

For What It's Worth

By K. D. P.

I received a letter from Ben Cheney of the Cheney Oregon Lumber Co., the other day, stating that I was 100 per cent wrong in regard to my last week's article. He also asked me to have his letter printed, which will be done.

Mr. Cheney seemed to forget that I am a member of the Central Point Volunteer Fire Department and has never forgotten the time when the firemen attempted to sponsor a baseball team. Jack Tharp, the present fire chief, was then in charge of the program of putting on a Central Point town team. He went to every business man in town to ask for donations to sponsor a new town team. Well, Jack was successful in obtaining about \$150 toward the fund. Mr. Cheney offered to help with the rest and proceeded to go ahead to sponsor a ball team. But he made one sad mistake and that was naming the team "Cheney Studs" which caused the fire chief and the rest of the members to blow up and drop the idea of donating any help toward the ball team.

Well, Mr. Cheney mustn't have felt so good about that so the next year he changed over to "Central Point Studs" which was perfectly fine.

Mr. Cheney claimed that I was 100 percent incorrect. I claim that I was only 50 per cent wrong. The first one I am right on happened back about four years ago and the last one I am right on is in regard to the use of "Cheney Studs" instead of "Central Point Studs." In the issue of July 22 of the American there appeared an advertisement telling of the game between the CHENEY STUDS vs. Klamath Falls and an article telling the people of this town to come out and see the game. Not one word was said about Central Point Studs. It was all Cheney Studs.

I noticed that Grants Pass has two teams. They are the Grants Pass Old Timers and the Grants

Pass Merchants. Why not use Central Point Studs legally instead of Cheney Studs?

But I wish to say that I am not in favor of having two teams in this city. And hope that the Central Point Athletic Ass'n and Cheney Studs may be able to agree to some kind of terms without any hard feeling next spring.

Mr. Kincaid informs me that there were several good local boys that turned out for the Central Point Millers last spring but they did not have the patience to stick it out and keep practicing. Most of them did not show regularly at the practices with the result the outsiders got in on the Millers team.

Well, if that is the trouble we might as well go ahead and have a good ball team, (just as good as The Studs or Millers), composed of outsiders, so that the fans could be treated to fine games next year.

Baseball season is just about over and I think we better forget any personal feelings over this squabble and go out to the game this coming Sunday between the Studs and the Millers, which will prove to be a whale of a game. May the best team win!

COMMUNICATION

Dear Mr. Powell:

Your editorial on the front page of your paper of August 5th was, of course, very interesting to us, and makes good reading. However, the writer was very much surprised how far off the actual facts you were.

Your conclusions were based on the fact that the name "Central Point" was never used by the teams we sponsored, but in this you were 100% wrong, as evidenced by the enclosed photograph of last year's team, and the teams prior to this were exactly on the same basis. Namely, they were always called "Central Point Studs." The initials "C.P." always appeared on our caps, and the word "Cheney" was never used, and we do not believe you can find any evidence that it ever was used by referring to issues of your papers in the past several years, or through league schedules. The writer is personally interested in baseball, and thought we were doing the community of Central Point a good turn by sponsoring a team representing Central Point, and placing it in the Southern Oregon League.

The first few years our teams were composed largely of Central Point boys, but we found that in order to compete in the fast Southern Oregon League, it was necessary to secure outside players. We cooperated fully with the Central Point Athletic Association, and offered to back their team to the extent that it would not cost them any money whatsoever, as we would make up any deficit that might incur, and these teams were to be known as the "Central Point Studs."

This season the Central Point Athletic Association approached us and wanted to form a new team of their own so local Central Point boys could be used. We advised these men through our experience there was not enough material local-

ly in Central Point to compete in the Southern Oregon League, and it was our suggestion we have one team in the Southern Oregon League to represent Central Point, and another team, comprised of all local boys, in the Eagle Point Prospect League. We agreed to furnish the uniforms for both Central Point teams, and made the offer it would not cost Central Point businessmen one cent, as we would make up any deficit on both teams.

This offer was declined, and the Athletic Association entered a team of their own in the Southern Oregon League, on which we have made no issue whatsoever. However, this team has entirely failed to live up to their promise to use Central Point boys. As you state, the last one was O'Connor, and now the Millers are composed of all outside players, most of these from distant points.

Our team, with the exception of two players, is composed of boys from the Rogue River Valley, and most of the season we have been near the top of the League, which would have given Central Point a lot of publicity.

You can check the above facts with Mr. Joe Krupp, Mr. Burelson, or Mr. Kincaid, all members of the Athletic Association and backers of the Miller team. In view of your editorial regarding the name of the team, which is 100% incorrect, believe you should publish this letter, after you have substantiated the above facts so our friends in Central Point will understand that we feel we, too, are a part of your city, for we have a business here, a good baseball team, and have tried to be loyal boosters of Central Point.

Very truly yours,
Cheney Oregon Lumber Co.
Ben O. Cheney

Freemans Return From Motorcade Tour

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Freeman and daughter, Jan returned Saturday from a week's tour of Aberdeen-Augus cattle ranches in Oregon and Washington. They joined a motorcade at Central Point upon its arrival from Klamath Falls where the tour started.

Officials of the Pacific Coast Aberdeen-Augus Association leading the tour were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Barrow, of Sun Valley Farms, Idaho, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mallory, Madera, Calif.

After leaving Grants Pass and Selma, the group went north through the Willamette Valley visiting Oregon State college and other places where this breed of cattle are raised and stopped overnight in Portland. Several herds in the Portland area had been rescued from the floods earlier in the season. The group went on a sight seeing trip through Vanport. Flood water damages could be observed while traveling north in the state of Washington.

The motorcade traveled as far north as Tacoma, then east to Yakima. This valley is proclaimed the heaviest producing valley in the world. After traveling south the tour reached the Columbia River

where it ferried across and stopped at The Dalles overnight. It was here that Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lathrop and small daughter joined the group for a short distance.

From Arlington the tour went south through Condon to John Day and on to Prairie City, near where the famous Oxbow Ranch is located. A wonderful chicken dinner was served on the lawn and were royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Ford J. Twaits, owners, and assisted by Mr. and Mrs. "Dick" Richards, who are managers at the ranch. The group visited ranches near Prineville and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Lidstrom at their home in Prineville on the last day of the tour. The motorcade separated at Bend, some returning to their homes and others continuing on vacations into Canada and other places. In all about fifty herds were visited including some of the best herds on the Pacific coast. An average of 35 to 40 people were with the tour at all times.

Murphy-Lutz Wedding Event of Interest

The Chapel of the Rocks and Roses was scene of the wedding August 6, of Mrs. Gwendolyn R. Murphy of Portland and Theodore Lutz, also of Portland, the ceremony having been performed by the Rev. D. C. Millard at 8 p.m. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Marine, 718 Pennsylvania avenue. The groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lutz, reside at 7611 North Mississippi avenue, Portland.

An embroidered pink linen dress with white and pink accessories was chosen by the bride for the service. She wore a corsage of butterfly orchids. Mrs. J. L. Jones, Ashland, and Doyle G. Mills, uncle of the bride, attended the couple. Mrs. Jones wore a light green crepe frock and a corsage of fuchsias.

Wedding music was provided by the Rev. and Mrs. Millard. About 35 guests were present.

The chapel and adjoining rooms, where a reception followed, were decorated with roses, gladioli, zinnias and other blossoms. Serving was con-

tinued by Mrs. Doyle G. Mills, aunt of the bride; punch was served by Mrs. Milton E. Vanderlinden, and Mrs. Orville Hayes assisted.

The bride is a former resident of Medford, having graduated from Medford senior high school in 1941. The groom, a navy veteran, is employed at the Portland docks. They plan a Portland residence after a trip to Crater Lake, Oregon caves, and other vacation points.

The bridegroom's mother was in Medford for the wedding, as were Mr. and Mrs. Doyle G. Mills of Prospect.

Mrs. Lutz was a former Central Point girl and attended school here. She is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Marine, of Central Point.

Two Local Trailer Courts Are Approved

CHICAGO—Cherry Street Trailer Court and Central Park Trailer Court of Central Point, Oregon have merited the approval of the Trailer Coach Manufacturers Association, it was announced by TCMA officials today. They are listed in the new 1948-49 TCMA Trailer Park Guide Book, with information on available facilities.

A certificate of merit and a distinguishing road sign have also been awarded to these trailer parks, indicating that they are acceptable under TCMA standards of health and cleanliness. The approval of TCMA was received following an

inspection of the park by either members of the TCMA Parks Division Staff, the American Automobile Association or local health authorities. The approval was based on 7 trailer coach spaces for the Cherry Street Trailer Court and 16 spaces for the Central Point Trailer Court.

The nation-wide inspection and rating of trailer parks is carried on by the Trailer Coach Manufacturers Association as part of its effort to improve living conditions for all trailer coach residents.

Post Office News

Inspector R. C. Mellish of the Post Office Department called at the Central Point Post Office July 26 for a periodic check up.

Upon completion, he complimented the office for its good order and gave it a grade of 96% which is considered high.

The Civic Aeronautics Administration is calling for Radio Technicians. Salaries range from \$3351 to \$5232 per annum. Applicants may receive further information at the Post Office.

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