

HI-DESERT STAR

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THE BIG PUSH—Yucca Valley's Grubstake Days Queen candidates are shown April 19 on the Pioneer Pass Road as they toured the scenic route being improved by volunteers from throughout the Hi-Desert and mountain areas. As a result of work accomplished, the short-cut route to Big Bear is now passable for any car. (Ken Bomser)

Baseball Team Planned For 10-14 Age Boys

The baseball season for youngsters in Yucca Valley opened this week after a flurry of practices with an appeal for interested business houses and individuals to sponsor a team that would be as good as last year's champions of

'Push' Passes The Road Test With Boost From U.S. Marines

Scores of Peons, Pushers and VIPs ploughed up and down the Pioneer Pass Road to Big Bear April 18-19 to put the finishing touches on a road improvement program that got a tremendous boost the week before when a contingent of Marines, cooperating with the National Forest

Flood Control Tax Increase Recommended

An increase of two cents in the flood control tax rate for the coming year was recommended April 15 during the annual budget meeting of the advisory committee, San Bernardino County Flood Control District Zone 6

Button Sales Are Lagging C of C Warns

Phone Co. To Spend \$358,421

Contemplating the continued rapid growth in the Hi-Desert, California Water and Telephone Co., plans to spend a total of \$358,421 in 1959 expanding and improving its service, Deak Davis, district manager, announced this week.

Since January 1949, telephone services in Hi-Desert areas have skyrocketed from 369 to 2,295 as of January 1959.

Of this amount, \$38,181 will be spent on a new addition to the Twentynine Palms Central Office building which is now under construction at 6581 Adobe Road. Williams and Williams of Palm Springs is the architect and the contractor is Cal Construction Co., of San Bernardino. This 30 foot by 50 foot addition to the existing

Central Office building is being constructed of concrete block with knock-out walls on the north and on the east so that future additions can be economically and efficiently added. Curbs, gutters and paving in the parking area will be installed, and the present evaporative type cooler will be replaced by a complete refrigeration type system.

Dial equipment consisting of 600 lines, 400 connector terminals and associated trunking equipment, costing \$75,000 will be installed in the new addition. This equipment is for the purpose of providing new telephone installations and one-party service for those now on party lines who desire a higher grade of service. (Continued On Page 10)

The money, in addition to outfitting one boy in a complete uniform from shoes to cap, also pays for insurance premiums.

Organizers of the team, for boys between the ages of 10 and 14, said this week 15 sponsors are needed to outfit a full traveling squad. Persons not able to donate the full \$25 may give less, which will be put into a fund for use in defraying traveling expenses and the purchase of equipment.

The money for travel and equipment is to be placed in a bank account, to be drawn upon when games are to be played out of town or when equipment is needed. The account will be audited several times during the season, the organizers said.

This team, which will not belong to the Twentynine Palms Park and Recreation District League, expects to play a 32-game schedule during the season. Final plans for games have not been worked out, however.

It is expected that one or two teams of younger boys from Yucca Valley will join the Twentynine Palms League, providing sponsors for them can be found.

Persons interested in donating funds for the support of the local "all-Star" team may contact M. B. Buxton, Forest 5-2672; Jim O'Connor, Box 468 or Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marble, Forest 5-3417.

Produce Store Opens In M.V.

A father and son team this week opened a produce store across the Twentynine Palms highway from the Signal Station in Morongo Valley.

Operated by George and Roger Clark, G & R Produce will offer farm-fresh fruits and vegetables to Hi-Desert consumers.

George is produce manager of large store in Desert Hot Springs; Roger was employed by large store in Riverside before moving to Hi-Desert.

but Push chairman Norm Graninger said this week the existing road had been improved to such an extent that he could recommend the route for travel by any type of vehicle.

The Push weekend climaxed more than three months of planning.

The Pioneer Pass Push Committee announced this week a complete financial report of the campaign would be published in this and other local papers next week after bills had been paid and receipts counted.

ing and promotion by residents of the Hi-Desert and Big Bear areas. The original purpose of the Push committee was to improve the road to make it comfortably passable for passenger

Dedication Set For JT School

Joshua Tree elementary school will be officially dedicated on April 30 at 1:30 p.m., on the school grounds. The dedication program will include band selections by the school band, choral singing and speakers.

Don King, president of the Board of Education, will present the school to William S. Greene, school principal, who will accept on behalf of the children.

Other guests will include school board members, district superintendent John D. Brinegar, county superintendent Roy Hill, and representatives of various civic and church groups.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

OPTOMETRIST

Dr. J. B. McDonald, optometrist with offices in Twentynine Palms, April 22 opened an office in Yucca Valley in the Adams Building. The local office, to be open on Wednesdays only, will accept appointments through the Twentynine Palms office.

into the county road system. Granger had high praise for the crew chiefs and workers who were on the job early the morning of April 18 and late into the afternoon April 19. Praise for the residents came too from Wesley Break, chairman of the county board of supervisors, and Magda Lawson, Hi-Desert and mountain area representative on the board.

The two board members were on the Pioneer Pass Road April 18. A bonus for the Push was the training program being carried on in the area by marines from the base in Twentynine Palms. During the week before the Push, (Continued on Page 10)

FIESTA MEETING

An open meeting for Fiesta planning has been scheduled by chairman Bob Lambert at 8 p.m. April 30, at Community Hall in Morongo Valley. Detailed reports from all committees have been requested. Fiesta workers and well-wishers are reminded that there will be another work party at Covington Park April 26, 2 a.m., primarily for the pouring of the dance floor extension.

projects discussed at the meeting. The shortage would occur unless assessed valuation increased more than was anticipated, it was reported.

Projects discussed at the meeting included the Twentynine Palms flood channel, which has been partially completed and is (Continued on Page 9)

H. S. Open House Planned April 28

In observance of Public Schools Week, Twentynine Palms High School has planned an open house for April 28 at 8 p.m.

At this time all rooms will be open for inspection, students' work will be on display, and teachers will be available to explain the program and to answer questions.

During the evening, the music department and the speech department will present their students in recital. Refreshments prepared by the homemaking classes will be served.

The public generally, and parents especially, are invited to attend.

NEED VOLUNTEERS

Joan Wilson, crusade chairman for the American Cancer Society's drive in the western end of the Morongo Basin, this week made an appeal for volunteer workers to help with the drive, which will continue through June.

Working with Mrs. Wilson are Geraldine (Jerry) Clarke and Vesta Peters, Yucca Valley co-chairmen; D. F. Gell, Morongo Valley chairman, and the American Legion Post No. 761 in Joshua Tree.

Anyone wishing to help during the crusade is asked to con-

tact the chairman in his community or Mrs. Wilson directly, at Forest 5-3444.

The American Cancer Society's research into three specific forms of cancer helps illustrate the wide areas of scientific inquiry for which financial support is being sought during its current Cancer Crusade.

The three kinds of cancer—cancer of the blood (leukemia), cancer of the lung, and cancer of the uterus—provide case histories illustrating the degrees of progress made in cancer research.

support this year's Grubstake Days by boosting the lagging sales of Grubstake buttons and Rambler American tickets.

In a letter addressed to the people of Yucca Valley, Roy Roush and Norm Granger said:

"Again Yucca Valley Grubstake Days . . . May 8, 9 and 10 . . . are nearly upon us. It is the intention of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce to bring you a bigger and better Grubstake Days than ever.

"Voluntary workers are passing among you to distribute Grubstake Buttons and Rambler American tickets, which are the prime means of bringing this important celebration to Yucca Valley. These buttons and tickets bear some very valuable prizes. (Continued On Page 10)

YUCCA VALLEY

WEATHER

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April 14	78	57
April 15	73	47
April 16	81	43
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April 18	69	42
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April 20	81	41

Cancer Crusade Under Way

Leukemia is one of the most tragic of all cancers because it kills 2,000 youngsters every year and no cure for it in humans has yet been found.

Yet through research it has been possible to comfortably prolong the lives of many leukemia patients, and in animals some forms of the disease actually have been cured. This year the American Cancer Society is spending more than \$1 million on leukemia and related virus research.

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BONSER SPEAKS TO MV CHAMBER

A plan to renew publicity and interest for desert areas entitled, "Desertland Week," was presented April 16 by Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Morongo Basin president Ken Bonser at the regular meeting of the Morongo Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Scheduled by the San Bernardino Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce, a group of 75 or more representative easterners interested in desert living will land in Palm Springs one week

eastern guests would be welcome. Bonser said suggestions for making this day a memorable and impressive one for these easterners would be welcome.

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TAX CAN BE HELD LEVEL, BRINEGAR SAYS

John B. Brinegar, superintendent of schools, at a meeting April 18 of the Property Owners Assn. of Morongo Valley, emphasized plans to keep the school tax rates level for the years 1959-64, avoiding the fluctuation of past years.

Illustrating plans which evolved from meetings of a 50-member citizens committee, Brinegar presented a graphic picture of enrollment growth, tax rates for school construction, and school plans for each HI-Desert town. The plan for construction will insure that no pupil will have to ride a bus for more than 40 minutes, Brinegar said.

The voting public is urged to attend any meetings which outline these school plans. The school bond election is slated for May 19.

The inclusion of roads and street maintenance within the purposes of the Morongo Valley Community Services District may soon be investigated, members of the association learned later during the meeting.

County officials have said the county can do the job cheaper than the CSD. However, "this presupposes that they will," POA president Ed Jones said. "If put back in the jurisdiction of CSD we might also get a portion of the gas and auto tax apportioned here," he said.

Ham Breakfast Planned April 26

A ham and egg breakfast for the benefit of the HI-Desert Scourers Club and Auxiliary will be served from 7 a.m. to noon, April 26.

Small Tract Drawing Set

The Bureau of Land Management, Los Angeles Land Office, will offer 207 small tracts, about 11 miles northeast of Twentynine Palms, 2 1/2 and 5 acres in size for lease with option to purchase to qualified successful entrants as determined by a special drawing to be held at 8:30 a.m., May 21.

To be eligible for the drawing, cards properly completed should be filed in the Land Office prior to 10 a.m., May 20. Those persons who file a card do not have to be present at the drawing.

Drawing cards, and a copy of the offer describing the lands and terms of the offer and other in-

SERVICES HELD

Funeral services were held April 23 for Mrs. Sadie Katje, who passed away at the age of 78 April 19 at a nursing home in Artesia. Mrs. Katje was the mother of Yucca Valley resident Art Katje. Interment was in the Redlands Hillside Cemetery.

A large group of Boy Scouts from Lawnsdale camped out in the Joshua Tree National Monument during last weekend. Their leader was a very busy man since the desert country was new to all or most all of these boys, who required plenty of supervision.

Information may be obtained by writing to the manager of the Land Office, 215 West 7th St., Los Angeles 14. Successful entrants will be informed by mail regarding the results of the drawing.

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The breakfast, which is expected to become an annual affair, will be prepared and served by members of the ladies auxiliary. The public is invited to attend. Donations are \$1.25 for adults, 75 cents for children.

Goakes To Hold Pilot Meeting

Paul Goakes, new chairman of the Covington Park board, has slated a meeting for April 23 at 8 p.m. for organizational purposes. The meeting will be held at his home in Morongo Highlands.

Committee members on the board are Forrest Hoover, Harry Rocque, Ethel Griffen, Hal Miller, Joe Scott, Angie Larson and Court Sousa.

A summer project for Covington Park, announced at the last Chamber of Commerce meeting, was seating for more picnic areas and a bowl area—as much as possible to be accomplished before Fiesta time, May 29-30.

RESTAURANT WORK

Construction of The Glen, a new restaurant and cocktail lounge, to be located east of the bank, was expected to get under way this week, according to a report from William and Margaret Gallanders, of South Gate. His old Brown is contractor for the restaurant, which will have 3,400 square feet of space and seat 100 persons.

VWV I TO MEET

Voting on an amendment to change meeting nights to the second and fourth Thursdays will be the principal order of business April 23 as members of Morongo Valley Barracks 1222, Veterans of World War I meet at the Community Hall in Morongo Valley. Following business, the veterans will join members of the Auxiliary for a social hour.

The Amalekites were an ancient tribe, enemies of the Jews, who were destroyed by David.



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The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors April 21 gave final approval to an application for a zone change made by the Osborn Hi-Desert Market to make possible the construction of a new 7,200-square-foot supermarket on the north part of property fronting the Twenty-nine Palms highway.

George Osborn and Roy Roush were present in San Bernardino when the supervisors gave approval for the change, which had been approved in March by the Planning Commission.

Bids for construction of the new market are expected to be let the first week in May.

In England alfalfa is called Lucerne.

Church To Open Storybook Hour

May 2, a "story hour" will begin at 10 a.m. at the Morongo Valley Community Baptist Church, Sunday School superintendent Ora Hammock announced this week. Children 10 years of age and under are especially urged to attend.

Group singing and large card illustrations will spark the storytelling hour, which is expected to expand into craft sessions for the youngsters at a later date.

Parents are welcome to stay during these sessions and are urged to dress their children in their play clothes.

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MID-PUSH PARTY—Chairman of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors Wesley Break (third from right) and Hi-Desert representative on the board Magda Lawson (right) are shown with Pioneer Pass Push chairman Norm Granger (second from right) and other Pushers during a buffet dinner given Push workers by Reeser and Irene Fox at their home in Rim Rock. Break and Miss Lawson, who spent part of the afternoon on the Pioneer Pass Road, said they were impressed with the enthusiasm of the local residents. Mrs. Fox is at the left. (Ken Bousner)

BOYD OFFICIATES

Ed Boyd, past deputy governor Toastmaster in the Fullerton area and a Yucca Valley resident, last week acted as installing officer for the Desert Hot Springs Toastmasters Club during ceremonies held at Shepard's restaurant in Whitewater. Mr. Boyd, president of the Oro 1 Azul Toastmistress Club, assisted. More than 35 persons attended.

MEDACK HEADS NEW CAR CLUB

Willard Medack this week became first president of a new car club for teen-agers, formed in Yucca Valley for the purpose of promoting safer driving on the highways. Other officers of The Grubstakers are:

Fred Tunstall, vice president; Fred Duval, secretary; Bob Duval, treasurer; and Dave Cassidy, sergeant-at-arms. Other members of the board are Midge Tunstall and Betty Blackburn.

Other members of the club, whose emblem is a raked Jeep with a Grubstaker at the wheel, are Joseph McKenna, Jack Stephenson, Bobby Tunstall, Bob Potter, Dennis Jost, Johnnie

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John Potter won the club's first event, a Hound and Hare run; his time was 12 minutes, 20 seconds on a course set for 12 minutes. John Novich donated time to outline the course. The prize for winning was a grease job at the Highway Garage.

The club, seeking a sponsor for its activity, has invited any interested adult to attend meetings and events.

FLOOD CONTROL

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 which funds sufficient to carry the channel west to Adobe Road are hoped for;

The proposed flood channel at Joshua Tree, from Coyote Hole north and east, about which it was noted that construction might start this coming year if rights-of-way have been secured;

The proposed channel at Knickerbocker Creek at Big Bear Lake; a small protection project at Needles and the expenditure of \$1,000 at Wrightwood as 25 per cent of the cost of clearing up an infestation of fathhead beetles, a threat to pines that help preserve the watershed.

Hi-Desert committee members attending the meeting, held in Barstow, were Roy Roush of Yucca Valley and Bill Hatch of Twentynine Palms.

County officials meeting with the members of the advisor committee were: supervisor Magda Lawson; M. A. Nicholas, chief engineer of the flood control district; W. A. Sidler and Roy Tanton, assistant engineers, and Walt Cambhill, of the county highway department.

**MORONGO VALLEY
 TEMPERATURES**

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April 14	79	48
April 15	74	42
April 16	74	42
April 17	70	40
April 18	70	39
April 19	70	44
April 20	75	45



WE CROWN YOU—Ken Bonser, president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Morongo Basin, and Mrs. Betty Smith are shown April 18 as they crowned Carol Brown Queen and Danny Kobaly King of the Morongo Valley Wildflower Show, held in the Desert Room of Morongo Lodge and sponsored by the Golden Age Club. Attending the king and queen are princesses Sharon Pierce and Laura Smith. (Joe Scott)

PROPERTY OWNERS

The Property Owners League of Yucca Valley will hold its regular meeting at 7:30 p.m., April 25, in the multi-purpose room at the elementary school. It was announced this week.

PROPERTY OWNERS

Clyde Kenney recently was named chief field supervisor for all M. Penn Phillips construction enterprises in Southern California, including such projects as Salton Sea, California City, and Heipertia.

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Sometimes things in Yucca Valley seem to be quite normal, then somebody hits a foul and everything is hectic again. Just when the Scout Ship of State appears to be sailing serenely along an holding true to course, somebody "goofs," and puts it in rough water. It all started when some Scout suggested an experiment in dramatics, and believe it or not the thing caught on. Sort of extra curricular activity in the form of a short skit at the coming troop meeting, April 28. Perhaps the local Chespan organization should send a talent scout to look for Scout talent.

If your gossiping neighbor hasn't already told you, the boys will have a booth on the Mic' way, Grubstake Days. And don't worry, they will not try to show you how to start a fire under your husband by rubbing two cedar sticks together. They intend to serve ice cold fruit punch both Saturday and Sunday. Even ice cream bars have been mentioned, too.

Funny how people will read about the things the Scouts need, such as; an axe; an oil stove; a small tent and things like that and then forget all about it again. That was in the event they were kicking around in your garage when you cleaned it out. Probably it's just too early.

The prize for the "Scout of the Month" is a real fine Pathfinder compass. Three of four kids are running neck and neck. May the best man win.

We finally have the troop flag finished. Our rocket age Betsy Ross had to burn the midnight oil to meet the deadline, however. A real beauty in crimson and



PLAQUE CEREMONY—Joe Scott, MC, and Harry Rocque are shown April 11 as they unveiled the plaque honoring John and Barbara MacKenzie, who donated the site upon which the Morongo Valley Community Hall was built. The dedication ceremonies were under the direction of Marie Lambert, acting for the Chamber of Commerce. (Babs Kobaly)

grey, the troop colors. We did plan to reveal the name of the seamstress this week but we are

going to wait until you clean out your garage.

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BY GLADYS STIFF

The Paradise Valley Sunshiners held their bi-monthly meeting at the home of Sophie Duval, on Linda Lee Drive, April 16. Plans for the float in the Grubstake Days parade were discussed. Those present were Miss and Mrs. Stevens, Thelma Walden, Mrs. J. Jennings, Mrs. Elva Johnson and her mother, Mrs. Anderson, Phyllis Grubbaugh, Kay Green, Sophie Duval and Gladys Stiff. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Reimauk spent the week end with her daughter, Phyllis Grubbaugh. Mrs. Reimauk is a property owner in Morongo Valley and a Hi-Desert enthusiast.

Paradise Valley has quite a long sick list this week. Those ill with the virus are Thelma Walden, Mrs. J. Jennings, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lewis and Mr. Chenette. Mrs. Chenette has just recovered. Children who are ill are Douglas McKenna, Robin and Gail Grubbaugh, Hill Green and Charles Lafferty. The virus had no respect for Paradise this week.

Miss Grace Stevens suffered the loss of Clark Ferry a very dear nephew this past week. He died of cancer. His interment will be at the Twentynine Palms cemetery.

Our condolences also go to Mrs. Hershey of Joshua Tree, who lost her husband this week. He died of a heart attack. Her hobby was painting. While landscaping his front yard, he carried out the artist's theme by designing a large palette in colored gravel. Large rocks of different colors depicted the dots of paint. The artist's brushes were represented by a large Ocotillo plant. Such artistic talent will certainly be missed by all who knew him.

Mrs. Athel Newman is recovering from an operation in the Beaver clinic, in Redlands.

Mrs. K. Carter, wife of Sgt. Kenneth Carter, gave birth to a baby boy, April 3, at the Ince Memorial Hospital, in Twentynine Palms. This makes the fourth child for the couple.

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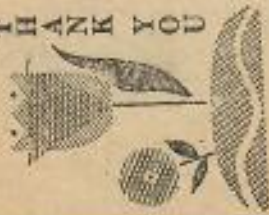
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SOCIETY MAKES BOOTH PLANS

Discussion of plans for a country store booth during Grubstake Days May 8-10 was held by members of St. Mary's Altar Society at a meeting held April 18 in the church rectory.

Mrs. Angela Ash, president of the society, said that donations of canned or packaged groceries for the booth would be appreciated. Donations may be delivered to the rectory.

Concerning a rummage sale to be held later this spring, ladies were asked to save any discarded articles of clothing that might be used for the sale. A report was made on the fancywork to be used at the annual church bazaar in September.

Mrs. Marie Quigley gave a talk on the subject of religious study, after which refreshments were served to those attending the meeting.

AT MENTALPHYSICS
"What is the One Mystery of Your Life?" will be the subject of the sermon to be delivered at 10:45 a.m., April 26 at the New City of Mentalphysics east of Yuca Valley and at identical services in Los Angeles. Preceptor Helen Rhoades will conduct the local services.

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By **BABS KOBALI**

Flower Show Sidelites: You guessed it! The lavish loveliness of Plantation Pappy's roses won the sweepstakes



award... and without even overshadowing the exhibit's appreciation in the petite economy of three precious spoon bouquets and a miniature study in eggshells.

The addition of a regal court miniature - added just the unusual approach that made the Flower Show's reign something different on the Hi-Desert. This affair, so far as we know, is the only one on the desert which courts a cradle-queen.

A moment of captured serenity was Eddy Lanning's monk amidst a rose-strewn pool, food for the soul, it was... Most regal, we thought, was a white manzanita branch, red roses caught on its branches. For exquisite simplicity the crowd clamored for "Concerto in B Flat Minor," and Richie Fontaine's wood portrayal of "Morongo Lodge or Bust" won the comedy appeal.

The concerted cooperation of the Hi-Desert was delightfully appealing to the show's officials. Representatives from San Francisco in the North, San Diego in the South, Kansas City to the East, and coastal cities galore proved the prowess of publicist Cal Croisenburg. Busy as beavers throughout were: chairman, Mrs. Fred Dodge; coordinator, Mrs.

The Human Touch. So nice to get better acquainted with Mary Richardson West, a painter and writer well-steeped in the metaphysical.

It was a bit disappointing that the Kobaly Klan entry got lost in a classification shuffle, but we swallowed our frowns and in the long run went home with an unexpected reward after all. Camouflaged in the showy foliage of the flower show was a bewilderment-looking little roadrunner. A creation of Elsie Colby, namesake of this column, this little gift card of greeting got shifted all over the show in an attempt to find where it belonged... Thank you Elsie, I'll never forget this year's Flower Show and the wonderful lesson a strange little pheasant-feathered roadrunner, my mascot, taught me.

Clever clevises are responsible for that strange music coming from the Gateway Swap Shop lately... just a row of graduated shackles hanging on a clothesline, but it evokes the musical in almost every browsing customer.

That thing, is it a "winnegant" that is abounding back of Thompson's Lumber Yard, gets them closer to Alaska every day. They'll be missed!

Elsie Haight's son has taken her to San Gabriel for medical treatment of her eye. Elsie's last thought was concerning who would water the rose garden at Covington Park.

We hear that crew No. 11 at the Pioneer Pass Push was touted to be the hardest working peons on the place. They included crew chief Hugh Thompson, and his step-father Al, Rod Jones, John and Andy Kobaly, and Jim Lyon, who were joined by Burt Norman of Elm Rock. A salaam to "father" Kouba... he's brought the bowling

trophy to Morongo Valley for the third time now.
Postscript: Church-goers to the Morongo Valley Community Episcopal Church might notice a single rosebud on the pulpit next Sunday... silent signal to the minister that a new little life has appeared within the congregation... the impatient parents are Ross and Carol Hammock.

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AROUND TOWN

By BERTA LA FERNEY

The La Ferney Ranch was invaded this weekend by children and grandchildren.



The H. W. Dwyers of Huntington Beach and the Gene Lilley of Las Vegas, will be here until Wednesday. Gene and Joyce are going into the city and leave the children, Wade and Gene, here until they return.

Fred and Oia Sanders of Long Beach this week were spending time out at their Water Canyon Ranch.

Mrs. Charles Kerr has returned home from a few days in the hospital for a check up and a much needed rest. Charley has been staying at Pearsons Motel while she was away.

Jack and Hilda Cobden of Los Angeles have been very busy for the last two weekends at their desert home on Mt. View Road, painting the exterior of the house and garage.

Virgil Thomas Reid is home on leave from the Navy. The past year he was stationed in Memphis, Tenn., and now has been transferred to Seattle, Wash. He is enjoying home life with his parents, the Bill Reids of Twentynine Palms, and his sister, Mrs. Charles Armstrong of Yucca Valley.

The D. Spiveys, who are the new leasees of the Richfield station in Yucca Valley, are now living on West Mt. View Road.

Recent out-of-town guests at the Kirk Martin home on West Mt. View Road were Mr. and Mrs.

and Bill and Helen Bender of Ora Grande, who are interested in art and have much in common with Kirk, who is an accomplished artist.

Dr. Dean Fairbanks came to Kirk's to pick up his painting of the dog races in Tijuana. Dean values this painting at \$1,500.

It has been reported that Claud Guinan, who has been in Veterans Hospital in Long Beach for the past 60 days, is now living at the Grand View Nursing Home in Yucalpa where he and his wife Charlotte took up residence in February. Claud is also enjoying the companionship of Charles Heard, an old timer of Yucca Valley who now lives in this Yucalpa home.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Seage of Long Beach have been visiting in the valley with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Piazza.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Beckett of Santa Ana were weekend guests of the William Ambachs on Hopi Trail. Sunday, they drove through the Joshua Tree National Monument and also to Pioneertown. Earl is employed in the Santa Ana school system, and Mrs. Beckett is employed at Hughes Aircraft. They compared our desert country to Phoenix, Ariz., where they once lived. Pete Malone has returned to his native Hi-Desert country with his wife Nancy and daughter Colleen, after three years with the 8th Army Division in Germany.

Pete is the youngest son of the Ed Malones, 1929 homesitters. He graduated from Twentynine Palms High School. Another son, Donald, is at present teaching art in the high school. During their three years over-



DEMOLAY INSTALLATION—Edie Howe, DeMolay Sweetheart, poses with new Master Councilor Del Moss Jr. (center), George Balazs Jr., senior councilor, and Dennis Jost, junior councilor after installation ceremonies by the Hi-Desert chapter, Order of DeMolay, held April 18 at the Yucca Valley school. (Rodney Jones)

Goske, of Elyria, Ohio.
Betty Beck, secretary of the Toastmistress Club Speech Winners

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and many other cities and brought home hundreds of color slides. Pete will be employed as general clerk at Kenny and Bel-lyers in Twentynine Palms and plans to study real estate law and business administration.

Recent guests in the home of John and Edith Howland were Mr. and Mrs. Hector Davis of idyllwild.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Grewswit of Ronald Drive, have been entertain- ing Paul's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Hank

into the Pearson house on Mariposa Trail so she will be closer to her work. This house was vacated by Jessie and Evelyn McCloud, who have a new daughter, Ellen Leota, and need- ed an extra room. They moved into the Tripoda cottage near by.

Jim McLean is in charge of the Paul D. Hammond Sign Shop while Paul and wife, Chris, have gone to San Angelo, Tex., where they are contemplating opening their own sign painting business. At present they are visiting Chris's parents, Boyd and Bird- le Jackson, who moved to San Angelo recently from Yucca Val- ley. "Jack" is manager of the Safeway store in San Angelo.

Ed and Amber Spencer of Ban- ning have delayed their depart- ure for their summer home at Pelican Lake, Minn., because of late freezes on the lake keeping Ed from his early fishing. Ed and Amber, former residents and home owners in Yucca Valley, always go back for the summer months but never fail to return in the fall.

Mrs. Myra Lohlein of Onaga Trail has gone into the big city to officiate as baby sitter with her grandson while her daugh- ter Mary is away in San Fran- cisco for a few weeks on busi- ness.

TO VIC FOL COUNCIL MEET APRIL 29
 Toastmistress Clubs of Council No. 8, will meet from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 25, at the Desert Inn in Palm Springs for the An- nual Spring Conference and Speech Contest.

Assisting the Palm Springs Club as hostesses will be the Bos- ert Hot Springs, Oro y Azul and Datejardin clubs.

Mrs. Ethel Massingill, council speech contest chairman from Ar- lington, this week announced the following area winners will be in competition in the extemporar- eous speech contest:

Mrs. Bernada French of Las Vegas, Area A; Mrs. Laura Lipari of Corona, Area B; Mrs. Evelyn Lund of Fontana, Area C; and

Mrs. Helen Boyd of Yucca Valley, Area D.

In addition to the contest, club year books will be judged.

Highlight of the meeting will be a leadership symposium to be conducted by ITC past president, Mrs. Gertrude McMahan of Santa Ana. Mrs. McMahan will be assist- ed by the March, Riverside, Ar- lington and San Bernardino Clubs.

Council No. 8 officers for the 1953-1960 year will be elected.

Mrs. Frances Scinto of Fon- tana, chairman of Council No. 8, urges every member to support her area contestant by attending this conference which is open to all members and guests.

Reservations may be placed with Mrs. Estelle Yerkes, 2330 Araby Road, Palm Springs.

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Mrs. Robert Rankin, co-hostess, will read a letter from the Turn- bull, Community Church mis- sionaries in Haiti. She also will report on progress in filling a box of clothing for them.

New Shop Plans Open House

Open house with free coffee will be held all day April 25 at the D&M Drapery Shop in the Evinoff Building. Mrs. Dallas Telford announced this week. The new store opened for business April 15.

Mrs. Telford, who was acting manager of Albert's Yardstick in Los Angeles for nine years, will stock a large line of samples in the newest materials. The shop will feature custom made draper- ies.

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Rockhounds Plan Special Event

The Hi-Desert Rockhounds have invited the public to enjoy a special event May 6 at 8 p.m. at the Morongo Valley Community Hall. By special request A. M. Filman will again give a picture lecture on South America. A rock sale and auction are also planned.

Guest speaker at the regular meeting April 8 was Teodor McGarry, founder of the Yucca Valley Gem and Mineral Society.

At refreshment time Axel Robvall, field trip chairman, was surprised with a birthday cake. A nominating committee for May 13.

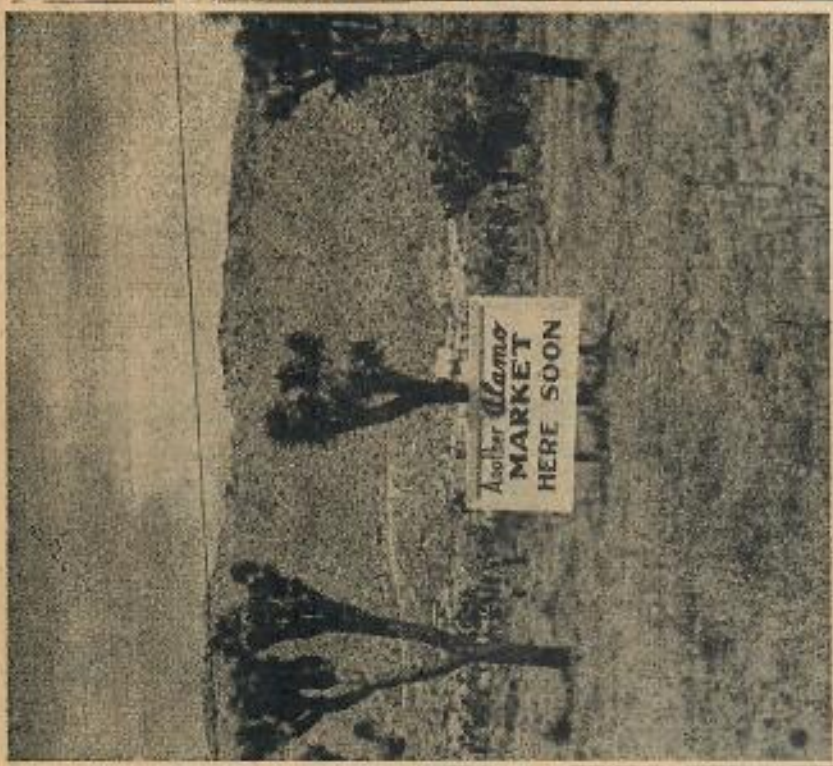
COUNTY INHERITANCE TAX APPRAISER QUILTS

San Bernardino County lost a state inheritance tax appraiser with the resignation of Neel Batchelor, former San Bernardino newspaperman last week.

Batchelor's resignation was submitted to State Controller Alan Cranston after he accepted a position as loan officer of the First Federal Savings and Loan Assn. of San Bernardino.

His departure leaves San Bernardino County with one appraiser, Francis C. Johnson, appointed on May 2, 1947.

Next term's officers was appointed by president Walt Cornham. Next regular meeting will be May 13.



TELLS THE STORY—As the sign announces, plans are in the works for an Alamo supermarket in Yucca Valley. The sign is on property east of the Felix Distributing building, where it was placed a couple of weeks ago. Now the question is—when? (Rodney Jones)

Club To Show 'Living Desert'

Walt Disney's "The Living Desert" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. May 7, in the multi-purpose room at the Oasis school in Twentynine Palms under the auspices of the Twentynine Palms Gem & Mineral Society. The public is invited; there is no charge for admission.

During the society's regular meeting, following the movie, members will hear a report from field trip chairman Arnold Benfeto on the trek taken by some of the members April 19. Plans for the May trip, the last before next fall, also will be discussed.

The sales table innovation, inaugurated at the April meeting, will be open before and after the meeting. It has been decided to continue this part of the program as a result of the response at the last meeting.

WW I Vets Plan Dance, Party

WW I Veterans post are making plans for a dance and card party in the Desert Room of Ritchie Fontaine's Morongo Lodge the night of May 2.

At a meeting April 9, attended by 32 vets and 16 members of the Auxiliary, Commander Colby said that with attendance increasing, he expects the lodge to be filled for the May 2 event.

The party will follow the turkeys at Joshua Tree. A donation of 50 cents will be taken.

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A record of outstanding accomplishment during the past year by members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Joshua Tree Post No. 7354, VFW, was announced this week by Dorothy Smith, Community Service chairman.

Included among the projects and presented to the queen and her five princesses.

The Auxiliary also had a booth at the 12th annual National Turle Races; an American flag has been purchased to be presented

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to the Boy Scouts of Joshua Tree; 5006 Buddy Poppies were sold for the relief fund, which is used for rehabilitation, hospital work, cancer research work and the VFW National Home for Widows and Orphans, at Eaton Rapids, on Mich.

A member's husband furnished transportation for seven children, to and from the Marine Corps Base in Twentynine Palms, on Armed Forces Day and lunches were bought for these children; clothing was donated to needy families in the amount of approximately \$50; several members participated in the annual Fiesta Days held in Morongo Valley; home baked goods sales were held in Joshua Tree and Morongo Valley; two or more members served in the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce "Information trailer" at various times.

A Halloween dance was sponsored by the post and auxiliary, placing half the profits in the relief fund; quota was filled to the department Cancer Research Fund; five members helped on the cancer drive; donation was made to the Christmas Pageant fund, held in Joshua Tree, annually; the auxiliary donated to the VFW National Home and scholarship fund; also Hospital Day, South, held at Sawtelle; and the Auxiliary is participating in the 23rd district hospital program, which has a monthly visitation to a ward of 80 men, at the Patton State Hospital.

One member visited a post member, in the San Bernardino County Hospital, and went on to inform his relative in Los Angeles, which entailed 340 miles of traveling; two members of the auxiliary, in uniform, had colors at the Covington Park plaque dedication; one member made several trips to Riverside for doctor's treatment for a non-vet. The Auxiliary feels highly honored that its charter president, Gwen Keys was voted "Girl of the Year" by the Joshua Tree sorority, last October.

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Wildcats' Brownell, Miller Set Records In Arrowhead League Track Meet

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Miller ran the fastest mile of his life in 5:02.6, breaking his league record of 5:29.7. Brownell put the shot 42 ft. 6 inches, clipping the record of 41 ft. 7 1/4 in. The Twentynine Palms 880 yard relay team of Rusty Hodges, Chuck Cherry, Frank Nelberger, and Dave Uhley, also set a league record 1:38.8, beating the old time of 1:41.4.

Chuck Cherry won the 440 in 56.0, breaking last year's record of 57.5. Rounding out Twentynine Palms effort were Tom Czechowski (fourth shot put), Ricky Hills (fifth broad jump), Dave Uhley (fourth 100), second 220, first broad jump), Paul Hammock (second pole vault), Steve Locatelli (fifth pole vault), Rusty Hodges (fourth high hurdles), Jerry Kanter (fifth 880), Fred Launch (third mile).

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for the perimeter of the circle.

Turtle races will be held each half hour during Saturday afternoon and Sunday, May 2 and 3. Booths with food and drinks will be available on the grounds.

VWW I AUXILIARY

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The "I" team took 3rd place in the division with the following: Dean Hammett (second shot, fourth 100, second low hurdles), John Fartsin (fourth broad jump, third high jump), Bob Rubin (fifth high jump, fourth high hurdles, fourth low hurdles), Tom Janis (third 100), Doug Lucy (fourth 660), Larry Mayer (third 220); and the relay team composed of Dean Hammett, Bob Rubin, Larry Mayer, Tom Janis, came in second.

In class "C" Don Francis smashed the shotput record of 34 feet 1 inch, putting it 45 feet. Ted Sandrowski won the high jump with a record leap of 5 feet 1 inch, and John Fields won the broad jump with a 17 foot jump. Dewayne Gelb took second in the shot and fourth in the 660. Fields took fourth in the shot, Bill Smeltzer took second in the pole vault and David Bradley took third. Smeltzer took third in the 100 and Don Peters took fifth. Jerry Barbara came in third in the 660, Gelb took fourth in the low hurdles. Smeltzer took fourth in the 180. The "C" team took second place in the division.

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PASS PUSH
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some 17 men camped out in the National Forest for a week while they helped improve fire trails and part of what has become known as the Pioneer Pass Road. Their work for the National Forest in the mountainous terrain gave them far more practical experience than could be had within the MCB boundaries, a spokesman said.

Equipment donated and on the job during the Push included: compressor, Verne Biecks Plumbing; D-4, Morgan Roche; D-6, Warren Smithson; grader and hauling, Holland Paving.

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Installation of Joshua Tree Central Office equipment consisting of a 100 line addition and costing \$13,681 was completed in March of this year. An additional \$39,370 has been set aside for outside plant additions in Joshua Tree, and \$14,670 for outside plant additions in Morongo Valley.

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