



JANE WYMAN, right, stars as a wealthy and powerful vintner in Northern California, where she is

feared and respected by all including her grandson (Billy Moses, left) in

Falcon Crest. The prime time soap premiered last night on television.

BATF Outlines What Will Be 'Sonoma Valley' Wine Region

By JEFF MAPES
Scripps League Newspapers
WASHINGTON, D.C. — The federal government officially designated the Sonoma Valley viticultural area Friday and decided against including any of Napa County in the new wine region.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms decided there is no evidence that a small portion of the Los Carneros area has "traditionally been considered part of Sonoma Valley."

The BATF had considered including the

part of Los Carneros bounded by the Las Amigas, Duhig and Ramal roads.

Instead, that area may be included in the proposed Los Carneros wine region, which is now being considered by BATF.

Under a new government program, wine can now be labeled as coming from the Sonoma Valley if at least 85 percent of the wine is made from grapes grown within the viticultural area's boundaries.

The Sonoma Valley wine region contains some of the state's most historic

vineyards and is in the southeastern corner of Sonoma County.

The BATF also noted there was some confusion about the exact location of the Sonoma-Napa County line.

For its purposes, BATF will follow the county line used by the Sonoma tax assessor, not the U.S. Geological Survey.

Also on Friday, BATF approved the designation of two other viticultural areas, the Santa Cruz Mountains and the McDowell Valley of Mendocino County.

Kaiser Says No To Bid From Hiller

FONTANA — The Board of Directors of Kaiser Steel decided Wednesday to reject the latest purchase offer from the Hiller group and to have no further talks with the group.

The board reaffirmed its position that the possible repurchase of a significant number of its common shares better serves the stockholders' interests.

The board said the proposal from the Hiller group involved a highly leveraged buy-out at \$54 per share, supported by conditional bank commitments for \$580 million to purchase the company's shares and to refinance the company's \$200 million bonded debt. Kaiser Steel's assets would have served as collateral for the loans.

Also reaffirmed at the meeting was the board's plan to phase-out over the next several years the firms coke ovens, blast furnaces, oxygen steelmaking furnaces and iron ore mine.

The company will supply its steel finishing facilities at Fontana with steel slabs purchased outside the company or in combination with slabs from a new electric steel-making furnace at Fontana.

Napa College Foundation Makes Scholarship Appeal

The Napa College Foundation's 10th annual scholarship fund appeal is under way with a general request for broad public participation.

Dr. Alban Bailey, foundation president, stated that last year the foundation directly awarded \$16,400 in 74 scholarships to deserving students, in addition to administering numerous other scholarship grants. Primarily these awards went to those enrolled at Napa College, although some were given to high school students planning to attend Napa College.

"The foundation is working to increase both the number of scholarships available and the amount of each one granted," Dr. Bailey said. It also uses some of its funds

to assist the college in areas where tax funds do not cover.

Judge William L. Blanckenburg, chairman of the foundation's committee on bequests and gifts, said that the aim of the program is to accumulate annual contributions of all sizes into a fund which will generate income for use in the scholarship awards and in other needed assistance to students at the Napa College. He said that although annual giving has increased substantially over the years, the need continues to grow.

Blanckenburg said that tax-free contributions or memorial gifts in any amount may be mailed to the Napa College Foundation, 2277 Napa-Vallejo Highway, Napa, Calif.

Two Members Of Tree Commission Resign; New Members Are Needed

Two members of the Napa City Tree Commission have opted to terminate their service on that body and the city council will issue a call for new applicants to be received by Dec. 31.

Paul Donovan, commission chairman who has served for 20 years, and Mrs. Sandra White, also a longtime commis-

sion member, notified the city council this week they would not apply for reappointment.

The appointment of new members is expected on Jan. 5.

The commission serves at the call of the city manager to consider matters regarding trees on city property.

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Bay Area Air Quality District Seeks Advisory Council Members

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District is inviting applicants for appointment to the district's Advisory Council.

The council is composed of citizens representing various categories of the Bay Area community. The category to be filled is "community planning."

The Advisory Council meets five times per year, with the several standing and ad hoc committees meeting more frequent-

ly. Members serve without compensation, but receive necessary expenses.

Persons who have been active in community planning and who wish to serve on the Advisory Council should direct a resume to: Clerk of the District, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 prior to Jan. 1, 1982.

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Register Review

Falcon Crest — Prime Time Soap Opera Doesn't Wash

By L. PIERCE CARSON
Register Staff Writer
There's no accounting for taste in television drama these days. Witness the premiere of CBS-Lorimar's "Falcon Crest" which debuted on Channel 5 Friday night.

The creators of "Dallas" and "The

Waltons" have come up with such drivel

this time around as to make their earlier

efforts look like cock-of-the-walk stagecraft.

Earl Hamner, creator of "The Waltons," is credited with the screenplay for "Falcon Crest." For shame!

But Napa novelist Anita Clay Kornfeld has filed a \$100 million lawsuit claiming Lorimar, CBS and Hamner ripped off the meat of her novel, "Vintage," for their new TV debacle.

Let it be said here first — not even Kornfeld, with a hangover on her worst day, could have fashioned such garbage as we witnessed on the premiere broadcast last evening. CBS moved "Dallas" up to 9 p.m. in order to put "Falcon Crest" in the time slot that "Dallas" formerly held — the move speaks for itself.

This disjointed tale of viticultural upheaval and discontent, set on Spring Mountain — seemingly a stone's throw from the Golden Gate Bridge if one believes the film editor — deserves little comment.

It's daytime soap — and not even daytime soap at its worst — slotted in prime time.

CBS and Lorimar have attempted to turn oil into wine, grasping at straws, vines or even somebody else's script in an effort to capture another share of the evening television audience market.

"I can't believe this is happening," says one of the leads in this pedestrian clatter. How observant!

Initially titled "The Vintage Years" until Kornfeld slammed the creators with a copyright infringement action, "Falcon Crest" is nothing but trouble in wineland.

But what CBS didn't want the viewers to know ahead of time is that all that's being shown is the lees.

Napa Man Jailed For Drunk Driving

An 18-year-old Napa man was booked into Napa County Jail on charges of felony drunk driving today after an accident at 506 Lincoln Ave.

Leo Wilder, 2160 Coronado Ave., is being held in lieu of \$6,000 bail.

Napa police are continuing investigation of the accident but reported today that Wilder's car slammed into the rear of another car and pushed it into a telephone pole. Wilder's car overturned, officers said. Three people were slightly

injured in the accident, which occurred at 11:54 p.m.

In a separate incident, a Napa youth was injured in a hit and run traffic accident which Napa police said may have been an intentional assault.

Pat Koon was standing on Tanglewood Avenue at 11:26 p.m. Friday, officers said, when he was struck by an automobile driven by a juvenile. Koon was taken to Queen of the Valley Hospital, where he was treated and released. The juvenile has not been arrested.

Earlier in the day, two elderly people were injured when their automobile overturned on Highway 29 just north of Tubbs Lane. Elsie Anderson, 77, was driving her husband, Albert Anderson, 84, south from the couple's Clearlake home at the time of the 5:30 p.m. solo accident.

Albert Anderson is reported in fair condition today at St. Helena Hospital. Elsie Anderson received outpatient treatment.

Computerized Monitoring Equipment

DEER PARK — St. Helena Hospital is taking delivery of \$250,000 worth of new computerized patient monitoring equipment.

The machines are being put in the intensive care unit where they will continuously monitor vital medical information, such as heart rate, peripheral pulses, respiration, temperature and blood pressure.

The machines also show any changes in these physiological variables with audible and visual alarms to alert hospital staff, reported Dr. Pieter VandenHoven, director of the ICU.

Also on order are telemetry units, which will allow patients in other areas of the hospital to be monitored from the ICU nursing station.

This advanced monitoring equipment will enable the hospital to better take care of a growing population of elderly people, who are the primary users of the critical-care unit, officials note.

The ICU will be expanded under a building program which will start next year.

Financing the new monitoring equipment is the objective of St. Helena Hospital's annual fund raising program this year. Community members will be invited to support this acquisition through the institution's year-end mail program.

Home Member Found In River

YOUNTVILLE — A 61-year-old patient from the Yountville Veterans Home was found dead in the Napa River near Yountville Friday.

The body of Herbert Waggoner was found by an employee of a local bank. A cause of death was not immediately determined.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Claffey and Rota Funeral Service.

White Wine Sets Record

WIESBADEN, West Germany (UPI) — A bottle of white wine came under the auctioneers hammer today and set a world record.

A buyer paid 17,000 marks (\$8,500) for a bottle of "Johannisberger" white wine from the Rhine area, bottled in 1648 to mark the end of the 30 Years War.

Auctioneers said it was the highest price ever paid for a bottle of white wine.



Eagle Scout

David Bertalotto recently reached the Boy Scout rank of Eagle. A member of Troop 2, Bertalotto is the third scout in his family to achieve that high honor. Among other awards he has earned was the God and Country. (Register Photo)

News In Brief

Sanitation Board Meets Tuesday

The Napa Sanitation District Board of Directors will meet Tuesday to discuss several construction applications. The meeting begins at 8 a.m. at 950 West Imola Ave.

Vintage Hall 'Barnum' Bus Trip

On Wednesday, Jan. 6, Vintage Hall will have a bus going to San Francisco for "Barnum," a musical at the Golden Gate Theatre.

The bus will leave Vintage Hall at 9 a.m. and will pick up passengers in Yountville by the bus depot at 9:15 and Napa passengers by the big tree in the Napa Valley Shopping Center by 9:30 a.m. There will be time enough for lunch and shopping before the 2:30 matinee. The bus will depart immediately after the performance.

Orchestra seats are \$24; mezzanine, \$21 and balcony, \$12. Cost of bus is \$15. Call 963-7411 for more information.

Library Plans Reading Series

The Napa City-County Library will conduct an informal series of readings for older children during the Christmas break.

The program will feature a novel by John Fitzgerald called "The Great Brain." Readings will take place from 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. From Dec. 28 to Dec. 31 at the main library.

Self Help Housing Discussion

YOUNTVILLE — The town council has scheduled a public hearing Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. on the Oak Leaf subdivision, the self-help housing project that will allow eight families to build their own homes with the aid of a contractor and federal financing.

After making an en-

Democrats Hear UFW Speaker

Rafael Morales, representative of the United Farm Workers Union, spoke to the Democratic Central Committee Wednesday evening about problems affecting farm workers in the Napa Valley, particularly housing.

Morales' office is in St. Helena at the Martin Luther King Jr. Farm Workers Center.

'Jack And The Beansprout'

The Sunseed Theatre Company will perform "Jack and the Beansprout" at the Silver Pony School in Los Carneros Hall, 4320 Sonoma Highway on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 7:30 p.m.

The show, a comic-musical, was written for children by Joel Mills and is loosely based on the fairy tale, Jack and the Beansprout. In this show, a young girl named Jack encounters an array of strange characters including a cow, a ferocious ogre, a used car salesman and a beansprout.

A \$1 donation is asked at the door. For more information call 257-1265 or 224-3813.

Christmas Carols At Gallery

ST. HELENA — The Vintage Hall Singers will perform a program of Christmas carols at the Gallery of Vintage Hall Friday and Saturday.

The singers, led by Dr. Richard Radford, include Bob Morgan, Dee Marie Broyles, Cynthia Radford and Dick Radford.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. and admission is \$1. Tri-City Bus will provide transportation for senior citizens. The bus is available by calling 963-4222.

Reservations for the concerts may be made by sending a check to Vintage Hall, 473 Main St.

Free Jazz Orchestra Concert

The Napa College Jazz Orchestra will present a free concert Wednesday in the Napa College Little Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

Featured players are pianist Gary Fischer and trumpet player Tom Maher.

The 16-piece orchestra is directed by Napa College instructor Billy Browning. The group performs big band numbers from the '30s and '40s in addition to contemporary works.

Jailed For Grand Theft

Jeffery Forthun, 22, was arrested by Napa Police Friday and charged with grand theft. The resident of 3665 Seneca has posted \$5,000 bail.