Boys Return from Beaver State Camp; Incidents of Week Session Told by "Citizen" from Hillsboro

(By Loren Bronleewe)

After an enjoyable week's stay, Hillsboro's "citizens" at the Hill Military academy Beaver Boys' state camp returned home Saturday noon. The camp was an instructive lesson in American government.

Organized as the seat of state, county and city governments, the "miniature city" was divided into four barracks, conveniently labeled A, B, C and D with each one representing a county. The upper and lower floors in each barracks building were designated as separate municipalities.

Boys Divided

Each city and each county elected their own officials, including two representatives each to the state legislature. The Hillsboro boys were divided among the four barracks.

In A barracks, Jim Peppard acted as publicity man for "Granny" McCormick, who ran for lieutenant-governor. In B barracks, Neil Jeppeson and Robert Gregg were city commissioners and the writer served as city deputy, chairman of the constitutional committee and county representatives to the state legislature. Vernon Varenhorst was the printer on the "Daily Bugle" staff.

In C barracks, Don Nelson was county sheriff and C. Russell and Douglas O'Donnell were his deputies. In D barracks, Frank Ryan was on the constitutional committee and was a representative to the state legislature. In D barracks Dwight Grass was deputy sheriff.

Laws Enacted

Laws were made for both cities and counties and if they were violated arrests and trials followed. A great many interesting cases of "criminal" cases were tried. One case was appealed to the supreme court after a lower court had passed sentence and the defendant was acquitted in the new trial.

Aspiring lawyers were required to take a bar examination and applicants for state police jobs took civil service examinations. All government work was conducted in the mornings.

Afternoon entertainment was afforded by swimming sessions and softball games. An assembly was held each evening, with such notable speakers as Judge Donald C. Long of Portland and Supreme Court Judge Joseph Bailey among those heard. About 40 boys went on a trip to Bonneville.

Residents Flee Before Flames

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ed to hold unless another brisk wind blows up. About 500 men are now on the fire's north and south, it was estimated.

Camp on School Grounds

Many of the fire-harried mountain settlers were seen camped Tuesday night on the Meacham school grounds.

They were the Chris Christofferson, Roy Walters, R. Johnson, M. I. Boney and Michael Monagaan families. The last named had come here on a vacation trip from New York and were planning to visit Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bristol of above Dixon's mill but were turned back by the fire.

The Washington county Red Cross chapter Wednesday afternoon established a base on the schoolgrounds to feed the families. Whether or not the homes of the stricken families have burned was not known, but the men were planning to go through fire lines and move out more of their belongings as soon as possible.

Hillsboro's rural fire rig was stationed at the Dixon mill throughout Tuesday night. Some of the mountain residents have been warned by fire patrol officials that both their belongings and their persons will be safer if they remain in their homes than if they attempt moving through the flaming woods.

West of Forest Grove, the 18,000-acre Saddle mountain-Glenwood blaze was running rampant through new stands of green timber and continued to be a serious threat to Hillsboro and Forest Grove water supplies. On its southern edge, it had crawled to within eight miles of the Haskins creek watershed supplying McMinnville and was reported to have destroyed ten donkey engines and about 15,000,000 feet of felled timber in Yamhill county. A crew of over 600 men had the Elsie fire trailed on all sides Wednesday but new spot fires continued to break out along the Wolf Creek highway.

Firefighters returning from the southeastern front of the Saddle mountain blaze Wednesday noon said flames had taken the Blind Cabin ranger station and were racing through the treetops in virgin timber along Roaring creek. At last reports, the fire wall had advanced to within two miles of the community of Cherry Grove. Residents there are apprehensive of destruction to the town, it was said. Fighters have left their lines, they declared, because the flames were running so fast that it was useless to attempt checking them.

Cherry Grove residents Tuesday night found sleeping easier with wet cloths over their mouths.

Whipped by a high northwest wind, the Saddle mountain blaze flared completely out of control Saturday evening, eating south into untouched timber and endangering the Stimson lumber camp. Camp crews prepared to move all equipment out.

Flames leaped all around the camp's 40 buildings Sunday but passed by without causing any serious damage. Moving south and east on a change of wind, the fire drove toward the Flora lumber corporation camp No. 5 on Sunday and swept dangerously close to the Hammond Lumber company and Haskell-Carpenter holdings.

Water Supply Threatened

Although no immediate danger was foreseen, fears were expressed Monday for an island of green timber left standing by the costly Tillamook blaze of 1933. Luckily, the red menace swept by to spare this stand. The threat to Hillsboro's water supply source was first seen on Sunday when the fire was reported eating its way through rugged country in the Sain creek watershed.

The Elsie blaze, covering over 10,000 acres, was still uncontrolled on Sunday but had quieted down some. Flying sparks from the wide fire front, however, constituted a menace to the 800 CCC workers and loggers fighting it as new spot fires sprang into life south of them.

Travel on the Wolf Creek highway was resumed on Friday after the road had been closed to traffic the preceding day. The blaze had jumped the nighway two days before and had blackened what little green scenery remained in that area from disastrous blazes of years gone by.

New Blaze Fought

Meanwhile, the Dutch canyon blaze was striding through the Cliff Kettleson logging operations near Scappoose and became one of Washington county's most serious fire problems as it ate its way across the line from Columbia county and into the Dixon holdings on Monday.

A crew of Clark & Wilson Lumber company men were fighting the blaze on the south side Monday in an attempt to check its progress toward camp buildings, but their efforts were futile as the red demon lashed out in all directions and destroyed everything in its path.

Reportedly started by a woodcutter on Saturday, the blaze raced through green timber on Monday to destroy four J. W. Dixon Lumber company buildings, ten woodcutters' homes and the Kittleson logging camp. Dixon and Kittleson logging company crews saved four of their donkey engines by burying them.

Saved by Burial

Four firefighters saved themselves from death in the flames by the same method, digging themselves in and covering up with earth. Hours later, after the flames had passed over, they arose unharmed from their living tombs.

Roy Taylor, Banks route 1, a Kittleson logger, was rushed to the Jones hospital in Hillsboro with an injured back and fractured clavicle Monday as a result of having been struck by a falling snag while working on the fire lines.

Continuing their destructive march, flames devoured a gas loader, diesel yarder and 1,500,000 feet of bucked logs belonging to the Gerber, Bunker Logging company and broke fire lines on Monday to threaten the Pisgah home colony.

Nurses Evacuated

Three women nurses at the home were taken to safety in trucks and preparations were made to move the home's 50 aged men inmates. Over 300 firefighters were on the lines Monday and valiant efforts were being made to prevent the blaze from jumping the canyon and flaring into valuable tracts of green timber, owned by the Kittleson, Dixon and Menefee Lumber companies.

The Saddle mountain blaze, during this time, was running amuck through inaccessible rugged mountain country in Tillamook county, the southwestern corner of Wasaington county and along the northern edge of Yamhill. It was being described as the worst fire in northwestern Oregon since the costly Tillamook fire of 1933. A cold deck of logs and one skidder donkey engine at Camp No. 5 of the Flora Logging corporation were reported lost on Monday and the camp itself, located seven miles southwest of Cherry Grove, was believed doomed as fire swept around the buildings.

Residents Fearful

Residents of the tiny community of Cherry Grove were justifiably uneasy Monday as the red holocaust fingered out toward their homes. The fire's edge was reported in the Haskell-Carpenter holdings and was moving relentlessly forward through a rich stand of virgin timber around the Blind Cabin ranger station.

With rough estimates of the fire's destruction reaching as high as 18,000 acres, State Forester J. W. Ferguson and Warden Cecil Kyle conferred at Forest Grove with directors of the Northwest Oregon Forest Protective association in an attempt to formulate some plan of effective fire-fighting.

Believed to have started from burning coals which dropped from a fired donkey engine, the Saddle mountain blaze by Monday night had spread fan-like and was raging uncontrolled along a 12-mile front. Stimson logging company officials estimated five years had been cut from their firm's operating life and other companies, embracing the Consolidated, Haskell-Carpenter and Davis-Stoppenback holdings, were counting their losses in hundreds of thousands of dollars.

A two-way short wave radio system was being operated Monday between the Forest Grove fire patrol station and the fire lines, and a telephone line was being strung.

Week's Weather

ALMOST COLD!

	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Wednesday	99	51	0
Thursday	98	62	0
Friday	87	49	0
Saturday	77	50	0
Sunday	81	41	0
Monday	90	47	0
Tuesday	95	49	0
Wednesday	97	50	0

Logging Halt Is Ordered

All logging operations in six Oregon counties including Washington county were suspended Tuesday in compliance with a fire-hazard order issued by State Forest J. W. Ferguson. Closure of all forests west of the Cascade range was being considered.

The drastic action was taken as low humidity and high temperatures continued to hamper fire fighting in three large blazes in northwestern Oregon and others in the southern part of the state.

Cooper Mt. Grain Yield Found Good

COOPER MOUNTAIN—Farmers in the community doing their threshing report a very good grain crop.

Make Improvements

Byrle Moore is repairing the school steps and building new swings.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson and two sons from Oklahoma are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rohrback. Mrs. Carson is a niece of Mr. Rohrback.

Little Miss Rose Doughty of Amity is visiting with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Dougaty.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Crocker, a boy, July 25.

Miss Edna Reusser, who has been attending a six weeks summer school, was home last week.

Mrs. Fred Gindhart is spending a few days in Huber with her sister, Miss Amber Hastie. Mrs. Gindhart has been ill.

Freddie Gassner has been laid up with a very sore leg, but is getting better.

Asa Griffitts, son of Mrs. Susy Reusser, has been nome from Philadelphia for ten days. He is employed as an oiler on the U. S. Dredge Clatsop. He visited the New York and San Francisco fairs and started back to Philadelphia by bus Sunday night. This was his first trip home since he went back in January, 1938.

Divorces Granted

Merritt—Tressa J. vs. Frederick G.
Schainck—Marjorie W. vs. Henry J.

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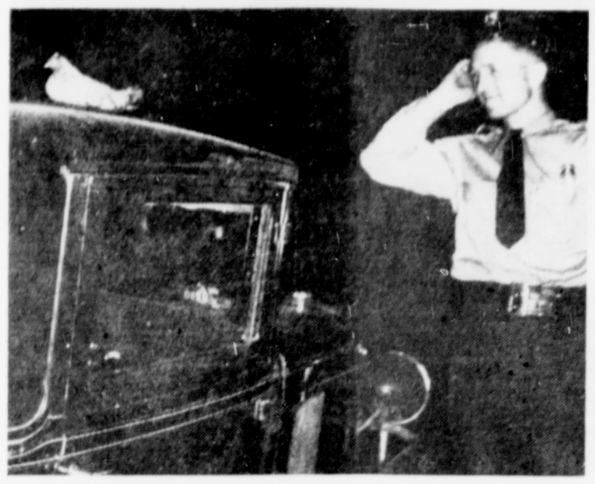

Officer Ole Nielson was at a loss to cope with the brazen all-night parker shown above until a friendship sprang up and now the "fowl" law-breaker is a fond pet at the Nielson home. The city officer found the bantam hen all set for the night atop a car in downtown Hillsboro recently.—(Cut courtesy Oregonian)

Fire Threatens At Hazeldale

HAZELDALE—Fire in dry grass on the old Lewis Dean place, threatened to reach brush and timber, for a while Monday afternoon. A volunteer crew brought it under control with wet sacks. The fire was believed to be of incendiary origin.

Oscar Pierson, Bob Mercer and Bud Hanalon went to White Salmon, Wash., Sunday with a truck and returned with a tractor for Bob Mercer.

Plan Picnic

Boys and girls 4-H clubs held a joint meeting at the school house Monday evening for discussion of plans for a picnic to be held at Balm Grove, Sunday, August 27.

Attendance was 49 at Sunday school. Don Peterson of the Multnomah School of Bible, was guest speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Taylor and children spent Saturday at the beaches.

Mrs. Bessie Bridgman and her mother Mrs. Lilly Hanley of Leisyville drove to Taft Sunday and returned via Newport and King's valley.

Junior choir girls of the Congregational church at Beaverton will attend a picnic at Camp Adams Sunday. Those from here are Dorene, Lorna Mae, and Maxine Carey, Anita Salee, Estella, Eloise, Bernice and Barbara Imlah.

Mrs. Verle Salee and daughter Reta left last Wednesday for Ashland, where Reta will receive medical treatment.

Mrs. Frank Kelley and son Dale of Nelscott were guests Wednesday of Mrs. Rebecca Ellerson. They were on their way home after a trip around Mt. Hood.

Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John Imlah were Miss Winona Blalock of Newport, George Boone of Toledo, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Olinger and sons Billy and Bobby of Vernonia. Miss Blalock and Mrs. Olinger are sisters of Mrs. Imlah.

Mr. and Mrs. John Copley and daughter Janet, with Mrs. Copley's sister, Mrs. Robert Nelson, of Glenwood, Cal., are guests this week of Mrs. Rebecca Ellerson.

Battery E in Parade

Battery E, 218th field artillery, of Hillsboro and Battery F of Newberg will represent the artillery in the American Legion parade at Salem Friday night, according to Captain Arthur Kroeger. The battery will go to Clackamas Sunday for firing practice.

Help your correspondent send in early copy. Some Friday or Saturday if possible.

Wisconsin Folk Scholls Visitors

SCHOLLS—Mrs. Betsy Hales and her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Sisler, of Wauwatosa, Wis., spent the week-end at the George Lewellin home on their way from Alaska to the fair at San Francisco, Cal. Mrs. Hales is a sister of Mr. Lewellin.

Mrs. A. F. Smith and her daughter Dorothy from Edmonton, Canada, are visiting at the home of A. F. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Smith of Scholls.

Gifts Presented

Queen Betty Fristoe of the Scholls harvest festival presented each princess of her court with a small gift as a token of friendship.

Mrs. Twigg in Portland

Mrs. Harold Christensen's mother, Mrs. Florence Twigg, is much improved and was able to be moved to Portland to stay at the home of her other daughter, Mrs. Joe Sandiforth, of the St. John district.

Miss Howard Honored

A shower was held last Thursday at the Westaflis in Portland for Miss Lela Howard, formerly of Scholls.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brittian of Atcheson, Kan., is visiting at the Joe Brittian home at Scholls.

Elmer Howard is now working at Astoria.

Miss Annice Chandlee will enter the Emanuel hospital September 1 to take nurse's training.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown, who were house guests of Dr. and Mrs. William B. Chandlee since Thursday, left for their home in Tacoma, Wash., Monday morning.

Mrs. Evelyn Nelson of Linwood, Cal., is a guest of Mrs. Chandlee of Scholls.

Mrs. J. C. Hatfield and son Louie and his friend Gomer attended the Redhead roundup at Taft Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Flint and family Mr. and Mrs. Joe Twigg and family, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Bish and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rueck and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Christensen went to Newberg Sunday and enjoyed a picnic in the city park. Later they went swimming.

Phyllis Christensen Honored

Mrs. Harold Christensen gave a birthday party Monday in honor of her little daughter Phyllis on her seventh birthday. Present were Kenneth and Leland Twigg, Ethel and Bertha Waibel, Ruth, Esther, Melvin, Ervin and Norman Christensen, Ray Clinebarl, Betty Lou Hubert, Peggy Briggs and Charles Fristoe.

Divorces Filed

Kennedy—John H. vs. Florence E.
Fraley—Bertha vs. Edward L.
Saarinen—Mary Jane Helen vs. Edwin R.

Clubs Prepare For Exhibit

HELVETIA—The Rose and Garden 4-H club met at the home of Ruth Guerber August 4. The canning club, with Lucille Yungen as leader, is planning an all-day meeting. The members are busy getting exhibits ready for the county fair. Their officers are Norma Berger, president; Marjorie Epperson, vice-president; Doris Jossi, secretary; Betty Yunger, treasurer, and Ruth Guerber, reporter.

Visits from Distance

Mr. and Mrs. James McMillan of California and Patricia Hachet of St. Paul, Minn., spent last week visiting the John Lulich family. While here they visited relatives in Cosmopolis, Wash., accompanied by Mrs. Lulich and daughter Lorraine. Mrs. McMillan and Mrs. Lulich are sisters and Miss Hachert is their niece. Miss Hachert left St. Paul a month ago and went to San Fracisco by train to visit the fair and came with her relatives here by auto. She returned by train to St Paul, where her father is chief of police.

This vicinity was well represented at the Dairy Co-op picnic at Jantzen Beach Sunday and report a good time. Mrs. Gertie Meek received a prize. A few air-minded folks attended the air circus at the new airport at Portland Sunday. The crowd was large, but there was lots of room on the 705-acre field.

Helvetia Sunshine club will meet at the home of Mrs. Langue at North Plains August 16. Assisting hostesses will be Mrs. H. Jacobson, Mrs. G. Kauer, Mrs. A. Keffer.

Sister to Marry

Jake Rufer has received word from Cheney, Wash., that his twin sister, Lorene, will be married Saturday to Paul Hayes of Clarkton, Wash. The Rufer family lived on the Einar Barggren place before they moved to Brix camp, where Mr. Rufer was killed while logging.

Thirteen Entries In Scholls Parade

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ner in the commercial division, the entry of Ferrill's Rabbitry of Mountain Home, with Miss Genevieve Morgan, a house guest at the Ferrill residence, dressed as a "bunny-rabbit." Her antics enlivened the parade considerably as she danced and hopped, with long ears flopping, and cared for a baby buggy full of real baby rabbits.

An estimated 200 persons witnessed the parade and attended the coronation ceremony and picnic supper at the Groner school in the evening. Music by Ivan Koeber and his orchestra kept the crowds in the festival spirit during the afternoon and evening.

Even in summer time, motorists must bear in mind the danger of driving too fast on wet roads, Earl Snell, secretary of state, said recently. During the month of June there were two fatal accidents due to wet pavements. A total of 423 traffic accidents were ascribed to wet road conditions.

If you have a house, an apartment or a room to rent—use the Argus want ads. tf

Wide Support Is Predicted

Wide support from this part of the state is predicted for Frank Miller, Forest Grove merchant, who will be presented as a candidate for department vice-commander of the American Legion when the Legion holds its convention in Salem today (Thursday), Friday and Saturday.

Miller was district No. 2 commander in 1938. He is being indorsed by members of the Forest Grove Legion post and also was voted support at a pre-convention district meeting in McMinnville.

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