

Boy Scout Troop Fight Roadside Litter

By VIRGINIA KELSO

KINZUA—Fifteen Boy Scouts of the Fossil-Kinzua Troop spent Saturday, March 28, doing their bit toward aiding the anti-litter campaign, by removing the roadside "junk" between the Kinzua Junction and Kinzua. Under the supervision of Scout Masters Massey, Lyle Frazier, and O. L. Adams, the boys combed the roadsides and surprised the supervisors who kept the road hot to the dumping grounds with pickup loads of trash.

At noon, the boys were given a hotdog and chili feed prepared by Milt Boring at the Kinzua school building. After playing some basketball in the gym, the boys returned to their task.

A tip of the Community Hat to the boys and the men who supervised as the many beer cans, bottles and sundry other pieces of trash rest in the Kinzua dump. Boys who participated are: Brian and Tim Adams, Jim and Rick O'Neal, Steve Asher, Kevin Warner, Gene Richmond, Leroy Wimer, Eric Frazier, Russell Johns, Shawn and Corky Humphrey, Bob and Jim Brinkley and Jim Nelson.

Community Club Forms

A group of women met Thursday afternoon at the Kinzua church annex to form a community club for all women of Kinzua and Camp 5. The purpose of the club is to get better acquainted and to share one afternoon a month. Plans were discussed on having demonstrations and speakers of interest to all. Mrs. Lynnea Sargent was chosen chairman, Mrs. Sharon Smiley is the secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Lily May Nistad, Mrs. Alma Cory, and Mrs. Sandy Sargent are the program committee with Mrs. Linda O'Neal in charge of publicity. No name has been chosen but suggestions are to be brought to the next meeting on April 16 and a name will be chosen at that time. A baby sitter will be present to take care of children with a silver offering to defray this expense. Refreshments of cake, coffee, and tea were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Sizemore of Portland spent the weekend here visiting with Mrs. Wilma Mabe and in Fossil with Mr. and Mrs. Dee Sizemore.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Long were business visitors to Portland Friday.

Mrs. Melvin Schluckebier and son Matt, Mrs. Douglas Sargent, Mrs. Bernard Dyer, and Miss Nancy Benson were business visitors to Pendleton last Tuesday.

Mrs. Carl Darrar of Madras and Mrs. Robert Helms of Fossil were Wednesday afternoon visitors with Mrs. Robert Kelso.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Sizemore and family of Milwaukee visited this past week with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sizemore.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilsey, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harper and

family, and John McKay spent the weekend at the Wilsey's hunting cabin at Dale. During the weekend they also visited Lehman Springs.

Miss Sharon Hubbell of Portland spent Easter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyal Hubbell. She returned to Portland Sunday with the Carroll Sizemore's.

The regular Camp 5 Women's card party was held last Monday evening at the Camp 5 Community Hall with Sue Mattison as hostess. High was won by Glena Rollis, low by Judy Norris, and pinochles by Eva DeMeritt and Carol Thomas. Grand high for the series went to Carol Norris with Rose Merry Nelson winning second high. Others playing were Carol Norris, Virginia Kelso, Deena Reid, Terry Todd, Doris Stubblefield, Delores Wimer, and Cindi Weaser.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeMeritt were in Heppner last Tuesday where Eva had medical care.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Jones and son Bobby were in Heppner Wednesday where Bobby had medical care. They then went to Portland Saturday to have dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Sharp went to Weston Thursday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Grogan.

Mrs. Wayne Rollis and children went to Prineville Saturday on business and to have eye care.

Visiting during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. William Kessell and with Mr. and Mrs. Guy Van Arsdale were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Reece and Mr. and Mrs. Rick Reece, all of Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hardwick and son Donnie went to John Day Saturday for dental care and while there visited with their daughter Genine, the Forrest Overton's, the John Hardwick's, and the Gary Allen's.

Easter dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thomas and family and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Todd of Fossil and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Todd and son Gary of Camp 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mortimore of Twickenham were Easter dinner guests of Richard Mortimore and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Wimer and sons Jim and Bert were in Hermiston Friday where Dean and Bert had medical care.

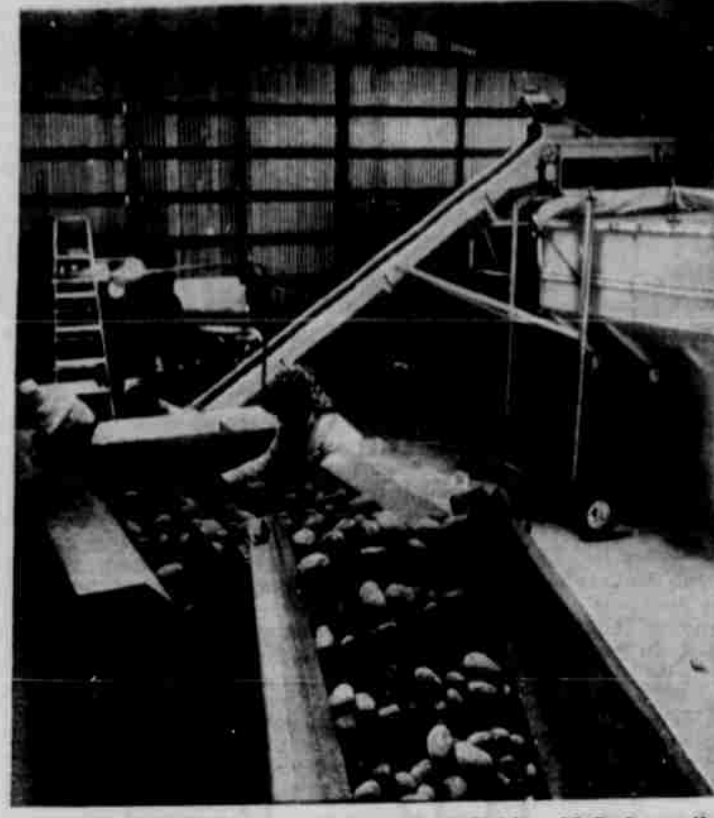
Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Muddock spent Sunday of last week in Portland visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bell, Jr. and family.

Also there were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Casey, Sr., of Brainerd, Minn. The Muddocks and Casey's then went to Kennewick, Wash., where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Capistrant and the Casey's then went on to their home in Minnesota and the Muddocks to McNary where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Red Hulett, returning home Tuesday.

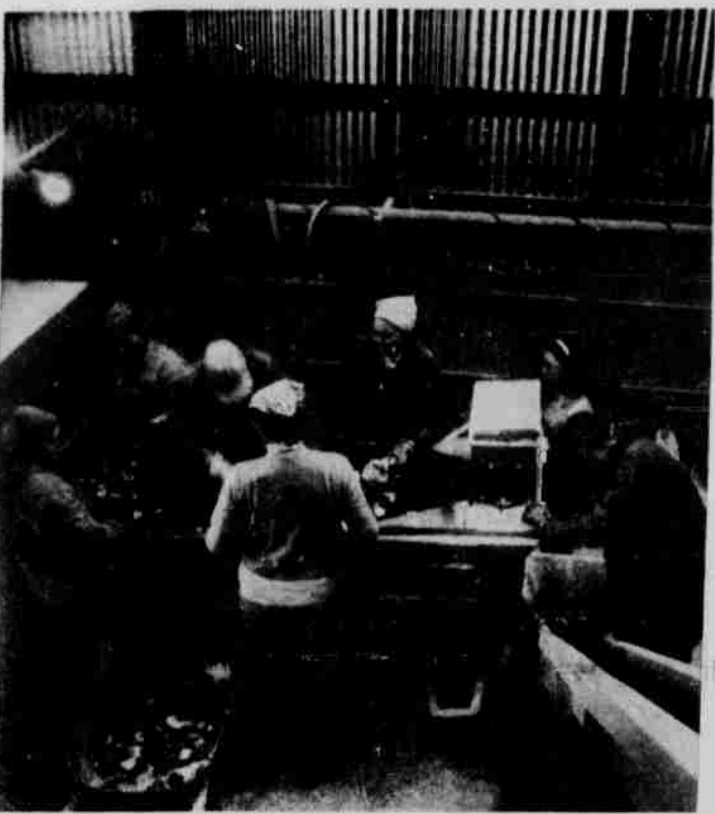
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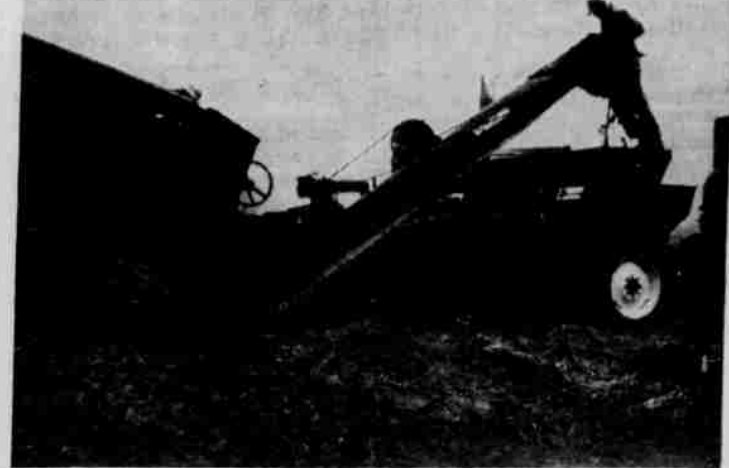
POTATOES HAVE their ups and downs these days at the D. O. Nelson ranch. Steve Rea keeps an eye on them as they are going down through a hole in this specially built truck into a bin to be picked up on the conveyor belt seen in the center of the picture. Up they go to be sorted on specially built rollers where they are cut according to size.



DOROTHY EDWARDS on the right and Shirley McCarl on the left double check to see that the potatoes are on the right set of rollers for cutting in the correct number of pieces.



A BUNCH of cut-ups. These women facing the camera: Mary Ann Peck, D. O. Nelson (sharpening a blade) and Juanita Martin (Diana Raymond an onlooker) and with their backs to the camera: Hilda Yocom, Millie Rauch and Steve Rea again, are cutting the potatoes down to size if the machine hasn't. The conveyor on the right carries the cut pieces into the truck that will take them to the field for planting.



JOE BARTLETT watches as the potatoes are dumped from the truck and moved up by conveyor into the planters.



"OFF TO WORK WE GO" loaded and ready to plant. Dennis O'Donnell is on the planter and Omer Huston is driving cat.

Birthday Noted At Family Dinner

By DELPHA JONES

LEXINGTON — Bob Davidson was honored with a birthday dinner at his home Saturday evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Flint and Linda Druck of Beaverton, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Davidson and children of Milwaukee, Herbert, Greg and Anita and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Viall of Lexington, sons and daughters of the honored guest. Miss Druck was a weekend visitor at the Davidson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Viall and children were Easter Day visitors at the home of his mother, Mrs. Alma Viall in Grandview, Wn.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Doherty and daughter, Nancy, motored to Eugene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elden Padberg and daughter, Jill, visited in Asotin, Wash., on Easter. They visited Mrs. Padberg's sister and family and her mother, Mrs. Amy Sperry, who is a patient in a nursing home there.

Bridge Club

Lexington Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. Bob Davidson Thursday for their regular meeting. Those present were Mrs. Dean Hunt, Mrs. John Ledbetter, Mrs. Lester Cox, Mrs. Elden Padberg, Mrs. C. C. Carmichael, Mrs. Inez Huffman and Mrs. Doris Watkins. Mrs. Huffman was awarded high, Mrs. Ledbetter, second high and Mrs. Carmichael, low.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Martin and family are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin, from their home in California.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Messenger, Sr., Mrs. Winnie Zinter and granddaughters, Charlotte and Lois Messenger, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marquardt and family and Carol Messenger and Miss Vivian Zindler were Easter dinner

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Messenger, Sr., were visitors in The Dalles Monday.

Charlotte Messenger of Hermiston has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Messenger this week.

Kenneth Jones motored to Portland to spend Easter with his sister, Charlene Jones.

Mrs. Florence McMillan and Mrs. C. C. Jones visited Kevin and Danny Taylor at Good Shepherd Hospital Tuesday. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taylor of Boardman.

Mr. and Mrs. Layton Roberts had as their Easter guests, Mr. and Mrs. Drennen of Hood River, Mrs. Robert's parents.

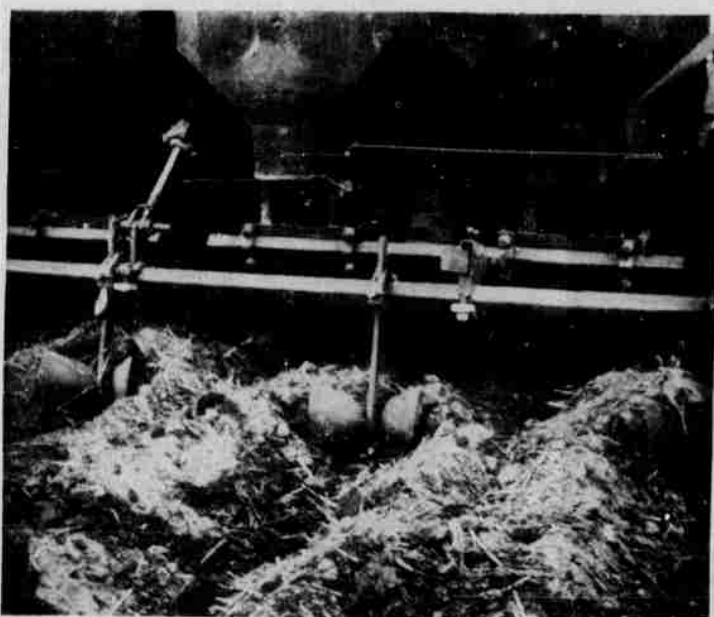
Ann Stewart took her little girl to Pendleton Community Hospital Sunday.

Recipe Note

Many people picked up a recipe for a delicious cookie made from cornmeal at the Neighborhood Center when Extension women demonstrated uses for abundant foods.

Those who plan to use the Cornmeal cookie recipe should note the recipe calls for corn meal mix which is a mixture prepared from cornmeal flour, dry milk, baking powder, salt and lard—see "Ideas for Cornmeal" FS 72 (available from the Extension Office 676-9642) for amounts.

The other ingredients are added to the basic mix to make the tasty cookies. (Some have misread the recipe and thought it called for only cornmeal).



ON THE GROUND and 7" apart the potato pieces are covered as the furrows are made.



JOE BARTLETT, ranch foreman stands by his pickup. He is enthusiastic about the way the soil takes water here.



WELL NO. 3 takes shape.



BOB DAVIDSON stands at the doorway of the new building of the Farmore-Farmco installations not too far from Well No. 3 on the Bombing Range Rd.

When we left the D. O. Nelsons Sunday afternoon late, the western sky was brilliant from the sun that had just set and in the East the full moon seemed a foot over the horizon. It was beautiful in every direction and convinced us that D. O. Nelson knew what he was talking about when he said, "We live in a most beautiful spot".

We're convinced about another thing about D. O. Nelson and that he also knows what he's talking about when he's talking "potatoes".

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson came to the high country in 1947 right after Mr. Nelson got out of the Marines. It was wheat country and this was what they raised. It was a matter of economics that forced them to raise some type of row crop. They chose potatoes.

Millions of teen-agers dipping French fries into catsup and their mothers whipping up prepared potatoes from a box have boomed the potato business.

Well No. 1, 1000 feet deep was first used to irrigate wheat in 1968. In 1969 it was used to irrigate the first crop of potatoes that proved more successful than they had imagined.

Well No. 2 at 1103 feet produces 2600 gallons a minute. Well No. 3 stands at 600 feet and still going.

Water has done for the land what everyone knew it would . . . if they just had water.

With water and engineering, eastern Oregon sunshine and equipment and lots of pleasant enthusiasm, the second potato crop is going in the ground.

The seed potatoes come from Klamath Falls, smooth, uniform, large Norgolds. The big truck hauls 14 ton or 28,000 pounds. It takes 2000 pounds of seed pieces to plant an acre.

The trucks back into the machine shed now housing the potato cutting operations. The chain-belt on the bottom of the truck carries the "golden jewels" into the potato cutter.

A giant machine with a "brain", it's rubber cushioned graduated rollers sort the potatoes into sizes. The next set of rollers are the same form as the cutting blade that cuts the potato into 4's and 6's, depending on the size.

Women stand on either side of the machine to spot any potatoes that need further cutting. The pieces continue on the conveyor to be dusted with Captan which is "just what the doctor ordered" to prevent some of the ills known to all who garden.

A conveyor carries them upward to be dumped into another truck that will carry them to the field.

Ready for Planting

Four rows of potatoes are planted at a time with furrows made on each side of the mound where the potatoes are dropped in every 7 inches.

Later another piece of equipment will pack down the mound. There is a remarkable amount of moisture in the ground this spring. Potatoes are being planted in last year's wheat land where the wheat crop had a heavy stubble. This will aid in holding moisture and wind-blow.

When the potatoes come through the ground, irrigation starts. Underground pipes carry the water to all sections of the farm. Power lines are also underground. The giant circle sprinklers circle on the pivot. The outside wheel never stops and the wheels in between go and stop as the next one catches up. This big circle can be set to rotate once in 12 hours or once in 60 hours. It will irrigate 125 acres a circle.

In case the weather turns frosty and the tender potato crop tops get frosted, more equipment is moved into the field to cover them over and up they come again.

The early potatoes in this part of the country come into the market 2 and 3 weeks before the California potatoes. Like Benjamin Franklin said "The early bird gets the worm".

In this case we hope it is a big beautiful price for potatoes!

HOSPITAL NEWS

Week of March 18 to 23, 1970

Patients dismissed from Pioneer Memorial Hospital after receiving medical care were Suzanne Duncan, Lexington; Sophia Ayers, Heppner; Carl Smouse, Ione; Henry Krebs, Arlington; Autumn Palmer, Condon.

Admitted and still receiving care are Edith Case, Heppner, and Charles Bailey, Heppner.

Twin daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Anderson of Ione on March 20. Colleen Renee weighed 5 lb., 4 1/2 oz., and Kristine Lee weighed 4 lb., 9 3/4 oz. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Byrne, Ione.