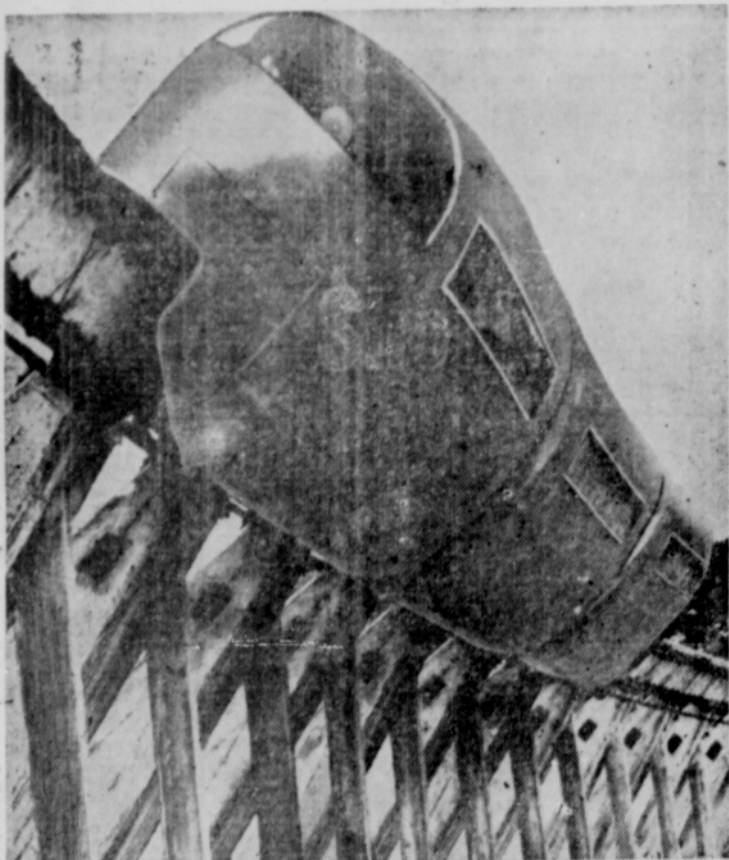




TEST RUN . . . The world's first single-track train makes a test run near Cologne, Germany, where transportation officials from all over the world congregated for the unveiling of the new mode of rail travel. This model train reached a speed of 100 m.p.h. on the curves. The full-sized train will be 2½ times larger than this model, and is expected to reach a speed of 190 m.p.h. or more.

Wasco News

Sunshine Group Puts On Entertainment at Christian Church

Mrs. Joe Drinkard

Sunday evening a good crowd attended services at the Christian church. The Sunshine group gave an interesting illustrated talk on parts of what they have been learning the past two weeks. Also the play, "The Gilded Sepulcher" was staged. The play was written by Mrs. W. H. Sherbon and Mrs. John Sheldrake and sons of Hood River. Mrs. Betty Ann, played by Kaye Whipple, Margie by Merry Drinkard and Robert by Jack Wallace. Mrs. Andy Engberg was the colored maid Mandy, Mrs. Harold Engberg, the scrubwoman, Mrs. Karst, Rev. and Mrs. Shields were Rev. and Mrs. Langton. He also played the part of the righteous Judge. David and Jimmy Wallace, Rob Hastings, Robert Lutz, Ed Vaughan and Bill Jones were shadows of the past in Judge Martin's memory. It was an impressive, well planned play.

Mrs. James Maddox entertained the local Tillamook club Thursday April 2 at a 1:30 dessert followed by an afternoon of cards. Two tables were in play and high score went to Mrs. Vernon Van Gilder. Mrs. L. L. Funk, Mrs. Trace Fields and Mrs. Norma Everett were unable to attend.

A group of young people including Rev. and Mrs. Merlin Shields, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barnett, Rev. Bill Kernan, Bill Jones, Ed Vaughan, Mrs. Willa Miller, Luetta Eslinger, Libby Briscoe, Dorothy Whittis, Merry Drinkard, Carmen and Everett Royse, Douglas and Rebecca Rhinehart and Betty Haven drove to Grass Valley to roller skate Friday evening. Before returning home the group held a short religious service.

Word was received last week of the sudden passing of Perl Everett, a former resident and very well known. He had been ill with flu and on his return to work suffered a heart attack. Mr. Everett was born in 1901 and he leaves his wife Margaret, a son Robert who is home on leave from the navy, and a daughter Mary, two brothers, Lee Everett of Bend and Carl Everett of Olex; three sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Funk, Wasco, Mrs. Mattie Ross, Salem, and Mrs. Iva Downie of Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Vieda Van Gaasbeck is spending a few days at Blalock visiting her children, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Van Gaasbeck, Betty and Gary.

Hal Shelton came Saturday from Hood River after Mr. and Mrs. Ed McKees. The McKees were to spend the Easter holiday with the Sheltons at Hood River.

Andy Engberg was home from Kent for the week-end.

The intermediate and senior MYF groups plan to go to The Dalles Sunday to attend the second district Methodist fellowship hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlet Rhinehart and family drove to Portland on business Saturday. Pat O'Meara is home from the hospital where he has been confined for some time as the result of an auto accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip O'Meara and family spent the Easter week-end visiting relatives and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Booth at Gresham.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Everett of Olex were called to the L. L. Funk home last week on news of the death of a brother, Perl. Mr. Everett, Lois Ann Everett and Mr. and Mrs. Funk attended the services at Coos Bay Friday.

Employment Level Still Below That of March Last Year

Eight thousand Oregonians went back to work during March but the 39,488 still looking for jobs were 6,921 more than a year ago, according to reports from 28 local offices of the State Unemployment Compensation commission.

With the exception of The Dalles, where an influx of dam construction workers has created an oversupply, every office reported fewer job-seekers than on March 1. Eight areas had a smaller number of unemployed than a year ago.

Despite many callbacks in lumbering and construction, and the opening up of early farm work, western Oregon offices continued to report the bulk of the unemployment. Nearly 84 per cent of the jobseekers were west of the Cascades with the five-county area around Portland accounting for 14,500.

Payments to workers covered by unemployment insurance also were higher than in March, 1952, but slightly below February, 1953. The monthly figure of \$2,536,018 brings the first quarter total of \$8,090,466 or \$724,916 more than the same period last year. Benefit fund reserve dropped to \$71,542,981, lowest in nearly three years.

The number of claimants since the start of the benefit year last July 1 reached \$6,072, almost the same as a year ago, but first payments were considerably higher at \$64,000. Maximum annual benefits went to 6,500 also more than a year ago. Only 60 were in skilled or semi-skilled classifications in lumbering and construction. The majority of the opportunities were along trade, service and sales lines.

Miss Betty Dormier and a friend, Miss Jerry Chapman of Portland spent the week-end with Betty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dormier.

Miss Darlene Macheel of Portland spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Macheel. Mrs. H. A. Van Gilder, Mrs. Ed McKee and Mrs. G. A. Sargeant shopped in The Dalles Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris drove to Walla Walla to spend the holiday with their daughter Margaret.

Mrs. Nell Anderson of Goldendale Wash. was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sargeant. They took her home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tuggle drove to Centralia to be with her mother, Mrs. Astrid Lakmann and other relatives over the holiday.

Mrs. Ed Carpenter, Mrs. Sylvia Bickel and Philip Howell came Dufur Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Joe Drinkard and family. Mrs. Bickel will remain here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Christopherson and family spent the week-end at Woodburn with both their families, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Christopherson and Mrs. Ethel Jeppson.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Drinkard Sr. had Sunday dinner at Moro with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brisbane and daughter Marilyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brock and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Brock and family drove to the "Wigwam" for dinner Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Lester Gray and daughter Cheryl of Echo spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Johnson.

Rufus HEC will meet Thursday April 9 at the home of Mrs. R. M. Johnson.

Wasco girl scouts held their annual silver tea Monday, March 30 at the Masonic hall. The girls had made pillow cases, tea towels, aprons and candy to sell. Miss Merry Drinkard sang "Easter Parade", accompanied by Mrs. Bruce Kitts and Miss Lily Vaughan did a tap dance.

Apron models were Betty Haven, Carmen Royse, Sally Fields, Phyllis Watkins, Janny McIntyre, Shirley Watkins, Lynn Rathbun and Merry Drinkard.

The younger girls helped at the tea table. They were Lynn Rathbun, Shirley Watkins, Rachel Le-

Cow Country Color To Dominate Scene At Portland Meeting

Hitching posts in Portland may now be camp posts but in spite of that there will be much of the country color when Oregon cattlemen come to town for their 40th annual convention in May. This will be the second time the cattlemen have held their state meeting in Portland, the first having been in 1925.

To be sure that the up-state visitors have "a time" for themselves Mayor Fred Peterson's special cattle convention entertainment committee is not only arranging a great cowboy breakfast at Portland Meadows race track but has also cooked up a fine array of special prizes for members attending the convention. There will be attractive awards for the best dressed cowboy; best dressed cowgirl; biggest cowboy hat; most colorful western shirt; and the fanciest cowboy boots. There will be special prizes to cattlemen owning horses competing in races during the cowboy breakfast; to the cattlemen traveling the greatest distance to the convention; to an association member accompanied by largest number of members of his immediate family.

Portland merchants are taking an active interest in this phase of the convention and it is likely that the list of awards will be even more greatly expanded as the convention date approaches.

In cooperation with the state office of the Oregon cattlemen's association the Portland entertainment committee has mailed 5,000 four-page folders to cattle owners in Oregon and elsewhere.

In addition to the cowboy breakfast the folder calls attention to the banquet and vaudeville scheduled for the Multnomah hotel Tuesday evening. In addition to the regular convention entertainment, arrangements have been completed for the cattlemen to take over completely Amato's Supper club on Monday evening. This is strictly a no-host affair.

With the convention dates being May 11, 12 and 13 it is particularly important that arrangements be made as soon as possible for hotel accommodations. This may be done by addressing Housing committee, box 507, North Portland, Oregon. There are plenty of hotel rooms close to the convention.

BEEF ON PLENTIFUL LIST
Record numbers of cattle coming to market have brought beef prices in recent weeks to the lowest point in many years. Agricultural economies at Oregon State college point out that large supplies and lower prices caused the U.S. department of agriculture to put beef on its March and April monthly "Plentiful Foods" list for the first time in the 15-year history of this program.

The problem of expediting traffic of migratory and game fish along with human highway travelers will be coordinated with fish and game officials, according to Roy H. Shoemaker Jr., OSC civil engineering instructor who heads the new research project for the engineering experiment station.

The culverts, some of which may be several hundred feet long, serve as a substitute stream bed in cases where the new and better roads cut off sections of the original natural channel. Many times, however, the culverts have to be laid on such steep grades that the fish are unable to negotiate the stream run.

In such cases, fish ladder baffles solve the problem of fish travel they pose an engineering worry in that they slow the stream flow and cut down the discharge capacity of the culverts during flood conditions. Because there is no exact information on just how great the reduction is, design of the expensive culverts with fish baffles inside is largely a matter of careful guessing rather than exact planning.

The OSC research, which will be conducted on model scale in the hydraulics laboratory, will supply the information on effects of the fish ladder baffles on the stream flow and discharge. Findings will be of use throughout the country.

Bleu, Rebecca Rhinehart, Darlene Eslinger, Marilyn Smith. Leaders are Mrs. Paulen Kaseberg and Mrs. Leonard Fields and sponsor is the Womens Study club.

NEW 4-H AGENT WILL REVISE PUBLICATIONS

Appointment of Margaret Jo Roach as county extension agent at large in 4-H work, has been announced by F. L. Ballard, associate director of extension at Oregon State college.

Miss Roach, who has been research assistant with the OSC food technology department since 1946, will join the state 4-H staff April 2. In her new capacity she will revise all 4-H club publications bringing them into modern and up-to-date values.

In announcing the appointment, Ballard said there has long been need for a revision of 4-H literature as an important step in the education program for Oregon's 25,000 club members.

Miss Roach has had considerable experience in writing, having prepared newspaper and radio material, magazine articles and bulletins for the food technology department. She is public information chairman for the Benton county chapter of the American Red Cross.

From 1943 to 1945, Miss Roach served with the American Red Cross in England and France. She is a graduate of Oregon State college. Her appointment is subject to approval by the state board of higher education.

BARBER SHOP REOPENS

The barber shop is now open four days a week. Closing days are Monday and Thursday. 23p Andy Paulson.

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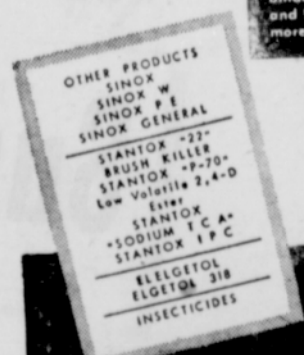
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