

Coast Motor Trip Fun With Children

The following is a condensation of a motor trip which appeared in The Oregonian, one of an annual series sponsored by The Oregonian and the Oregon State Motor Assn. These travel articles describe vacation trips and vacation spots of particular interest to out-of-state visitors coming to Oregon for the Centennial celebration.

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Motoring along the central Oregon coast with a two-month-old and a "terrible two-year-old" can be fun... even for the parents.

Loaded down with enough boxes and suitcases for a three-week cross-country trip, we started on our 110-mile three-day journey in the white motorlog ranch wagon belonging to the Oregon State Motor Assn.

Our sightseeing excursion began at Taft, a small ocean community on the 20-Miracle Miles, situated comfortably on the confluence of the Siletz River and Bay.

It was a fresh, warm, sunny day when we drove into Taft to try our hand at crabbing and other pleasant sports offered in this charming little town.

Just a block off the main highway is the rich crabbing waters of the Siletz Bay. Some fishermen prefer crabbing in a boat in the inlet of the bay; others enjoy the steadiness of the Russ Bailey dock, a few hundred yards from a parking strip conveniently located along the sandy, driftwood-stocked shore.

A round galvanized crab ring and some fish carcasses for bait are all that are required for crabbing. And these may be obtained at the Bailey dock.

The best time to catch the delicious Dungeness crabs is from two hours after the tide ebbs to high tide. Fishing for crab requires no skill. Simply lower the rings by a rope into the water, wait five or ten minutes, pull them briskly up and, presto, you will bag enough crabs to stock a market.

Unfortunately, you can't take it all with you. Oregon Fish Commission regulations limit the catch per person to 12 male crabs measuring not less than 5 1/2 inches in width across the back. The flap on the underside of the crab distinguishes male from female. On the male crab it is very narrow; on the female it is broad (where a broad should be broad).



Here in Depoe Bay, one of the coast's more picturesque fishing communities, is a sight-seer's paradise. The Oregon State Motor Assn., motorlog traveler found this scene of the fishing fleet in the sheltered Depoe Bay inlet.

With our catch in the bag, we left this bountiful shore and drove a few miles south to the approach to the Siletz sand spit, where one finds a veritable beachcomber's paradise. This is only one of many places along the scenic 500 miles of Oregon coastline where driftwood treasures are to be found.

The sand spit can be reached from land several miles below Bailey's or by small craft across the inlet.

Many strange and fascinating pieces of driftwood, beautiful in their graceful shapes and patterns, can be picked up by any visitor, and with no one to raise a protesting hand. This is possible, unlike many other coastal states, because Oregon's shoreline is state-owned and for the public use.

Driftwood is plentiful all along this part of the coast because of the dozens of rivers and streams that empty into the sea along this stretch, floating down new supplies with every winter storm.

The forests of pine, fir, hemlock, and other trees furnish a constant supply of driftwood year after year, as well as huge amounts of just plain firewood for those beach wiener

roasts which delight the thousands of picnickers who visit the coastal beaches.

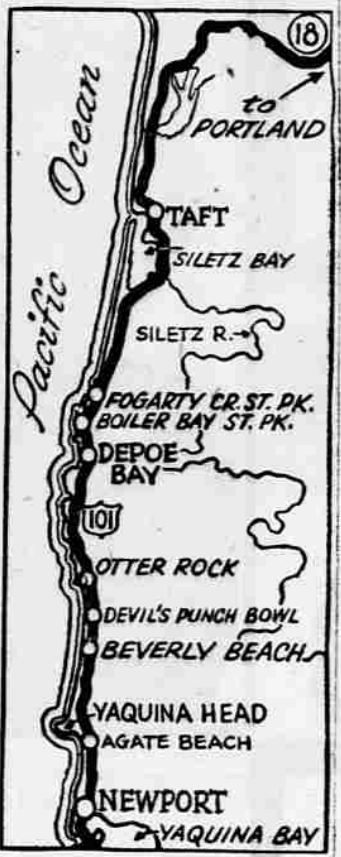
For that favorite pastime of relaxing on the beach with your two-month-old fast asleep and your darling "terrible two" throwing sand down your neck and in your eyes, not to mention your sandwich—there are any number of beautiful state parks that appear at close intervals along the Lincoln County coast.

Fogarty Creek State Park, which has become a popular picnic and bathing area, is some 10 miles south of Taft and a five minute drive north of Depoe Bay. Here the traveler finds new picnic tables, stoves, water and other accommodations.

A mile south of Fogarty Creek is a sight-seer's joy... Boiler Bay State Park. Here the ocean roars with all the fury of an angry storm through the rocky caverns, spitting up geysers of sea water to the delight of onlookers.

Less than two miles from here is the picturesque harbor of Depoe Bay, a resort community popular for its fishing, marine gardens and friendly atmosphere.

(Tomorrow: points of interest from Depoe Bay to Newport.)



From Taft to Newport the traveler finds more of what has made the Oregon coast a truly great vacationland.

WIMER Patrons Name Directors

By MARJORIE BAKER

Wimer - Patrons of Evans Valley school district 62 met Monday, Aug. 24, at the school to elect two members to the school board to replace Joe Wilson and George Johnston, who have resigned. Sid Baker was elected to replace Joe Wilson. Ralph Pittam will replace George Johnston. Both men received a unanimous vote.

Leo Doty is returning this week to his parents' home in San Leandro. He has been staying with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Orvis, and with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Baker, since late June.

Lawrence Martin has left to report to San Diego, after spending his leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Martin. Martin is serving in the Navy as a machinery repairman.

Mrs. Barbara Charles is home from her vacation in

the Hawaiian islands, where she stayed with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith. Smith is serving in the Navy. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Charles are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. L.

Number of Oregon Polio Cases Jump

Portland - (UP) - The State Board of Health said Wednesday polio cases have more than doubled in the current week with 17 new cases compared with seven the preceding week.

The total for 1959 now stands at 63 cases.

Dr. Harold Erickson, state health officer, said 12 of the new cases were paralytic, bringing the number of this type for the year to 47.

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Another Korea Possibly Brewing in Laos, Pivotal Southeast Asia Kingdom

By RONALD P. KRISS
UPI Correspondent

Tokyo - (UP) - Is a new Korea brewing in the pivotal Southeast Asian Kingdom of Laos?

All the elements are there. Pro-Communist rebels, anywhere from 600 to 4,000 of them, are waging guerrilla warfare in the wild mountains of the northern provinces.

Government paratroopers are trying, without much luck so far, to ferret them out and capture them.

Red China and North Viet Nam are making thinly masked threats of intervention and hinting that they will dispatch "volunteers." The Laotian government charges that North Viet Nam already is channeling arms and men across the border into Laos.

Nevertheless, most observers doubt that an all-out war will erupt in the landlocked kingdom.

They see the current flare-up as part of a Red pressure campaign to persuade the pro-Western government of Prime Minister Phoui Sananikone to go a little easier on the Communists in Laos.

But these observers are still nervous, for a flare-up in Laos could touch off other, bigger explosions in the tinder box of Southeast Asia.

Laos is in the heart of this strategic area, an accident of geography that has caused nothing but trouble for the little kingdom for the last 12 centuries.

It is hemmed in by two fiercely Communist nations - China and North Viet Nam; two fiercely anti-Communist nations - Thailand and South Viet Nam; and a pair of neutrals - Burma and Cambodia.

The nation, shaped something like a barbell and only 89,000 square miles in area, has been invaded at one time or another by all these neighbors. Thais, Cambodians, Burmese, Vietnamese and Chinese all had a crack at it from the eight century on.

mountains with deep gorges carved out by tributaries of the Mekong river - made it unsuitable for large-scale engagements.

But in 1953 the Communists decided to lop off the northern tier of Laos for themselves. They found this wild

geography ideally suited to the type of guerilla warfare for which they were trained.

An army of Laotians trained in North Viet Nam swarmed across the border into Laos, seized the provinces of Phongsaly and Samneua and hung on to them after the Geneva agreements ended the Indochina war in 1954.

With Communists running two of the northern provinces and Communist nations occupying 620 miles of common border, Laos had little chance in the direction of its international politics.

As long as the government in Vientiane, the capital, maintained a policy of docile neutrality, somewhat tinged by Red, it was reasonably safe. The moment it abandoned that neutrality and began leaning toward the West the fuse was lit and some sort of explosion was inevitable.

A year ago, Sananikone came to power and tilted his nation toward the West. He

was alarmed at the inroads the Communists were making in the government and decided to root them out.

Reports Sketchy

The explosion has followed. Reports coming from the northern provinces are sketchy, but they indicate that the rebels are waging classic guerilla warfare, seizing an outpost here and a radio station there, burning them and fleeing into the mountains as soon as loyalist troops appear.

The Laotian government says it wants nobody to intervene except, perhaps, for the United Nations.

Laos' Communist neighbors, China and North Viet Nam, are howling for anybody and everybody to get into the act, except for the United Nations. Hanoi and Peiping already have urged the Soviet Union, Britain, India, Indonesia, Cambodia and Burma to send missions to Laos to investigate the situation.

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