

Poor Irrigation Water Supply Seen for Users This Summer

Water, or the lack of it, is one of the prime topics of discussion among farmers, businessmen and other residents of the Central Point area of Jackson county.

Irrigation water users in this area have worn a puzzled frown as to the water outlook for this summer. Except for the recent April rainfall, which has helped to ease the tension, irrigation water has been lacking in a dangerous degree. Lack of moisture during the winter months and little rain to date this spring has made irrigationists wonder about the future of their crops.

It is reported that with the continued cool and moist weather, it does not appear that the Rogue River Valley and Medford Irrigation Districts will be going on storage water until after the first week in May. This is encouraging from a water supply view point, since it had appeared earlier that the district would be using storage water before May.

An April 1 report on the water supply outlook for the Rogue River watershed indicated poor to fair water supplies for Rogue River lands except for the Grants Pass and Fort Vanoy Irrigation Districts, which should have good supplies.

Streamflow forecasts in the Rogue basin vary from 87 percent of the 10 year average on the main Rogue through 83 percent on the Illinois and 76 percent on the Applegate to lows of 69 percent on Little Butte creek and 62 percent at Hyatt Prairie reservoir.

Stored water in the four main reservoirs, Fourmile, Fish, Hyatt and Emigrant, is one-third less than last year but is better than the 10-year average. Hold-over storage from last year is very helpful in this year's water outlook.

Fourmile and Fish Lake reservoirs, supplying the Rogue River Valley and Medford Irrigation Districts, will likely be short in late season as older water rights will take most natural streamflow from South and North Forks of Little Butte creek.

Snow cover report indicates that water content of the snow is 79 percent average and 62 percent of last year. Mountain watershed soils are generally very dry under the snow pack.

THANKS FRIENDS

J. E. Vincent, who suffered a mild heart attack several weeks ago, wishes to thank all his friends for the many cards and flowers which have been sent to him. He also thanks all those who have taken time to pay him a visit.

Gold Hill Scouts Attend Camporee

By Adah Jones
Scouts from Gold Hill Troop 43 attending the Camp-o-ree at Agate desert on Saturday and Sunday were, Chas. Johnson, Buddy Mays, David and James Kendall, Frank Balch, Arlen White, Chas. Bell, Albert Harrison, Richard and Jack Jones, Bud Smith and Donald Jones.

Cecil Johnson acted as Scout master in the absence of Gerald Gear. Chas. Johnson, Chas. Bell and Frank Balch were patrol leaders.

Mrs. Ethel Mays spent Sunday at Central Point with her father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mays.

It was Gideon day at the Community Methodist church on Sunday with two Gideons telling of their work at both the Sunday school and church sessions. Elton Smith of Roseburg and Ray Stoniker of Medford represented the organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Ennis, returned last week after a weeks visit with friends in Tacoma and a few days in Portland. They had just left the Meier & Frank store in Portland when the bomb went off that created quite a scare there.

Mrs. Richard Kidwell, across the river near Gall's creek, returned this week from the hospital where she underwent surgery.

Mrs. Susan Coy is very ill at her home in Gold Hill. She has

been in ill health for several months but became worse this week. Her son Seth, who is a Master Sergeant in the army, is with her. Also a daughter, Mrs. Clifford Wright from the north part of the state. Another daughter, Mrs. Maude Robinson, makes her home with her mother, and Mrs. Ernie Ross of Gold Hill is a daughter.

Jean Pilcher, who has been staying with Aunt Mary Chisholm, left recently for Portland. Mrs. Chisholm, who is 86 years old wishes to remain in her own home and her family is hoping to find some one soon to stay with her. Her sons are Fred Lewis and Joe Lewis of Gold Hill and daughter, Mrs. Rose Gilman, who lives near her.

Henry Paulsen, who was seriously injured in an accident in the woods on April 9, has been removed from the hospital to the home of friends, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Sorensens in Medford. Mr. Paulsen is able to be up in a chair. Maurice Paulson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paulson, and Mrs. Paulsons parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Benton left Monday after being called at the time of the accident. Mr. and Mrs. Benton returned to their home in Modesto, Calif.

Maurice returned to Whiting Field, Milton, Florida, where he is stationed. Cadet Paulson recently made his first solo flight during flight training.

VFW RUMMAGE SALE

Central Point VFW Auxiliary will hold a rummage sale from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, in the Fehl building at 106 N. Ivy in Medford.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS TONIGHT

A regular session of Jobs Daughters, Central Point bethel 38, will be held at 7:30 p.m. tonight, April 28, at the Masonic Temple. Parents of members and all persons of proper Masonic relationship are invited to attend.

Carnival Slated At Willow Springs For Saturday

By Mrs. Everett Young
WILLOW SPRINGS—A carnival with games and entertainment for young and old alike is planned for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at the Willow Springs Community club.

Hot dogs, cake and ice cream will be on sale. Come enjoy the evening with your friends and neighbors. There will be a door prize also.

Miss Vidal Blackford and Mrs. Dick Saltgaver were visiting with Mrs. Frank Hammond last week.

Cleo Young has been confined to his bed with the flu this week.

Mrs. Jim Holler is still in Portland and no report has been received from her doctor yet.

Mrs. Fred Straube of Applegate spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Vogel. Mrs. Straube is Mrs. Vogel's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dollar of Weed, California, visited two days with Mr. and Mrs. John Cota

last week. Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson of Medford also visited them last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Colpitts spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Colpitts of Shady Cove.

Veryle Prom is home from school with the flu this week.

Homer Conger is feeling some better after having pneumonia. Nikki and Donna Hammond are back in school after missing last week with the flu.

Gary and Mary Prom and Laddell Newman went to the Oregon Caves Sunday.

Mrs. Millie Frazer of Chico, Calif., is a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hallett. Weekend visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Florin of Klamath Falls.

Mrs. R. D. Kay was substitute teacher in Central Point. Three days she was first grade substitute and one day junior high English substitute teacher.

Mrs. Rita Calloway has been home from her job in the courthouse in Medford because of illness.

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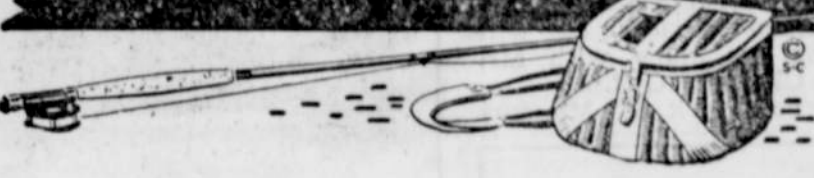


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