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Here Comes Summer

(From Industrial News Review)

Summer is on its way, and it won't be long until it's here. For those interested in exactness, it will make its official appearance at 9:56 A.M., Eastern Standard Time, June 21. It's the season of vacations and fun. Almost everyone welcomes and eagerly awaits it. But, every year, that fun is brutally, bloodily and instantly ended for great numbers of people—because of careless, thoughtless and overenthusiastic practices. The dangers are varied—but they all can be averted. For instance: Highway driving will be at its height, and congestion will be common. Adjust and adapt your driving habits accordingly. Sunbathing is a happy and sunolent pleasure. But too much exposure can make your vacation a time of pain—and put you in the hospital. Take the sun in moderate doses, particularly at the beginning. Swimming is summer's classic exercise. Tragically, drownings run well into the thousands each season. Swimming alone, overestimation of ability and endurance, diving into unknown waters are some of the potentially lethal practices responsible. The boating boom has reached enormous proportions. Improper boat handling, over-loading, failure to have the proper safety equipment aboard, a lack of knowledge of the rules of the road—such needless hostages to fortune as these take a heavy toll of health and life. So—have fun this summer. But know what you're doing and do it the right way. That is the safe way!

To Youth Seeking Summer Work

With the coming of summer there are many teen-agers seeking jobs in order to earn "pin money" or start savings for continuing their education. This is a field in which we are caught short in Morrow county, for while there is some ranch work and some other positions available, there just aren't enough to go around. We understood that Lowell Chally, welfare administrator, and Dave Potter, county school superintendent, have been doing some work towards determining how many youngsters want summer employment and then seeking some means to help find them jobs. At this writing, we do not know how fruitful their efforts have been. Neither was available for comment on this Wednesday. We did understand that a questionnaire sent to Riverside High school brought the response that nine students had summer jobs and 34 are looking for work. We sympathize with the youth who really do want to earn money in the summertime and are willing to work for it. They deserve encouragement and help. At the same time, there is a field wide open to the ingenious and imaginative teen-ager, it seems to us, who has the initiative to start in business for himself. An elderly widowed lady came into this office this week and said that she had moved into an apartment. She enjoyed it more than attempting to keep up the yard at the big family home, she said. Previously she had attempted to hire a boy to mow the grass in her yard and gave him \$4 per time, but she couldn't depend on him, and it became a considerable effort to find someone willing to do the work. A lively teen-ager with a power mower could do pretty well in Heppner, we think, if he spread the word of his willingness and then backed it up with steady and reliable service. Another idea that might be practical for the right young man, or a team, would be to develop a window-washing service in the downtown district. We can't speak for the rest of the businessmen, but we would think there would be considerable opportunity for a young businessman to work up a window-washing circuit, covering the town at regular intervals. The young lad with a business head could even start a night crawler business and sell them at 25c a dozen. We happen to know of two who caught 160 night crawlers in one evening just for their own amusement. There are plenty of fishermen who would like to buy them. Girls have the old standby—babysitting—as a possibility, and they can take on other forms of housekeeping work. Either boys or girls could start a carwashing business—polishing, too. In the days gone by, every house had a pile of wood by it that awaited putting away, and the ambitious lad could generally find work by rapping at a door and asking for a job of tossing it in a basement and piling it there. But about the time wood slipped from the scene as the universal fuel, the ingenuity of young people seeking work seemed to wane, too. But there are still good opportunities for young people with initiative and ambition. Some rather ridiculous child labor laws don't help. It is quite impossible to get permits for some youngsters under 16 even for non-hazardous work in some types of establishments which have the misfortune to be classified as industries. But our advice to the young man or woman who can't find a job and who really wants to earn money this summer is: Think up a good idea of something that needs to be done, market your services, and perform in a reliable manner. We think you'll do pretty well.

McCabe Gets Award From Colfax Jaycees For Outstanding Year

Alvin McCabe of Colfax, Wn., and formerly of Heppner, was installed secretary of the Colfax Jaycees chapter at installation ceremonies Saturday, May 22. His wife, Carolyn, was installed at the same time as state director of the Lady Jaycees of Colfax. Both have been very active in Jaycee work there the past year. McCabe was also awarded the Dick Repp Memorial trophy for being the chapter's outstanding first year Jaycee, according to Alvon Davis. This was the first year for the award, which will be given annually in memory of Dick Repp who was killed in a jet plane crash while serving in the National Guard in 1960. The award was given by Repp's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Repp. McCabe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCabe and his wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree, all of Ione. He is employed by John Deere Implement Co. in Colfax.

Lutheran Churches To Confirm Youth

Five young people, having completed two years of catechetical study, will be confirmed Sunday at Hope and Valby Lutheran churches, Pastor Kenneth Robinson announces. Three, Teresa Stefani, Bonnie Morgan and Kerry Peterson, will be confirmed at Valby, and two Monte Evans and Terry Peck, at Hope. They will receive their first communion at that time. Friday evening the young people will undergo a period of review questioning, over the material they have studied. This will be at 5 p.m. A dinner will be served to them and their parents at 6 p.m., sponsored by parents of the former catechism class. A gift from the congregation will be given at that time. Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Padberg on Sunday were her sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Tucker of Salem and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Tucker of Ione, and their families. Also a guest was Mrs. Edwin Tucker's mother, Mrs. Henry Peck.

Sale Announced

Cal Meredith, manager of Sherwood and Roberts in Pendleton, announces the sale of the Grace Peters Maxwell property in Morrow county to P. W. Mahoney of Heppner. The sale was handled by Joe D. Doherty. The 1000-acre wheat ranch is located approximately five miles southwest of Heppner.

Padberg Reunion Set

Annual Padberg reunion for descendants of Henry and Martha Padberg, has been scheduled for Father's Day, Sunday, June 30, at the Ione City park. It is announced. Friends of members of the family are invited. Potluck dinner will be served at 1 p.m. with napkins, table service, coffee, punch and ice cream furnished.

TO THE EDITOR...

To the Editors, Helen and Wes: My sincere thanks for the space given to the publicity for the Pioneer Memorial picnic. I have enjoyed these past years as secretary-treasurer, but felt there was someone who could probably have a new idea. My congratulations to Happy Graham, secretary for next year. Sincerely, Eleanor Gonty

To the Editor: I'm writing to you at this time to make two definite comments. First, a hearty thank you for the very accurate report on my recent visitation to Washington, D. C., in connection with local and northwestern projects, and secondly, a little more elaboration on these local projects. Where we stand on local projects is not so much the point as "where do we go from here?" As said, the Willow Creek dam project looks very favorable. Wherever mentioned, the going seemed to be smooth there in Washington. Also we have back there two very strong supporters with us. They are Senator Morse and Congressman Ullman. They, together with Senator Neuberger, all co-sponsors with me in this project, are both loyal and active. In our meeting with the Under Secretary to the Chief of the Corps of Engineers, Col. Alfred B Pitt, the question was raised: "Are there any objections or obstacles on the home front that could cause us delay in the normal procedure?" I said that I thought there was not. He said the benefit to cost ratio, not taking into consideration the loss of life in the 1903 flood, was quite low, 1 to 1.2. The Willow Creek project is a multipurpose project and the irrigation feature is not fully understood. However, benefits from irrigation, even in these smaller projects, nearly always exceed anticipation. Some meetings with members from the Bureau of Reclamation should follow definite announcement that the project has been approved. Federal Interstate Highway 82 has always been a project of tremendous interest to me. It should be to every citizen of Morrow county. Originally, this four-lane interstate highway was proposed for between Boardman, Oregon, and Ellensburg, Washington, connecting Washington U. S. 10 and Oregon's Columbia River Highway, U. S. 30, Interstate 80.

The Washington State Highway Commission January 22, 1958, voted its approval of inclusion of the 132-mile-long route in the Federal Aid Interstate Highway System by way of Blalock Island and Boardman. Upon pressure being brought to bear by groups from Umatilla county that the highway should be constructed via Plymouth and the Umatilla bridge, the Oregon Highway Commission did not concur with the Washington group, causing them to reverse their decision, thus nullifying the intent of making the route the least costly and most direct. The route via Umatilla bridge would tentatively possibly have been the least costly but with U. S. 30 being made a four-lane highway, and the Umatilla bridge not adequate for long, as well as the additional 22-mile longer route, it would soon prove to be the most costly. Mileage is an important item in those Interstate highways. While the additional 22 miles to reach the Umatilla bridge and U. S. 30 was feasible in the Federal Interstate Highway System, an additional 26 miles to bring the highway by way of the Tri-Cities and Walla Walla county is not. Senator Magnuson from Washington State has now introduced legislation to add 19,000 miles to the Federal Interstate Highway System. The primary purpose, of course, is to permit the routing of Interstate Highway 82 by way of the Tri-Cities. No doubt the legislation will pass.

Since the routing by way of Umatilla was somewhat of a political issue and not based on what was the least costly and most feasible route as originally intended, the route by way of the Tri-Cities, Walla Walla county, and Van Sycle canyon, as proposed by Magnuson, cannot harm us here in Morrow county more than the route now proposed by Umatilla. After all, there is a tremendous development potential in our North Morrow county which cannot be ignored but is certainly overlooked in either of the two much talked about routes. We hope the route can still be brought by way of Blalock Island and Boardman, and thus in the most feasible way, serve both Umatilla and Morrow counties.

Yes, I had an opportunity to speak for our interests in this route while in Washington and I did so. I still hope we can get down to earth and make ourselves here in Morrow county heard in this matter. Sincerely, Oscar E. Peterson

To the Editor: Below is an article that I found in the April 8, 1963 issue of the Shannon County News. Shannon County, S. D., is one of the three counties that make up the Pine Ridge Reservation. This reservation is the home of Red Cloud and The Ogalala Sioux. The gentleman who wrote this story is an old Indian cowboy. Jake Herman is the publicity chairman of the Ogalala Sioux. I hope that you will put this article in your paper because I feel that this is the way most of the Indians today feel. Thank you, BERL AKERS, JR. Pine Ridge, S. Dak.

WA HO SI
By Jake Herman
They tell me there are 30 million poor people in the United States. Some people think and say they are lazy, but I do not think so. They are disinherited by circumstances. Many of us can remember way back, when we were told here in the United States that by the sweat of his brow, a good man who had a lot of get-up, with character and determination, could earn himself a place in life. No doubt you have heard this appealing equasion as a young tot. The intent of this had an eternal truth. More so when it came from our forefathers who worked their way up from a poor boy to boss of a firm, or through education in some profession and they became a living proof of such. But modern times took a big change since those days. Because many changes have taken place in this world, opportunities changed, our own ideas and thinking changed also, and our beliefs also changed. I do not want to disavow the connection between the old and new. I am merely wanting to make a point concerning the 30 million poor people who live in poverty. Now these people, let's say, were born to suffering, because their parents were poor, or cast down into it by the elements of their means of livelihood. Modern times have made some dreams fade. For a lot of people the bottom rung has been jerked from the ladder of success. There is no way for them to get a foothold without help. It is time we do something and revamp the American dream, to include these people, so it is time we take a willing look at those people and perhaps rid ourselves of these prejudices which say the poor are worthless and lazy and that being poor is part of the human race. Being poor gives a person less chance to get education and promotes more sickness, darn fewer social graces and above all creates greater odds against successful family life. It all produces a terrible sense of hopelessness. Let's remember, underneath these sores of body and spirit are, for the most part, people who want to work and to live decently. What they need more than anything is respect, concern, and opportunity. Now these are the objects of the war on poverty. This is what we are up against. Here, every day, many of our boys come around to the agency and ask, "When are we going to get work?" With our projects at a stand still right now, it is getting pretty rugged. What I write is not my own thinking, it is an idea that I learned from others (and it is true) and it applies to our reservation where jobs are dang scarce. I am writing this from our tribal cafe. A man walked in and asked me what I was writing about. I told him, "I am writing

Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

KIDS! Only 96 more days until school opens. Better make good use of your time.

IT IS sometimes said that school teachers no longer do anything on their free time for youngsters any more. Those who feel this way might like to hear of at least one exception. It comes in the form of a letter from Gordon Dawson, district commissioner of the Oregon Association, Amateur Athletic Union, Portland, and is written to Supt. Dave Potter: "Dear Mr. Potter, "Last Saturday, May 29, a contingent of students from your area, led by Mr. Clint Agee, arrived here in Pendleton to participate in the district A.A.U. Junior Olympics track meet. "The Games Committee and myself felt that a letter of commendation was in order. The group from Morrow county conducted themselves in a highly complimentary manner. It was a real privilege to have them as our guests. "Mr. Agee certainly made friends for himself with his pleasant manner and helpful cooperation. We even agreed not to 'boo' him when he comes over here next basketball season to referee some of our games. "Sincerely, Gordon Dawson, District Commissioner"

On Saturday, Clint is going to take a busload of Junior Olympics contestants to Portland because he feels that "someone should do it." His teaching and coaching year is over but he is still working with the kids.

BY THE WAY, Clint is going to have to yield the "big man" title on the school faculties in Heppner next year. Kirk Horn, the new biology teacher at Heppner High, soars a mere six feet, eight inches. We met him Tuesday and saw him chatting on the street with Clint. It is the first time in my experience that I ever saw big Clint tilt his head back to look up into the face of a fellow mortal.

Mr. Horn seems like a very amiable and congenial person, but you high schoolers who plan to take biology might realize that he could take two or three students in each hand and crack their heads together if need be.

ORA YEAGER of Castle Rock, Wn., came home to Heppner for the Pioneer Picnic, first time he has been back for 14 years, and we enjoyed a two hour visit with him Monday evening, listening to tales of early Heppner and his interesting versions of the big flood of 1903.

Mr. Yeager just turned 80 on May 21. He has written a good many articles for the paper since we have been editing it, but we had never met him until Monday. Although he has been in rather poor health recently, he looked considerably younger than we had envisioned him.

We're tempted to write some of the things he told us, but we suspect he has in mind writing them himself and so will forego this. Ora had counted on spending Monday visiting up and down the business district to chat with old-timers. He had not realized that the stores would be closed for the legal holiday. He got up at 7:30 to get an early start and found nothing but locked doors.

"If I had realized everything would be closed, I would have waited a couple of weeks to come," he said. He did get in plenty of visiting at the picnic Sunday, however, and a little more before departing Tuesday. Mr. Yeager has a big fat and colorful manuscript on Morrow county and Heppner history that he has written over the years. A New York publishing firm—one of the big ones—just about published it but when their some 40 professional read-

ers read the manuscript and came up about evenly divided as to whether it would sell, they decided to turn it down and so advised Mr. Yeager, saying that it was a little too localized. This is still a considerable compliment to him because ordinarily a county history would be of such specialized interest that few out of the particular would be interested in looking at it.

WE'VE NOTICED that Marj and LeRoy Gardner have done a fine job dressing the windows in their apparel store since they bought the business, but didn't realize they were as lifelike as we discovered the other day. In walking by the store to the postoffice, we casually waved to LeRoy in the store. As we continued by, we did a double take because it seemed to us that one of the mannequins in the window waved back. Coming back, we stopped to take a closer look. Marj, apparently in the process of working on a display, was sitting on the edge of the window platform inside. This mannequin not only waves but it smiles prettily, too!

ONE WELL-KNOWN young lady in Heppner, driving downtown the morning after the National Drivers Test on TV last week, thought she must have been set up as a guinea pig for depicting the hazard run—just as it was on TV. We won't embarrass her by mentioning her name. She drove down May street and stopped, with signal lights blinking, to make a left turn. As she did so, she noticed in her mirror a young man approaching from the rear on a motorbike. She also noticed that he was looking in another direction and apparently didn't see her stopped in front of him. She couldn't get out of the way because of an approaching car. He came closer and closer. She knew there would be a crash, but to her relief just him look up, note the car just in time and swerve sharply to avoid it. After making the turn, she continued up the next street. A youngster riding a bicycle was wobbling all over the street and holding a baseball bat so it extended full length into the street. She started around him, driving far over into the left lane, when suddenly another bike rider, a girl, came zooming down a hill right at her. She veered to the right and got out of the way. A few minutes later our heroine drove down Main towards the post office. Someone was

Wilson's Move

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilson and family expected to move by mid-week from Heppner to Beverly, N. J., where he plans to go into the electronics field and Mrs. Wilson will teach school. Wilson said that he has lived in Heppner for 22 years.

double parked momentarily on the other side of the street and a young hot rod came blazing up the street in the opposite direction and swerved by the double parked car, almost colliding with the young lady and nearly forcing her into cars on the opposite side of the street. When she reported some of these incidents to us, she was still a little shaken. Like B Mike, she now doesn't even want to attempt to cross the street without the assistance of a police officer and a couple of Boy Scouts for lookouts.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

Coming Events
POOL OPENING
Heppner Swimming Pool opens Monday, June 7. Free swim from 1 to 4 p.m. Hours, 1 to 4, 6:30-8:00, Tues. through Sat.; 1-5 Sundays. Closed Mondays.
PUBLIC CARD PARTY
Saturday, June 5, Episcopal parish hall, 1:15 p.m. Bridge and pinocle.
SCOUT PANCAKE DINNER
By Scout Troop 661 Saturday, June 12, St. Patrick's parish hall, 4-8 p.m. Benefit for camp fund.
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