

Boulder Creek's New Library Building



Through the courtesy of the Santa Cruz Lumber company, Boulder Creek now has a new library building. The lumber firm has completed a new Boulder Creek office and turned the old structure over to the fire department. It was moved to its fire house grounds location yesterday. Firemen George "Hoot" Cress and Lewis E. Hayes (at transit) assisted with the moving.

New Boulder Library To Have Patio, Outdoor Reading Room

Boulder Creek's county branch library building which will circulate about 4500 volumes for upper San Lorenzo valley readers, was moved to the fire house grounds yesterday.

The building was given to the community of Boulder Creek by the Santa Cruz Lumber company. It was moved two blocks down Central avenue. Ground breaking ceremonies were held September 30, during the "Timber Days" fete.

George "Hoot" Cress, who heads a fire department committee in charge of the project, said building dedication will probably not take place until early in 1951 when a number of changes have been made. When everything has been completed to the satisfaction of Librarian Mrs. Florence Magee the public will be invited to a dedicatory open house. Nearly all the work will be done by volunteers.

Boulder Creek has had a county branch library since 1916. It started as a reading room maintained by the town's WCTU back in 1894. Of late years the books have been housed in the fire hall. Interior plans have not been

completed but will be settled in a few days when Mrs. Geraldine Work, chief librarian for the city and county meets with fire department officials. Lewis E. Hayes, Boulder Creek building advisor who has taken a leading role in securing the new library structure, is assisting.

Cress said plans call for painting the structure with a green trim to match the adjoining fire house, construction of a rear porch which can be an open air reading room, and additional sanitary facilities. The building is 30 feet long and 20 feet wide.

In the front, along Central avenue, there will be a patio and drinking fountain. Fire Chief Phil Hartman said a sidewalk between the library and fire house will be planted on the sides with five-finger ferns.

There was a fountain made out of stones from Boulder creek on the same location for many years. It was removed about 16 years ago when the fire house replaced the depot. Last trains went to Boulder Creek in 1934.

Ed Hathaway has been down from Oakland.

PERSONALS

Kenneth Lewis has been over from Carpenteria.

Bill Osborn was a San Jose visitor.

Clarence Roney spent the weekend with his sister Mrs. Irene Tait. He was one who enjoys the Old Timers gathering.

Ralph Bliss came from San Francisco. He is a nephew of Mrs. W. T. Jeter. He came for the Old Timers gathering.

George Gourdur of Salinas, spent the weekend with relatives. He is one of the Old Timers.

Chester Trumbly of Los Gatos, and Norman Trumbly of Oakland, were here Sunday with relatives, and were at the Old Timers meeting.