

COLONISTS LEAVE LONG BEACH FOR G. P. SETTLEMENT

Bedding and Cooking Utensils Carried in Autos — 125 Families Plan Journey

By M. E. Barker
Long Beach, Calif., June 26.—(AP)—Over a modern "Oregon Trail," the main body of a group of colonists leaves today for the north to wrest homes from Virgin land.

Twenty-five or thirty families will depart for a 680-acre tract near Grants Pass, Ore., where several families already have preceded them. R. J. Wilson, president of the Pioneers' club, said today.

In their automobiles they will carry bedding and cooking utensils. Their household effects will be taken later in five trucks the colony is operating between here and its new settlement.

125 Families Included
Unlike the wagon trains that operated over the historic Oregon trail across prairies and mountains a century ago, the new colonists will not travel as a party.

"Each car will have to fight its own traffic," said Wilson. "We can't take them through the cities as a caravan."

By the middle of July, 125 families in all will have left for the Oregon settlement, where log cabins already are being built and crops planted by the advance party. A sawmill four miles away is to be moved to the site to provide lumber for houses, Wilson said.

In addition to the 680 acres purchased as the site for the cooperative colony, 340 acres of timber land have been bought. Wilson said thousands of acres more have been offered, but the colonists will make sure of its value before buying any of it.

Five Acres Each
The timbering, he explained, is only to provide a "grub stake." As soon as the main tract is under cultivation, each head of a family will be given five acres of farming land and a house, in return for the \$25 paid into the colony treasury for its purchase.

Many of the colonists, Wilson said, are experienced farmers. But they also include engineers and artisans of various crafts who will be able to establish and operate the projected community.

Just about the same sort of cross section of society, it was suggested, as plodded along beside the lumbering ox teams from Missouri to Oregon a hundred years ago.

AUTO CRASH SUIT SET FOR JULY 15

The suit of Everett Gillespie against Archie Laing and William Oatman, has been tentatively set on the circuit court calendar for Monday, July 15. The action is based on an auto accident and damages allegedly arising therefrom. Two days have been allotted for hearing of the case.

Wednesday, July 17, is set for hearing of the suit of Chris Hansen against Walter Lipps and wife. It is an action involving land and money.

Suits of J. M. Nary and Vince Nary against Antonas Vicas, Viola Dunlap against Haney F. Barrett and others, and Joseph C. Reinhart against Sullenger have been listed, but do dates set for trial. The last three cases have been pending for some time.

CANNERY WILL START ON BEETS NEXT WEEK

The Rogue River Cannery company will start canning beets next week and at present is engaged in canning Boysenberries, purchased from Otto

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The canning company expects to also can some string beans and pears, and other produce, in season.

ELKS WILL DINE AND ENJOY FILMS

Elks lodge members will enjoy a motion picture with sound after the regular lodge session Thursday night. The pictures will be shown in the basement banquet room immediately following a Dutch lunch. This will be the last regular lodge session until the first Thursday in October.

The following committee is in charge of the Dutch lunch: Shy Morland, George Howard, Russell Roseborough, Jerry Gilstrap, Bob Lewis, Jerry Trill, Dick Lewis and Douglas Gardner.

The pictures will be under direction of C. A. Sander. The exalted ruler, Arthur Hess, announced that the films to be shown are entitled "Under the Antlers" and after previewing the picture he urged all Elks in the community to be present because he feels sure the picture will interest everyone.

WOULD-BE CAR THIEF SLAIN BY DETECTIVES

Portland, June 26.—(AP)—Martin Marche's effort to escape two Portland detectives in their own automobile yesterday cost him his life.

Detectives Pat Keegan and C. G. Ferry sought to question Marche, 42, about reports that he was attempting to sell a trailer on Southwest Third avenue.

Keegan said Marche whipped out a revolver and tried to commandeer their car. Ferry opened fire and a bullet struck Marche in the head.

RUBBISH DUMPER TO GET COURT SENTENCE

Walter Case Rawson, formerly of Oklahoma, is scheduled to appear in justice court late this afternoon for sentence for dumping rubbish on the property of O. D. Nelson on McAndrews road. Rawson agreed to clean up the mess, and report back to the court.

Rawson told authorities he came here from Los Angeles with his brother-in-law in a trailer, and then his kinsman returned south, leaving him here with trailer.

GOLD DREDGE OPERATION NEARS END FOR SEASON

Gold dredges operating in Jackson county have started to close down for the summer season, due to lack of water. The Murray-Murphy outfit on Foots creek, the Pleasant Creek Mining company on Pleasant creek is still operating.

SALEM'S EMISSARIES HOME FROM AIR TOUR

Portland, June 26.—(AP)—Salem centennial celebration boosters dropped in on Portland late yesterday, finishing a statewide aerial tour.

The emissaries, headed by Governor Sprague, visited Medford, Eugene, Klamath Falls, Bend and Pendleton.

SUGAR BEET SEED ACREAGE INCREASE IS PROSPECT HERE

Tour of Three of Better Fields Stated Friday—T. Start At Bohnert's.

There is a strong possibility of extending the acreage sown for sugar beet seed this year, according to the county agent's office. On a limited acreage this has proven a very profitable and desirable crop for the valley and any farmer with suitable land has an opportunity to plant acreage this year.

In order to create more interest in this crop, a tour of three of the better fields will be held Friday afternoon, June 28, as follows: At 1:30 the tour will start at Otto Bohnert's, Central Point; then Harry Dunn's field in the same neighborhood, will be visited and then to Ray Yost's in the Westside district where fertilizer trials have been tried by Prof. F. C. Reimer of the Southern Oregon Experiment Station.

The tour will be in charge of R. G. Fowler, county agent, and Prof. Reimer. George Scott of the West Coast sugar beet seed committee will be present to discuss methods and the management of this crop. All parties interested who have land under irrigation that would be suitable for growing truck crops are invited to attend this tour.

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SERGEANT HERE BOOSTS RECRUITING FOR ARMY BY JOINING HIMSELF

Staff Sergeant Willis S. Estep is in charge of U. S. Army recruiting here. Every recruit he signs up at his city hall office is credited to Medford.

At present Estep has a big job of recruiting a large number of regulars under the new defense program. So the veteran sergeant isn't overlooking any bets. He even re-enlisted himself and the enlistment was credited to Medford.

Estep, it was learned today, re-enlisted last week for the last time. He re-enlisted for three years but before the enlistment is up Estep will be retired. On May 10, 1943, he will have 30 years of service credited to him and that is the limit allowed. Actually he will not have been in the army so long as that, as he has received double time for services in China and the Philippines, a credit no longer allowed. Right now Estep has been in the army something more than 24 years and four months.

NEW FLAG TO GRACE SCOUT CAMP STAFF

When the boy scout camp at Lake of the Woods opens for its twelfth season on July 7th, a big new American flag will snap out from the pole, the gift to the camp of Mrs. Jack Davis. The flag is five by nine and one-half feet and will replace a much smaller flag previously used.

The flag pole is in the center of the camp parade ground where morning and evening color ceremonies take place under leadership of the camp staff. Registrations for camp are still streaming in, according to Kenneth Willis, boy scout executive, who will be in charge of the camp.

PREXY AT 35—Only 35, John W. Nason (above) takes office July 1 as president of Swarthmore (Pa.) college, succeeding Dr. Frank Ardelt. He's a native of St. Paul, was an expert softball pitcher, once won scholastic honors at Oxford.

CODDING JUNIOR WINS HONOR AT WILLAMETTE

Salem, June 26.—(AP)—Among 20 Oregon and Washington high school students awarded scholarships at Willamette university next school year were: George Coddling, Jr., of Medford and Richard Espey of Grants Pass.

Coddling is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Coddling of 1013 Queen Anne avenue.

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