

Cemetery Near Hornbrook Kept Attractive Year Round

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Hornbrook — Each year a short time before Memorial Day, organizations and individuals participate in cemetery cleaning campaigns. They weed and rake the grounds, gather rusty coffee cans and broken jars and make the place presentable for expected Memorial day visitors.

Then, in a short time, weeds come up again, markers are hidden by brush and the cemetery lies undisturbed for another year. That is the story of most cemeteries. But the story of Henley-Hornbrook cemetery, just outside Hornbrook, is a different one.

Visitors Surprised

Visitors to the community, on seeing the cemetery for the first time, are unanimous in their reactions: "Why, it's the most beautiful spot I've ever seen!" Then almost without exception comes the question, "How do you do it?"

The answer lies in a small amount of tax money, properly administered.

Established in the 1850s, the cemetery was for about 80 years like countless others unkempt, unlovely, overgrown with weeds and brush—an eyesore in the community, and a constant cause for apology. But in 1937, largely through the efforts of Gordon Jacobs, who was then chairman of the board of supervisors of Siskiyou county, all this began to change.

Partly because of personal interest, and partly because he recognized and appreciated the historical value of the place, he was instrumental in getting a Henley-Hornbrook cemetery district formed. A tax for its restoration and upkeep was levied. Cost to the property owners is 5 cents on every \$100 of property value. Previous to this, the upkeep of the grounds was a "labor of love" performed by any individuals who were willing.

Gordon Jacobs' father, Jehu Jacobs, and his grandfather, both cared for it in their time, along with many others. The three original trustees still govern the management of the cemetery. They are O. G. Tyer, Charles Greive and Gordon Jacobs. Their first action was to employ a full-time caretaker. Noah Coleman, served in that capacity from 1937 to 1944. He was followed by Bart Crabtree from 1944 to 1947. The present caretaker, H. C. Reeves has held the position continuously since 1947.

Learns Much

A pleasant, smiling man, Reeves has made many friends. He also has gathered much history and information by his friendly habit of "never being too busy to visit with the folks who come in to tend their loved ones' graves—or strangers who come just to look and admire."

Through physical and manual efforts of these three men, under the direction of the board of trustees, a great deal has been accomplished. The overgrowth has been dug out, lawns established, a well dug, a sprinkler system installed, fences built, and numerous trees have been planted. Among the trees are two blue spruce near the entrance, and several deodars along the main drive.

The original plot of ground was 340 feet in length and some 200 feet wide. In 1947 the district purchased an additional adjoining strip of 150 by 340 feet from the late Mrs. Lola Bray.

"Beneath those rugged elms, that grew-tree's shade
Where heaves the turf in many a mouldering heap,
Each in his narrow cell for ever laid,
The dead—sisters, brothers—lie,
Till from their clay-bound slumber
The great first morn'ning stirs them up."

These words of Thomas Gray written so long ago might almost have been inspired by a visit to this little burial ground. Much of the history of the Hornbrook area could be traced by a stroll through the grounds and a study of the tombstones.

Killed by Indians

Here the founders of the town are buried, and here, too, are the graves of settlers killed many years ago by Indians. A monument to the memory of these pioneers was erected several years ago by Gordon Jacobs, and bears the names of four of them.

But many of them lie unknown—with only a small stone bearing the message "Killed by the Indians," to mark their valor in defending their homes. Some of the other violence of the early days is spelled out, too. One small marker bears the notation, "Woman found hanging in a tree—no name, no date, just that bare statement of fact."

Wars Represented

The country's wars, too, are spelled out. Here lie soldiers of the Civil War, World War I and World War II and the boys who were killed in the Korean conflict.

One might follow the progress



CEMETERY ENTRANCE—This is the entrance to the Henley-Hornbrook cemetery, located near Hornbrook, Calif. Grounds here are maintained all year long and the site is often visited by tourists as a scenic attraction.

The cemetery was established in the 1850s as a cemetery district to provide for its upkeep was formed about 1937. Present caretaker is H. C. Reeves, who has held that position since 1947.

made in the medical world, too. A most countless among the older graves, are those of babies who died at birth, or of small children claimed by epidemics—mostly of the dread diphtheria. The lack of these among the more recent graves, attests to the ability of modern medical science to lessen disease.

Twin Babies Found; Puppy Given Credit

Orting, Wash. — The 21-month-old Yanasak twins were found Saturday after a 16-hour search and their father, Edward, credited a loyal Beagle pup "Buddy" with leading rescuers to the scene.

The elder Yanasak said the dog slept with the twins, Kerry and Kevin, all night giving them added warmth. The dog also led searchers to the twins by barking when they neared the heavily-wooded area where the boys miles from their farm home near here.

Usually stay-at-homes, the dog Friday afternoon and became the object of an all-out search by soldiers from Fort Lewis, armed men from nearby bases, local police, sheriff's deputies, and hundreds of civilian volunteers.

Officials estimated that the search party had grown to a small army of more than 1,000 before Kerry and Kevin were found fast asleep.

Oregon Bar Denies Thornton List Request

Portland — The Oregon State Bar has denied a request by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton for a list of prospective assistants to prosecute cases growing out of the recent Multnomah county grand jury investigation of alleged vice conditions in Portland.

Thornton disclosed the denial Friday in releasing copies of the letter he wrote to the bar May 23 and the reply sent May 29 over the signature of Alan F. Davis, president of the bar.

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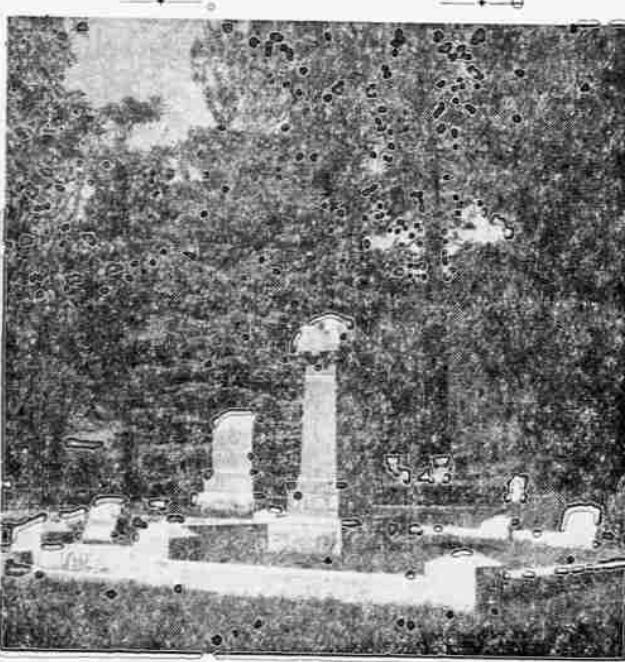
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NEW HAITIAN CHIEF—Daniel Fignole (above) has taken office as provisional president of Haiti to end a civil war that turned the capital city of Port-Au-Prince into a battleground. He promised elections "as soon as possible."



COLORFUL HISTORY—Inscriptions on grave markers at the Henley-Hornbrook cemetery tell the story of bloody struggles which took place in the early days of the northwest. Victims of Indian violence and lynchings as well as the founders of northern California communities were buried here.

Rifle Match Incident Explanation Sought

Washington — Rep. John E. Moss today asked for a full explanation of why the Justice Department put a secrecy label on a report about U.S. border patrol attendance at rifle matches.

The California Democrat hinted that his house government information subcommittee may hold hearings on the matter unless it is explained fully by Attorney General Herbert Brownell Jr.

"This appears to be another example of abuse of the power to classify and restrict information," Moss told the United Press.

Comptroller General Joseph M. Swing, who is in charge of the patrol in the Justice Department, prepared a statement which replied to Campbell's questions but the statement was labeled "secret."

Under a 1953 order by President Eisenhower, this label is used only for defense information, disclosure of which "could result in serious damage to the nation."

Moss heard about the incident and asked Brownell about it in April. A month later, Brownell's office informed him it was removing the secrecy tag from parts of Swing's report and making them freely available to Congress and to the public.

"But some sections were still withheld," Brownell's office didn't say who, or give any information about the nature of the "security" matter.

Moss said he has written Brownell again. He wants to know why the statement was held confidential in the first place and under what authority. He said he also had asked Campbell whether the parts of the report made public were "adequate" to his investigation, or whether he feels more should be declassified.

Moss said he looked at the parts made public and "I can find nothing" which would have justified the original decision to withhold them.

Nurse Supervisor To Attend Course

Miss Frances Klink, supervisor of nurses for the Jackson county health department, will attend a concentrated course in "Human Relations and Supervision" at the University of Minnesota in July.

Miss Dorothy Colvard, former county supervisor, and Mrs. Vivien Runte, both of the state board of health, have been granted scholarships for a "Workshop on curriculum development in general disease nursing" at the University of California at Los Angeles June 12-21.

The latter two are expected to assist in establishment of an in-service training program in Oregon following the course.

Portland Inventor Earns Refund on Federal Tax

Portland — A Portland inventor will get an \$80,000 tax refund from the federal government.

Federal Judge Gus Solomon Friday ruled here that royalties paid to William B. Gruber, inventor of the stereoscopic View Master device were capital gains and not ordinary income. Gruber had paid the tax demanded by the government and then sued for a refund.

The royalties were paid Gruber by Savoyers, the Portland manufacturing firm which produces the photo-viewing device.

New Folder Shows Numerous Changes In Jackson County

Jackson county is 11 miles across to Portland. It has 10 miles to the coast, 10 miles to the south, 10 miles to the east, and 10 miles to the west. It is a beautiful county with many scenic attractions.

Changes in 1958

There are many changes in Jackson county in 1958. The population is 20,063 last year, 20,063 this year. County population, 72,810 this year, 88,420 last year; number of policemen, 32 this year, 32 last year; city school enrollment, 5,265 this year, 4,749 last year; city water connections, 7,112 this year, 6,000 last year; city electric customers, 8,682 this year, 7,938 last year; population 6 miles radius from city center, 46,225 this year, 32,500 last year; acres of farm land, 472,739 this year, 365,948 last year; churches, 44 this year, 37 last year; distance to Portland, 289 miles this year, 300 miles last year; and average rainfall, 18.22 inches this year, 18.10 last year.

Mighty River Job Started; Counties Battle for Rights

Oroville, Calif. — Construction on the mighty river development in history symbolically was started Saturday when California's Gov. Goodwin J. Knight turned the first spadeful of earth at the Feather River project.

When completed, the 1 1/2 billion dollar project will feature the largest concrete dam in the world and a man-made river longer than the Rhine, including a 10 mile tunnel in the Tehachapi Mountains through which water will be pumped to arid Southern California.

The 19 years-plus project is the focal point of a bitter fight between water-rich northern California and southern California. It involves the "counties of origin" proposal which simply is a quarrel over who will have first claim on the waters of the Feather.

Seek First Call

Powerful, southern California factions in the state legislature have refused to agree to the project without a guarantee of so much water through good years and bad. Northern California legislators are just as zealously fighting for first call on the available water as a fundamental right.

The state constitution must be amended to settle the issue.

Knight pointed out the need for settling these differences without interfering with the orderly construction of the project.

"It is essential that the water rights question—reservation for areas of origin and allocation to areas of deficiency—be defined before the actual delivery of water and power from the project," he said.

"However California can and should have this absolutely essential project well underway while those matters not relating to construction are settled."

Two California Fliers Die in Airplane Race

Tucson, Ariz. — The bodies of two men, one a millionaire California sportsman, were discovered Saturday in the wreckage of their light plane in the worst accident ever recorded in Tucson air races.

Alvin Hewitt, 47, president of Aero Duct Inc., South Gate, Cal., aircraft parts firm, and Addison B. Conroy, 37, vice president of the company, were flying one of 55 planes entered in the 753-mile race from Hayward, Calif., to Tucson. Hewitt was the pilot.

The plane, a single engine Bonanza, crashed Friday near Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., but wreckage was not found until Saturday morning.

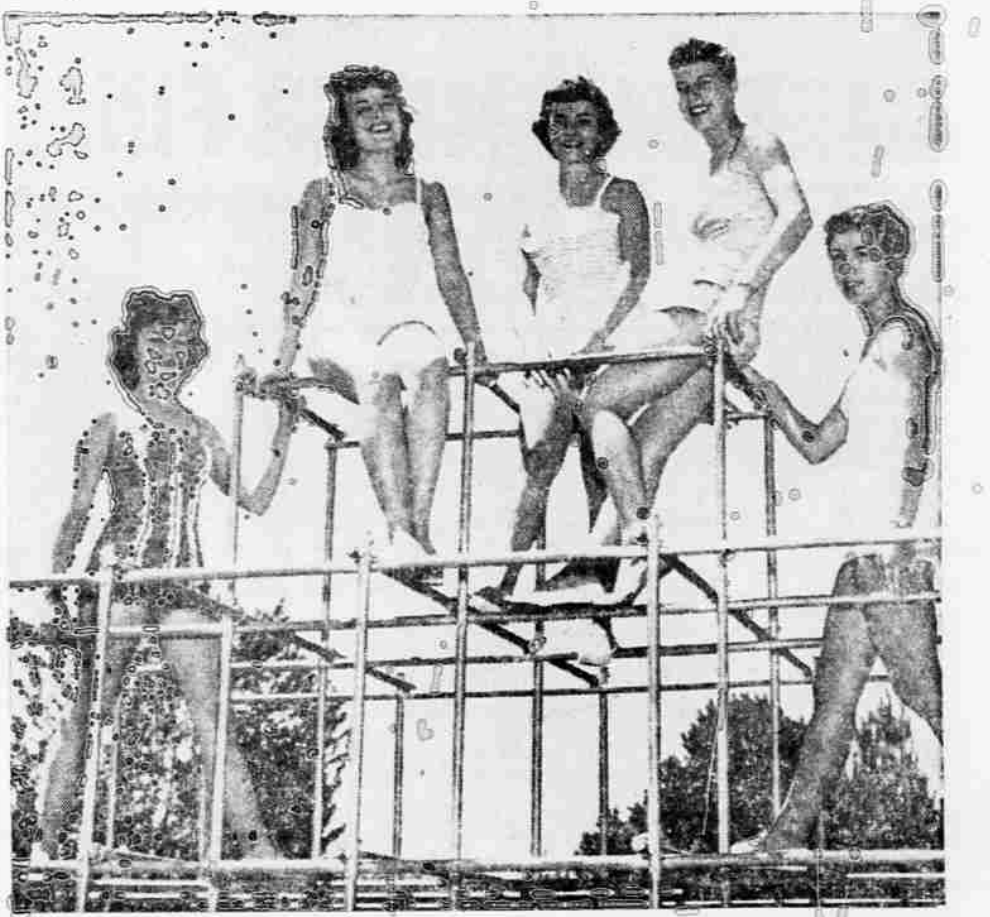
Two other Californians were the first to complete their flights. Don Wells, San Leandro, Calif., landed at 10:18 a.m. at Tucson airport, followed in 10 minutes by Bob Douthitt, 21, Centro, Calif., who won last year.

Driver Killed

Roseburg — Harold Ott, 28, Riddle, Ore., was killed outright early today in a one-car accident near Days Creek, Ore., in Douglas county.



UPRANGLER of his 30-year-old great-grandmother in St. Paul, Dennis Weiss, 17, then shot and critically wounded Deputy Sheriff Roger Johnson, 32.



TO REIGN AT DERBY—The five young women above have been chosen by the Medford High school sophomore class to reign at the 24th annual National Catfish Derby June 16.

From left to right are Princess Sylvia Baker, Queen Nancy Picard and Princesses Sharon Blickenstaff, Carol Leffler and Vickie Palmer.

MHS Sophomore Named Derby Queen

Nancy Picard, Medford High school sophomore, will be queen of the 24th annual National Catfish Derby at TouVelle state park on Fathers Day, June 16.

Miss Picard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Picard, 3400 Jacksonville highway, was selected by the sophomore class, along with princesses Sylvia Baker, Sharon Blickenstaff, Carol Leffler and Vickie Palmer.

Banquet Planned

The queen and her court will be entertained at a banquet June 8 by the Medford 20-39 club which sponsors the derby. They will reign at the festivities which begin at 1:30 p.m. at the park.

There is no admission charge.

"Try-chairmen" for the derby are Don Wells, Bert Rostell and John Watkins. They have outlined an afternoon of contests in pie-eating, bubble-gum blowing, sack races and other events.

Prizes Due

Prizes will be awarded to event winners as well as for the biggest catfish caught, the most catfish, the youngest contestant, the oldest, and a grand sweepstakes award.

Awards will be made to the baldest man, the fattest woman, the longest marriage, the reddest hair, the most freckles and the oldest car.

Youngsters attending will be given 450 Cortland non-sinkable fly lines, three hundred fishing forecasts and certificates.

"Uncle Bert" Schuchard will be master of ceremonies, as in past years. Judges will be "Kingfishers" Frank Perl and Frank DeSouza, assisted by the queen and court.

Refreshments will be sold throughout the afternoon. Attendance is expected to surpass 5,000 for the first time.

A recorded broadcast of the events is to be prepared by Radio station KMRD for possible nation-wide use.

Eugene Bank To Close Windows on Saturday

Eugene — Citizens Bank of Eugene has announced plans to close its doors on Saturdays and to remain open Friday evenings.

H. Sanford Saari, president of the independent bank, said the bank would be closed Saturdays except for drive-up and walk-up windows which would remain open from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. Friday banking hours would be from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Saari sent letters to the bank's patrons asking their co-operation in giving the new plan a fair trial and indicated the action was taken as a result of Saturday closures announced by the Portland Federal Reserve Bank. The schedule change here will be effective next week.

Clark, Elkins To Ask Wiretap Case Retrial

Portland — Attorneys for racketeer James Elkins and his employee, Raymond Clark, filed notices of appeal Friday from their federal court conviction on wire tap charges.

Appeal bonds allowing the two to remain at liberty during the appeal process were set at \$2,500 for Elkins and \$1,500 for Clark.

They were sentenced by Judge William East recently to jail and fines on the wire tap conviction—20 months and \$1000 for Elkins and six months and \$500 for Clark.

Hearings has been set for June 17 on their motion for a new trial.

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