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A Lesson for Paul Bunyan

Paul Bunyan legends about heroic exploits in the land of the big trees and strong men are enthralling. They are also misleading, so far as the timber industry is concerned. Many people still think timber companies hurt rather than help the forest lands in which they operate. In an effort to help the public view timber harvesting and forest management as they are contemporarily practiced, one of the largest timber companies in the country conducted a Paul Bunyan sized "road show" of a typical logging operation and reforestation project.

The show ran for 23 days while the company removed trees from its land along a highway leading into a recreation area in the Cascade Mountains in Washington State. It drew thousands of people from 30 states and five foreign countries. Many of those attending had never seen the modern equipment used by loggers. One machine was operated by a team, a member of which used a two-way radio to direct the placing of grapples that pick up logs, thus doing away with the old-fashioned and dangerous business of fastening steel cables to logs by hand. The show drew interesting comment from spectators, such as, "I would like to see this made available during (the) school year to school groups," and "We are most impressed with the conservation procedures."

A part of the show was the reforestation that follows logging. As soon as the area was logged, fir seedlings grown in the company's high-yield forest nurseries were planted. In connection with this, spectators had an opportunity to view the reforestation part of the company's tree farming, as well as the company's High Yield Forestry program. It opened up 14 miles of logging roads for self-guided tours which let visitors see young trees in various age groups and get an idea of what logging land looks like in coming years as new trees grow.

Paul Bunyan was a great fellow in his day; but in our era of sustained-yield logging, multiple land use, conservation and recreation, he would have something to learn.

REMEMBER THIS? REMINISCENCE!

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Thursday, June 28, 1945
Farm fires figured prominently in the news of the county over the weekend, with the result that Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mankin of Ione are minus a residence and the Alva Jones place on Heppner flat is without a barn and tool shed. Quick reaction by neighbors prevented a serious fire in the Dry Fork section Monday. A pasture fire on the Dalzell ranch was contained and the flames did not reach the wheat land or farm buildings.

A special message from Senator Wayne Morse informs this newspaper that the Surplus Property board has released 172 trucks to help move the north-west grain crop this season.

Morrow County's No. 10 from the bottom of the list of Oregon Counties struggling to put over the E bond quotas in the Mighty 7th War Loan campaign.

Many Heppner people regretted to learn of the transfer of Rev. Benny Howe to the pastorate of the Coquille Methodist Church.

All eyes are turned toward Lexington where preparations are under way to stage a celebration on July 4 and where the new airport will be dedicated at 2:45 p.m. It is expected the field will be in shape for the landing of visiting planes.

Official of Morrow County REA are seeking to revive the Organization and get its statute established with the NREA. Forced to suspend plans for construction and operation of electric lines due to the war, the unit now hopes to again become active and be in position to use some of the Bonneville Power.

Ronald John Coblantz, formerly of Heppner and Herman James Bottinger, Jr., formerly of Ione, have been inducted into the army at Fort Lewis, Wn.

Ben Cox, Wilbur Gorley and James Cowins left Friday for Diamond lake on a fishing expedition.

The Gazette-Times is your Moore Forms dealer in Morrow county.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Notes from Linda

June 13, 1970

Dear Mom and all:
I love to ride on trains, except that the longest I would recommend going is to Omaha. You would not believe how slow these trains go. It took an hour to go from Hinkle to Pendleton.—going thru Wyoming, from Cokeville to Laramie, we hit snow. I couldn't believe it. There was snow everywhere, in mid-June no less.—One thing about traveling by train; you do meet a lot of people, and you can get conversation started by merely asking the person next to you or across the table where he is going. It's quite fun!

Well I made it here okay (Vermont). It is a pretty campus—new but the guys who have been here have really torn it up—I've been able to visit Valley Forge and meet several other kids.—I'll tell you more in my next letter. My address is Linda Cooper, Mary Jo Hume, Germany c/o The Experiment at Windham Putney, Vermont 05346

Editor, Gazette-Times:

(By telegram) Senator Mark Hatfield announced today that the Department of Agriculture will make food stamps available to several counties in Oregon which were heretofore participating in the surplus foods program.

Baker, Clatsop, Grant, Lane, Marion, Morrow, Polk and Yamhill counties will be receiving stamps, which can be turned in to grocery stores and used just as cash is used for food. Food stamps provide a greater variety of food than the older surplus foods program.

"The addition of these counties will assure Oregonians who are in need that food stamps will be made available to them," said Hatfield, who was enroute to Oregon.

"I understand from Andrew Juras, Administrator of Public Welfare in Oregon, that additional workers have been added to help process the increased applications for stamps in Multnomah County, and I am grateful that this is being done to relieve some of the problems

PROPERTY TAX FAX



QUESTION:
In one of the cemeteries in our county, the caretaker's residence and office are located within the cemetery boundaries. Is this building exempt from taxation?

ANSWER:
No. This building would not be exempt from taxation under ORS 307.150, as the building is neither a tomb, nor used for the sole purpose of a crematory and sole purpose of a crematory and 307.150.

If you have a question concerning real or personal property please state all the facts as briefly as possible and mail it to Mrs. Joyce Ritch, Morrow County Special Assessor, Box 742, Heppner, Orge.

This ad paid for by Joyce Ritch, Special Assessor

CHUCK WAGON

Joe Yocom recently told me he ran a want ad in The Heppner-Gazette-Times and sold his horse the day after the paper came out. Now, that's a pleasing thing to say and made me feel good all day!

A young lad told me yesterday that "nothing ever happens around here". Well, we won't make a big federal case out of it but, really, there's lots doing around Morrow County!

For instance, take next week! You can have lots of fun and thrills down at Ione on Friday, July 3rd. First thing is a colorful movie at Ione High School sponsored by the Lions Club. It is "Brightly of Grand Canyon", a story of a prospector and burro in the Grand Canyon, first class family entertainment. Show time is 7 p.m.

After the show is another show—a big FIREWORKS display by the American Legion there.

If we had anticipated the warm spell last week we could have asked Oscar Peterson to bring us back a small glacier from his trip to the northland. (The story of Mr. Peterson's interesting tour starts this week in this issue.

Remember, these are the good old days you are going to miss in the year 1985.

Phil Mahoney was telling us Australia had no evergreen saw timber. They do have some eucalyptus timber and lately have planted what Phil said appeared to be a Monterey pine (they have a different name for it, but it's a Monterey!) He said this timber will be harvested in about 25 years. Phil said it looked a bit odd to see trees planted in rows like soldiers—they're about 8 feet apart, evenly spaced.

Our hardworking Port of Morrow Commission has been quietly working and promoting their

proposed sites for nuclear power plants. We had thought that their having seven big lakes to cool the water, and then to use the water for irrigation, all added up to sheer genius.

But wait just a minute! That ain't all! We've just learned that new row crops won't be the only crops grown in Morrow County, after all. Another big crop may be harvested in these lakes that hardly anyone has thought about — fish! Apparently in several parts of the U.S.A. they are growing commercial crops of catfish and other warm water fish—hundreds and hundreds of tons. This is to fill the big demand for fish and chips. By golly, Morrow County will be supplying both.

A cordial thank you to Mrs. Ed (Rachel) Dick who has so graciously taken pictures for us a number of times. We appreciate it.

We're going up on Saturday to see the grand opening of the Morrow Produce Company's brand new potato processing plant at Boardman. This is a splendid new facility and we'll enjoy seeing it. And aside from all that, I've tried for weeks to swipe D. O. Nelson's cap. (It's a real dandy.)

Mr. Holtz of the Oregon Farmer magazine was here last week. He planned to interview Mrs. Shirley Rugg to do a feature article about her, her family and their livestock operation.

The office of Dr. James Norene, D. V. M. will be closed for vacation June 21 - July 7

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

KICK-OFF DANCE
Morrow County Fair and Rodeo
June 27, Music by Western Gentlemen

IONE LIONS CLUB MOVIE
July 3-7:30
"Brightly, the Grand Canyon"

FIREWORKS DISPLAY
Sponsored by Ione American Legion — July 3

HEPPNER HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1960
Ten Year reunion
June 27, Wagon Wheel Cafe

IONE RAINBOW ASSEMBLY
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