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# Howdy Neighbor 4-H Club Camp



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#### HOWDY NEIGHBOR

## It's Camp Week For Empire 4-H Clubs In Napa County's Las Posadas Forest

#### Sleeping Under Stars Fun for Farm Youths

By MIKE PARDEE Redwood Empire Editor

disturbed best-if you like camping and pioneering-then you'd like Las Posadas State Forest in Napa County.

It is an area, almost untouched by man's improvement, 785.46 acres located approximately in fruitful Napa

> It is an area that is almost

unknown to the tourist, as well as nearby valley residents. But it is known every tree, shrub, spring, stream and Indian rock of it to thousands of

4-H Club boys and girls of 5 counties. Las Posadas-"The Inns" in Spanish-is important to the forest technician and the conservationist as location of the most easterly stand of the coast redand the most westerly stand of forest growth typical of the great inland valley area—a sort of meeting place of Nature. It is known to the archaeologist

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as an important stopping place of the aboriginal Sacramento Valley Indians on their annual treks to the coast for fish and shellfish

But it is best known for the role it has played since 1928 as site of the annual summer 4-H camp for boys and girls of the agricultural youth movement from Sonoma, Marin, Napa, Con-ira Costa and Alameda Counties.

FOR MOST of the year it is a quiet tract of wooded slopes, deep, shaded, fern covered canyons, level grassy clearings and craggy peaks with a magnificent view of the Napa Valley to the

But for 5 weeks out of the year, starting usually around June 17, during daylight hours it echoes with the shouts of youngsters, bustles with noisy ball games, noisier swimming parties, with singing hikers and clamoring "chow" lines at the concrete block kitchen in the center of the

The season was opened this year by Napa County, when 207 If you love nature at her un- members of the county's 14 clubs, and their leaders-the biggest camp in history of club work in the neighboring county-filled the campground to capacity.

> Last week about 125 Marin County boys and girls headed by Glen Goble, farm advisor and county 4-H Agent, took over for their annual program.

> This week its Sonoma County's turn.

MORE THAN 200 are signed for the weeklong period, Ray Isle, Sonoma County 4-H Agent

They'll be taking off early this morning in family automobiles, to start their 6-day jaunt.

From registration time this afternoon, until the camp closes Saturday evening, July 7, they'll be living in another world. Even time will be changed.

When Harold Higgins, Santa Rosa High School athlete and member of the Bennett Valley Club rolls out of his blankets and sounds Revielle on his battered bugle tomorrow morning, it will be 6:30 o'clock by camp

Actually, as far as we folks at home are concerned, it will be 7:30 Pacific Daylight Time.

The camp operates on Standard Time.

ORVILLE M. BURNSIDE is camp director for the Sonoma County camp period, and president of the joint camp committee that handles the camp period for Las Posadas 4-H Camp Incorporated. He put it this way the other day on a visit to the Napa County camp:

'Our evening program is built around the camp fire-and that starts around 8:15 o'clock. If we were on Daylight time it wouldn't be dark. It seems to fit better into the whole camp program to go on Standard Time.

Certainly the kids don't object-it means another hour of "sack time," an important feature when there are no cows to be milked, pigs or beef animals, chickens, rabbits or sheep to be



All Howdy Photos by Staff Photographer L. G. Hamilton HERE'S THE WHOLE GANG Napa 4-H Campers Assembled at Dining Area

THE YOUNGSTERS them- whose branches almost meet eral buildings and a fenced-in selves have been thoroughly briefed. They've been planning the trip for months. Many of the

the first year campers.

Their sleeping bags and blankets have been rolled days in ad-vance of the takeoff. Their games, spare clothing, toilet articles, flashlights, pencils, writing paper, books, musical instruments—the dozen and one things that are deemed essential to a successful outing, whether they'll ever be used or not-have all been packed and repacked a dozen times in suitcases and cartons.

Each one has presented, or has ready to present, his health certificate, signed by the family doctor-a requirement of the camp in the interests of maintaining the excellent health record.

"Aside from poison oak there's never been a bad health problem," leaders say.

In preparation for handicraft courses they've packed pocket knives, paper cutting scissors, empty match boxes, spools, and bottle corks-all items that will be turned into handicraft materials before the week is over. At long last Mom and Dad

are ready to start.

So let's go along and have a

look at the camp that will be the youngsters' home for the

THE ROUTE leads out 4th St. in Santa Rosa, and into fast developing Rincon Valley. Opposite the old Rincon Schoolhouse on a knoll overlooking the highway, we swing onto the Calistoga Rd. and up over Rincon Grade. We travel past farmlands and over wooded streams, past the gates to Petrified Forest — once called 'The 8th Wonder of the World,,' with its forest giants long ago turned to stone by action of the volcano on Mt. St. Helena.

Past Calistoga we go with its spouting geysers. We drive down the Napa Valley with its old stone-walled, ivy-covered wineries dominating the vineyard planted slopes.

On the right a few miles down the valley we pass the old Bale Mill with its towering water wheel, where in pioneer days the Bale family ground valley grown wheat into flour for the early settlers. Now a state monument the old mill is one of the most picturesque, and most often pho-tographed, landmarks of the area.

We enter quiet, homey St. Helena with its Old World charm through a bower of giant elms overhead to make a leafy tunnel.

JUST WITHIN the St. Helena them are "old timers," veterans of the tree-shaded roadway we But they're just as excited as take the left turn at the St. Helena Sanitarium sign.

This paved route crosses the beautiful, scenic Silverado Trail, a road of quiet charm that skirts the eastern edge of the valley from beyond Calistoga to Napa.

The route to the Sanitarium, one of 2 large institutions supported by the Adventist faith in Napa County, swings sharply up hill past flowering Toyon, oaks and madrones to give, at the turns, breathtaking views of the Napa Valley, one of the most beautiful valleys of the entire Redwood Empire.

"Keep to the right," Orville M. Burnside, camp director, has

advised. That route swings off the road to the Sanitarium and up hill, around turns, climbing steadily to Angwin, site of the Pacific Union College, the 2nd Adventist-owned institution in the area.

Just inside the entrance gates and before reaching the branching roads that lead to the college campus proper, the route to Las Posadas takes another right hand

We leave the pavement shortly in this route, at the corner of a fenced grove that marks the northwestern boundary of the

SOON A rustic arch over a wide gate appears. A sign "Las Posadas State Forest," indicates that we are reaching our destination.

"There's a camp ahead, with a towering, rock fireplace, sev"That's an old CCC Camp, now

used by the State Forestry department as a fire suppression camp," Mr. Burnside said. Up the dirt road, past the

cluster of buildings there's, a sign on a tree, announcing an important bit of information to campbound motorists.

It lists the time for cars to travel the balance of the way, down a mile and a half grade, to reach the camp via a strictly controlled road.

Cars entering the campgrounds can do so from the even hour until 20 minutes past the hour. Cars heading out of camp likewise have 20 minutes for the trip, leaving the grounds at half past the hour, until 10 minutes to the next hour.

As soon as you start down grade the reason for the control is apparent.

The road, maintained by the State Division of Forestry, narrow and fairly steep. though an easy one to driveunless you happen to have a low slung car and knock a hole in your cranckcase pan as we did on our first visit-it is narrow and there are only a few places where passing is possible.

PULLING into the campgrounds the first thing that meets the eye is the flagstaff-where ceremonies are conducted daily -and an arch with a large sign, decorated with the similar, green 4-leaf clovers of the 4-H organization reading:

Las Posadas 4-H Club Camp. To the right is the dining area an earth platform, the front held in place with a bulkhead of concrete blocks, and the concrete block kitchen that is the pride and joy of the 5 county committee sponsoring the camp.

Latest addition to camp facilities, the 20 by 40 foot building, completely equipped with mod-ern facilities for production of nutritious meals, was built entirely by volunteer labor from among the camp committee membership.

"We worked in relays from January to June last year to get the building ready," Mr. Burnside said.

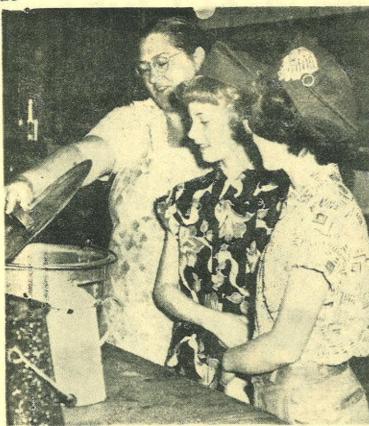
More than 100 men, leaders of the various community clubs in the 5 counties donated time to construct the building.

Its dedication June 11 was a highlight of the 1950 camp year. Keith Bissel, Napa County Farm Advisor and 4-H Agent

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"STRETCH IT TIGHT" Henry Bohn, Hessel; Bobby Withington, Old Adobe Club



WHAT'S COOKING? Mrs. Lloyd Wax, cook; Gail Jacobsen, Roblar; Joanna Marin, Todd

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## Farm Youths Bring Big **Appetites to 4-H Camp**

(Continued from preceding page) was master of ceremonies. Speakers included Herman J. Baade, Napa county director of Agricultural Extension Service, E. A. Erickson, fire warden of Napa Counyt; O. M. Burnside, chairman of the Las Posadaes Camp Board of Directors and Woodbridge Metcalf, Agricultural Extension Forester, who, as much as any one person, was the responsible for the 5-county camp being established on the property.

TO THE LEFT of the dining area and partially screened by the natural barriet of the forest wall and partially by a corrugated iron fence 8 feet high is the boys' camp.

A little distance to the right, past the first aid station, one of 3 green-painted wooden buildings on the grounds, is the girls'

Both installations are similar. Bed platforms, holding springs and mattresses are pliced in tiers on the sloping ground. The camp

committee owns and furnishes the platforms, springs and mattresses. Large circular tents are provided as "stand bys" in event of rain.

"Got rained out the first-year of the camp," Keith Bissell said.

Opposite the dining area, in a small grove, are the benches of the handicraft "room" where regular instruction periods are conducted daily.

A short distance beyond is the chapel grove, marked by a white cross fastened to a tree, where devotional services are conduct-

Down a winding path is the camp fire area-site of the evening programs which constitute one of the highlights of each camp's day.

It is a large, cleared-area with a rock walled fire ring in the center, surrounded by rustic

SANITARY facilities are pro-vided at each camp. The old kitchen building, one of the first buildings to be built under the 4-H camp plan, has been turned into an administration building.

Sonoma County's Senior Club members have their own project this year in camp-to enlarge the "hospital," as the first aid station is called.

Members have worked for weeks in Mr. Burnside's back-yard on Dutton Ave., to pre-fabricate walls and roof of a roo mwhich will be added to the original small structure.

Another small, green building on the grounds, also one of the 'old originals," houses the camp library.

Under way now, by adult leaders, is construction of a 12,000gallon, concrete block, water tank to supply the camp.

The water supply is from numerous springs on the hillside above camp. "All the water we can possibly use," Mr. Burnside said.

The tank construction was started a few months ago and probably won't be completed this season. However, the present water supply is adequate for all the needs of the camp this year, the leaders say. The new tank will not only supply water needed for the camp proper, but will also store a sufficient supply in event of fire in the area.

THERE ARE rules and regu-



"CHOW'S READY" Dining Area Is Busiest Place in Camp



SET FOR BED INSPECTION Norma Cox, Napa; Gail Jacobsen, Roblar Club

lations in camp-but there is a minimum of regimentation. Like all4-H meetings, the camp is on a self governing basis, with the adult leaders present to guide the members.

General rules require inspection and clearing of the camp area by the California State Division of Forestry before any camp group may depart.

No fire arms nor hunting knives are allowed within the enitre 800-acre area under terms of the contract with the Division of Forestry.

Cars must remain in the parking area except by permission of the camp director. Walking is the means of travel. Loaded cars are considered unsafe. They paise dust and are a fire hazard.

Garbage must be hauled each day to disposal pits and covered with dirt at the end of each camp period.

Each camp must have a fire chief and must take all necessary precautions against danger of fire-for this is a region of thickly wooded land.

As a part of the program of preserving the forest land each camper is required to spend 2 hours a day in study or research in forestry, botany or kindred

subjects. Or, in lieu of that study, the same amount of time must be spent on approved forrestry management practices, such as tree propagation or forest protection under the supervision of the state forest officer in charge.

THE USE of fire on the grounds is restricted to the stoves in the kitchen, or to small camp fires in approved cleared areas. All open fires must have at least one adult leader in attendance until the fire is completely extinguished.

No live trees or shrubs may be cut, no botanical specimens may be gathered, no fireworks are permitted. Campers must respect the signs, structures, improvements, trees and other vegetation. "Don't mark, deface or destroy them," is the Number One rule of the camp.

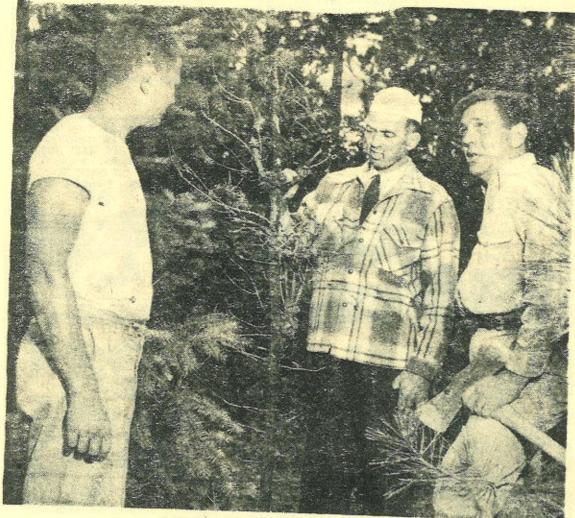
Registration day today will be spent in getting acclimated to the new home and organization of 4 Indian "tribes."

Traditionally the camp is divided into Indian tribes-a tradition that fits the area since near the Camp Fire circle are 2 large Indian rocks-on the faces of

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5-COUNTY STEPS O. M. Burnside and Ray Isle on New Kitchen Steps



FOREST CONSERVATION WORK Henry Bohn, Hessel Club; O. M. Burnside, Camp Director; Harvey Striplin, Forest Technician

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## 4-H Club Members Aid in Fight Against Forest Pest Near Camp

(Continued from preceding page) which from v to 20 mortar holes can be seen. They mark the stopping place of Valley where they camped and prepared food on their trek to the coast.

Several other similarly marked rocks have been found. One is near the site of the new water

Each camp tribe has its chief, its princess and its scribe.

Each is given, either the name of a known Indian tribe, or some fanciful name. Each tribe sets up its own laws, and each ar-ranges a series of stunts, games and camp fire programs.

Each Thursday in camp is Indian Day, with each tribe presenting a program during the evening camp fire period.

COMPETITION is keen. The tribes set up their own athletic contests, such as swimming meets, or ball games or relay Each tribe member can win points for keeping part of the camp clean and orderly, for

serving on "K.P." duty at the dining area and for competition ville, a registered nurse, is the in the athletic contests.

At close of the camp winning tribes are awarded special trophies.

Last year's log shows the following tribal setup:

Mowhawks: Chief Dick Shone; princess, Joan Morris; scribes, Barbara Robbins and Barry Ableman.

Iroquois: Chief; Wesley Black; princess, Doris McAlvain; scribe, Belle Skidmore.

Comanche: Chief, Henry Bohn; princess, Donna Du Vander; scribe, Joan Petersen.

The "Iroquois" won the 1950 eamp trophies-Indian head cutouts to be worn on the 4-H-Camp caps, donated by Mr. Burnside— by piling up 779 points.

ASSISTING Mr. Burnside in directing camp this year are All Star Joyce Williams of Windsor, girls' assistant director and Henry Bohn, Hessel Club, boys' as-

Mrs. Ralph Smith of Forestofficial camp nurse.

Mrs. Norman Miller, Hall club, is dean of girls; L. C. Skillman, dean of boys.

Mrs. Donald Winkler, Forestville, is the registrar; Mrs. D. M. Balcom and Mrs. A. Jones, treasurers.

Ray Isle, county 4-H Agent, is in charge of the educational program.

The handicraft program, which will embrace leather work, copper embossing and other subjects, will be handled by Mrs. L. C. Skillman, Mrs. O. M. Burnside, Mrs. M. F. Cooley, Mrs. Emmor Widdoes and Mrs. B. Sheldon

Swimming instructor, "almost a fixture in camp" is Blackie Dean, athletic coach at the nearby Pacific Union College.

Mrs. Widdoes will conduct chapel services.

Mrs. Cooley will be the camp

hostess, and Mrs. Lloyd Wax and sistant director. her daughter, Lolamae, known

OFF TO ROOSEVELT GROVE Work Party Taking Off to Fight Tree Fungus

to all the campers as "Honey-bee," preside over the kitchen, where food enough to feed a young army is prepared daily.

Breakfast and the evening dinner—held early because there's a long evening program period, are the heavy meals of the day.

"Lunch is just lunch," Mrs. Wax said.

THE MENUS have been carefully supervised by home econo-

Typical are the menus that will be in store for the campers Monday:

Breakfast-Oranges or grapefruit, packaged cereal, baked omelet, French bread, butter, jam, cocoa and coffee.

Luncheon—Baked beans, spin-ach, carrot and apple salad, bread, jam, butter, cookies, coffee, milk.

Dinner-Beef stew, fruit salad, French bread, butter, jam, choco-

late pudding, milk, coffee.

There's a different program
each day. Some days are devoted to tree study. On others there are bird, insect, or grass identification hikes.

Frequently the Division of Forestry is on hand to supervise a program.

There is the traditional 5-mile hike that usually starts at 5 a. m. But regardless of what special

program the day might hold, the average daily schedule runs something like this:

6:30-6:40 (Standard Time) Reveille-dress.

6:45-7:10-Roll call. Flag raising. Pledge to Flag. Devotions. 7:15-8:00-Breakfast.

8-8:15-Camp clean up. Make beds.

8:15-8:30 — Camp inspection. Sick call. 9:00-11:00-Field trip or edu-

cational. 11:00-12:00-Free period. Beginner swimming. Handicraft.

12:15-1:15-Lunch. 1:15-2:15-Rest period. Leaders' assembly.

2:15-3:00-Handicraft. Swim-3:15-5:00 — Swimming. Play.

5:00-5:30-Tribal meetings. 5:30-6:30—Supper. 6:30-8:00—Evening games.

8:15-9:00-Evening Camp Fire program.

9:00-9:20-Ready for bed. 9:30-Taps. Lights out. Quie

TAKING OFF directly opposite the camp proper—which occupies some 70 acres of the total Las Posadas region-the Metcalf Memorial trail leads along Moore Creek, which drains the camp, through a wooded area, used for nature study hikes.

It is named for Woodbridge Metcalf, the Extension Forester, who has figured prominently in the camp since its establishment as a recreational and educational center for 4-H boys and girls.

It passes through the most easterly known redwood grove and borders some of the valley oaks and other typical valley

A brief distance from camp, on the banks of Moore Creek, in a bower of tall Woodwardia fern is "Choir Practice Grove," where the 4-H Club choirs hold daily practice during the Sonoma County camp period.

AS FAR AS recorded history goes, the property was once a part of the old La Jota Grant, given by the crown of Spain to Col. Yount, first settler in the Napa Valley, for whom nearby Yountville, locale for the California State Veterans' Home, was named.

The first settler in the area was a man named Moore, who held squatters rights to the property for several years and whose name has been given to the stream that flows through the property.

Later, apparently, the property passed into the hands of a man named Musso. In 1878 John M. Morris, who had come from the east with his invalid wife, Melissa, and his father the Rev. Milton Morris, and mother, Dodge Morris, paid \$1,000 for the Musso rights to the property.

He developed it as a farm. apple trees he planted are (Continued on next page)



EVERY DAY'S WASH DAY Joanna Marin, Todd; Joyce Williams, Windsor

#### More About 4-H Camp



(Continued from preceding page) still bearing in a remote part of the area, and remains of the old original Moore cabin with a huge stone fireplace, as well as of several other old buildings still stand.

 Apparently Mr. Morris was the first settler in the area to see the benefits of intensive irrigation.

Narrow ditches, in places dug through outcroppings of solid basaltic rock, still remain along borders of the orchard where they once carried water from springs near the buildings to the orchard and gardens beyond.

MR. MORRIS died in 1907. With other members of his family, including his mother and father, his wife, daughter, Delphine; E. H. Morris and Martin Mordel, he is buried on "Graveyard Knoll," a tree shaded hill-top not far from camp.

The little cemetery has been set aside as a perpetual memorial to the Morris family, the "First Family at Las Posadas," by 4-H campers.

A pretty ceremony that was instituted several years ago at the camp is aimed at eventually converting the little cemetery knoll into a shrine for future campers.

During one day of each camp period the campers hike to Graveyard Knoll, each carrying a rock picked up on the camp

grounds.

As they enter the little cemetery, where a tall shaft marks the grave of Delphine, they lay their rocks on a growing pile of stone that one of these times will be used to built a wall about the property, or a large native stone memorial to the first settlers in

AFTER death of the Morris family the property was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Anson Blake of Berkeley. They built a summer cottage near the site of the old Morris homestead and

spent several summers there.

Lovers of nature they wanted to see their property retain its original form, with its growth of trees untouched by man's development.

They presented the property to the University of California for "recreational and educational purposes," with the proviso that it he retained as a primitive area.

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The University, unable to
properly handle the property,
turned it over to the State Division of Forestry.

In 1928, however, under supervision of the University, Farm Advisor H. J. Baade and W. H. Cudaback of Napa County and W. G. Waterhouse and Forester Woodbridge Metcalf of the University of California laid out the samp site for the summertime use of the 4-H boys and girls.

When the property passed to the hands of the State Division of Forestry, better equipped than the University to safeguard it against fire, the entire acreage became the Las Posadas State Forest, with the agreement that the camp portion be contracted for each year by 4-H organizations.

IN 1928-29 A. L. Emerick of Napa county was appointed superintendent of construction. With help of club leaders, AES staff members and leaders of the nearby counties, the first buildings, kitchen, now the ad-(Continued on next page)

WHAT'S WHY SHE'S GOING TO WORK IN THE POST OFFICE...

























#### More About 4-H Camp

(Continued from preceding page) ministration building; the first aid station and the library, were built and the first camp held.

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Napa and Solano Counties
were the first to use the new
facilities.

"It was a 2-county affair," Mr. Bissell recalled the other day while he was in camp assisting in direction of the Napa County

camp. .
"And it only lasted 3 days-we

got rained out."

From 1930 to 1932 bed platforms in both the boys' and the
girls' camps were constructed
and the administration building
was completed. At that time the
camp was stretched to a 5-day

period.

In 1933, when a CCC Camp occupied the original camp at the entrance gates, and also a camp on top of a nearby hill, where another State Forestry station is now maintained, the boys built the Merritt B. Pratt Swimming

Pool for the 4-H organization.

"We put up the money for the materials—\$75—and the boys built the pool," Mr. Burnside said. Before this construction Morris Creek had been dammed man to provide swimming facilities.

The pool, filled with clear and cold—water from Moore Creek, is located between the camp proper and the baseball park, approximately a quarter of a mile from the new kitchen building.

Reached by a footpath as well as a road, it is easily accessible to campers.

IN 1934 the 6-day camp plan was inaugurated.

From 1941 to 1945, war years, no regular camps were held although small week-end groups visited the picturesque area.

Regular camping was resumed in 1946 when Napa County reestablished its regular camping periods. That same year a DC generator was obtained to light the camp

the camp.
This was installed in 1948 and the camp was wired under supervision of Walter Greenwell of Napa County. The Napa State Hospital that year donated 200

Hospital that year donated 200 box springs and 120 mattresses. New sanitary facilities were installed in 1949.

The new water tank is the

I addition,
Future plans call for a new administration building at the rear of the dining platform. To be 20 by 40 feet, it will have a flat roof that can be used as a stage.

DEVELOPMENT possibilities are limitless. Such plans as a complete botanical museum, perhaps located directly over the largest of the mortar-filled Indian rocks are being discussed informally by leaders.

 Major conservation work at the camp at present is preservation of the President Roosevelt Birthday Grove—of 20 acres of conifers, planted by the CCC boys in 1934.

Planted to 6 varieties of pines
—Monterey, Coulter, Ponderosa,
Maritime, Scots and Aleppo—
after a fire in 1932 burned off
the native growth, the plantation
was threatened 2 years ago by
a coniferous fungous disease.

Forest technicians, headed by Harvey Striplin of the local division office, isolated the trouble and determined that the dense growth of small native shrubs springing up in wake of the fire probably induced rapid growth of the fungus by casting a dense shade on the young pines.

But the Forestry Division didn't have the manpower to cope with the problem.

AT THE time of the kitchen dedication the matter was discussed.

Someone ventured the question;

"Would the 4-H boys help?"
Would they? They jumped at
the chance.

Volunteer crews rushed forward. Forest Technician Striplin was on hand to show them what to do. He pointed to the swollen, ball like growths on the young trees, caused by the peridermium gall fungus. Some of the smaller trees were killed.

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SHIPMENT FOR CHILE Mrs. J. W. Mailliard With Merino Rams

## **Empire Merinos Flown** To Chile Sheep Ranch

YORKVILLE - First international shipment of sheep, 10 New Zealand Merino rams, from the Mailliara Ranch near here were shipped last week to the Charles M. Daly stud flock at Santiago,

The sheep were trucked to Sacramento for a final inspection by Prof. James F. (Jim) Wilson, internationally noted wool specialist, who, with Carlos Daly, son of the Chile ranch owner, selected them from the Mailliard flock at the recent Merino Sheep Day on the ranch.

From Sacramento they were

flown across the continent to be transferred to a direct flight to South America. Ten registered Rambouillet ewes from the flocks of W. S. Hansen of Collinston, Utah, were picked up on the same shipment at Ogden.

THE RAMS are a part of a University of California sheep breeding project conducted in cooperation with Mr. and Mrs. Maillard on their Yorkville ranch over the past 10 years.

Carlos Daly, an agricultural student at the University of Cali-fornia College of Agriculture, and Prof. Wilson, who has headed up the sheep experiment since its inception, made the selections in the interests of adding new bloodlines to the famous Daly

In addition to his stud flock at his hacienda near Santiago. Mr. Daly runs 30,000 sheep—all of Merino strains—on Easter Island, just west of the South America mainland.

### Poultry Plant Inspection Shift

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that 3 new application forms for official grading services for shell eggs, egg products, and live, dressed and ready-to-cook poultry have been approved for use in connection with the grading program to be administered beginning July 1 by the Poultry Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration. (Currently this program is being administered by the Dairy Branch, Production and Marketing Administration).

The new forms have been developed by the Poultry Branch and are intended for use by in-dustry members who wish to apply for official grading services on a continuous basis. The applications provide for service by Federal employes, State employes, or licensees.

Administrative charges begin-ning July 1 will be based on the total volume of poultry prod-ucts (for which service is requested) moving through a processing plant. At present, charges may be based on vol-ume or on a percentage basis.

### More About 4-H Club Camp at Las Posadas Forest

(Continued from preceding page) 15th add 4-H Camp Mag HTK Many others had the character-istically swollen branches.

Under his direction the 4-H'ers learned how to handle double-bitted axes safely, and also to wield the sharp bladed Pulasky -a tool that combines an axe

and a grub hoe.

Working in 2-hour shifts the older boys at each 1950 camp period put in a total of 40 hours

per camp period in the woods.

Their work won the national recognition in Forestry publications which credited them with having saved the grove from destruction.

This year the work is continu-ing. On one side of the road the approximately 10 - acres

worked over last year show no indication of the disease.
On the downslope side much of this year's work is aimed at removal of the brushy growth that is shading the small trees.
"When we open the area up and let light and air in, the fungus is fairly easy to control," Mr. Striplin said.

Mr. Striplin said.

The older boys clamor for the privilege of working on the pro-

When the "All Aboard for Roosevelt Grove" call was sounded the other morning there was a rush to clamber aboard the Forestry truck that took them to the plantation.

The project is not only a good example of 4-H Club democracy

at work, it's another example of the organization's "Learning By Doing" principle that guides the entire program.

#### Throwing Salt Brings Good Luck

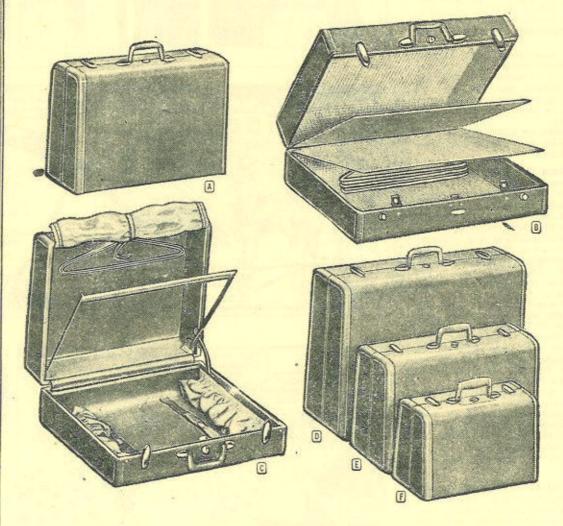
The Utter Brothers, cattlemen of Paradise Valley, Nevada, have found a neat solution to the problem of taking salt to cattle on their remote range.

Country Gentleman says the one-time long pack trip to haul the salt has been eliminated by the airplane. For \$10 an hour, an airplane covers the range in an hour or 2, dropping salt blocks from a 150-foot altitude so they will roll and not skip into a canyon. The pilot simply rests a 50-pound cake on a wing strut, and pushes it off when he comes over the target.

# Montgomery Ward

411 MENDOCINO AVENUE

TELEPHONE 3860



## "Colorado Brown" by Samsonite

Amazingly durable—now more handsome then ever in rich, warm Colorado Brown. Covered with a tough plastic that is stainproof, scratchproof, scuffproof, water-resistant. Molded bindings protect edges. Molded rubber handles. Solid brass locks. See this beautiful new luggage at Wards.

#### Choice of Colorado Brown or Rawhide

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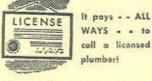
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