

Home of Oregon's Ancient Residents Visited on Motorlog to Fort Rock

High Desert Country, Horse King's Home, Included in Stops

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"Why when I came here," said Rube Long of Fort Rock, "the sun was just a little thing and there weren't no moon at all."

Rube Long, who enjoys pretending he is just about as ancient as the people who left their grass sandals in a cave near Fort Rock some 10,000 years back, sat in the parlor of his weathered ranch house and told about the country.

He grew up in it and, like most residents of the high desert country, is convinced there is no better place in the world, though to the outsider it may appear merely sagebrush and sand.

We were out on an Oregonian-Oregon State Motor association motorlog and a couple of people, including Phil Brown of the Bend Bulletin, had told us to look up Rube Long. We were glad we had. For one thing, he used to work for Bill Brown, who became known as the "Horse King" and is now part of the lore and legend of central Oregon.

"Bill never swore," said Rube, "but he had a few catchwords that he always used. He was always 'morally certain' about everything and he used that phrase in about every other sentence. 'When they first started the forest service, a fellow intro-



Abert rim, miles-long hunk of basalt, was tilted up by some ancient upheaval of the earth. Awe-inspiring in its rugged grandeur it is scenic treat in motorlog to high desert country.

duced the new ranger to Bill. He didn't approve of the idea of the forest service and he didn't acknowledge the introduction.

"He turned to the other man, sucked in a corner of his lips, a habit he had, and said, 'Well, sir, if the government's got a class of people they've got to take care of, I'm morally certain they ought to round 'em up and put 'em on a reservation like the Indians.'"

Bill Brown was one of the fabulous characters whose life stories are part of the history of south central Oregon. He rode in his stocking feet, wrote checks on chips of wood and once owned a million dollars worth of horses.

Sheep Made Money
He made his money in sheep and in big gulps and, according to Long, lost it in dribbles and because he didn't know one horse from another.

He signed away his vast holdings in 1935, when he was 80, and died in Salem in 1941 at the Methodist Old People's home, which he had helped finance in his heyday.

The great circle of rock that has been named Fort Rock, because it has the appearance of a fort, lies just a little east of Long's home ranch. In these precincts were found the caves from which woven sandals of an early people were taken.

Recently the age-old sandals were determined by an atomic counting process to be at least 10,000 years old. Dr. L. S. Gressman, University of Oregon anthropologist who conducts the scientific excavations, maintains they are the oldest evidence of human habitation of North America.

Like most of the other permanent residents of the Fort Rock country, Rube Long has a collection of arrowheads and other Indian artifacts he has been gathering since boyhood. You come to Fort Rock on highway 31, down through the Fremont national forest. This is

Local and Personal

Has Surgery — Mrs. John Stevens, 412 Western avenue, underwent major surgery yesterday at Osteopathic hospital, attendants said.

Surgery Patient — Wilma Simmons, daughter of Mrs. Elsie Simmons, Fruitdale drive, Grants Pass, had major surgery today at Osteopathic hospital, according to a hospital report.

Visiting Mother — Cpl. William P. Orlow, honor guard from Brooklyn Army base, is spending 10 days visiting with his mother, Mrs. Wilda Kruggel, 826 West Jackson street.

Captain Graduates — Capt. Joseph A. Peacock, whose wife, Mae, lives at 1604 Crown avenue, Medford, graduated June 14 from a two-week course for logistical command staff officers at Ft. Leavenworth. A unit instructor with the 304th Logistical Command, Medford, Captain Peacock entered the Army in 1941 and served in World War II and in Korea.

Treated for Burns — Mrs. Myrtle Triggs, 526 North Front street, was treated at Osteopathic hospital for burns suffered while trying to light a stove with the use of gasoline, according to attendants. They said Mrs. Triggs received second degree burns on her right arm and hand.

VFW Program — The Central Point VFW post will hold a community service program on Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial hall in Central Point. Joe William, state champion field archer, will present an archery exhibition. Colcen Hope will have part of her class entertainment. The program is open to the public.

Fremont Named It
This was where the second Fremont expedition, stumbling through the snows of the high ridge they later named Winter ridge, came down to the milder, lower climate of the lake and called it Summer lake.

We pass through Paisley, sleepy in the sun, and by the headquarters station of the Fremont national forest.

Before long ahead of us was the great escarpment of Abert Rim, the bare edge of a massive miles-long hunk of basalt tilted up in some great upheaval of the earth eons past.

It is the greatest such rim in North America and a sight to see, its green-fringed height towering over Lake Abert.

Then on to Lakeview, from where you may take off west to Klamath Falls, or east into the antelope range and Hart mountain where the antelope roam all the time and the Order of the Antelope, Lake county's highly select society of lovers of wine and song without women, meet once a year.

Completes Training — Army Pvt. Earl K. Henagin, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Henagin, 815 West 13th street, recently completed basic training at the medical replacement training center at Camp Pickett, Va., according to an army release. While at the center, he received eight weeks of basic infantry training and eight weeks of medical training.

Church Incorporates — Articles of incorporation for the Medford Church of the Brethren were signed and filed in the county clerk's office by Trustees Emerson G. Wolfe, 214 Stark street; Floyd C. Everdon, P. O. Box 887, Central Point; and Ray Pence, 1839 Myers lane, Medford. The church is incorporated for \$20,000 and is located at Mary and Sailing streets.

Vacationers Return — Gordon C. Hays, funeral director and embalmer for Conger-Morris funeral home, Medford, has returned from a two week vacation with his wife and two sons. They visited relatives in Cathlamet and Longview, Wash., and spent two days in Portland, where Hays attended an eight-hour professional course.

POOR PLACE FOR BRAKES — Port Credit, Ont.—(U.P.)—William E. Bradbury was fined \$25 for careless driving when police discovered the brakes for his car were tucked away in the automobile's trunk.

Notice to Septic Tank Owners
There's nothing more simple than a septic tank—when it works! And there's nothing more embarrassing than a septic tank that doesn't work! Usually there are two reasons why they stop-up and over flow—first, because the tanks are not cleaned at proper intervals; secondly, toilet tissue that does not readily disintegrate may clog the drains and force them to back up!

Few toilet tissues are made with the septic tank problem in mind. The one that is—MD Toilet Tissue—is scientifically processed so that it absorbs water completely and quickly. Try it in a glass of water and see for yourself.

Best advice: Consult your County Health Department, your plumber, or a septic tank service company, for advice on cleaning your tank. Use MD Toilet Tissue!



SEEKS NOMINATION — Mutual Security Director Averell Harriman leaves the White House after reporting to President Truman on his quest for the Democratic presidential nomination. Harriman told newsmen that the President praised his campaign as "tops."

Trip Ends — Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Renfrow, Camp White, have returned from a trip to Texas and Oklahoma. They visited Grand Canyon and other scenic points along the way.

To Attend Funeral — Members of Valley veterans' organizations today were reminded of the funeral for Walter Baker, a Camp White member, which will be held in the Camp White chapel Thursday at 1 p.m. Organizational representatives are urged to attend the ceremony.

Theft Reported — Jesse W. McCormick, 222 South Central avenue, Apartment 3, has reported the theft of \$8 in cash from his apartment yesterday, according to city police. They said entry to the apartment was gained by forcing a door.

Assume Name — William G. and Dorothy Mae Dickson, 2005 Sunset avenue, Medford, have applied in the county clerk's office for the assumed business name of Woodland Heights market, a grocery store. Oral E. and Dottie E. Freemyer have retired from the same business name.

Advanced in Rating — Charles E. Chaisson, son of Mrs. Frank F. Ewald, 375 South Central avenue, was advanced in rate to machinist mate third class recently, according to a navy release. A graduate of Central Point high school, Chaisson is serving aboard the minesweeper USS Pochard in the Atlantic fleet.

New Secretary — Miss Charlotte Grigsby is the new office secretary at the Goldy building office of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association. She succeeds Miss Joan Bruce, who has been with SOCTFA since September and who is now employed by Elk Lumber company.

Plan Dinner — Royal Neighbor lodge will hold a covered dish dinner Thursday, June 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Pythian building for members and their families. Mrs. Carl Pearson is planning entertainment. Members of the lodge are asked to take a hot dish or salad for the dinner.

Rummage Sale — The auxiliary of Crater Lake Post 1833, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will hold a rummage sale on Friday and Saturday, June 20 and 21, at the VFW hall, 42 North Front street. Members said good clean clothing, dishes and miscellaneous items will be on sale.

Merchant Takes It Easy — Proctor, Ark.—(U.P.) — Customers have to know their way around to buy anything from merchant Alva Phillebaum. There are no signs of any kind over Phillebaum's store, which looks like a house. The front door remains locked at all times but occasionally you may find the back door unlatched. Phillebaum hates to be annoyed while reading or dozing.

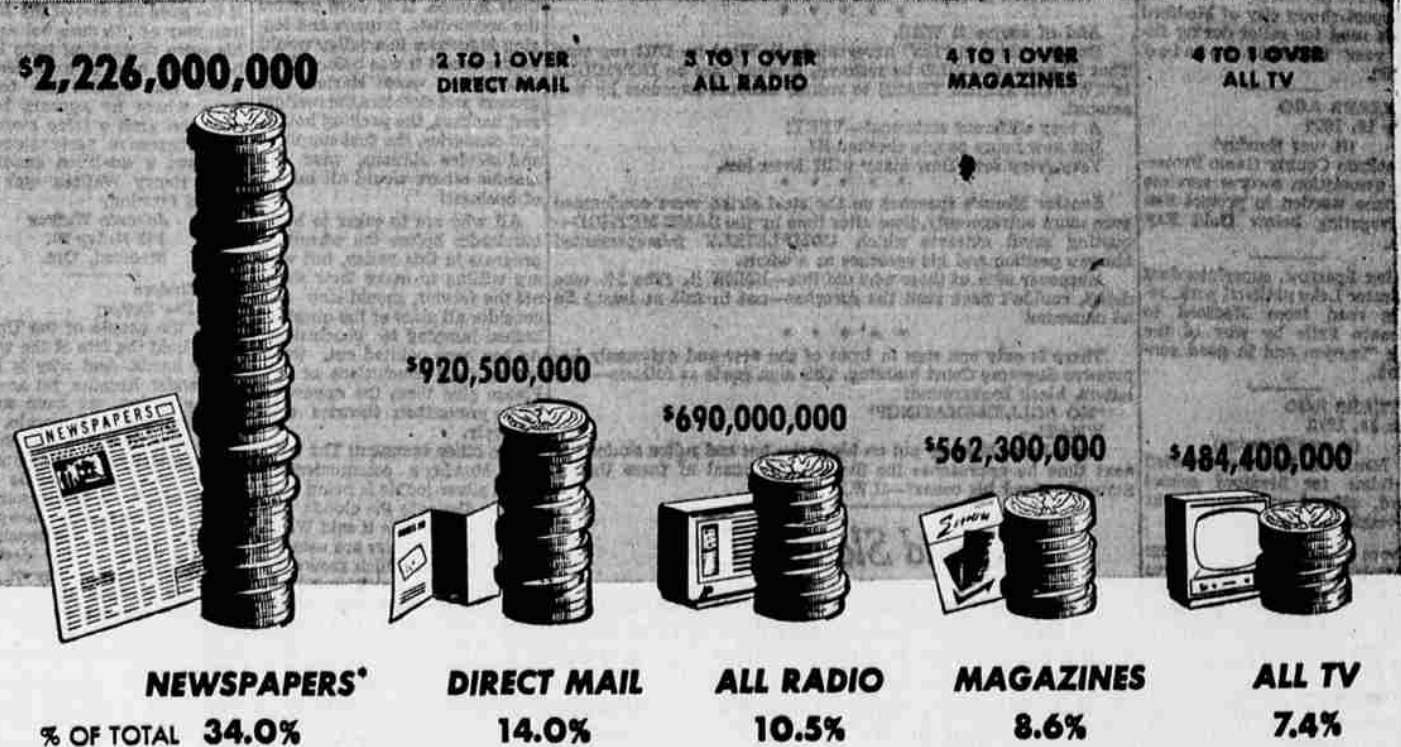
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