

Brooks Family On Texas Trip

BROOKS—Leaving recently for Los Angeles were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sturgis. From there they will go to Texas. Their son, Harry Sturgis, will take care of the farm while they are away. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sturgis are building a new house near the Ralph Sturgis home.

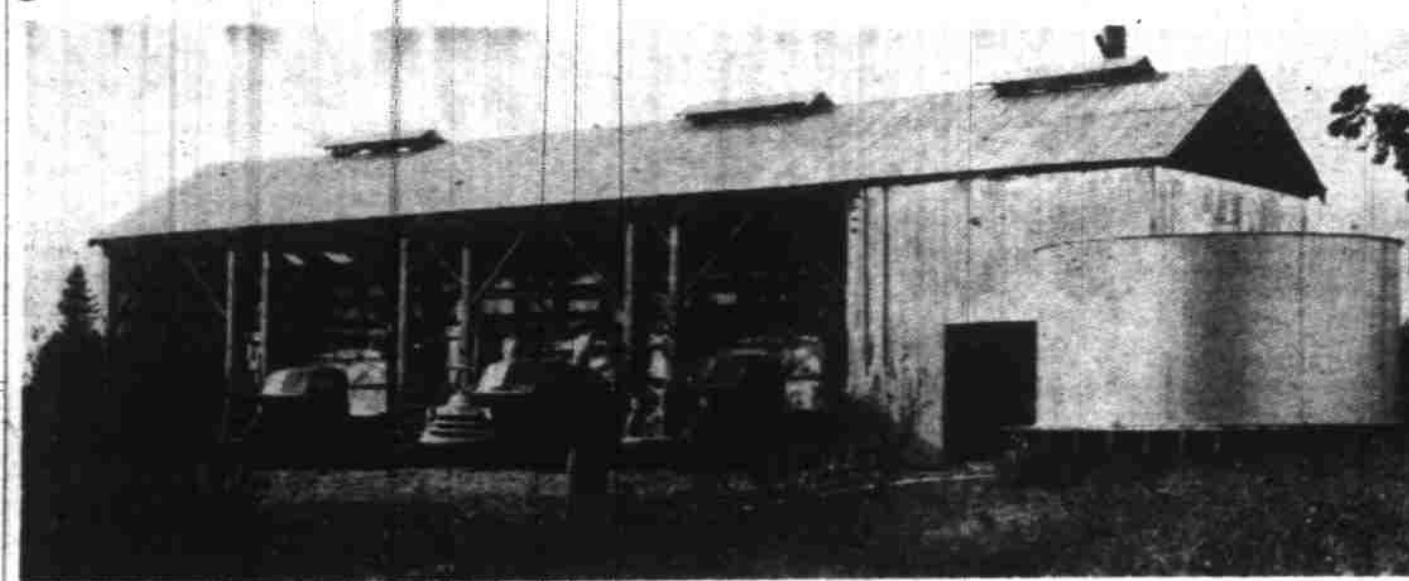
Richard Harrison was taken to the veterans hospital in Portland last week following an accident near Tillamook, when his car left the highway. Rudy Harris, riding with Harrison, was uninjured. Harrison suffered a dislocated hip.

Mrs. Arleta Weis and son George arrived from Hillsboro, Ohio, to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sturgis.

Montie Ramp of Roseburg was a recent guest at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ramp.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Judd of Molalla were recent guests at the home of their cousin, Mrs. Anna Dunlavy.

Jefferson Hub of Mint-Production District



New \$30,000 mint distillery built this year on Greens Bridge road at Jefferson by Oliver Stephenson and Bill Hart. It is equipped with a water tube boiler and is completely automatic. Mint is distilled in the tanks on the trucks and approximately 800 pounds of oil is run through in a day. (Photo by Hal Wynd.)

No Wonder Extensive Area Smells Nice—350,000 Pounds Of Peppermint Oil Produced

JEFFERSON—Since August 20, this entire community has smelled like peppermint candy, chewing gum, sugar and spice and everything nice, and there's no wonder. For around 350,000 pounds of peppermint oil are estimated to leave this area this season—50,000 more than in 1947.

Oregon and Washington states together have an estimated total of 16,000 acres of peppermint this year to produce around 800,000 pounds of oil.

Jefferson Hub of Area
Jefferson is the hub of the mint-producing section of Oregon, including 6,000 acres in parts of Marion, Linn, Benton and Polk counties, with the heaviest plantings in the Talbot area west of here. Most of the old growers have increased their acreage for 1948, and many farmers put in from 10 to 50 acres of mint for the first time this year.

The mint harvest in this immediate area was 10 to 20 days late this year because heavy spring rains delayed planting and tilling. The average yield per acre is also lower for the same reason. Most mint stills expected to make a run of about 40 days and will finish up in a few days.

While the average yield of oil per acre is down to 50 pounds, experienced growers are getting around 65 to 70 pounds an acre on their old stands of mint. At \$8.75 per pound of oil this brings \$461.50 per acre. However, growers point out that it isn't all profit and no worries.

Much Work Attached
There's the plowing, discing and harrowing, planting the mint roots, hoeing the weeds, dusting for flea beetle and strawberry weevil by tractor or airplane, fertilizing, irrigating, cutting, hauling, distilling — and dividing the income with Uncle Sam.

Weeding requires a lot of hand labor. Oil is graded as to purity by professional smellers, who can detect the slightest taint if any weeds are distilled with the mint. Two methods of distilling are

Detroit School Enrolls Many Young Beginners

DETROIT — Beginners in the school here are Lyndall Albertson, Floyd Bane, Jamie Baughman, Sharon Lee Bennett, Carol Begier, Robert Burt, Jimmie Cook, Ronald Duncan, Raymond Edwards, Jimmie Girod, Robert Gordon, Jimmie Gulliford, Dennis Howland, Richard Jacobs, Jerry Manasco, Ronald McKinney, Donald McKinney, Ardis McCoy, Sharon Ann Morby, David Payne, David Roberts, Mary Plummer, Donna Stevens, Ruth Scott, Rebekah Stoll, Evelyn Stoehr, Lorali Trumbly, Ernie Wallace, Lois White, Thelma Wilson.

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Plan for Deputy Sheriff Explained At Idanha Meet

DETROIT—At a Wednesday evening meeting in the Rod and Gun club, County Sheriff Denver Young explained briefly to the crowd of about 30 people his plans for getting a full-time deputy sheriff for this part of the canyon. Recently the county court has authorized that money be set aside for another car and another deputy who will be stationed in this area.

The plan is to have the deputy leave Salem in the late afternoon and cover the area during the evening and through the night. Mr. Young said he felt the section had a great need for an officer.

Young also thanked J. C. Fowler, constable here, for his co-operation.

County Judge Grant Murphy said that the county court was trying to cooperate in every way possible to get the full-time deputy because of the need, due to increase in population and the condition of the road under construction making this section rather isolated.

John Arthur, one of the group of men going to Salem last week to interview the court, expressed satisfaction with the results of this visit. Warren Stahl of Idanha presided.

Silverton Lions Open Season with Big Dinner

SILVERTON—A great turnout of members heralded the start of the fall season at the Silverton Lions club with more than 50 at the dinner. The speaker, W. J. Grant of Salem, member of the secretary of state's Safety division, spoke on the driver attitude that accidents happen only to the other fellow. He also showed a motion picture on driver concepts and resulting accidents.

Progress of the football season ticket sales campaign was reported by Lowell Paup, chairman of the committee. Home high school games this year will be at night and more than 600 covered seats. Season tickets may be purchased from merchants.

Lincoln Family Host For Birthday Dinner

LINCOLN—Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. McKinney of Lincoln were hosts for a birthday dinner Sunday, complimenting Mrs. T. L. Wilkinson of Gervais and J. A. McKinney of Hillsboro.

Others attending were J. A. McKinney's three sons, Lloyd McKinney, Portland, and Charles and Harlow of Weiser, Idaho. Mrs. Lloyd McKinney, Allan, Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Garold Welsh and Wayne, Corvallis; Mrs. Mary Cole and Marlene, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Harrison, all of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Glen McKinney and Glenda, Alma and Eldon, Silverton; Mr. and Mrs. Loren Swenwood and David and Diane, Mrs. Victor Utterback and Raymond, Esther and Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Ben McKinney and Macyle and Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. E. Fred McKinney and Perl.

Prior to 1913, the Secretary of Commerce was known as the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Valley Briefs

Four Corners — Mr. and Mrs. Homer Bales, 110 Back ave., entertained the pinocle club Saturday night when honors were taken by Mr. and Mrs. L. H. White, and Mr. and Mrs. William Bales. Next hosts will be the Ray Osborns.

North Santiam — Eighty five were registered in North Santiam school with additional pupils expected to register late because of harvest.

Silverton — More than 25 tons of paper were gathered in the Boy Scout paper drive here Saturday. It is stored in a vacant building on the R. G. Smith place, awaiting a market.

Portland — Mrs. Elsie Aseman of Seattle is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Noble.

Stayton Schools Enroll 501 Pupils

STAYTON — Increased enrollment in the schools has been reported by A. N. Arnold, superintendent of Stayton public schools, and Sister Alicia, principal of St. Mary's parochial school.

Stayton high school reported 176 pupils, of which 46 were freshmen, 45 sophomores, 42 juniors and 43 seniors. While less than last year, Arnold said that he believes it will be increased within a short time.

Largest increase in Stayton's three schools was in the grade school, which has 205, 27 in the first grade, 29 in second, 19 in third, 39 in fourth, 23 in fifth, 29 in sixth, 31 in seventh and 22 in the eighth grade.

With 52 pupils in the combined fifth and sixth grades, the school board of district No. 77 held a special meeting Tuesday night to consider plans to divide the class and hire another teacher.

The superintendent of schools is again asking that qualified grade and high school teachers who would like to substitute in the local schools to make application at his office in the high school building.

St. Mary's parochial school had an enrollment of 220 pupils, an increase of 15 over 1947. These show 29 in the first grade, 37 in second, 25 in third, 28 in fourth, 28 in fifth, 26 in sixth, 20 in seventh and 27 in the eighth grade.

Gervais High School Enrolls 90 First Week

GERVAIS—Gervais union high school, district 1 has an enrollment of 90 and Principal Paul Reiling expects more to register in coming weeks. Three members of the faculty are new this year, Margaret Bettis, home economics and physical education; James A. Montgomery, general science and mathematics; Alvin L. Ringo, agriculture.

Other faculty members are Paul Reiling, principal; Benona Dawson, English; Naomi Kirkwood, commerce; David Cavett, science; Orward Hoyer, athletic coach. Carl Magnuson will again direct the veterans program.

Portland Woman Visits with Son In North Santiam

NORTH SANTIAM—Mrs. Nancy McGuffin of Portland is visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John McGuffin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Moon of Salem visited their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Hammer, Sunday.

Visiting Mrs. Carrie Smiley in Independence last weekend were her granddaughters, Mary and Linda Scofield and Artis and Nancy Hammer. Mrs. Smiley and the girls and Charles Smiley picnicked Sunday near Pede.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bethel and son Ronnie of Lyons were weekend guests of the Arthur Biles.

The John Ward residence has been sold to a man named Jones.

4 Corners Dress Shop Opened, Mrs. Hunsaker

FOUR CORNERS, Sept. 20 — Mrs. Olive Hunsaker opened her new dress shop, "Olive's," today in the Leo N. Childs building, occupying space formerly occupied by the barber shop and beauty parlor which has been completely remodeled.

Mrs. Hunsaker has been operating her shop on a small scale in her residence for the last two years and before that operated a similar shop in Toledo for seven years.

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Mt. Angel School Enrolls 392 Pupils

MT. ANGEL — First day of St. Mary's school tallied up 392 pupils in grades one to eight inclusive, just 11 more than for the opening a year ago. The increase this year is in the upper grades, the fourth to eighth, totalling 244 pupils against 224 last year, while this year's figures for the primary grades show a decrease, with 148 this year and 157 in 1947.

The beginners class this year numbers 53 of which 29 are boys and 24 girls.

Boys predominate in most grades, but the eighth grade has the amount exactly divided, 22 boys and 22 girls.

Two new class rooms have been added this year and two extra teachers were hired to take care of the overflow. New teachers are Adeline Conroy and Mildred Meunier both of Portland.

All the United States executive department were set up by acts of congress, the oldest being state, war and treasury, which were established in 1789.

Maurice Davis Takes Over Cleaning Plant

SILVERTON — Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Davis arrived at Silverton Monday to take over the leased from R. G. Smithpape Quality Cleaners, 106 S. Water street, which they have leased from R. G. Smith. Davis is a former Silverton youth, son of Charles Davis, and has operated cleaning establishments at Wallace, Idaho, and Spokane. Mrs. Davis is the former Mable Skogon, nee of Clinton Weiby of Silverton. Davises have one son, Clark, 15 months old.

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