

Thursday, September 1, 1955

Harbor News

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lucas, Mrs. Annie Lucas and Mrs. Sue Benham drove to Arcata August 23rd they attended the funeral of David Dickey, who had been killed in the woods near Orick on the twentieth. They visited at the Dickey home following the ceremony, and Linda Dickey came home with them for a weeks visit here with the Lucas' daughter, Helen. Mrs. Dickey is the former Ellen Miller of Fort Dick, and is Leo's cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley K. Myers and year old Nancy, of Kent, Washington, spent the last weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Payne. They left Tuesday for shland before returning home. Mr. Myers and Mr. Payne were buddies while in the Air Force during the war.

Mrs. Allen Wallace and two sons spent last week in Portland where they did some shopping and visited at the home of Mr. Wallace's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo A. Traver and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bachus and two daughters, all of Linton, North Dakota spent last week visiting at the homes of the Travers daughter, Mrs. C. H. Rausch and Mr. Traver's sister, Mrs. L. G. Stafford.

Jeri and Gail Samuelson of Palo Alto, daughters of Carl Samuelson, well known bulb buyer, spent last week here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Oliver.

Mrs. Mary Shepro and Mrs. Minnie Evans, sister and aunt of Mrs. Ray Struebing have been visiting the Strueblings again on their way south. After stopping here the first part of the month, they visited other relatives in Elkton, Portland, and Oregon City, and are now on their way to their homes in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shipley and two children spent last week in Redding visiting friends and relatives.

On his return trip from Lima,

Ohio where he and his daughter, Helen, had gone to get the new school bus, Leo Lucas came by way of Madras so that his mother, Mrs. Annie Lucas could accompany them home. She had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Myers for about two months.

Mrs. Sam Dotson received word the first of the week of the death of her niece, little three year old Ruth Van Wynen in Bolivia on August twenty-third. Ruthie suffered a recurrence of intussusception which she first had while her parents were in Mexico. Rev. and Mrs. Van Wynen will be well remembered here as they have visited at the home of Mrs. Van Wynen's sister, Mrs. Dotson, and given talks on their work as missionaries with the Wycliffe Translator. They have another child, Tommy.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Fowler went to Pacific Beach, Washington to take their grand-daughter, Carol, home after she had spent six weeks here visiting them. They spent several days at the home of their son, C. R. Fowler, then went to Hoquiam, where they visited Cal and Klea Johnson, former resident. They also visited in Olympia and Portland, returning home Sunday.

Aruthur Crook and Leo Lucas were the honored guests at a birthday party at the Lucas home on the Winchuck last Sunday afternoon. An afternoon of games, conversation and refreshments were enjoyed by the group. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Crook, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hanscom and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Tierce and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. Aude Clayton, Vernon and Mervin Petegrew and Lester Ross. Mr. Ross had visited at the Lucas home for several days, and left for his home near Merlin on Wednesday.

Mrs. Orville Wood and four children spent last week visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Sam Dotson. On Sunday Mrs. Dotson took them to Grants Pass where they met Mr. Wood who had gone up into Washington on

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR SKIP AND JILL

Skippy Harvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harvey and Jill Stuart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Stuart celebrated their sixth birthday by being honored guests present for the afternoon Wednesday with twenty one small guests present or the afternoon of games and fun. The party was at the Harvey home, with the two mothers as the hostesses. Skippy and Jill received many nice presents from their friends.

The birthday cake took the eyes of all the small people, as it consisted of an engine, twenty-three cars and a caboose, all authentically decorated. Each of the children had one of the cars to eat, and Skippy and Jill shared the engine together.

Royce Widner underwent two major operations at the Portland Sanitarium, last week, one on Wednesday and another on Friday. He should be able to leave the hospital in a week or so and will rest up with his parents, in Albany, before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gorte and three children are now living in their new home on Easy Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Olson took their daughter Kathie to Portland over the weekend. Kathie will remain there to attend school.

A fishing trip, and they returned to their home in Baldwin Park with him. Another guest at the Dotson home last week was Lloyd Ritchie, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ritchie of Ukiah, who was visiting Sammie Dotson. He had accompanied Sammie and Mrs. Dotson home after they had been to Oakland the previous week. The Ritchies are well known former Brookings residents.

Sonny Chapman was painfully but not seriously injured a week ago Wednesday when he cut a sapling which was bent under a leg. It whipped up and struck him across the face, breaking his nose in two places, giving him a concussion and bruising his face badly. He was falling on the Herb Payne place up the Chetco when the accident happened. He was rushed to the doctor's office by his wife and Gary Payne. He is recuperating satisfactorily and may be able to return to work next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Shrader and son Jimmy arrived from Los Angeles Saturday for a weeks visit at the home of Mr. Shrader's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Shrader, and other relatives. They are former residents of this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McGrow and daughter Judy returned to their home in Spokane Saturday after spending the past week at the home of Mr. McGrow's mother Mrs. Tony Olsen.

Mrs. Vic Reynolds and Mrs. C. "Ed" Dempsey returned Tuesday from Los Angeles where they had visited for a week. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Cecil Houdyshell of Claremont, who is visiting at the Dempsey home. Mrs. Houdyshell is a grower of Purple of African Violets, and is a Past President of the national African violet society.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bush of Parker, Arizona, spent three days at their home on the Chetco River near Harbor, returning south on Wednesday.

CURRY COUNTY CAR TOTAL TOLD

According to the Oregon Trucking association bulletin, 2861 passenger cars have been registered in Curry County, from January 1, to June 30, 1955.

Also 100 busses were registered, and 517 trucks, and 31 other vehicles.

The total registered was 3,422 in Curry, and 456,660 in the state of Oregon. Multnomah county had the biggest registration with 128,832 total, while Sherman had the lowest figure with 1,033 total.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith the planning to spend Labor Day in Yachats.

On their week's vacation, Mike and Frances Page took the children over to Ashland where they visited one of Mike's sisters, who will be remembered here as Maxine—Mrs. John DeYoung, of Ashland. From there they went to Eureka to look up two oldtime Marshfield nabs—the Stone and Austin Snyder families, who are in the wholesale fish business. They then went on up to Coos Bay to see Mike's and Frances' folks. They loaded down with pears, at Ashland, after seeing truck loads of slightly imperfect ones being dumped in a creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Linskaug were in Portland, this past weekend. On their way out they stopped in Salem to see Mrs. Linskaug's brother, Al Williamson, but found Al was down at Eugene on a job. Al and his wife, Mildred, parents of Bob, used to live here.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Erb, and two sons, have moved into their newly completed house on Iris Street, off Arnold Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Erb left Wednesday and returned Sunday, having been called to Albany because of the death of Mr. Erb's sister-in-law.

Monty Leonard is expecting!! He's looking, slaunchwise, at his old tabby cat, expecting she'll break the century mark in production. Monty says, so far, she's laid with ninety-nine kits. Maybe he'd do well to make arrangements with Gridley, another much publicised Curry County Cat.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Petty, of Oberlin, Ohio, spent the week end with Dr. and Mrs. Sam Gibson.

Sharon Bolin, 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bolin, put in all last Saturday with a tractor-powered rotovator on the fields at the greenhouse, getting them ready for planting. Sharon tilled the soil about a foot deep and when she was done, much of it looked as if it had been raked.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wolf, of Del Rio, California, were on this last week visiting Mrs. Wolf's daughter, Mrs. Bonnie Ettinger, and her son, Bud Stotenberg.

Those wanting to get to the Drive-In Theatre from the new freeway, should turn off at the sign pointing to "Lake Earl."

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Vahr, and son Victor, returned this weekend from a three week visit to Wisconsin, visiting the old home town of Princeton, where Carl has a brother and other relatives living.

Al Panzer, of the Panzer Greenhouses, Portland, and his wife, Jean, spent a few days calling on their old friends here. Al used to be connected with the Brookside Azalea and Bulb Farms. He dropped word that he and Jean are now grandparents. While here they stayed with the Dr. Roy Whites.

Ernie Wheeler, now working vacation relief at the Seaview Dairy, says he has a notion he will drop his heavy activities with the Cub Scouts, this coming year, because he can't get enough cooperation from prospective Den Mothers.

Arnold Morris, who has been recently given physical clearance on his lung trouble, says he is figuring on getting started, this week on a new house for the Art Crooks. Art and Clarice are planning a building on what used to be Art's peacock range, between his old home and Roy Brimm's.

Mrs. Lloyd Stafani is back home again after over a months hospitalization, at Coos Bay. She is feeling much better but not yet able to do much but devote her time to recuperating.

The patch Percy Evans is wearing is not the result of having a shiner hung on him but to protect his eye during a mighty uncomfortable spell of iritis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Hale and three children have just returned from a two weeks trip into Canada. They went to Vancouver, Victoria, and on to Banff and Lake Louise.

WHEAT ONCE WAS BIG CROP IN SMITH RIVER

The Smith River country early made a firm base for growing of foodstuffs. At one time it was the source of much of the flour used in the Bay area, wheat fields extending even past the state line. This was before the railroads were built and wheat brought from prairie states.

With their grain market cut off the ranchers turned to cattle, specifically dairy stock, as the middle westerner devoted his efforts to beef cattle and abhorred the idea of even keeping a family cow.

According to an old Crescent City newspaper clipping, in June 1895 Will Strain, managing a ranch at Smith River owned by Andrew Pedrotti, of San Rafael, was milking 130 cows which produced that year, converted into 25,000 pounds of butter, all of which was shipped out, by water, to the San Francisco market.

This was all hauled to docks at Crescent City, the wagons fording Smith River.

On the side, Strain raised hay for feeding the "bills" used in logging, harvested and thrashed some 1950 bushels of barley from a 20 acre field, and had 100 acres of red clover which made 3 tons of hay per acre. They also annually marketed up to 100 hogs which sold at 4 cents a pound.

Tommy VanPelt was showing the folks a hunk of quartz-like rock, streaked with yellow, that he allowed was uranium ore. Said he was accumulating as much as he could with the idea of making a bomb to blow up all the white folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom W. Eby, of Moses Lake, Washington, visited knifolks here last weekend, staying with Mrs. Eby's sister, Mrs. Glen Zirbel. Grace says they got to counting family noses, and were quite surprised to tally her 74 grand-nieces and nephews, which is quite a few for a gal as she says, "just a little past 50". Minco deBruin has recently arrived from New Jersey to work at Fairyland Lily and Begonia Gardens. Minco, was held a POW in Indonesia when the Japs invaded there, being then in the Dutch forces.

The Harbor Community Club met at the home of Mrs. Albert Joy, on schedule, with Mrs. Ruby Harvey, club president, in the chair. After a short business meeting the hostess, Mrs. Ruby Harvey, and Mrs. Missouri Morgan served refreshments.

It is reported that Bob Dimmick has bought the lot between the Davis home and the Episcopal Church on Fir St., and is hankering on having Gil Christensen getting a home on it as soon as he can.

Dale Travis had a few days vacation in town from his duties as lookout at Long Ridge. The vacation consisted, mostly, of doing what his boss told him to do, around the Forest Service building

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