

At Powers

Mrs. H. Schwartz Guest Of Gamwells

Mrs. Harwood M. Schwartz of Los Olivos, Calif. is a guest for several weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Gamwell.

Mr. and Mrs. William McLyman had as their guests over the Fourth of July holiday, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace McLyman and son, Jeff of Calif., Mr. and Mrs. William Preston of Canyonville and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Ryder of Eugene.

Mrs. Bessie Copper of Clinton, Ark. has been a guest at the home of her brother, Loy Reed and family.

Miss Dolores Wiatowski, a student at Providence School of Nursing in Portland is spending her vacation visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wiatowski at their new home in Powers.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Elam at Mast hospital last week. This is their third child and second son.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Anderson and children, Donna and Dennis have returned home after a trip to Crater Lake, the Oregon Caves and San Francisco.

Mrs. Blanche Bowser of Seaside is a guest for the summer at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arnold Hill in North Powers.

Mrs. Eugene Boggan and two children of Cave Junction are visiting Mrs. Jennie Boggan.

Thursday night, July 7th at the Rebekah hall, several members of Coos Bay Moose Lodge No. 678 were Powers guests in an effort to revive interest in reactivating the Moose Lodge. They were governor Earle R. Livingston and Mrs. Livingston, Harry Reise, secretary, his wife and son and Lewis Ebben, prelate.

An invitation was extended to the Moose picnic which will be held August 7 at the Norway Grove. The Moose women met Friday and it was decided to hold a potluck July 16 for all members, past members and anyone interested in reactivating the lodge in Powers. If the plans materialize, the men plan a building program. Senior regent Clare Peterson appointed the following committee chairmen:

Kathryn Edwards, publicity; Ruby Winkleman, Mooseheart and Moose haven; Peachie Hall, social service and library; Bernadine Grant, ritual; Mary White, ways and means.

Vincent Starr of the Bureau of Land Management was guest speaker July 6th of the Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon at Timberline Inn. Availability of timber which is to keep local industries going and attract new ones, was the topic of discussion. George Lowes of the Selco Company and Willie Kowner of the mill near the forest boundary

were also guests and assisted with the discussion.

Deskin Bergey of the Pacific Power and Light Company stated that the company is working on a project of line re-building which will provide better power for business.

Word has been received by Powers friends of the death of Frank Davis at Portland. He was a former resident and had been ill for the past two years. He was 86 years of age and his wife preceded him in death several years ago.

Mr. Davis was the first shop foreman for the Smith Powers Lumber Company (now the Coos Bay Lumber) and lived in Powers for a number of years, moving to Eugene in 1928. He was first master of Bingham Lodge, AFAM at Powers. Surviving are three sons, Ben, Ray and Charles Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Little and family of North Powers have returned from a trip to Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma. They reported that the temperature rose to 113 degrees in that part of the country and that they were glad to be back on the cool coast.

This week will be Boy Scout camp weekend and the boys planning to attend from Powers are: Jim Boutin, Louis Lambert, Michael Hill, Gerry Freeman, Mike Stewart, Larry Rolfe, Phillip Rhay, Terry Epperson and Tommy Truax. Dr. Harold Osterud was in Powers July 14 to give the boys physical examinations.

Because of the work being done at the High School, the Lions club held its regular meeting at the Rebekah hall.

The Lions club has just completed putting in stairs, bridge, diving board, floats and a life-guard station at Orchard Park swimming pool. Mrs. Carol Clark has been hired to act as lifeguard and will be at the pool from 1 to 5 p.m. each day until August 21st. The Red Cross swimming lessons are slated for the first two weeks in August.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dement of Myrtle Point and two children are living at Powers this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Endicott and two children of Springfield are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Augden Endicott and other relatives. Mr. Endicott is recuperating from a severe accident.

Mrs. Florence Lettman of Tillamook was a guest this week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Bagley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stormer and children, Bobby and Laura were visitors over the Fourth of July holiday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Lyle Murdock.

Mr. and Mrs. Dot McAlock, Miss Elvira Olsen of North Bend and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fish of Bridge were recent visitors at the home of Mrs. Florence Warner.

James McCart former bus operator in Powers, who has operated a store at Cougar Lane in Ag-



COSTLY DIGITS . . . Pianist Virginia Parker, known as "pianothron girl," exhibits Lloyd's policy insuring her fingers for \$185,000.

ness for the past several years, has sold his business and will move to Klamath, Calif. where he will operate a boat on the Klamath river, taking men to work in the logging industry. He will be accompanied to his new home by his family.

A surprise reception was held recently for Rev. and Mrs. Duke Stewart, David, the event was held in the annex of the Church of the Open Bible, of which Rev. Duke is the new pastor.

Featured on the program were readings by Mrs. Russell Powers, Mrs. William Grove and Mrs. Joe Harris; a duet by Clyde Thorp and Art Smith.

Refreshments were served following the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Garver returned from an extended trip to Missouri where they visited relatives. Enroute, they visited the Rev. H. L. Bagleys and Dwan in Fresno and the John Harrelsons in Southern California.

Mrs. Nellie Proctor of Concord, Calif. is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Art Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Graack and daughter are visiting his parents in Maywood, Calif.

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Former Students Wed At Roseburg

A wedding of interest to local young people was that of Miss Barbara Bay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bay of Roseburg and Dennis Shorb, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Shorb of North Powers. The young couple formerly attended school here.

The ceremony was performed at the First Methodist church in Roseburg. A reception was held at the Bay home.

The young couple will live at Gold Beach where the groom is employed by the Coldiron Logging Company.

Attending the wedding from Powers were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Shorb, Mr. and Mrs. William Shorb, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shorb, Scott Shorb, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster, Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson, Mrs. Gloria Coombs, Mrs. Joel Ray, Miss Madelon McMahon, Gene Cook, Lynn Post Jim Gnoek and Gordon Lowry. Mr. and Mrs. Roland of Remote were also present.

The making of ice cream sodas and sundaes at home is increasing—half gallon containers easily kept in refrigerators or freezers make it possible to keep ice cream on hand at all times.

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Uranium-Seeking Motorloggers Travel to Historic Oregon Caves

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BY RICHARD NOKES
City Editor, The Oregonian

There's no uranium in the marbled halls of Oregon. It was Joaquin Miller, literary giant of the Far West, who many years ago stood between two large columns deep in the Oregon caves near Grants Pass and turned the "marbled halls of Oregon" phrase that helped make the caves a great tourist attraction.

It was a motorlogging crew from The Oregonian and Oregon State Motor association that recently determined there was no uranium concealed in those subterranean passages.

Really, they hadn't expected any. Wrong kind of country, our how-to-hunt uranium book said, although southwestern Oregon generally is considered a possible source.

The youthful guide looked at us with an expression that wavered between resignation (tourists will do anything) and disbelief (either I'm nuts or they are).

"Anyway," he said, "You're the first people to take a Geiger counter through here." That makes our place in history secure.

Hospitality was the keynote at the caves. Manager Richard Sabin, who joined the caves company staff under an uncle in 1924, has learned through the years how to make a tourist feel at home.

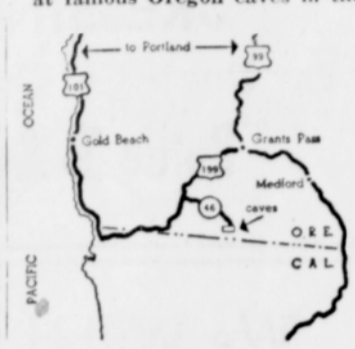
Discovered in 1874
The Oregon caves, probably third in importance among America's caverns, were discovered, the story goes, by Elijah Davidson, who in 1874 crawled fearlessly into a dark hole in the Siskiyou in search of a bear he had wounded.

The caves are about 4000 feet above sea level, and it seems impossible to the traveler that an ancient ocean once covered the area. In this ocean formed a thick deposit of lime, which later hardened into limestone.

This limestone was transformed under terrific pressure and heat into marble and was



Familiar white Oregon State Motor association car is shown in front of the comfortable \$400,000 chateau with 32 rooms at famous Oregon caves in the heart of Siskiyou mountains.



Map traces route taken to the marble-walled caves on motorlog, touching California.

erected above the sea as part of a mountain range. It was during this uplifting that the marble was broken in many places. Through these fractures water carrying carbonic and other acids began to dissolve the marble. Over an eon or two this process resulted in the caverns.

The caves, in the heart of the Siskiyou mountains, became a national monument of 480 acres in 1929 and have been under control of the national park service, department of interior, since 1934.

The chateau building, privately financed, cost about \$75,000 to build. Today the plant is valued roughly at \$400,000. The lodge has 32 rooms ranging upward from \$8 double with bath to \$13 for suites. Rooms with detached showers are \$4.50 double. An extra cot will be provided for \$1.

Manager Richard Sabin also has seven two-room cottages

which rent for \$6 double with an extra cot available for \$1. For those wanting to camp out, facilities are available at Grayback campground along the approach highway eight miles from the monument. Picnic facilities are available near the chateau.

The coffee shop in the chateau was entirely redone a year ago and is one of the most modern in the West. It is appropriately finished in natural woods and is efficiently arranged. It connects with a more formal dining room which has an added attraction of a creek running through it—a creek born deep in the caves.

Cocktails Available
A small bar was added to the facilities last summer, principally to serve the Californians who are used to drinking in the wonders of the West.

College students provide the bulk of the summer staff. The student guides are trained by the lodge management and the park service. The tours start daily at 8 a. m. and continue until 7 p. m.

The tour of the caves takes roughly 1 1/2 hours, unless the party is held up by one section interested in probing for uranium, as ours was.

It seemed almost like desecration to put our atomic era listening device against the walls of Joaquin Miller's aged chapel, Paradise Lost. Garden of the Gods or other famous chambers within the caves.

But nature has the last laugh, for the clicks were far between in the earphone.

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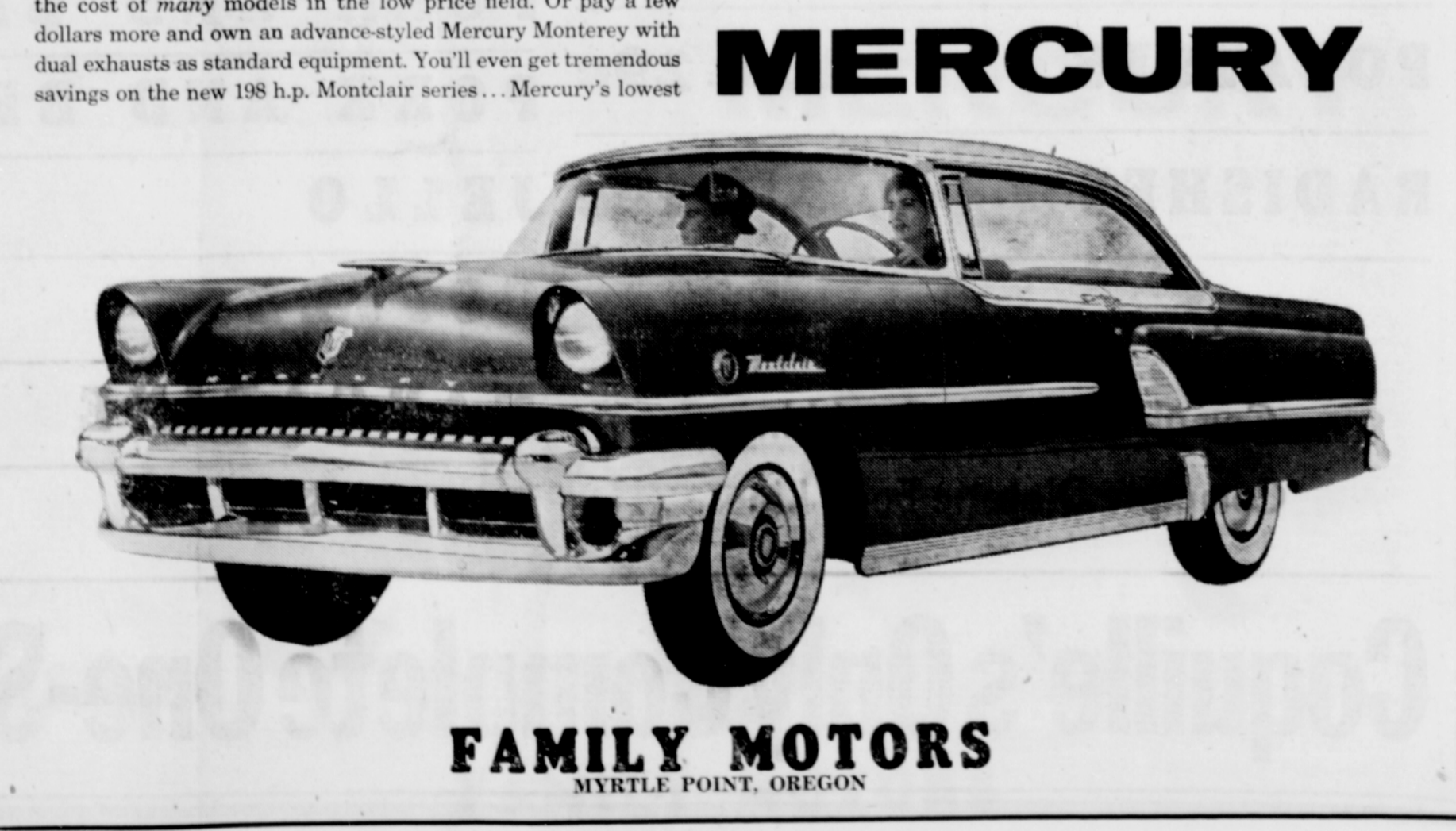
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