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ILLINOIS VALLEY Firemen Schedule Dance

By RUTH RAUSCH

Cave Junction – The next fireman's ball will be held in the American Legion building Sept. 27, according to a recent announcement. The Polkadots of Medford will furnish the music.

It is the hope of the Illinois Valley Rural Fire Protection association that a dance can be staged every month this year in order to raise money for the purchase of two-way radios for the fire trucks.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Meyer have been entertaining Dr. Meyer's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hall of Salem.

Mrs. Jim Allen and daughters have just returned from a 10-day vacation in Longview, Wash., with Mrs. Allen's parents.

Larry and Jean Preston stopped in the valley at the home of Jean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Knight, on their way from Ashland to Santa Rosa, Calif., to visit with Andy and Clydus Mellow.

Young Pat Rians, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Rians, celebrated his third birthday with a party at his home Tuesday afternoon.

Taking part in the games and helping Pat celebrate were Susan and Pat Peters, Keith, Kerry and Sharon Cushing, Laurie, Greg and Meg Krauss and Casey Mann and their mothers. Refreshments of cake, ice cream and punch were served by hostess, Mrs. Rians.

The WSCS will hold a rummage sale at the Immanuel Methodist church Sept. 24 and 25. Pie and coffee will be served both days during the sale.

A delegation from the Illinois Valley high school chapter FFA attended the district leadership training conference held at Crater High school in Central Point Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to instruct the newly-elected officers in their duties.

Clark England, president of the local chapter, was appointed District Sentinel. Principal speakers of the day included state advisor Ralph L. Morgan, and state president Ed Menary of Sheridan. Other state officers present included the state secretary and state sentinel.

Those attending from here were Clark England, president; Ken Shawhan, vice president; Wendell Seat, secretary; Mike Burnett, treasurer; Dennis Bottel, reporter, and Oliver Wilsbn, sentinel.

The group was accompanied by advisor, Wally Eichler.

Mrs. Harry Floyd is chairman for the United Fund campaign for Illinois Valley, which started Sept. 15. Gordon White is heading the chamber of commerce committee and will contact the mills. Mrs. Floyd stated there is need for more solicitors and anyone who wishes to help should contact her.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Knight and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith were hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Palmer and son, Ben, of Tehachapi, Calif., recently. The three families gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Bell in Medford for a family reunion.

The Bob Bottels of O'Brien have returned from a two weeks vacation in California. Bob's mother, Mrs. Nina Bottel, and his brother, Bill, accompanied the family as far as Fresno, Bill Bottel's home. Mrs. Nina Bottel planned to visit in Fresno before returning to her home in Riverside.

Visiting at the Gene Pulley home in O'Brien is Mrs. Pulley's father, Bond Ward, of San Francisco.

The Kerby PTA will hold its first meeting Thursday, Sept. 18, when the panel of new teachers will be introduced, according to Mrs. Ronald Prather, president.

Scouts Urged To Observe Prayer Day

The Crater Lake Council, Boy Scouts of America, is urging its 5,500 members to observe Oct. 1 as a day of prayer for the nation and for mankind, in accordance with President Eisenhower's proclamation.

Dr. Arthur A. Schuck, chief Scout executive of the Boy Scouts of America, in a message to Council President, J. A. McDougall, of the Crater Lake council, said, "Each of us covets every opportunity to make the 12th point of the Scout law effective. Also, each of us in Scouting recognizes the power and importance of prayer."

The 12th point of the Scout law reads: "A Scout is reverent. He is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion."

Writer Foiled in Attempt To Test Survival in Wilderness

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Mail Tribune
Washington Correspondent

Washington – With war clouds seemingly just over the horizon all summer–possibly clouds containing atomic radiation fall - out – the little woman began voicing an interesting survival of the fittest theory for the atomic age.

A Robt Smith

It was that only those fit to live in the wilderness might survive a bombing attack designed to level the industrial and governmental centers of American might and power. That those of us accustomed to the comforts of urban living might not survive in the hinterland, even if we succeeded in escaping the bombs and the fallout.

Just the common rigors of living outdoors would get us in the end.

So we borrowed a tent, sleeping bags, cooking gear, loaded the family bus with canned food and rugged clothing, and headed for the Atlantic coast to see if we could survive a week of outdoor living in mid-September.

To one whose sole exploit in the wilderness consisted of passing a 14 - mile hike test two decades ago with the Boy Scouts, and sleeping overnight in the woods of central Pennsylvania before hiking homeward, this decision was taken without noticeable apprehension.

Library Books Browsed

But the female of the species, more conscious ever of details, began to quake at the realities of the problem of no running water, etc. The public library, well stocked with books on camping, allayed the more common fears by illustrating what to do about this and that in satisfying the elemental needs of a family living outdoors.

Friends who slept overnight on the lengthy strip of beach owned by the state of Deleware encouraged us in that direction, and off we went.

Unlike the West and Alaska, the East is not blessed with vast public lands on which its teeming millions can play. These rare public beaches in Deleware some 20 miles long, wide and sandy, offered a rare opportunity to commune with nature.

But on each of the recreation areas the sign said vary bluntly: No camping. We discovered that the state has restricted tent pitching to two spots, neither of which is in sight of the ocean. For $2 a day or $12 a week, a tent site right next to somebody else's is all yours. No trees, no ocean, just regulated camp life.

Made Wrong Turn

We kept going. That is until the old man made a wrong turn into a likely looking spot and got up to his hub in sand. The Coast Guard came to the rescue with truck and rope. Luckily this wasn't the real evacuation of the cities, or the boys would have been guarding the coast.

Maryland, we speculated, might be more liberal in its camping laws, so we drove over the state line still looking for a spot to set up housekeeping by the pounding breakers. Soon we found it, a place where no signs were posted against camping and no houses had been built by enterprising real estate developers.

But the fly-by-night campers had been there. No place short of the city dump contained more tin cans than this stretch of otherwise scenic Atlantic beach. The state didn't own the beach, and developers hadn't protected it from litterbugs.

Proved Too Wild

It was nearly sundown by the time we had discovered that one last resort, a wilderness area listed on the map, turned out to be nothing but a marshland. It was a little too wild. Soon we were in the outskirts of Ocean City, Md.

We inspected the city owned beach in the outskirts and found it clean but off-limits to everything from unleashed dogs to citizens carrying bottles. We turned back, not certain where we might rest our heads – a vexing situation every evacuee must surely face sooner or later.

Finally, we found the spot. The fact that a perfectly agreeable gentleman from Arkansas had built a swell motel, equipped with swimming pool, on the site didn't bother us a bit by then – and less so as the sunny days passed during our stay there.

We hoped more fervently that the peacemakers are successful, for nothing in our trek, our capitulation to comfort, persuaded us that we could survive a real test.

Philip Crosby To Wed Showgirl

Hollywood–(UPI)–Philip Crosby, 23, son of crooner Bing Crosby, plans to follow his twin, Dennis, into matrimony soon with Las Vegas showgirl Sandra Drummond, 20.

Bob Crosby, Philip's uncle, disclosed Monday night that the couple would be married after Miss Drummond has taken instruction in the Roman Catholic faith.

Young Crosby met the attractive dancer at the Tropicana where Dennis Crosby claimed another showgirl, Pat Sheehan, as his wife in a surprise ceremony last May.

Philip said he planned to give up school at Washington State college, where he had enrolled for the fall semester, to get a job to support his wife.

There were reports last June that Philip was squiring the dancer around the glittering Las Vegas Strip but the possibility of marriage was ruled out at that time. The decision to put off marriage until Miss Drummond becomes a member of the Roman Catholic church would avoid the troubles of Dennis and his wife.

They were married between the acts at the Gretna Green Wedding Chapel.

Next day they found they had been married by a Protestant minister and not by a justice of the peace.

Thornton Points to Domestic Problems

Salem –(UPI)– Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton, who seeks the congressional seat held by Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) said Monday night that unemployment and inflation were the country's top domestic problems.

Thornton told the Democratic club at the Ardenwald Community House that the administration and Congress both failed to take decisive action on the high cost of living.

"In 1947 the Republican 80th Congress removed all controls on prices, claiming that costs wouldn't go up and that inflation could be controlled by bank credits," he said. He said Norblad went along with this program and voted against "adequate controls" against inflation.

Kayak Travel Fun for Pair

Portland – (UPI) – A water cruise for two from Canada to South America has its ups and downs. Particularly if you're traveling by kayak.

But John Braggins, 24, and Peter Edwards, 25, said Monday that so far their kayak trip is great fun. They arrived in Portland Monday on the Willamette river for a brief stopover.

Braggins said they left Victoria, B.C., 24 days ago. They appeared at the mouth of the Columbia river after skimming through the Strait of Juan de Fuca and down the coast. The trip from Astoria to Portland took four days.

Braggins said they both wanted to see the Pacific coast and South America but couldn't afford a big boat, hence the kayak.

Braggins is an ex-merchant mariner and Edwards a former cab driver. Edwards left London for Canada three years ago and Braggins was originally from Wales.

They said they planned to continue up the Willamette to Eugene and from there they intended to portage where necessary and eventually get back to the coast somewhere in California.

Zaragoza, Spain –(UPI)– Film star George Sanders, 52, and Benita Hume, widow of the late actor Ronald Colman, will be married within the next six months.

Neuberger Receives Eisenhower Pens

Portland–The White House has sent to Sen. Richard L. Neuberger both pens with which President Eisenhower signed into law on Aug. 23 the Klamath Indian Reservation Purchase bill, which the Oregon senator sponsored in the Senate at the request of the national administration.

Neuberger announced today that he plans to present the pens to groups which he feels "will preserve them in perpetuity for the people of our state and of the Klamath basin."

One pen, the senator said, will go to the Oregon Historical society and the other to the Klamath County library. Neuberger will formally present the pens at a dinner in his honor, now scheduled to be held in Klamath Falls on Oct. 8.

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