



**ROGUE HIKERS**—Leaders and members of Boy Scout Troop 13 stand with their loaded pack sacks just before they started out on an 80 mile walking-boating hike along Rogue river. The men and boys traveled from one

mile below the Graves creek bridge in Josephine county to Agness where they caught a river boat to Gold Beach. The adventure took a week, from June 23 to 30.

### Thirteen Boy Scouts, Five Leaders Hike Along Forest Service Trail on Rogue

Thirteen boys and five men returned to Medford recently after hiking about 80 miles, boating about 30 miles, and eating an unknown number of pounds of dehydrated food during the week.

They were the members and leaders of Boy Scout Troop 13 who hiked along the forest service trail in Josephine county, following the Rogue river from near Grave creek to Gold Beach.

The 18 left the First Presbyterian church in Medford at 8 a.m. June 23, transported by car into Josephine county to a point about 15 miles northwest of Grants Pass. They left the cars and the trail on the north side of Rogue river three hours later.

They walked the trail, somewhat damaged by the high river stages and windfalls, camping overnight at improved forest camps.

**Arrive at Agness**  
Covering nearly 50 miles, scouts and leaders arrived at the town of Agness the morning of the sixth day, Thursday, June 28.

They made camp at Russian creek, camp site, Kelsey creek, the Jack Anderson ranch on Mule creek, Brushy Bar (where

the forest service map showed an improved camp which, according to the hikers, "wasn't there"), and Illahe.

Only one rattlesnake was sighted, which the boys, as recorded in the trip log kept by Bob Stokes, "made short work of."

At Agness they boarded a river boat and rode about half the way to the coast. They then dropped off on a sand bar to camp for the night. Friday afternoon they were again picked up by the boat and taken into Gold Beach where they were met the

next day by parents and taken to Medford in cars.

During the trek boys and men lived on a diet of dehydrated food prepared by Bernard Food Industries Inc. A day's menu as prescribed by the company, included cornmeal griddle cakes for breakfast, mulligan stew for lunch, and "chili mac" for dinner.

**Those On Hike**

Those taking the hike included Vance Welty, Gordon Pathmann, Erny Pathmann, Dave Elmgren, Chuck Stokes, Ray Konopasek, Danny Coffin, Warren Skoog, Lonny Daugherty, Dick Morgan, Gary Ingram, Tom Wells and Jim Hensen, members of troop 13; Pat Pathmann, Rufus Younger, Dr. Ralph Hibbs, Dr. Jack Ingram and Bob Stokes, leaders.

A similar week long hike is planned for the troop next year. Preliminary planning for the Rogue River trip this June was done by a planning committee including Mark Lawrence, a forester for the Bureau of Land Management, and Roy Elmgren, forester with Elk Lumber company. Through Elk Lumber, the boys were able to obtain dehydrated food from the Bernard corporation.

### Woodland Farmers Gross \$1,830,511

Salem—Farm woodland owners in the state received a gross income of \$1,830,511 during the fiscal year ending June 30 from the sale of forest products through the farm forestry assistance program, according to Charles H. Ladd, senior farm forester with the state forestry department.

Most of the income came from the sale of 63,643,000 board feet of timber, which brought \$1,394,773. Products aside from sawlogs included 6,155 pieces of piling and 22,000 fence posts, hop poles and bean posts, Ladd added.

Minor products of the farm woodlands are gaining in importance, the forester said. During the year the total income from Christmas trees, floral products, crude drugs, bark and miscellaneous items totaled \$52,052.

### HURRICANE DISSIPATES

Mexico City—(U.P.)—The season's first tropical hurricane blew itself out Friday against the Sierra Madre mountains after causing light damage in the port of Tampico. Residents of low areas were evacuated as heavy rainfall partially flooded parts of the city.

### Industries May Be Tax Exempt in PR

San Juan, P. R.—(U.P.)—Ernesto De La Guardia, president-elect of Panama, said Friday his government may follow Puerto Rico's example of exempting new industries from taxation as a means of promoting Panama's industrial development.

De La Guardia, here for the celebration of the fourth anniversary of Puerto Rico's commonwealth status, said he was very much impressed by the results of the island's development program. More than 400 factories have been attracted to Puerto Rico in recent years by the tax exemption.

Soybean prices have gone up about one-third since the 1955 harvest.

### Senate Passes Boundary Line Settlement Bill

Washington—(U.P.)—The Senate passed and sent to the White House Friday a bill authorizing a settlement between California and Arizona on their sometimes wandering boundary line.

The boundary is the Colorado river. It has "meandered" over a large area in past years, committee reports said, but now appears to be fixed as a result of construction of major dams.

The bill, in effect, would let the states declare the present center of the river as the boundary.

### Four Acres Burns Over In Fire Near Corvallis

Corvallis—(U.P.)—A fire on private land at Starr creek broke out Friday at noon and spread to four acres before being brought under control. Starr creek is about 12 miles southwest of here.

Cause of the blaze was thought to be logging equipment. Firefighters from the Polk-Benton fire district and loggers in the area were still on the fire line last night.

Another fire was reported in the Lobster valley, south of Astoria, Friday afternoon, but was not thought to be serious.

### Two Boys Arrested For Cabin Burglary

Two 14-year-old boys, one from Medford and the other from Ashland, were turned over to juvenile authorities Friday in connection with a burglary sometime between July 13 and July 22 at a two-room frame bungalow 15 miles northeast of Ashland on Dead Indian rd.

The sheriff's office reported the youths admitted entering the bungalow, owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Samuel Jordan, 143 Gresham st., Ashland, and taking several knives, a hatchet, three packages of cigarettes and a telescope. The items were valued at approximately \$75.

Officers said the building was entered after a wire had been removed from the door of an adjoining store room. They also reported an attempt had been made to force open another door

and three .22 caliber bullets had been fired into the door. Ashland police and sheriff's deputies have been working on the case.

### BULL CHASED IN PENN.

McKeesport, Pa.—(U.P.)—An 800-pound bull, unlike his counterpart Ferdinand with his delicate ego, made it to the packing house Saturday—the hard way. George Katrick of nearby Port Vue downed the bull with a blast from a shotgun after it broke out of a pen at the Rendulic Packing Co. Friday, galloped into a wooden area and for two hours led police a merry chase.

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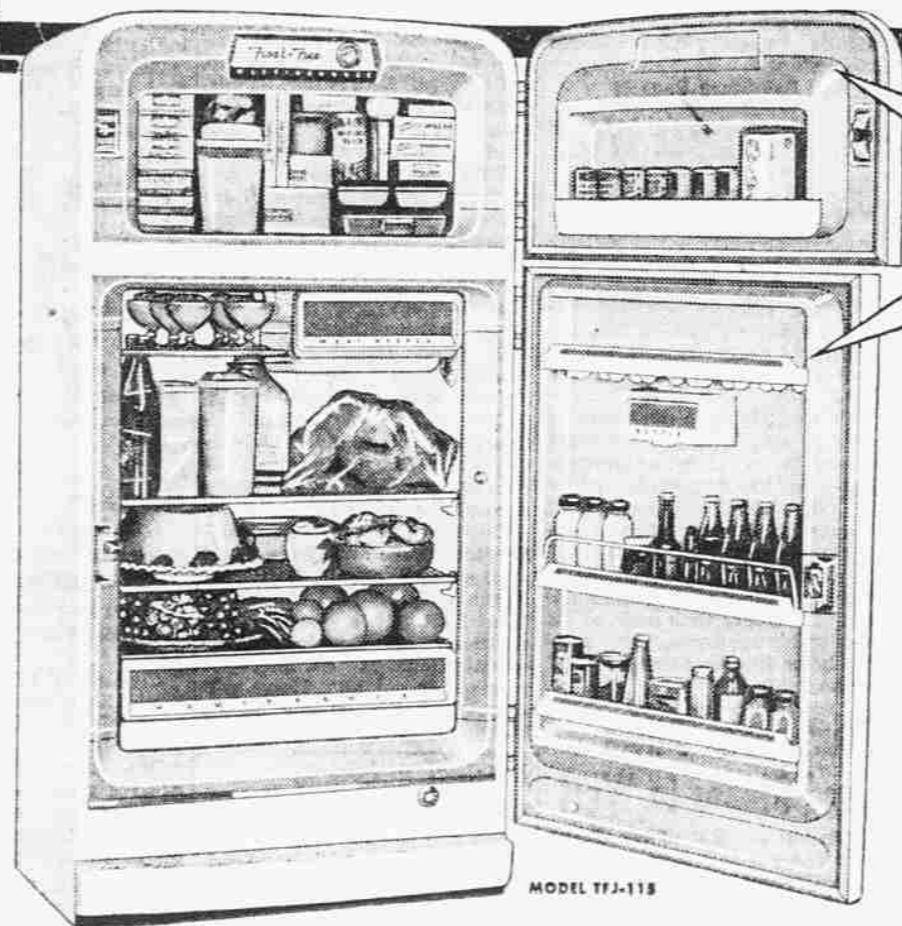
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