

Give a Man a Horse He Can Ride—Or a Truck?

By JAMES SMITH

Riding high above the floor of the North Santiam canyon these days is a young cowboy in a 12-yard capacity Euclid dump truck.

To the greenhorn there are chills aplenty watching him drive that cumbersome, sometimes stubborn vehicle over the perilous-looking roads that hug the cliff-side at the Detroit dam site.

In a project that is loaded with tough jobs, the job of driving the big trucks is regarded as one of the toughest.

You would think a fellow like Salem's Duane Graham, the driver we have in mind, would have enough thrills herding that vehicle to the shovels for a heap of gravel, pushing it around the curves and then backing it up to the edge of a bank not defamed for lack of steepness.

Yes, one would think men like Duane Graham need a hot day once in a while. In fact, Graham just finished his holiday.

For Shodeo fans at McMinnville who remained for the final event about 7 p.m. last independence day there were thrills to spare. Out there riding a Brahma bull was a young fellow who brought the show to an end with a bang-up performance.

Old-timers in the rodeo game (who don't always say they had it tougher than these kids of 1950) marvel at his masterful handling of that explosive beef. But the young man had his bull in tow.

If we had taken a good look at the fellow in the cab of the truck at Detroit dam and another at the wild bull jockey we would swear that they were

twins.

But they're not twins.

Duane Graham, the everyday teamster on Henry Kaiser's project, and Duane Graham, the rough-riding rodeo star, are one and the same person.

Graham began his rodeo weekend at 1:30 p.m. Monday at McMinnville. From then until six, he took his turn in such events as roping calves, bronco riding, wild cow milking and mugging (holding the cow) for other wild cow milkers.

After maneuvering his horses into a trailer, he was off to Gresham fifty miles away where he had a date with a few other unmannerly beasts. Well after midnight he was again on the road back to Salem to care for his horses at home. Then a long night's sleep—but not for Graham.

At ten in the morning he's in McMinnville again beginning another long day chilling the crowd with feats of man against beast. He was still there at seven making the ride just described. That ride cinched the title of all-around cowboy of the 8th annual Yamhill county sheriff's posse shodeo and rodeo for the Salem teamster. Tired? You bet!

But that night Graham still had more business in Gresham to attend to. So . . .

Four Corners Gardeners Plan Annual Flower Show

Four Corners—On Thursday evening, July 6, the Four Corners Garden club met in the community hall with the new president, Mrs. L. P. Richy, conducting the meeting. Following the roll call Mrs. Richard McKee resigned from the office of secretary. The president requested the nominating committee to submit names to be voted upon at the next meeting for the office of secretary. New committees appointed for the year were social chairman, Mrs. Harvey Meyer; membership, Mrs. E. M. White.

Plans were discussed for the annual flower show to be held the first Thursday in September. On the flower show committee the president appointed Mrs. Richard McKee, Mrs. Jess McInay, Mrs. Raymond Hough, Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. L. P. Richy and Mrs. E. M. White.

Visitors from other states continue to find Oregon the ideal vacation spot while renewing family ties and finding unknown relatives. In the A. J. Batterton and G. M. Deen homes a meeting of cousins with three generations in each family culminated in a fourth of July picnic dinner in the Deen's yard when Mrs. Blanche Harrington, who is visiting her son's family in Salem discovered through correspondence with another cousin that their second cousin, Mrs. A. J. Batterton resided at Four Corners.

Enjoying this get-together were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Batterton, their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Deen and their son Richard Deen. Mrs. Blanche Harrington of Iowa and her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harrington of Salem. The Harringtons daughters were unable to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Green and daughter Susan of Coos Bay, were holiday visitors in the Floyd Green home.

Spending the holiday weekend at East Lake were the Albert Brant and Clifford Herman families and Henry Woodward. Jackie Brant, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Brant was the lucky fisherman, bringing home the largest rainbow trout in his party, it measured 14½ inches.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Harris had as their house guest through the holiday week-end his mother and sister, Mrs. Lottie Harris and Miss Libby Harris of Overbrook, Kas. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hoover, Billy and Joyce of Topeka, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lawson and Delores of Kenniwick, Wash., Jimmy Roberson of Seattle. Others coming to greet the visitors and for the family

Lebanon Boy Wins Trip to Washington

Lebanon — Bob McCracken, 16-year-old high school junior, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCracken, 495 East Vine street, was selected "outstanding boy of the year" at the close of the 1950 Beaver Boys State at O.S.C. last week. The selection was made by camp instructors and the board of directors.

He will join Beaver Boys Governor George Jefferson of Portland for an all-expense tour of the nation ending at Washington, D.C., the guest of local and state American Legion, sponsors of Beaver Boys State.

Young McCracken was born in Lebanon.

Dance and Music Roundup Dated

Western, square dance and old time music vocalists and instrumentalists have been given a \$15,000 cash target to shoot for by the Pacific National Exhibition at Vancouver, Canada, this year with the contest dates August 23 to 26 inclusive, the first four days of the Northwest's biggest fair.

The world championship western music roundup is divided into open and amateur classes with grouping as four piece and larger square dance orchestras; western vocal groups of duos, trios or quartets, male and female singles, barbershop quartet, old time fiddlers with special grouping for those 50 and over; square dance callers and 50 years and up old time square dance units.

First money of \$1000 is offered in the world open for the square dance orchestras, western vocalists, and singles male or female.

Contest officials have special classes for northwest titles embracing British Columbia, Alaska, Alberta, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada. There's also special classes for B.C. musicians, junior and 16 and over. Twenty-seven events are listed.

Entry fees are charged but are nominal. Judging will be by Hollywood film and recording groups. Will Carter, Canadian western singer who has sprung to near top place in his field on the continent, will head the judges and will also be featured in a major afternoon and evening production show on the western line.

Turner — Mrs. Wm. A. Rankin is home from an extended visit in Georgia.

Silver Falls Evaluated As Holiday Season Site

By ANNA POWELL

Silverton—With the vacation weekend urging Silverton folk away from home to rodeos in the neighboring towns for those who love action; on ocean voyages; to beach resorts; travel jaunts to visit relatives in near and far away places; picnics in the city park, or just plain trying to "take it easy" at home, nothing could be more educational, hoping for a feature interest, and was informed that less than one-tenth of one percent of the visitors "grouched" as example, one elderly man introduced himself to the traffic director as "I'm a taxpayer, mister" and I'll park where I please."

One bad thing some folks do is to leave a baby or small child alone in a car. And officials were unanimous in suggesting the need of a park system of loud-speakers for locating stray kiddies or in an emergency call.

The first actual picnic weather of the season over weekends for outdoor pleasures at the Silver Falls state park, according to managers, directors and "counters-of-cars," was during the fourth of July week.

On Sunday, July 2, over 1,000 cars, averaging easily 4½ persons to the car, found ample room spreading lunches on tables, making coffee or even frying steaks, in the cool of the shade, hiking about the falls over perfect trails, just plain enjoyment as you chose.

This record was kept up over the day of the fourth and throughout the week with the crowds from every state in the union enjoying relief from the extra warm weather, though clear, and the convenience of the park for those who desire indoor eating, the pleasure of meals at the lodge. Numerous special groups planned ahead for the lodge accommodations.

Intrigued by the steady stream of cars and the kindly courtesy of officials as the count of comers was clicked off regularly and orders for parking directed, the visitor asked the counter-of-cars if every living soul coming to the park was as good natured as appearance in-

Deadline Set For Sept. 1

With a September 1 deadline to meet, Salem's 409th quarter-masters, Army Reserves, is in need of six more enlisted men for the unit if it is to remain in Salem.

The 409th, commanded by Lt. Col. Homer G. Lyon, Jr., is one of the Oregon units selected by Sixth Army under the new Army Reserve program. To bring the unit up to the strength required by September, the unit must have 28 enlisted men. If the six men are not found, the unit will be transferred to another town.

One Salem unit, the 369th engineers, commanded by Col. George Spaur, already has a full complement of officers and enlisted men.

Either vets or non-veterans can join the unit and on joining will receive drill pay, as well as receive credit for retirement benefits and an opportunity to study to become a commissioned officer.

The 409th holds its next meeting Monday, July 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the Army Reserve quarters and any men interested in joining the unit or in the training program of the unit are invited to attend the meeting.

Sunday School Picnic

Scio—A large crowd attended the "old fashioned" picnic, sponsored by the Baptist Sunday school. It was held at the Frank Novak grounds on the fourth, as has been the custom for many years. The day was spent in baseball games, swimming and horseshoe pitching, with a big picnic dinner and lots of cold punch and ice cream.

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Cost of Hubbard Cutoff \$5,215,400

Portland, July 8 (AP)—A report on cost of completing a 9.37-mile section of the West Portland-Hubbard highway will be submitted to the state highway commission in Salem Monday.

The report, prepared by state highway engineers, estimates the cost for a four-lane highway at \$5,215,400. A two-lane strip would cost \$3,260,000.

The project would connect the highway east of Tigard to 99E north of Hubbard. Ten miles of the route from the Clackamas-Marion county line to a point north of the Tualatin river have been completed.

Major item in completing the highway would be a \$1,700,000 bridge across the Willamette river at Wilsonville, replacing the present state highway commission ferry.

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