

Fruit pits, nut shells being collected

OUT OF THE PAST

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100 YEARS AGO

Sept. 26, 1918

To the camps of the East Oregon Lumber Co. go first honors in Liberty bond purchases in Wallowa County. Bond purchases of \$6,700 were made by the men. Every man in the camp, except one, a transient, had bought bonds.

A carload of barrels arrived for the Oregon Black Marble Co. for shipping out lime. George Houser, manager of the company, expects to have the staves for the barrels made here in the future, believing he can save money and also give work to local men.

The government wants fruit pits and nutshells, and the Red Cross has undertaken the collection of them all over the nation. The war department has requested the boys and girls of the country to help collect them, the carbon in which is used in making gas masks. Each member should try to furnish at least 200 peach pits or 7 pounds of shells — enough material for one mask.

70 YEARS AGO

Sept. 23, 1948

The Reavis School held its annual pet show. Each pupil brought his favorite pet to school, so several cats were there in costume. Dogs and horses were among the other pets exhibited.

Gross revenues from slot machines and punchboards in Wallowa County are now running around a third of a million dollars a year. This is roughly five percent of the county's total income. Twenty-five slot machines in Enterprise brought in to the city's coffers a total of \$989.27 in July and \$2,203.85 in August for a combined total of \$3,193.12.

The new playground equip-



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These hunters had great success somewhere in Wallowa County. Do you know either of these two gentlemen and what year this photo might have been taken?

ment consisting of a slide and swings, purchased by the Enterprise Lions Club, was installed at the park adjacent to the swimming pool last week and hundreds of eager youngsters have been giving the equipment a good workout.

Skiing enthusiasts plan another work day at the new ski course Sunday setting up the power plant for the ski tow. The new course is located about a mile above the old course, on the road running south of Joseph and west of the lake. It is enough higher than the old run to be in the area of heavier snow and it is believed that skiing will be possible earlier and later in the season.

Wayne McPetridge was awarded a Pope Pius X medal for his 25 years of teaching the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in St. Katherine's Parish. Father Timothy Collins, pastor of the parish, made the presentation.

Exhibitors and spectators at the light horse and purebred cattle show Sept 21-22 were fortunate to have the use of the fine indoor arena at the Wallowa County Fairgrounds in Enterprise. Tripp's Dannyway won the silver buckle award for the all-around working horse, competing against 143 others. He was ridden by Ruth Hug.

25 YEARS AGO

Sept. 23, 1993

A \$1.1 million facelift at Joseph State Airport will be completed by 1995 if plans developed for the Oregon Department of Transportation go forward. Widening and lengthening the runway, installing a perimeter fence to keep deer out and removing trees to increase aircraft clearance are in the works.

Members of the 1994 Chief Joseph Days Court are Shannon Vernam, Carrie Snyder and Josi

Botts, all of Joseph. They were chosen after riding and speaking tryouts Sunday afternoon.

Local businessmen Fred Tippet and Paul Castilleja recently set up the Paul Tippet Memorial Fund to raise money to install lights over the football field at Joseph High School. To date, local businesses have donated around \$2,000 in cash, plus pledges for labor and equipment.

Award winners at the Oregon Improvisation Festival for high school drama students from all over the state included Amy Washburn, Crystal Meador, Steve Dolbin and Will Roundy.

UPDATE

Terri Wilson emailed to help us identify the recent Wallowa sports photo featured in Out of the Past. The year was 1997, their record was 26-0, and they won the state title that year.

Participants were, from left, top Pam Hagenah, Katie Carman, Tara Touve, Coach Terri Wilson, Laina Stitzel, Angie Hagenah and Cherise Prince. Bottom, Jody Wynans, Cristina Ross and Beckijo Smergut.



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Members of the Tirolean Dancers of Oregon go airborne during Saturday night's performance at Alpenfest 2017 at Edelweiss Inn on Wallowa Lake. Members of the band come from across Oregon and Washington.

Oregon's Alpenfest steps off Thursday

The 40th edition of Oregon's Alpenfest, a long weekend of bratwurst, will feature beer and a rousing good time Thursday, Sept. 27, through Sunday, Sept. 30.

Swiss, Germans and anyone else who appreciates Alpine traditions will gather in Wallowa County to celebrate the lively polka, soothing alphorn music, melodic Swiss yodeling, savory bratwurst and eastern Oregon craft beer.

Oregon's Alpenfest, the only Swiss-Bavarian cultural festival in the West.

Events are scheduled at Wallowa Lake, Joseph and Enterprise.

Featured performers are The Polkatones dance band, the Tirolean Dancers folk dance troupe, Swiss yodeler Shelby Imholt

from Portland, Enterprise alphornist Bruce Coutant and accordion virtuoso Alicia Baker from Denver.

Polka stars Randy and Ashley Thull from Wisconsin will offer free polka lessons, and visiting accordionists will play on Main Street in Joseph and at the outdoor Alpine breakfasts at Wallowa Lake.

Numerous craft and food vendors will offer their wares Friday through Sunday at the outdoor Alpine Fair, according to alpenmeister Chuck Anderson.

On Saturday and Sunday mornings, pancakes, eggs and sausage will be served to benefit the Wallowa Lake Tourism Association.

Details and ticket information are available at oregonalpenfest.com or by phone to 541-426-2577.

OREGON'S ALPENFEST 2018

Schedule of Events

Thursday, Sept. 27

Downtown Enterprise
3:45-4 p.m. — Public invited to assemble at Depot and Main streets for Main Street Procession
4-4:10 p.m. — Main Street Procession to Courthouse Gazebo
4:10-4:55 p.m. — Opening Ceremony including alphorn, accordion and Swiss yodeling

Terminal Gravity Brewing, Enterprise
5:30-6 p.m. — Ceremonial taping of the first keg of TG's Alpenfest beer with tastes (\$5 donation)
6-9 p.m. — Accordions at Alpenfest featuring virtuoso Alicia Baker plus alphorn music and Swiss yodeling (food and beer available)

Friday, Sept. 28

Outside Edelweiss Inn, Wallowa Lake
Noon to 6 p.m. — Alpine Fair with art, craft and food vendors Edelweiss Inn, Wallowa Lake
5-5:45 p.m. — Free polka or waltz lesson with Randy and Ashley Thull from Wisconsin
6-11 p.m. — Performance of The Polkatones, Tirolean Dancers of Oregon, Bruce Coutant on alphorn, Swiss yodeler Shelby Imholt, accordion virtuoso Alicia Baker
 Bratwurst meal; beer and wine available

Saturday, Sept. 29

Outside Edelweiss Inn, Wallowa Lake
8 a.m. to noon — Alpine Breakfast with accordion serenade
8 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Alpine Fair with art, craft and food vendors Edelweiss Inn, Wallowa Lake
Noon to 12:45 p.m. — Free polka or waltz lesson with Randy and Ashley Thull from Wisconsin
1-5 p.m. — Performance of The Polkatones, Tirolean Dancers of Oregon, Bruce Coutant on alphorn, Swiss yodeler Shelby Imholt, accordion virtuoso Alicia Baker
 Bratwurst meal, beer and wine available

Sunday, Sept. 30

Outside Edelweiss Inn, Wallowa Lake
8 a.m. to noon — Alpine Breakfast with accordion serenade
8 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Alpine Fair with art, craft and food vendors

Monday, Sept. 30

Downtown Joseph
10 a.m.-4 p.m. — Accordions at Alpenfest on porch of Joseph Visitor Center, Main Street at Joseph Ave.

Mule days parade winners revealed

Here are the winners from the Hells Canyon Mule Days 2018 parade:

Working Western Mule: first, Mark Mattox on Leah Lady, Pasco, Wash.

Mounted Individual: First, Pattie Judkins from Pasco, Wash., on Nellie Rose. Second, Memory Harris from Eagle Point, Ore., on Cutie.

Mounted Group: First, Chris and Cindy Walker, Bill Holmes and LouAnn Matches from North Fork, Idaho. Second, Joe and Debbie Bennett and Maddie Whitmore from John Day.

Costume: First, Gayle Stegmann from Rathdrum, Idaho.

English Saddle Mule: First, Lydia Wahls of Echo, Ore., on "I'm Your Huckleberry."

Parent/Child Riding Mules: First, Claude, Selma and Ella Ragle of Pullman, Wash., with

Bael Fransson.

Junior/13 and Younger: First, Phoenix Gomes of Enterprise and his donkey Sylvester. Second, Elly Bag-eant of Davenport, Wash., on Millie.

Mule Drawn Vehicle: First, John and Lorrie Wright from Wallowa.

Mule Drawn Vehicle 4-Up: First, Wayne Beckwith of

Dayton, Ore.

Mule Drawn Vehicle 2-Up: First, Neil McCool of Amity, Ore.

Horse Drawn Vehicle: First, Ray Woodside of Pottomac, Mont.

Non-equestrian (Foot-power): First, Wallowa County 4-H Court, Dakota Delyria, Destiny Weeks and Quincee Zacharias.

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