

CURRENT HSCV INFORMATION

“My Cross-Country Journey to La Crescenta in 1928”

In 1928 the Bausback family, then living on the east coast, had a serious problem. Their 6-year-old son Charles had debilitating asthma worsened by the damp climate. Charles Bausback's father, searching for a way to ease his son's suffering, read a bulletin from the U.S. Health Department that declared the most healthful climate in the country for asthma sufferers was in La Crescenta, California. So the family sold their home and packed their belongings into a car and embarked on a 3-month odyssey across America.

The only paved roads then were in the cities, and the long stretches of dirt and mud between were not much different than the 49ers had experienced in their covered wagons. The family had to ferry their auto across rivers, and experienced wild-west style shoot-outs, to finally end their journey in the sagebrush that was La Crescenta.

Young Charles witnessed it all, and 80 years later can tell the story as though it happened yesterday. You are invited to hear an evening of tales of the early highways of America, and a first-hand memory of what La Crescenta was like in 1928.



Join us for this presentation on June 16th at 7:00 p.m.

at the La Crescenta Church of Religious Science

Located at the intersection of Dunsmore and Santa Carlotta

Members Remember...

By Jim Walton

Gambling in Montrose??

Back in the late nineteen thirties my parents used to frequent an establishment known as the Wagon Wheel. The Wagon Wheel was a real Saloon located a few doors west of Ocean View Blvd. on the North side of Honolulu. It was furnished and laid out like the old time cowboy saloons with the long bar on the left side with dancing and on the right side there were tables for dining and low and behold - four slot machines, 2 nickel and 2 dime machines. My parents used to take me along on these evening excursions (couldn't afford a babysitter?) and they would supply me with nickels to keep me busy playing the slot machines. During that period that total law enforcement in Montrose was Claude Allen the Constable. Claude's main activities were taking drunks home when the bars closed. When the 2nd World War started the slot machines seemed to disappear but the Montrose Pool hall had a small one that they kept under the bar and popped it out whenever anyone wanted to gamble. After the war was over the slot machines were gone but the two drugstores and the bowling alley had pinball machines which were setup as a gambling devices in that they all paid out in lots of nickels when you were lucky enough to win. In all those years there were never any restrictions on anyone under age.

***Travel back in
time to 1928....***

Our June Newsletter
will feature articles
and ads
from **1928 Ledgers**,
(beginning with page 4)



By Sharon Weisman

As Glendale staff explore **Rockhaven** buildings and grounds many exciting treasures have been uncovered. **Bob McFall, Asst. City Manager**, shared some of his slides of the facility and contents, including some furniture left as the last resident used it. Rooms full of medical equipment and personal touches like a Mother's Day card left on a chair. Much work to clean up hazards needs to be done before the public can be allowed onto the site but the city is sharing as much information as possible with interested locals. As you may have seen in the excellent coverage in the Glendale News-Press, the city shared photos and the status of the work planned at a meeting Saturday, May 31 at Dunsmore Elementary. Many departments are involved: the Library is assessing and cataloging the historical photos and documents, Parks, Recreation & Community Services is assessing the landscaping, Public Works is checking the plumbing and structural problems, **Jay Platt** is doing an historic assessment, and many other activities are in motion or planned.

More information was shared at the HSCV meeting the next Monday, which had one of the largest turnouts ever, packing the La Crescenta Church of Religious Science. I think that demonstrates the community's interest in the facility. The city is carefully gathering resources and once the property is secured may offer guided tours.

A series of outreach efforts to solicit community input is planned. Look for booths at the Montrose Harvest Market and more local meetings. Some of the ideas suggested, besides an expanded Montrose Library, are community meeting rooms, restored gardens, arts and music programs and a new home for the Burbank Genealogy Museum. Of course, high on many people's list is a local history museum, especially now that we know such a treasure trove of artifacts came with the property.

One idea that is becoming more relevant as the city's budget situation

looks bleaker, is the need for a **Friends of Rockhaven** non profit group to augment what the city can do. I hope the interest stays high so there's an equally big turnout when the time comes for volunteers and fund raising.

If you have any questions on current status of the **Rockhaven** restoration, contact Koko Panossian, 818 548 2004 or kpanossian@ci.glendale.ca.us

As many of you know **St. Luke's of the Mountains** church is the focus of a lawsuit between the local Anglican congregation and the national Episcopal organization from which it separated a couple of years ago. Regardless of the outcome we want to ensure the preservation of the unique structure and its magnificent grounds with heritage trees, albeit not native and without legal protection. In a pro active move we are starting a campaign to raise awareness of the unique qualities of the complex and its contents. The first step is a petition to be sent to both parties in the lawsuit. It reads: ***We, the undersigned, value St. Luke's of the Mountains - church buildings, contents, grounds, and gardens - as a historical community resource and urge that it be preserved intact regardless of any future ownership changes.*** Stop by our booth at the Montrose Harvest Market on Father's Day, June 15 and sign it.

The May **Crescenta Valley Community Association** meeting brought out another **Glendale** staffer, **Principal Planner, Laura Stotler**. She shared the Housing Element progress and explained that although allowing generalities in the past, California is requiring a site by site inventory of buildable lots in Glendale and surrounding municipalities. Local jurisdictions are being required to note the maximum units based on zoning and there is some concern the state would then require cities to approve projects of that magnitude regardless of neighborhood compatibility. Please watch the local paper and Glendale's website, <http://www.ci.glendale.ca.us/>, for additional opportunities to give input on the Housing Element as well as the entire General Plan.

Los Angeles is also holding small group meetings to gather community input on their General Plan. For more information contact Katie Peterson at 818 374 5049 or Katherine.Peterson@lacity.org.

As noted in the beginning of this column, the Glendale News-Press has given our events excellent coverage and we can thank them by helping their new reporters understand our valley. There's been more staff turnover and we'll be seeing newcomers at our meetings and other events. Let's try to fill them in on the relevant history of issues. We're in difficult economic times so it's critical that we have good communication to avoid wasting scarce resources.

The June 2 **Glendale Homeowners Coordinating Council** meeting featured **Phil Lanzafame, Director of Development Services for Glendale**. He spoke of all the redevelopment progress in downtown Glendale and how the city is trying to cope with the traffic and other consequences. We need to be mindful of the impact on infrastructure, particularly utilities, and quality of life of these massive projects. He did note that the redevelopment authority only concerned areas considered blighted and that does not include the Crescenta Valley.

Did you know...

Art Cobery is responsible for saving and preserving the volumes and years of "The Ledger" newspaper.

Without Art Cobery, we would not have our old local newspaper available to do the wonderful reprints of past articles from The Ledger that we put into our newsletters. He (and his time, effort, and covering or finding funding for costs involved) is responsible for The Ledger being saved on microfiche for all of us to explore and enjoy. Thank you Art!

More Thank You's...

A special thank you to **Montrose Shopping Park Association** for their generous donation to the Zwick Plaza Plaque, which frees up HSCV funds to be put toward the Library Floor Plaque.

Another special thank you to **Michael Morgan** for donating printing for the Library Floor Plaque fundraiser.

A HUGE thank you to **Danette Erickson** for her diligence and creative ideas, and persistently making contacts for seeking more funding for the Library Floor Plaque that will honor our local history.

Thank you to our Library Plaque donors!!!

We have had 46 donors so far respond to our mailing plea, raising \$4055, at the time of this printing, toward our goal of \$9000. We have an additional 29 donors to add to the 16 who were listed in the HSCV May Newsletter, with everyone named in alphabetical order.

Thank you to each of you for your support and generosity!!!

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 La Crescenta Woman's Club

Special Event! June 23rd Explore hidden Montrose, and have fun too!



This is the old bank building when it was first built at the intersection of Honolulu and Ocean View. Believe it or not, these beautiful architectural features are still there... they're just hidden by the newer facades that have been added over the years!

We invite you to take part in a fundraiser we set up with a new business in Montrose, ***Color Me Mine***, a “paint your own” ceramics studio. They have over 400 blank ceramic pieces for you to choose from, and all the materials and guidance to help you create a gorgeous new piece of art or kitchenware for your home. A portion of the profit will go towards the La Crescenta Library History Floor Plaque.

But here's the hook that will make this a “must attend” event... *Color Me Mine* is in the building previously occupied by Once Upon A Time bookstore on the corner of Ocean View and Honolulu, which was originally built as a bank in the '20s. The old bank was an “architectural wonder,” with an arched entryway and a tall, cavernous lobby featuring painted wooden beams high above the elegant tiled floor. All of those features still exist, but have been covered by remodeling over the years, and have only been seen by a handful of historians recently. When you arrive to create your ceramic piece, you will first be taken on a tour of the old “Crescenta-Canada Bank”. See the bank vault deep underground, and go upstairs to the bank manager's office, where secret spy windows allowed him to keep an eye on customers and tellers in the days before video surveillance. Step up into the attic where the arched entryway and the painted beams are still visible after being covered for 60 years!

Then spend some time with us in the studio of *Color Me Mine* creating custom ceramic pieces, with a portion what you spend going to the Historical Society. This is also a great opportunity to have an evening out with your date, or your kids or grandkids, perhaps combined with dinner or dessert at one of the many restaurants in Montrose.

A flat fee of \$6 (discounted from the normal \$10 just for the HSCV) gives you full use of all the paints, brushes, kiln-firing, and help and advice from the experts at *Color Me Mine*. You pick from the huge variety of cute animal statues, vases, plates and bowls, cookie jars, napkin rings, and flower pots, then paint them with glazes with designs from your imagination, or from templates that are provided. The prices of the ceramic objects vary.

We have the use of the studio on **Monday June 23rd from 5 to 8PM.** You can **come anytime in those three hours**, and stay as long as you want. Tours of the vault and the upstairs will go on the entire time.

Color Me Mine is located at 2284 Honolulu Ave. at the intersection of Honolulu and Ocean View. If you have any questions about the process of painting the ceramics, you can call the studio at 542-6644.

This could be your only chance to see this part of “hidden Montrose” in person, so don't pass this up! **RSVP's are not necessary**, and we look forward to seeing you there!

URGE WIDER SIDEWALKS HERE

Action looking toward the widening of the sidewalks in the business district of Montrose promises to be one of the important matters to be discussed by the Montrose Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday evening when the membership of the booster body gathers at the Montrose school auditorium.

The session was to have been held on Tuesday evening of this week, but was postponed for one week. Those in favor of the widening of the sidewalks point to the fact that the walks in front of some of the vacant property are so narrow as to affect the appearance of the street, and will urge the widening to a uniform width.

Another important matter scheduled for discussion is the cleaning of vacant lots, many of which now contain rubbish and dry vegetable matter and which are proving a fire menace. There will also be a report from the road committee on the progress of the plans for the various improvements now being sought.

Of great interest to the members at this time will be the report of the public safety committee on the traffic law enforcement activities in Montrose. It is understood that the matter of financing a second street sign to be located somewhere near Ocean View and Honolulu avenues will be brought up at the meeting. Funds for the lighting of the present Montrose sign will have been exhausted when the June payment is made and steps to obtain a new fund will be taken.

Because of the importance of the many matters scheduled for discussion, President Albert E. Sullivan is urging a full attendance of the membership.

"LEDGER-ITES"

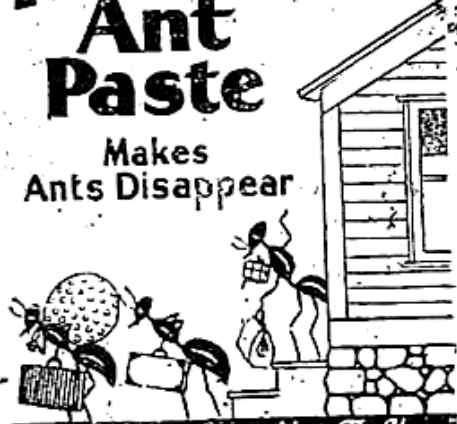
Just a little bit of this and
that written when ever the
spirit moves us.

by
ROY J. GATES

Evidently as far as some county officials are concerned the civic and business men's organizations of the Crescenta valley do not exist, or, at least, do not warrant much recognition. At least one is lead to believe this from the amount of attention accorded the local organizations' pleas to the captain of the county motorcycle patrol, or what ever else his official moniker is. The Verdugo Hills Merchants' association has addressed two letters to the captain and so far has not received even the courtesy of a reply to either one of them.

Viewing with alarm the dwindling traffic passing through a certain portion of the valley since the inauguration of extreme methods in enforcing traffic regulations, the merchants got together at one of the association's meetings some time ago and instructed the secretary to "drop the captain a letter" "hinting that if he was going to arrest every motorist who turned his or her car in the middle of the block it might be a good idea to see that a few signs warning them of their fate were posted. No reply was forthcoming from the captain. Time passed and the association tried again. A second letter was sent asking that in the matter of traffic law enforcement first offenders be merely warned instead of hauled in before the judge. There has been no reply so far. It has been reported that the captain was out visiting this section the other day and it is alleged that, keeping clear of those that organization who caused the letters to be written, he went to a local officer, who was not acquainted with the association's idea on the matter and asked, "what the folks out here wanted." We just have a little hunch that if the captain had gone to any of the association officers, as one would expect he would, he would have been given information direct. Seems to us, though, that a great deal of stamp money would be saved if we would just give up in disgust and stop writing letters.

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HONOLULU AWARD NEAR

Crescenta valley can expect to see the work of paving and widening of Honolulu avenue, from Ocean View to Rosemont avenues, start immediately, according to a statement made by Supervisor Henry W. Wright, who was a visitor here Sunday afternoon and evening when, with officers of the Montrose Chamber of Commerce, he visited Indian Springs.

According to Mr. Wright the contract for the paving work will be let within the next few days and the actual work is expected to be begun immediately thereafter. All the difficulties which have delayed this improvement job have been ironed out, Mr. Wright stated, and the property owners interested in the Honolulu avenue improvement clear allow this end of the work to proceed. A portion of the delay has been caused by certain property owners here who have refused to deed to the county that portion of their frontage needed for the improvement. This property will be acquired through condemnation proceedings, it is understood, and these proceedings will not act to delay the work longer because of the fact that the project is being put through under a law which allows such matters to be taken care of after the work proceeds.

The plans for the improvement call for a 56 foot paved roadway from curb to curb. The present paving will be used as a base for the center and a 13 foot strip of asphaltic concrete will be constructed on each side of it. The construction of concrete curbs, gutter and sidewalks is also ordered and the improved thoroughfare will be lined with ornamental lights of the same type and construction as those now in use in Montrose. While the ornamental lighting is to be taken care of under separate procedure, the work will be done in connection with the paving job.



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URGE PLAN TO WIDEN MICHIGAN

With the plans for the new highway meant to relieve traffic congestion through the Newhall tunnel, and the construction of the new bridge across the Arroyo Seco, Michigan avenue has become such an important highway that plans to make that artery a 100 foot traffic vein are reported to have been launched in the La Canada valley.

It is being pointed out that under the present conditions, traffic is so heavy on Sundays and holidays that a congested condition results, and with the new bridge and new cut near the Newhall tunnel this highway will become one of the most important in the highway system. The highway at present is but 20 feet with the exception of the stretches through La Crescenta and La Canada where it has been widened and paved to a width of 64 feet between curbs. The move for the 100 foot boulevard is expected to win popular favor with property owners.

TREE PLANTING BY FORESTER TO CONTINUE

The trees along the valley streets, planted some time ago by the county forestry department, which have died during the past few months, are being replaced by the department and a force of men are working in the valley with a tank truck at the task of keeping the trees watered.

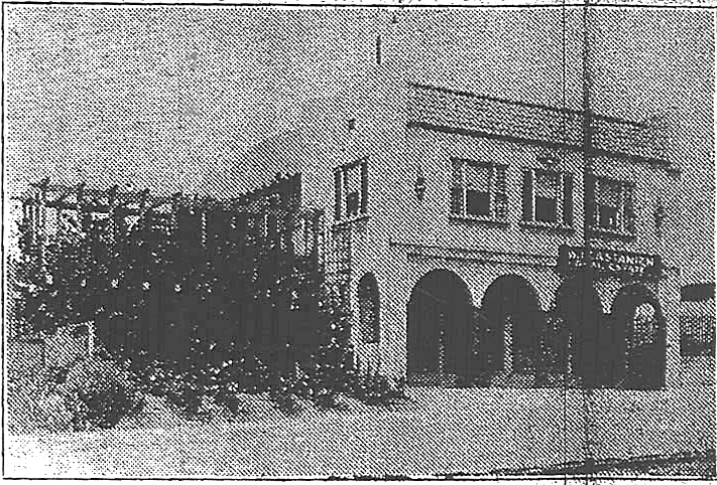
The Crescenta valley has received a great deal of attention from these "tree planters" since the board of supervisors ordered the planting of 25 miles of trees. As soon as the streets are improved the forestry boys are on hand to plant the trees.

TAX CUT RESULTS IN INCREASED AUTO SALES

Abolishment of the war excise tax by Congress at the last session is resulting in stimulating sales of new cars, according to advices reaching the Automobile Club of Southern California. Repeal of the war tax is resulting in a saving to the consumer of from \$9 to \$180 on each car.

According to the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, leaders are keeping their pledge that the war excise tax be passed on as a saving to the public. All factories notified their dealers immediately after the signing of the tax bill on May 29, that the war tax was to be deducted immediately from the existing delivered price of cars. It is believed that June may establish a new record in automobile sales.

WORK OF ROSE GROWER



With every organization in the Crescenta and Canada valley endorsing the project the movement launched some time ago by W. I. Castanien and which, it is hoped will result in the valleys becoming known as the "Valleys of Roses" is making such progress as to surprise even the most enthusiastic rose grower in this territory.

Mr. Castanien stated yesterday that already more than 200 Paul's Scarlet rose plants had been sold here by the nurseryman who is cooperating in the move and who is making a solicitation of the entire valley. This record has been established in just three day's time, it was stated.

Mr. Castanien's home on Montrose avenue is a fair example of what the rose enthusiasts hope to accomplish in the valley. The Castanien place is marked by an arbor, 15 feet high, which is covered with the beautiful Paul's Scarlet climber roses.

Indian Springs to Give Girls Chance to Learn to Swim

With the object of giving every girl in the Crescenta valley an opportunity to learn to swim, a swimming campaign will be conducted at Indian Springs during the next week, it was announced yesterday by Charles Bowden of the local recreation park.

Instructions in swimming will be given under the direction of Mrs. Lillian Eichbauer and following the course, the pupil should be advanced to the point of swimming 20 to 30 feet. Classes will be held at 10 o'clock every morning of the week, it was stated.

In order that every girl may be able to take advantage of the offer to learn to swim, the cost of the course has been placed at the lowest possible figure. The entire six lessons will be given for \$1.50 which includes the admission to the pool.

Mrs. Eichbauer, the instructress, states yesterday that those girls who planned to take the course should be on hand early on the opening day so that should a great number take advantage of the offer, the pupils could be formed into classes.

A class for boys, which was held two weeks ago, proved exceptionally successful, Mrs. Eichbauer declared.

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Striving to attain the modish "boyish figure" was cited as a contributing cause for the alarming increase of tuberculosis among high school girls by Dr. W. D. Sansum, director of the Potter Metabolic clinic at Santa Barbara, in a recent lecture given under the auspices of the Southern California Public Health association. Dr. Sansum was introduced by Dr. L. J. Pomeroy, county health officer and president of the association.

"The fad of 'starving' among the girls and the 'no breakfast plan' to attain fashionable slenderness is becoming a serious health menace" said Dr. Sansum. "An alarming increase in tuberculosis among high school girls is a more or less direct result.

Breakfast is a very necessary meal. Girls in their teens must eat of sufficient quantity of energy foods to retain viability. To cut down the needed food quota can only result in disaster.

"Employers in large concerns where carelessness may mean injury to an employee have come to realize that giving a mid morning meal avoids accidents occurring as well as higher efficiency. When the stomach is empty vitality runs low. Statistics show the daily peak of accidents occur at 11 a.m. and toward evening Dr. Sansum pointed out.

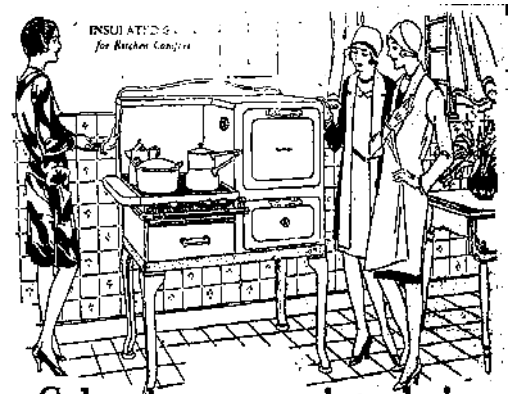
"Thin people often lack gastric juices sufficient to digest food. Grapefruit or lemon juice taken with meals supplies then needed acid to digest the proteins. The chewing of gum stimulates saliva and is also distinctly helpful, stated Dr. Sansum.

The management of school children with heart conditions was explained in an illustrated address by Dr. Sven Lokrantz, director of the health and corrective physical education department in the Los Angeles city school. The nervous strain of waiting to be called on during an examination in a classroom, Dr. Lokrantz said, he believes to be as harmful to a child with either passive or active heart trouble as the running of a race and should be avoided through having those children selected by the teacher as the first to be quizzed.

LECTURE ON HEALTH IS SCHEDULED

Most gratifying to women who are interested in the work of the La Crescenta Valley health center is the announcement that Miss Burleigh, one of the most noted lecturers of the county health department, will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Mothers club, the new branch of the clinic work. Miss Burleigh who comes to the women by the courtesy of Dr. Anna Rude of the health department will be present at the Woman's club house on Tuesday, June 12 at 2 p.m. Mrs. Lee Merrit, whose efforts have resulted in this program is most anxious that the women will be present in large numbers as Miss Burleigh is in great demand throughout the county, but it is not usual for her to be able to give time to so small a community as this. The message Miss Burleigh will bring to valley mothers will be worth hearing.

At the meeting of the board of directors of the health association held this week plans were made for the pre-school child examination during the week next after the closing of the schools. This examination will be for the child who will enter school next fall, and will be given to enable the parents to prepare the child for school work in a physical manner. Many matters of interest to the mothers were discussed at this meeting. Mrs. Kimball who is in charge of the nurses corps at San Fernando gave a few brief ideas of clinic work as being done throughout the county. The clinic this month has been in charge of the reading circle. Next month the women of the Verdugo Hills Legion Auxiliary will take over the second month to be held by them this clinic year. Numbers of new members are being enrolled by the clinic every week, keeping up the splendid record made by the local clinic. At the meeting of the board the following women were present: Mrs. Jay Crawford, membership chairman and temporary secretary in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. E. L. Wemple representing the Verdugo Hills Auxiliary and La Crescenta P.-T.A., Mrs. Franklin Ford of the La Crescenta Community Presbyterian church, Mrs. Holland of the Altar society of Holy Redeemer Catholic church, and Mrs. Raymond Cole of the Reading circle.



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Mrs. Helen Farr Tolman is responsible for the following information handed into the Ledger. Mrs. Tolman is president of the newly formed Crescenta-Canada Valley Humane society.

CITIZENS TAKE NOTICE

The shooting of dogs or cats or any domestic animals by any person unless the animal is badly injured or in great suffering and there is not time for a veterinary or Humane officer to painlessly destroy it, is prohibited by the Humane laws of the state of California. And no animal except rodents can be poisoned. They must be destroyed by the proper authorities.

Unwanted dogs or cats will be received at the Humane shelter, the Hoffman kennels, 2817 West Piedmont avenue, Verdugo City, and if no purchaser is found within three days, turned over to the State Commission for the protection of Children and Animals cooperating with the county, taken to the county pound and painlessly destroyed.

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Merchants Prize Offer Holds Wide Interest In Valley

Secretary Frank Pilling of the Verdugo Hills Merchants association is receiving indication of a big interest in the recently announced contest to be conducted by the association in which two prizes are offered for the best papers written on the subject of "Cooperation."

The prizes, one of \$10 and one of \$5 will be awarded according to the decision of the contest judges, the names of which will be announced at a later date. The contest is to run through the month of June and the awards will be made early in July. Articles must not contain more than 200 words, although they may be shorter should the writer be able to present his or her argument in fewer words.

All contestants must have their manuscripts in Mr. Pilling's office by noon on June 29.

Fire Boys Handle Mystery Blaze At Highway Highlands

Forces of the county forestry department stationed at headquarters on Michigan avenue, received quite a little experience in their chosen line last Tuesday morning when a mystery blaze broke out at Highway Highlands. The flames were spotted by the lookout on Sister Elsie and the alarm was turned into the forestry department and the local county fire department at the same time.

Before the boys and residents of the Highlands could extinguish the blaze, two lots had been burned over. Just how the fire started is not known, but it is the belief of authorities that a cigarette thrown from a passing automobile was responsible.

Aviation Subject Of Talk at Local Kiwanis Meeting

In these days when Lindbergh and Byrd hold high places in Public esteem and the hazardous flight of the Southern Cross has been watched with breathless interest the talk of Dr. T. C. Young of Glendale before the Montrose-La Crescenta Kiwanis club was most timely. Dr. Young's hobby is aviation and he told of flights he has made over the Southland. He recounted the progress made in aviation in the past year and outlined what will be done in future development. He spoke of the great opportunities ahead and said that when certain instruments were perfected flying would be safer than motoring. Twelve thousand air miles a day are covered by aerial routes in the United States. The Western Air Express operating between Salt Lake City and Los Angeles and has never had an accident nor lost an ounce of mail receiving a rating from the government of almost 100 per cent. Dr. Young spoke of a recent flight made from San Francisco to Los Angeles in a huge Fokker plane equipped with all the comforts of home and of an excellent chicken dinner served en route. He stressed the necessity of having airports and said soon the town without an airport would be rated like the town without a railroad station. Dr. Young paid a glowing tribute to Lindbergh and other celebrated aviators of the day with whom he is personally acquainted.

Mrs. F. H. Broyles of Verdugo Woodlands gave a humorous reading. C. C. Stewart furnished the attendance prize, which was won by Dr. L. Johns.

Plan Big Barbecue At Indian Springs for Co. Supervisor

Crescenta valley friends of Henry W. Wright, who will be a candidate to succeed himself as county supervisor of the Fifth district are planning to stage a big barbecue in honor of the official on June 23 at Indian Springs.

The affair will take place in the afternoon and, while the program has not been as yet completed, those behind the plans, state that there will be some speech making and high class entertainment features. A big crowd of valleyites is expected to greet the supervisor at the affair.

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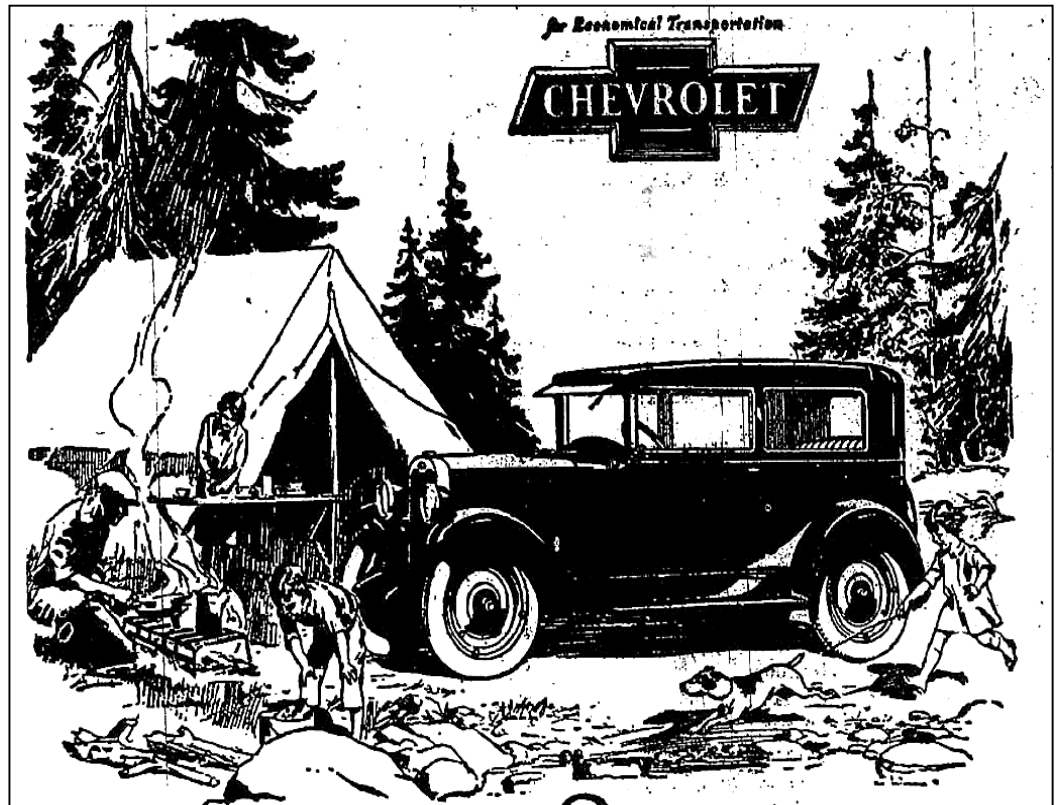
Activities of the Indian Springs Breakfast club start every Sunday morning at the early hour of 6 o'clock. At this hour there are about 12 or more "saddle enthusiasts" who gather at the Springs and, astride their trusty mounts, take to the hills over the Indian Springs and Onondarka bridal trails.

The trip covers three hours and the party travels about 15 miles over wooded trails winding over hill tops and through canyons on the north slope of the Verdugos. Returning to Indian Springs, the club enjoys a breakfast of ham and eggs, flapjacks and honey and other good things to eat.

The cooking is done by members of the club, one of them being delegated each Sunday morning for this important duty. Last week the matter was attended to by Charlie Bowden, and this Sunday, it is said, the "eats" will be prepared by a prominent banker.

Robert Whitaker, famed Southern California poet, whose contributions appear on the page of the Sunday Times conducted by John Steven McGroarty, recently visited the Springs and while sitting in the car under the shade of the trees, penned the following poem:

*Among the girdling hills of green
and brown,
So near, and yet so distant from
The town;
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race,
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Today this same visitor, traveling the same route, would find a radical change in conditions. He could drive his car into the heart of the back mountain country, where new trails now provide easy access into previously virgin territory, and where, should he now discover a fire, he would find telephone communication within a reasonable distance.

Ten years ago, a fire which had gone beyond the initial stage presented a much more difficult problem than does the same fire today.

In the past, due to lack of roads and trails, it was often necessary to hike a fire fighting crew over steep brush covered country, in order to reach the scene of the blaze, and such a hike, in hot summer weather, is such country, resulted in having a tired, inefficient crew, whose work was greatly handicapped. If reinforcements were needed, it was necessary to send out a messenger for this help, with a resultant serious delay. Firebreaks were few and far between, and there were few chances to fall back on these valuable second line defenses.

Today, as a result of years of work, we have hundreds of miles of roads, firebreaks, trails and telephone lines, all of which play a very important part in fire control. Last year in the Angeles forest, 75 miles of firebreak, (10 miles of roads, 40 miles of trails and 25 miles of telephone lines were built, both for the assistance of the forest service in suppressing fires and for the benefit of the general public in making accessible the vast recreational area which this forest offers.

Fire fighting crews today are transported a large portion of the distance to fires by machine, then by hiking the balance of the distance over trails, reach the fire in good condition, where they can attack the blaze efficiently instead of

being tired out by long, hard climbing.

Firebreaks are clearings 30 feet or more in width, on top of ridges, from which fires can be controlled as they come up to the ridge, or, if necessary and conditions are favorable, back fires can be set to meet the oncoming main fire and thus halt its advance.

Backfires, however, are never set by anyone but an experienced firefighter, and usually only under the direction of a forest ranger, for if not set in the proper way and under favorable conditions it could easily become a second fire more serious than the first.

Fires are not always fought from these firebreaks. As a matter of fact, the firebreaks are a second line of defense, for a serious effort is always made to control it by the method known as "cold trailing" which is the term applied to starting at the base of the fire, working up both sides and putting out the edge of the fire as the crews progress, leaving men to patrol the line as covered, until the two crews come together at the top and have the fire surrounded. Men are then put to work putting out the fire inside of the lines. If this effort fails, it is then often necessary to fall back to firebreaks.

Many lines of fire lanes, which are clearings two to four feet in width have been constructed, which make it

possible for large numbers of men to spread out and widen, if necessary into a firebreak. Without these fire lanes, it would be possible only to work a small crew of men because of the density of the brush.

Today, on a larger fire, if the forest ranger in charge of the fire needs reinforcements, or added equipment, all that is necessary is for him to telephone to the dispatcher in Pasadena instead of sending out a messenger, for with the present system of telephones, covering the more important regions of the forest, emergency telephone lines are constructed right to the fire, so that the dispatcher and forest ranger are in constant communication, and ready to take any additional measures necessary.

While every effort is taken to prevent fires, yet in line with the adage that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" these needed improvements play a mighty important part in the protection of 1078 square miles of valuable watershed and recreational areas.

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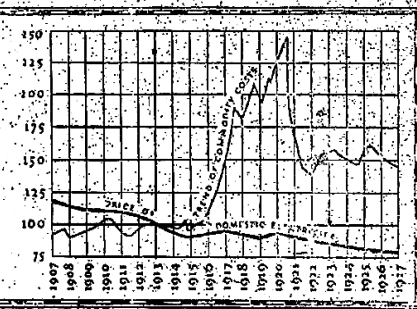
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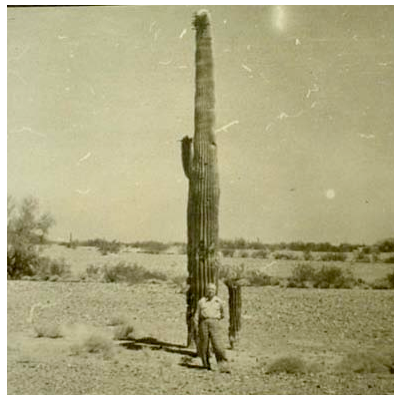
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