy Malone from Accounting, leaves the end of this month to marry the Spoon's Ernie Thomas in Woodside, California. The Reverend Glass will officiate. Ernie has already left for a new position with the Baker, Hamilton Co. in San Francisco.

Gloria Hunt is off on a six-week vacation trip. Will stop at her home in Long Beach and then down to Mexico City, etc. Buck Buchanan is also visiting Mexico.

Peggy Malone, Clare Duval and Alice Field all OK now after Peggy's car was smashed up as they started out for S. F. on October 24. Clare was in the hospital for a week with cuts and minor injuries, but is back at her desk now.

Ex-General Office girls, Lorraine Grimm and Jody Stevens paid us a visit last weekend. Lorraine is working with the Civil Aeronautics Administration, and Jody with Eastern Airlines in Oakland. The girls are living together in Oakland.

### THANKSGIVING DANCE AT AHWAHNEE

The first order of business of the newly elected Social Club was to plan a dance, Thanksgiving style, in the Indian Room at The Ahwahnee on November 17 at 8 p.m. Music will be supplied by Jack Petty's 4-piece band coming from San Francisco for the occasion. Soft drinks will be available at the Indian Room bar, and other varieties at the mezzanine bar.

The Ahwahnee invites you and your favorite turkey to the Thanksgiving party. The admission will be 50c per person.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

### N.P.S. ITEMS

Back in Yosemite is Betty Russell who enjoyed a month of visiting in Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Park.

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Among the new N.P.S. employees are Marge Quist and Grace Sarvas. Marge is working in the purchasing office and Grace in the personnel office. Returning to Yosemite after an absence of five years are Ed and Mamie Eidam. Ed transferred to the position of Powerhouse Operator from a similar position with the T.V.A. in Tennessee.

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The Walt Gammills have arrived from Millerton Lake to be located in Yosemite. The Gammills have a daughter Anita in high school and a son in the local grammar school.

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A reception and farewell party was held at the Rangers Club on October 30 for the Martin Palmers. Palmer has been employed as Powerhouse Operator and was retired from the N.P.S. on November 1. They have moved to Grass Valley where they have a cattle ranch.

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One of the big social events of the season was the marriage October 27 of Bob Gallison and Maryfran Cook, employee from Burlingame. The happy couple was married at a church wedding in Burlingame, attended by a number of former Yosemite people. Glenn Gallison served as best man and Beryl Miles was Maryfran's maid of honor.

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Wallace Steward, Jim Murray, Ted Hillbourne, Lawrie Brown, Dick Freeland, Rod Broyles and Dave Downing were the last of the seasonal rangers to leave the force.

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Harry and Kit Parker wish to express their deep appreciation for the many kind prayers and offers of help extended to them by their friends in Yosemite during the recent critical illness of Harry Mack, who was in a serious condition for several days but is now on the road to recovery.

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Apparently the summer is not entirely over, since three men from Southern Cali-

fornia were rescued from the cliffs above Yosemite Falls Trail on Sunday, November 4 after being stranded there overnight. They were brought to safety by Rangers Hanneberger and Gallison who spent a good part of the night in connection with the rescue.

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New officers for the coming year for the National Federation of Federal Employees are Harry Daring, President, and Bonnie Pierce, Secretary-Treasurer.

### AHWAHNEE RAMBLINGS

The Ahwahnee Beauty Shop will be closed while the hotel is shut down, but will reopen for business on Monday, December 17. According to Mary Huff, operator, persons desiring appointments after reopening may make them in advance.

Finn Gurholt, former Ahwahnee employee, was a recent visitor. He is now co-operator with Charlie Saul, former Ahwahnee Chief Clerk, of the Alta Peruvian Lodge near Salt Lake City. Finn reports 3 feet of powder snow and urges all their friends to pay a visit (advt). Incidentally, Finn is now married to a Norwegian girl, who, with her mother, accompanied him on his visit.

Kit Whitman has traveled a lot on her vacation. Has been to her former home in Victoria, B.C. and currently is visiting old friends at Pebble Beach.

No deer but a wonderful time was reported by Fred Pierson, Jack Parkinson and Ed Miller on their recent expedition to Modoc. Bill Meacham was last reported to be in a Medical Training Unit at Ft. Meade, Md.

### CALLING ALL SINGERS

The annual program of Christmas music, "Christmas Music by Candlelight" will be presented on Sunday, December 16 at the Chapel. Miss Donna Petersen will be the director. Everyone interested in singing in the adult choir, is invited to attend the first rehearsal at Best's Studio on Tuesday, November 20 at 8 p.m.

STOP THE PRESS—just born, a baby boy—David Allan, 5 lbs, 14 oz, to Dale and Ginny Devine, November 12, 1951. Dale doing fine.



## YOSEMITE SENTINEL YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1951

### STROLLING DOWN THE NARROWS ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The Narrows of the Virgin River were traversed by six Yosemiteites in October during a 3-day trip to Zion National Park, Utah. The adventurous six were Mary Ann Corthell, Dana Morgenson, Nick Fiore, Doug Whiteside, Norm Herkenham, and Wayne Bryant. Any of the six will vouch that few scenic thrills in the West can outdo the spectacular and mysterious beauty of the Zion Narrows.

The 10-hour hike through the great defile entailed camping during a sub-freezing night on a maple-fringed bank in the North Fork Narrows. Wading through the cold stream and on a stony bottom numbed their feet but did not numb their appreciation of the wild and colorful beauty around them. With sheer walls hundreds of feet high and only a few yards apart, the Narrows should be avoided by people who suffer from claustrophobia. Principal advantages of making the trip in autumn are the low water and the beautiful reddened maples.

The return trip included the ghost town of Rhyolite, Death Valley, Owens Valley, and Convict Lake. One of the chief diversions of the trip was color photography. Motto of the trip: "Stay with it!" was originated by jovial Nick. A record: twice through Las Vegas in 3 days and not a penny gambled. Found: a good place to eat in Las Vegas.

### BADGER TO OPEN DECEMBER 21

"Won't be long! Winter Sports department has the Badger Pass Ski House and all facilities ready to open on Friday, December 21. At this writing there were three feet of snow on the slopes, which will form a good base for the snows to come.

Get your ski pants to the cleaners, put a base coat on your skis, and polish up your boots! You'll be skiing before you know it.



YOSEMITE SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS: 1. to r. standing Kenny Grieve, veep; Bill Moody, outgoing pres., Carroll Clark, pres. elect, Norb Ahern, publicity dept., seated Midge Campbell, sec., Kathy Alexander, treas.—Bob Jones photo.

### SANTA CLAUS IS COMING

The Sentinel received a message from the North Pole which is quoted herewith: "To all good children in Yosemite Valley between the ages of one year and through the third grade in school: I will be at the Camp Curry Dining Room at 7:45 P. M. on the night before Christmas December 24 with a gift for you all. You must be there to get your present." (Signed) Santa Claus.

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The Girl Scout Carollers will fill the air with "Noel," "Silent Night," etc. between 4:30 and 7:00 Friday afternoon, December 14. After carolling around the Valley, the youngsters will dine at the Yosemite Lodge.

### NEW CITIZEN

Transportation Agent Stewart Campbell took final steps toward becoming an American citizen, when he took his oath November 14 at the Mariposa County Court House.

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N. P. S. ITEMS

The annual meeting of the Yosemite Advisory Board was in session in the Park early this week. The Board consists of William E. Colby, well-known conservationist of San Francisco; Dr. John P. Buwalda, geology professor at California Institute of Technology, Pasadena; and Frederick Law Olmsted, landscape architect. Duncan McDuffie, for many years chairman of the Board, passed away at his home in Berkeley during the past year. Mr. Olmsted was elected to the chairmanship during the Nov. 25 meeting. The wives of the Board members accompanied.

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Good news to local residents as well as to park visitors is the announcement that, from now on, there are practically no controls on the highway from Merced between Indian Flat and Briceburg. The road will be open every night as well as on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Only minor delays will be necessary during working hours except from 9 A. M. to 12 noon, Mondays through Fridays, when longer delays may be necessary on account of blasting operations. This does not mean the work is slowing down. On the contrary, it is expected that activity will increase, looking toward completion of the project before next summer season is over.

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Benny Beatty, son of former Associate Park Naturalist Ed Beatty, will be married at Whitefish, Montana, on December 15.

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At the Parent's Group meeting of November 27 plans for the coming ski season were discussed. There will be no regular meeting of the group during December but it expects to show a motion picture on junior ski instruction

and activity some time before the start of the ski season. A benefit dance sponsored by the Parent's Group will be held in January or February. The recent Halloween Carnival was discussed and ways and means considered for profiting from experience from the two that have been given.

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The last of the seasonal naturalists to leave was Dick Hartesveldt. Dick, Jane and Dave have moved to Death Valley for the winter where Dick will serve as seasonal ranger naturalist.

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Larry Phillips, NPS electrician, has resigned to accept a position with a contractor at El Torro, California. Gladys and young Larry will be living in Mariposa for the time being.

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Dix Freeland, son of Edward D. Freeland, Superintendent of Grand Teton National Park and Ann Neasham, daughter of Dr. Aubrey Neasham, Region Four Historian were married at the Yosemite Chapel at 2 p. m. Sunday, November 11. A small reception was given at the Rangers Club following the ceremony which was attended by friends and immediate families. Dix and Ann are planning to make a honeymoon trip through the south-west on their way back to the Tetons. Later they will report back in Yosemite where Dix will serve as a winter seasonal ranger.

In attendance at the Freeland wedding were the parents of the groom, Dixon and Bea Freeland, residents of Yosemite in the 1920s; Dr. and Mrs. Aubrey Neasham, the bride's parents, who came from San Francisco to attend the wedding, as did Mrs. Blanchard, mother of Bea Freeland.

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Donald E. McHenry has received a handsome certificate of merit award presented to him by the California Conservation Council and signed by Aubrey Drury and Miss Pearl Chase. The award is for outstanding contribution for conservation education.

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ROUND THE G. O.

Donna Petersen, replacing Peggy Malone in Accounting, will direct Christmas music this winter in addition to her other duties.

From Yorkshire, England, via the swank Alisal Ranch near Santa Barbara comes Rita Naman to the reservation office.

### BADGERS END SEASON

The Badgers held their annual football banquet at Yosemite Lodge November 14. Over a hundred attended. 15 varsity letters were awarded and 8 junior varsity. After the presentation, movies of the two home games were shown. Members of the squad were guests of the Yosemite Lions Club which also supplied the awards. The record of this, the most successful football season for the Badgers is summarized below.

#### SEASON'S RECORD

Badgers .....	6	Menlo .....	13
Badgers .....	20	Mariposa .....	0
Badgers .....	25	Menlo .....	21
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51		34	

Won 2, Lost 1, Pct. .667.

	Badgers	Opponents
Yards Gained Rushing.....	245	571
Yards Gained Passing.....	259	32
Total Yards Gained.....	504	603
Passes Attempted .....	25	15
Passes Completed .....	11	3
Passes Incomplete .....	12	10
Passes Intercepted .....	2	2
Yards Lost from Penalties	30	70
Ball Lost by Fumbles.....	1	5

#### Badgers Scoring:

	TD	PAT	Total
Kuntz .....	4	2	26
Edison .....	2	0	12
Chapman .....	1	1	7
Weaver .....	1	0	6
—	—	—	—
	8	3	51

These statistics show that the Badgers fielded a fast and experienced team with a good balance between their running and passing attack. Their pass defense was phenomenal. Opponents completed only three passes, an average of one each game. Actually the Badgers gained more from their opponents' passes than did the opponents themselves, for both of their interceptions of opponents' passes led directly to touchdowns. The Badgers fumbled but once in the opening minutes of their first game. The rest of the season was completed without a bobble.

Only two penalties were assessed against the Badgers. They went through the season without being off-side once. The distribution

of scoring among four players also indicates team balance.

This year's Badger team was essentially a group which had played together three years. Only 5 varsity lettermen return for next year.

### HOSPITAL NOTES

To Kay and Buck Evans of Chinquapin was born Paul Buckley on November 23, weighing 6 lbs., 11 oz.

Doing nicely, thank you, are Irene Winterburn, Virginia McCall, Mrs. George Harless, Bob Andrade, Tamra Walden.

Former nurse Beth Wardell Gallison is back lending a hand.

Amy Bowman has returned to nursing staff after taking care of an ill brother in the Bay Area.

### "Christmas Music By Candlelight"

The annual Christmas music program of the local Park Church will be held on Sunday, December 16 at the Old Village Chapel. It is expected that the program will be presented twice, in the afternoon and evening. The candle lighting ceremony, the singing of the Girl Scout chorus and adult choir, music from the "Messiah" sung by soloists Helen Johansen, Millie Anderson, Donna Petersen, and Milton Baker, and the singing of traditional Christmas carols by the congregation, will again be a part of the service. In addition, the rich music of the harp, so appropriate for the Christmas season, will be played by Marjorie Trammel, well-known harpist from Bakersfield. Donna Petersen is directing the adult choir and Kit Parker the Girl Scout chorus. Remember the date—Sunday, December 16 at the Old Village Chapel.

### SOCIAL CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The panel of the Yosemite Social Club held its first regular meeting November 14 at which the following officers were elected: Carrol Clark, president; Kenny Grieve, vice-president; Midge Campbell, secretary; and Cathy Alexander, treasurer.

A "Winter Wonderland" dance is being planned for the night of December 20th. Later details will be forthcoming in the Sentinel.

VILLIAGE STORIES

"It's terrific," says Butcher Andy about married life, "Not at all like the scary stories I've heard from some of the married men hereabouts."

Kathy Carras, ex-employee, writes from the Capitol city that she's about to fly to Indonesia where she will attend the U. of I. there and write a book, too.

Boyd Fredericks left the back-gang December 1 for a job with the P. G. and E. in Paradise, leaving one paradise for another. Bob Bevington has been doing Boyd's work meanwhile, helped out by Frank Serles, who will be in the receiving warehouse during the winter.

Fearless Phil Stinchfield is taking a well-earned vacation and is enjoying the balmy climate at El Portal.

Irma's planning to cast off her cast next week.

**HAVE YOU TRIED?** The fine frozen Chinese dinners now in stock in the store's freezer box? Everything but an opium pipe in the package.

Or Bendixen's smoked oysters. They're extra delicious because they're smoked along with crabapples which give them a very special flavor.

The FFV brand cookies which come in lemon, orange, chocolate-pecan and cocoanut flavors. They're the best in stock and worth the few extra pennies they cost.

Bakers of fruit cakes may be interested to learn of the complete supply of dried fruits which Jack Ring says will make our cake taste just like mother's.

In case you've been looking for ski clothes, we report a slight, unavoidable delay occurred. They'll be out this week for sure.

Revere Ware is now in good variety but not many of each item—and going fast. The supply of Pyrex, however, is better.

Norbert Arens has become a local chamber of commerce for Mexico, so much did he and Arlene enjoy their trip through that country recently.

Mothers! Don't leave the children with the neighbors when you come to shop—bring them along and let them enjoy our reading room—all the latest comic books.

NELL LANE MILLER LEAVES

S. F. OFFICE

Nell Miller locked the door of the Y. P. C. Co's 39 Geary Street office for the last time the evening of December 4 after serving there for 5 years, of which 3 were as manager. She is giving up being "Yosemite" to her scores of travel and transportation friends in the city, as well as her various offices in The Travellarians, a group of San Francisco women in the travel business.

Nell has weathered the clanging of the trolleys outside the office and the clanging of the phones inside, and seems ready to devote her full time to the care of daughter Marilyn and husband Frank. Our good luck go with Nell on her new assignment.

Meanwhile, Jerry Crowley from the Los Angeles office is filling in 'til a new manager takes over.

CHURCH ITEMS

"People Around The Manger"

Under the above general title, the Rev. Alfred Glass of the local Park Church will preach a series of Christmas messages beginning on December 2 and continuing to Christmas Day. These sermons will be preached at the 9:15 and 11 A. M. services in the Chapel.

"The Life Of Paul"

The sound motion picture of the life of Paul is the basis for the present series for the Thursday Study Group at the Chapel and is proving of real inspirational and educational value to all who attend. The time is 7:30 P. M. Thursday at the Chapel. Everyone welcome.

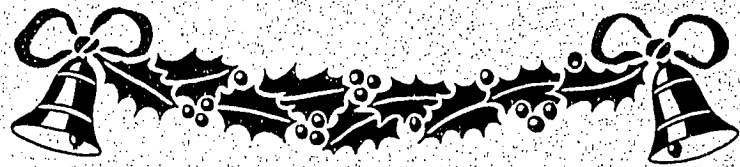
FOR SALE

New Hotpoint 8.1 cu. ft. refrigerator. Large five-drawer rock maple chest. Studio couch. Small sturdy oak table. Marston—Tecoya Apartment Y-1.

G. E. wringer-type washing machine \$25.00. Dana Morgenson. Phone 81.

WANTED: Ladies ski shoes size 5½. See Florence Mulligan, Executive Office.





The Yosemite Sentinel

*wishes you all*

*A Merry, Merry Christmas*

and a

Happy New Year

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LODGE PODGE

Badger's gain is our loss. To the hills from the Lodge are going Sis Bodine, Midge Fiore, Beryl Miles, Cathy Alexander, Bob Heeter, Ray Patton, Dave Garretson, and Karl Lucas. Farewell, all.

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Lena Schweifler has returned after vacationing down near Palm Springs. Working with Lena on the desk will be two new people, Virginia Jensen and Bill Korecki.

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The H. J. Doucettes are back in our midst after a holiday in S.F.

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Four new faces have appeared on the cafe staff: Joan O'Leary, Diane Boies, Charlie Montalbo and Vince Jordan.

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Red Woebling has spun us some exciting tales about his trip to Alaska. He traveled by train and plane to get there and reports that the short (five hour) days are very surprising. The thermometer fell to a mere 35 below during his stay.

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Stoney Stone wants a lock for his warehouse. Last week his warehouse was raided by an unhibernating bear who ate all his ice cream cones. The bear apparently didn't get enough cones, so devoured the stock of paper cups as well.

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Manager Otter reports that the new building at the Lodge known as "building J" now has a roof thus allowing inside work to continue despite the weather.

CHURCH NOTICES

The well-known Christmas Midnight Mass of the Roman Catholic Church will be held at the Chapel as usual this year. A choir of local residents will sing. Father James Mar-ron will be the celebrant.

Christmas Sunday Services

Donna Petersen will be the soloist and the Church Choir will sing special numbers at the eleven o'clock service on December 23 at the Chapel. Mr. Glass will complete the Christmas sermon series "People Around The Manger." The regular Brief Service will be held from 9:15 to 9:45 a.m. A nursery meets at the Masonic Club during the eleven o'clock service.

Sunday School Vesper Program

The annual program of the local Sunday School will include a play, "The Guiding Star" and songs and recitations by the children. The service will be held at the Old Village Chapel on Sunday, December 23 at 4 p.m. Everyone is invited. A special offering for needy children in Mariposa County will be received.

Bracebridge Singers at Chapel  
on Christmas Day

On Christmas Day at eleven o'clock a special service will be held at the Chapel to enrich the observance of the birth of the Christ Child. The Bracebridge Singers, a men's double quartet from San Francisco, here for the Bracebridge Dinner, will sing during the service under the direction of Eugene Fulton. Mr. Glass will bring a Christmas message. A nursery will be held at the Masonic Hall during the service.

TOMMY PARKS' TRIO TO PLAY AT  
WINTER WONDERLAND DANCE

The Social Club has booked Tommy Parks and his Trio for the big Winter Wonderland Dance, scheduled for Thursday, December 20 at the Camp Curry Dining Room. Appropriate attire for the affair is 'dressy-formal,' according to Norb Arens, club's press agent.

Dancing begins at 8:45 p.m. and will continue until 11:45.

## YOSEMITE SENTINEL

### SPECIAL HOLIDAY EVENTS

Dancing at The Ahwahnee to the music of Jack Petty and his orchestra, 9—11 p.m. on December 24 to 30 inclusive (no dancing on Christmas Night). Admission, 50c plus tax.

Dancing at the Camp Curry Dining Room to recorded music, 9 to 12 midnight, December 31. Admission, 50c plus tax.

The Ahwahnee Cocktail Lounge will remain open until 11:45 p.m. December 25 and until 1:00 a.m. January 1, 1952.

The Yosemite Lodge Cocktail Lounge will remain open until 12:30 a.m. January 1, 1952.

### NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Commencing at 8:30 p.m. on December 31 a big dinner dance party will be held at the Lost Arrow. Admission will be \$2.50 per couple or \$1.50 stag. All Valley residents are invited. Tickets may be obtained from Alice Hewitson at the Personnel Office, Roy Harris at the Receiving Warehouse, or from Dorothy Munly at the Lost Arrow. Deadline on reservations is 5 p.m. Christmas Eve. Dress optional.

### SQUARE DANCING FOR MR. AND MRS. YOSEMITE

The Tuesday evening square dancing will be resumed January 8, 1952 at eight sharp for married folks and others who want a less rip-snorting evening of dancing.

The Arrow, ordinarily closed on Tuesday, is opened exclusively for square dancing and everyone from the beginningest beginner is welcome to come and join the fun. It only takes five minutes to learn the holds. After ten o'clock, rumba lessons are given for the group.

### CHRISTMAS CAROLS HIGH SCHOOL GROUP TO CAROL

A group of local high school young people will carol in the Valley from 9 to 11 on Saturday, December 22.

### CHRISTMAS DAY CAROLERS

All singers who desire to sing with the Christmas morning carolers are to be at the YTS office at 7 a.m. Breakfast at The Ahwahnee will follow the singing.

FOR SALE: Girl's white figure skates, size 5, \$7.50. Phone 138J during noon hour.

### LOST ARROW CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

All employees are invited to attend the Christmas Party at the Arrow at 9:15 p.m. Christmas Eve. Bring a present, costing about 50c, as gifts will be exchanged. A party will follow the gift giving.

Dec. 20 Closed for Winter Wonderland.

Dec. 21 Social Dance.

Dec. 22 Games and Dancing.

Dec. 23 Games—popcorn.

Dec. 24 Christmas Party.

Dec. 25 Christmas Day. Open 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 26 Social Dance.

Dec. 27 Square Dance.

Dec. 28 Square Dance at Camp Curry. The Arrow will be open for games.

Dec. 29 Games.

Dec. 30 Games.

Dec. 31 Barbecue, dance.

### COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS FOR THE NEW YEAR

The recent election of officers and directors for the Yosemite Community Council resulted in the following slate to serve for the year beginning January 1, 1952:

President—Ralph Anderson

Vice President—John Loncaric

Secretary—Lorraine Schafer

Treasurer—Helen Cramer

Wayne Bryant and Dana Morgenson were elected to the Board of Directors for three-year terms. Other members of the Board serving unexpired terms are: Virginia Adams, Gene Bauwens, Gene Ottonello, Hazel Overton, and Mary Proctor.

Votes in this election were cast by organizations, who constitute the membership of the Council, rather than by the individuals themselves who belong to such organizations. The chief activity of the Council during the past year was the sponsorship of the Yosemite Youth Appeal, which raised funds for the several youth groups active in the Valley.

Leroy Rust, Secretary, Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners, announces that he is available to assist anyone desiring information concerning Civil Service openings and appointments.

*To the Yosemite Family  
in 1951*

OUR WARM CHRISTMAS GREETINGS  
AND LASTING THANKS FOR  
THE FRIENDSHIPS AND GENEROUS  
COOPERATION GIVEN.

Betty and Carl Russell

N. P. S. ITEMS

Christmas cards rolling in from those smart enough to get theirs in the mail early offer a few bits of news of former Yosemite residents: Carol Brockman writes us from Estes Park, where she owns and operates the Hupp Hotel, that Bill and Mary Jane (his attractive wife) are having a fine visit with her and that daughter Jean, who is going to the University of Colorado at Boulder, gets home weekends to go skiing with brother Bill and Mary Jane. Carol plans to spend the winter in Phoenix for a change.

A card from John, Rose and Jack Wegner reveals that the Wegners are still in Washington where Jack has a responsible position. They had vacationed in rural New England this fall. John used to be Assistant Chief Ranger here, and went to Sequoia as Chief Ranger until his retirement a few years ago.

In recognition of the 7th Anniversary of the arrival in Yosemite of Rev. Al Glass and family on December 2nd, friends presented them during church services with a small gift toward the purchase of records.

Coming home from Wasatch Academy for the Christmas holidays this Saturday, will be Pat Oliver, Barbara Jean Anderson, Jimmy Ouimet, Keith McHenry and Chuck Eckart.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Just in time for Christmas—

Charles Addison Woessner Jr. was born to dentist Charles and Marion Woessner—December 17.

Vickie Leanna Murphy was born to Thurman and Grace Murphy—December 16.

Pete Robinson has signed on as the hospital's new maintenance man.

Welcome to new nurse Marybeth Smith from Ross.

Nurse Frances Wilson is recovering nicely after two week's hospitalization following a fall while rock climbing near Yosemite Falls.

NEW S. F. OFFICE HEAD

Andy Scarbrough will take over the management of the Geary Street office January 1, replacing Nell Lane Miller.

Andy, formerly head room clerk at The Ahwahnee, has more recently been with the Mark Hopkins.

JUNIOR SKIERS COMPETE HERE  
JANUARY 19-20

The FWSA Junior Championships will be held at Badger Pass, January 19 and 20, according to the Winter Sports Department.

Local junior skiers gave a fine account of themselves in last year's meet.

Eligible to compete in one of the five age groups are all youngsters through seventeen years of age.

YOSEMITE SOCIAL CLUB'S ANNUAL

*Christmas Square Dance*

CAMP CURRY DINING ROOM—8:30 P.M.

Saturday, December 29

*"Merriest Dance of the Holidays"*