

Wife Receives Big Surprise

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP)—It was a happy birthday party for Mrs. Kirk Douglas, even before the giant cake was wheeled in. Five feet high it stood, and four feet across. Embellished in big letters across it were the words, "Happy Birthday, Anne."

The band played, the 16 guests oh-ed and ah-ed. All was delightful, except for one thing, Kirk wasn't there.

But wait. My goodness, there he was. Climbed right out of the top of the cake, he did.

Douglas was supposed to be in Hollywood filming "Spartacus." The plaster of paris cake, used as a stage prop, looked real enough to give his wife quite a start when the actor suddenly emerged from it.

Rover Rides In Taxicab

SAN MARINO, Calif. (AP)—San Marino is an exclusive Los Angeles suburb, noted for its millionaires. The relationship between city and county and the police department is something special.

The police notified Emilie E. King her dog Jackal had been picked up, having violated the city ordinance against dogs running loose.

Would she care to come down to the station and retrieve Jackal and accept a notice of violation?

Mrs. King said she couldn't make it, but she was anxious to get the dog back. So Jackal was put in a taxicab by officer Wayne Bramstedt and rode home in style. The notice of violation rode with him.

Rock Birdman Asks Release

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Robert F. Stroud, the famed "Birdman of Alcatraz," has opened a new effort to regain his freedom after spending 50 years in federal prisons — including 42 years in solitary confinement.

Stroud, 69, filed a writ of habeas corpus in U. S. District Court here Wednesday through his attorney, Stanley A. Furman, Beverly Hills. The appeal was based on a 1958 decision by the U. S. Supreme Court that a person may be retried only for the lesser offense when he is convicted of an offense other than first-degree murder and wins reversal.

Before he was transferred to Alcatraz from Leavenworth Federal Prison 17 years ago, Stroud became a leading authority on the habits and diseases of canaries.

He first entered prison in 1909 for the slaying of his sweetheart's ex-boy friend in Alaska. He stabbed a guard to death in Leavenworth in 1916. In the second of three trials rising from this, he was sentenced to life imprisonment. But the verdict was reversed and in June, 1918, he was sentenced to death.

While in Leavenworth, Stroud wrote a book called "Stroud's Digest of the Diseases of Birds," and corresponded with hundreds of bird fanciers.

In 1942 he was transferred to Alcatraz and forced to give up his scientific studies.

Freud Grandson Sheds Spouse

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The grandson of the late psychoanalyst Sigmund Freud was divorced Thursday after his wife testified he said he didn't care what happened to their marriage.

Irish-born writer Caroline Blackwood Freud, 27, was granted a default decree. Her husband, Lucian Freud, 35, a portrait artist, is in London, where the couple was married in 1953. He did not contest the action.

Mrs. Freud did not ask for alimony. They had no children.

LECTURE NOT ENOUGH
MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI)—Judge William Leffler gave defendants a stern lecture on the evils of breaking the law. He returned to his chambers and found his wallet had been stolen.



WAGONS WEST with Oregon as the destination for these two costumed modern-day pioneers riding their covered wagon out of Independence, Missouri, on the beginning of the 2,020 mile overland trek to Independence, Oregon. The trip is expected to take 100 days, and will publicize Oregon's Centennial statehood celebration. — AP Wirephoto

BASIN BRIEFS

New Pine Creek — Mrs. N. A. Bourgoyne of New Pine Creek left Monday for Cedarville, California, where she will make her home with her brother.

From Wisconsin—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Seeberger of La Point, Wisconsin, are guests at the home of Mrs. Seeberger's sister, Mrs. H. E. Boutin, and family in New Pine Creek, whom she had not seen in 22 years.

Weekend — Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodeck of Brea, California, were weekend visitors at the Lee Cruzon home in New Pine Creek. Mrs. Rodeck is Cruzon's sister.

Postponed — The benefit card party which was to have been given by the Guild of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church of Langell Valley on April 25 has been postponed because of illness. Date will be announced later.

Merrill—The Merrill Lost River Garden Club will meet Tuesday, April 28, at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Hugh O'Connor, 133 Grant Street, Klamath Falls. Mrs. William Geargesen of Klamath Falls will speak on geraniums and other house plants. Members are requested to bring guests who are interested.

SOC To Host Music Fete

The annual Southern Oregon Music Competition-Festival will be held on the Southern Oregon College campus this coming weekend. Four high school organizations will be competing Friday, April 24, the freshman chorus in the morning and the orchestra, a capella choir and concert band in the evening. Other schools from Southern Oregon in attendance will be Medford, Ashland, Roseburg, Crater, Lakeview, Central Point, Talent, Glendale, Henley, Sutherlin, Jacksonville, Illinois Valley, Canyonville, Myrtle Creek, Douglas, Riddle, Josephine County, Yreka, Fruitdale, and Jerome Prairie.

No admission is being charged this year for any of the events and parents and others interested are invited to drive to Ashland and hear the best in school music.

Judges for instrumental events are Ira Lee, University of Oregon; James Adair, Sacramento State College, and Al Robertson, supervisor of music, Beaverton Oregon. Donald Thulen, dean of music at Pacific University, James H. Kinney, Chico State College, and Leon Wagner, Humboldt State College will judge choral events.

Fremont Junior High orchestra, the elementary string orchestra and the all-city elementary band, will also compete on Saturday.

Directors accompanying the groups from Klamath Falls are Dale Hallack, LaMar Jensen, Steve Stone, Kristian Gippo, Russell Whalen and Andrew Loney Jr.

Brief Marriage Ends In Divorce

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP)—Entertainer Sammy Davis Jr. is a bachelor again.

His brief marriage to singer Loray White ended Thursday when she got a divorce on grounds of mental cruelty. They married Jan. 10, 1958, but friends said they lived together only briefly.

Davis, 33, did not contest the divorce. Miss White, 24, will get \$10,000 under a property settlement. Davis also agreed to pay \$17,000 worth of accumulated bills.

FORMULA FOR SUCCESS
BOSBURY, England (UPI)—Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Presley have a new baby. They have named him Elvis.

Mrs. Presley said, "He has a good strong pair of lungs already."

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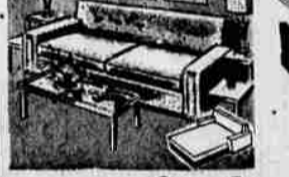
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