

It Happened This Way in New Pine Creek

By IRVIN FARIS

Laughter faded and a "hush" fell here and there as the sad news of two recent deaths traveled about town. First it was one of our older, more "fatherly" neighbors, Walter Butler, age 83, who passed away at his home after eating a hearty meal at about 1:30 Sunday afternoon, Nov. 16.

The second death was that of Gordon "Pat" Patterson, age 68, whose passing we learned of only this morning. He had been sick a few days, and seemingly, not seriously. The lonely bachelor, local benefactor, and principal owner of the Green Garden Tavern and the Willow Ranch Pool Hall, became worse on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sampson, who have been partners of the deceased for the past three or four years in the Green Garden operation, discovered him to be a very sick man Monday and tried to get him to let them take him to the hospital—but to no avail. Knowing him to be a victim to yellow jaundice, having had trouble with his liver before and thinking maybe that he could overcome his ailment they consented finally to nurse him at home. But his condition became more critical after supper so he was taken to the Lakeview Hospital where he died at about 11:40 that night, Nov. 16. Strangely enough—he was able to dress himself, walked to the car, walked into the hospital and seemed in good spirits.

Patterson is supposed to have had relatives back in Minnesota but there seemed no way of getting in touch with them immediately as there were no names and addresses available. The deceased has been in the tavern and pool-hall business for the last twelve or more years in NPC and WRC and he has helped out numerous people financially from time to time.

Walter Butler is among the last of the real old timers who saw this little village begin to grow, gradually and with flourishings, through two or three mining booms—the last being in 1912 when NPC was a town of better than 2,000. He will be missed by all of us as he was highly respected and well liked by all. He retained a lucid memory of the past right up until the very last. Born in Benicia, Calif., in 1870, he came to Lakeview with his parents when but 2 years old. He was christened at that age into the Episcopal Church there.

Later his parents settled on the old Franco place, a part of which is now owned by Earl Hindle. Then the family moved to the old Tiffill Reed ranch along the state line, the old family orchard of which still stands down there. It's westward toward the lake beyond the Earnest Robnett ranch home at the edge of town, and is now a part of the Robnett holdings.

The deceased became interested in milling early in life, learning the business down at the old burr mill at the original town of Willow Creek, later further up Willow Creek from the present town of that name. It was a flourishing western burr before the turn of the century patronized as a stage stop and an overnight place for the many freighters that came along the dusty roads. The town was located near the site where now stands the farm buildings of the Earl Martin ranch, currently leased to Toni Piloni who is operating a dairy there.

But—since Willow Creek ran very low during the summer months, ample power was lacking at harvest time when the demands upon it for flour became greatest. So it lost business at the new mill which had been erected at New Pine Creek by Jacob Hammerley and Joe Robnett—where year-round water was more abundant.

With an ever alert eye for business, the late Edward Keller purchased the Willow Ranch mill and moved the burr to the new mill he was erecting near the mouth of the canyon, not far from the Charlie Cook place. He hired Walter Butler and George Hammerley as millers to operate it. After running this mill for a few years he then purchased the other mill and until Keller's death and for many years, even after the mill had passed into the hands of his son, the late Richard M. Keller, Walter and George continued to work at the mill until comparatively recent years, about six years ago when George Hammerley passed away. During the boom years, the deceased opened up a butcher shop in partnership with Jack Moffitt and this they operated for a number of years. As the butcher business slacked off with the dwindling population after the boom, the deceased worked again at the Keller mill, sometimes steady and sometimes part time, according to business conditions.

The deceased is survived by his wife, Annie; three sons, Earl, Alvin, and Lawrence Butler; one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Lawson, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Interment will be made in the local cemetery with funeral services being held at the Ousley-Osterman Chapel and Rev. H. N. Tragitt, of Lakeview, conducting the services.

Beware those wintry roads: Mrs. Laura Martin had a very close call last Monday afternoon, Nov. 16, at about 5:30 which greatly unnerved her. She was driving home alone from Lakeview in the first bad snow storm of the year. Her husband was coming along behind, riding in the Charlie Vincent truck. She was watching in the rear-view mirror to see how they were making it when suddenly her car got out of control on the slick road and rolled over the grade. The car rolled completely over and landed on its wheels several feet below in the old Vanderpool ranch field now being farmed by Lee O'Neil, about 4 miles this side of Lakeview.

Aside from bruises on her legs, arm and chest, a small cut on her forehead and hysteria from shock, she apparently was a very lucky woman to come out alive. She was taken to the Charlie Vincent ranch where first aid was rendered by her husband and Mrs. Vincent. The car was badly damaged with a broken windshield, a caved in top and many other blemishes—but, strangely enough, the doors still opened so that her husband had little trouble in removing her from the car. She was lucky in more ways than one, for—'t' isn't every woman that can have an accident and have her husband on hand to help her out of it.

Earl Allan, NPC resident was wheeling along comfortably from the show Sunday evening—with his family—as were not far behind when out jumps a doe deer and oh! dear! She runs out—changes her mind and starts back. Poor deer! She lost a leg and bled to death right there. But Allan stayed with her 'til the last when the warden came and picked her up for the Children's Home in Portland. Luckily no damage was done to the Allan car, for that animal must of weighed 150 pounds or more.

Frank Griffin, of Eureka, Calif., has been visiting with his daughter, Mrs. Donald Butler and family for the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Oatman Vincent are now living in NPC after Mr. Vincent's retirement from years of service for the Southern Pacific Co. as maintenance foreman. Their home here is just across the street from where his daughter Mrs. Gladys Cooper and family live—so he and wife are happy to be around.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harizog returned a couple of Tuesdays ago from a trip over to the coast. They visited on their way home with Mr. Harzog's son, Clarence Brad-ley, who is in the grocery store business over in Roseburg. Incidentally, I too, know Clarence—he used to work in the Ralph Stanley grocery stores in Eugene. Useta cut his hair.

Mrs. Cora Seltzer, of Colfax, Calif., visited a few days here with Mrs. Annie Gallagher and other friends and relatives. Seemed happy to be back to her old home town again—but what the heck? She's always pleasant anyway!

Some vacuum minded kids, I reckon, have been engaging themselves in the dishonorable pastime of transgressing on private property and deflating tires on cars about town. It is rumored that the disaster car might be needed if this practice prevails. Some of the fellas were so mad—umm—umm! The air was just like that—when they got up to go to work or to town—with short time allowance to go on and a predicament like that staring them in the face. Can't blame 'em either. What if a life depended on a hurried trip to the doctor? Just then?

Budge Mulkey and his hunting friend who spent about a week here visiting and having a good time, left last Sunday morning after they had taken in the Grange Bazaar the night before. By the way—that bazaar turned out to be a right bang-up affair. Oh! so much doing and every winner displaying his or her trophy so gleefully and capped off with a big dance and midnight cafeteria supper. You can't beat 'em—with all those busy Home Ec ladies pitchin' in—each and everyone, getting fine support on all sides—they managed to take in \$331 or better.

On Dec. 12, the New Pine Creek fire department will stage the first of a series of dances. Object: building program fund! Very ambitious undertaking, to be sure, but it can be done with everyone backing



THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE . . . of the First Methodist Church annual Bazaar and Luncheon, in the church dining room was a humming hive of activity all day Saturday, Nov. 14. About 500 patrons were served creamed chicken, starting at 11 a.m., and the bazaar which opened at 9:30, was busy all day. Committee members engineering the successful event

are shown above, from the left, Mrs. H. Mather Smith, advertising chairman; Mrs. Albert L. Barker, decorations chairman; Mrs. Jennie Peltz, bazaar chairman; Mrs. M. W. Hoover, assisted by Mrs. Peltz; Mrs. Gene Woods, luncheon chairman; Mrs. Fred Wade, also assisted Mr. Peltz; Mrs. Steve Moss, assisted Mrs. Woods; and Mrs. Bramhall, president local WSCS. —Photo by Kettler

them. They want to raise enough money eventually to build a pump-kin brick fire house to house the fire engine and provide ample space for a meeting room for their monthly meetings. Yes sir! It can be done!

The Fort Bidwell chapter of the Eastern Star ladies are having to raise a little money too so they are holding a cooked food sale at Alvin's Market on Saturday, Nov. 21, at 10:30 a.m. There's your chance men—to get in on some good eats!

Real Estate transfer: A couple of kids I know pretty well have made themselves extremely happy in the purchase of a place they can call their own. Mr. and Mrs. Kelton Vincent have purchased the puny brick dwelling built by Rawleigh Goodman with approximately four acres of land to develop around it—from Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Snider. The place is located on Highway 395 about 3 miles south of here 'Tis yet to be finished on the inside but when completed it will make a very comfortable home with large view-ings opening upon the beautiful sweep of Goose Lake Valley to the north and westward to the glorious sunsets that hover over the broad, glittering expanse of old Goose Lake.

There will be a regular meeting of the East Side Grange this coming Saturday evening, Nov. 21.

Dean Lingle, county librarian, is on the job again and on Tuesday she brought down a fresh set of books for the county branch library here in NPC. Many persons are taking advantage of the branch here and as more people find out about it—with the long winter, reading evenings coming on, no doubt a heavier turnover in book reading will take place. Miss Lingle especially recommended the book "Caine Mutiny" by Wouk, which she left over from the last set, figuring that perhaps many don't realize the reading and en-

Former Bly Man Claims English Girl as Bride in Double-Wedding

Of interest to friends of Bobby D. May, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. May, former Bly residents, now of Sheridan, Ark., is belated news of his marriage in England to Margaret Pennock. Her sister Betty, was also married in the double wedding service to Wendell Paul Ewen, Slade, Ky. The Rev. H. G. Gooding read the 2 p.m. service Sept. 13, in St. Nicolas Church, Witham.

The sisters were gowned in identical wedding dresses of white brocade satin and wore full length illusion veils gathered to Elizabeth headresses. Their bouquets were of dark red roses.

About 80 wedding guests, including May's commanding officer, Col and Mrs. Lewis and Major and Mrs. Brown of Wetherfield Air Force Base, attended the wedding and also the reception which was at the Spread Eagle Hotel.

Both couples honeymooned in London; and May, who has been

entertainment values this work might hold for them. Incidentally this book has recently been made into a play, the premiere showing of which was on in San Francisco two weeks ago when we were down there. The play goes under the name of "The Trial of the Caine Mutiny" which deals largely with this phase of the war and the book used as referential background. The show was a complete success each night of it's showing in the bay city.

No Extra Work For This Mother

HAMILTON, Ohio (AP)—A mother complained to the Common Pleas Court her estranged husband's parents would not allow her to visit her child. On investigation the court found the mother would drive up to the in-laws' house, sit in the car, foot the horn and wait until someone carried out the 2-year-old boy. "Walk in the house and visit the child," ruled Judge Fred B. Cramer yesterday. "There is no curfew service provided by this court."

Baked Apples

Wash and core apples; peel off about 1/2 of the peeling and set apples in a shallow baking dish. Fill each apple with 2 tablespoons brown sugar, pour a spoonful of white wine, water or honey over the apples and bake for 40 minutes at 350 degrees or until apples are tender when tested with a fork. Transfer to hot serving plate. Stir 1 cup mince-meat and two tablespoons of wine or water into the apple juice and cook 10 minutes. Pour syrup over apples and sprinkle with granulated sugar. Serve with plain cream, vanilla ice cream or cream cheese beaten fluffy with milk.

Use self-sealing waxed paper to make covers for your small electric appliances such as a mixer, orange juice squeezer, blender, coffee grinder, toaster or waffle iron. Cut the paper in two pieces that are the shape of the appliance, then simply seal the top edges of the halves and slip the cover over. Thorough and easy to make, these covers may be changed when necessary, and they'll keep soil and dust off your handy electric kitchen aids.

To prevent food odors in your refrigerator, wash the interior with a solution of two tablespoons of baking soda to one quart of water. Rinse with clear warm water and wipe dry.

Polio Vaccine To Be Used On School Children Soon

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE NEW YORK (AP)—A hope-laden polio vaccine will be given to probably one million school children—in second grades only—beginning Feb. 8 in an effort to learn whether it has been conquered. Official details of a unique nationwide medical test were announced yesterday by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The children will get three successive shots of a vaccine made of killed polio virus and triple-tested for safety. The vaccine was developed by Dr. Jonas E. Salk of the University of Pittsburgh. It will be given to second graders in public, private and parochial schools in some 20 U. S. counties—none officially named as yet. What happens to these youngsters during next summer's bathing exposure to polio will tell whether the vaccine is a success. Success will be assured if these polio, or none, compared with unvaccinated children of the first through third grades in those same counties. The answer won't be known until some time in 1955 when careful scientific checkups have been completed, said Basil O'Connor, foundation president. If the vaccine does really protect, then large amounts could be made available for children of all ages in 1955, O'Connor said. The counties and states for the tests, costing the foundation 7 1/2 million dollars, are still being chosen.

Insurance Plan Talked

PORTLAND (AP)—First steps for organizing Oregon's first multiple life insurance company, with capitalization of \$500,000, were taken here Friday. A group of business men filed an application for articles of incorporation for Insurance Company of Oregon. They are headed by State Sen. John C. P. Merrifield, head of the Merrifield General Agency for the Connecticut Mutual Life; Merrifield will be temporary president, and after organization will be chairman of the board. The company will have \$200,000 capital and \$300,000 surplus to start. All types of insurance, including life, fire, marine and casualty, are covered in the organization plan, but at the outset the company will confine activities to accident, health and hospital insurance and credit life underwriting, Merrifield said.

Missing Boy Has Dagnet Out-Quick

ALBUQUERQUE (AP)—When Rickey Whitsett, 6, of Albuquerque got lost yesterday, city police moved extra fast to hunt for him. His father is Patrolman Jack Whitsett, who was on duty on the police radio desk. But Ricker showed up a couple of hours later by himself and explained he'd been to a party at a friend's house.

Biggest Little Old Buck Of All

CARLSBAD, N. M. (AP)—It was only for a buck but the check Jim Craft of Malaga, N. M., brought to the Carlsbad National Bank the other day was the biggest the bankers had ever seen. Prepared by students at Malaga, the check measured six feet by two feet. It was properly made out for \$1, so the bank cashed it.

Cold Weather Has Firemen On Hop

OGDEN, Utah (AP)—It was pretty cold in Ogden last night, so 2-year-old Janet K. Waters did her best to keep her dolly warm. She stuck it in the oven. Moments later, mother, Mrs. Calvin Waters, turned on the stove to preheat the oven. The fire department responded. Damage was confined to the doll and feelings of the solicitous "mother."

False Alarm Sends Plane Back To Port

GANDER, Nfld. (AP)—A European-bound Trans World Airlines Constellation with 57 passengers aboard returned to Gander early today after what appeared to be a false fire alarm 500 miles out over the Atlantic. The big airliner was flight 906, out of Philadelphia and New York and bound for London and Frankfurt.

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