

Tablets

By R. E. NEALON

Mail Tribune Table Rock Correspondent

The wind storm last Friday did little damage here. Most of the pears in local orchards were picked, and those not picked were a variety that cling to the trees. Some big cottonwood trees on the river bottom land overturned and some branches were blown out. We have not heard of any local buildings being damaged. The wind as it passed through here was not of the tornado or whirling type. If it had been it would very likely have sucked off the roofs of the old sky scraper hay barns, that stuck up some 40 feet into the sky. Also, we were lucky that all the shade trees around the dwellings weathered the storm. Many of these need to be cut back or taken out, as they keep growing and get more dangerous each year.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Payne, formerly of Sams Valley, but now of Medford, were brief callers here Sunday. Both are descendants of old pioneer families of the Rogue Valley. Howard now drives a large freight truck making daily trips from Portland to San Francisco, which he has been doing for some 28 years.

Darn Those Commercials

The following copy was nudged out of last Friday's "Tablets" by commercials. We note in a recent issue of the M.T. that Steven Wilson was high bidder on some 2,350,000 ft. of National Forest timber in the Willow Prairie district. Part of this timber was 88,000 ft. of Douglas fir, bid in at \$71 a thousand ft. Since this is standing timber and there is the cost of felling, trucking to the mill, sawing into lumber and all the many other operations it goes through before it is ready to use, we can begin to see why it costs so much to build a house. We remember when we were a boy that farmers in this community bought lumber from two saw mills, one in the Meadows district operated by J. B. Welch, and one in the Trail area, owned and operated by W. T. Houston. These mills were run by steam power. The price of this lumber when ready for market was \$7 a thousand delivered here in sizes for fencing and siding 1x6 to 1x12. The lumber was hauled with horses and the roads were such that a team of horses could only haul a thousand ft. at a load and took about a day's time. There were no paved roads in the county at that time and very few graveled roads. When we see and hear what seems like an endless stream of huge trucks loaded with logs some in 30 ft. lengths we realize what a long way we have come in the cutting and marketing of lumber. When we consider what these old timers went through to produce 1000 feet of \$7.00 lumber, we wonder how they made a living.

From JFK to Dog Catcher

We enjoyed listening to Senator Wayne Morse on television the other night, and thought we would like to have been there to pat him on the back. To those who asked how we are going to vote Nov. 6, we say we will give, if the Lord's willing, out ticket in the Tablets. To a man that asked me a few days ago, we told him the way it looks now we will be voting democratic for JFK, to dog-catcher. He laughed and said, "So am I." As to fluoridation, we will say we are not a chemist so are not qualified to pass on its merits or demerits. But one thing about it that doesn't appeal to me is that if it is passed those who are opposed and think it is injurious to health will have to use it, or else.

In our last Tablets, called here, she was here to remind our better half it was about time for her annual check up, and x-rays. This explanation is made because some thought she had come to see me. One time when I was County Commissioner, the county doctor removed an object from my eye. May be we owe Jackson County for this service.

Joseph H. Filer, of Eagle Point, died with a heart attack while working with a pear packing crew last Tuesday, at the Modoc Orchard.

Back From California

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Doran, and daughter Linda, returned Sunday from a visit with relatives in California points. Outside of a nice visit with relatives, it must have been a hectic trip, according to Mrs. Doran, with rain and slush and miles of slow travel in procession, going bumper to bumper.

We like to talk with old timers, but made a bad mistake the other day when a lady was talking about something that happened here a good many years ago. She said she remembered it although it happened when she was just a little girl. Not thinking, we said that was a long time ago. From the expression on her face we knew we had made a mistake. What I should have said was, "Oh, that wasn't so long ago." Guess I am losing my art of diplomacy, if I ever had any.

P. S. We have just learned that Friday's wind storm did considerable damage to the barn on the old Lydiard place. Also, it caused a herd of cattle on Table Top ranch to stampede, tearing out a long length of fence. Thought for the Day—It's an evil wind that blows no good to anyone.

Regional School Curriculum Conference Slated at Crater

By MARY ALICE BRUSHA, Mail Tribune Correspondent

Central Point—The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development's regional fall conference will be held at Crater High school Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 24 and 25.

Wednesday, meeting will run from 4 to 10 p.m. with Gilbert Mack, principal of Hanby and Patrick schools, Gold Hill, presiding. The conference theme will be "Classroom Analysis." Conducting the registration will be Deon Cox, Mary Helen Gwin, Bill Shepherd and Greta Winterbottom.

A.S.C.D. materials will be in the charge of Don Lacy, Paul Walter, Gladys Owen, and Mildred Black. Master of ceremonies will be Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent, Medford Public schools. Greetings will be extended by Superintendent Charles A. Meyer, of District 6 schools.

On Josephine County Ballot

PUD Shaping Up As Heated Issue

Grants Pass—A proposal to form a People's Utility District, to be put before Josephine County voters at the November election, has given rise to a public vs. private power controversy here which bids to transcend anything else on the coming ballot.

The measure is sponsored by the Josephine County Public Power Association, Inc., which has been working for the past two years toward bringing the proposal to a vote.

Also on the ballot will be candidates for a five-man commission to head the proposed PUD if it is approved.

They are Robert W. Dale, Grants Pass businessman; Frank J. Gibbons, Cave Junction businessman; Joseph B. Mullins, U.S.N. ret. employed in the plywood industry in Grants Pass; Richard E. Nealy, owner of a Grants Pass logging and construction company; and Robert G. Stumbo, Wolf Creek, restaurant and logging company owner.

Proponents of the measure claim that creation of a PUD will result in lowering of power rates in the county. Spokesmen for its main opponent, Pacific Power and Light Company, claim this is not feasible.

Both sides, well fortified with statistics, have been appearing before civic groups here during the past month to explain the measure from their respective points of view.

Public Forum Set—Proponents and opponents will meet for the first time on the same platform next Monday evening at a public forum at North Junior High school here under the auspices of the Grants Pass branch of the American Association of University Women.

PUD proponents and P&L representatives will be given equal time to present their cases to the public, after which they will answer written queries from the audience.

Both sides will also appear at a special meeting of the Grants Pass School board, scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 23, to clarify their positions with regard to taxes and other matters of financial interest to the city school district.

Shasta Valley Farm Bureau Has Election—Montague—A family potluck dinner preceded the Shasta Valley Farm Bureau meeting at the Montague Clubroom October 16. It was well attended.

John McMurray, president, conducted the business meeting. Election of officers returned him to his office as well as Gary Townley as vice president. Mrs. Robert Hogan was elected secretary-treasurer and George Williams III as delegate at large.

Other matters on the program were membership drive, reports from Mr. McMurray, Mrs. George Williams, Mrs. Hogan and Mrs. George Flock, who attended the regional meeting at Childs Meadow on October 8.

Mrs. Flock also reported on the change in the health program.

Following the introduction of state officers, an address will be given by Dr. Ned A. Flanders, professor of education at the University of Michigan. He is also connected with the University Elementary school at Ann Arbor, Mich.

The subject Dr. Flanders will discuss is "The Strategy of Classroom Management and Different Class Formations."

The Thursday meeting, like the one on Wednesday, will be held in the multi-purpose room, Warren W. Cook, curriculum coordinator, Grants Pass schools, conducting. It will be an all-day session.

Dr. Flanders will speak on "Interaction Analysis and its Application for Classroom Instruction." He will also bring to the meeting film strips and some tape recorded excerpts to illustrate some of the principles he will discuss.

Purpose—The purpose of the discussion groups will be to list and evaluate specific suggestions that will affect positive learning.

Chairmen for these groups are: Wes Peters, secondary; Don Darnelle, junior high; Dick Leigh, intermediate, and Zelma Foote, primary.

Recorders listed are: Rose Bengt, Bruce Nelson, Marie Prescott and Marjorie Priger. Verne Spiera will act as moderator for a panel discussion of "The Use of Small Groups for Classroom Activity."

Panel members will be Mrs. Isabelle Brixner, Dr. Phyllis Butler, Dr. Ned Flanders and Dr. Earl Openshaw. Music will be furnished by the Laveliers of Crater High school, under the direction of Norman Carothers.

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VFW TO MEET—Gold Hill—Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7416 will meet at the V.F.W. hall on Old Stage road.

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Central Point PTSA Plans First Meeting Monday

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Parents will be introduced to the teachers and then will follow their child's schedule through a series of minute time periods. At the close of the session, refreshments will be served in the cafeteria as usual.

"Back to School Night" will be offered to the parents by the following committee officers: president, Frank Armstrong; first vice president, Mrs. E. L. Fredericks; second vice president, Mrs. Deane Roberts; secretary, Mrs. Paul Thompson; treasurer, James Tacchini.

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Regional News

Correspondents and Their Telephone Numbers:

- JACKSON COUNTY: Applegate: Myrtle Krouse, Provolt 2468; Applegate Valley: Maude Ziegler, 899-1333; Ashland: Faith McCullough, 482-0714; Butte Falls: Mary Jo Harris, 865-2126; Central Point: Celia Simmons, 864-3094; Mary Alice Brusha, 684-3101; Derby: Ina Hayes, 446-2957; Eagle Point: Dottie Harrison, 446-3274; Evans Valley-Wimer: Roberta Sletten, JU 2-3373; Gold Hill: Mary Kell, 855-1126; Jacksonville: Betty Hoskins, 869-1269; Lone Pine: Dot Simmons, 772-9676; Phoenix: Bertha Hanson, 335-1469; Prospect: Yelda Barr, 869-2212; Rogue River: Lauraine Laws, JU 2-3451; Shady Cove: Evelyn Watson, 878-2351.
- Table Rock: R. E. Nealon, 826-2097; Talent: Mrs. William Osborn Jr., 333-1653; Trail: A. Louis Day, 878-3377.
- JOSEPHINE COUNTY: Grants Pass: Priscilla Averill, GR 9-2522; Illinois Valley: Katherine Scott; Cave Junction: 3203.
- DOUGLAS COUNTY: O'Brien: Letha Cooke, O'Brien 2231; Wilderville: Genevieve Briggs, GR 6-4913; Williams: Shirley Fischer, Provolt 2709.
- NORTHERN CALIFORNIA: Happy Camp: Hazel Davis, GY 3-2367; Hornbrook: Katherine Chapman, GR 3-3586; Montague: Mrs. Grin Davis, GL 5-3297; Yreka: Doris Robinson, VI 2-3897; and Dorothy Stewart, VI 2-2298.

Live Oak Grange Plans Harvest Dinner Nov. 3

By LAURINE LAWS, Mail Tribune Correspondent

Rogue River—Live Oak Grange met October 11, with 21 members and one guest present. Master Cassie Golding presided at this meeting.

Routine business was transacted, with committee reports being given by the chairmen. Carl Christenson noted that the excessive rain was causing trouble for the fruit growers, who were not yet through picking their crops.

H.E.C. Chairman Edith Osborne reported on plans for the harvest dinner on November 3, for which it is hoped a good crowd will turn out. Tickets are now available at \$1.25 for adults and \$1.75 for children under 12.

Master Cassie Golding appointed Glen Hutchinson and Charles Odle as Grange representative to meet with the committee which is considering plans to acquire a city park for Rogue River.

Guest Speaker was Victor Croxton, who spoke about Senate bill 487, and explained the Jackson County Pomona Death Benefit plans, which was of great interest to everyone. He also presented an impromptu program of games and quizzes.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Osborne served refreshments.

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