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**OLD TIME REUNION**  
BY JESSIE MATHENY

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lewis and Carroll Lewis, C. St., were among those participating in a family reunion picnic held recently in Ashland's Lithia Park.

The occasion was in honor of Mrs. William Copple, Eugene, the only living member of the Carroll and Margaret Matney family - early day pioneer Applegate Valley settlers. Mrs. Copple - the former Anna Matney - one of 16 children, now 82 years, was raised on the Applegate on a ranch a few miles below Ruch. Mr. and Mrs. Harlan P. Bosworth, Jr. presently own property (their home) which is a portion of the former pioneer Matney ranch.

Anna Matney and William Copple, married in 1903, operated the former Cantrall and Newberry ranch (southwest of Ruch along the Applegate) for several years. Moving from the Ruch-Applegate area, they lived at Murphy where they operated an orchard, for a time. Then, Grants Pass was their home until Mr. Copple's death. Mrs. Copple now makes her home with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ausland, Eugene.

The honoree reminisced of the many changes that had taken place since the days of her Applegate Valley childhood. Chinese miners walking along the road, carrying goods on poles supported on the shoulders of the men, the goods fastened to the pole hung between two men) was a common sight, stated Mrs. Copple. Horses drawn freight wagons transported merchandise into the Valley from Crescent City taking several weeks for a trip, she added. Sugar came by the barrel. The valley's farmers raised most of the food, storing it for winter use. Grain raised and harvested on the ranches was hauled to the flour-mill at Eagle Point, taking two to three days for the journey. Bear and deer hunted by the men-folk supplemented the pork and beef raised and processed on the ranches, noted Mrs. Copple.

Wool, carded, spun into yarn, and knitted into the families items of clothing came from sheep raised on the valley's ranches. School was a one-room structure located in the vicinity of the present Ruch School, a three mile walk for the Matney children. The winters, too, were then much more severe, according to Mrs. Copple; who noted that it was not at all unusual for the Applegate River to freeze over enough to enable the safe crossing of team of horses drawing a wagon.

**NOTICE:**

NEW OFFICE HOURS FOR "TIMES" in downtown Central Point - 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday through Thursday, Friday 12:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. CLOSED SATURDAY

**RECREATIONAL PROGRAM**

By Mabel Van Horn

The Central Point Summer Recreational Program began on June 19 and ended on Aug. 4 with an end of the season program held at the Central Point City Park. Competitive contests were held, and exhibits were shown of craft and art work. Ice cream and slices of watermelon were served to the crowd.

Approximately one hundred and sixty boys and fifty girls signed up for the varied program, which consisted of baseball, volley ball, tennis, arts, crafts, tap dancing, baton twirling, swimming, badminton and drama.

Co-directors for the boys program were A. D. Van Horn and Marvin Hayes. Student coaches were Gary Frohreich, coach of the Central Point Braves and the Crater Cubs; Jack Snook, coach of the Central Point Indians; Joe Van Horn, coach of the Central Point Stars and Bob Bailey.

Director for the girls was Harriet Brenner with Nita Kesey and Karen Jantzer assisting.

Little League coaches were: Jim Bittle for the Cubs; Jeff Bailey for the Bears; John Snook for the Rams; Ken Howe for the Yanks; Randy McManama for the Oilers; Rick Kendall for the Cards; Mike Dunbar for the tigers; Bob Thomas for the Lions; Norman Robison for the Giants; Jim Henson for the Pirates; Tim Glines for the Colts; and Rick Moser for the Indians. Jim Bittle was coach of the championship Little League team the "Cubs."

During the evening a basketball free throw was held conducted by Marvin Hayes and Bob Baily. The score for the top five boys who competed were: Chris Roberts, 4 out of 10, was winner; Ron Rhodes, 3 out of 10 Don Matejka, 2 out of 10 Mark Graham and Rick Moser.

Next on the program was a baton routine by some of the girls conducted by Karen Jantzer. Girls were: Gayle Tacchini, Rae Hodge, Karri Halstead, Lori Wilcox, Terri Winn, Pam White, Marcia Weaver, Peggy Silvers Brenda Lacy, Janice Jantzer, Kirsten Lemke and Shelley Lacy.

Base running finals were: For the 8 to 10 years old: Brian Olson, first; Phil Sander, second; Brent Mitchell, Third and Mike Jacobson, fourth.

For the 11 to 12 years olds: Steve Harthun first; Robby King, second; and Chris Roberts, third.

For the 13 year olds; Rick Knight, first, and Mark Graham second.

Chip Wright was the fastest during the summer program but was unable to compete at the park because of a dislocated shoulder.

HE WHO THINGS BY THE INCH BUT TALKS BY THE MILE DESERVES TO BE KICKED BY THE FOOT

**!!!!!! SALUTE !!**

**PFC. GRANT RALPH MALLERY**  
Pfc. Grant Ralph Mallery spent the last week visiting his family and friends in the Central Point, Gold Hill area. He was on leave from Fort Hood, Texas. He is presently in route to south Vietnam with the U. S. Army. He attended Crater High before joining the army in October of last year and his wife Mrs. Gail Davis Mallery, who also attended Crater is in Texas, visiting her family.

**PFC. STEVE BLANCHER**  
Army Pfc. Steve Blancher has been participating in "Operation Pershing" in Vietnam. The group have evacuated more than 19,000 refugees from coastal areas to numerous refugee centers in secured areas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blancher, Sardine Creek Road in Gold Hill.

**LT. RUTH M. ELLIS**  
First Lt. Ruth M. Ellis U.S. Air Force, was a recent houseguest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ellis, Antioch Road, Central Point. Prior to her visit here she was on leave with her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ellis, Anchorage, Alaska. Lt. Ellis is a 61 graduate of Crater High School and also of Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington. Lt. Ellis is now in route to her new duty assignment, Tan Son Air Force Base Vietnam, where she will be working at 7th Air Force headquarters.

**FIRST CLASS ROBERT M HENLEY**  
Airman First Class Robert M. Henley was a member of the United States Air Force team that won NATO's annual photo reconnaissance competition in Europe. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Caughie of Central Point.

**NEW CHAMPION PLANT IN GRANTS PASS**

Ground was broken for the new \$465,000 processing plant and distribution center for Champion Products Inc., being built in Grants Pass. The 37,000-foot structure is being erected on a 9.5 acre site and is scheduled for completion in May next year.

About 40 persons will be employed in the plant which is the company's first manufacturing plant outside New York State.

Participating in ground breaking ceremonies were State Senate President, E. B. "Debbs" Potts, Acting Governor at the time when Governor Tom McCall was out of the state at the Governors' Conference in Jackson Hole, Wyoming; Glenn Jackson, chairman of the board, Pacific Power & Light Co.; Paul Nordstrom administrator, Oregon Economic Development Division; Joseph Fox, executive vice president, Champion Products, and Harold S. Feinbloom, vice president, administration, Champion Products.

Champion Products designs, manufactures and markets more than 2,000 styles and colors of campus casual, physical education and athletic wear. Its customers includes some 23,000 schools, colleges and organizations through the United States. All Standard Champion products will be stocked at the Grants Pass plant for processing and delivery to customers

in the 14 western states, including Alaska and Hawaii.

Incorporated in 1923 as Champion Knitwear Co., the firm had net sales last year of more than \$17 million, Executive offices are in Rochester, N. Y., with manufacturing facilities in Perry, Geneseo and Livonia, N.Y.

**WISELY TO HEAD C.P. ELEMENTARY**

Serving as Principal of the Central Point Elementary School for the 1967-68 school year will be Steven R. Wisely. Mr. Wisely, a native Oregonian and graduate of Medford High School and Southern Oregon College has completed four years in the Eagle Point School system, the last year as Vice-Principal in the Eagle Point Elementary school. Mr. Wisely holds a Master's Degree in Elementary Education and is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, Honorary Fraternity in Education.

During the first part of the school year Mr. Wisely will work closely with Jack McCoy, Principal of the Central Point Junior High. After the first of the year the 7th and 8th grades will move into the new Junior High School currently under construction on Scenic Avenue.

Mr. Wisely has a wife, and two sons aged one and four.

**CRATER CUBS MAKE TRIP**

by Mabel Van Horn

The Crater Cubs, Southern Oregon Champions, left for Springfield on August 9, to participate in the Oregon Junior Baseball Association State Tournament.

Young Field, 10th and G Streets on August 10, 11, 12 and 13.

The boys have worked hard the past few weeks to meet expenses for the trip. They sold pop several evenings, did odd jobs, and held a teen-age dance. Donations were also given to the boys.

Those making the trip are Rolly Renfro, John Bruce, John Bartley, Steve Capps, Dave Saxbury, Mike Johnson, Ron Holbrook, Russ Pinkham, Paul Bruce, Steve Trautman, Doug Croskell, Doug Edwards, Randy McManama and Walt Dorsey, team members. Kevin Bethel, Medford, will go with the group as a "Pick-up" pitcher.

Also making the trip were: A. D. Van Horn, director; Gary Frohreich, coach; Bob Bailey, assistant coach; Joe Van, Horn statistician; Norm Weiss and Ernie Rozell, bat boys.

Following the tournament a trophy will be awarded to the batting champion of the Crater Cubs.

**C.P. EMPLOYEES' HAVE PICNIC**

by Mabel Van Horn

The second annual picnic for Central Point City Employees and volunteer workers, which includes the Mayor, fire department, planning committee, budget committee and others was held Sunday afternoon, August 5th at the Central Point City Park.

Those attending reported a good time was held by all. Highlights of the picnic were ten year service award plaques to Vern Capps and Ed Zander; a twelve year service award plaque to Don Turner.

The members of the Central Point Fire Department presented a dozen red roses and a one hundred dollar gift certificate from Miller's to Lorain Tate for her thoughtfulness during the past few years to their department.

Jim Corliss, Ed and Bette Zander and their daughter, Pat Taylor, were in charge of barbecued chickens. Salads and desserts were brought by those attending the picnic.

Two guests attending were Emma Mayers from Wickenburg, Arizona. She is the mother of Lorain Tate. Also Ethel Thomason, mother of Ina Marshall.

**Bandit Wounds Pal**

While attempting to break into a safe in an establishment in Cheyenne, Wyo., two gunmen became so hurried that one gunman shot his pal in the foot. Later they returned, stole some bandages and medical supplies, and fled for the second time.