

RUFUS

By Mrs. George Fox

It was a lovely day here in the north end of Sheman on Tuesday with a gentle west wind and 75 degree weather. Yesterday it was 90 and a stiff east wind was blowing to drain all the moisture out of the plant life. The grass has turned a dried up yellow color in all the south slopes, and is creeping up on the north slope. The green grain has been cut for hay, and the alfalfa has been cut for the first crop of the season.

Their is continued activity in the construction business in and around Rufus. Some parts of the project are letting off men as they complete their contracts. There has been a noticeable number of

trailers and men leaving Rufus for work in other areas during the past two weeks. The Northwest Construction has completed their part of the guard rail work along the detour highway, and have moved to Montana where they have similar work to do. They will be back in Rufus presumably in July to finish the work here after the road beds are made ready. Compton Construction is in Rufus to put a rock crusher near the mouth of the John Day river. Compton's paving crew are working all over this part of eastern Oregon, that is in Sherman and Gilliam counties.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilson Foote and daughter Nancy and son Robert came to Rufus Friday night from Corvallis to spend a couple nights with Mrs. Foote's parents the Mr. and Mrs. George Fox. On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. James W. Fox entertained at dinner honoring the Foote's. The Foote family left on Sunday afternoon for Nephi, Utah where they went to close up the estate of Dr. Foote's mother.

Invitations have been received to a bridal shower honoring Miss Jeanne Macnab on Saturday, June 15, at 2 p.m. at the Wasco Methodist church. The hostess will be Shirley Blaylock, Ohyllis Odell, Margaret Brown and Reatha Coats.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jordan have been enjoying a two weeks vacation which took them cruising to Canada and the Oregon

Wood Treating Plant Featured In Periodical

The J. H. Baxter Company, a local wood treating plant that supplies 50 per cent of the Union Pacific Railroad tie requirement, is featured in the current issue of

"Pacific Powerland," according to Art Thrasher, district manager. The plant was put into operation by the Union Pacific in 1921, the magazine reports. Since then its operators have branched out to include pressure-treated poles, piling, lumber of all dimensions, opsts, plywood and interior finishing woods.

Pacific Power is one of the major pole customers for the plant which employs around 90 people who represent an annual half-million dollar payroll. "Pacific Powerland" is sent to the more than 400,000 customers of PP&L who reside in parts of six northwestern states, Thrasher said.

H. Jack White is confined to the hospital for a few days where he underwent surgery in The Dalles. Jack operates the Riverside tavern in Rufus.

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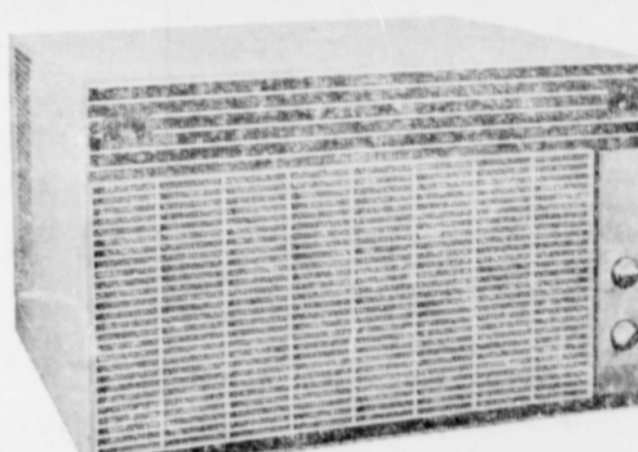
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