

# Five State Parks, Coast Route

The following article, presented in cooperation with the Oregon State Motor association, is one of a series designed to promote travel in the Pacific northwest. Today's article has been condensed from a motor-log appearing in the Sunday Oregonian June 16.

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"Dictators and their armies may grind Europe into dust; America may have to arm to the teeth and live under the dread of war; the gentle arts of peace may be forgotten in a new age of darkness. Still the people of Oregon will have a place for relaxation and solace. As long as those basalt cliffs stand against the pounding surf, the state parks along our sea coast will belong to the people, for their enjoyment."

Sam Boardman, rambling philosopher and superintendent of the park system of the state highway department, was doing the talking as we stood on the mountain.

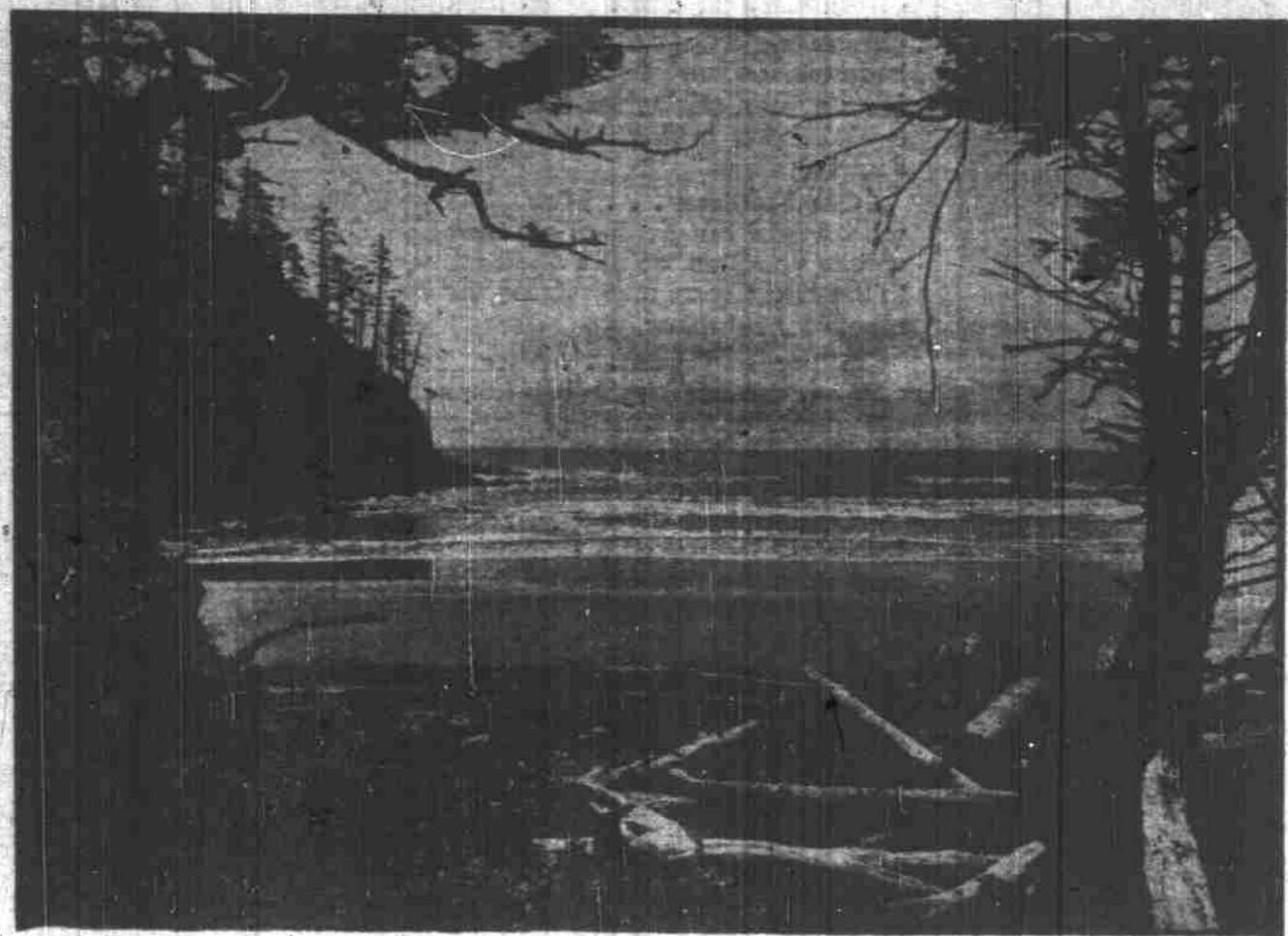
The pause on Saddle mountain was a moment in a motor-log designed to visit the five great state parks, comprising some 12,000 acres, in easy reach of the bulk of Oregon's population by way of the new Wolf creek and Wilson river highways. They are: Saddle mountain, 5,000 acres, 451 acres; Short Sand beach, 1,300 acres; Cape Meares, 138 acres; and Cape Lookout, a narrow peninsula thrusting a mile and a half out to sea.

Starting shortly after noon Friday in the Oregon State Motor association's travel development car, we dropped down the Wolf creek highway to the coast, climbing Saddle mountain as far as the end of the road on the way, spent the night at the commodious Hotel Gearhart and returned Saturday by the Tillamook beaches (lunch at Lake Lytle) and the Salmon River highway. Total distance 315 miles.

Actually we visited three of the state parks, spectacular Saddle mountain, beautiful Ecola and breath-taking Cape Meares. The others, at this stage of development, are accessible only by foot and there wasn't time.

On the basis of first-hand observation Ecola park is recommended without qualification. Eighty-eight miles from Portland, adjoining Cannon Beach, it is equipped with tables, fireplaces and all conveniences of picnicers, and its well-kept trails afford an ever-changing vista of wave-battered rocks and rugged shorelines. A plaque commemorating the donation of the park area by Misses Caroline and Louise Flanders, Rodney L. Glisan and Mrs. F. G. Minnett is presently to be installed in a conspicuous place.

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The route of the motor-log trip and location of the five parks are mapped above.

base of the northern face of Neahkahnie mountain and is cut off now by construction of the spectacular highway across the seaward cliff. When that job is done and connected with the road now being driven southward from Cannon Beach through Arch Cape tunnel a smooth and almost windless beach will be made easily accessible to the motorist.

Neahkahnie sand spit has lately been acquired by the state park system. Blank and desolate now, it harbors only a small patch of stunted spruce trees, but Mr. Boardman is having Holland grass planted to anchor the sand and envision the future development there of a "Coney island of the west."

Around Tillamook bay and out through Bayocane an improved road climbs steeply to the top of



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Cape Meares, where the lighthouse reservation and a federal migratory bird refuge are being developed as a state park through a cooperative agreement.

Cape Lookout, farthest south of this group of state parks, is a rocky promontory, clothed with a dense growth of Sitka spruce and underbrush, a primitive wilderness.

For vacationists who tire of the glare of the beach, Saddle Mountain state park is being developed as an alternate playground. From the picnic ground at the end of seven miles of road now being built by the CCC boys, a three-mile trail reaches the summit, 3,200 feet high.

## Waterfront Rift Believed Serious

SAN PEDRO, Calif., June 15.—Rolling into snowball proportions, a once comparatively minor CIO-AFL labor dispute resulted Friday in the tie-up of 13 American ships and trouble for foreign vessels today in Los Angeles harbor.

The tie-up came when AFL union sailors, the independent firemen and others refused either to continue work or to pass picket lines established by AFL culinary unions.

These unions started picketing docks today because CIO longshoremen and others have been boycotting and picketing waterfront cafes holding AFL labor contracts.

The CIO maneuvers were incited by Consolidated Steel corporation's granting of an exclusive AFL labor contract for construction of four ships for the US Maritime commission, a \$7,500,000 order. The CIO contended it had first call on the labor—that the AFL had no resident steel workers in this area.

Going to court in Los Angeles, the culinary unions obtained a temporary injunction against CIO unions and the communist party.

## 4H Winners Told, National Contest

CHICAGO, June 15.—Oregon winners in the national farm and home accounting contest for 1939-40 and prizes, as announced here by the judging committee representing the extension service, are: Werna D. Froelich of Salem, \$6; Margaret Belton of Canby, \$6; Grace Bensch of Hermiston, \$6; Wilbur Burkhardt, Jr., of Albany, \$3; Homer W. Hildebrand of Corvallis, \$3; Doris C. Ayers of Lacombe, \$3. Awards were provided by the International Harvester company for the sixth year.

Participants were required to show receipts and expenditures, an opening and closing inventory, and an analysis of farm, home and crop enterprise accounts and suggest means of improving the net farm income. Over 5000 boys and girls submitted records in the contest.

## N. Umpqua Road To Open This Week

The North Umpqua highway between Roseburg and Diamond Lake will be opened next Friday, R. J. Baldock, state highway engineer, announced Saturday. The road has been under construction for several years.

A caravan will leave Roseburg early Friday morning for Diamond Lake, where luncheon will be served at noon. Members of the state highway commission have accepted an invitation to accompany the caravan.

## Leaves for Sisters

RICKREALL—Arthur Dempsey who has been home convalescing from injuries received when struck by a log rolling from his truck, returned to Sisters Thursday and in a short time will continue his work driving truck.

## Hears Flatheads' Story

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## Jason Lee's Ideal of "Reasonable Service to God" Said Realized in Ministry to Early Oregon Country

Editor's note: This is the first of a series of articles dealing with historical backgrounds of the Salem Centennial to be observed in 1940. The writer, a Bonanza, Klamath county, high school teacher, is the daughter of the late Jacob and Mary Siegmund, who came to Marion county in the early 1870s.

By MATILDA SIEGMUND JONES  
More than one hundred years have passed since the establishment of "The Mills" which later became Salem.

Famous Letter Recalled  
Turn back the pages of history 107 years, to January 19, 1833, on which date was written an informal but famous letter which resulted in Jason Lee's going to Oregon.

To Jason Lee, a modest follower of Jesus Christ and missionary of his church, was given a rare opportunity of pioneering in a very important territory—many different fields. He, with Marcus Whitman and other companions went to the Oregon country where he "had a chance not only to preach the first sermon and establish the first church, but also to set up the first Christian home, lay the foundation of elementary schools, to set in motion the first institution for higher education, to draft the first petition from Oregon to congress for the establishment of an American government in that wilderness, to break the cattle monopoly of the Hudson's Bay company, to set up the first temperance society, and to lead in the first movement of organized American Government in Oregon."

In the chronicles of both the church and the nation, Jason Lee's name will never be forgotten. It will be held in deep respect and honor as long as these United States of America and the Methodist Episcopal church have interest in the early pioneering of this country.

Lee Born in Quebec  
Jason Lee was born June 28, 1803, in Stanstead, Quebec, the son of Daniel and Sarah Lee, Vermont pioneers. Jason was the youngest of 15 children.

It is said of Lee that his satisfaction with his physical surroundings in the Willamette valley was due to the fact that he spent his boyhood in a rugged country abounding in dense forests and colorful mountains. Apparently an admirer and lover of nature she held for him an attraction which endured.

The period in which Jason Lee was reared was characterized by austerity; a period where only the hardy and physically vigorous survived; he received his education in the village school via the three R's. Having been orphaned at the age of 13, yet due to the fact that he was insured to hard labor at an early age, and had a well-developed sense of values, he became economically independent before he was 14 years old. For several years he worked in the woods in the north. He was stirred by a deep spiritual impulse when he was 15, but the turning point in his life came upon his conversion at the age of 23. A course in Willamette academy, Massachusetts, inspired him spiritually, whereupon he made the decision to spend his life in human service.

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## List Nine Leaders For Camp Pioneer

Nine members of the 12-man staff of the 1940 Boy Scout Camp Pioneer have been selected, camp leaders reported yesterday.

Camp director will be Ronald R. "Chief" Ruddiman, assisted by Robert Day.

Dave Putnam will be life guard, and Percy Smith and Cliff Spaulding, troop leaders. Bob McNeil will be bugler, Bob Campbell, steward; Ken Murphy, canteen manager, and Earle Monroe, packer.

These officers will act as temporary merit badge examiners during the camping period.

## Salem Scout Press Notes

This will be the last column of the Salem Scout press notes for the summer. The Cascade area council, Boy Scout Press club has cancelled all column writing for the summer and will start up again next September. All scouts of the Press club will have news in The Oregon Statesman as the occasion arises, but there will not be a weekly column. Percy B. Smith, assistant scoutmaster of troop two and a charter member of the press club will be in charge of it during the summer.

A number of courts of honor will be held this summer. From the information that we now have, the schedule will be as follows: Salem—July 17 and August 21; (Note: Board of review will be held the same evening at 7 o'clock); Camp Pioneer—July 14, 21, 28 and August 4. If any districts are going to hold courts this summer, please let headquarters know.

Don't forget that all scouts and scouters are going to take part in the Centennial this summer. Report to headquarters and look up the last "News Letter" of May 23 and make arrangements for your troop.

Marching practice will be held at the Leslie Junior high school, June 15 at 7:30 p. M. B. H. Richards and other scouters will be in charge.

Thanks to the SSS Willamette for the two brand new "Mountain Lake" skiffs which will be constructed by camp time. One is already completed. Both of them have to be named. There is a contest on for the best name, and there will be a prize awarded. The contest closes June 24. Members of the headquarters or camp staff are not eligible to compete.

Well, this is the last part of the last column for the summer. We will be back next September and start up and give all the news from the troops of the Cascade area council. Any information on the activities of the Press club for the summer may be obtained from Percy R. Smith and don't forget that we will be back next fall with the regular scout column in the Sunday Statesman. Good luck and good scouting this summer.  
DONALD D. WOOD, Advisor.

## How Does Your Garden Grow?

During the past week I had the pleasure of seeing a number of beautiful tuberosa of tuberous begonias in bloom. I particularly enjoyed those in a prominent Salem garden where the owner, an amateur, is by no means a novice at begonia growing. He had a planting in his back yard which would do credit to a professional. The plantings were under trees. But the interesting thing about the planting, aside from the beauty of the flowers themselves, was that he had raised the tubers from seed.



Naturally I asked a number of questions—I did when I visited a professional begonia grower in Portland. The answers to my questions are contained in the following:

Tuberous-rooted begonias require shade, rich soil and moisture. Both in the garden I referred to at Salem and in the professional display garden at Portland, the flowers were planted under trees. If this is done, choose trees where the branches are far enough up to give plenty of air circulation. In another garden at Portland, I noticed that the begonia had been used effectively in a shady place in the rock garden.

### Are Surface Feeders

The professional man told me that the begonias were very heavy surface feeders; that the ground

did not have to be dug deeply, and that the principal thing was to have a good rich soil six inches deep in which to plant the tubers. Old leafmold, barnyard manure in equal parts, add coarse building sand and peat and you have an ideal tuberous-rooted begonia soil.

The amateur gardener told me that he started the seed late in January or early in February. He used a porous brick, sitting about one-half an inch of light soil on top. The brick was placed in a small pan and water put into this. Water must be kept in the pan he said, and capillary attraction does the rest. Just place the seed carefully on top of the soil, without pressing any of it down. He said these containers in a small greenhouse he has attached to his garage. Shortly after the embryo leaf appears he picks out the tiny plants using a tweezer for rooting. The soil for the little plants should be leafmold, peat and sand. Add a little charcoal to the mixture. This is placed in a small flat wooden box. Care must be used, he cautioned, to plant the roots straight downward. In about three weeks, the little plants will have to be transplanted again to keep the roots from intertwining. They are then planted in thumb pots where they are left until they show another leaf growth. Then they are planted into a five-inch pot, the final planting before they are set out.

### Polinize Seed

But, says this Salem grower, if you want to raise your own tuberous-rooted begonias from seed you have grown yourself, you must hand-pollinate the seed. You use a fine camel's hair brush and the pollination should be done as early in the season as possible for then the flowers are stronger and also the seed will have a better opportunity to ripen.

An interesting bit of information I gathered from the amateur gardener was to set the plants with the leaves pointing outward as that is the way the blooms also come. By following this rule you will not have the flowers facing the wall or the tree trunk. During very warm dry weather, it helps to spray the leaves of the plants with a very fine spray.

### Complimented on Birthday

WALDO HILLS—Mr. and Mrs. Max Scriber were hosts Tuesday night in compliment to Mrs. Scriber's father, E. G. Morrison, in observance of his birthday anniversary. Covers were placed at dinner for Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mulkey, Mr. and Mrs. Max Scriber, Howard and Warren Scriber.

## Amity Students Get Scholarships

AMITY—Students of the graduating class of the Amity union high school who received scholarships to higher places of education were: Mary Lemmon a four-year scholarship of \$150 renewable to Maryhurst college; Doris Cook, a scholarship in music to Linfield college; Blanche Wuech and Marjorie Giesy, scholarships to Linfield college.

Frances Stupfel had the honor of having his name placed on the school plaque for all-around best student. Those receiving medals for various activities were: Vernetta Wiley, citizenship; Betty Williams, scholarship; Julian Abraham, school activities; Violet McKee, typing; Frances Stupfel, declamatory; Rene Jensen and Wallace Harding, athletics; Julian Abraham and Frances Stupfel received the cash prizes offered each year by the Bank of Amity.

## Mt. Angel Family Returns From Trip

MT. ANGEL—Mrs. Mary Pickler and her son and daughter, Leonard and Therese Pickler, returned home Tuesday night, glad to be back in the green Willamette valley after a trip through the east and southwest that covered 8000 miles and took them through the rain-soaked states of Ohio and Missouri, the dust and wind of Kansas and the deserts of Arizona and New Mexico. The Picklers left here by train a month ago enroute to Chicago, where they visited with friends. From there they went to Detroit and purchased a new car, then up to Canada, Niagara Falls, and Buffalo, N.Y. The return was made through Ohio, Indiana and Missouri with a two-weeks' stop at Clarin, Kan., to visit with relatives. From Arizona they turned north to Salt Lake City over to Reno and back to Oregon through Klamath Falls, Crater Lake and the Santiam pass. The Santiam pass they considered one of the most beautiful roads traveled.

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