

Out on a Limb

By BOB WALTERS

Short-Changed

Monday night I had my first chance to see just how silly the limousine situation at Medford airport really is.

I had just returned from Portland and, frankly, had forgotten all about the hassle between Medford Airport Limousine service and Yellow Cab company's limousine service. So I got in a vehicle operated by the former organization and assumed I'd be taken home. So did the other passenger.

We told the driver where we wanted to go and he said he was sorry but he couldn't take us to a private address. Thus the other passenger disembarked at a school next to his home and I was dropped off at a church about half a block from my apartment house.

The driver said this was all he could do since the city council had ruled that neither limousine service could deliver passengers to private addresses. He said he was just trying to "go by the law."

Talked to our city hall reporter about it yesterday, and then called Medford City Attorney Joel Reed, who said he believed the driver was stretching the point a bit and that the other passenger and I actually could have been taken to our doors.

So at the moment it seems no one really understands the rules. The driver, who said he was acting on orders from his boss, apparently doesn't, and I'm inclined to wonder if the city does.

The city realizes it has a problem, though, and I'm sure they're trying to do the right thing by both firms.

To add to the general confusion, there also have been rumors that some drivers have been jacking their prices to deliver passengers to private addresses. And there's the question of whether drivers are allowed to stand inside the terminal building or must wait outside. Monday night, they were inside.

It's all just a bit ridiculous and I don't envy the city officials who have to try to hammer out a solution that will be satisfactory to all parties concerned.

And that "all parties" includes passengers. Competition is just dandy, but right now the passengers—the ones footing the bill for "services rendered"—are getting short-changed. Figuratively, at least.

One of the local funeral homes sends an employee by the Mail Tribune office just about every day to drop off information for the paper's obituary columns. Yesterday the following exchange took place:

Undertaker: "Working hard?"

Wire editor: "You bet."

Undertaker: "Well, they say there's no rest for the wicked."

I could have sworn the temperature dropped a hundred degrees. Or maybe 98.6 would be more specific.

Whenever we hear a police siren, someone in the news room automatically reaches for a telephone. Such was the case one day a week or so ago when a siren wound up just before press time.

The reporter asked the Medford police department what the trouble was and this, he says, is what he was told:

"Some woman is acting irrational over at the bus depot."

Never did find out what she was doing, but I suspect she was dunking a fried egg in a cup of coffee. Then again, she may have been reading "War and Peace" while standing on her head and singing the "Hawaiian War Chant."

After all, how irrational can you get?

IV Schools To Open This Monday

Illinois Valley—Schools in the Illinois Valley will have their first full day of classes this Monday.

Selma, Kerby and Evergreen had registration today for first graders and all new students.

A spokesman for the grade schools stated that all cafeterias will be open on the first day of school.

Wesley Peters, Illinois Valley High school principal said that registration will continue during week days between the hours of 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. at the high school.

Kayaks Take First, Second Places In Labor Day Boat Race On Klamath River

By HAZEL DAVIS

Mail Tribune Correspondent
Happy Camp—Kayakers proved to be the fastest boats in the Klamath River Boat Race over the Labor Day week end. Kayakers took first and second places and a two-man rowboat finished third in the 64-mile race from Highway 99 to Clear Creek about eight miles south of Happy Camp.

Coming in first was Paris Rogers, of Mill Valley, Calif., in a 28-pound blue kayak. His total elapsed time was 10 hours, 5 minutes. He led the race all the way, handling his boat with the greatest of ease. Besides taking \$300 for first prize he picked up two spot prizes of \$25 each.

Rogers said that he thinks the Klamath is a very beautiful river and that he would like to race here again. He has competed in and won many races on western rivers and rates the kayak above other boats.

Close Race For Second
Taking the \$200 second place money was Rich Chambers of Salem, Ore., with his 60 pound red kayak. His total elapsed time was 11 hours, 20 minutes and 40 seconds.

Third place went to two hard working oarsmen who finished second in the first lap of the race to Happy Camp but lost the next day to the second kayak in the last eight miles of the race. Picking up \$100 were Jerry Patterson and John Walker of Trinidad. They passed all the other boats on the river but could not catch the lightweight

kayaks. Their time was 11 hours, 22 minutes and 27 seconds.

Consolation prizes went to Oscar Taylor and Tom Williams of Requa who finished fourth, and Kenny Frank, Klamath, and Clarence Peters of Requa, who finished fifth.

A total of 14 boats entered the water at the Swallows Resort Sunday at 7 a.m. They were put in the water at 2 minute intervals. There were four kayaks and 10 rowboats entered.

Competitors included the following:
Tom Colburn and Morris Wood, Yreka, kayak.
Harold Guilt and Dave Hutton, Happy Camp, canoe, sponsored by Happy Camp Union station.

John Coats and Norman Hatcher, Yreka, kayak.
Wilbur Bridenstine and Earl Sakota, Happy Camp, row boat.
William Morgan and Bruce Meinders, Yreka, canoe.
Tom Williams and Oscar Taylor, Requa, canoe.
Ronnie Gensaw, Requa, and Oscar Gensaw, Klamath, fishing boat.
Denny Frank, Klamath, and Clarence Peters, Requa, row boat.

One entry, Mac McKellar of Yreka, was unable to enter as he had been called to a fire. He was to have raced a one-man kayak. The Happy Camp Lions club said it would return his \$10 entry fee.

The race was followed by more than 100 cars along the road during both days of the race.

District 6 Teachers Attend In-Service Curriculum Meetings Today, Tomorrow

By MARY KELL

Mail Tribune Correspondent
Gold Hill—Charles A. Meyer, superintendent of District 6 schools, has announced that in-service curriculum meetings were held today from 1 to 3 p.m. in Central Point. They also are scheduled for tomorrow during the same hours.

These sessions are a continuation of the curriculum study that Meyer instituted last spring in music, math, and writing activities of language arts on the elementary and junior high school level. Crater High also elected department heads and began improvement plans in all areas of the high school curriculum last spring.

Teachers of the various departments at Crater High will meet again tomorrow from 1 to 3 p.m. in the first period room assignments of department heads at the high school. Music teachers also will meet again tomorrow in the Crater music room.

To continue and develop their study of math, and language arts activities all teachers of grades one through eight will meet again tomorrow from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Central Point Junior High and Elementary school in designated rooms with elementary curriculum chairman.

Meyer said it is necessary for all teachers in District 6 to attend these meetings without exception because of their importance to the school program. Overall curriculum planning involving the selection of policies and patterns should be done, he said, by joint action of teachers, principals and the superintendent.

According to Meyer, the same basic materials, objectives and philosophy in each grade and school throughout the district will be the ultimate goal of this curriculum study. This is important because ninth graders from all District 6 schools, Gold Hill, Sams Valley, and Central Point, enter Crater High school. It is necessary, he said, that each pupil come to the secondary school with a similar background of educational experience. Curriculum study to be effective must be continuous and ever alert to the changing needs of a changing world. Curriculum improvement in District 6 will be a continuous part of the educational program, he added.

Meyer said the teacher has been the child and the education.

Improvement Plans Listed By Ranger

Illinois Valley—Improved parking areas and restrooms for the area near Illinois river falls west of Selma are under study, according to Ranger Cliff Fink.

Fink stated that he and C.R. Shepard of the state game commission have had talks about the present problems confronting visitors to that area and that they hope action to make the needed improvements there can be accomplished before steelhead season opens.

At present the game commission is having the Mann Construction Co. construct fish ladders to permit steelhead and salmon to negotiate the falls to spawning grounds further up the river.

Ranger Fink said preliminary studies show that costs of planned improvements will be between \$1,000 and \$1,500. Fink added that this is just an estimate. A site plan will have to be accomplished and it is possible, he added, that the improvements will be jointly sponsored by the forest service and the state game commission.

Yule Spirit Comes Early to Yreka

By BESSIE BOYD FRASER

Mail Tribune Correspondent
Yreka—It was during 100 degree temperatures in August that Yreka broke out with the Christmas spirit.

There for all passing motorists to see hanging on a light pole across from the Yreka Inn, is the first Christmas decoration—a plastic tree in outline, adorned with three red lights.

With only about 112 days left till Santa's day, Yreka won't be unprepared.

Rumor has it that each week another tree will be hoisted to another pole, so by Dec. 25 Main st. should look like the "forest primeval."

Registration Plans Changed for School

Lone Pine—plans for registering first grade students at Lone Pine school have been changed from an announcement made earlier.

Lee Merriman, principal, has announced that all children entering the first grade must register in the first grade room, Friday, Sept. 9, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Those who registered last spring also are requested to come at this time and bring their Goldenrod slips and birth certificates or other evidence of age. The children will be weighed, measured, and assigned. Insurance and lunch arrangements also will be taken care of at that time.

Anyone having further questions is asked to call the school office at SP 2-8669.

Profits Listed For Carnival, Dances

Happy Camp—Two dances during the Labor Day week end boat races netted more than \$200 profit for the Happy Camp fire department. Music was provided both nights by Slim King of Sacramento.

An estimated \$300 to \$400 profit was received from the carnival held by the Happy Camp Lions club over the week end. Cloudy weather threatened the carnival for a while and Saturday's donkey baseball game was nearly rained out.

Regional Calendar

Eagle Point—Mrs. James Wilson's physical education class will not meet this Thursday morning and all ladies are asked to watch for a notice concerning a new meeting place now that school will be starting next week.

Williams—School will start in the Williams area this Monday and pupils may register on opening day.

Gold Hill—Mrs. Jerry Herington, president of the Gold Hill Parent-Teacher association, has announced that the first meeting of the year will be held Monday, Sept. 19, at 7:30 p.m. All parents are invited to join the organization. Membership is \$1 for both parents.

Better Music Program

The superintendent stated that a better planned and organized music program is resulting in District 6 by cooperative group work of the elementary and high school music departments. The children, he said, are the beneficiaries of this continual music program which starts in grade one and continues throughout the high school years. Last spring he suggested that a program be worked out that would help to keep the same enthusiasm among children of all ages as is found in the primary department. The program coordinates classroom singing in grades one through eight throughout the district and the junior high program correlate with that of Crater High school.

The first combined District 6 chorus was held in Central Point last May with youngsters from Sams Valley, Gold Hill and Central Point participating.

Registration for high school students will continue at Crater High Thursday morning between 9 a.m. and noon. All elementary teachers in the district will work in their respective rooms at the different schools tomorrow morning as they did today.

The only departments which do not have meetings scheduled for Thursday afternoon are junior and senior shop, homemaking, and physical education. These teachers meet with their department heads today at Crater.

Meyer Addresses Group
The opening day of the in-service program for District 6 teachers began with a general assembly at Crater High gymnasium Tuesday morning. The superintendent addressed the group on plans relevant to the school, and new teachers in the district were introduced by principals of their respective schools.

Over 2,400 students will enter schools in the district. Opening day of school is Monday, Sept. 12.

The district's administrative and faculty staff consists of eight administrators headed by Superintendent Meyer and includes five principals, two vice principals and 105 teachers.

Petitions Available For EP Offices

Eagle Point—Mayor Ed Putman has issued a reminder that petitions for the offices of councilman and mayor are available from the city recorder. The ordinance states a legal voter's name may appear on only one candidate's petition.

In case a name appears more than once, the first application received with that name on will be honored. Deadline for filing is tomorrow.

Damaged Freightier Being Unloaded

Coos Bay—UPN—Stevadores worked to remove the deck cargo of lumber from the stricken 13,000-ton freighter "Kalama" here Tuesday while the ship continued to take water.

The ship struck Simpson reef off Cape Arago Saturday and was towed to Coos Bay harbor by two Sause Brothers tugs.

Damage was extensive and two holds were flooded. The vessel was en route from Crescent City, Calif., to Coos Bay with a shipment of lumber and paper.

Hornbrook Parents Club Sets Carnival

By KATHERINE CHAPMAN

Mail Tribune Correspondent
Hornbrook—The Parent's club held their first meeting of the new school year at the grammar school Thursday afternoon, with the president, Mrs. George Smith, presiding.

As their first money-raising venture, the annual Halloween carnival was discussed and preliminary planning set in motion. The date of the carnival will be announced later.

Room mothers were appointed for the ensuing year. They are: first and second grade, Mrs. Ray Blankenship and Mrs. Morris Wood; third and fourth grades, Mrs. George Smith and Mrs. Harley Baker; fifth and sixth grades, Mrs. Marion Grieb and Mrs. Paul Greene; and seventh and eighth grades, Mrs. Thomas Burrell and Mrs. Curtis Peters.

The regular meetings of the Parents club are held on the first Thursday of each month at 3 p.m. at the school house. A plant has been bought and will be awarded each month to the room having the most parents in attendance at the meetings.

Rural Reflections

By MAUDE ZIEGLER

Applegate Valley—A little bundle of old fashioned neighborliness was spilled out the other day when Lee Canaday and his family stopped to help a stranger fix a flat.

"I seldom pass up anyone looking like they are in trouble," said Lee as he wrenched loose hub cap and bolts.

"I just know doggone well how good it feels to have someone help when I am having trouble," came the Arizona-Colorado drawl.

Lee was having to get home to finish breaking that brown mule.

"He just bucked me off saddle and all," Lee said, "but the black one the kids ride already."

Lee's mules are the proverbial government mules at Hutton guard station, where Lee is smoke chaser and packer. The mules are new ones on the district, coming from Siskiyou county last spring.

Speaking of neighborliness, there was more of it at the Friday night B and B auction, where several Applegate people were running around with their little paddles, buying what their neighbors were offering, such folks as Charley and Delores Thomas, Hub Friel, Ed and Ev Fossen, and Dave Webb. Bill and Mattie Fugere of Lozier Lane were enjoying the excitement, too.

'Get Out the Vote' Campaign Begins

Hornbrook—For the benefit and convenience of all persons who have not yet registered to vote in the general election in November, Mrs. Lillian Marlow, notary public, will be at the school house the evening of Sept. 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. to accept registration.

This is the first step in a "Get Out the Vote" campaign being undertaken by the Parents club as its main civic project for the fall season.

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A field trip to Herman's House of Guns, Dorris, Calif., a collection of more than 750 antique weapons, was the highlight of the August meeting.

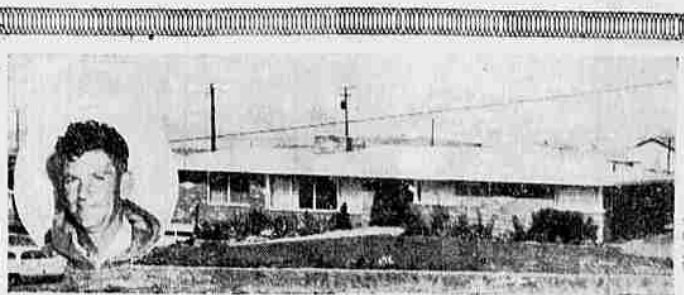
Meeting Set for Prospective Students
Ashland-Talent persons who have expressed an interest in attending Southern Oregon college this fall are invited to attend a pre-registration party at the Britt Student center Sept. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to answer questions that prospective students may have concerning their career at college. Refreshments will be served.

Regional News

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