



IT WAS A FAMILY AFFAIR at the McNary Yacht Club as Mr. and Mrs. George Luciani, parents of Queen Sheila, entertained about 70 guests for a Sunday afternoon of boating, eating and just plain relaxing before a hectic week of Fair and Rodeo activities.



FLOATING QUEEN relaxes in her innertube and contemplates the busy week ahead. Sheila and two of her princesses, Sherri and Janet, floated in the river and soaked up the sun on the warm afternoon.

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HAT ROCK FORMED THE BACKDROP for an afternoon of skiing for three members of the court. Queen Sheila (left) motioned for her father to slow the boat down, while Princesses Sherri (center) and Janet (right) managed to hang on.



It was a fun day at the Columbia

HAT ROCK STATE PARK—Those five girls who make up the 1969 Morrow county Fair and Rodeo court aren't just horsewomen.

They proved that Sunday, when they relaxed (all except Princess Rhonda Bellinger, who was . . . yep, you guessed it . . . working) for an afternoon of pleasure at the McNary Yacht Club on the Columbia River.

And it was a good time.

The day, hosted by Queen Sheila Luciani's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Luciani, was a get-together of the court, their parents, members of the Rodeo Board, some invited guests, and one newspaperman.

There were about 70 persons on hand for a day of fun before a long week of activities of the Fair and Rodeo.

It was one of the few week-ends they haven't had to make some sort of appearance somewhere in Eastern Oregon.

Princess Patti Healy decided she wouldn't try to waterski (she hasn't learned how to swim) but Queen Sheila and her Princesses Janet Palmateer and Sherri O'Brien all got up together behind the Luciani's boat. At one time, they were even joined by Ron Currin.

Her father went too fast for Sheila, so she gave him a ride a little later in the afternoon. With the rough water along about 5 in the afternoon, the skiing got a little treacherous.

The older folks, and some of the younger ones, too, all got a ride in Glenn Campbell's big cabin cruiser.

There was plenty of food and refreshment for everyone, and the picnic tables were humming when the dinner hour came.

And a good meal called for another boat ride. The river was like glass at 7 p.m., and it urged one to break its mirror-like surface.

Now that sounded like a great idea, so the three members of the court headed back for shore to don their swim suits for an evening dip.

It was almost nine o'clock before they headed back out, and the darker it got, the more fun it was to park the boat and swim in the middle of the Columbia.

You could tell they were relaxed.

You might not be able to tell this week, but just ask them.

It was a good time.

Pacific Northwest Gets New Forester

C. Merle Hofferber has been named Assistant Regional Forester for Lands and Minerals in the Pacific Northwest Region of the U. S. Forest Service succeeding Douglas R. Leisz.

Hofferber, 48, will transfer from the Forest Service's Regional office in Missoula, according to Regional Forester Charles A. Connaughton, Portland.

The new chief of the Division of Lands and Minerals is a 1947 forestry graduate of Montana State University, and received a master of forestry degree at the University of Michigan in 1950. He also attended Pasadena Junior College prior to temporary employment with the California State Division of Forestry and the Forest Service.

He served with the Air Force in Italy in World War II, and returned to work on the Lolo National Forest, Montana, in

1946. He subsequently worked on several National Forests in Montana and Idaho before promotion to the Missoula office in 1961. Since 1965, he has headed up the rights-of-way branch in the Division of Recreation and Lands, Northern Region. Prior to that, he headed the lands adjustment branch in the same division.

Hofferber has for many years been active in Boy Scout and Red Cross work. He and his wife, Dorothy, have two daughters, Terry and Constance, who plan to attend Lewis and Clark College this fall.

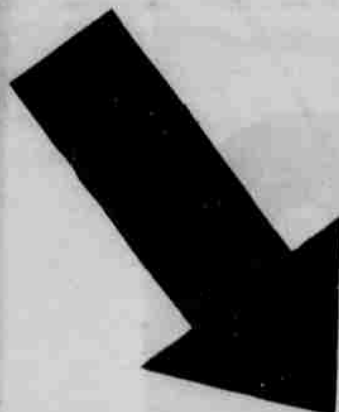
His predecessor, Doug Leisz, has gone to Washington, D. C., to head the Division of Manpower and Youth Conservation in the office of the Chief of the Forest Service. He came to Portland in 1967 from California.

Lithograph Moon Pictures Available

Full-color pictures issued by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration showing the historic Apollo II mission, including the first man setting foot on the Moon, will be sold by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., according to Senator Mark O. Hatfield.

Purchases can be made by mail order or in person at the U. S. Government Printing Office bookstores in Washington, San Francisco, Chicago, and Kansas City, Mo.

Pictures will be available in both a set of twelve 11" x 14" full-color lithographs, selling for \$1.75 per set, and a single full-color lithograph 16" x 20" overall, showing man on the Moon for the first time. It will cost \$1. All pictures will be suitable for framing.



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