

Oregon Trail may soon be immortalized

Those determined, Oregon-bound pioneers in the mid-1800's who packed grandma and the soup kettle in a covered wagon and braved desert, and mountain to reach the glorious West, may soon have their footsteps nationally honored.

The 1,924 mile-long Oregon Trail, extending through seven states from Independence, Mo., to Fort Vancouver, Wash., is the subject of a bill passed by the House last week that would officially make it a National Historic Trail, first of its type in the country. The bill, co-sponsored by Rep. Jim Weaver, D-Ore., signifies a climax of efforts by citizens in the trail states to gain national recognition.

If enacted, the bill would authorize about \$5 million to acquire remaining sections of the trail and protect them through designation as National Historic Sites. Efforts would be made to maintain original conditions of the revered route as well as preserve any visible signs of pioneer travel such as graves or camp sites that may exist.

Portions of the trail now occupied by cities, suburbs, or other developments, would not be reclaimed, but would be designated with route mark-



Drawing by Terry McBride

ers so the route could be roughly traced through its seven states.

Any number of sites in northeastern Oregon could be affected, according to Weaver's spokesman, Brooks Yeager. He says it depends on how the National Park Service, under whose jurisdiction the trail would fall, chooses to implement the legislation. Possibilities range from the display of historical plaques in appropriate existing recreational areas to the creation of new parks or campsites.

Under provisions of the bill, the Oregon Trail will join two already nationally-recognized "scenic" trails, the Appalachian and the Pacific Crest Trails, as the third component of the National Trails System created in 1968 by Congress. The Appalachian Trail follows a route between Maine and Georgia while the Crest Trail, which traverses Oregon near the crest of the Cascades, will eventually extend from the Canadian to the Mexican border.

The bill should be introduced soon in the Senate Interior Committee, says Yeager, and he expects it to be enacted this year.

...of environmental concern

contain the controversial poison Dioxin.

Supervisor Alcock said instructions from the regional office stipulate that projects outlined in the environmental impact statement released by Worthington must be approved by the forest supervisor before they are carried out.

"So it appears we will have the last word on projects at the local level," Alcock said. He has agreed to meet with Oakridge city officials at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday to discuss the council's position.

Worthington said applications of herbicides will begin as soon as the Forest Service "can safely gear up for the work." He said the herbicides, including those containing Dioxin, are safe when properly applied.

The Lane County Sun Day Coalition is gearing up for the county's participation in the national celebration of solar energy May 3.

The first event will be a "Here Comes the Sun" parade in Eugene on Saturday, April 29. A float contest, with prizes awarded, and a "Sunshine Kazoo Marching Band" will be featured in the parade; mimes, musicians, jugglers, horse clubs, bicyclists and civic groups are invited to join. Contestants may sign up by calling 686-8453.

An art show will be displayed on the Eugene downtown mall from May 1-3. Works should be sent to the University Survival Center in the EMU by April 24 for jurying. More information is available from Mindy Lytle at the survival center, 686-4356.

A crafts faire will be held in the University EMU on Sun

Day, May 3. Craftspeople interested in selling at the fair are requested to turn in a sample of their work by April 17, for previewing. They can contact Carin Cavich or Lars Kahn in the Survival Center.

April 15 is Alaska Conservation Day in Eugene. A workshop sponsored by the University Survival Center, the local Sierra Club, Lane County Audubon Society, the University Outdoorprogram and the Wilderness Society will explore protective legislation for wilderness areas in the forty-ninth state.

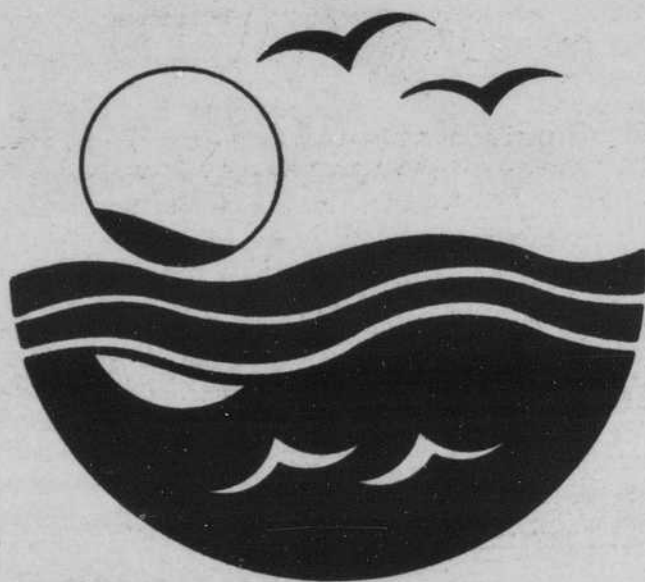
A featured speaker will be Clay Hardy from the Anchorage office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife department. Members of the Alaska Coalition will also present slide shows and guide discussion groups.

The workshop will be held at Central Presbyterian Church, at 15th and Patterson Streets in Eugene, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Portland General Electric Co. (PGE) recently spent about \$1 million on security improvements at its Trojan Nuclear power plant, officials said late last week.

Personnel and weapons - 10 pump shotguns and 4,000 rounds of ammunition - were part of the investment, intended to repel attackers in event of a riot.

"They are for use by security forces at the Trojan nuclear plant to comply with some relatively new security requirements imposed on all nuclear plants by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission," said PGE spokesman Steve Loy.



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Of the Emerald

The Oakridge City Council has a fighting chance to get approval for its request that herbicides not be used within the city's watershed, but it appears the Forest Service will commence spraying soon in other parts of the Willamette National Forest.

Pacific Northwest regional forester Richard Worthington has given the go-ahead on herbicide use to national forest supervisors in Oregon and Washington.

In the Willamette National Forest, which includes 750 acres in the Oakridge Ranger district and the city's Salmon Creek drainage, herbicides will be sprayed on about 3,500 acres for brush and grass control.

The herbicides approved for use by Worthington include two chemicals — 2, 4, 5, T and Silvex — which

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SPORT (E.C.) — You taught us how to 4-wheel in a V.W., jump curbs, steal cable, and almost get busted by F.P.D. Let's do it again! Your 3 Bro's. 4:11

DAVE: Even though we lost at Keno & got caught in California, this weekend was still the best. Love Barb 4:11

HEY CHACE! Have a great week — Friday's not far away! Love, Grandma 4:11

TO MARY BASS, Don't feel low, it's two days down and three to go. Right now you're a pledge soon to be full-fledged! Good luck... love your secret pals. 4:11

TO 3 E's — Our "Fantasy" with the Earth, Wind and fire sent us on our way to Paris with T.J. and made our "days mellow" into "easy nights." Lets ride the Bronco again sometime soon. Love, 3 G's! P.S. The Whale sends his regards. 4:11

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