

Johnston Clarifies Rates Charged at Howard Prairie

(Editor's note: Robert T. Johnston, operator of the concession at Howard Prairie Lake, has issued a statement of explanation of operating policies and procedures. It was issued to clarify any misunderstandings concerning the concession, and in reply to criticisms recently voiced of the operation in the Mail Tribune Communications column.)

In reply to Mr. Martin's letter published in the Mail Tribune July 16, regarding the Howard Prairie Recreation Area, we wish to clarify the rates and regulations that apply to the use of the campground areas.

A sign at the entrance to the overnight camping area states in part, "\$1 per car per day." Checkout time is 8 a.m. We have in the past applied various checkout times: noon, 2 p.m., 6 p.m. and midnight. Each of these met with some objection. The forest service, on a national basis this year, is beginning to apply a morning checkout time usually 9 a.m. Under their system, anyone arriving before that time pays a fee for the period prior to checkout time.

We do not charge after dark arrivals for the period between their arrival and 8 a.m. the next day. This is because late arrivals usually do not represent an expense to us when they just check in and go to bed. Earlier arrivals use the facilities and supplies which do represent an expense to us.

Refunds Possible
We further, as a policy, do not charge for the second car of a one camp husband and wife. If anyone is so charged, it is due to an error on the part of our employees, or the customer did not clearly explain the details to them. Refunds will be made when applied for in such cases, and Mr. Martin is being mailed a check for \$2 as a refund for his claimed overcharge.

The campgrounds at the Recreation Area are entirely maintained by our organization. Regardless of what it costs us to do the job, we have contracted to the county to do it for \$1 per car, which on an average represents 4.3 people. Under this contract we have agreed to do the following:

1. Provide the supplies to the six restrooms and keep them in a clean condition.
2. Maintain the campgrounds in a clean condition and pump the water throughout the area.
3. Cut and distribute firewood to the area.
4. Pay over to the county a percentage of such receipts, which will be used to provide more picnic tables, fireplaces, etc.

Patrol Service Provided
We also provide a 24 hour a day, seven day a week patrol service. We maintain a check-in counter open 24 hours a day to assist people arriving at all hours. We are called upon to render many services which are not charged for and are not part of our contract.

Our records show that our costs to render the above services are considerably in excess of \$1 per car per day. We have not and will not curtail our services or compromise our standards to reduce our costs to that charged the customer. We realize that under certain conditions every customer, arriving at certain times of the day, will not receive the maximum services that are available for the \$1 charged. Most people,

Grange News

Phoenix Grange
A "Town and Country" breakfast will be served at Phoenix Grange hall Sunday, July 21, from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The public has been invited.

Purpose of the breakfast is to increase funds in the treasury. Men will cook the breakfast, consisting of hotcakes, sausage and eggs with coffee and milk to drink.

The last meeting opened with the seating drill. Visitors from Orchard City Grange, Campbell, Calif., were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kearney. He compared the Grange work here to what is done in their state. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Darby of Griffin Creek Grange.

During reports, Charles Hockersmith told about research progress for parasitic control in livestock. Charles Johnson said at this time the count on the pear crop is still lower than previously estimated. He stated prices quoted for various fruits.

The Phoenix Grange picnic will be held Sunday, July 28.

however, receive more value than the agreement calls for. As stated above we allow a 12 hour grace period the night before and a 1 hour grace period beyond the 8 a.m. checkout. It is our policy and our accepted responsibility to properly serve the public at Howard Prairie. We have spared neither effort or money to accomplish this.

We are gratified that the great majority of the public has recognized and appreciated our efforts and we shall continue to operate the area to the standards that measure up to the wishes of the majority who appreciate the

cleanliness and the 24 hour a day attention that they receive at Howard Prairie. They also welcome the opportunity to pay their own way and not have their recreation paid for at the expense of non-users of the area.

Part of Development
We have had the pleasure of having had a part in the development of Howard Prairie Lake Recreation Area, which has become a favorite area to many in Jackson county and to thousands from outside of our county, especially from California. Hundreds of thousands of dollars a year are spent in Jackson county

by such visitors and they are coming back with more.

It is an area and an industry that will and must grow. It must be expanded, as any good business must expand, to keep pace with the demand and its potential. Our county court and commission have recognized the potential and have spent a great deal of time and effort to develop it to the best of their ability.

Recognized good business methods and procedures must be applied in the development and operation of such an industry. They should receive the en-

couragement of every one in Jackson county who has an interest in the welfare of the county. It should be a place of which every citizen is proud. It is a place where people can go, at little expense, and enjoy the great outdoors at its finest. If it is to be a successful industry it must not become an issue of bickering and narrow thinking.

We have had some healthy discussions with our county officials regarding the proper methods of operation at Howard Prairie. Our recommendations have not always been adopted, but we persist

when we know that the public interest will best be served as a result of a proposed improvement or policy.

We respect our officials and our differences are resolved amicably, because we are all trying to accomplish the same result. Every citizen of Jackson county cannot be a director of operations and policy at Howard Prairie or complete anarchy would prevail. Be proud of what you have and enjoy it.

R. T. Johnston
Johnston Stores
Howard Prairie
Concessionaire

Farm Worker Gets New Court Chance

Salem - (UPI) - A farm hand who was knocked down and trampled while attempting to feed pigs is going to get another chance to take his case to court.

The Oregon Supreme Court Wednesday reversed a Umatilla Circuit Court decision which had thrown out the case of Ted T. Short had brought against Federated Livestock Corp. A new trial was ordered.

Short claimed the corporation was negligent because it hadn't made its hog pens reasonably safe.

The high court said the employers liability law didn't

cover the case, but under common law standards the employer had failed to provide a reasonably safe place to work. However, it pointed out that an employee's failure to exercise due care could raise the question of contributory negligence.

CHARLIE GETS CHOPPERS
Alconbury, England - (UPI) - The U.S. Air Force base here put its 5-year-old guard dog, Charlie, back on duty today with a set of false teeth. Charlie lost his real teeth by chewing on concrete, wire fences and wooden posts.

DRAIN MAN KILLED
Reedsport - (UPI) - Robert Cook, 20, Drain, was killed in a logging accident about 30 miles east of here Tuesday. He was struck by a rolling log while setting chokers.

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