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Oregon-State for Late Vacations

Oregon's travel information division has started a new program for attracting visitors, we note from a recent magazine. An advertisement suggested coming to this state for fall vacations.

Noting the amount of travel on the highways over the week-end and the popularity of many camping sites, it appears that a good many people seem to be getting the idea.

We noted some Californians headed north with house trailers and boats, apparently deciding, with some wisdom, that now—after the rush is past—is the time to travel.

While the weather is a bit cooler, it is crisp and invigorating, and days are sunny. Campsites and recreation places are not congested and for those who stay in motels and hotels, rates are down for the season.

Certainly one sees the state at just about its prettiest at this time of year, when leaves are turning to red and golden hues in the forests. Some will prefer the greenery of spring, but in Oregon, the green stays pretty much throughout the year.

Indian summer weather for September, or at least for part of the month, can just about be taken for granted. Folks who live along the seashore will tell you that this is one of the best months for vacations there. When the weather is hot inland during mid-summer, it is often cold and foggy at the coast.

Over at Stayton, we note that Jack Powell, who writes for the Stayton Mail when he is not teaching in high school, proposes that school vacations be changed so that students may have September and not get out so early in the spring when weather is often unsettled. Might be something to that, although it could play hob with activity schedules. How about football for instance?

In some families, September may be the time when some mothers and dads can slip away by themselves, leaving the youngsters with grandma and grandpa while the kids are starting to school.

Many hunters, of course, reserve their vacations for fall, but most of the died-in-the-wool hunters are looking not for Indian summers, but the rainy and snowy weather of late fall.

For those who really want to enjoy a time when they can get away for a good rest in a period of real good weather, September is one of the surest bets, and at the same time, from a vacationer's standpoint, is often the most overlooked.

Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

HEPPNER AUTO SALES does a fine thing for boys 8 through 13 of the lone and Heppner areas when it sponsors the annual Punt, Pass and Kick competition.

With Dave Barnett, sales manager of the company, in charge again, this year will be the third consecutive year of the event, which will be held Saturday, October 9.

Interest has been very keen in the past two years, and the youngsters put on quite a show as they got the feel of football. Since each competes with other boys his own age, and all have a good chance, and the sponsor gives a lot of fine prizes at considerable expense to the company.

This Saturday starts things off with a clinic at lone and Heppner football fields, beginning at 2 p.m. The sponsors not only provide for the competition and prizes, but give them instruction and teach them how to punt, pass and kick at the clinic.

Parents should encourage their boys to enter. It's a lot of fun for the kids and good wholesome activity.

From the ones who take part will come some of the star football players for Heppner and lone High schools in the future, no doubt. At the same time, the interest shown by Heppner Ford is helping to create better interest in football and sportsmanship as well.

WITH TWO BIG scores in their favor in their first two football games, Heppner High's Mustangs have started the season this year with a rush. After defeating Condon, 31-0, Friday they picked up more points in sports polls. In the Oregonian Tuesday they were tied for 11th spot. That's mighty good going for the team which will be seen in action here Saturday night against the Hermiston Jayvees.

Coach Jim Potter has some words of caution for the rest of the season, however. There is a suggested schedule ahead against some big schools. Madras, after playing against A-1 teams for a few years, is back in the A-2 ranks and Heppner faces them at the rodeo grounds here October 15. Coming ahead of this date are Wantonka at The Dalles on October 1 and Grant Union at John Day October 8. After Madras, the Mustangs play Burns, Sherman and Pomeroy, Wn., in order.

"A lot depends on how our young sophomores go against these big schools," the coach

states. Impressive in the first two games has been the work of these young players. If they can continue as good against the powers of the area, the Mustangs could wind up with a real good season.

ACTUALLY, HEPPNER High has dropped to a B-size school this year with enrollment below 200. Pilot Rock stepped down into this class joining such schools as Umatilla and Condon.

Currently, the Mustangs have a good crop of athletes with some fine football players and most of the state A-2 tournament basketball team coming back again. But they will be in competition with some teams not too far below 500 in enrollment.

It seems to us that they have more prestige in A-2 competition, but whether they can maintain their status with the lack of manpower coming up is an interesting question. Our Mustangs must certainly now represent one of the smallest of A-2 schools in the state.

The other side of the coin is that forthcoming developments here may shoot up enrollment in a few years. Just at this moment comes word that Congress has approved the Willow Creek dam project. Construction a few years from now should bring in quite an influx of students.

So, it is hard to say what the future holds. For right now, our team is doing just exceptionally well with its scheduled competition.

MEANWHILE, over at the Round-Up some of our local cowboys did right well for themselves. Roice Pulleton won a go-round of wild cow milking, we hear, and that should pick him up a pretty good purse. We understand that Ron Currin won a go-round of wild horse racing. Go for them!

Maybe we have had some other local winners in the Round-Up, too, but they haven't been brought to our attention.

IT'S QUITE AN EXODUS from the old home town when all the college kids pack off and leave for fall term. The difference is quite noticeable, as we miss seeing them in the stores and around the streets.

They certainly go to the four winds, choosing educational institutions all over the country. Certainly Morrow county has a very high percentage of its young people in college. We don't have the statistics at hand, but it must rank towards the

To the Editor,
I don't see any point in spending so much money trying to get a man on the moon, even if we did there would be a sign up there saying this is Marlboro Country and another one saying go home Yanks and take your cigs with you. We roll our own up here.
Yours, sincerely,
Andy Hayes

TO THE EDITOR...

Dear Editor,
Enclosed are two items you may care to sandwich in somewhere.

END OF A PERFECT DAY
Grandma, on a wintry day,
Milked the cows and fed them hay;

Saddled the mule
And got the children off to school;
Did the washing, scrubbed the floors,

Washed some windows and did the chores;
Cooked a dish of home-dried fruit,

And pressed her husband's Sunday suit.
She swept the parlor, made the bed,

And baked a dozen loaves of bread;
Spilt some firewood and then tugged in

Enough to fill the kitchen bin;
Cleaned the lamp, filled it with oil,

And stewed some apples she thought might spoil.
She made a supper that was delicious

And afterward washed all the dishes.
She fed the cat and sprinkled the clothes

And mended a basketful of hose;
Then opened the organ and began to play.

"When you come to the end of a perfect day,"
—Author unknown

END OF ANOTHER PERFECT DAY
Grandma, now, on any old day
Chucks clothes in the washer

And then goes away.
She worries less, nor bothers to iron

Drip-dry fabrics like dacron and nylon;
She puts on some lipstick and powders her nose,

But doesn't bother to wear any hose.
She slips on a jacket,

Jumps into the car,
And drives a few blocks—not very far—
In the supermarket she finds frozen pies,

Some vegetables, meat, and shoestring fries.
It's quite an effort to drive back home

To turn on the heat till dinner is done.
Then dish-washes the china to get it clean.
(She diets slightly so she'll look lean.)
While new folk are talking of their golf pars
Grandpa is stewing for a trip to Mars.
Out to the movies, grandpa seldom goes
Because T.V. has plenty of shows
When things simmer down she hears records play
To end the end of a perfect day.
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COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

Coming Events

HEPPNER HIGH FOOTBALL
Heppner vs. Hermiston Jayvees
Saturday, Sept. 25, 8 p.m.
Heppner Rodeo Grounds.
Support the Mustangs!

PUBLIC INSTALLATION
Ruth Assembly, Order of
Rainbow Girls.
Installation of officers Sunday, Sept. 26, 2:30 p.m.
Heppner Masonic hall.

BAKED FOOD SALE
By Legion Auxiliary Friday,
October 1, from 9:30 a.m.
Western Auto Store.
Hunter's specials.

PUBLIC CONCERT
N. W. Christian College Crusader Quartet
Thursday, Sept. 23, 8 p.m.
Lexington Christian church.

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Herbert Hamilton Funeral Services Scheduled Friday

Funeral services for Herbert G. Hamilton, 56, of Heppner will be Friday, September 24, at 10 a.m. in All Saints' Episcopal church with the Rev. Chandler C. Jackson of St. John's Episcopal church, Hermiston, officiating. Requiem mass will be at All Saints' at 7:30 a.m. the same day with the Rev. Jackson as celebrant.

Interment will be at Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Sweeney Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Hamilton, owner of the Wishing Well drive-in restaurant here, was found dead in a telephone booth at lone after midnight Wednesday morning, apparently having shot himself with a .38 caliber revolver. He had called his wife shortly before his death.

County Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman and State Police Officer Curtis Culp investigated.

Hamilton had been a resident of this area for 16 years and had operated the Wishing Well for a number of years. He was born July 7, 1909, at Holly, Calif., and was married August 3, 1951, to Betty Happold Bradford in Heppner. He was a member of Heppner lodge, BPOE, No. 358.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Betty Hamilton; a son, Donald Hamilton of Roseburg; three daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Guttery of Santa Barbara, Calif., Judy Hamilton and Deborah Diane Hamilton of Heppner, and his mother, Mrs. Clara Williams of Nevada City, Calif.

Mrs. Ola Ruggles Breaks Arm in Fall

Mrs. Ola Ruggles fell at the bottom of the stairway as she came downstairs from her apartment in the Lane Apartments Friday and suffered a painful break in her upper left arm. It was described as a "spiral" break, three inches below the shoulder.

Mrs. Ruggles apparently caught the heel of her shoe in a mat at the bottom of the stairs and fell back with the arm behind her. The ambulance took her to Pioneer Memorial hospital for treatment, and although she was reported improving satisfactorily this week, she is expected to be hospitalized for several days more.

Mrs. Elmer Palmer underwent major surgery at St. Mary's hospital in Walla Walla on Monday morning. She expects to be confined there another week, and occupies Room 424.

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