

# Crater Lake National Park Observed 50th Birthday Last Week

The 50th anniversary of the creation of Crater Lake National park—sixth in the nation—was observed last Thursday, according to Superintendent John B. Wosky.

May 22, 1902, was the day on which President Theodore Roosevelt signed the bill which created the park. It has been preceded by Yellowstone, Yosemite, Sequoia, General Grant and Mt. Rainier National parks.

Wosky revealed some of the history leading up to the creation of a park to surround the lake, one of the greatest natural and scenic wonders in the world. He said:

U. S. Senate and House urging the passage of a bill for withdrawal of the land from public use. Newspapers and state institutions enthusiastically backed the proposed National Park.

Chief difficulties in making the region a park arose from the reluctance of many members in the national legislature, especially easterners, to create more national parks. Revenues needed and obstacles in enforcement of proper police protection through U. S. courts were reasons generally cited for opposition. These members would gladly cede the park tract to Oregon as they had ceded the Yosemite valley floor to California 20 years earlier.

**Area Withdrawn**  
Far sighted President Cleveland, in caution to protect the area, signed a proclamation on Feb. 1, 1888 which withdrew from settlement, occupancy, or sale some 50 sections that included Diamond lake and Mt. Thielsen, but left out the easternmost part of Crater Lake, Grotto Cave and Cloudcap Bay. The boundaries were later adjusted to rectify this shortcoming of surveyor's data.

The park as created in 1902 has remained the same except for the addition, a quarter of a century later, of the 2½ mile extension along the southern approach road to preserve in natural, virgin state, the splendid stand of ponderosa pines growing there.

**Survey Region**  
To Maj. C. E. Dutton and Josiah Diller of the U. S. Geological Survey fell the task of study-

ing the region and its geology. They advanced the hypothesis of formation of the caldera in which the lake lies by collapse of the volcano's summit. Minute, detailed studies by Professor Howel Williams of the University of California corroborated their conclusions with further intermediate studies in the thirties.

Botanists have found the area intriguing. Dr. Frederick V. Coville of the Bureau of Plant Industry and others have described almost a dozen species of Crater Lake plants endemic to the area and the neighboring Cascades.

Among recent scientific studies, Dr. W. Libbey, radiologist of the University of Chicago, determined that the climax eruptions and the collapse of the summit occurred 6450 years ago, plus or minus 250 years.

**Many Visit Park**  
The park serves annually as a mecca for a third of a million people in quest of its charm and wonder. A lodge attractively located on the rim, public campgrounds and facilities, adequate ranger-naturalist services, a 32 mile drive over black top around the rim, efficient administrative and protective forces, and other features provide for safety, convenience, and assistance of the visitors drawn from every state and from all quarters of the globe. In winter, the area is an icy paradise and the goal of a great number of skiers.

In its 50 years, Crater Lake National park has served the people well as a pleasuring ground. It has come down unspooled through the decades. An even greater half century ahead is predicted for its throngs who come to wonder, admire, and worship.

Casserole lovers can now get glass casserole dishes with individual woven baskets to hold the oven-hot dishes for serving in style at the table.

## Blood Quotas Here Will Remain High, Workers Informed

"It is not anticipated there will be an increase in blood quotas needed, but there will be no decrease," according to a report on the Portland Regional Blood center meeting last week-end by Jackson county Red Cross officials.

The report was made at the Portland meeting by Dr. W. Max Chapman, director of the Pacific area blood program. Dr. Chapman noted that the Pacific units would continue on "the present basis of collection."

The medical aspects of civil defense were related at the session by Dr. Bernard Harpole, chairman of the medical supervisory committee of the regional coordinating council, who said "civil defense will soon actively enter the blood collection program in technical phases and in the stockpiling of plasma for civilians. Actual collection of blood will be under Red Cross direction, as is the current armed forces blood program."

**Said "Best Insurance"**  
Dr. Harpole referred to the civil defense plan for local blood taking teams and the actual stockpiling as "our best insurance."

Another speaker was Brig. Gen. John J. Burns, commanding general of Ft. Lewis, Wash., who stressed that it was the duty of civilians to support our fighting men, not simply the patriotic thing to do. He relay-

## Talent High School Students Winners

Talent — Talent high school commercial students were among top winners in a recent National Commercial contest for schools, according to announcement made today from the school.

This year students rated the highest in the six consecutive years that the school has been entered in the contest. Last year it placed fourth.

Individual honors went to Marilyn Eagle for first place in 120 word dictation, transcription, and theory shorthand; Joanne Jeanis, third in 100-word dictation; Lloyd Blair, sixth with 60 words; and Karen Olson, second for accuracy in novice typing. They received medals.

Proficiency certificates in bookkeeping went to Gary Hawley, Donna Schulz and Miss Eagle. A novice typist award was received by Gayle Thorsen, for speed. Winning recognition in the unlimited division of typing were Miss Eagle, Miss Schulz, Ruth Garrett and Lois Williams.

First year shorthand students, as he put it, "literally, the undying thanks of the servicemen" for the support the American people have given the Red Cross blood program.

Named to the executive committee for the coming year from Jackson county was Mrs. Leston Huntley. This is the first year southern Oregon has been represented on the executive committee of the regional blood center.

## Arnall Sees Prices Going Still Higher

Washington—U.P.—Price Stabilizer Ellis Arnall told Congress Tuesday that prices will go "still higher" for the housewife, the farmer, and the armed services if price controls are allowed to die June 30.

Arnall appeared before the House Banking Committee which is considering legislation to extend the Defense Production act. He said a recent spurt in wholesale food prices has probably—by now—sent the cost of living to a new all-time high.

"I tell you right now that if you do not extend controls you will have higher prices for milk, or bread, for the popular cuts of meat, for potatoes, for cigars, and for a large number of other grocery items," Arnall said.

winning certificates were Shirley Kilburn, Joyce Leeper, Hawley, and Shirlee Brown. Rolly Hartley won a theory certificate.

In the 80-word, second-year shorthand division, Barbara Kantor, Shirley Sullivan and Lois Williams received certificates. Qualifying in dictation, transcription only were Miss Garrett and Colleen Baylor. Donna Schulz won tenth in the 100-word shorthand division and Barbara O'Leary was twelfth. In bookkeeping Hawley placed 32nd in the nation. Miss Eagle and Miss Schulz were among the highest scoring of those who participated.

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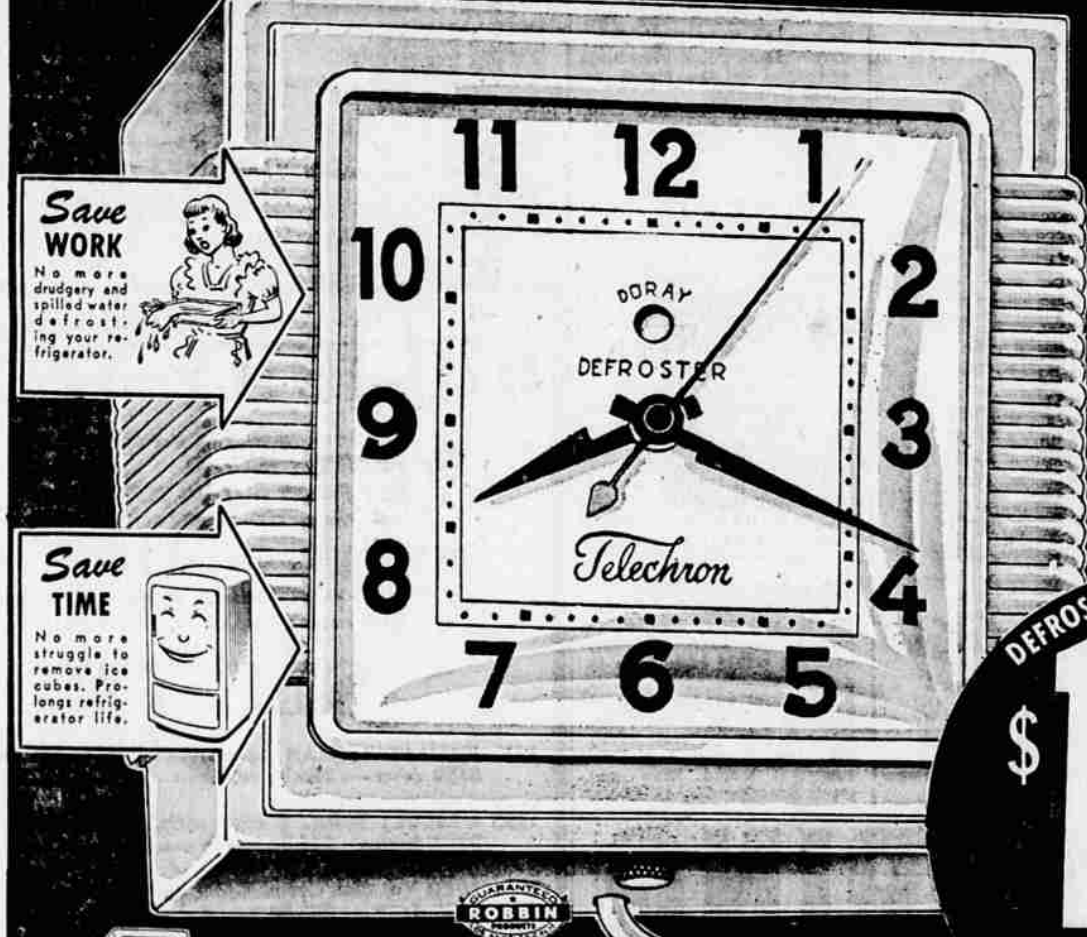
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