

Over 200 Attend Pioneer Reunion Here on Sunday

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strom, Mabel V. Denney, Creston R Maddock, Al Bergstrom, Joyce Beane, Wood, Elinor Cohn Shank, Fred McMurray, E. Harvey Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Smead, Charlotte M. Brandon, George V. Brandon, Lois H. Wickersham, Bernice Thomson, Alma Gilliam, Marshal McAllister, Mr. and Mrs. John Skuzeski, Margaret Blahm, and Mrs. Doris Mason and Jerry.

Others coming from a distance were Arthur R. Crawford, San Jose, Calif.; Emma Peterson, Omaha, Nebr.; Delphia Iler, Spokane, Wn.; Mrs. Mary Buhman, Grants Pass; Tacie Parker, Inez Loney, and Mary Davis, Walla Walla, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Guild, Mary Lee and Robert Guild, Snohomish, Wn.; Mrs. Bessie Shoemaker, Wishram, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Gemmell, Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood, Enterprise; Mrs. Joel (Marlene) Barnett and children, Vancouver, Wn.; Sylvia Beymer, The Dalles; Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Jenkins, McMinnville; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fraters, Grass Valley; Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Heyden, Stanfield; Margaret Rutledge, Tacoma, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. Neal Knighten, Kennewick, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Kinton, Salem; Richard Peterson, Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Gus Peterson and boys, Monument; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blahm, Hermiston; Guy Chapin, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Bechold and Archie Bechold, and Mrs. Jo Huston, all of Hardman; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miller, La Grande; Lewis Batty, La Grande; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schaffer, Cecil; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark, Hermiston.

The towns of Ione, Lexington and Heppner were well represented with many attending from each area.

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Oregon's Cattle Numbers Increase

Oregon followed the national trend in 1964 by increasing its cattle numbers.

Livestock figures supplied the Oregon Department of Agriculture by the U.S. Department of Agriculture set Oregon's cattle total at 1,614,000 January 1, 1965. The total was 1,537,000 January 1, 1964.

The state jumped from 28th place in the nation to 26th place the first of this year in total cattle numbers. Texas still led the nation with 10,239,000 head of cattle. However, this was 103,000 fewer than Texas had at the beginning of 1964.

Nationally the cattle total January 1, 1965, was 107,152,000, compared with 106,448,000 on January 1, 1964.

Oregon's increase in cattle numbers came in beef cattle. There was a decline in milk cows. The January 1, 1965, figure for beef cattle and calves was 1,366,000 compared with 1,278,000 the previous year. Milk cows two years of age and older dropped from 156,000 head January 1, 1964, to 150,000 the first of this year.

The national figure for beef cattle was 80,311,000 the first of this year. Texas was the leading state with 9,458,000 head.

Nationally milk cows two years of age and older numbered 17,593,000 the first of this year, a decline of 480,000. Wisconsin continued to be the leading dairy state with 2,378,000 head of milk cows two years of age and older.

Oregon was in 12th place in the nation in sheep and lamb numbers with 693,000 head January 1, 1965, a decline of 47,000 head since January 1, 1964. Texas was the top sheep producing state with 4,790,000 of the nation's total of 26,668,000 the first of this year.

Oregon remained in 30th place in the number of hogs saved, but her total had dropped from 234,000 swine on January 1, 1964, to 224,000 the beginning of this year. Iowa, the leading hog state, had 19,727,000 head. The national total was 88,283,000 head the first of this year.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. (Ed) Dick and family during commencement time at Heppner High were Mrs. Dick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Forsythe of Rydewood, Wash. Mr. Forsythe is a former principal at Wy-east High school and they lived at Hood River until 1954. They left Friday, planning to visit a son in Portland en route home.

Metsker maps of Morrow, Gilliam, Umatilla, Wheeler counties on sale at the Gazette-Times, \$1.25 each. Others available on order.



REMARKABLE GROWTH of Fonderosa pine in a windbreak planted only eight years ago is shown in this photo at the ranch of Dave Baker, 1965 Conservation Man of the Year in Morrow county. The pines do an excellent job of halting strong winds that nestle below. (G-T Photo).



HOME SCENE is this picture of Dave and Rose Baker in their home several miles north of Ione. Both enjoy playing their electric organ but declare modestly that they have no special musical talent. (G-T Photo).

Dave Baker, Ione, Conservation Man In County for '65

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County Farm Bureau, and Oregon Wheat Growers League.

Selecting Baker as 1965 Conservation Man of the Year were Louis Carlson, Ione, chairman, representing Morrow County Wheat Growers association; Kenneth Turner, Heppner, 1964 winner of the Conservation title; Fritz Cutsforth, chairman, ASC Committee, Nels Anderson, County agent, and Ralph Richards, Soil Conservation Service, were ex-officio members.

Presentation of the 1965 winner will be made at the meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers League tonight (Thursday) at the Lexington Grange hall at 8 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hisler had as guests over the Memorial Day week-end two daughters and their families. Coming from The Dalles were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sumner and family, and from Portland were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bristow and family.

Indians Cinch First Half Title In Little League

Willow Creek Little League Standings

Teams	W	L	Pct.
Indians	7	0	1.000
Braves	3	3	.500
Dodgers	3	4	.429
Giants	0	6	.000

The Indians remain undefeated and the Giants remain winless as the Willow Creek Little League heads into the last week of play in the first half of the season. The Indians have first place cinched and the Giants are stuck in the cellar, but a real race is developing for the second place spot. As of Monday, the Braves were ahead by only 1/2 game. The outcome of the race could be determined by two makeup games postponed until later in the season. Last week's action saw the Braves lose to the Indians, 11-9, on Tuesday and come back to take one from the Giants, 19-17. Monday's contest was a real battle with the Indians handing the Dodgers their fourth loss, 5-4.

Bruce Marquardt was the Indians' top hitter Tuesday as he went 2-for-2 at the plate, both hits being homers. The Indians got five big runs in the second but had come back in extra innings to top the tough Braves. Dick Snyder and Terry Cannon combined for 16 strikeouts in the seven inning contest.

Wednesday's contest was postponed because of high school graduation but the teams were back at it Thursday as the Braves took a close one from the Giants, 19-17. The Braves had a big second inning as they scored seven runs but the Giants came back with a rally of their own, scoring six tallies in the third. Dale Hedman and John Hall topped the Braves at the plate with 2-for-4 performances while Gil Scrivner did the same for the Giants. Hall added a home run in the sixth for the Braves.

The Dodgers came close to handing the Indians their first setback as the Indians won by the narrowest of margins, a 5-4 victory. The Indians scored three runs in the first frame to start things off, then added one run each in the third and fourth for their five runs while the Dodgers scored every other inning, getting one in the second, two in the fourth and one in the sixth.

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Units Urged to Enter Shrine Game Parade

The committee in charge of the annual parade that precedes the Portland-Metro Shrine football game on August 14 is anxious to have participation from this area, according to information received by Larry Cook, Sr., of the Shriner's publicity committee.

It has extended an invitation to any parade units in this area that would like to take part. Entry forms are available from Mr. Cook, and he may be contacted for further information.

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Salem Scene

by Robert L. Deredde

Although the problems of constitutional revision and congressional redistricting forced members of the 1965 legislature to stay in session much longer than they had planned and seemed to imply great disagreement between the House and Senate, the legislature did accomplish much of what it had set out to do at the start of the session last January.

The controversial subject of revising Oregon's workmen's compensation law—a problem unsolved by passed session—was achieved this year with passage of a bill to increase bene-

fits, broaden coverage and provide employers with the choice of obtaining job-injury insurance for employees from either the state fund, a private firm or self insure.

Also a controversial subject, Oregon's "Full Crew" law which requires six men on train crews was repealed, giving the Public Utility Commissioner the responsibility of determining safety requirements for trains and train crews.

Substantial reform in Oregon tax laws was accomplished this session with passage of a measure allowing parents to take a personal exemption for students over 18 years of age providing they were full time students at least five months in the year and a measure defining "head of household" to be treated as a joint return on income tax returns.

Property tax relief was achieved with passage of measures appropriating funds to local taxing districts to be used for "direct" offsets against tax levies.

A large boost in state basic school support to local school districts was also passed, raising the amount per census child from \$132 to \$152 for the 1965-66 school year and \$160 for the 1966-67 school year.

The legislature also referred to the people a measure to place a 4c per pack cigarette tax on the 1966 primary ballot with half the revenues earmarked for property tax relief and the remaining half split between counties and cities.

A measure calling for a change in the state's capital gains law to conform to federal capital gains provisions on individual income was passed which reduces the tax on capital gains by roughly 50 per cent.

Business firms requiring inventories to do business got some tax relief with passage of a bill to phase out 50 per cent of the inventory tax over the next five years at 10 per cent per year. The legislature appropriated \$2 million from the general fund to local taxing districts to offset lost revenue due to the 10 per cent reduction in the first year—1966.

And finally—in preparation of the 1967 legislative assembly—five legislative interim committees and a permanent tax study committee were approved. Interim committees will investigate problems in the areas of highways, agriculture, education, health and public lands during the next 18 months and recommend legislation to the next legislative assembly and the 11 member permanent tax study committee, which will be under the direction of the Legislative Fiscal committee, will study and review Oregon's complex tax structure and make recommendations to the next legislature.

Among the Memorial Day week-end guests visiting relatives here was Miss Lois H. Wickersham of Portland, who was a house guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Amanda Duvall.

Grads Return To 5-Year Class Reunion in Ione

A reunion of the classes of Ione High school from the years 1943-47 was held at the Ione Legion hall Saturday evening May 29.

Following the buffet dinner served by the Ione Legion Auxiliary, Gene Rietmann, master of ceremonies, introduced the chairmen of each class, and they in turn introduced their classmates.

A prophecy from each class was read and special awards were given the following: Mildred Carlson Hope, who came the farthest distance; Bill Brace, the baldest; Betty Baker Orton, the least changed for women; R. A. Crawford, Jr., the least changed for men, and Gwen Coleman Healy, the most offspring.

Those attending from the class of '43 were Robert Hoskins, Ione; Marjorie Peterson Skuzeskie, Portland; Don Peterson, Ione; Fred J. Zilke, Hermiston; Ernest McCabe, Heppner; Eulenna Seehafer Vaughn, Ione, and Jean Coleman Crawford, Portland.

Returning from the class of '44 were Alice Nicholson, Tigard; Gladys Seehafer Holderman, Corvallis; June Griffith Haugen, Lake Oswego; R. A. Crawford, Portland; Delmar Crawford, Hermiston; Pete Cannon, Ione; Melba Crawford, Lexington, and Bill Brace, Haines.

Those present from the class of '45 were Eunice Peterson Kvistad, Tigard; Darlene Biddle Hoskins, Bob Rietmann, Jim Barrett, Dorothy Bergstrom Stefan, Art Stefani and Alton Yarnell, all of Ione.

The class of '46 was represented by Mildred Carlson Hope, Eugene; Aloha Painter DeSpain, Arlington; Shirley Smouse Baker, Corvallis; Gwen Coleman Healy, Heppner; Gene Rietmann, Harold Snider and Joyce Salter Snider, all of Ione.

Present from the class of '47 were Betty Baker Orton, Tigard; Harlan Crawford, La Grande; Don Munkers, Heppner; Laurel Palmateer Cannon, Bill Rietmann, Lorraine Sherman Ball, Donald Ball and Robert Drake, all of Ione.

Husbands and wives of the above, who were not members of the classes, were also present.

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