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CONCOW POOL TO REMAIN OPEN THRU SUMMER

This special meeting of the Paradise Recreation District Board of Directors was called on very short notice and only two items were on the agenda - "Discussion and possible action on operation of Paradise Swim Pool and Concow Swim Pool for the rest of the season".

The Park District Board, and in particular, Mr. Anderson, Chairman, should be applauded by our entire community for their sincere interest and concern for our area, and especially for the young people living here.

Only two members of the Board had serious reservations about keeping our pool open for the remainder of the summer season, but when the vote was taken, the decision was unanimous in our favor.

Dick Johnson reported on pool statistics for this summer. In the 30 days the pool had been in operation, there was an average attendance of 50 persons per day compared to last year's average of 61 persons per day. This year the average income is \$18.00 per day, and the present daily salaries are \$28.00 per day.

At the end of the summer Paradise Recreation District is billed by Concow School for heavy maintenance and supplies, last year this amounted to \$1,432.00.

Under mutual agreement with Feather River Recreation District for this year, all costs and all income will be shared 50-50 by Paradise and Oroville.

The major problems facing the future of Concow pool is not this summer, but because of Prop. 13's drastic effect on Recreation Districts, the years to follow. It may be necessary to re-

evaluate the agreement with Concow School.

Communication with the local school board has always been poor, but Mr. Anderson pointed out there is new hope because of the new school board member, Mr. James Gamette, who is eager to work with the Park District.

Three people represented the Concow area at this meeting, Clare Rodriguez, Howard Clark and Joyce Clark.

THANK YOU!

May I take this way to express my feelings for our friends and neighbors. Especially to the men of our volunteer fire company. Their response to my call for help was answered within approximately 15 minutes. I will never be able to thank them enough for their help, and how much this area needs what this group is trying to do for us. Thank you gentlemen!

Also, special thanks to Mr. William Anderson, our resident deputy sheriff. He was and is a comfort to have so near and ready to help.

-Carl Baldwin

COMMUNITY MEETING TONIGHT

Tonight, August 3, at 8 P.M., the Community meeting will begin at Concow School. The agenda items are:

1. Mike Tegtmeyer, from the Chico Chapter of the Lung Association, will speak on the effects of the pending coal plant, should it become a reality.
2. Reading and discussion of the proposed Constitution to our Community Association.
3. Proposed letter to the Paradise Recreation District thanking them for keeping Concow Pool open.
4. Proposed letter to the Oroville District Ranger thanking the department for their suspension of aerial application of herbicides in the Oroville District this year.

Be sure to attend, and remind a neighbor to come, or better yet, bring a neighbor with you.

ENGINE NO. 37 ON DISPLAY

Sunday afternoon, August 6th, at 2 P.M., Engine #37 will be on display in Camelot for residents there. Volunteers will be on hand to answer questions for all those interested.

NATURE NOTES

By: Deanna Lickey

Almost everyone has heard of insect eating plants and are familiar with the Venus Fly-Trap and the Pitcher Plant but few people realize that many of our common, sometimes inconspicuous "weeds" also trap insects.

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One such plant growing in the Concow area is the Milkweed. The flowers are specially constructed so that an insect wishing a drop of nectar slips when it lands on the flower, and gets its' foot caught in a small slit. If the insect is strong enough to get his foot out he will be carrying two pollen sacs. If the insect is not so strong, it remains, with its' foot stuck in the flower where it soon dies.

Another plant common to this area, which traps mosquitoes and gnats, is the Dutchman's Pipe. This plant blooms in the early spring, the unusual, pipe-shaped blossoms opening even before the leaves appear. Mosquitoes fly into the small opening and become trapped inside where they decompose, giving nutrients to the plants. If this plant could be induced to bloom all summer long it would be a great alternative to spraying.

The Sleepy Catch-Fly actually catches more ants than flies, and sometimes catches an occasional aphid or a mosquito. This plant exudes a very sticky substance on black bands all along the stem. Any insect attempting to climb up the plant gets stuck.

Many of the "Tarweeds", those "noxious weeds" whose method of seed dispersal is to stick to anything and everything, (Preferably to the socks and clothing of humans), have tiny, glandular hairs which cover the plant and in which aphids perish.

No matter how obnoxious or insignificant certain plants may be to human beings, they have a definite purpose in nature and it would behoove us to learn all we can and put this knowledge to our advantage instead of indiscriminately spraying them with ineffective poisons which kill not only weeds, but birds and beneficial insects too.

SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A special board meeting was called on July 29th. At this meeting, the Board okayed getting estimates for the necessary blacktopping to be done. They also approved purchase of two doors for the new addition in accordance with fire inspection requests.

The Board interviewed the six applicants chosen from the 48-50 applications received for the position of principal-administrator. No decision was reached. It is expected that the Board will announce their decision at the August meeting.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Green and Gold Casserole, submitted by Carol Linn. From the Sr. Citizens Nutrition Bulletin.

1 lb. zucchini, sliced	2 dashes Tabasco sauce
1-16 oz. can whole kernel corn	2 eggs
1½ cup. cottage cheese	1 to 2 tbsp. diced green chilis
2 tbsp. sour cream	½ cup grated Cheddar cheese
2 tbsp. flour	½ cup buttered breadcrumbs
¾ tsp. salt	
dash pepper	

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Steam zucchini until tender; drain. Drain corn. In blender, combine cottage cheese, sour cream, flour, chilis, seasonings and eggs. Blend until smooth. Combine with zucchini and corn. Pour into a buttered 1 quart casserole dish; top with Cheddar cheese and buttered breadcrumbs. Bake 45 minutes. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

THESE PATHS

By: Skip Clark

Coal Plant - Part 2. This week I would like to discuss the public health issues relating to the coal-fired power plant. This information is gleaned from written testimony by Kitty Howard, facility siting planner in the Health Unit of the Engineering and Environment Division of the California Energy Commission. Ms. Howard is studying literature that indicates possible adverse health impacts relating to contaminants to be released by the coal plant.

Personally, I found the report deficient. Ms. Howard only has a B.A. degree (as compared to mostly Phd's who did research in other areas; and for all this "research" into literature she only lists 7 bibliography sources.

The pollution being examined is (1) respirable fly ash, (2) trace elements, (3) polycyclic organic matter (POM), "The primary public health concern associated with emissions of POM's is their carcinogenic potential" (4) radionuclides (radiation). The fly ash is the vehicle for transmitting POM, trace elements and the radiation.

The trace elements present in coal which are potentially hazardous to human health include arsenic, beryllium, boron, cadmium, chromium, copper, fluorides, lead, manganese, mercury, nickel, selenium, vanadium and zinc. "Research has not led to conclusive results regarding health impacts resulting from concentrations as would be released from the plant". The effect of trace elements from the plant can't be estimated because PG&E had not done an air quality analysis of any of the four sites when submitting their NOI.

"Staff is presently examining trace elements resulting from coal combustion in light of the fact that the first F.D.A. Market

Basket Survey (done in 1975 by Mahaffey et al) indicated that for some elements (e.g. cadmium) the dietary intake levels are already approaching the provisional WHO/FOA tolerated intake limits for trace elements by adults".

Since the amount of trace elements pollution in the valley is not known the CEC staff can't determine how much will residents be exposed to these pollutants. Remember that the affected area to be contaminated by pollutants is 80 miles in diameter around the plant!

"Radionuclides (radiation) will be emitted by the proposed facility". PG&E estimates that the exposure would be less than 1% of the normal background exposure. (We are continually being bombarded by cosmic and terrestrial radiation that is natural in origin. With an atomic reactor power plant the maximum allowed radiation to the whole body is 5 millirems. The coal plant is estimated to produce 1 to 2 millirems.

Ms. Howard did not address herself to the pollutants: sulphur oxides - 6,620 tons emitted per year; oxides of nitrogen - 3,285 tons per year; carbon monoxide - 1,559 tons per year.

Ms. Howard states, "insofar as the airborne trace elements, radionuclides and POM's which could result in adverse health impacts will be controlled by best available control technology (BACT), and will only be emitted in the uncontrolled function of the proposed plant's airborne effluents, no further measures may be available to mitigate their ultimate availability in the environment". Sorry, but that isn't true. PG&E has not decided to use BACT in their plant despite their claims. From docket No. 77-NOI-4 - evaluating air quality (which I will discuss next time) page 2, #4 statement in the summary:

"The best available control technology of various criteria pollutants to control emissions from the proposed facility are listed in table 6. These limits are more stringent than the controls listed in the NOI". (emphasis mine). So PG&E is lying to you and me when they say they have employed the best pollution control devices. I have nothing against PG&E, I am only reporting what my studies have revealed.

PERSONAL NOTES FROM GFE

Rose Hunt, of Big Bend Road, is a patient at Feather River Hospital in Paradise. Rose is in for tests and observation.

Gina, Lani, Vicki and Julie Grieco from Chico, helped with garden chores, while visiting with Uncle Darro and Grandma Jay on Big Bend Road for several days.

Moline Mayfield's mother, Eva Frisby and granddaughter, Lori Webb, visited at Mayfields' on Big Bend Road. Their pontoon cabin boat redecorated and newly furnished was launched and residing at Lime Saddle Marina.

Condolences and sympathy go out to Bill Boone and family on

Highway 70. Mr. Boone's sister-in-law, Julia Faye Boone, died earlier this week.

A speedy recovery to Mrs. Pearl Adler, GFE reader in Danville, and a special thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Whelan and Le Anne Crown, for all their help during Mrs. Adler's illness and her time of need.

Mr. & Mrs. Gussoni were up over the weekend to visit with Mr. and Mrs. James Langes of Yankee Hill.

The many telephone lines out of service during recent days were a result of someone shooting into the telephone cable in several places.

WILDFLOWERS

By: Jay

Large Blue Flags, Blue Eyed Grass and Forget-Me-Nots are found near brooks, marshes, in wet meadows and flood plains throughout North America. The leafy Large Blue Flag generally grows two to three feet tall with many violet-blue, tubular flowers that blossom from May to June. The star like flowers of Blue-Eyed Grass (another member of the Iris family) pattern the wet fields from March to May; while the light blue yellow-centered flowers of the Forget-Me-Nots bloom from May to September. The little Green Tree Frog tends to be a night active climber. The bulbs on the tips of its toes are suction discs that assist in climbing; its large bulbous eyes are normal for an animal that prefers to be active in the dark of the night. He enjoys an audience.

MISSING TRUCK DRIVER CAUSES CONCERN

Monday afternoon, at approximately 3:30, a loaded logging truck failed to negotiate the sharp S curve near Concow School on Concow Road, and went over the embankment. Shortly thereafter several residents stopped, and became concerned that the driver could have either been pinned in the truck or perhaps wandered away dazed. Some of the local volunteer fire fighters were on hand to assist. They searched for a time in, under and around the cab of the truck. It finally became apparent that the driver had caught a ride with another truck going out.

The truck was pulled out Tuesday and taken back to Quincy. The truck is one of the C-M Logging Trucks out of Quincy, California.

While it is still not certain, it appears that the driver missed a gear and stalled, rolling back over the embankment. It might serve as a lesson for some of our residents who follow very closely behind loaded logging trucks going out on this road.

Sight is a faculty; seeing is an art. - George Perkins Marsh.

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Tonight, Thursday, August 3rd, at 8 P.M. at Concow School, is the community meeting. Be sure to attend!

Wednesday, August 9th, is the next Board of Directors meeting of the Golden Feather Volunteer Fire Company at Concow School. Meeting begins at 7:30 P.M., with auxiliary meeting to follow. Open to the public.

Saturday, August 12, at 8 P.M. at Concow School, is the regular meeting of the Golden Feather Governing Board of Trustees meeting. Agenda to be published in next week's paper.

FRUIT, VEGETABLES, NUTS & SEEDS

Submitted by: Myrtle Langes

These are for shortness of breath, recommended by Dr. J. M. Kadans.

Barley, black walnuts, Brazil Nuts, Peanuts, peas, pecans, soy beans.

GLIMPSE INTO THE PAST

The following true anecdote was passed along to us by Mrs. Katharine Bolles. It was related to her by Herbert Stout, an Oakland attorney, and he had spent a few of his childhood years in Yankee Hill.

"His father was superintendent of Butte County Schools. In those

days the hotel at Yankee Hill was thriving. Miners came and went regularly, Mrs. Spencer and Mrs. Wells employed kitchen help to care for their stream of mining transient guests.

One of these miners was a disagreeable, burly ruffian who took a violent dislike to a certain harmless little Chinese worker at the hotel. When drunk, as the miner was most of the time, his mood became violent toward this one particular innocent victim.

Time after time he would arrive staggering from his "diggins" and once his eye lit on the poor little Chinese fellow, he'd rant and rave murderously."

Herbert continued, "One late afternoon in spring we saw, racing toward our cabin by the school house, this little fellow - pigtail flying out straight, headed for our door - and ten feet behind him, the miner, puffing, cursing and brandishing a gun. My mother opened our door wide, went then to the fireplace and took down Papa's gun, came back as the Chinaman panted in. She told him to jump into the barrel of laundry that stood half hidden behind a curtain. I can still see his little felt slippers showing above the barrel's edge, trembling they were.

My mother took her stand just outside our doorway and held the gun firmly, as the pursuing miner hauled up short - out of breath. She said to him, 'You come one step nearer and I will shoot'. He threw a bleary look at her, turned slowly around and trudged back down the dusty road...I think at that moment I became the proudest little boy in all the world".

Katharine tells us that Mr. Stout visited with the Bolles' in 1962, and they walked over the area, he found the hotel foundation and paced off the site of his parents cabin.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor,

I have been following with great interest the controversy generated by the school boards' refusal to allow a local theater group access to the Concow School for their rehearsals.

The arrogant and offhand dismissal of this seemingly reasonable request, by Mr. Moak (longtime non-resident school board member) was ridiculous to say the least. If a play production aimed at entertaining children is not "educational", then

Furthermore, I seem to recall that one of the arguments in favor of passage of the school bond issue that built the stage, et. al., was that it would be available for community purposes.

So our school board has shown it's true colors: Arrogance and ignorance!

Doug Welborn

Ed. Note: The dotted lines in the second paragraph were edited out by us.

Dear Editor,

It seems the school board has once again outdone themselves in the lack of common sense department! If the school is used for nothing but "educational purposes", what are the other events taking place there? For instance, the church, the fire meetings, the community meetings, etc.?

It is obvious since the passage of Proposition 13, that many changes will come to all schools in California. And it seems to be a fair assumption that any group not connected directly with the school should pay a fair rate for utilization of any one of the buildings available for meetings, or other purposes. Since there is no other community center available, nor has there been in years past, it stands to reason that the school built with taxpayers money, would serve as an outlet for community functions serving those same taxpayers.

It would seem to this writer that Mr. Williams need have no fear of everyone in the state lining up to want to use the building for various events, another ridiculous statement made with no apparent fore or after thought! If the residents of this community would like to journey through the land of "incredible", attend one of the school board meetings, incidentally through all these long years, the conduct of those meetings has not improved, if anything it sounds as though it has regressed.

A long time resident and taxpayer

USING WAYSIDE PLANTS

By: Clare Rodriguez

Members of the rose family has a number of common names, such as Shad-bush, June berries, Service berries, or Indian Pear, and in this countryside fruit has long been used as a source of food. The Indians used the dried berries as a basic ingredient in their pemmican. The rather pulpy fruits were gathered in large quantities, pounded, dried and then mixed with corn meal, buffalo meat, or other foods to make their pemmican cakes.

The pulp of the ripe fruit in almost all of the species of Roses is quite juicy and sweetish. Although not as valuable as many other plants of the wild for culinary purposes, the smaller fruits can be used in muffins, cooked in a pie as "mock cherries" or dried and used as "currants".

BETTY SUTTON RETURNS HOME

Betty Sutton returned from a two weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Parkinson of Huntington Beach. Mr. & Mrs. Parkinson and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zollinger and family from Berkely spent the weekend with the Ed Suttons to celebrate their mother's birthday.

PASTOR'S CORNER

By: Rev. Steve Lamkin, Little Church on the Mountain

You, (Self) are your own worst enemy!

In Matt. 16;24-26, Jesus says: "If any one wishes to come after Me, Let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life shall lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake shall find it. For what will a man be profited if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or, what will a man give in exchange for his soul."

Someone said one time that Sin is the abbreviation of Self-Interest meaning that to put SELF ahead of God or Christ; to put self ahead of our brethren is being selfish with God.

Deitrich Bonhoeffer, a Christian Martyr of WWII's Germany, said in his book "The Cost of Discipleship" that WHEN JESUS CALLS A MAN, HE CALLS HIM TO COME AND DIE!

We come to the point in our life where we finally decide that all of the pleasures of the world and of the flesh cannot possibly fill the longing for love and peace and joy, then we hear the Holy Spirit say, 'come to Jesus', and we answer the call. We say yes to Jesus, accept Him as Saviour and Lord. Then, the LORD, (that's what we called Him), the LORD begins to make demands of us, He says, DIE TO SELF, He says "DENY YOURSELF", He says, CONSIDER OTHER BETTER THAN YOURSELF, He says, BEAR YE ONE ANOTHERS BURDENS, and we say...Hey Jesus, I'm saved, I know you died for me, BUT, (how many of you know how to tell the difference between sheep and GOATS.) BUT LORD, man I like the way I am, and I'm as good as anybody else, and haven't I got about enough troubles of my own, without bearing someone elses burdens.

I ask you friend. When God saw that man was all messed up, and that he was destined to HELL, He sent His son, Jesus Christ, to die for you and I. Now what if Jesus had said, Father, it's tough enough just being a Man for a while, and look Father these guys (Man) got themselves in trouble, not me, I never DISOBEYED God, why should I die for them?

But thanks to God, Jesus didn't say those things, instead he faced the ugly cross and said, "GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAT HE LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR A FRIEND", and he said, "NOW I NO LONGER CALL YOU SLAVE BUT FRIEND."

If you can't grasp the principle of that, why don't you just lift up your eyes to God and ask Him to reveal Himself to you, then open your Bible to Matt. Chapter 16 and begin to read. God said, "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the (REVEALED) word of God." If you cannot understand, write to this column and we'll contact you.

Hear Gospel Road, Sunday 8-9 a.m. on KFMP Radio...FM 94.

CHURCH NEWS

Church is held each Sunday, Little Church on the Mountain, meets at Concow School. Bible study is at 10 A.M., and worship services begin at 11 A.M. Services are interdenominational and under the direction of Rev. Steve Lamkin.

YOUTH MEETINGS are held each Wednesday evening in Rev. Lamkins' home. Youth minister, is Rev. Bill Wood. For information or if you need transportation, call 533-3078 or 533-9697.

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All letters to the editor must be signed, names will be withheld from the paper on request. Letters should be held to 500 words whenever possible. Letters must be legible, they need not be typewritten. All material for the following week must reach us by Wednesday noon.

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EDITORS NOTES

We take this opportunity to thank our readers who commented favorably on the "pastel paper" of last week. You will be seeing more of the same in the future; we are using a new paper supplier and were happy with the results.

Each week we receive a sizeable amount of contributions of small items - poems, quotes, fillers, etc., from our readers, and over the course of months, this amounts to a very sizeable amount. We use as many of these items as we can, and regret that we are not able to utilize them all. We ask reader indulgence, we realize that each contribution is very important to the one submitting it, so if you do not see your article in a reasonable length of time, chances are, it has been placed in our permanent file of fillers, to be pulled out at random when needed.

The following is one we have had for over a year, we hope you will enjoy it:

Some day when you're feeling important,
Some day when your ego's in bloom,
Some day when you're feeling you're the most important man
in the room,
Take a bucket and fill it with water, stick your hand in up
to the wrist,
Pull it out, and the hole that remains, is the measure of how
much you'll be missed.
You may splash all you wish when you enter, stir the water around
galore,
But you find when you finally leave it, it's exactly the same
as before.
So, as you follow your daily agenda, always do the best that
you can -
Be proud of yourself, but remember - There is no indispensable
man!

The author of the above is unknown, it was submitted to us by our co-worker, Jay Grieco.