

WE MODERNS INVADE A PRIMEVAL DOMAIN



Into the primeval forests bordering the North Umpqua a new highway has been built. It will take modern motorists flying through country in the matter of minutes where once it took hours, days and weeks. Above, the motorlog party pause on the edge of the North Umpqua.

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OF ALL THE STORIES of heroic figures that I loved as a boy I still cherish the tales about old Bill Bradley, a semi-legendary, bearded giant of a man who lived in mysterious solitude in the dark forests of the wild North Umpqua river country.

Bill Bradley had one of his several mountain homes at Bradley flat on the North Umpqua ten miles above the mouth of Steamboat creek. There, more than 30 years ago, a horse kicked Bradley to death and he was laid to rest in a grave in the quiet glade.

I wonder what Bill Bradley would say, and what the Indians, whose bones long ago mingled with the dust of Caps Iliha, would say of modern times that have brought roads and automobiles into their primeval domain. What would they think when caravanning automobiles stream across Bradley flat this coming June 21 to dedicate a new road that forever will end the isolation that, to them, was the charm of their rugged country?

It was a preview of this car-

van trip, for which the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce has invited Governor Sprague, state highway officials and chambers of commerce of Klamath Falls and other cities, that the motorlog automobile of The Oregonian-Oregon State Motor association made the 92-mile run over the new North Umpqua road between Roseburg and Diamond Lake.

Between Roseburg and Steamboat creek, distance 45 miles, the road has been completed for some years, a co-operative project by the forest service and Douglas county. Construction above Steamboat, started in 1934, has been entirely by CCC

crews for the 23 miles between Steamboat and Big Camas ranger station. CCC road and powder crews and bulldozers were rushing work on the mountain grades to get them ready for the caravan. The dedication will be a triumphant occasion for central and western Douglas county residents who feel that they have reclaimed a long-lost possession. Now they may reach Diamond Lake, which is in their own county, without having to go through two other counties on the way.

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The route taken by the motorlog car is mapped above.

REVOLUTION SONS WILL BE HOSTS AT DINNER SATURDAY

Gov. Sprague May Attend With Members From Up-State and Southern Ore.

Southern Oregon chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, will be host to the state society at a dinner in the Hotel Medford, Saturday at 7:30. Members from Portland, Salem, Eugene and Corvallis are expected, as well as members of the southern Oregon chapter in Medford, Klamath Falls, Ashland and Grants Pass.

Ralph E. Sweeney, president of the southern Oregon chapter, will preside. Gov. Charles A. Sprague, an active member of the state society, informed local officers that he would attend if it was at all possible. Other distinguished state members are expected to be present, including Dr. Sherman L. Divine, pastor of the First Presbyterian church here and president of the state society.

Newbury to Speak. An address will be given by Don Newbury, Medford attorney.

Society meetings usually are held on the anniversaries of patriotic events and the one Saturday is in honor of the Battle of Bunker Hill of June 17. The meeting here, however, was scheduled for June 15, so that it would be more convenient for out-of-town guests to attend.

Willamette Route Returning Sunday

Eugene, June 13.—(AP)—Eribon cutting ceremonies will be staged atop the lofty Willamette Cascades, July 30, when first automobiles will travel the completed Willamette highway. The completion of the unfinished section will shorten distances between Klamath Falls and valley points north and west of Eugene.

REFUGEE SAILORS SAFE FROM DICTATORS' IRE

Portland, June 13.—(AP)—Seven political refugees who sought to remain in Vancouver, Wash.,



1940 MOTHER.—The American Mother of 1940 is Mrs. Edith Graham Mayo (above) of Rochester, Minn., widow of surgeon Charles Mayo. The honor "scared me," she says.

last April, were landed in Japan recently, ending their fears of meeting with the Russian secret police. The men—three Russians, three Poles and a German—were crew members of the Vladivostok-bound tramp freighter Penelope.

Radio Highlights

By Associated Press. (Time is Pacific Standard.)
Tonight: Europe—CBS 4:55, 6:30; MBS 4, 5:15, 6; WJZ-NBC 6; NBC 6.
Talks—WJZ-NBC 6:30, Rep. T. V. Smith on "Politics in 1940 from a Democratic Point of View"; MBS 6:30, Washington mass meeting on housing and defense; WEA-F-NBC 7:15, Rep. V. F. Harrington on "Government Agricultural Subsidies Out of Proportion"; MBS 7:15, Rep. Homer Angell on defense.
Friday: Europe—NBC 4 a. m.; CBS 4 a. m., 2:45 p. m.; WEA-F-NBC 9:30 a. m.; WJZ-NBC, noon.
Gals Facial.
Parkland, Cal.—(UP)—Mrs. Barbara Haiden celebrated her 100th birthday here by going to a beauty parlor for a facial. Except for the war, she declares the modern world is a better one to live in than the one she formerly knew.

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SISKIYOU PAGEANT AT ASHLAND WILL INCLUDE OVER 400

Fourth of July Celebration Feature Will Depict Settlement of Siskiyou Area

Ashland, June 13.—(Sp.)—The Cavalcade of the Siskiyou, which will be staged here the three evenings of the Ashland Fourth of July celebration period, July 4, 5, 6, will include a cast of more than 400, according to Jack Bailey, director of the big pageant which will depict the settlement of the Siskiyou mountain area.

"The Dawn of the Siskiyou Valley," one of the main scenes in the pageant, has already been cast. Mr. Bailey stated, featuring 30 Ashland high school girls in the ballet number, with a bevy of "creation," "flower," "sky" and "land" girls supporting the ballet cast. Indian scenes are already

planned to show the four tribes of Indians in this area when Ashland was founded. Indian songs, harvest dances, medicine scenes, wrestling, gambling and other features of aborigine life will also be depicted. The Cavalcade is only one part of the big, three-day celebration program which has been arranged. Main feature of the Fourth of July will be a monster rodeo, which proved so popular here last year.

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V. F. W. DISTRICT MEETING SLATED

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and their auxiliaries of district number eight, which includes Klamath Falls, Ashland, Brookings, Grants Pass and Medford, will be guests of Crater Lake post and its auxiliary at a dinner June 16 at 12:30 p. m. in the Medford Armory. District Commander Burse has called a meeting at 2 p. m. All delegates to the encampment are urged to be present. Final plans will be made for the convention. There will be initiation of new members. Commander Merrill A. Benek asks all members to be present.

FIRE BOYS BUSY BRIGHTENING HALL

The job of calcimining the entire interior and exterior of fire headquarters was completed today and the men turned their efforts to washing the woodwork and windows and re-hanging the curtains. The firemen themselves are doing the entire work. A two-tone color scheme was used in redecorating the hall, the ceilings being done in a light cream and the walls a shade darker. The kitchen was painted. A new roof was put on the

hall under contract recently. As soon as the roof was completed, the firemen set to work redecorating the entire building. The adhesive postage stamp came into use in the U. S. in 1847. The River Jordan is 200 miles long.

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