

Nearby Spas Popular in Horse and Buggy Days—Top, left: G. M. Geisendorfer's 31-room hotel built at Cascadia in 1898 and razed by the highway department when they acquired this 380-acre mineral spring site about a decade ago. Left: Improvements now near completion that will make the celebrated mineral springs at Cascadia sanitary and attractive for public use. Lower, left: Entrance to Wilhoit springs 30 miles from Salem, a popular spa in horse and buggy times when folks of 50 years ago came to camp for the summer and drink to their health. Right: Quaint cottages near 60 years old were built at Wilhoit by the McClerans who ran the resort for nearly 50 years.

Wilhoit and Cascadia Still Pleasant Places for Vacation

By BEN MAXWELL

Wilhoit and Cascadia, local spas within easy driving distance of Salem and well attended by a horse and buggy patronage 40 years ago, have, perhaps, suffered a decline in popularity. But the sparkling mineral water abundant there is just as salubrious now as it was in 1910 when Salem folks brought their tents and stayed all summer.

Wilhoit, 30 miles from Salem and between Molalla and Scott's Mills, is in Clackamas county located on a land claim established by John Wilhoit in 1866.

Wilhoit clearly recognized the medicinal qualities of his mineral spring and opened a health resort with limited accommodations. G. W. Kennedy, pioneer preacher who visited the locality in the late 1860s, mentions that there was a small log cabin near the spring with a rock chimney at one end and a pole bed within pile with brush for sleeping. Game came to the spring to lick the saline deposits.

Popularity of Wilhoit is attested by establishment of a post office there in 1882 and a roster of guests patronizing McCleran Brothers' hotel in the middle 1880s reads like a blue book of Salem. A. Bush was there, T. L. Ford, John G. Wright, the pioneer merchant; J. D. McCully, T. McF. Patton and many other civic affairs of 65 years ago. August 13, 1895, a highwayman, hoping for ample booty, held up the Salem Wilhoit stage.

Paul Hauser recalls that Salem cyclists used to ride their bicycles up to Wilhoit and back to Salem in one day and over a road that was neither paved nor pleasant. If the rider took the county road to Silverton he pumped through dust inches deep. From Scott's Mills to Wilhoit the rider dismounted and pushed his bike uphill most of the way. Returning he risked his neck coasting down hill on a bike without a brake.

On July 15, 1909, F. W. McCleran, who was still running Wilhoit springs hotel, advertised that his soda springs produced the mineral water that cured. Wilhoit water, he asserted, was a positive cure for rheumatism, typhoid fever, dyspepsia, liver, kidney and bladder troubles, biliousness, nervous prostration, catarrh, jaundice and female disturbances. Those who came to stay all summer paid 50 cents a week for camping privileges. Cottages rented for \$1.50, \$2 and \$3 a week. Well-to-do folks put up at the hotel where weekly rates were \$10 to \$12.

McCleran, proprietor of Wilhoit springs for about 50 years, died a decade or so ago. Albert and Mae Schoeborn, present owners of the resort, now comprising 22½ acres and two springs, are less emphatic about the therapeutic value of the spring water than McCleran, whose style was not hampered by federal restrictions pertaining to medical advertising. The Schoeborns say Wilhoit water relieves the appetite for drink and aids most of the afflictions mentioned by McCleran. In addition, Wilhoit mineral salts are represented as a boon to suffering women. Medicinal value of Wilhoit

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Neuner Will Oppose Any Move to Parole

Attorney General George Neuner will oppose any move to parole Hugh DeAutremont, he said today.

Hugh is the youngest of three DeAutremont brothers serving life terms in the state prison for the slaying of three Southern Pacific trainmen in a mail robbery in Jackson county in 1923.

Neuner was prominent in the prosecution of the case against the trio. Last week it was reported that Hugh had applied for a parole and that the state parole board had agreed to hear his application.

"I will oppose any application for parole of these brothers as long as I live," Neuner declared. "I consider the crime in which these brothers were involved among the most serious in the criminal annals of the state."

Planning Conference Set for Next Week-End

The annual YMCA will conduct its annual planning conference at Camp Silver Creek Saturday and Sunday, immediately after the Red Cross outing being conducted there is closed.

The approximately 120 boys and girls, leaders and members of the camp operating staff will move out shortly after noon Saturday. The facilities will then be taken over by various committees and YMCA staff members and their families for a

Accident Victim Dies

Oregon City, Aug. 21 (AP)—Joe Nathan Pipkins, 40, pedestrian struck by an automobile here a week ago, died yesterday of his injuries.

Gladstone police arrested Rufus O. Baker, 32, West Linn, on a charge of failing to stop at the scene of an accident on McLaughlin boulevard.



Home—It's Terrific!—Iced tea, lots of it, six glasses at once in fact, was the first request of Pfc. Don Tilton (above), 18, of El Monte, Calif., a smooth-faced evacuee from the Korean front lines. Tilton, a medical aid man, attached to 35th infantry, 24th Division, who has been cited for a Silver Star, said that he saw some of his buddies tied to jeeps and burned alive by the Reds. He made the trip from battlefield to a state-side hospital in just 10 days after he was wounded. (Acmc Telephoto)

Cattle Buyers to B.C.
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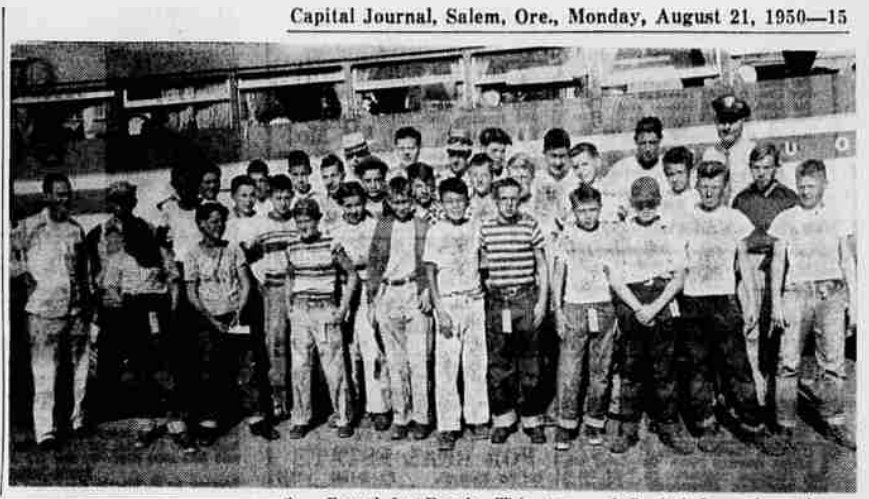
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Pin-ball Device Main Victim in Inn Burglary

Unknown burglars Friday night broke into the Eola Inn, about three miles south of Salem on the Salem-Hooker highway, Sheriff Thomas Hooker reported today.

The thieves made off with a 12 gauge shotgun, a rifle, and about \$20 in nickels taken from a pinball machine which was considerably damaged in the process of extraction.

Deputy Tony Neufeldt is in charge of the case and is reported endeavoring to learn the identity of three young men who were reported loitering around the inn earlier Friday evening. They were driving a light-colored sedan.



Bound for Beach—This group of Capital Journal carriers prepares to board a chartered bus for an all-day outing at the beach Sunday. Each carrier earned the right to make the trip by selling a prescribed number of subscriptions.

'Burma Surgeon' Held in Rangoon; No Charges Filed

Rangoon, Burma, Aug. 21 (AP)—Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave, famed American doctor who has spent a lifetime caring for Burmese sick, is being held on suspicion of aiding the Karen rebels, the Burma government has disclosed.

Officials said no charges have been placed against Seagrave. Officials said no charges have been placed against Seagrave, whose book "Burma Surgeon" made him known to millions. They said he will appear shortly before a Burmese court. He is being held in an undisclosed jail in Rangoon.

A Burmese government spokesman said Seagrave is suspected of aiding the Karen tribesmen, who have been fighting for two years to set up an independent state.

U.S. embassy officials said the 53-year-old surgeon's arrest was a "serious matter." An embassy spokesman said American officials had been permitted to visit the doctor in jail and found him "in good health and receiving good treatment."

Seagrave will be defended by former Burmese Supreme Court Judge Kyaw Myint. He is a brother of former Foreign Minister Tin Tut, who was slain in 1948.

Kyaw Myint, who was engaged at Seagrave's request, is expected to meet the American doctor today.

Seagrave was arrested Friday at his mission hospital at Namkham, near the China-Burma border. He was flown to Rangoon the next day.

The doctor accompanied the late Gen. Joseph Stilwell on his famous 1942 jungle retreat through Burma to India. He served as a lieutenant colonel in the medical corps of the U.S. army during the war. His best-selling book told of the heroic trek.

The Burmese spokesman said the government suspected Seagrave of aiding Kachin rebel chief, Naw Seng, to flee across the Chinese border, after an alleged attempt by Naw Seng to overthrow the Kachin state government.

Naw Seng's Kachin rebels and the Karens seized the central Burma city of Toungoo last year. Later they were overwhelmed by government forces. Naw Seng reportedly is now with the Chinese communists.

Yellowjacket Causes Death
Greenburgh, N. Y., Aug. 21 (AP)—Poisoning from yellowjacket stings caused the death of Patrolman J. Edward Brunner, 38, it was announced yesterday after an autopsy.

Aurora Borealis Visible in Eugene

Eugene, Aug. 21 (AP)—The Aurora Borealis, commonly known as "northern lights," were visible in the Lane county area Saturday night according

to J. Hugh Pruett, astronomer, extension division of the state higher education system.

Pruett said he had seven calls Saturday night and early Sunday morning when the brilliant display had been seen. He indicated that this is the first time that he had seen the display since January, 1949.

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