



BETTY ELROD ON CAPTAIN CARROT — The young lady who wrote the accompanying story is shown on the chestnut stallion, Captain Carrot, P-1-84, permanent registered quarter horse owned by George Barrett, rancher on Highway 97 near Deschutes Junction. The stallion, by Mark, is foundation sire of Barrett's brood mares. (Bend Bulletin Photo)

Quick, Agile Quarter Horse Wins Acclaim in Northwest

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Ranching on the modern scale has brought airplanes and jeeps to cattle country, but even these modern conveniences cannot replace a dependable cow horse. A horse with cow sense is irreplaceable in rough country, and no amount of progress on wheels or in the air can ever dominate the role that horses play on today's Northwest ranches.

Good "cow ponies" used to be scarce, but when the quarter horse began his steady climb to the peak of popularity in the United States, the ranchers and cattlemen took a deep breath and relaxed. They knew sensible horses when they saw them, and more than 10,000 owners of quarter horses can't be wrong.

The majority of ranchers in the Pacific Northwest own quarter horses. The major reason for their popularity is their dependability. Besides having the sprint speed that can surpass even the aristocrats of horsemanship, the quarter horse possesses that one-in-a-million quality of level-headedness. Their even temperament pleases any owner.

A quarter horse will not get excited if you ride him at quick bursts of speed, then slow down to a walk, then speed up again. He can take change of pace in the same easy-going manner that enables you to trust him when Little Sis is riding him around the yard.

History of Breed
Just how did the quarter horse come about? The breed started in the 1750s in Virginia, with a distinctive English thoroughbred, Janus. He was distinctive because of

his amazing ability to make short work of a track which would have measured about one-quarter of a mile. Though he was a four-mile racer in England, he was built with the heavy and powerful hindquarters which have become the trademark of the modern quarter horse.

The earliest quarter horses were probably thoroughbreds crossed with the stock that the Spaniards had brought into Florida, and this gave the breed the shortness of body, the fine muscling, and the powerful action that makes them a stand-out in the horse world.

Some of the outstanding sires of today's living quarter horses are Traveler, Joe Hancock, Steeldust, Peter McCue, Old Sorrel (sire of King Ranch's Wimpy, first horse registered with the American Quarter Horse Association.) Joe Reed, Zanaton, and Little Joe. Breeders of Quarter Horses today carry these proven blood lines in their stock.

All Purpose Workers
The trend to cross the thoroughbred with the quarter horse and come up with a "super-horse" has resulted in a few "Quarter Horses" that can't really be called such, as they would make much better racing stock.

Sure, quarter horses can race, and lots of top cow horses are thoroughbred clear through, but a great many of the combinations of the two breeds do not result in top horses, and they certainly couldn't be called good "working" horses.

A "working" horse in ranch language means that the horse can pull an automobile out of a mud-hole, hold down the meanest steer

on the range, chase down a hurricane, or walk sedately around in a circle, while your best friend's little youngster, whose legs are barely long enough to be seen, gets a safe ride. They're just plain versatile.

For conformation, a quarter horse of good blood lines is a picture of perfection. Quarter horses do not have the high carriage of head that Morgan or Arab lovers might prefer, and at first glance they may not have the fire that is a part of the thoroughbred, but they have pride.

Strong and Graceful
Quarter horses are simply built differently, with a low-coupled neck, plenty of chest for lung space, and a set of muscles that finds many other breeds looking frail.

Don't expect your quarter horse to poke his head 'way up in the air like a fancy show horse. Oh, he can, but if one of those high-

lined saddle horses could watch his graceful ability and deftness in cutting cows, or his strength in holding down a single-minded steer, he would wish to heaven that he had the whittall to do it too.

Proud quarter horse owners will tell you this and much more if you ever get them started in a conversation about the breed — just look at me — so unless you are prepared for a siege, don't start talking about quarter horses.

If you ever hear a quarter horse owner say that owning one is just like owning a Cadillac, pay heed, for he is probably right.

Costly and Worth It
Prices of these Cadillacs of the horse world are comparable to those of the automobile field, for they range anywhere from \$1,000 to well over \$20,000 for registered animals.

But price is not the point. The point is that if you own a quarter horse, you have a wise animal that can do just about anything well. There has even been some talk of trying out a quarter horse as a driving horse. Sure, why not? Personally, I'd hate to see it happen, but I know that it is highly possible. Come to think of it, why shouldn't a quarter horse look as good pulling a buggy as a standardbred?

Decision Due On Newsmen To Red China

WASHINGTON (UP)—The State Department was reported near a decision today on whether to permit a limited number of American newsmen to go to Red China.

If the decision is affirmative, as expected, the next question will be whether the Communist Chinese will admit American newsmen.

American passports have been marked invalid for travel to Red China since the Reds took over the China mainland seven years ago. A group of American students is enroute to China now despite the State Department's strenuous objection.

A year ago Red China invited a number of American correspondents to visit the mainland. The State Department however stood by its travel ban. This decision has been protested during the last year by the press, radio, television, members of Congress, private organizations and others.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and his advisers have been quizzing news media to find out how many organizations would like a correspondent to go to Red China for a trial period of six months. The survey is understood to be complete.

Investigation of 3 Cancer Deaths of Ex-Soldiers Set

WASHINGTON (UP)—The Defense Department has agreed to make a formal investigation of the deaths from cancer of three youths after exposure to nuclear radiation of tests in Nevada.

The action was announced by Rep. Thomas L. Ashley (D-Ohio) Tuesday after he received assurances from Assistant Defense Secretary Frank B. Berry that "a full inquiry" would be made.

Two of the youths came from Toledo in Ashley's district and the third from New York.

The three were close friends in the Army and each died from cancer within a year of each other. None had reached the age of 30.

Strange Coincidence
Ashley said that Berry told him he was "extremely interested" in the "strange coincidence" of the three deaths.

Ashley's office said the two youths from Toledo were Pfc. Dale B. Mock and Larry H. Fitz. Ashley's office did not know the name of the New Yorker.

Last week Ashley wrote Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson suggesting that a thorough study be made of the death of former servicemen who were exposed to the effects of nuclear testing.

Believes Study Needed
Ashley said today he still believes the study is needed.

Ashley also wrote to Army Secretary Wilbur M. Brucker protesting the Army's handling of the cases.

Ashley said he learned about the cancer deaths of the two Toledo men and the New Yorker "some time ago."

"When I learned that the three youths had participated in the 1952 tests near Las Vegas, Nevada," Ashley told Brucker, "I directed a routine request to the Army for verification of the various stations where one of the Toledoans had served."

Officially Informed
"I was officially informed by the Army that the youth, Pfc. Dale

ACTION FILED

Suit for a total of \$3,500 has been filed in Deschutes county circuit court against N. R. Jesse. The suit concerns a rock drilling rig purchased by the plaintiff, James D. Smiley. He asks \$500 for repairs and replacement of parts, \$2,000 for loss of employment, and

B. Mock 'was never stationed anywhere near Las Vegas, Nevada.' Ashley said, however, that he subsequently received letters and postcards written by Mock to his wife and family and bearing the postmark April 20, 1952, Las Vegas, Nevada.

"I also have sworn statements from the boy's relatives and friends," Ashley said, "which describe his account of how he felt as he lay in a slit trench within range of the nuclear explosion."

Today, seed production in Central Oregon has become a highly specialized business with great advances in improvement of varieties, seed production, and adaptation of grasses to various areas and for various uses.

AEC Postpones 13th Explosion

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (UP)—A balloon designed to carry a nuclear device has sprung a leak, forcing the Atomic Energy Commission to call the third postponement of its 13th shot in the summer test series.

The device, dubbed Doppler, was to be detonated from the helium-filled balloon today 1,500 feet above the Nevada Proving grounds. Scientists disclosed Tuesday that the leak resulted in the loss of nearly all of the lighter-than-air gas pumped into the plastic balloon.

The AEC said a new shipment of helium would arrive today and the test would be held at 5:30 a.m. p.d. Thursday—weather permitting. Adverse weather already has caused two 24-hour delays in the detonation of the "half nominal" yield device.

RADIOACTIVE FARM
LONDON (UP)—Farmers in space suits driving tractors in plastic jackets have been cultivating a radioactive farm near Newbury, Berkshire, it was reported today. The magazine Nature said the farm is an experiment to determine how quickly land contaminated by atomic fallout could be placed under cultivation again.

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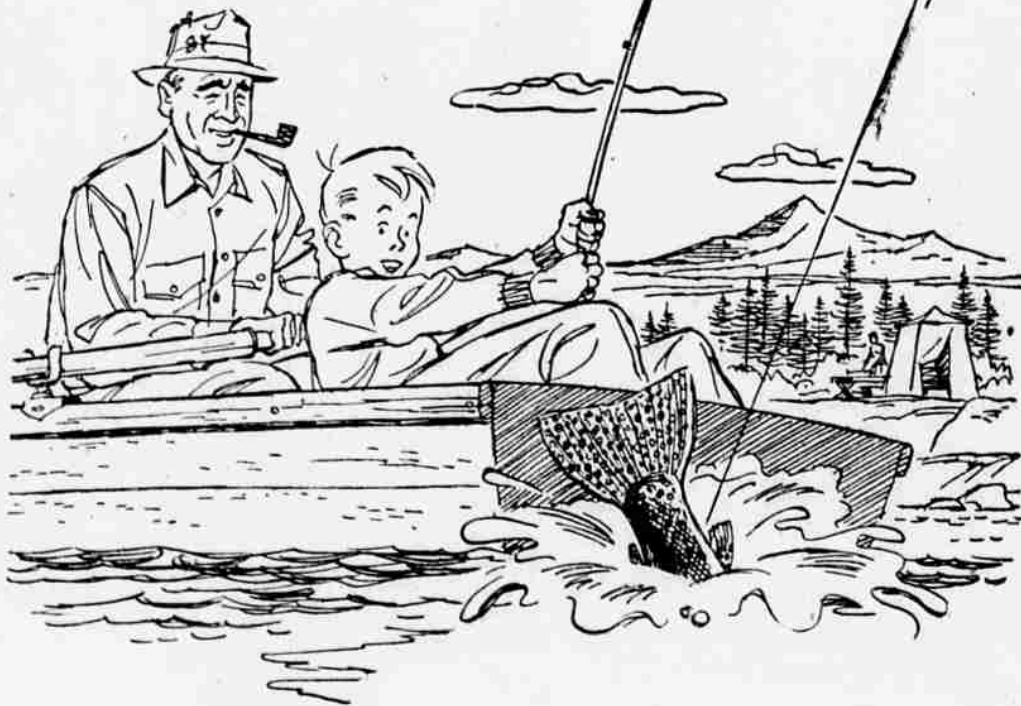
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