

BASIN BRIEFS

No Party—St. Barnabas Guild of Langell Valley will hold no card party in September. It is announced by the secretary.

Daughter—A baby girl, weighing 7 lbs., was born on September 2 at Modoc Medical Center, Alturas, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank White, side of Alturas.

Alturas—The Mickey's girls softball team, sponsored by J.F.C. Pontiac, held a social party for its players, husbands and friends Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Skip Cook in Alturas. The 23 guests attending gave the sponsor, Mickey Jones, a gift and an autographed softball.

Appreciation—With the Alturas softball season over, supervisor Shiny Yamagata expressed his appreciation to the team, sponsors, players, station KONO, Modoc County Record, league officials, donation collectors, Ingram's Hardware, MUHS, the city

street department, fans and everyone else who made the season a big success.

Bonanza—A Dutch auction will be held at the Bonanza Big Springs Park on Sunday, September 16, starting at 10 a.m. to raise money to finish the tennis court at the park. Bob Rhodes will be auctioneer.

Mrs. Hazel Sanford—returned to New Pine Creek Saturday evening after being hospitalized in Eugene for a few days while accompanying her daughter, Mrs. Helen Pearson, on a business trip to Springfield. She had recently returned home from undergoing minor surgery at Lakeview Hospital.

Visiting—Mrs. Margaret Croxton of Salem spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cogburn of New Pine Creek. Jimmy Cogburn, Bill Cogburn's son who had been visiting her in Salem, came with her.

New Pine Creek—Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Walker, former residents of New Pine Creek now living in Oakland, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Irvin L. Faris and family Sunday on a Labor Day swing through the Inland Empire. They were to pick up their daughter who has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mateka at Susanville. Walker is a truck maintenance mechanic for Safeway Stores at Oakland.

Home—Mrs. Irvin (Buna) Faris and children returned Saturday from a week's visit in the Bay Area.

Students Leave—From New Pine Creek, Leta Perry and Beverly Vincent left early this week to attend business college at Reno; Barbara Fisher will leave on September 17 for Klamath Falls where she will major in business at OTI; Robert Faris will return to the University of Oregon on September 13 to start his junior year in preparatory training before entering dental college in Portland next year.

Visiting—Mrs. Verna Cummings of Alameda, who was raised in Dorris, spent the Labor Day holiday in Dorris with her brother, Sub Reeves, and brother-in-law Roy Andrus. Marlene and Marilyn Andrus, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrus, returned Tuesday. The girls will live with their aunt while attending high school in Alameda.

Morty Meekle



Air Officials Irked Over Liberties By Red Officer

By JOE MORRIS

United Press Staff Correspondent LONDON (UP)—U. S. and Royal Air Force officers were reported angered today at the British government for permitting a Soviet general—Russia's chief test pilot—to fly a still hush British jet fighter at the Farnborough air show.

There was also some dismay at the fact the government invited P. V. Dementiev, Soviet minister for the aircraft industry, to visit one of Britain's biggest and most secret aircraft engine factories Friday.

Soviet Lt. Gen. Alexei Blagoveshchensky took up a new Hawker Hunter jet trainer for 40 minutes

Wednesday with Hawker test pilot Bill Bedford and sent it crashing through the sound barrier in a full test of its capabilities.

ORDERED IN QUANTITY—The Hawker Hunter is under consideration as Britain's two-man all-weather fighter. It has been ordered in quantity for the RAF but is not yet in full service. It is so secret British air correspondents have not been allowed to fly it. No close-up photographs of instrument panel or other details have been permitted.

The Daily Sketch said many RAF officers at the air show were angry when Blagoveshchensky took the plane up and that one of them commented "we might just as well have wrapped it up and sent it off to Moscow as a gift."

AMERICANS ANGERED

The Daily Mail reported the decision had angered many Americans visiting the show and quoted Western aviation experts as saying "the trip would be of considerable help to the Communists in evaluating the RAF Hunters."

Special permission for the flight was received from the ministry of supply which also invited Dementiev to visit the secret aircraft engine factory.

It is the Armstrong Siddeley plant at Brockworth which makes Sapphire jets for some of Britain's latest planes. The Sapphire powers 13 of the Western world's top military aircraft including the Handley Page Victor crescent wing bomber just coming into production and the English Electric P1 Supersonic fighter.

Mars To Pay 'Close' Visit To Neighbor Earth Tonight

NEW YORK (AP)—Tonight at 9 p.m. PST, thousands of telescopes will be trained on the red planet Mars, which gets more "neighborly" than it has been for 32 years.

The intriguing planet, only half as big as the earth, wheels into view astronomically only 35,163,000 miles away—the closest since 1924.

Mars rises in the Southeast and sets in the Southwest. It will be closest around midnight but will be visible all of the evening hours.

The planet shines red because more than half its surface seemingly is covered with orange-red desert, low mountains, and barren landscape swept by hot winds.

The controversial "canals" will come in for close attention. Some claim to have seen such waterways, but others note that photographs fail to show them clearly if at all.

Mars' comparative proximity revives speculation concerning possible existence of people on the planet.

The speculation reverts to the canal theory, envisioning great irrigation projects to provide the planet with plant life. Mars' moisture is mighty sparse, and it is thought to derive only from seasonal melting of its polar ice caps. And even at that, some scientists say, all the water on the planet would scarcely fill Lake Erie.

Blue-green areas seen from earth were once thought to be seas. Now they are generally considered to be lichen-like vegetation. In 1944, an area formerly seen only as bright red "desert" showed up green. Astronomers are anxious to know how that section will look tonight.

Scientists say that if "beings" do exist on Mars they'll have to be different from us, because the planet's atmosphere is said to be almost devoid of oxygen and more dependent on nitrogen.

Many astronomers, however, are convinced some sort of life exists on Mars.

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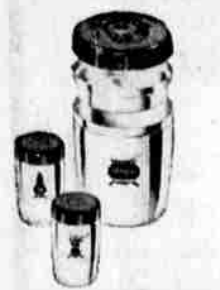


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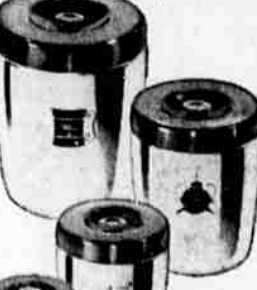
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