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Sense And Some NONSENSE -



By Dewey

Lily growers, in fact, about everyone of the Pacific slope, is rejoicing over the almost seven-inch rainfall which came over the week-end. Certainly, with the ground as dry as it was, nothing could have done more good. Bulbs which had been struggling for their very existence, now will be given a boost, and in many cases may be harvested in what is called normal size.

The good done to the lilies and gardens of the area is not the only good realized from this rain, said to be the heaviest July rain in several decades. The fire danger in the forest of Western Oregon has been temporarily relieved. Until Saturday when rains started, the hazards were almost explosive in nature.

Monday, as the sun rose bright and the skies cleared, people of the area seemed to take a new lease on living. The attitudes of almost everyone seemed to completely reverse themselves from last week. That, too, is a good and healthy sign.

It did me a lot of good, Monday evening, to learn that the community majority wished to keep the tradition of the Azalea Festival next year. I was pleased to see the willingness of those connected with the Lily Week affair, so anxious to co-operate in every way possible. This willingness was mutual because every Azalea Festival director was also willing to make both functions a bigger success next year.

With spirit like that, and with an apparent willingness to work toward a definite goal, the future of this area as a flower capital of the world is assured. It was the consensus last Monday evening that it takes the advertising of all flowers to accomplish the desired results this community seeks.

I agree with directors of the

Azalea Festival on de-emphasizing the Festival, and placing the heavy effort on the Lily Week affair. However, that does not mean the complete de-emphasis of the Festival, rather it means two separate and entirely different approaches to the same goal. There will be many details to work out in the coming months, and certainly these will be done in a co-operative manner. Since both functions need a certain amount of funds to achieve the results sought, these two groups could well accomplish this by joining forces toward that goal.

By this, I mean the two groups could stage dances jointly, dividing the revenue, could work toward a community center in which both groups could realize greater returns for their efforts. While Azaleas do not bring this area any appreciable amount of revenue, it cannot be denied that these same flowers have placed a tradition on this area which has far-reaching effects. The lilies, and the lily industry, have and will continue to be, a big source of revenue, thus the emphasis.

I look forward to a greater year for this community just from the initial step taken last Monday evening. From it I can also see a better understanding among all the various groups of the area, and certainly, if for no other reason, benefits will certainly come to the area.

Boy, what a rain, and what wonderful results were realized by the growers of this area, regardless of what the crop. It had come to that place where the humidity was so low, the moisture content of the ground low, but such is not the case right now.

Most gratified, no doubt, over the rainfall is the forest service officials, who were walking in terror at the fire hazards prevalent before the rain. That is relieved for the time, at least.

It isn't the town—it's You

If you want to live in the kind of a town

Like the kind of a town you like, You shouldn't slip your clothes in a grip

And start on a long, long hike. You'll only find what you left behind

For there's nothing that's really new.

It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town.

It isn't the town—it's You
Real towns are not made by men afraid

Lest somebody else gets ahead. When everyone works and nobody shirks,

You can raise the town from the dead;

And if, while you make your personal stake

Your neighbor can make one too,

Your town will be what you want to see,
It isn't the town—it's You

Cub Scout Doings

The Cubs, at last, have had their overnight hike and stay. In fact, it turned out to be a 3-day and 2-night bout. Each Cub brought his own bed roll and food and each cooked his own food, in one way or another.

After the first night was over, they got up early and went on a 2-mile hike up above the old Gold Beach road, and above Hugh Moore's place.

The next day they went on a 4-mile hike, down the old Gold Beach road. This time each carried his pack and water. All were tired that night. The second night out some of the Cubs became a little braver and made their beds about 100 yards from the main camp. Along about midnight a wolf (they said) gave out with a howl, and a new trail, straight as an arrow, was made in about five seconds from the spot they had bedded down, to the campfire. The next morning we found shoes, trousers and parts of their bedrolls on this new trail. So you can guess how they looked as they raced into camp. There were 17 present, counting four den chiefs and the Widneys. Gary Ault, Richard Campbell and Dick Newman won prize money for the best handicraft work brought in to the pack meeting, Monday.

If you care to hear more about the camping trip just ask any Cub as they are quite eager to tell everyone. — George Widney, cubmaster.

Smith River News

A family re-union of the McIndoe family was held Sunday at the home of Will McIndoe. An outdoor picnic was planned but due to rain, the affair was moved indoors, where wieners were roasted in the fireplace, and a picnic lunch was enjoyed. The occasion was in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Wood of Fresno. Mrs. Wood is a sister of Will McIndoe, Mary Anthony and Ella Plaisted. They are former residents of Smith River, but have been away for several years.

Visiting and renewing acquaintances were enjoyed. Among the group present were Mr. and Mrs. Irwin McIndoe, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mendez, Mr. and Mrs. Al Loveland and children, Joy McIndoe, Reynold Plaisted, Marilyn Plaisted, Robert McIndoe, and Miss Zada McIndoe.

The regular monthly meeting of Smith River 4-H club was held Monday evening at the community hall. Farm Advisor Harry Tucker of Eureka was present and showed an interesting educational movie. Following this he instructed the boys and girls in filling out their entry blanks to exhibit their projects at the county fair in August, and asked the club members to take good

care of their stock for the coming fair. The club is planning a 4-H booth at the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Wood left Tuesday morning for their home at Fresno, following a month's vacation spent here visiting relatives.

Mrs. Gertrude Sanford and daughter, Mrs. John Abrahamson and little son of San Francisco, arrived Monday for their vacation here, to renew acquaintances. During their stay the are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Bolick at Valley View Auto Court.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Rice of Albany spent a week's vacation visiting his father, O. M. Rice, and his sister, Miss Elma.

Everett Hursch of Portland spent the week-end here, visiting his siter, Mrs. Edna Ross, and mother, Mrs. Oda Hursch, and other relatives.

Harbor Community Club Installs New Officers

The July meeting of Harbor Community club was held Friday afternoon at the Grange hall. New officers, for the coming year were installed by Missouri Morgan, and included:

President—Mae Simpson.
Vice-president—Hazel Hendry.
Secretary-Treasurer — Mary Cavitt.

Because of the small attendance, little business was transacted. Following the meeting refreshments of whipped cream, cake and coffee were served by Mrs. Bertha Moore, Mrs. Pauline Pallady and Mrs. Mary VanPelt.

Portland Cleaner Takes Charge Of Local Plant

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. (Call him Bill) Maury arrived Saturday evening from Portland to make their home in Brookings, where

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