

TABLE ROCK Mosquito Plague Said Bad

By R. E. NEALON
Table Rock—The story in Friday's Mail Tribune, which quoted health officials as saying mosquitoes are not as bad as usual this year, was greeted with skepticism by many residents of this district, who have found them as bad, if not worse, than usual.

One family, which lives off the highway near where mosquitoes breed, reports they may have to move away if the situation is not improved.

Observers say the county fogging equipment just seems to "stir 'em up," and by spraying only alongside the roads misses the marshy areas where they breed.

Although a freak spring season here caused heavy damage to the first cutting of alfalfa and some loss to heavy stands of grain, the second cutting of alfalfa is progressing nicely with a good yield and excellent quality.

Grains, corn, fruits and other crops are beginning to show signs of a better than average harvest.

Farmers, especially farm owners, are not paying much attention to the clocks, some putting in as much as 15 hours a day. All are doing their best to produce every bushel or pound they can, which in turn will increase Ezra Benson's headache.

E. E. Robinson has purchased an implement that he uses to follow the mower, the newly cut hay is picked up and run through two steel rollers where it is crushed. The crushing of the stems causes it to dry and be ready for the baler much sooner, thus retaining many valuable chemicals that increase the value and make it more palatable.

A party of some 14 local people and visiting friends from other districts, recently composed a group that went to Crescent City to try their luck at

salmon fishing. They report poor luck, owing to rough water.

Among recent vacationing visitors here was Mrs. J. Burton and children of California, who spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Stallings. Mrs. Burton is the sister of Mrs. Stallings.

The Ray Bosworths spent their summer vacation at home and around the surrounding mountains and lakes fishing and boating in the latter, catching several choice fish, ad a coat of tan bordering on sunburn. Ray found the skin of a chef is a little too white and tender to take on a quick cut of tan without running into sunburn.

Talking with a man who used to farm, but is now working in a saw mill, about the latest valley subdivision where some of the best farm land to be had is being sold for home sites, we learned that it is his opinion that this is the only way out for the family size farmer.

According to him, with high taxes and labor and the price of things he has to buy what they are, he can't compete with other businesses, even if he works 15 hours a day.

Local people with cherries to sell report a poor market, as there seems to be a surplus of cherries in the valley.

Mrs. J. S. Richardson returned Friday from attending the teachers convention in Portland. Returning with her were her two grandchildren, Dennis and Debra Richardson, who will spend a few weeks at the Richardson home.

A birthday party was held Sunday evening at TouVelle park for David Doran and his yearling son, David Shane, whose birthdays fall on the same day.

A young skunk, somewhat smaller than the usual run, which had been raiding local poultry houses and destroying young fryers, was caught one

day last week in a trap set by a farmer whose wife's poultry house had been raided.

The farmer, finding his catch, was undecided as to disposing of the varmint without causing him to resort to the use of some of the highly scented chemical ammunition he carried for defense purposes. About that time Sam Glass, the ex-marine, appeared on the scene, and the farmer turned to ask him about the execution.

Seeing an opening, the skunk quick as a flash pulled the trigger, hitting the farmer, who had on a brand new pair of trousers, in the lower extremities. Needless to say, there was no more argument as to how to execute, but there were some in regard to deodorizing the pants and premises.

The Allan Fleischer family returned Sunday from the Bay region, where they visited at the home of Mrs. Fleischer's sister, Mrs. Dean Inglis, near San Francisco.

A letter from Mrs. William Bishop, now located in her new home in Kansas City, Kan., states that they have had an abundance of rain there this season and as a result the hills and valleys are a beautiful green and lawns are kept green from the rainfall.

She also stated that Kansas has a sales tax, and when she buys her groceries from day to day, the 12 cents or so is added at the bottom.

Venson Hunt of the Meadows district, ex-plane pilot, now a farmer, poultryman, stock man and fire warden, was a business visitor here one day last week. It seems he was taking his weekly output of eggs to market when his pickup truck was hit by a car making a left hand turn, sending the truck, eggs and all, spinning off the road, finally doing a nosedive in the ditch in front of the Gibbon market. Hunt was taken to the hospital with bruises and back and neck sprain, but was released the same day.

The Bigham clan made their

Nixon, Ike Confer On Campaign Plans

Gettysburg, Pa. — (U.P.) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon talked second term "campaign plans" with President Eisenhower Saturday. But Nixon said his own political future was not discussed.

Nixon told reporters after a 75-minute meeting with the President that it would be "presumptuous" for him to assume that he would be renominated for vice president by the Republicans. He said, however, that he would be "willing and honored" to accept the nomination.

Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall reported Thursday after a meeting with Mr. Eisenhower that the President made it "absolutely" clear he still would be "pleased" to have Nixon as his running mate. Hall himself had said that the GOP national convention which starts at San Francisco August 20 will name an Eisenhower-Nixon ticket again.

No Doubt About Ike
Nixon said there is no doubt that Mr. Eisenhower will be renominated. But he said it would be "presumptuous" to assume that he would get the No. 2 spot on the GOP ticket.

Newsman asked Nixon why he felt there was any doubt that he would have second place on the ticket.

"As you all know, in any campaign where votes are counted, the decision is never made until the count is completed," Nixon said. "I'm not going to indicate

yearly pilgrimage to Union Creek to celebrate Independence day.

Mrs. Grace Elliot, a native of Australia now living in California, spent the first of the week visiting her one-time neighbor, Mrs. Bill "Mary" Darling.

After an introduction to yours truly, Mrs. Elliot remarked that since Mary wouldn't come to see her, she, like in the old saying about the mountain not coming to you, had to come to the mountain. Innocently we asked if she was comparing Mary to a mountain. With the words hardly out of our mouth we had to do some fast sprinting to miss a healthy swing from a club in the hands of Mary.

The community seem rather quiet for July 4th with a few firecrackers set off in the morning, and our flag fluttering in the breeze being the only one we noticed.

Ray Wyatt, who generally displays his flag at the store, forgot it this time, and most of our population spent the day working at their usual tasks.

The Jess Elder family are now living in the house on Table Top ranch, recently vacated by the Clyde Halfhills. Elder is employed on the farm.

The Bob Sage family of Medford were Sunday visitors here with relatives. Bob has begun his summer vacation in the tall timber up near the slopes of Mt. Pitt, where he is a member of Steven Wilson's crew of timber workers. He says there are hordes of mosquitoes there, but so far they don't bite him much but aggravate him by lighting on his hands while he's trying with both hands to hook a choker.

Last Monday morning we got up to find some 50 sheep in our back yard, the gate between the grain fields and the pasture being left open Sunday evening by some self-invited visitor, who after enjoying the shade and scenery, departed leaving the gate wide open. An empty beer can near the gate was the only proof that it must have been a human being.

The Bill Meeks family, recently of Jacksonville, are now living in a cottage on the Goodlin place. Meeks is a logger and they have two small children.

Since the above was written, the elements cut loose here Thursday evening with a vengeance, with flashes of lightning that were almost blinding, and claps of thunder that were deafening, followed by a down-pour of rain.

Power and telephone service were disrupted, and at present crews are busy with repair work. Some hay and grain was damaged.

12-Year-Old Girl Critically Burned

Portland — (U.P.) — Sharon Bell, 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. Carol Bell, of Portland, was in critical condition at the Providence hospital here Saturday, suffering from burns over 20 per cent of her body.

Firemen said the girl and her six-year-old brother were playing at home while their mother was at work. The youngsters apparently were staging a "doll wedding," complete with candles when the girl's dress was ignited.

Witnesses who summoned the fire department said the girl ran screaming out of the house. Her clothes were burned off her.

Fire Lt. Sodium Adams took the girl to the hospital in the fire truck in a race against time. Most severe burns were on the girl's back and legs.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

Nixon said, as he did in April, that it is up to Mr. Eisenhower and the GOP convention. Nixon said he would do whatever job he is called on to do "and let events take their natural course."

A reporter asked if Nixon knew of any other candidate for the GOP vice presidential nomination. "There is always that possibility," Nixon said with a smile. "Everybody has a perfect right to be a candidate."

But he said he had no one specific in mind. Nixon said he and Mr. Eisenhower had a "brief discussion of campaign plans," but he declined to give details.

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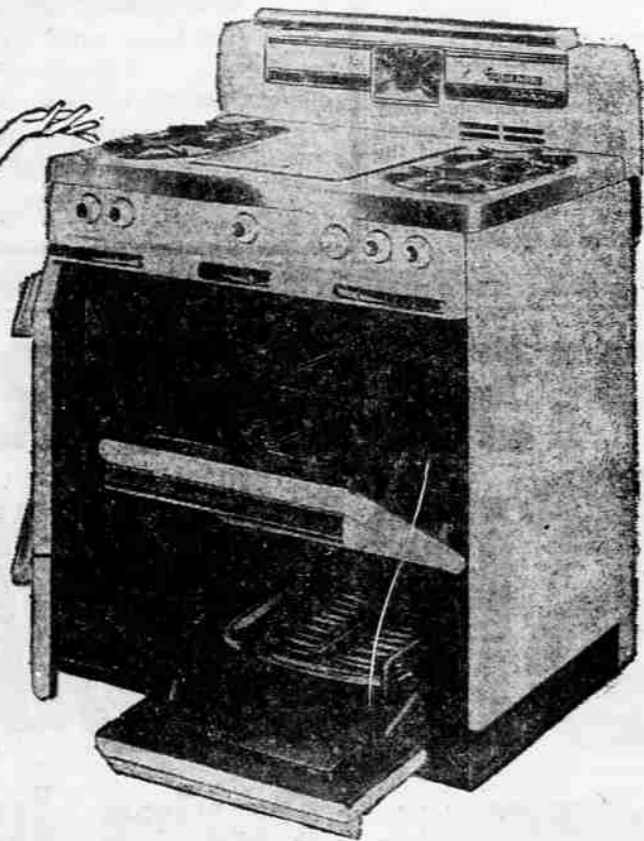
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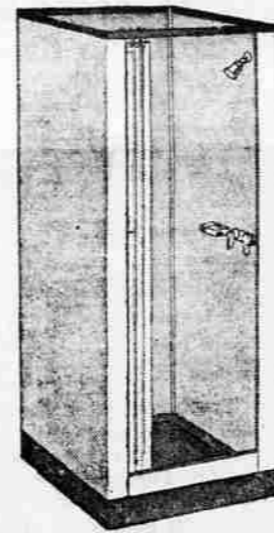
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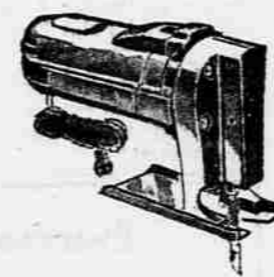
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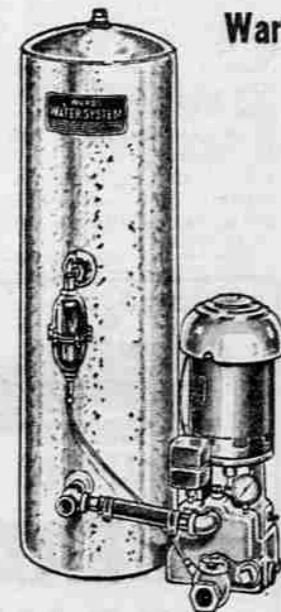
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