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Musings

By an Innocent Bystander

If any of you fellows know Paul Bunyan just slip him word we wish he would drop over and hold up that doggoned library building while we fix a new foundation under it.

And in that connection we note that it is now possible to secure timbers and such right here in town for about half what it would cost in Medford. Which helps a lot, when one has to be economical. Our local mills need your support, too.

Have you noticed that the Central Point streets are getting better and better daily? Of course there is much to be done yet, but Bert is sure "going places" with his new machine. Now if someone would just pick up the loose rock left from former times when someone had the bright idea of covering the streets with creek gravel and "nigger-heads," it would help a lot more.

It does seem strange that no one thought granite from the hills to the west of us was any good for roads until recent years. We can remember twenty-five years ago riding along those hills and thinking what dandy roads there were where the granite was. And also when the S.P. used half a mountain down near Grants Pass on their roadway and depot grounds.

But of course such roads are dusty in summer unless oiled and it was only recently they found the right oil to mix with the granite to make a lasting surface. But now the best roads in the county are made of oiled granite. Thus does progress come slowly.

We wonder how many of our readers noticed that Central Point is the only city outside of Medford to belong to the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce. What's the matter with the rest of 'em. They all benefit from the work of the Chamber but seem to lack whatever it takes to be willing to lend a hand. We were pleased to note that several of the farmers in this district and also several of our business men voluntarily sent in their memberships and we wish more could see their way to do so. Only be united efforts can our valley prosper.

But we are wondering just what effect the completion of the great Golden Gate bridge is going to have on the annual tourist business which has meant so much to this valley. Will they just slip on up the coast and leave us off their itinerary? We're going to have to get mighty busy or we will lose a lot of this business.

We are told that even this early the coast towns are booming and all accommodations filled. New buildings are being rushed to take care of the increased travel. So let's not waste any time wrangling among ourselves. We want this business and must help any way we can to get it.

Our great scenic attractions are still here. Our recreational facilities are unequalled. But we do need a road down the Rogue so we won't have to cross into California to get to the coast. The completion of the super-highway over the Siskiyou may help, but we believe an all-Oregon highway connecting the Coast highway with the valley would help more.

And we wish some way could be found to get that Williams Creek cut-off finished. That would be worth a lot to this district. But so long as Josephine county backs the idea we fear we are going to wait a long time for it.

And by the way did you notice in the San Francisco papers during the great Golden Gate bridge fiesta that Grants Pass and Josephine county were the only portions of southern Oregon to be advertised? Every paper carried pages of advertising and maps showing the country to be developed by the opening of the new bridge and all showed Grants Pass and Josephine county, but left the rest of Southern Oregon blank. Afraid we missed a bet there.

Mrs. Charles Murphy and little daughter Nancy Kay of San Francisco are visiting at the home of Mrs. Murphy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Powell.

ANNUAL SCOUT DINNER THURSDAY WELL ATTENDED

The annual Scout Dinner was served at the Grange hall last Thursday evening. About sixty were present. All the committee men were present with the exception of Rev. Phillips who was out of town. Many of the scouts' parents were present. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Beesley and Mr. Larry Schade of Medford.

A fine covered dish dinner was served although one of the ladies remarked that there was one vegetable missing. It must have been spinach.

Plans for the summer camp were discussed and although no one will attend the National Jamboree from Central Point it was discussed at this time.

Berean Class Meets With Mrs. Martin

Mrs. Paul Martin was hostess to the Berean Bible Class at her country home on Thursday afternoon. Class president being absent the meeting was conducted by Mrs. Martin. The review of Revelations by Mrs. Louise Grimes, continues interesting. A contest program in charge of Mrs. Minnick was won by Mrs. Stanley Parrish.

Following a shower was given for Mrs. Wayne Higinbotham who was the recipient of many useful and lovely gifts.

Dainty refreshments were served to the group of twenty-eight guests. Members please bear in mind that there will be no class party during the month of July because of the date conflicting with that of another important feature of the Church activities.

John Welch, 74, Dies in K. Falls

John Welch, a resident of Central Point nearly all his life passed away in a Klamath Falls hospital early Friday morning after a short illness. Mr. Welch was born at Central Point August 22, 1863 and was aged 74 years at the time of his death. He left Central Point in 1935 to make his home with his son, William, who is a resident of Klamath Falls. Mr. Welch had many friends in Central Point that will be saddened to hear of his death.

He leaves his wife, Cary, one son, William, of Klamath Falls, one daughter Bertha Chisholm of Beagle Ore., and four brothers.

Funeral services were held at the Perl Funeral Home Monday morning June 14, at 11 a. m. Dr. Sherman L. Divine officiated. Interment was in the Medford I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Miss Maury Hostess To Golden Link Class

The Ladies of the Golden Link Bible Class were entertained on Friday afternoon by Miss Mary Maury at her newly acquired home—formerly that of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Isaacson, on east main street. Class president, Mrs. Bert Hedgpeth was in charge of an important business session and also the lesson period.

A varied collection of games and stunts under the supervision of Mrs. E. E. Scott were very much enjoyed. Refreshments included delicious strawberry short cake with whipped cream and coffee.

Twenty-five guests were present. The July party will be held at the home of Mrs. Al Hermanson of Medford. Mrs. Hermanson's address is 515 S. Grape St.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Murray of Vallejo are visiting at the home of Mr. Murray's mother, and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens.

Mr. Del Hawley went to Klamath Falls the first of the week where he has work.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vincent, Mrs. Sarah Vincent and Bobby Vincent went to LaPine Sunday and visited Mr. Howard Mayfield. Bobbie remained there for a month's visit. Mr. Mayfield has 500 head of cattle in the mountains for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Langston, Patty and Billy have moved into the Al Hermanson house.

Local Boy Enlists In 29th Engineers

Major H. D. Bagnall, the Army Recruiting Officer, 323 New Post Office Building, Portland announced today the enlistment in the United States Army of another Jackson County youth. The new soldier is Herbert E. Crowder, son of Mrs. Lottie Minnick, Central Point, Oregon.

Crowder made application for enlistment at the Medford Recruiting Office on June 12th and was tentatively accepted on that date by Sergeant Willis S. Estep, in charge of the Medford station. After passing the final Army tests at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, he was enlisted on June 16th for service with the 29th Engineers (topographical) for station in Portland, Oregon. Major Bagnall said.

Major Bagnall also announced that a few additional vacancies remain for service with the 29th Engineers, who are now engaged in surveying and mapping the Oregon coast, but that no one can be accepted for service with this organization unless he furnished his high school diploma as evidence of the least educational qualification acceptable.

3-C Company to Move to C. Lake

Medford, Ore.—June 9—Civilian Conservation Corps Company 3864, now stationed at Camp Prescott, will be transferred to Camp Winglass in Crater Lake National Park, about June 15 for the summer months. R. M. Kent, project superintendent, reported today. The company will be stationed at Crater Lake until October when it will return to Camp Prescott.

It is probable that a spike camp of 25 men will be established about July 1 at Casey State Park near McLeod on the Crater Lake highway to carry on a number of necessary improvements, including the construction of a water system and picnic ground facilities. During the summer of 1936 a spike camp was maintained at Prospect where it engaged in fire hazard reduction work on several state-owned tracts.

Camp Prescott was built during the summer of 1935 and occupied in November of that year by Company 1652 from Illinois. The development of Prescott Park is being done under the general supervision of the National Park Service in cooperation with the City of Medford.

The principal work of the camp has consisted of road and trail construction and picnic ground development. An entrance road, 20 feet wide and surfaced with crushed rock, was constructed from the park boundary to the Roxy Ann picnic area. Approximately 12 miles of trails and bridle paths have been constructed, giving access to the summit of Roxy Ann from the north and south sides. Other trails lead to the summit of Little Roxy Ann and to the region of ridges and ravines in the north end of the park.

A loop drive encircling Roxy Ann has been completed during the past eight months. Guard rails have been erected at appropriate points along the main road. A complete picnic area development consisting of a water system with an underground storage reservoir, tables and benches drinking fountains, fireplaces, shelter building and rest rooms, is nearly complete.

Miss Arline Hay had the misfortune to fall last week and break her rib. After a number of days of suffering she called a Doctor who had an x-ray made. She is getting along fine now and plans to go to San Francisco soon for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wright of Santa Anna arrived Wednesday afternoon for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Farra, Mrs. Farra and Mr. Wright's father were childhood friends, being next door neighbors and attending the same school. While Mrs. Farra had not seen Mr. Wright for 26 years she knew him at once. Mr. and Mrs. Wright spent Wednesday night at the Will Lewis home, continuing on to Crater Lake this morning, then to Bend and Portland and returning home by the Redwood highway.

Donnie, little son of E. J. Bundy of Neah Bay, Washington arrived here last week for a short visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Glass. Donnie's mother, Mrs. Smiley of Keno called at the Glass home and took him home with her to spend the summer. His father, Mr. Bundy is in Alaska for the summer.

To Vote on Scholar Transportation Aid At School Election

Opportunity will be given at the annual school meeting to be held tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at the high school, for the patrons of the district to take action on the matter of extending transportation aid to high school pupils living in the surrounding non-high school districts such as Agate, Willow Springs, West Side. The Central Point district receives tuition money for educating these outside pupils. This money is paid by the county from a tax levied on this non-high school territory. The amount received each year is from \$2000 to \$3000 depending upon the number of pupils who come from these districts. The situation is now developing so that the Central Point district is faced with the possibility of losing much of this income due to the fact that other high school districts are offering inducements in the way of good transportation help. In fact, one neighboring district runs a bus almost within the Central Point district.

It is not the intention of the Central Point school board to go into the transportation business but it does wish to be in a position to offer some funds to these outside pupils to help them out in their own transportation expense and to induce them to come here rather than elsewhere. A loss of a gain of fifteen to twenty of these pupils will not materially affect the running expenses of the school. Should twenty be lost it will still be necessary to maintain the same staff, equipment, etc. in order to keep the school up to standard. On the other hand a gain of twenty or even more can be handled with present facilities and staff. Since every additional pupil means more income without much increase in expense, the board feels that it is nothing more than good business to spend some of the tuition money in transportation help to hold the pupils now coming and to induce others to come.

Popular Local Man Married June 10

Miss Mabel Shaffer of Detroit, Oregon became the bride of Leylan Woods June 10th at Klamath Falls. Immediately after they left for San Francisco on a short honeymoon, returning to Medford Monday evening and visiting at the home of Mr. Woods' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods left for Klamath Falls Tuesday evening where Mr. Woods has work. Mrs. Woods returned recently from Washington D. C. where she had been attending Galladet College.

A shower for the young couple was held at the home of a friend in Medford Tuesday evening. The bride and groom received many lovely presents.

Oregon's Traffic Deaths A Series of Weekly Articles on the Problem of Highway Safety By Earl Snell, Secretary of State

A total of 34,880 motor vehicle accidents involving property damage—7,725 persons injured—355 killed. Do these figures interest you? Can you read them and pass them over lightly as something remote, something that does not effect your daily life? I think not, for this is the record of our own state for 1936.

These figures cause my department to decide to launch a comprehensive, far reaching program of safety education. They are the incentive for the interest and cooperation furnished by this paper, your own community medium, in assisting in the reduction of traffic accidents. For this support, together with that of dozens of other publications throughout the state, the radio, local officials, organizations, and school authorities, I am deeply grateful.

Following the disastrous record of March, when Oregon traffic fatalities increased 80 per cent over March, 1936, the month of April presents a record that carries some encouragement. For this year the fatalities for that month decreased from 23 in 1936 to 17 in 1937. And this reduction was made despite the fact that a million and a half gallons more gasoline was sold during the month than in the same month last year. Are our efforts bearing fruit?

This record fulfills hope for a continuation of improved safety conditions upon our streets and highways. This can only be brought about by the cooperation and interest of every motor vehicle operator, with increased care upon the part of every pedestrian. Let's place Oregon in the rank of the other states that are making continued progress in the reduction of traffic deaths.

Miss Frances Faber returned to her home Sunday evening from the Willamette University at Salem.

Roger Yost arrived Sunday from Coquille for a short visit with relatives and friends. He returned home Monday.

Mr. Emil Bendickson who was in the Safeway Meat Market here has opened a new market in the Liberty building in Medford.

BILL TO SUSPEND MINE ASSESSMENT PASSED BY SENATE

The following telegram from Senator Chas. L. McNary, was received yesterday by R. H. Moore of this city:

Washington, D. C.
June 16, 1937

R. H. Moore,
Central Point, Oregon

Glad to advise you Senate Bill 187 providing for suspension annual assessment work on certain mining claims was passed by Senate and will be reported tomorrow with House calendar by House Committee on Mines and Mining with recommendation that it be enacted into law. Stop. Will send you copy. Regards.

CHAS. L. McNARY

This bill will suspend for this year the necessity of owners of quartz mining claims not yet patented doing at least \$100 worth of work on their claims before July 1. This requirement has been suspended by special act of Congress for the past few years.

10,000 Visit Lake During Last Month

Crater Lake National Park, Ore., June 17.—Showing a substantial increase over 1936, the current travel year to date has already brought nearly 35,000 visitors to Crater Lake. With this number as an early season indication, Superintendent David H. Canfield estimates that at least 200,000 people will visit the southern Oregon scenic wonder in 1937. Last year had a total of 180,695.

Over 10,000 visitors arrived during the month of May, with travel particularly heavy on weekends. Approximately 3000 visitors arrived over the Memorial Day holidays, including quite a number from out of state points. While the season is still young, every state in the union has already been represented by visitors, as well as several foreign countries.

The Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Clifton A. Phillips,
Pastor

Bible School 10:00 A. M. Roland Hoyer, Supt.

Lord's Supper and Preaching 11:00 A. M. C. I. Spellman a Christian Jew will be the speaker at this hour and his subject is of vital interest to us because of his experience in Judaism. He will speak on: "The Jewish Passover in the Light of The Lord's Supper." We invite you to come.

Junior, Intermediate and Senior Christian Endeavors 7:00 P. M.

Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M. Subject "If the Dead Could Speak?" Mrs. Phillips will speak for this service.

We especially invite you parents to come and bring your children as we have a church service for them. Mrs. Phillips meets all boys and girls at 11:00 a. m. in the Sunday School room. Two short sermons are preached each Lord's Day with singing and Bible Teaching intervening so you children are never tired but instructed in the Book. Roland Hoyer gives one of these talks this Lord's Day.

Bring the children!
Prayer and Bible Study 7:45 P. M. Wednesday, Mrs. Edward Jones will review the Book of Galatians.

THE FEDERATED CHURCH
Rev. R. C. Lewis, Pastor, Phone 51
Mr. Kamberg, Supt. Sunday School
Sunday: 9:30 A. M. Bible School, everyone welcome.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

6:30 P. M. Christian Endeavor.

Junior and Senior Groups.

7:30 P. M. Evening Worship.

Wednesday—7:30. Family gathering, prayer and Bible study.

The weekday Bible classes have resumed their regular schedule as follows:

Tuesday—2:00, Chapter Sunday.

3:00, Synthesis. 6:00, Fisherman's club supper. 6:30 Scofield Bible class. 7:30, Church Evidence.

Wednesday—8:30, Bible Doctrines class.

Thursday—7:30, Personal Evangelism. 8:30, Sunday School Methods. Everyone is welcome to these classes.