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House Burns In Cherokee

A house and barn on the D. L. Vintin estate in Cherokee and the household property of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Juchtzer, occupants, were destroyed by a fire that was reported at 10:40 a. m. yesterday.

The house and barn had an estimated value of \$1500, while the household property was said to be worth \$3000.

Two trucks from the State Division of Forestry in Thermalito and one from Durham were called to the fire.

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Hoefling Brothers Is Reorganized

Re-organization of Hoefling Brothers mining enterprise has been completed, it was announced today. It will be known hereafter as Surcease Mining Company, with headquarters at 1820 D. Street, Sacramento. The change was effective Jan. 1.

President of the new company will be J. W. Hoefling, who made the announcement. Allan E. Jones will be vice president and general manager and J. B. McGee, secretary-treasurer.

There will be no change in established policies of management and communications to the above address may be made for the new company as well as for the Hoefling Brothers co-partnership. The latter will remain in effect, Hoefling said, in business interests other than mining.

Enterprises effected in the transfer include the Surcease Mine and Big Bend Sawmill, both in the Oroville district, and the Spud Patch Placer at Atolia.

W. E. Messner will be general manager of the Oroville mining and lumbering operations. He is a director of the new company.

9-22-1947

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.

Electric Services Are Extended Into Three Rural Areas

Rural residents of the Cohasset, Cherokee and Oregon City areas are now using electricity, following the energization of lines to those sections by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company. R. Bowler, DeSabra Division manager of the company, announced Friday.

Lines to 70 customers in Cohasset and the surrounding area were put into operation last week following about four months of construction work by the company. The wires were tapped into the Richardson Springs Chico line, and follow Cohasset Road into that community. Branch wires are tapped into the major one for individual users along the road, Bowler said.

About three weeks ago, the Cherokee Oregon City area above Oroville was also furnished with electric service for the first time. The 52 customers in that section are served with a wire from the Paradise main line, Bowler explained.

These extensions of electric service are in keeping with the company's program of giving rural residents electricity, he said. Electric service in an area always results in rapid development of that section, and since the wires have been put up, there has been a move toward increased real estate development of both communities, Bowler said.

The Cohasset project involves about 20 miles of line, while the Cherokee-Oregon City job included approximately 15 miles of line. In both sections new users may be tapped on to the lines by making application to the company, Bowler said.

12-26-1947

Concow Mill Worker Is Reported To Be Missing

OROVILLE (Butte Co.), Dec. 26. Leslie Boman, 29, of Concow, a lumber worker for the Earl Simmons sawmill in that area, was reported missing this week. He was reported as having been seen by friends last Saturday night at the Rock House, near Jarboe Gap.

The report of his disappearance was made by A. O. Griggs of the Yankee Hill district, who told Sheriff W. H. Forward Boman's wife resides in Wasco, and is expecting a child soon. No organized search has been instigated, pending a report from neighbors of the missing man.