

Wrangler Grounds Near Completion

By DOUG GOLDSBERRY

The Chetco Wranglers are rushing work on their rodeo grounds, located below the Carson mill north of town, to complete them in time for a rodeo scheduled to take place during Lilly Festival time.

Already built are chutes, and grandstands, with the racetrack fast nearing completion.

The Wranglers wish to express their thanks to the many people who have contributed time, labor, and materials so generously, and without whose help this project would not have been possible.

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SMITH RIVER

By Ethel Goodlin

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hall, were honored at a surprise party on Monday evening at the coffee shop of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Tyler, assisted by Misses Billie and Barbara Hall. The Halls were celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary.

A social time was held and a mock wedding performed to honor Mr. and Mrs. Hall. Cake, ice cream and coffee were served to conclude the evening.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Rowley, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Slater, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Goodlin, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hight, Mrs. Charles Gray, Mrs. Mattie Knutson.

Mr. and Mrs. Davie Crockett of Harbor, Oregon, were visitors at Smith River Sunday, visiting Mrs. Crockett's mother, Mrs. Eva Hill, who is confined to her house by illness.

Carnival was held at Smith River Hall, Saturday, with local organizations sponsoring booths. Proceeds will go toward improvement of the Community Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Crook left Sunday for San Jose where they will attend the graduation exercises at San Jose State College. Their son, Lester Crook and his wife are among the graduates.

Rev. and Mrs. James Shelton and daughter Amelia left Monday for Stockton, where they will attend the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, to be held at College of the Pacific. Services will be held next Sunday at Smith River at 11 o'clock.

Del Norte Pomona Grange will be guests of Lake Earl Grange on Sunday, June 20. Pot luck luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock, followed by a business session. The fifth degree will be give a class of candidates.

K. THOMPSON DIES

Word has been received of the death of Kirke Thompson, May 20 in Los Angeles. Mr. Thompson was a frequent visitor to the Harbor home of his brother, A. C. Thompson, who died a year ago, and has many friends here.

Visitors Flock To Oregon's Vacation Land

The tourist industry in Oregon set new records last year, the 1954 yearbook of the American Peoples Encyclopedia will report. A total of approximately 3 million visitors came to the state and spent an estimated 125 million dollars in the process.

The state's income of \$1,310,000,000 set new records. Payrolls in the lumber industry accounted for more than a quarter of this; income from forest products hit the billion dollar mark despite price declines.

The American Peoples Yearbook will disclose that the total cut in the state last year amounted to 8,558,923 board feet—an increase from 1952, but slightly under the all-time high of 8,610,000,000 board feet reported for 1951.

Some farmers were less fortunate, however. According to the report, crop prices dropped about 12 per cent below 1952's levels and the yields on most crops was

terminated "disappointing." Wheat growers, however, harvested a record even of more than 34 million bushels and received slightly higher prices than they did in 1952. A wet year caused losses in barley, fruits, nuts, hops, and grass seed but helped the dairy farmer. Gross income from farm products amounted to \$398,691,000, down 2 per cent from the preceding year.

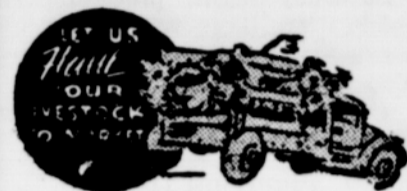
On the industrial scene, the yearbook will report that despite the slowdown in federal development of the power resources of

the Columbia river, the Harvey Machinery Co., which had already obtained a power commitment went ahead with plans to build a 65 million dollar aluminum reduction plant which would use power from the Dalles Dam.

This dam was about 10 per cent completed, and the McNary Dam about 80 per cent finished at the end of the year.

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