

Grants Pass School Names Valedictorian

Grants Pass, Ore., May 18—(U.P.)—Margaret Garner has been named valedictorian of the 1950 graduation class at Grants Pass high school. David Volkman was chosen salutatorian.

TOMORROW VOTE for WAYNE MORSE REPUBLICAN—FOR U. S. SENATOR



He Has the Ability, Political Courage and the Rugged Honesty Oregon Wants in Congress

RE-ELECT Senator Wayne Morse

Pd. Adv. Jackson Co. Committee for Wayne Morse for Senator

Mother, Children Perish in Blaze As Home Destroyed

Saanich, B. C., May 18—(U.P.)—A mother and three children were killed this morning when flames destroyed their one story frame home here.

Mrs. Annie Reid, 30, and her two sons, Jackie, 4, and Brian, 3, and her daughter, Sharon, who was one year old today, were killed. The father, Machinist George Reid, and two daughters were saved.

The mother and father were awakened by the crackling flames about 5 a.m. Fighting their way through heavy smoke and flames, they carried two of their daughters outside. Then Mrs. Reid returned to the blazing house before her husband could stop her, attempting to save their other three children.

She entered the bedroom where the three were sleeping and was met by a wall of flame which trapped her, fire department officials said.

Smoldering All Night
Reid, who suffered burns to his hands and wrist, thought the fire had been smoldering all night. He said he and his wife were drying clothes in front of their coal stove last night, and left them there overnight.

"Some embers probably got on the clothes, and the fire was probably smoldering all night long, and broke out this morning," firemen quoted him as saying.

The four bodies were burned beyond recognition, Police Officer Walter Dawe said. "When we went in, we just found bodies. They were terribly burned. The kiddies were still in their beds, and the mother was on the floor."

SHE'LL BE READY

Memphis, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Clara Gould was preparing for the future when she advertised for a ju-jitsu teacher. Mrs. Gould said she wasn't taking the course with an eye toward immediate use, but what with the state the world was in, it might come in handy later.

CROC NEEDED KILLING

New Delhi, India—(U.P.)—When hunters ripped open a 16-foot crocodile which they shot near the town of Meerut, they found a woman's set of metal bracelets and a child's shirt.

North Beach Peninsula Provides Variety of Sports and Scenery

Following is a condensation of a motorloggers' report on the North Beach Peninsula, Oregon, as it is one of a series sponsored by the Oregonian and the Oregon State Motor Association.

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For Northwest residents with a limited vacation budget and a yen "to get away from it all" for at least a few days this summer, perhaps North Beach peninsula in southwestern Washington is the answer to their search for reasonably priced relaxation and recreation.

North Beach peninsula is a 28-mile-long sand spit which separates the Pacific ocean from Willapa bay and is located across the mouth of the Columbia river from Astoria. It represents a drive of some 140 miles from Portland via either the lower Columbia River highway to Astoria and then by ferry to Megler on the Washington side or north via Longview and Highway 830 and 101.

With the idea of previewing this vacation paradise for the 1950 season, the Oregon State Motor association sent the writer and his family to spend a week end at Ocean Park, one of several communities located on North Beach peninsula. Driving the familiar white car and accompanied by reasonably good weather, considering our "late spring" this year, we found most of the attractions available as outlined in the always inviting travel folders.

By prior arrangement, our host, Bill Stacey, who operates a motor court at Ocean Park, and Roy Sheldon of the Ocean Park chamber of commerce were on hand to greet us. Together they spent most of the ensuing day and a half conducting our party on a tour of recreational facilities, commercial



Clam digging is a favorite sport on North Beach peninsula.

oyster beds and canneries, historic shipwreck sights and superb ocean scenery.

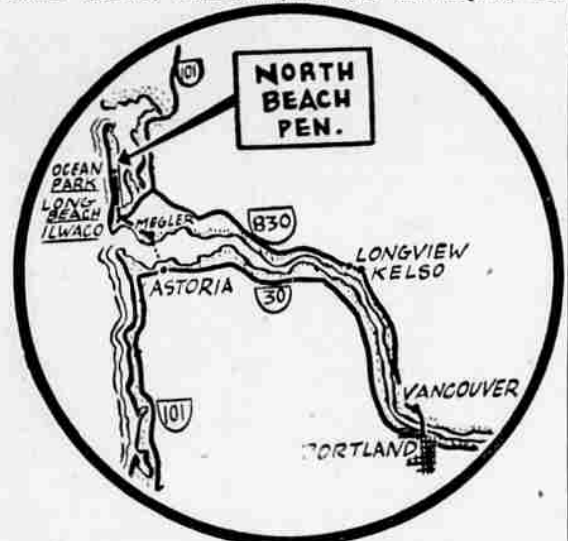
Newspaper training had made us wary of chamber of commerce enthusiasm, but we found it difficult to discount their claims for the "world's longest beach." They described it as a natural paradise for fishermen, hunters, hikers, horsemen and just plain vacationers of the lazy variety.

Furthermore they proved their case to our satisfaction. For the visitor with a desire to prove his prowess with rod and reel, there is a choice of stream, lake, surf and deep sea fish

against which he can match wits. For the visitor whose eyes are trained on the rifle sights, there are deer, bear, elk and duck to hunt. Even the golfer has been thought of and residents are busy preparing a nine-hole course for the enjoyment of tourists—and we'll bet they have plenty of sand traps, too. The peninsula has always attracted Oregonians in large numbers to dig clams and catch crabs, the like of which are hard to find anywhere else in the world. The Japanese current has favored the residents of North Beach by warming the nearby surf to a mild temperature that encourages one to get more than his big toe wet and makes the adjacent Willapa bay an ideal natural spawning ground for oysters. In addition to the surge of summer traffic, natives make their livelihood from working in the oyster beds, canneries and cranberry bogs.

At this season of the year, of course, the tourist is uppermost in the minds of residents, who are anxiously awaiting the influx of guests who swell their normal population of 3000 to more than 27,000 during the height of the season.

Numerous special events are planned each year to supplement natural facilities and make the visit of tourists even more enjoyable. Among the annual highlights each year are the following: Long Beach Japanese glass float hunt in April, Ilwaco's North Jetty fishing derby in May (no license required), Long Beach clam festival in May, Peninsula Saddle Club Horse Show and Rodeo in July, Ocean Park Oyster festival in August, Ilwaco mayors' salmon derby in August, and the Chinook salmon derby held in conjunction with Astoria during the last week in September.



Route taken by motorloggers from Portland and return.

Hillsboro, Tex.—(U.P.)—Tippy is a dog that can't be shelved. Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Cagle have given the half-chow, half-collie away twice now and he has returned home each time.

Timber Harvest Tax Produces Over \$1 Million

Salem, Ore., May 18—(U.P.)—The timber harvest tax authorized by the 1947 legislature had produced more than \$1 million by April 30, the state tax commission said today.

The tax is a levy of five cents a thousand board feet.

The assessment and taxation division of the state tax commission collects the levy and deposits it with the state treasurer. The fund is divided, 40 per cent to the state forest research and experimental fund, and 60 per cent for research in use of waste resulting from harvesting, processing and manufacturing of forest crops.

Costly to Collect

It cost \$63,139.16 to collect the million dollars.

The third fiscal year of the timber harvest tax ends June 30. Collections for the first fiscal year were \$375,265.27. Collections for the second fiscal year ended last June were \$380,258.44. The current fiscal year has seen \$233,212.58 paid to date.

There are penalties for operators who neglect to pay the tax, and these have amounted to \$11,276.38 since July, 1947. Refunds have been made amounting to \$3,312.03.

NEW 'HAND' DOES AS WELL

Memphis, Tenn.—(U.P.)—John Galt's handwriting today looks almost exactly as it did seven years ago. Then he used his own hand but today he uses an artificial one. His right hand was blown off during army maneuvers in 1943 and he had to learn to write all over again.

Dead line on Classified Ads: 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday noon Saturday for Sunday ads.

Gold Hill Scholarship Report Said in Error

Gold Hill, May 18—Due to a misunderstanding, the scholarship awarded to Miss Carma Ferguson, a Gold Hill high school senior, was incorrectly reported as coming from the Medford Business and Professional Women's club. Miss Ferguson's scholarship was awarded by another valley women's group which has asked that its name be withheld for a later announcement. Miss Dana Platz of the Medford Business and Professional Women's club said no scholarship has been awarded yet by the Medford club and that when the award is made it will be to a Medford girl.

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Medford's present water system is inadequate to meet the PRESENT and future needs of this fast-growing community. BE SURE to vote for the MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM ENLARGEMENT BOND AMENDMENT.

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Additional fire stations and new fire fighting equipment are URGENTLY NEEDED for the safety of this city. Money spent for this necessary expansion will be off-set by fire insurance rate savings. It's a SOUND INVESTMENT.

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This Fire Department Special Levy will insure proper maintenance of equipment and adequate salaries for personnel. Medford is growing up and cannot give efficient fire protection unless BOTH fire department levies are passed.

**All Three of These Measures
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Ballot at the Polls . . .**

**Tomorrow - Friday - May 19
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Organized Labor of this community has carefully studied each one of them and unhesitatingly endorses them. Remember, the health and security of YOUR city depends upon YOUR support!

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Defines the Objectives of the Republican Party:**

- (1) Reducing taxes;
- (2) Balancing the budget;
- (3) Fighting deficit spending and government waste;
- (4) Fighting communism here instead of complacently condoning it;
- (5) Making foreign policy truly bi-partisan instead of merely rubberstamped;
- (6) Fighting and exposing "SOMETHING FOR NOTHING" deception, whether it be socialized medicine, socialized farming, or hidden taxes;
- (7) Preventing either management or labor from getting too much power at the expense of the public;
- (8) Maintaining an adequate social security system that does not limit opportunity nor discourage initiative and saving;
- (9) Opposing any curtailment of veterans' benefits;
- (10) Smashing the filibuster on Civil Rights.

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Memorial Day Plans Laid by Committee

Plans for an observance of Memorial day were laid last week at a meeting of veterans and patriotic organizations in the Medford hotel. Mrs. Freida Lawrence, president of the Women's Relief corps, presided.

Col. W. H. Paine said a program has been arranged that will be similar to others held here in recent years. A patriotic parade will leave the old city park at 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 30, and will march down Main street to Bear Creek bridge where it will pause for a short ceremony. It will then go to Hawthorne park for an appropriate program.

Colonel Paine said all patriotic, fraternal, social and civic organizations of Medford and neighboring communities are asked to participate in the parade.

The annual Memorial Sunday service will be held in the Salvation Army church at 11 a.m., May 28. The service will be conducted by Maj. Jack Little.

DETROIT MAN LEADS

Indianapolis, May 18—(U.P.)—C. S. Sparkman, Detroit, led Woodruff Randolph, president of the AFL International Typographical union, today in their race for the presidency of the union of nearly 90,000 printers.

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