

Chats With Your Home Agent

I've taken a bath, washed my hair, cleaned the dirt from under my fingernails. Now I feel like I can face life once more!

You see, I've been up at 4-H camp last week at Cutsforth Park along with 60 youngsters, 10 counselors, two cooks, and four other staff members.

This "Back-to-Nature" stint was really enjoyable, but after five days of doing without the "human refinements" a person begins to feel rather itchy and messy!

The weatherman surely smiled on our camping season this year. We had five very beautiful days and no cold nights!

Camp got off to a smooth start this year, mainly because the ten counselors, county agent, N C Anderson, and myself went up a day early to set up the last physical details and to go over the camp program. (Tents had been set up and the kitchen scrubbed by 4-H leaders and parents the Sunday before.)

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LEHMAN SPRINGS WAY BACK WHEN—This picture is probably one of the oldest known photos of Lehman Springs and its famous swimming hole. The old lodge was then located approximately where the later hotel building was (which burned down last year). A little careful examination will reveal kids of all ages either swimming or hidden in the surroundings. Mothers and Fathers sunned themselves, in front of the sheets hanging on the line to dry, while they kept an eye on their offspring. This picture belongs to Mrs Ray Barnett but the date is a complete mystery.

Lexington News

By DELPHA JONES
Bill Schoonover of S California visited his sons Ray, Stanley and Roger over the weekend from his home.

Mr and Mrs Elmer Pomeroy of Kelso, Wash was a weekend visitor in Lexington.

There is planned a no host picnic at the Cutsforth Park on July 26th, Sunday afternoon, honoring Mr and Mrs Don Hatfield who are leaving soon for Madras where they will make their home. Games are planned for

all ages, with the dinner at noon. All friends are invited to attend. All are asked to bring their own silver and plate and cup.

Mr and Mrs W E McMillan and granddaughters Pearl Lee Sawyer and Vickie Irvin were

Portland callers Saturday and Sunday where they took Pearl, daughter of Mr and Mrs Eugene Sawyer there to meet her parents. She has been visiting the last month with her grandparents, Mrs Cecil Jones and children

Kenny and Charlene, Carol Ann and Janet Palmer and Mrs Johnnie Ledbetter were La Grande visitors on Thursday.

Mrs Mervin Leonard entertained with a coffee hour one day last week honoring Mrs Walter Smith. Those present were: Mrs Cora Warner, Mrs Frances McMillan, Mrs Mildred Davidson, Mrs Phyllis Coles, Mrs Faye

Patterson Johanssen Fight Plx, Star Theater, July 26-27-28.

took each tribe on a forestry hike where they identified trees, shrubs, flowers etc. in their forestry quiz book.

By the time each camper had visited all of these classes I'm sure he had a better appreciation of nature and camping.

Ceremonials were a part of the camp program. The American and 4-H flag were raised and lowered each morning and evening on a newly erected flag pole at the camp. Evenings were closed with vesper time around a camp fire. Sunday services for campers and parents were led by Janice Martin with the assistance of 4-H members.

Special evening events included talent night, folk dancing, and the presentation of a Centennial pageant.

Camp broke up on Sunday afternoon after youngsters and parents took part in a bountiful potluck dinner. Men took down the tents and women put the kitchen back in order.

Everything will be there for the 1960 camping season.

These items were found after camp closed: A pair of cowboy boots, a pair of red canvas shoes, a centennial dress, two pair of blue jeans, a boys leather jacket, several towels and washcloths.

If these belong to you, you can pick them up at the county agent's office.

After the counselors had received their tent assignments they went to work eagerly decorating the outside of their camp home and making up name tags for their anticipated tent family. Campers were divided into four Indian tribes; Umatilla, Walla Walla, Nez Pierce, and Wy-am's, for camp classes, sports and stunts.

When the trucks, driven by Marcel Jones and Harold Wright drove into the camp grounds with its precious load of shouting youngsters, the counselors were on hand to greet them and to show them their tent home for the next five days.

After their charges were duly settled, the first camp "Pow-Wow" was called to help the 4-H campers to get acquainted and to tell them of the camp program. The counselors planned a treasure hunt for each tent, after the pow-wow, in order that the 9-13 year-olds would get an idea of the boundaries of the camp. The treasure hunt ended in the kitchen with a sack of oranges for each group.

The camp housekeeping, under the direction of Carole Ann Anderson, Heppner; and Garry Schaad, Irrigon; was outstanding this year. A "Scalp Pole" (A broom handle with a 4-H clover and yarn streamers) was awarded to the best-kept tent after each morning and evening tent inspection. I have never seen such energetic housekeeping under such discouraging conditions. You'd see the youngsters even sweeping in front of their tents. Flowers and welcoming signs were also added to impress the staff judges. The boys had quite a time doing the caliber of housekeeping the girls were doing so the committee decided to have a separate award for the boys. "Old Man Moss" (a block of wood with facial features and a green yarn beard) was given to the boy's tent with the best housekeeping habits. Sneak inspections were pulled off every once in awhile to keep the tents up-to-snuff!

Friday and Saturday were spent in camp classes which consisted of:

Rock-hounds, very ably led by Mrs C M Wagner, Heppner. (Every child went home with a display of rocks and an awakening knowledge of their beauty and how they were formed.)

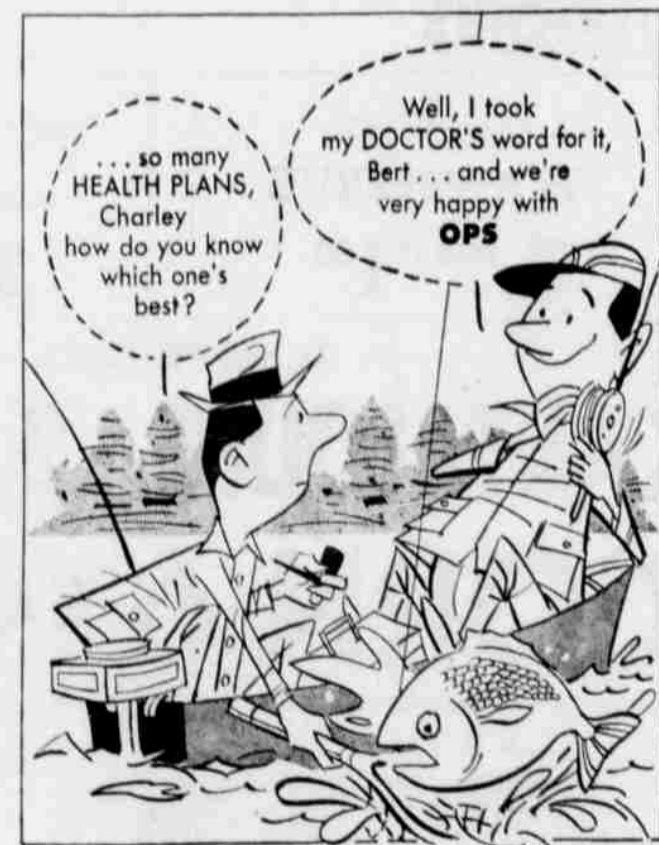
Leather craft was patiently taught to the youngsters by Mrs Larry Schaad, Irrigon. (A small coin purse was laced by each 4-H camper and their initials tooled on the flap). This will be a nice remembrance of their '59 camp.

Camp safety—was discussed with each tribe by Mrs Velma Glass, county health nurse. (They reviewed the hazards of the camp and viewed a film entitled "Decide to Be Safe".)

Good camping — was lead by N C Anderson, county extension agent. He took each tribe into the woods and showed them how to select wood for a fire, the use of pitch and moss as ignitors, and the different types of campfires (log cabin, teepee, etc.) This lesson was put to good practice on Saturday night when each tent prepared their own "Hunter's Gullion" over their own fire.

Bird lore — was taught by me. We had a film on "Five Colorful Birds found in Oregon" and a bird quiz that identified birds as (1) the architect, (2) the thistle bird, (3) the bird of happiness etc.

On Saturday, N C Anderson



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Thornburg, Mrs Gladys Van Winkle, Mrs Cherry Hermann, Mrs Pat Friedrich, and Mrs Shirley McCarl.

Mr and Mrs Bill Parsons were business visitors in Portland this week.

Mr and Mrs Eldon Padberg returned home from Portland Sunday. Mrs Padberg attended the Epsilon Sigma Alpha International convention there last week.

Mrs Emma Peck and Etta Millett of Pendleton were visitors at the E E Peck and Ken Peck homes on Saturday.

Mrs Millie Faircloth entertained with a birthday party honoring her daughter Sandra's birthday one day last week. Those present were: Mrs Pat Rhode

and children, Mrs Edna Stark and son and Mrs Greta Ezell and daughter of Pendleton, Mrs Lois Hunt and children, Mrs Johnnie Ledbetter and daughter, Barbara McCarl, and Jill Padberg and Bertha Hunt. Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess.

Let's remember the Women's Fellowship meeting at the O G Breeding home on Tuesday afternoon. All interested are invited to attend.

Mr and Mrs Tom Faircloth and children were Umatilla visitors on Sunday.

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