

Car Plunges Into John Day River; Takes One Life

By Millie Wilson

People of Monument, Kimberly and Spray communities were saddened Friday morning, when word came that a car loaded with young folks had left the road near the Waldorf ranch. The car plunged over a steep bank and after turning over twice landed in the river.

Glenn Legler had gone to Spray Thursday evening for Miss Gerry Wright and Dick and LeRoy Gilson to go to Dayville with him to the basketball game between Monument's town team and Dayville's town team. The accident happened as they were coming home. Clinton and Joe Batty were in the car behind them, and found Dick and LeRoy calling for help. They rushed them to John Day for medical aid.

Other cars arrived and took up the search for Miss Wright and Glenn. At Daylight Glenn was found across the river and was rushed to John Day. Late Friday evening Miss Wright was still missing. The south fork of the John Day river was so muddy that it made the search very difficult. Miss Wright, who was a niece of George Grays, was not too well known in Monument, having just recently moved to Spray.

The wrecker from John Day came for the car, which was a total wreck. After looking at the car, it is hard to understand how any of the passengers could possibly be alive.

Thursday, February 11th was a red letter day in Monument for all the 4-H Club members and their parents. As the new County Home Demonstrator, Mrs. Wanda Phipps was to be here, all the 4-H leaders merged their meeting into one big Valentine party at the Grange hall. Mrs. Naomi Hooker introduced Mrs. Phipps. Mrs. Phipps gave a very interesting talk on club work, its value to the child and also the parents, stressing the parents part in 4-H work and how they may be of help to the leaders. She also spoke on Junior 4-H leaders, their work and the credits that might be earned through this work. Mrs. Phipps called on Bill Farrow to say a few words about 4-H Clubs, their leaders and their work. This was followed by a judging demonstration of cup cakes made by 4-H workers.

Judy, Dina and Lula Stirewalt and Sharon Hinton volunteered to be the judges. Judy scored 100%, all the rest 85%. Mrs. Phipps praised them on their ability to judge so well.

A Valentine contest of making hats from crepe paper, paper dolls and pins was tried by all the boys and girls present. The silliest was to have first prize and was won by Lula Stirewalt. The

funniest was to have second prize and was awarded to Keith Murry. The prettiest was to have third prize and was won by Kay Swick. The judges were Mildred Beardsley, Millie Wilson and Bill Farrow.

The refreshments were furnished by the leaders and the parents. About one hundred plates were served.

Alene Peterman, Clyde Caverder and Mrs. Ross represented the Hamilton area, while Ruby Glenzer and Beta King came from Courtrock; Lois Bleakman and Edith Musgrave from Top; Kitty Asher, Rene Waldorf and Bessie Weise came from Kimberly. Everyone is invited to meet again with Mrs. Wanda Phipps March 5th when she will demonstrate the cutting and making of a cotton dress.

After the 4-H Club meeting adjourned last Thursday Bill Farrow called the club leaders together and they organized a Leaders Association. They named it the "Monument 4-H Leaders Association". Effie Stierwalt was elected president, Mildred Beardsley, vice president and Lois Bleakman secretary. Their first meeting will be March 5th at the Grange hall following Mrs. Phipps Home Demonstration meeting.

Bob Scott, son of Mrs. Louise Scott of Top was married to Belle Kelly in Sweet Home on February 1st. They returned home February 13. The young folks are at home to their friends at their ranch home at Top. The best wishes of the whole community goes out to the young couple for a long and happy married life.

The people of the Top community have received word from the Postal Department that their stage route will be discontinued June 30th. Last year their post office at Top was closed as was the post office at Courtrock.

Orin Stubblefield of Portland is here visiting his brothers, Murd and Otis.

Last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gienger took their daughter, Donna and son Bobby to Heppner for dental work. Fred Shank also took his daughter, Laura Lee.

Mrs. Effie Wedgeworth, Theo Owing, Vern McCarty and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Capon, all of Monument were in John Day on February 8th.

The high school students gathered at the home of Carol Sweek for an outdoor weiner roast in the back yard. They took this way of honoring Bob Strange on his seventeenth birthday. After the weiner roast games were played.

Melvin Round and Owen Smith were business visitors in Heppner last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Riley, Spike Miller and Roy Leathers were in Spray Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hinton went to Portland last weekend for their final medical checkups. Their youngest daughter, Mary Ella stayed with her aunt, Dorothy Shank in The Dalles. Their eldest daughter, Sharon remained in Monument with Laura Lee Shank.

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mattie Stubblefield last Tuesday. There were nineteen members and one visitor present. The visitor was Mrs. Alta Wright, mother of Mrs. Goldie Round. The Rev. Paul Kimmel Jr. met with the ladies to give instructions to the ones on the prayer responsibility list. Each were to contact the ones on her list and tell them that the Rev. Alfred Stenner of Springfield would be here Sunday Feb. 14 and would hold services each day through Friday Feb. 19. The Rev. Fry of Long Creek and choir will have charge of the special music for one night. It is hoped the word will reach everyone so they can attend these services. Refreshments were served by Janice Cork and Naomi Hooker served cake and chocolate.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Moore and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Bratt in Spray last Sunday.

Mrs. Daisy Riley and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bixler drove to John Day on Wednesday to get some repair parts for their cars.

On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Emory Moore had Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cork as their dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Rho Bleakman drove to Cecil last Saturday after attending the Stockmen's convention. They found Mr. Bleakman's mother, Mrs. Ida Bleakman much improved in health, but it will be some time before she is able to return to her home.

Lonerock News

By Mary Haynes and Mary Cason
Mr. and Mrs. Mattion Hicks, Mrs. Cecil Hicks and children were in Condon Wednesday in business.

The Lonerock school board met Wednesday night to make up the budget for the coming school year. The board members are: Homer Davis, chairman, Cecil Hicks, James Campbell, ad Mary Cason, clerk.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Davis this past week were Mrs. Janet Mandt, and Mrs. Dohl and son of Cherry Grove. It was Mrs. Dohl's first visit here in twenty years. She and Mrs. Mandt are sisters of Mrs. Davis.

Pete Haynes visited at the Beechdolt ranch near Hardman Thursday night for further instruction in lodge work.

Friday afternoon, the teacher and school children were hosts for a Valentine party at the school. Guests were the preschool children, their mothers, and several other ladies from the community.

Mrs. Audra Randaes was a Condon visitor on Friday.

Mr. Jack Stalling and family were in Lonerock Saturday. Mr. Stalling plans on starting his mill about the 15th of March, if weather conditions permit.

Mrs. Cecil Hicks and children made a business trip to Heppner on Saturday. On their way home, they went to Hardman and had lunch with Alta Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Haynes, Mrs. Mary Cason, Mr. and Mrs. Mattion Hicks, and John Rogers attended the dance at Hardman on Saturday night. Mr. Haynes.

Mrs. Oma Cox and Mr. Roy Quackenbush are the musicians for the dances. They were assisted by Bobby Stevens, and Ray McDaniel. An unusually large

crowd was reported. Hobson McCormick of Hillsboro is visiting at the Pete Haynes ranch this week. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Hayes

of Heppner visited at the Glenn Hayes home Sunday. Visitors in Condon Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wick and sons.

Miss Helen Basset of Condon was a Lonerock visitor on Sunday. She plans on starting her church services again about the first of March.

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One of a series of advertisements describing the plan for developing the Hells Canyon stretch of the Snake River, formally submitted to the Federal Power Commission for approval, in July, 1953.

Idaho Power's Hells Canyon Plan Costs Only One-Third As Much To Build and Operate

The cost of building power facilities at Hells Canyon - and their annual cost of operation - are most important to the user of electricity. If the costs are high - then higher rates must be charged for the electric power, regardless of who owns the facilities.

Company witnesses estimated the cost of the proposed federal dam would be \$429,400,000 - the cost of Idaho Power's project would be \$133,000,000 (both amounts without transmission facilities.)

On the basis of federal financing, the annual cost of operating the proposed high dam at Hells

Canyon and of carrying its debt would be \$19,650,000 - on the same basis the annual cost of the three dam project would be \$6,086,000. Dividing these annual costs by the electric power obtainable from each of the two programs, the cost of power from the federal dam would be approximately three times the cost from the three dam project.

If electric power from the proposed federal dam were sold at the so-called Bonneville rate of \$17.50 per kilowatt year, the yearly deficit would be so large that in 50 years the debt against the dam would have nearly doubled.

Expert Witnesses Substantiate Higher Federal Costs

Two independent engineers added their expert opinions on the question of higher costs of a federal dam and of the power it would produce:

MAJOR GENERAL THOMAS M. ROBINS (Ret'd) - former Deputy Chief of Engineers and former Division Engineer, North Pacific and South Pacific Divisions, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers - analyzed the two plans as though each was a federal project - found that the construction cost chargeable to power of the federal Hells Canyon dam on that basis would be \$259,000,000 higher - found also that power would cost \$24 per kilowatt year from the federal project, only \$12 from Idaho Power Company's project.

ROBERT DE LUCCIA - former Chief of the Bureau of Power, Federal Power Commission, long experienced in both public and private power and water developments, Vice President and Chief Engineer, Pacific Power & Light Co. - testified that the additional power generated under the federal proposal at down-stream plants (with the Federal high dam) would cost \$57.80 per kilowatt year to generate, but that power generated under the Idaho Power plan would cost only \$12.50 per kilowatt year.

This impressive evidence leaves little doubt that the actual cost of power will be less when generated under the Idaho Power plan for development of Hells Canyon.

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