

SAVANTS STUDY VOLCANIC TOMB NEAR PROSPECT

Hydraulic Miners Asked to Notify Scientist in Case Bones, Artifacts Bared.

Grants Pass, May 22.—(P)—Data from an age-old volcanic tomb were studied by University of Oregon scientists today as they checked over notes on a field trip to the Crater Lake highway right-of-way where a second skeleton in 16 years was uncovered earlier this month.

Dr. L. S. Cressman, professor of anthropology, declined any statement here Saturday after his return from the expedition near Prospect where a skeleton was found sitting in a hole in pumice, deep under the surface.

"If it should be finally established," he wrote in notes received today, however, "that these Indians were killed by the hot pumice ejected by the eruption of Mount Mazama, then we will have more evidence to support that from

Eastern Oregon showing that human beings were witnesses of the formation of Crater Lake."

Asks Miners' Aid

Dr. Cressman said he believes a wealth of material for anthropological and paleontological study is located in this district and may be uncovered by hydraulic placer operations. He asked that he be notified and that finds be left untouched if the large gold-recovery operations bare bones or artifacts. He said dispositions of bones and their location in strata often means more than the bones themselves.

Dr. Cressman was accompanied by Dr. W. D. Smith, professor of geology, Ray Treasurer, state mine geologist, and James G. Bromley, engineer, whose highway maintenance crew uncovered the skeleton.

Bars Drinking

Detroit (U.P.)—Every time he feels the need of "just a short one" Frank Borodenko draws from his pocket a legal-looking piece of paper, reconsiders, and decides to forego a drink. It's a court order restraining him from drinking.

Plan Pilchard Plant

Astoria, May 20.—(P)—The Pacific Marine Products corporation announced today it would construct a pilchard cannery here. It will be Oregon's first such cannery. The corporation currently operates a reduction plant at Warrenton.

TIGER MUSICIANS GARNERED HONORS AT REGION MEET

Medford high school's band returned Sunday afternoon from the regional music contest held at Spokane, Washington, with additional information concerning the competition. Bands from Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Oregon participated in the two-day event.

The local group garnered three first ratings, three second ratings and three third ratings. In these, the musicians were judged in accordance with certain standards, and not in comparison with other players. Standards for the regional meet, which represents the national finals, were set very high and a great deal of skill and polish is required to merit any one of the first three ratings.

All of the competing musicians were divided into classes, depending upon total enrollment of their school. Class C bands represented schools with 250 to 400 students; Class B bands, in which Medford was included, had enrollments of 400 to 750 students; Class A bands came from schools with 750, or more pupils.

A further honor was won by the Medford band when it received a first rating in the sight-reading contest, the only first rating given in this particular phase of the competition. In this contest the bands are required to play music unknown to them. However, the director is given three minutes to glance through his score; and then, he and the band together, have an additional two minutes to discuss any part of it. "The Medford high band," school officials said, "under the splendid direction of Wilson Wait, certainly deserves much credit for its outstanding performance in this contest, and throughout the school year, as well."

BOOKS OF TODAY MADE VITAL BY TIMELY THEMES

Schenectady, N. Y.—(U.P.)—The man who turned the federal writers' project from a relief agency into a significant publishing venture believes writers today have the greatest opportunity because there are wider fields to cover.

In a speech at Union college, Henry G. Alsberg, former national director of the writers' project, said writers are dealing mostly with life in cities slums, unjust labor conditions in factory, mines and agriculture.

"They are writing vital, dynamic, important books," he said, "widely read when they come out, yet 'dating' like newspapers, soon after, because the writers deal so much with special contemporary conditions."

He suggested that writers are influential because they deal with man as the victim of his environment. Writers are not so much concerned with writing to achieve immortality, he said, but rather with dealing with current problems facing man.

Alsberg said "literature" no longer is confined merely to novels, poetry, short stories and criticism, but has now spread into the non-fictional field and

has, in fact, "more influence upon the country" than any other form of writing today.

He said John Steinbeck's "Grapes of Wrath" has more influence upon what congress and California's governor are doing than any novel ever published.

Writers are concentrating upon the American scene, but not necessarily through novels, Alsberg said.

"But what is lost in the way of immortality of their writing they gain in the 'current importance and influence of their observations,'" he said.

WALKING HABIT DECLARED DEAD

Pittsburgh—(U.P.)—Unless the American people begin using their feet a little more, the citizens of this country in a few generations will just "shuffle along."

That is the prediction of two Pittsburgh men—Burnett M. Roscoe, insurance adjuster of accident compensation cases for the Pittsburgh board of public education and George Clarkson, secretary-manager of the western Pennsylvania safety council.

Roscoe not only predicted a shuffling gait in the future but warned that if people keep off their feet at the present rate for a few more generations, their ankles will become so weak they will have to walk on "all fours."

SHAFT TO HONOR WYOMING PRIEST

Billings, Mont.—(U.P.)—A monument in memory of Father DeSmet, Jesuit priest who followed pioneer trappers into the northwestern wilderness, will be erected on the highway 10 miles north of Buffalo, Wyo.

Father DeSmet is said to have read the first mass at Rendex Vous on the Green river about 100 years ago. Dendex Vous was the outfitting place at that time for those going west into the wilderness.

The tract for the monument is located on Lake DeSmet near the highway. Title has been acquired and turned over to the state of Wyoming, according to Dr. William Frackelton, Sheridan, a member of the project committee.

Cute, What?

Akron, O.—(P)—When four-year-old Frankie Vance ignored his mother's plea to come to dinner, he explained: "Can't eat, mamma, me got a fire upstairs." After firemen checked the blaze Frankie confessed: "Me got the matches from daddy's Sunday pants. Did the firemen hang up daddy's pants?"

Once Meant Labor

Boston, (U.P.)—A WPA historical records survey reveals that in Sudbury, Mass., a situation existed 261 years ago whereby the richest men had to do the most work. Town meeting members, in planning a new road, ruled that those who had no property must work one day on the new undertaking, but the ones who owned meadow land were required to toil one day for every six acres of land they owned.

Join Razing Crew

Butte, Mont. (U.P.)—Demolition of 100 old buildings on the site of the new 225-family Butte low-cost housing project was aided by thieves and vandals. One resident found it necessary to put out a sign "I'm still sleeping here" to warn off thieves.

TURKS ACCEPT WOMAN TUTOR AT AIR SCHOOL

Ankara, Turkey (U.P.)—Sabih Koken, Turkey's foremost woman flier, finds it no trick at

all to combine marriage and a career. In Turkey when woman is the superior member of a matrimonial combine she simply takes the front seat. So after only two months of marriage, the late Kemal Ataturk's adopted daughter has relegated both husband and domesticity to the back seat in deference to her job of instructing 400 aviators in the Civil Aviation college which she heads.

well known in Turkey I didn't want to give it up when I married, so my husband is changing his name to mine instead of vice versa," Sabiha revealed in her first interview since her marriage.

Goken, nee Kemal Esiner, is attending a school for general staff officers of the air corps. The school is at Istanbul and his wife's at Ankara, some 300 miles apart, so they see little of each other.

With career coming first, Sabiha has no time for cooking, partying and primping. Only 27 years old and not over five feet tall, she is in no way the magazine cover type of aviatrix. Her eyes are serious, her nose usually powderless and her hair brushed manly away from her face. But she does have the feminine characteristic of blushing when asked about her handsome husband.

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