

Three Parks in One Day Fill Travelers With Date, Scenery

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SALT LAKE CITY—We've been through National Parks until we're dizzy, this morning, Sunday, arrived in Salt Lake City under threatening skies.

Friday we went through the Painted Desert, Petrified Forest and spent the afternoon and night in Grand Canyon. All are awe inspiring, and the Grand Canyon of course is a photographer's paradise. Once I have seen it and photographed it, I am satisfied to never view it again. It is a picture to be looked at, but not for me to love as I do mountains and running water.

Zion National Park is another of the cameraman's favorite spots, and because we were down among the towering rocks, I felt a much more personal delight in its beauty. Around each bend in the road, one sees a new vista, more towering cliffs, and trees play an important part in the beauty.

Bryce Canyon is different, looking like a fairyland of fantastic castles, towers and grotesque figures. The colors are unbelievable—pinks, oranges, yellow and white. The view is from above, unless you can take the hike down and the long pull back up.

MANY BRICK HOUSES

We stopped Saturday night in the lively little town of Panguitch, Utah, which advertised itself for miles along the highway. We noted for the first time the many brick houses built years ago and still used in this state.

Sunday morning we went through the contrasting valleys of Utah toward Salt Lake City. First a worthless valley, with sage or without vegetation at all, then suddenly around a bend or over a rise, one enters a fertile valley producing turkeys, grain, cattle or beets. Even the large farms, though, cannot compare with those of Western Oregon for neatness and a prosperous appearance.

Houses are old, barn yards littered with machinery, which the farmer seems to step out of and leave there until it rusts. There are few lawns, less gardens, barns are often sheds made of logs or thrown up of rough timbers. Baled hay is often tossed on top of sheds, and many of the farms smell strongly of cows and pigs even from the highway.

But the crops look good, the cattle sleek and well fed. Houses are usually of brick, and old, and many are of the same design but would intrigue the Oregonian who dreams of re-doing an old farmhouse.

A SUNDAY IN SALT LAKE

We saw the city of Salt Lake with the Sunday crowds. Temple Square with its gardens, the Tabernacle with its great domed roof, the high Temple towering over the business district, and the museum of Mormon relics. Then we visited the capitol building that overlooks the city, forming a landmark by which strange motorists can steer safely to their motels.

The people of Salt Lake City needed rain, the earth had been without water for 35 days, they told us when we arrived. So soon afterwards there was a cloudburst and thunderstorm, just as we brought to other towns we visited. We ran out of gasoline right in the middle of the downpour, enroute back from great salt lake. Getting out and putting on my most helpless look, I flagged down a helpful autoist who pushed us to the one and only open gas station within miles, which happened to be a block or two away. As we coasted in, the clouds let loose and, I fear, the gas man filled the tank with as much water as gasoline.

Tomorrow we start homeward, on probably an uneventful trip, we hope.

My companion, I suspect, will never again travel with me until considering carefully the hazards to be expected.

Chairmen Are Appointed

Marion Auxiliary to Post 661, Veterans of Foreign Wars held their regular meeting Monday. Further plans were carried out for the department officers meeting to be held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall in Salem, September 24. Dinner will be served by the Auxiliary.

Reports were given by Mrs. Don Stupka on the Soap Box Derby, a total of 82 hours was spent by members working in the refreshment stands. Mrs. Billy Kelso reported that a rummage sale will be held over Greenbaum's on August 12 and 13. Members are asked to bring rummage to the hall or call Mrs. Mae Wilder for pickup service. Mrs. Amelia Bolton will be in charge of the sale.

Committee chairmen named by president Mrs. Paul Tharalson include: Americanism, Mrs. Leon Hanson; legislative, Mrs. Julia Frey; cancer, Mrs. Fred Jaeger; bonds, Mrs. Gordon Bressler; National Home Fund, Mrs. Al

Tryouts Friday For Girl Crazy

Try outs for Pentacle Theatre's production of the musical comedy "Girl Crazy" will be held Friday, July 29 at the YWCA from 7 until 10 p.m.

The two male comic leads have not yet been cast. Also there are several speaking parts and a chorus to be cast. Persons interested in trying out for the musical are asked to attend.

Forman: Youth Activities, Mrs. Nellie Marshall; rehabilitation, Mrs. Edith Mudd; membership, Mrs. Maud Olson; custodian, Mrs. Roy Hagedorn; and finance, Mrs. Amelia Bolton.

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Numerous Farewell Parties Highlight Capital Society

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON — "Parting is such sweet sorrow —" was brought home to the score of friends of several men in high places at farewell parties which broke out like a rash about town recently.

Retiring Army Chief of Staff Gen. Ridgway and his pretty "Penny" were hosts at a huge reception at Quarters One, the residence the top brass occupies at Ft. Myer. The handsome and pop-



Jane Eads

ular couple with their six-year-old son, Matty were moving to Pittsburgh where Gen. Ridgway is the new chairman of the board of Mellon Institute of Industrial Research.

There'll undoubtedly be some welcoming parties for the general's successor, hand so me Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, who recently arrived with Mrs. Taylor from Tokyo. The general has been serving as U. S. Far East commander and head of the U. N. command. The Taylors are well known to Washington, having lived here at Fort Myer twice before.

On The Move

Mrs. Taylor confided to friends she has moved so often in her 30 years as an Army wife, she can't begin to count the times. The recent move to Washington was her third within six months.

"I never get used to it," she says.

The retiring Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Robert Stevens are also in the midst of affluery of farewell parties. At one of their own big affairs they brought forth a surprise birthday cake for Stevens' successor, Wilbur M. Brucker.

The retiring chief of naval operations, Adm. and Mrs. Robert Carney have also been feted around the clock prior to their leave taking.

MORE MEANNESS

BISMARCK, N. D. (UP)—Latest candidates for the "meanest man in the world" title are the two men who offered a four-year-old boy five pennies for his seven-month-old boxer dog. The men quickly disappeared after getting the dog, which was worth \$200.

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Miss Blackwell A July Bride

WILLAMINA—Miss Marjorie Virginia Blackwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Blackwell of Sheridan, and Leon Anderson, son of Mrs. Sam Anderson of Carlton, were married Saturday, July 16, in an 8 p.m. ceremony at the Church of Christ in Willamina, the Rev. Elmo Black officiating.

The bride wore a white wedding gown fashioned with a white nylon embroidered flounce over a net skirt. Her fingertip veil was held in place by a seed pearl cap and she carried a white Bible topped with an orchid.

Maid of honor for her sister was Miss Pat Blackwell and Miss Sharon Blackwell, a cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid. Kathy Blackwell and Vicki McNutt, nieces of the bride, were flower girls.

Harley Anderson of Carlton was best man for his brother and Kenneth Blackwell, brother of the bride, was groomsmen. Ushers were Bob Anderson of Carlton and Lonnie Baller of Sheridan.

Mrs. Robert Wise was soloist and Mrs. Ione Jones the pianist. Cantor-leaders were Miss Vada Robertson of Willamina and Miss Marlene Baller of Sheridan.

A reception was held in the church parlors after the ceremony. The couple will make their home in Sheridan.

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Newlyweds Will Live in Salem

SHERIDAN — Miss Marjorie Gail Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Williams of Sheridan, and Burton Lee Smalley of Salem, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Smalley of Carlton, were married Saturday, July 16 at a 1 p.m. ceremony at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. V. J. Graf, in Albany. Rev. T. M. Gebhard of Salem read the ceremony.

The bride wore a white crystal afternoon dress and carried a white Bible topped with a purple throated white orchid. She wore a small white hat trimmed with velvet and seed pearls.

Miss Betty Beebe of Salem was maid of honor and Miss Janet Graf of Albany, niece of the bride, was bridesmaid.

Marvin Smalley of Coos Bay was best man for his brother.

A reception followed the rites. For their wedding trip to California and Nevada, the bride wore a yellow coat over her wedding dress. They will be at home in Salem August 1, where Mr. Smalley is with the State Industrial Accident Commission.

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