Hoefling Plant to Run Capacity

Hoefling Bros. of Sacramento have completed a portable plant at their scheelite holdings in the Atolia district, and are preparing to operate their washing plant at capacity. They recently purchased the Placer Concentrators property and several leased claims from American Gold & Tungsten Co. in the adjacent Stringer district.

Lesees are producing scheelite from portions of the Spud Patch ground. The washing plant is expected to handle its full capacity of 60 cubic yards of material per hour with installation of another sand pump. Hoefling Bros. of Sacramento are reported planning to resume operations at their Surcease gold property a few miles from Oroville as soon as adequate labor and materials become available.
Dr. Clement Stimson
Relates Experience
In War Zones

Dr. Clement A. Stimson spoke to a group of men at the semi-monthly Brotherhood meeting in the social hall of Grace Evangelical and Reformed church Wednesday evening. A committee of the Women's Guild had made all arrangements and served a potluck dinner at 7:30 o'clock to the delight and satisfaction of all the men present. Rev. Edwin H. Horstman, pastor of the church, led the fellowship singing.

Dr. Stimson spoke at length of his experiences in the armed services in which all present, including the Women's Guild committee, showed a great deal of interest and appreciation. The Aleutians, the Hawaiian Islands, the Marshalls, the southwest Pacific, Saipan, Okinawa and Tokio were the general centers of activity. The brutalizing influences of war, the terrible destruction, the needless waste, inefficiency and horror were shocking revelations to many of the listeners.

The next regular meeting will be held in March. A committee composed of Phil Talamantes, Lloyd Butler and Arthur Lichau will be in charge.
Words Different but Sentiment Familiar in 1846 Valentine

Chickory-Chick (cha la cha la) with a huba huba for his sweetie-pie hasn't a thing on the Valentine Day sentiments of James Monroe Burt, even if his sentiments did move along to love's old sweet song.

This is the 100th anniversary of the day that the bewhiskered gentleman sent a rhymed message on lacy (and now yellowed) paper to a lady who always will be known only as "Miss P.", but who inspired a graceful lyric of affection long, long ago.

The valentine has been brought to light by Mrs. Elizabeth Swords, 214 Grand Avenue, great-niece of the "gentleman flirt" who sent it.

Burt sent his graceful message to his lady when he was living in Quincy, Ill., two years before he came to Oroville, Calif., where he became a well known lawyer and judge. Perhaps, his great-niece said, he was the "gentleman flirt" as "Miss P." responded in her own answering verse, because he was still a bachelor when he died there in 1884.

The valentine poem apparently accompanied a gift of perfume.

This is what Burt wrote:

"In old Greece there dwelt a crying philosopher
Who wept at man's follies, their loves and their fears
But in reading each classic book, poem and glossary
I cannot discover that he bottled his tears.

"But in these modern days they are more precious things
The lover departing is o'ercome with the trial
To leave you, Miss P., deep pain from him wrings
Tears that are tightly sealed up in this vial.

"Oh cherish the relics! and if ever hereafter
Your heart should be pained and troubled with fears
Just pull out the cork, if you can do it for laughter
And with Jim's loving drops, mix your own flowing tears."

To this rather sad valentine sentiment, Miss P. responded:

"I send you my thanks for the tears,
(With my nonsense you mustn't be hurt)
They have eased both my doubts and my fears,
Though they came from a 'gentleman flirt.'"
"They seem to be melting and sweet
As milk when it's just on the boil,
But for tears it is rather a cheat
To palm off cologne and sweet oil.

"And in future whene'er I am sad
Although it would be rather queer
Though some folks would think it too bad
I will mix your sweet oil with a tear."

Whether because the Valentine Day sentiments didn't work out as he had hoped—or for whatever reason—two years later Burt put aside such sentiments and was brought to California by Indian guides.

James Monroe Burt, author of the 100-year-old valentine. He was the great-uncle of Mrs. Elizabeth Swords, 214 Grand Avenue, who owns it.
30 Men Haul Driver, Critically Hurt, 400 Feet Out Of Canyon

OROVILLE (Butte Co.), Sept. 22. Hal Grummett of Oroville is in the Oroville Curran Hospital in a critical condition after having been hauled up 400 feet from the bottom of the Feather River Canyon after his car rolled over the edge of the cliff.

The accident occurred yesterday morning after Grummett left Pulga, 32 miles northeast of Oroville, to return to work on his Western Pacific Railroad job.

Four miles this side of Pulga, where the highway leaves the canyon bottom, his car rolled over the edge. A crew of 30 men was required to haul him up the precipitous canyon wall.

He has a skull injury and fractures of the pelvis, hip and leg.
FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Very large donkey, suitable for riding or packing, also of good blood for breeding purposes. The Pines Store, Yankee Hill.
Las Plumas School Bus Upsets Following Collision

The picture above shows the Las Plumas school bus, wheels up, a few minutes after it had upset yesterday afternoon at about 2 p.m. near Lawson's Spring on the Feather River Highway, 11 miles east of Oroville. The bus was forced into the ditch beside the rock wall of the cut when a trailer jack-knifed into it after its brakes had locked. Mrs. Celia Smith, 10, of Big Bend, driver of the bus, was slightly hurt as were Joe and Barbara Messner of Success Mine, pupils in the bus. Several other children in the bus were unhurt. Picture at right shows close-up of bus. — Photo by Paul Hofling—Mercury Engraving.

Pupils Escape Serious Hurts As Smash-Up Overturns Bus

SEVERAL children and a woman school bus driver escaped serious injury yesterday afternoon when the Las Plumas school bus was struck by the trailer of a truck and turned over on its top.

The spectacular accident occurred near Lawson's Spring on the Feather River Highway 11 miles east of Oroville.

Mrs. Celia Smith, 10, of Big Bend, driver of the Las Plumas school bus, and two children were treated at Oroville-Butte hospital yesterday afternoon following the collision.

NEITHER Mrs. Smith nor the children, Joe and Barbara Messner, 10 and 11, were hurt seriously. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Messner of Success Mine, are parents of the children.

Walter Johnson, state highway patrolman, said that bus had been traveling north on the highway up the long hill past Lawson's Spring. Johnson said that two trucks coming downhill were forced to apply their brakes, according to one of the drivers, when a parked vehicle pulled out in front of them onto the highway.

The first truck was able to slow down, Johnson said, but when the second truck applied its brakes they locked on the unloaded trailer, causing it to "jackknife" across the highway into the bus.

DRIVER OF THE second truck, which was involved in the accident, was John Perry Hafer of San Jose, the highway patrol report said. Driver of the first truck, who reported the parked car lurching onto the highway in front of him, was Michael A. Betran, the report said.

When the bus and trailer collided the bus was forced into the ditch striking a rock, which caused the bus to roll over on its top. (See pictures.)

Johnson said that the highway patrol was searching for the driver of the car said to have pulled out onto the highway in front of the truck without giving a proper signal. The car did not remain at the scene of the accident.

PAUL HOFLING of Success Mine, received the telephone call from Las Plumas and immediately went to the scene of the wreck.

Mrs. Messner, whose two children were injured, followed immediately and took Mrs. Smith and the children to the hospital.

Johnson said no station was planned in the case unless investigation were to disclose that the driver of the parked car was at fault.

Seven children were said to be aboard the bus at the time of the accident.
THE CONCOW Grange held its regular business meeting in the Concow school Wednesday evening. Three new members were initiated.

ED CHADWICK is under treatment for a badly injured hand, received when he was injured by a tractor while plowing.

WORD HAS been received here that Mr. and Mrs. Frank Andrews of San Leandro are moving back to their home on Nelly Hill.

RAY GILES is bulldozing and leveling a plot of land on his place for a garage.

MRS. FRANKIE MOAK and Mrs. Mary Ellen Brown were business visitors in Marysville Monday.

FRANK TAYLOR of Hayfork, formerly of Concow Valley, who received a badly crushed leg when a log rolled on him last November, is not able to walk yet and has been returned to the hospital for further treatment for his leg.

MRS. ALBERTA BALMLEY has returned to her home in Big Bend after a few weeks spent at the home of her son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Balsley in San Francisco. The Jerry Balsleys have a brand new son. Mrs. Alberta Balsley was accompanied to her home here by her son Jerry.

MRS. BEA TIGNER, Mrs. Farmer and Mrs. Walker were guests recently at the home of Mrs. Reynolds at old Yankee Hill.

ELDRIDGE PETTEYS of Woodland was a business visitor in this vicinity recently.

JACK SCOTT is a patient at the Oroville-Curran hospital in Oroville.
Yankee Hill

YANKEE HILL — Among those from this vicinity who attended the Easter wedding of Grace Marshall and Jack McConnel in Atherton were Mrs. Louise Craft, Mr. and Mrs. Art Lane of Concow, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Leggett of Deadwood.

Word has been received here that the condition of Jack Lockridge who was taken to Woodland a few weeks ago for medical attention is unimproved.

Fred Wolff who has been staying at the Lockridge place for some time has returned to his home in Carson City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Peck attended a picnic and family reunion in Chico Easter Sunday. Relatives from Woodland and Sacramento were also present.

Jack Scott who was a patient at the Oroville-Curran hospital has returned to his home here and is much improved.

The next meeting of the Ladies Club of Yankee Hill, will be held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Pearl Prevett near old Yankee Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Streuble are doing some work at the home of Mrs. Streuble's sister, Mrs. Mary Butler of Oroville who is ill in an Oroville hospital.

This community received a much needed shower of rain accompanied by thunder and lighting Monday night. The rain was badly needed as grass was going to seed and is still very short.

Clifford Williams, who received a badly injured shoulder in a logging accident recently in Big Bend is in the Oroville Curran hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Croghan and Mrs. Croghan's mother, Mrs. Hazel Jones all of Oroville were guests recently at the home of Croghan's sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Williams.

Scott Lumber Co. has resumed operations at their saw mill in Concow valley and are sending out several truck loads of lumber every day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Flanders of Butte, Mont., plan to leave May 1 for that place where Flanders will be engaged in mining. Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins of the Peck ranch will move to the Flanders cottage at Pines, when the Flanders leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bordenkriecher and children Patricio and Michael of Yuba City were weekend guests at the home of Mrs. Bordenkriecher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Scott and also at the Scott Mill in Concow Valley. The Bordenkriechers have purchased a home in Yuba City and are building a new house and garage on the property.
Yankee Hill

YANKEE HILL—The residents of this place who attended the Easter services held in the Concow school feel that a vote of thanks is due Mr. and Mrs. Bagley of Paradise, president and teacher of the Sunday school here for their presentation of the beautiful Easter program.

MRS. D. L. YATES of Chico was pianist and the piano prelude included "Ivory Palaces" and "Hallelujah! He Is Risen," followed by prayer, by Ronald Priddy. Then hymns by the congregation, "All Hail the Power," "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus," a scripture reading by M. Bagley and also several beautiful accordion solos by Bill Camper.

"Message in Song," by Mrs. Sherrod. "The Love of God," and the "Old Rugged Cross" were sung by Mr. and Mrs. Sherrod.

A beautiful poem written by Mrs. Walker of this place, entitled "Christ Arose From the Dead," was recited by Miss Janice Farmer. The Easter message was by John W. Morris.
YANKEE HILL—The Ladies Club of Yankee Hill, held its regular business meeting Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Pearl Prevette near old Yankee Hill. New officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Geane Leggett, president to succeed Mrs. Louise Craft; Mrs. June Giles, vice president; Evelyn Hendricks, scribe. A number of committees were appointed to take care of the various activities for the coming season, including the May Day picnic and numerous other events sponsored by the club for the entertainment and betterment of the community. After the business meeting a delightful luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Harry Hode was a guest. Two new members were initiated into the club.

LOGS from Jordan Hill are being hauled to Paradise as the pond at the Swicegood Mill is full, and until the pond has been cleared of logs it will be necessary to haul to Paradise, by way of Oroville.

MRS. FRANKIE MOAK and Mrs. Ione Sheen accompanied by Mrs. Nellie Moak of Big Bend were among those from this place shopping in Oroville Monday.

JACK SCOTT who was returned to the Oroville Curran for a few days after returning to his home here, came home again Monday and is improving.

WORK has been started on the swimming pool in Deadwood Creek near Deadwood. The pool is being built by the Ladies Club.
Yankee Hill

YANKEE HILL—Ace Miller and party of friends from Chico were visitors in this vicinity Sunday.

MR. and MRS. CHARLES ODNEAL of Woodland were renewing acquaintances in this vicinity Sunday, when they visited at the home of Evelyn Hendricks and also at The Pines.

MR. and MRS. CHARLEY RYAN and friends of Canada were visitors Saturday at the home of J. D. Lockridge. Mr. Ryan and Lockridge came to California from Idaho together more than 20 years ago.

YANKEE HILL is experiencing unusually cold weather for this time of year and numerous cases of colds and flu have been reported as a result.

JESSE BORDENKRICHER of Yuba City is working for the Scott Lumber Co. in Concow Valley. Mrs. Bordenkricher and children returned to their home after a few days visit with relatives here.

CONCOW GRANGE held its regular business meeting in the Concow school Wednesday evening.

WORD HAS been received here that J. D. Lockridge who has been ill in Woodland for some time has entered the Woodland clinic for medical attention.

MRS. FRANKIE MOAK and Joan Brown who have been ill for a few days are much better and able to be out.

MR. and MRS. TED HEIMANN who spent several weeks visiting in Los Angeles and other cities have returned to their home on Big Bend road.

JOHNNY WILLIAMS is employed at the Red and White store in Oroville, now, operated by W. Sitton. Williams formerly worked for Sitton at The Pines.
Yankee Hill Hotel Burns

ONE OF BUTTE county's historic landmarks, the old hotel at Yankee Hill built in the 70's, burned to the ground Thursday night leaving four families homeless.

The structure was linked to Oroville because it was built by M. H. Wells, father of Mike W. Wells, Oroville druggist, and was constructed throughout with clear sugar pine.

Mrs. John Crawford, one of the residents, was the only casualty. She suffered burns when flames flashed in her face, and received emergency treatment on the spot by neighbors and forest service officers.

The disastrous fire started on the roof of a small adjoining building that had been converted into living quarters, E. P. Biggs, state forest ranger, announced today. He was in charge of the fire-fighting crews from Oroville and Paradise who responded to the call. The first word of the fire was received at 5 p.m.

Those who lost their places of residence and their personal belongings included the J. M. Prevete family and their two children; Mr. and Mrs. Green with six children; the Crawfords with two children and Mr. and Mrs. Carr. The latter were absent and only a few belongings were rescued by neighbors.

With Biggs on this call were David Hall, Henry Gaub, assistant rangers, the Oroville and the Paradise crews.

FOUR OTHER FIRES last night kept the men from the State Division of Forestry busy. It is believed, said Biggs, that they were set fires. At 6:30 and 9:10 p.m., fires were discovered near the city limits along the Western Pacific right-of-way, one above the tracks and the other below. On Wednesday evening, a fire in the same place was discovered and controlled. About 11:30 p.m. last night two fires were discovered between Baggett's Crossing and the Western Pacific lines, south of town, and were controlled by the crew.
Yankee Hill

SEVERAL FAMILIES were left homeless Wednesday evening when the old hotel at Yankee Hill burned to the ground, the fire was said to have started from kerosene that had been accidentally spilled. The hotel formerly owned by Mike Wells and his wife Dora was one of the few remaining landmarks of the once thriving mining town of Yankee Hill which was named in the early days Yankee Hill, because a party of miners called Yankees settled on the hill and engaged in mining the then rich ravines and streams. The mining property is now owned by the Hoeftling brothers who recently sold the grazing rights to Mr. Smith who is engaged in the cattle business.

MRS. FREIDA MILLER and Evelyn Hendricks returned from a few days visit in Woodland recently.

JACK SCOTT who has been ill at his home here for a few days is improving and able to be out.

MR. and MRS. ROBERT OAKS of Concow Valley have moved to Grass Valley where Oaks will be employed on a ranch.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the Ladies Club of Yankee Hill was held at the home of Mrs. Frances Harris where plans were made for the refreshments to be served by the club for the outdoor pageant to be held at the Hopkins ranch in Concow, at the close of school here.

GRADUATION exercises were held Friday evening at the Concow school followed by a dance and refreshments were served.
Famous Indian Known to Many Dies at Age 80

Full-Blooded Concoc, He Lived His Life in Woods and Mountains

DIXIE JOHNSON, famed tracker who could read the footprints in the woods as others can read print, died at midnight last night at the home of Thomas Melvin in Paradise. He was 80.

Mr. Johnson, a full-blooded Concow Indian, has lived his entire life in the mountains surrounding Oroville and Paradise, and has long been known as the nemesis of hold-up men who start out on foot through the forests.

During the past 30 years Mr. Johnson was not often in the lime-

ight as he was before then, when he helped solve some of the county's most puzzling crimes.

He has been living at Intake near Las Plumas where he worked a mining claim. His last act was one of helpfulness to a friend. Last Monday Dixie traveled to Paradise to help Melvin, a friend of long standing, to do assessment work on Melvin's mining claim in rugged Big Butte creek canyon.

Apparently his tired heart gave out last night.

It was in 1915 that Mr. Johnson performed a feat that made him famous when he tracked down two payroll robbers near Stirling City after more than 500 men had wallowed throughout the woods in the search.

TWO MEN robbed DM's camp No. 1 of $2800 in August of that year. Officers and volunteers spent three fruitless days in the area searching for the robbers before Mr. Johnson was called.

For eight days Mr. Johnson and Bill Peachy, a one-time constable, searched the woods until one day Dixie spotted tracks leading from a highway to a clump of bushes. It was as though a man had stepped off the road seeking cover of the brush. It was this track that led Mr. Johnson and Peachy to the spot where the robbers had fled following the robbery. Part way up a long hill, the robbers had resorted to a log chute but Mr. Johnson found where they had stepped on a log, followed the trail to the robbers' hangout.

Odd sequel to the story was that the robbers, when they realized they were being tracked, hid their firearms and the money, but later, after their arrest, it was discovered that a transient had found the can in which the money had been deposited and had made away with it.

DIXIE is survived by his wife, Maude Johnson who lives in Pulga; a son Elmer Johnson of Pulga and a grandson Edward Johnson of Brush Creek.

Funeral services are pending at the Paradise Chapel of the Pines.
Yankee Hill

MISS BEVERLEY WOUSTER who has been staying with relatives in Arizona and attending school arrived recently at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Wouster for the summer vacation. The Wousters recently purchased the Lyman Brown ranch and are making ceramics as well as farming.

ELABORATE preparations are being made by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hopkins, teachers of the Concow school for the outdoor pageant to be held at the Hopkins ranch in Concow Valley Saturday night, June 11. The pageant depicting early days in California is to be held at night near Lake Concow by firelight. There will be covered wagons, horsemen, Indians and many other scenes taken from the history of the early days in California. There is also to be a romance and wedding.

Refreshments will be served by the women's club of Yankee Hill after which there will be dancing and other entertainment. Preparations are being made for a large crowd.

MR. and MRS. MILFORD ATHA were visitors Sunday at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oaks of Grass Valley.

MR. and MRS. G. FINKENBINER and sons Rolland and Kilpper and wives, Mr. and Mrs. Voricini of Sacramento, were Sunday visitors at the home of Evelyn Hendricks. Kilpper Finkenbiner is a former resident of this place.

W. E. WOMACK of Paradise was a business visitor in this vicinity Sunday.

DONALD WILLIAMS formerly of this place now of Paradise, moved his service station from Hendricks Corners to his home in Paradise recently.
The board of directors of the Thermalito Irrigation District were jubilant at their regular monthly meeting Friday night when Secretary Mrs. Hallic Gibson reported all delinquent property contract payments had been made and none were in arrears.

The campaign to bring all contracts up to date was inaugurated at the district's meeting in May after Mrs. Gibson had reported a large number of payments were in default.

These payments, plus quarterly tax returns and larger sums coming in for water sales, have placed the district in an excellent financial condition, according to a statement made to the board last night by Chairman Loy R. Hibbs.

Directors attending the meeting included Hibbs, Dan Raynor, Phil Cope and Howard Moseley. Director Ambrose Hoefling was absent. Superintendent Joel Langdon and Attorney P. J. Minasian, attended the meeting.

Mrs. Gibson reported that there were now 677 domestic water users among an estimated population of 2200 in Thermalito and that there were 1300 acres of land under irrigation.

Water consumption each day reaches a peak of 15 million gallons with an average in summer time of 10 million gallons a day down to three million a day in winter time.

The report from which Mrs. Gibson read was prepared by Brown and Caldwell of San Francisco, a firm of chemical engineers, as a basis for the district's application for certification from the State Department of Public Health as sellers of domestic water.

Included in the report was approval of the operation of the Thermalito chlorination system installed last year. There are a number of rules to which the district must comply before the department will issue the certification.

Thermalito water sources include the Miocene ditch from Lake Concow, from which the bulk of the supply is obtained, and two wells, one on Feather avenue that has been in operation for a long time, and the new well on Biggs street, recently completed.

Minasian suggested that the directors accept the engineer's report and that the application be submitted.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to routine matters including issuance of deeds to buyers completing contracts and reading of minutes of the previous meeting.
Minimum Wage Bill Fails to Get Group Okeh

WASHINGTON — (U.P) — The house labor committee, after a two-hour squabbles, failed today by a 10-to-1 vote to approve a bill to raise the minimum wage from 40 to 75 cents.

Chairman John Lesinski, D., Mich., said he would try again next week to get the bill out of the committee.

Republicans and southern Democrats oppose the measure. The administration has asked for legislation boosting the minimum wage to 75 cents an hour and broadening coverage to about 5,000,000 more workers.

Lesinski said the committee refused to accept proxy votes he held from two absent members who were for the bill.
Every Man, Woman and Child Will Pay $363 to Support Government This Year

WASHINGTON—(U.P.)—The cost of our federal, state and local government will average this year about $363 for every man, woman and child, according to a survey published by the "U. S. News and World Report."

That compares with the peak wartime figure of $380 per head to show that the spending trend is down, but not much. The 1949 cost of government roughly will divided about like this:

Federal government, $270 per person; state, municipal and local government, $93 per person.

Americans steadily have been buying more government, especially federal government, for many years. The rate of increase is astonishing. The cost of federal government for each man, woman and child in the United States in 1915 was a modest $6.94. World War I drove the figure to a peak of $51.82 per person.

In the boom year of 1928 the cost was $30.24. In the first year of FDR's first administration it averaged $40.95. After that the trend was steadily upward until the 1945 World War II peak—a dizzy $719 per head.

Last year the figure was $268 and an upward trend apparently has begun again. According to figures assembled by Rep. Daniel A. Reed, R., N. Y., the federal tax take in the fiscal year which begin July 1 will in every state exceed the sum of taxes collected by all state and local agencies.

"EVERY DOLLAR of the record-breaking peacetime $41,900,000,000 spending budget proposed by President Truman for the next fiscal year must be raised by direct and hidden taxes exacted from the people.

Reed said five states would bear the major burden of Mr. Truman's spending program. He listed them with their estimated direct and indirect federal tax contributions, as follows:

California, $3,486,000,000; Illinois, $3,301,000,000; New York, $6,486,000,000; Ohio, $2,442,000,000; Pennsylvania, $3,251,000,000.

Five other states contribute $1,000,000,000 or more in direct and indirect taxes to the federal spending program, according to Reed's table. They are: Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey and Texas.
Yankee Hill

By EVELYN HENRICKS

THE PAGEANT HELD on the Hopkins ranch in Concaw Saturday night was a most enjoyable affair. A large and appreciative audience enjoyed to the utmost the thrilling scenes portrayed by fire-light of the early days in California. First came the scene of Indians in their native habitat, next the covered wagon followed by scenes of pioneer days through it all was woven a romance culminating in the marriage of the pioneer couple in a home of an early day settler. The home was furnished with antiques loaned by members of the early day families of this community.

A VIVID DESCRIPTION of each scene was ably given by the narrator Lloyd Sheen. After the program refreshments of cake and coffee was served by the Ladies Club of Yankee Hill and those present were invited to the Hopkins home where dancing was enjoyed for the remainder of the evening.

MR. AND MRS. WILLARD SCOTT and family have moved from Hendricks corners to the West ranch in Concaw Valley.

MRS. FREIDA MILLER who has been a guest at the home of Evelyn Hendrick for some time has returned to her home in Woodland.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES ODNEAL were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Peck.

AMONG THE newly-weds who were weekend visitors here were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Williams of Oroville, and Mr. and Mrs. Michaelson of Bay Meadows. Mrs. Michaelson was formerly Dolores Williams of this place, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Williams.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES CROYHAM and family of Oroville were visitors here Sunday.

JACK LACKRIDGE of Woodland was a weekend visitor at his home here. Lackridge, who has been ill for some time, is a patient at the Woodland Clinic.

MR. AND MRS. ORIN DUNCAN of Paradise were visitors Monday, at the home of Mrs. Duncan’s brother Ralph Miller of the Pines.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES ODNEAL and son Dick accompanied by Jack Lockridge, all of Woodland, narrowly escaped serious injury Saturday afternoon at the intersection of the Big Bend and Concaw roads when their car ran head on into another car driven by Lulu Irwin of Wings auto court. Dick Odneal who was driving said he was momentarily blinded by the reflection of the sun shining on the windshield. Mrs. Odneal suffered a knee injury and a badly sprained ankle. None of the other occupants was injured. Mrs. Irwin and a lady passenger were uninjured save for a few minor cuts and bruises. The Odneal car was badly damaged and it was necessary to call a wrecker from Oroville. The Irwin car received only slight damage.
PG&E Seeks Right-of-Way

The Pacific Gas and Electric Co. has filed an eminent domain suit in superior court seeking to obtain a 100-foot wide right of way through property along Big Bend Road, near Intake, for erection of an electric transmission line.

In the suit, filed against M. W. and Ruth Armstrong, Leo L. Neher and Betty J. Neher, and Lorin Balsley and Elbertha Balsley, the company asks that the court set a value of the property it seeks to condemn. The company asks a 100-foot right of way across lots 11 and 14, of section 36, Township 22 North, Range 4 East. The strip contains 5.88 acres. It also seeks to condemn two-tenths of an acre on the Armstrong property so that brush and trees can be removed from the parcel.

If the 100-foot strip is condemned, removal of the five-room Armstrong home would be necessary, it is understood.

The complaint states that the land is needed in erection of a power line from Bucks Creek Power House, in Plumas county, to Bellota substation in San Joaquin county.

The company is represented by Robert H. Gerdes and P. H. Pearson, San Francisco attorneys, and Peters and Peters of Chico.
Hunter Held in Death of Boy

UKIAMI, Aug. 12.—(UP)—The Mender James Moural, 29, held pending "amplification" of a report that a bullet from his rifle killed James Bussey, 15, on a hunting trip Monday.

Moural was jailed after David G. Bird, a Sacramento criminologist, found that a bullet from Moural's seven-millimeter rifle pierced Bussey's heart.

No charges were placed against Moural until Bird's full report was received. Bird told Sheriff Beverly Broaddus that the bullet was fired from a gun identified as Moural's.

Moural was one of a party of six hunters that set out Monday morning on the Clark ranch, 25 miles north of Willits. Later in the morning all members of the party except Bussey suddenly returned to the ranch-house packed up and left.

After an all-night search, Bussey's body was found Tuesday morning.

A "hold" order was sent out for all members of the party, and their rifles were impounded pending a ballistic test.

The party included, besides Bussey and Moural, his brother, George Moural, 34; their father, James Moural Sr.; Don Jones, and Adrian Clark, owner of the ranch. The Mourals and Jones are from Chico.
UKIAH, Aug. 13 — Mendocino county authorities today released James Moural, Jr., and his brothers, Charles, 39 and George, 34, of Chico.

The men were being held in connection with the accidental shooting of James Bussey, 14, Monday near Longvale. Ballistic tests indicated that the bullet which killed the youth came from James Moural’s gun.

The men were released on the recommendation of James Busch, district attorney of Mendocino county.

James Moural will probably be arraigned on a manslaughter charge next week, officers said.
Missing Persons

HARRY L. CHURCHMAN

OROVILLE (Butte Co.), Oct. 4.—The sheriff's office has issued a statewide bulletin in an effort to locate Harry L. Churchman, 75 year old Oroville man missing from his home since last Wednesday.

Mildred H. Wright, a daughter, reported he left home to take a walk and expressed a fear he wandered from familiar surroundings and may have become confused.

He is described as being five foot four inches tall, weighing 120 pounds, light complexioned, having sandy hair and mustache with little gray, and blue eyes. He wears spectacles. He walks with a noticeable stoop. When last seen he was wearing dark trousers with a narrow white stripe, dark work shirt, suspenders, dark sweater, forest service hat and black, ankle length soft shoes.