

Regional Roundup

by Cleve Twitshell
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Alice Burnett, our Talent correspondent who has been covering developments in that city's project to increase its water supply by taking water out of Wagner Creek, became curious about one aspect of the plan. She wondered how or if the city was able to obtain the right to take water out of Wagner creek. And so she made an inquiry, and received the following letter from David C. Hendrix, watermaster for district 13, in response:

"This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 11, 1963, in which you requested information on the availability of water from Wagner creek for the Town of Talent.

"Please be advised that the Town of Talent will divert water from Wagner creek through an agreement with the Talent Irrigation district. The Talent Irrigation district acquired rights to Wagner creek on July 31, 1915, under Permit No. 4537, which allows them to sell water for both irrigation and domestic purposes. It would not be possible for the Town of Talent to file on Wagner creek themselves, since Bear creek and its tributaries, which include Wagner creek, are closed to appropriation. It should be understood that no person or group of persons may take water from any stream in Oregon without first filing for water rights. This office will continue to regulate the water of Wagner Creek in the same manner as in the past, which means that the prior rights which belong to the old Fred Wray (Rapp) property, the users of the Beeson-Robinson ditch, etc. will have first claim to the natural flow of Wagner creek during the irrigation season, therefore, any water diverted by the Town of Talent from Wagner creek will have to be replaced by the Talent Irrigation district so these prior rights will not be infringed upon."

Because the city (or to be precise, the "Town of Talent") is going through the Talent Irrigation district for its water from Wagner creek, the rumor was circulated that the city would get water from the creek only during the irrigation season and would still have to rely on its wells (present source for all city water) during the rest of the year. But in this case the irrigation season has no connection with the agreement between the city and the district. The city will get water from Wagner creek the year around and use the wells only for supplementary water.

Hatten and Bingham of North Bend was the successful bidder on the treatment plant and lines for the new system with a bid of \$89,580.79. Of that figure \$34,497.09 is for transmission lines, \$7,047.70 for the Wagner st. line, \$2,175 for the canal intake line and \$45,761 for the water treatment plant.

A \$16,500 contract was awarded to Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel company to furnish and install a reservoir with an umbrella type roof.

Visitors at the Azalea Festival

"A trip to Brookings to see the Azalea festival was an experience we will remember for a long time," reports Bertha Hanscom, Phoenix correspondent, who went over last week end, along with MT Farm Editor and Mrs. Joe Cowley and others. "Everything was so green and pretty this time of year with the flowers blooming along the roadside and the rivers so clear and blue. It made one feel like going for a swim right then and there. Whoever named Oregon mountain should have named it 'Lost Dinner.' No one who has gone over that mountain could possibly be afraid of the Green Springs. The Azalea parade in Brookings was very interesting and there were several entries from Medford. One never gets too old to go to the beach and go barefoot in the sand, and it's fun to get caught in one of the breakers. The sea breezes were so refreshing one hated to leave it all.

"We visited the Azalea State park Sunday morning. Church services were being held there—and after the services, a huge barbecue. We arrived in time to see two tons of barbecued beef still in the pit."

According to Velda Barr, our Prospect correspondent, some families from up that way took in the Brookings events as well. They included Mr. and Mrs. Everett Shafer and son Cleve, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Blaine and their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Esten and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Axtell all of Prospect, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Kelley of Shady Cove.

More About the Ashland Tour

Harry Crebbin, manager of the Yreka Chamber of Commerce, told members of the Ashland chamber good will tour last week about an advertising plan of his that worked rather unexpectedly. Just to see what would happen he put an ad extolling the virtues of Siskiyou county in the Wall Street Journal. It stuck out like a sore thumb, and as a result drew more response than any ad he's ever run in a travel magazine.

What Time Is It?

We can't help but admire the ability of some of the more outspoken opponents of daylight saving time, who employ such sweeping generalities (The Institute for Propaganda Analysis called them "glittering" generalities) as "everyone hates it" or "Nobody wants it." We don't hate it, so apparently we are nobody.

Actually, we have a take-it-or-leave-it attitude on DST. We'll grant that it's harder to get up on mornings when we have to be up early, but the extra hour of morning darkness is a blessing on days off, and we enjoy the extra hour of daylight in the evening.

Illinois Valley Chamber Elects Ted Rodgers President

Illinois Valley - Ted Rodgers was elected president of the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce for 1963-64 at the chamber meeting last May 21. Don Lewis will be vice president and Gordon White will again handle the treasurer's office.

Mrs. Bill Cooper will succeed Ed Kentfield as secretary. Kentfield reported over 1,500 inquiry cards had been received the past year, adding to the mailing costs the Chamber has been facing.

Usual membership fees are \$25 but the Illinois Valley bank renewed its membership with a payment of \$100, as it wanted to help offset the increasing costs.

The chamber stated that a membership drive will get underway soon and hopes are to enroll every business in the valley as a member.

Tickets for the annual dinner will go on sale soon. The event will be held at the Oregon Caves Chateau.

Cave Junction-The Oregon State Highway maintenance crews have completed work on the Redwood highway in downtown Cave Junction. The local crew, under foreman Bill Inman, widened the pavement to where it is now 15 feet on one side of the center line and 12 feet on the other side. A total of 650 tons of hot plant pavement material was used and was hauled by a crew from Grants Pass.

Horsemen To Ride From Montague To Burney Sunday

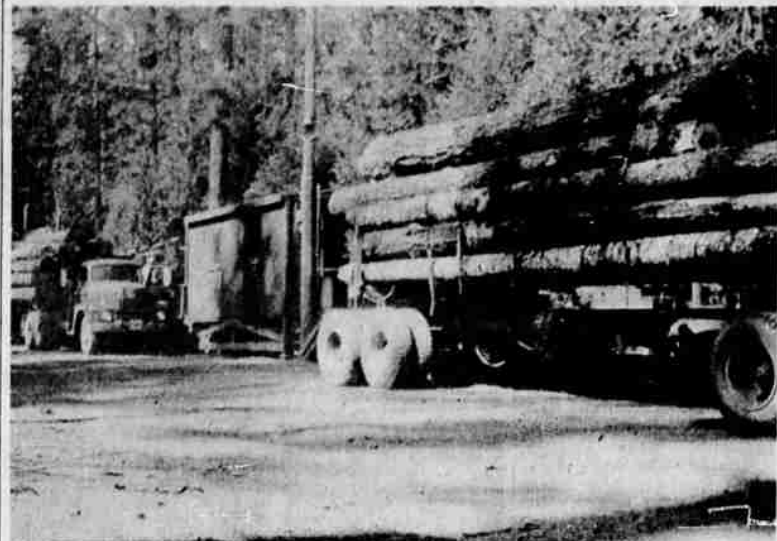
Siskiyou County—Members of riding clubs at Montague, Gazelle, Mount Shasta, McCloud and Burney will hold a pony express ride Sunday, June 2.

It will begin at Montague promptly at 10 a.m. Following the finish at Burney all participants will return to McCloud where members of Squaw Valley Riding club of McCloud will serve a banquet to visitors.

This has long been an annual event, with the terminal being at McCloud. Burney



PONY EXPRESS—Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Holcomb of the Mt. Shasta Horsemen's club pose with their horses. They will participate in pony express ride Sunday from Montague to Burney.



BUSY PLACE—The Prospect scaling station has been a busy place this spring because of heavy logging activity, due primarily to One day earlier this month a million board the blowdown of timber suffered in the feet of timber was scaled at this station. Columbus Day storm of last year. A steady

Butte Falls PTA Officers Installed At Final Meeting

Butte Falls—The May meeting of the Butte Falls Parent Teacher association held recently at the high school was the final meeting of the 1962-63 school year.

The annual school picnic will be held today at the Grade school. This picnic is sponsored by the Parent-Teacher association. Parents are asked to bring a hot dish, salad or dessert, sandwiches and service for their own family. Coffee, punch and ice cream will be provided.

Project Initiated

With monies left in the treasury over and above current budget, the association elected to send a Junior girl to Beaver State.

Officers installed for the forthcoming year were John Henshaw, president; Mrs. Charles Capello, vice president; Mrs. John Wolter, secretary; and Mrs. Donald Henshaw, treasurer. Installing officer was Mrs. Harry Dalton.

New officers were presented with a boutonniere and corsages. Mrs. William Lytle was presented a past-president's pin.

Happy Camp Music Students Perform

Happy Camp - The annual recital night for the private music students of James Tristram was held at the high school music room earlier this month. Taking part in the program were two students of the guitar, and four piano students.

Starting the program was Jay Dolezal, fifth grader, taking part in his first recital on the electric guitar. Also on the electric guitar was his sister, Tina Dolezal, eighth grade, who having had more years of practice, played some serious guitar music. Playing the piano were Linda Davis, fifth grade; Nina Chambers, and Cathy Meinert, seventh grade; and Lee Attebery, eighth grade.

Blowdown Sales Spur Prospect Logging Activity

By VELDA BARR
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Prospect—Many people might be surprised at the number of logging trucks that are passing through Prospect on week days this spring. Trucks keep coming and going—almost a constant line of them.

They start rolling before the light of day and continue almost into the night. They remind a person of a column of ants—one after another, each with a load of logs going down the road to the mills.

Many of the trucks make three trips a day down to the valley floor.

Most of the logs they are carrying this spring are from the blowdown sales that have been let in order to save timber that was blown down in the Columbus Day storm last fall.

This timber was spread out over a large territory. In the Prospect ranger district there was an estimated 65.5 million board feet of logs and timber affected by the storm. According to Ward Blaine of the Prospect district, a total of 59 million board feet of timber has been sold and is now being logged.

Emil Sabol of the Union Creek district reported that his district suffered a 40 million board feet blowdown, most of which is now being logged.

Most of the loaded trucks from the Union Creek and Prospect ranger districts are

scaled at the Prospect scaling station. Earlier this month in one day the five men who scale the logs at this station scaled a million board feet. That's in the neighborhood of 200 loads of logs.

The woods are alive with activity. If one goes out any of the roads that leave the Crater Lake highway, stops his car and just listens, he can usually hear power saws, tractors, bulldozers and loaders at work all over the place. The men are working to get the blown down timber out of the forest so that the bugs don't ruin it and so that it won't cause a fire hazard.

There are approximately 20 logging outfits working in this area, not counting firms like Elk Lumber company who own their own timber and don't go through the Prospect scaling station.

One of the oldest in the area is Skeeters and Skeeters, which established a camp here since 1941. Previous to that date, the men drove up every day from Talent.

Others include the McGrew brothers, Ben Nork, Joe Olliver, Ray Offord, CMD Logging company, Milton Sanderson, John Wheeler, John Spencer, Wayne Ash, Harry Goode, Jim Slack, Burl Britt, Don Harper, Oris Noble, R. J. Borch, Steve Cloud, S and W (Schaffran and Warthen), B and R, Jim Welch and Luke Biden logging outfits.

Several more are scheduled to start up soon, it is reported.

Rural Reflections

Unprecedented Event: Men Attend A Shower

By MAUDE ZIEGLER
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Applegate Valley - They were said to look just like big boys all dressed up for a birthday party. They walked down the pathway meticulously carrying their frilly pastel packages. They numbered 24, and they made a compact circle as they sat around the large living room. In their conversation they were said to have sounded like a flock of geese.

They were farmers, young and old, gathered for a momentous social event of their own, the like of which is unprecedented in this community. It was a layette shower honoring Fred Straube, and they had received invitations in the mail saying that Edgar Bush was the host, and that the shower would be held at his home near Ruch.

It is not often that men get together, one of the wives later remarked, except for a fury, most usually over milk prices or range rights. If not that, they have to baby-sit while their wives enjoy coffee and a chat.

So it was a party in every sense of the word and lasted until after midnight. Fritz Offenbacher was reluctant to attend, it was such a novel event, but he was among those staying the latest.

Martin Grier was delegated to assist the honor guest as he unwrapped his gifts, and

Martin made a list of each donor and his gift. It seems that stretch pajamas predominated to the extent of seven pairs, and one huge box that took much undoing contained baby food.

One gift arrived in a gunny sack, tied with baling twine. Ed Ramsay and Ernie Stalun could not attend, but sent their gifts.

One hundred ham sandwiches had been prepared for the occasion, to say nothing of cake, cookies, potato chips, and other delicacies which the host served.

Glenn Saltmarsh told stories of the old days, and grandfather, Louie Straube, was present. Other men attending were Don Haynes, Boyd Hamilton, Lance and Leon Offenbacher, "Sandy" Smith, Jake Vander Stoel, Jim Corson, "Dutch" Offenbacher, Bruce Moricke, Francis Krouse, Harlan and Bob Cantrell, E. E. Cox, Dave Winningham, Fred West, and Glenn and Donald Bailey.

The Bush home and surroundings are up-to-date and a place where folks like to gather, but with a few old-fashioned touches like the patch of young potatoes pushing through the ground and a set of freight bells topping the front gate. The bells are from wagon freighting days in eastern Oregon, where the Bushes formerly resided.

Awards Presented At Crater Assembly

By MARY COLLEY
Mail Tribune Correspondent

Ray White was installed as Crater High school student body president at an awards assembly held recently at the school.

Other student body officers installed for the 1963-64 school year were Dave Force, vice president; Dianne Shelton, secretary; Gianni Tomlinson, treasurer; and Jim Kilbourn, business manager.

Rena Offutt received the outstanding student council member trophy.

Student Awards

Students receiving awards were: Jolene Greene and Jenny Lou Thompson, outstanding student council member certificates; Joyce Dye, outstanding senior G.A.A. member; May Brown, outstanding Comette; Hanna Jacobsen, penny queen; Jolene Greene, girl of the year; Randy Pinney, Sportsman club award; Greg Appien, school spirit; Jan Mooster, homemaking; Bob Sanger, outstanding senior band member; Marvella Lichtenstein, most improved singer; Delores Sanderson, "Note from Norm" service award; Jan Pfaff and Les Dewey, Danforth awards; Les Dewey and Joyce Dye, OSU Dads club award.

The G.A.A. received the club of the year award.

FTA awards were presented to Royal Harger, Janine Parrish, and Donna Hammond, Youth Conference scholarship; Linda Monia, FTA scholarship; Jan Pfaff, Carolyn Barnes, Ray White, Jan Mooster, and Donna Hammond, service awards.

Janet Pfaff received the Girls league scholarship. Other students named for

scholarships were Joyce Johnson, Medical Minded Maids; Jerry Wilson, Beauty school; Jenny Lou Thompson, district 6 teachers.

The National Actuary society award went to Robert Bruce.

Academic Achievement

Academic achievement awards went to Jean Fishback, Rose O'Connor, Robert Bruce, Bruno Meyer, Joyce Dye, Selene Ash, Math; Jean Fishback, Mike Smith, Carol Norris, Lori Hixson, Robert Bruce, Jan Mooster, and Les Dewey, English; Jean Fishback, Jim Welch, Steve Jorde, Bruno Meyer, and Les Dewey, science; Linda Monia, Pat Callendar, and Gary Vincent, Spanish; Mike Turner, Debbie Alton and Marlena Fowler, French;

Toni Morrow, Charles Lusky, Rose O'Connor and Mike Smith, Latin; Ron Smith and Carol Mundlin, German; Linda Monia, Gary Vincent, Bob Bruce, Cynthia Pleasant, Frank Roberts, Joyce Dye, and Suzy Flynn, foreign language field day awards.

Les Dewey, Marlena Fowler, Jenny Lou Thompson, Joyce Anderson, Jeanette King, Carri Peterson, Cynthia Bartley, Roy Fair, Christine Bishop, Kathy Galbraith, and Charles Lusky, social studies; Rozanna Davis, Camelle Merz, Lillian Colpitts, Jim Arnold, Cathleen Harsh, Delores Sanderson, Linda Monia, Ron Smith, Carole Kuest, and Jo Ann Trautman, commercial.

Speech awards were made to Alan Bray, outstanding senior speaker and Oregon high school speech; Dave Force, Carol Foote, and Don Gail, league key; and Sharon Shellabarger, most improved speaker.

Yreka Club Plans To Distribute Medical Emblems

Yreka - Many underprivileged persons in Siskiyou county with hidden medical problems and acute allergies can now look forward to the protection of the internationally recognized Medic-Alert emblems with the announcement that the Soroptimist Club of Yreka, will provide these "life-saving" emblems as its yearly project.

The Medic-Alert Foundation International is a charitable, non-profit organization which

provides stainless steel and silver emblems with a warning engraved on the back noting the particular medical problem of the wearer.

The emblems carry a medical insignia with the words "Medic-Alert" embossed in red which is easily identifiable and well-known in the United States and throughout most of the world.

In case of accident or seizure, the emblems alert physicians and passersby to summon and administer the proper medical treatment.

The Soroptimist Club of Yreka will work with the school, health, or other welfare departments in providing the bracelets or necklaces to those in need of them.

Recognized internationally, the medical language engraved in English is understood by physicians universally. The Foundation has sister organizations in Canada and New Zealand and is registered in 16 other countries.

Anyone wishing further information regarding Medic-Alert may contact the Soroptimist Club of Yreka in care of Doris Young, president.

Wildflower Report From O'Brien Area

O'Brien - Cat's Ears or calochortus maweanus are more abundant on Rough and Ready Flat this year than ever before. Lupines, arrow-leaved balsam root, phacelia, brass buttons and larkspur are now in bloom.

Penstemon will be out in about two weeks. Flames of Indian Paint Brush flicker in and out among the heaviest growth of wild grasses in many years. This year ceanothus appears to be dying out. Sycle leaved allium is just beginning to show.

Miss Campbell Gets Scholarship at SOC

Cave Junction - Catherine Campbell has been notified of her selection for a scholarship to Southern Oregon college in Ashland. The scholarship equals the full cost of tuition and fees for one year.

Miss Campbell will major in elementary education and minor in physical education. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Campbell of 3640 Rockdale rd., Cave Junction, and has attended Illinois Valley High school the past four years.



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Regional News

Model Room Furnished At Jacksonville U.S. Hotel

Jacksonville - Under the direction of Mrs. Dale Flowers of Medford, Mrs. Beulah

Hayes, who is a resident of the Rogue Valley Manor, has donated material and sewed curtains for eight windows and five doors in the United States hotel.

Regional Calendar

Central Point - Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Central Point lodge 135 A.F. & A.M., M.M. degree.

Illinois Valley - Thursday, Memorial day services planned at Laurel cemetery, Cave Junction, at 10:15 a.m., and at Deer Creek Cemetery at Selma at 11:15 a.m. Public invited.

Cave Junction - Sunday, 2 p.m., public meeting of Mineral Industries Development, Inc., at Cave Junction City hall.

A model room facing Third st. has been painted and furnished. The furniture for the display was loaned by Mrs. Don Wendt, Mrs. L. Houston Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Flowers, and Robertson Collins. The decor is typical of the late 1800s and can be viewed from the Third st. side of the hotel.

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