MARINE COMMANDER TOURS SUPPLY CENTER FACILITY

BARSTOW — Maj. Gen. James M. Masters, Sr., commanding general of the First Marine Division at Camp Pendleton, has returned to his home base after making an inspection tour of the USMC Supply Center here last week.

He and 12 high-ranking division officers looked into the Supply Centers operations, which supply the First Division and other Western, Pacific and Far Eastern Marine Corps installations.

Brig. Gen. G. H. Cloud, MCSC commanding general, greeted Gen. Masters following his arrival at Daggett Field. Gen. Masters reviewed honor guard ceremonies and received a briefing from Gen. Cloud and the Supply Centers division directors.

Lt. Col. George J. DeBell, director of the centers materiel division, led a tour of the stock control and data processing branches and warehouse storage facilities.

Col. William R. Norton showed the party the Yermo Repair Divisions operations.

MARINES BITTEN BY COYOTES IN DESERT

TWENTYNINE PALMS — Two Marines undergoing training at the Twentynine Palms Marine Corps Base are taking the Pasteur treatment after being bitten by coyotes as they slept in sleeping bags.

Because coyotes rarely come near men, officers fear the animal or animals biting the Marines may be rabid.

The incident occurred about 3 a.m. Wednesday. Marine officers said one of the men, Jerry L. Oliver, 18, was so tired that he didn't awaken even though bitten on the temple and hand. He was transferred to Camp Pendleton for Pasteur treatment.

The other Marine, J. T. Fisher, 18, bitten on the shoulder, awakened to see the coyote slink away. He is under treatment at the base here.

A third Marine, R. A. Sayers, told officers he was awakened by a coyote "nuzzling" him about the head and sat up to confront the animal face-to-face. The coyote ran away.

The Marines are members of the 1st Marine Division, here from Camp Pendleton for 16 days of training in desert warfare.

MAYBE BY MAY

New Post Office Plans Pushed

VICTORVILLE — Postmaster Russell F. Bragg returned recently from a visit to San Francisco regional office and a renewed effort to speed up plans to get a new post office under way.

The 10-year lease on the present building expires next Feb. 28 and postal officials expect to ask for an extension of several months.

Bragg said he now feels the community "will be lucky" if it gets its new mid-town post office building by May.

Several things have delayed construction, which was announced last January, said Bragg. One of them is the fact the working plans have had to be re-drawn because of the unexpected amount of slope of the lot, 150x350 feet on the east border of California Interstate Telephone Co. (across from the senior high school).

Another is shortage of personnel at the regional office to provide the necessary processing. Another is order of priority construction items.

At Bragg's insistence, PO officials have made several personal calls at the Victorville PO, at 15527 8th St. (between A and B Streets), where there is "an urgent need for more space."

"The building was meant for a volume of mail which amounted to about $45,000 in annual receipts," says Bragg.

"Last year we reached $168,246 in receipts."

AISLES LIMITED

Casing, sorting and placement of mailsacks almost eliminates aisles. The entire post office operation has had to be accordioned into available space. There are 975 boxes and more are needed.

The new site selected is in the heart of the residential area, conveniently close to the freeway and midway between both commercial districts of town. Owners are James E. Goble and John A. Delatore.

The new building, to be erected by a developer with a government loan, would be leased for a 10-year period with option to renew at two five-year periods following that.

Proposed is a building with 10,000 square feet of floor space — four times the present total. Off-street parking would include some 30,000 square feet.

BY BURGLARS

Cleaners Cleaned

BARSTOW—Burglars broke into the Deluxe Cleaners & Laundry early yesterday and made off with $2,000 from the store's safe.

City Police officers said the intruders broke in a rear door of the establishment at 761 W. Main St. between 2:48 and 4:46 a.m.

Once inside, they pried open the store's safe and removed $2,000. Sgt. H. O. Davis said he thought most of the loot was in cash, since checks were found scattered around at the scene.

Officers Lew Beck and Art Gren discovered the burglary while they were on patrol of the area.

Traffic Signals Will Be Installed At Euclid and G

ONTARIO—Bids will be opened at 10 a.m. Oct. 19, in the San Bernardino office of the California Division of Highways for putting in a traffic signal and highway lighting at Euclid Avenue and G Street in Ontario.

C. V. Kane, district engineer in the San Bernardino office, said the signals will be connected by telephone lines with the existing traffic signal on Euclid Avenue to provide coordinated traffic movement.

The signal facing G Street will not change unless actuated by vehicular or pedestrian traffic. Push buttons will be provided for pedestrians.

This is a cooperative project, with the cost being shared equally by the state and the city, Kane said.

The contractor will have about two months to complete the job.

Man Who Stole $600,000 Worth of Art Pleads Guilty

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Edward M. Ashdown, 39, Costa Mesa real estate salesman accused of stealing $600,000 worth of paintings from a Bel Air mansion, pleaded guilty yesterday to one count of grand theft.

Municipal Judge David W. Williams dismissed an armed robbery charge after the guilty plea was entered.

Police said Ashdown forced his way into the home of industrialist David E. Bright with a gun Sept. 10, locked a maid in a closet and took four modern masterpieces—two by Picasso.

Investigators said they found Ashdown's fingerprints at the scene and arrested him Sept. 21. Nov. 10 was set for probation hearing and sentencing.

PIONEER PASS LIVES AGAIN

26 Enter Annual Golf Challenge

YUCCA VALLEY — The first golfer will tee off Saturday morning at 7 from the Yucca Valley Country Club to start the third annual Pioneer Pass Golf Challenge with its now "famous "19th hole" between Pioneertown and Big Bear along the historic Pioneer Pass road.

According to the Pioneer Pass Golf Challenge committee, the number of entrants in the two day event has reached 26. The limit is 30, and that number is expected to be reached before play starts.

Entrants are coming from Apple Valley, Big Bear, Sunset Beach, San Bernardino, La Canada, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach and Hawthorne in addition to the Morongo Basin communities and the Marine Corps Base.

Two of the golfers, Howard Done of Twentynine Palms, and Jimmie Hancock of San Bernardino, are playing in the challenge for the third year. Five women, the largest number since the challenge started, are signed up to battle for honors in the women's division.

Rugged as the 19th hole is, the PPGC committee has noted that during the past two challenges only one man has given up before the finish.

By 9 a.m. Saturday the first golfer is expected to have finished the nine holes at the Yucca Valley Country Club and to be ready to tackle the formidable 19th hole which starts at the end of Mane Street in Pioneertown. The Twentynine Palms Marine Corps Base will supply the spotters.

Sunday the golfers will first meet at the Yucca Valley Country Club and then proceed up the pass, across Baldwin Lake to the Peter Pan Club. Here a 19th hole buffet will be offered.

The last nine holes will be played at the Moonridge Golf and Country Club.

A victory dinner will begin at 6:30 at the Moonridge clubhouse. Officials of the Big Bear Valley Chamber of Commerce will extend an official welcome to the golfers.

The finale of the challenge will take place at Snow Summit Lodge at 9 p.m. Awarding of trophies will be followed by singing and dancing.

During the entire two-day period the SOCAL 6 Net will have units placed to follow play from the check points along the 19th hole and to transmit news and human interest to various community outlets where scores can be followed.

TEE TIME — With 26 golfers ready in a maximum field of 30, the third annual Pioneer Pass Golf Challenge (PPGC) is ready for tee-off at 7 a.m. Saturday at the Yucca Valley Country Club. Following nine holes of official play, competition moves to Pioneertown tee of the 28-mile "World's Longest (and only) 19th Hole" connecting Hi-Desert with Bear Valley. Two-day challenge of "man against nature" reaches a climax Sunday with the victory dinner and 19th Hole trophy party at Moonridge and Snow Summit in Big Bear Lake. Here, from left, Leo Higgins, sponsor, helps dress up entry Gene Hardesty with the help of "Miss Yucca Valley," Marginia Ewing. Bill Hanson, PPGC official in charge of entries, approves. (Jerry Moore photo)

Faculty Urged To Experiment, Explore, Create

ONTARIO—"Is there a better way?"

That was the theme of Earnest A. Payne, principal, in addressing the assembled faculty of Chaffey High School recently.

Stressing better educational methods, Payne asked his audience to put aside their reactions to criticism of the school and of the established way of doing things in order to think creatively.

The principal pointed out that the school was justly proud of what creative planning has been done in the past. He gave as examples the guidance program, changed with faculty help and recently imitated by other schools, and the summer school program in which the philosophy was "taken out of the realm of preconceived ideas, emotions and prejudices and placed . . . in the realm of basic fact as determined by study-research."

Payne took the position that newer and more drastic departures from the past may be called for. He suggested that class size might be experimented with and that the traditional "one hour a day, five days a week, nine months a year" philosophy could be re-examined.

The principal concluded with the challenge: "Let us approach the new school year with a willingness to explore, a readiness to inquire and a desire to experiment and to investigate."

EXIT THE EARL—Antony Armstrong-Jones, husband of Britain's Princess Margaret, leaves Glasgow Art Gallery in Scotland yesterday during his first public appearance as the Earl of Snowdon. He is accompanied by Mrs. Jean Roberts, Lord Provost of Glasgow. Armstrong-Jones was given the title by his sister-in-law, Queen Elizabeth II, this week. He opened an exhibition of paintings at the gallery. In introducing him to audience of some 1,000 persons, the Lord Provost said, "Today we welcome to our city the Earl of Snowdon—though our invitation was sent to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones." (AP wirephoto via radio from London)

Needles May Lose Touch With CD Radio Network

NEEDLES — David Shuirman, owner-manager of Needles only radio station, KSFE, has been called to active duty in the U.S. Air Force Reserve and he said today that shortness of notice to report for duty may force him to close the radio station.

He must report to Springfield, Mo. on Oct. 27. He said that this does not give him time to secure a manager or to dispose of his interests in the station to another operator.

Questioned as to how this would affect Needles' Civil Defense program, Shuirman said that the city would be isolated from general radio contact with the State Civil Defense Office but that he could not see anything else to do but close the station under the circumstances.

Needles is isolated and so geographically situated that radio reception from outside stations is almost nil during the daytime.

From the day of his arrival in Needles, Shuirman has been interested in civic affairs. He served as the Needles Chamber of Commerce representative to the Colorado River Area Development Association, is a member of the board of directors and with the transfer of W. L. Archambault to Barstow, succeeded him as president.

TOP SHOTS SIGN IN FOR DESERT RIFLE MATCHES

BARSTOW — Gy. Sgt. Michael Pietroforte, the first man to ever score 250 out of a possible 250 at the Camp Perry Rifle and Pistol Matches, plus a host of distinguished shooters from near and far are vying this weekend for top honors in the 7th annual Mojave Desert (Desert Rock) High Power Rifle Invitational Matches, which begin today.

Close to 75 per cent of the 120 shooters entered in the Desert Rock Match have recently returned from the National Rifle and Pistol Matches at Camp Perry. Among them are M. J. Hull, winner of the Warmup Aggregate; Cpl. A. P. Miral, winner of the Marine Corps Cup Match; Cpl. R. L. Goller, high Marine in the Coast Guard Trophy Match; and S.Sgt. A. W. Hauser Jr., high Marine in the Leech Cup Match Shoot-Off.

PAST WINNER

Past winner of a Desert Rock Match, A. Leezer, will also be in the thick of the shooting, vying for top honors.

In the team matches the Marksmanship Training Unit, San Diego, is expected to make a strong bid for top honors.

Range personnel and officials from the Barstow Rifle and Pistol Club have expressed their desire for spectators who have never had the opportunity to witness this type of shooting to drop out to the Marine Corps Rifle Range, four miles east of the Supply Center on Highway 66. This invitation includes both civilian and military alike.

Of special interest to spectators will be the 1,000-yard prone position shooting as the grand finale Sunday morning, with presentation of awards at the conclusion of the weekend-long shooting. Brig. Gen. George H. Cloud, commanding general of the Marine Corps Supply Center, will make the presentations.

The marksmen will be shooting at standard military-type targets from 200, 300, 600 and 1,000 yards.

2 Emerge From Sealed Cabin With Baseball on Mind

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP)—Two Air Force lieutenants, sealed in a make-believe space cabin long enough to have been to the moon and back, came out yesterday and asked how the World Series is going.

Lts. Melvin E. Pollard, 23, and Craig Vernon Miller, 24, were sped into a series of physical and psychological examinations after brief chats with reporters and with their families.

"How many home runs did Maris get?" Miller asked. Then he asked how the World Series opened.

Pollard and Miller entered the 8x12 foot steel tank Sept. 18.

Pollard is the son of F. W. Pollard of Quanah, Tex. Miller is the son of Vernon Miller of Humboldt, Iowa.

Wild Animal Watchers Find Practice Can Be Expensive

VICTORVILLE — Watching wild animals cross in front of a car proved expensive for Robert Owen Kuppig, 48, and his wife, Virginia Lois Kuppig, of Phelan, according to the report of officer Gene F. Stumbaugh, California Highway Patrol.

At 8 a.m. Tuesday, Mrs. Kuppig, driving a car on Phelan Road 4.1 miles west of U.S. Highway 395, slowed to let some wild animals pass.

Her husband, driver of a car following, took his eyes from the road to watch the animals as they left the road. His car slammed into hers, causing damage to both autos.

NEWS OF THE INLAND EMPIRE

TOP STORIES FROM ALL POINTS IN THE NATION'S LARGEST COUNTY

The Sun

Scene at the Fair

VICTORVILLE — There are a lot of ways of tracing history but numismatists have done it in colorful and fascinating ways in their exhibit cases at the fair.

Take pennies, for instance:

The U.S. cent piece was the first one "struck" by the new government, in 1793. Besides being worth a good deal more than it is today, it was bigger.

Up through 1857, there were 327 varieties. No wonder collecting them is an intriguing hobby.

LASTED 2 YEARS

In 1858 the "flying eagle" penny appeared. It was smaller, nearly dime-size, and mingled nickel with the copper. It lasted only two years.

Then the famous old Indian head appeared.

The familiar profile of Lincoln first appeared in 1909 — 100th anniversary of the birth of the 16th President.

In 1943, zinc-coated steel replaced the copper needed for the war effort. In 1944-45, artillery shell cases were melted down for pennies (in pre-Civil War days, they melted down nails from men-o-war sailing ships).

In 1959, the reverse side changed from the double wheat heads to the Lincoln Memorial Building — noting the 150th anniversary of Abe's birth.

It's almost a sure bet that coins will keep changing — just as the language does.

STILL THE LARGEST

Most fair-goers realize that San Bernardino County is still the largest in the U.S.

But we've seen a good many of them squint at a giant slab of plaster tilted on its side at the north end of the feature exhibit building, then ask?

"What is it?"

It's the county, of course, and it's rolled out and put on display as regular as clock - work each year.

Time has faded the lettering and much of the distinctive markings of the old relief map until it nearly takes a familiarity with the topography to recognize it for what it represents.

There's a worth-while project for some service organization. First project will be to remove the layers of dust that years have accumulated.

For the first time at the fair, Southwest Gas Corp. is sponsoring a cooking school. Carolyn York, home economist, will preside at "classes" Friday and Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday afternoon at 1:30.

Featured will be automatic controls on appliances and unusual uses of ice in preparing tempting dishes.

LOTS TO EAT

No fair is any kind of fair without good things to eat and there's a bonanza of them this year. Those cooking school apple pies look a lot more tasty than the dried apple chips displayed outside the nuclear fallout shelter.

There's a score of such dried foods. Maybe they're not blue ribbon-winners, but they're tested to meet another standard: emergency nutrition.

Running through all the sounds of the fair — from pig's squeal to popcorn poppers — is the little transistor radio. It's the World Series and there's a play-by-play account audible somewhere at any time, from the main gate to the cow barns.

Leading Speakers Sunday at Retirement Village Ceremony

CLAREMONT — Dr. Ben M. Herbster, the first president of the new United Church of Christ, will be the speaker at the dedication Sunday of Mt. San Antonio Gardens retirement community in Pomona-Claremont.

Dr. Herbster, who is pastor of Zion Church in Norwood, Ohio, was named last July to head the new denomination formed by the union of the Congregational and Christian Churches with the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Other speakers at Sunday afternoon's program will include California Attorney General Stanley Mosk; Rev. Walter Smith of Lemon Grove, moderator of the Congregational Conference of Southern California and the Southwest, and Otto C. Knudsen, of Redlands, president of Congregational Homes.

Mt. San Antonio Gardens is the largest retirement community ever built by Congregationalists. It will house 275 residents.

The project which cost $5½ million, was accomplished by a group of Congregational laymen, who, themselves, put up the money to buy the 13½ acre site, a few blocks west of downtown Claremont.

Husband, Wife Slightly Hurt as Car Leaves Road

VICTORVILLE — Chester Allen Bowyer, 44, and his wife, Gwendolyn Irene Bowyer, 44, of Apple Valley, were able to "walk in and walk out" of St. Mary Desert Hospital after being in an accident Wednesday.

The incident occurred at 2:20 p.m. on State Highway 18, near Flathead Road, Apple Valley.

Mrs. Bowyer, driver of the car involved, started to pass a car while eastbound on State Highway 18, according to the report of California Highway Patrol Officer Gene F. Stumbaugh. The car went out of control into soft dirt beside the road and knocked down a Joshua tree before coming to a stop.

Major damage was reported to the front of the 1961 station wagon.

Judge Agrees Term 'Crazy,' Raises It

MANCHESTER, N.H. (UPI) — Francis D. Gagnon, 18, obviously unhappy with his four-month sentence for using a car without permission, told the judge "That's crazy."

The judge agreed and made it six months.

LES OLESAK OBVIOUSLY VERSATILE YOUNG LADY OF 29 PALMS

TWENTYNINE PALMS — Miss Les Olesak, daughter of Marine Corps Base Band Officer Andrew M. Olesak, can very well be considered a "Versatile Young Lady of Twentynine Palms."

At 17, Les has accomplished more than many people do in a lifetime.

Presently attending the local Twentynine Palms High School, the busy young lady maintains a straight "A" average in studies.

An accomplished musician, she has been invited on several occasions to play first clarinet with the Marine Corps Base Band and throughout the summer, Les served as assistant swimming instructor at the Base Kiddie's Pool.

Miss Olesak started her senior year in high school this year and plans to continue her efforts in the music field. She is also a member of the high school band and hopes to maintain her present "A" average in studies.

Prior to her arrival on the High Desert, Miss Olesak attended school in Beaufort, S.C., where she played first clarinet as a member of the All-State School Band.

Les first started playing the clarinet when she was 10 years old. Her father, a musician in the Marine Corps for some 20 years, has been her only instructor.

About four years ago the young lady decided to try her hand at learning to play the piano and according to her father, "She shows promising talents towards her latest musical venture."

To gain experience in playing with a big band, Olesak arranged to have his daughter play and practice with his Marine Corps Base Band. Young Les turned out to be such an outstanding addition that the bandsmen themselves invited her to play concert dates with them.

So far she has played first clarinet at three service club engagements along with two concerts at the Yucca Valley Bowl.

A swimmer from way back, Les entered the Red Cross water safety course offered at the Marine Base and passed with flying colors. She was immediately hired by the Base Special Services as a civilian lifeguard at the dependents swimming pool, where the children became very fond of her.

Miss Olesak hopes to continue her education after completing high school. At present, she is undecided as to what to major in—music, education or perhpas both.

From all indications, the accomplished young lady will succeed in whatever she attempts.