

Three Weeks Big Time By Indian Tribes at Simnasho Track

Open Gambling, Horse Races and Other Amusements Indulged in—Indian Rider Injured

The Fourth of July celebration put on by the Warm Springs Indians at Simnasho, terminated last Friday, July 13.

Some of the Indians began to move into the camp grounds, where the celebration was held, as early as Saturday, June 30.

There was a large number of visitors this year, mostly Indians from the Yakima reservation. These brought a considerable sum of money with them, it is reported. It is also reported that they did not take it all back with them. Open gambling was freely indulged in the bone game, card games, and dice being the means employed. Horse racing not only provided some entertainment for the crowd but also provided another means of gambling.

During the celebration old man Wahenka was thrown from his horse, sustaining a severe cut on the forehead.

An infant, the child of Tillman Holouilla, passed away while the Indians were in camp.

Just what the Indian Bureau is accomplishing with the Indians is problematical. Some 14 or 15 years ago such a celebration was limited to 3 days on the grounds, that the Indians should be working. Now there seems to be no limit to the duration of such events, nor is any effort made to regulate such vices as gambling. It is said that even one of the white employees took a hand in the bone game this year.

WASCO HAS 61 STUDENTS ENROLLED AT CORVALLIS

Summer Session Had But One on List From Wasco—Five Foreign Countries Listed

The annual report of the registrar, E. B. Lemon, shows that out of a total enrollment of 3,818 long term students at Oregon State Agricultural college in the school year 1927-28, Wasco county was represented by 61. Total enrollment for the year, including the 1927 summer session and various short courses reached \$,311 as compared with 5,087 for the previous year.

Every county in the state as well as 25 other states were represented in the total. Students were also in Corvallis from five foreign countries—China, India, Canada, Russia, and Korea, and from Alaska, the Philippines, Hawaii and the District of Columbia. The latest report for this year's summer session shows students from all but four counties of Oregon and 19 other states. Total registration is 1,385 including special and junior session students and 707 regular adult students. Of the latter one is from Wasco county.

FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH A MOST DOLEFUL DAY

Atmosphere Murky, Thunder Clouds Rampant and Fish Refused to Take Lure

Friday the 13th rolled out of the eastern dawn with a queer twist. The wind sighed ominously, thunder head-rolled up in the southeast, threatening to bring hail and lightning. Flags on high poles hung limply or wrapped around their staffs; buffalo flies annoyed the cattle. The late moon arose in the morning; dogs barked in answer to the erratic coyotes; owls hooted in the forest fringes. Lucky was the person who got through the day without mishap. The fish took the bait in an uncanny manner but the big majority of them refused to bite deep enough to be hooked.

Lady Hauls Wheat

Mrs. Chas. Walker is taking the place of a man truck driver these days and is bringing six truck loads of wheat to the Hunts Ferry Warehouse daily. She has been at that work the past week and as each load weighs a little better than two tons the aggregate is something to sit up and take notice of it.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE AT CORVALLIS JULY 21

Mrs. Lucile Cantrell Sends Interesting News of Conference to The Times

Mrs. Lucile Cantrell, who is attending the summer session of the Monmouth Normal school, sends the following to The Times, and mentions the fact that some of the speakers scheduled for addresses are known to some Maupin people. Mrs. Cantrell says:

The Annual Educational conference will be held on the campus of the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth, July 21. The conference is being sponsored this year by the members of the "Round Table" class composed of experienced teachers, under the direction of Thos. H. Gentle.

Past conferences have been of keen interest to educators throughout the state. This year's program worked out by the class under the direction of Miss Agnes Motlock, of Portland, chairman of the conference, promises to be of even greater value.

The general topics will center around the theme of "Raising Standards of Teacher Training." Vital topics will be discussed by such speakers as Dr. W. H. Burton of Chicago University, and Dean Jas. E. Jewell of the Oregon State College.

Miss Julia Spooner, one of Portland's outstanding class room teachers, will discuss the "Future Certification of teachers," looking toward the elimination of any with less than two years' training after 1931, and limiting certification for teaching after 1939 to those with at least four years work beyond high school. Prof. Chas. E. Franseen of San Jose Teacher's college, California, will speak on "Entrance Qualifications."

State Superintendent C. A. Howard has chosen "The Tourist Teacher" for his subject.

Rr. C. A. Fisher, president of Bellingham Normal, will deliver an address on "Who Dares to Teach Must Never Cease to Learn."

CLARNO PROJECT IS LAUDED BY BRUITT

World-Famous Geologist Expresses Faith in Finding Oil in Clarno Well

Col. A. G. Bruitt, nationally known geologist, whose exploitation of numerous oil and metal fields with great success has caused him to be looked upon as almost infallible in locating oil territory, recently sent a letter to the secretary of the Clarno Basin Oil company, in which he reiterates his faith in the Clarno basin as an oil bearing region.

Col. Bruitt states that the sedimentaries in the region seem to be of proper origin and depth and with prolific organic matter to justify the belief that commercial oil will be found in some of the lower sandstone layers. The structural condition of the ground is favorable for a gathering place and there is a wide area from which oil could be collected, he declares.

"You have sufficient hydro-static pressure to act as a gathering agent. With these facts in evidence, it surely looks very favorable and I hope you will have good success with your drilling operations until you will reach an oil sand," the geologist writes.

Col. Bruitt is actively interested in the development of the John Day coal and oil lands, owning some stock in this latter concern. Both the Clarno and John Day projects are financed largely by local capital.

Met Daughter

Bob Wilson went to The Dalles last Friday night and met his daughter, Jean, who came up from Portland for a week end visit at home. Sunday evening Mr. Wilson took Jean, with her grandmother, Mrs. M. Hammond, who had been at the Wilson home the past two months, to The Dalles, from which place they took the stage back to Portland.

Show Billed In

A traveling show is billed to appear at the Legion hall on the evening of Friday, July 27. Just what it is left to conjecture, as the posters only tell of "Kathryn," whoever she may be.

Work on Three-Mile Section Finished Soon

Bondsmen of Baker Construction Co. Complete Contract—Baker Now In B. C.

The Baker Construction company's contract for clearing and grading three miles of the Wapinitia-Mt. Hood highway between Clear lake and Elk creek will be completed this week. Mr. Baker is now in British Columbia. His 1927 contract on the coast proved to be a losing venture, and while the local one was sound financially, both contracts were taken over by the bondsmen, who finished them.

CONTRACTORS FAIL ON ROAD CONSTRUCTION JOBS

Heller Bros. Lose Money on Bull Run Job—Bondsmen Now Completing Contract

It is reported that Heller Bros., who graded the Wapinitia to Clear lake cut-off highway, failed to make money on their Bull Run job for the city of Portland, their bondsmen now being engaged in completing the contract for Heller Bros. Lickman & Lewis, sub-contractors under Joplin Eldon, also failed and the main firm is now completing their contracted portion of the Bull Run work.

The hand crews sent in to subcontract a section of the highway near West's and Walters', worked but one-half day and left the job. Thus it seems that all is not gold the construction bid on.

Morris Greene of Maupin is to be congratulated on the work he did on the highway. His work was good and he made some money out of the job.

NOTHING BUT YOUNG BEEF

Resh & Company Buy None But Best Stock Obtainable

Oliver Resh has made a decided change in his meat market in that he proposes to dispense none but young beef therefrom. Oliver recently went to the Hay Creek section and gathered in a fine herd of young cattle and keeps them on hand, killing when necessary. He believes that the best is none too good for his customer, therefore will give them just that. On Wednesday he killed an eight-weeks old calf that weighed nearly 200 pounds and was the tenderest critter sold at that market in many moons. Mr. Resh has many more such veal stock in sight and will kill them whenever present supplies run short. Patronize your home market and get the best at the lowest price.

WAREHOUSES ELECT OFFICERS

Maupin and Hunts Ferry Companies Hold Annual Meeting

The Hunts Ferry and Maupin Warehouse companies held their annual meeting at the respective houses last Saturday. Routine business was transacted at each meeting and officers were chosen for the ensuing year. The Maupin Warehouse stockholders chose L. B. Kelly to succeed himself as president and W. E. Hunt was reelected director. L. D. Woodside holding over. The Hunts Ferry company will be directed by L. D. Kelly as president, and Jess Fleming and J. S. Brown will again serve as directors. George L. Morris will manage the Maupin Warehouse while Ernest Doty will serve in the same capacity at the Hunts Ferry house.

Combine Expert Here

George Steele, representing the Case company, came up from Portland and on Monday morning went to the A. A. Brittain ranch and started the new Case combine lately purchased by the Flat man. Mr. Steele has been with the Case company for a number of years and what he does not know about the Case machine is not worth anyone's time to learn.

Visited Parents

Sylvester Kramer, who has charge of the grocery department of the big Johnstone store at Dufur, with his wife visited with his parents at Lakeview on Sunday.

Dalles-California Road Leads Tourist Travel

Hotel Registrations Show Gain Over 1927—California Registrations Gain 300 per cent At Bend

A recent survey of the touring conditions over the state made by the Oregon State Motor association shows that tourists travel in Oregon has increased 9.8 per cent in June 1928 over June 1927.

Hotel registrations were checked in addition to the checking of traffic on highways, and the result showed that the greatest increase in tourist travel had taken place on The Dalles-California highway with the Roosevelt highway ranking second.

Hotels along The Dalles-California highway and the Roosevelt highway show an increase in registrations, which conclusively show the gain of 1928 over 1927 on those two highways.

Bend alone showed a gain in California registrations of 300 per cent in June 1928 over the same period as of 1927.

SMALL BOYS START BIG FIRE

Greene's Gulch Scene of Hot Blaze But No Damage Done

A few little boys bearing matches started a fire in an old tin bucket in Greene's canyon Tuesday afternoon. The wind blew the bucket over, the fire communicating with dried grass and quickly covered a large area. Chief Chalmers with a corps of volunteers combatted the flames, confining them to the canyon, except in one instance when the fire reached the old road and burned over the point back of the church. The fire gave a chance to test the siren, which, with the old bell, notified all that their help was needed to fight flames.

GOT 500 SACKS FROM 30 ACRES

Ray Kaylor Tops Yield—Wheat 37 Bushels Per Acre

Ray Kaylor got into his wheat last week and from 30 acres threshed out 500 sacks of wheat, or a little better than 37 bushels to the acre. The kernels were large and fully ripened. Taking that figure as a basis it is safe to say than an average of 30 bushels per acre may be expected from each acre of fall grain on the Flat.

FORMAN'S COLTS TAKE GAME

Take Game Away From Bend by Rally in Seventh

There is nothing sweeter in sporting circles than revenge for a stinging defeat. A week ago Bill Forman's "colts" trekked to Bend and took on a baseball team at that place, losing by a big score. The Bend team came here last Sunday and had the game, so they thought, tucked away in their bat bag. The score up to the sixth inning stood 4 for the visitors to a big nothing for the Colts. In the sixth, however, a couple of good hits scored two Colts and in the seventh they again pushed runners over for counts, four making the circuit. Again in the eighth two more Colts scored, the Bend team in the meantime being held scoreless. When the last man was out the score was Bend, 4; Colts, 8. Yes, revenge is sweet, and the Colts are gloating over their well earned victory.

KEEP SUMMER FALLOW CLEAN

By Doing so Weeds Will Not Have Chance to Seed

Most persons do not realize what an enormous number of seeds are produced by weed. The number varies with different weeds, but most kinds produce from a hundred to several thousand seeds per plant. Weeds such as wild carrot, burdock, and sowthistle may produce 20,000 or more seeds per plant. Not all weeds germinate at once, but delay sprouting for some time, some of them for several years. This fact is responsible for the old saying, "One year's seeding makes seven years weeding." The only sure way to prevent annual and biennial weeds from increasing is to prevent them from going to seed.

WHEAT YIELD MUCH LESS THAN PRODUCED LAST YEAR

Official Estimates Place Decline at 70,000,000 Bushels—Imports Little Uncertain

A late bulletin from the State Agricultural college says regarding the wheat crop situation for 1928:

The new official estimate indicates a total United States wheat crop about 70,000,000 bushels less than last year. Some traders are inclined to argue that the crop will be smaller. The soft red winter wheat crop is figured at nearly 60,000,000 bushels below last year and the same shortage of spring wheat is reported, but the hard red winter crop is very large. Heavy market of hard red winter is in progress and this together with favorable crop reports from Canada tended to depress wheat markets last week. Rye was dull and lower despite unfavorable prospects for the new crop. Crop conditions and import requirements in Europe are little uncertain.

MONSTER AIR CIRCUS AT LEGION CONVENTION

Thirty Fastest Planes on Coast to Participate—Hair Raising Stunts Promised

A monster air circus in which some thirty of the fastest planes on the coast will participate will be one of the major attractions of the American Legion convention at Medford, August 2, 3 and 4. This will be staged under the direction of Seely V. Hall, state chairman of aeronautics for the American Legion and promises to be one of the most compete aerial displays ever seen on the Pacific coast.

Among the features to be shown will be aerial races, loop contests, dead stick landings to a mark with motor cut off from 5,000 feet, aerial formations, wing walking, acrobatic stunts, such as hanging by toes and knees from landing gear from an airplane traveling one hundred miles an hour, wire work, rope ladder act and a man changing from one ship to another in mid-air at an elevation of 5,000 feet at a speed of 100 miles per hour, cabin plane races and aerial stunts of all kinds.

One of the major attractions and possibly one of the most thrilling stunts in mid-air will be a triple parachute jump from an elevation of 5,000 feet and bombing a miniature village by airplanes which will give evidence of modern warfare from the skies.

The commission has also secured the services of an aerial stunt man who will crouch upon the center-section of the upper wing of an airplane and the pilot will loop the loop several times.

Among the dignitaries at this big aerial event will be Wm. P. McCracken, Jr., assistant secretary of aeronautics, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., as well as the army, navy and marine corps.

Brother Stricken Blind

B. F. Turner made a trip to Portland last week to see his brother, Clyde who is at a hospital in the big city. Clyde, who lives at Kelso, was lately made blind, the cause being high blood pressure. One eye is entirely closed to sight, while the affected man is able to distinguish light with the other.

Saw Doe and Fawns

Last Sunday the Shattuck and George Morris families, accompanied by Mrs. E. A. Cyr, went to Ollalie lake. When near Clackamas lake the party saw a doe with two fawns on the road, the animals seeming to be not in the least afraid of the automobile.

Wamic Grain Looks Good

F. D. Stuart and family went over to the Wamic country on an outing last Sunday. Frank says the grain in that section is looking exceptionally good, and that a bumper crop is expected. Harvesting operations began there on Monday.

Traffic Director Busy

Foreman Addington has stationed a traffic director at the east end of the bridge, his duty being to warn motorists that road oiling operations are going on the Criterion part of the highway, and to detour them around by way of the Bakeoven and Sherman roads.

Skyline Trail Attraction For Hundreds During Very Hot Weather

Tents Pitched From Frog Lake to Breitenbush, Near Mt. Jefferson

All the lakes on the skyline trail from Frog lake to Breitenbush, near Mt. Jefferson, are now open for angling. The road in is fair shape and all the gates are open.

Many devotees of Isak Walton are pitching canvas along the trail and many intend to remain in the mountains until the hot weather subsides. Here is a pointer for intending campers. Before entering the reservation be sure to procure a fire permit. These may be got at Zig Zag, Government Camp, and at Clackamas lake. Don't wait until you get further south, as you may be brought up with a "round turn" if you start a fire without first having obtained a permit. There are many forest rangers in the mountains, and each one has his eye trained to detect fires, and those who are setting such, even for preparation of meals, are liable to arrest and fine if they are not in possession of the necessary permit. Be sure and extinguish each fire after using, as smoldering coals have started many forest fires with millions of dollars of loss.

ADVERTISING BUDGETS ARE FOUND LOW IN OREGON

Department Stores Lead in Amount Appropriated—General Stores at Foot of Column

Contrary to some opinion, advertising costs to merchants of Oregon constitute but a small fraction of total selling costs, according to the report of "Operating Costs in Retail Merchandising," just published by the Extension service of the State college. The bulletin was prepared under the direction of the school of commerce and contains reports presented to the Oregon Retail Merchants' association in convention at Corvallis last February:

Of the six merchandising groups from which data was gathered, the department stores were found to devote the greatest amount to advertising, which was 3.32 per cent out of a total operating expense of 23.79 per cent. At the other extreme the general stores were found to use only .45 per cent out of a total of 18.23 per cent.

Furniture stores reported an average of 1.74 per cent of a total expense of 28.92 per cent used in advertising, while grocery stores averaged a mere .50 per cent in a total of 12.88. Hardware stores also devoted a comparatively small budget to advertising, the total being .73 per cent in a total of 22.05 per cent. Drug stores were about the same with 1 per cent devoted to advertising from a total of 27.06 per cent.

In general the Oregon figures for advertising were lower than in other surveys throughout the country with which comparisons were made. Exceptions were that department stores here spent about a third more for advertising than those in an extensive survey made by Harvard university, and that grocery stores here, even at their low figure, exceeded the stores in Nebraska. General stores in the Harvard survey, devoted four times as much to advertising.

PRESIDENT ELECT MURDERED

General Alvaro Obregon of Mexico Victim of Assassin

President-Elect Alvaro Obregon of Mexico was the victim of an assassin's bullets Tuesday afternoon. The murder took place in a cafe in the town of San Angel, near Mexico City, while the general and party were partaking of luncheon. Five shots entered the general's body at close range, the victim dying almost instantly. General Obregon was the fourth Mexican president to be assassinated in a little more than 10 years.

Fixed Horses' Teeth

Dr. Stovall was called to the George Mallatt ranch on Wednesday to attend to the teeth of some of the popular Bakeoven rancher's horses.