

# Regional Roundup

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A couple of weeks ago a Medford real estate firm ran an ad in this newspaper under "business opportunities" advertising the "townsite of Tiller" for sale. Our interest was aroused, and so we contacted the realtor for more information. He reported that a 155 acre parcel was for sale, including eight houses, a bunkhouse, cafe not now in operation, office building and trailer park. A five-acre piece on which a market, service station and post office are located, was not involved, he explained.

Based on this information, we wrote a news story about the "townsite" being offered for sale. The Roseburg newspaper did likewise.

When residents and business people in Tiller read the stories and advertisements, they were annoyed and indignant. The 155 acres offered for sale also did not include other prominent buildings in the community, they pointed out.

Their objections raised the interesting question of when a townsite ceases to be a townsite. In this case, we're inclined to agree with the Tiller residents who state that the best part of Tiller really isn't for sale. We asked Tiller-Drew correspondent Viola Rogers for a report. Her reply reads, in part:

"The 155 acres comprising some rentals, a non-operating restaurant, and a bunkhouse are truly the least part of the town. The rest of the town is comprised of two filling stations, a tavern, a general store, post office, nursery and gardens, elementary school, and a community church in addition to several homes. Just across the South Umpqua river from Tiller are the two office buildings of the South Umpqua District and the Cow Creek District of the Umpqua National forest, also residences of several of the personnel of the Forest Service.

"This 155 acres, advertised for \$50,000, and belonging to Steve Cooper and Bernard Young of Roseburg, has been for sale for several months. The thing that irked the Tillerites, people who live and work in and for the town, was the unfair way in which the two Roseburg men were trying to dispose of their property."

### Bertha's Back

Bertha Hanscom, our roving correspondent who covers Phoenix when she's home, is back from a hunting season vacation in the Lakeview area. The country over there seems to have plenty of water this year, she reports. Streams and lakes which were dry last year are running nearly full this year. They visited Crump lake and report it is almost full for the first time in several years.

"We spent the night on the lakeshore," Bertha writes, "and it was more beautiful than I've ever seen it, with a full moon shining across the water. We were the only ones there except for the coyotes. The sunrise over Crump too was beautiful. No artist could ever paint a sunrise like that one."

On the way home, the Hanscoms stopped at a service station at Beatty, and Bertha asked the lady attendant what the weather had been like in those parts recently. The lady replied that she didn't know, because she was from Medford.

### Unanimity

Perhaps the most unanimous precinct in the tax election last week was at Holland in the Illinois Valley area. The vote was 84 to 0 against the income tax bill.

## Help On UN Fund Drive Sought In Gold Hill Area

GOLD HILL — Anyone in the Gold Hill area who is interested in helping with plans here for the annual United Nations Children Fund Drive on Halloween is invited to contact Mrs. Ogden Kellogg, Sardine Creek Road. She is assisting Mrs. C. Reese Braley, chairman of the Jackson County UNICEF program. Pennies given to children for

"trick or treat" for UNICEF will help buy milk and medical care for ill children and mothers in many lands.

On Halloween, Thursday, Oct. 31, banks made of half-pint milk cartons for this purpose will be distributed at Patrick and Hanby Elementary Schools to youngsters who plan to participate in the local United Nations Childrens Fund Drive.

It was stressed that these banks will be given only to children who have a written permission slip from their parents.

This week films will be shown in the Gold Hill schools in observance of United Nations Week. The films are entitled "A Gift To Grow On," which Patrick students will see, and that to be shown at Hanby is "Grain Of Sand."

### ITINERANT CLAIMS

ILLINOIS VALLEY — According to Don Stiffler, manager of the Grants Pass state employment office, itinerant claims service is being offered in Cave Junction. A claims adjuster for the Grants Pass office will be in charge in this area. Reports will be taken each Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the American Legion hall in Cave Junction.

### Students Start Magazine Sales Drive

GOLD HILL — Students of Hanby Elementary school in district 6 started the annual magazine sales Oct. 17 in Gold Hill. Funds derived from the sales will benefit the student body activities, according to Gilbert A. Mack, principal of Gold Hill schools.

### Working Writers Invited To Meeting

CENTRAL POINT — All working writers are invited to attend a meeting of the Rogue Valley Writers tonight at 7:30 at the home of Helen Bartley, 3478 New Ray road. Those wishing further information may phone Mrs. Bartley at 664-1924.

## Parent-Teacher Conferences Planned At Sams Valley School

SAMS VALLEY — Parents of first through sixth graders of Sams Valley Elementary School in district 6 have been sent information of the parent-teacher conference method of reporting which will be used at the end of the first report period, according to principal, Allen W. Hill.

Hill said scheduling of appointments and notices of individual conferences are being sent out this week. Parent-teacher conferences will be held during the week of Nov. 4 through 8 at the school.

Hill stated that each conference will take about 20 minutes, and the conferences with parents will be held that week from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Room mothers for Sams Valley Elementary School and parent-teacher association activities for the 1962-63 school year have been named, Hill said.

They are the following: Mrs. D. G. Kilburn and Mrs. Billie Milton for Mrs. Rudella Anderson's first grade room; Mrs. Donald Elder for Mrs. Aletha Burreson's second and third grade room; Mrs. George Morefield for Mrs. Zada Acker's fourth grade room; Mrs. Fred Robertson and Mrs. Bob Cronkite for Miss Vernola Hutchinson's fifth grade room; and Mrs. William Griffith and Mrs. Clea Babard for Hill's sixth grade

The first activity for which room mothers will take charge of arrangements will be the annual Halloween parties which will be held in the various classrooms following a costume parade on Thursday afternoon, Oct. 31.

The total enrollment at Sams Valley Elementary School has now reached 123. Hill said with the latest students coming here from Hawaii. They are Lynn Donaghy, a fourth grader, and her brother, Kim Donaghy, a fifth grader; their parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Donaghy.

There are now 37 teachers representing all 17 classrooms, broken down by grades: first, 22; second, 24; third, 12; fourth, 20; fifth, 24; and sixth, 16.

The District 6 PTA Inter-School Council met at the Sams Valley School last week in the cafeteria.

At a recent meeting of the Sams Valley PTA, the room count award plaque went to the second and third grade room for having the most parents present.

During the PTA meeting copies of the new by-laws were presented to those attending. It was indicated that voting will take place at the Nov. 21 PTA meeting. On that date open house will be held in the

## Street Signs Are Going Up In Happy Camp

HAPPY CAMP — Something new has been added around town in Happy Camp. For the first time in the history of the town, street signs have been posted at intersections, a project of the Happy Camp Lions Club.

According to Fred Fairbairn, chairman of the project, many months of research and work have gone into the project. About 80 signs have been made, painted, and lettered by the committee and put into place at street corners and there are about 80 more to go, he said. At present the project goal is to mark each street within the Happy Camp Fire District.

Street names have been studied from county maps and documents concerning the town, and any street not found to have a name is being named for old timers in the area, Fairbairn said.

A future goal will be to number all houses in the area after the sign job is completed, Fairbairn said. At present all streets and roads in the area are being mapped by the committee for future reference.

Anyone who has lived in an area such as this can well understand the problem of trying to explain to a visitor in town how to get to such and such a place.

In the past, since Indian Creek runs north and south, one would pick a landmark such as the high school, or the drug store and go so far east or west, north or south from there.

The signs should simplify directions, that is, after the people of the town learn the names of the various streets — since Main st. has changed to Second ave. and Indian Creek Road, is now Main st.

## Central Point PTA's To Meet

CENTRAL POINT — The Central Point Elementary and Junior High Parent Teacher Association will meet Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in the junior high cafeteria.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Betty Lou Dunlop, Southern Oregon College. Topic of her speech will be "Teacher Education."

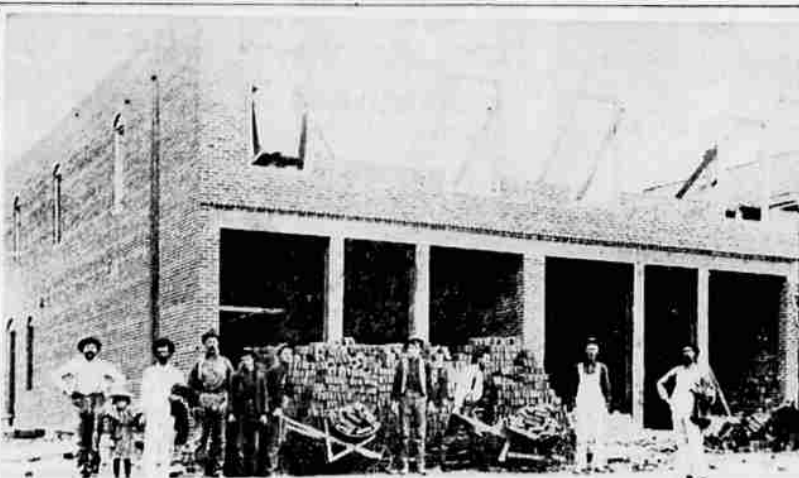
Elementary and junior high teachers will be introduced. PTA officers this year are Mrs. Ray Guss, president; Mrs. Raymond Chavis, first vice president; Mrs. Luma Burrough, second vice president; Mrs. Charles Klutensbeker, treasurer; and Mrs. Lewis Collins, secretary.

Those wishing to join the unit should contact Mrs. Burrough. The executive committee will be in charge of refreshments. Baby sitting will be available in the home economics room.

### PP&L Representative Doing Prospect Story

PROSPECT — Ron Brown, who is in the advertising department of Pacific Power and Light Company out of its Portland office, has been in the Prospect area taking pictures in preparation for a story concerning Jim Wilson and his activities as a trouble shooter for PP&L.

The story and pictures are scheduled to appear soon in the company's periodical which is mailed to customers with the power bills.



AN 1898 SCENE — The Odd Fellows building in Gold Hill was constructed by Stickle Brothers, contractors, in 1898, and this photo shows the actual construction work in progress. It is one of the few old photos of the building still in existence. Now, 65 years later plans are under way to relocate the lodge room, kitchen and anterooms on the lower floor. Later on, the long range plans call for eventual removal of the upper floor. Preliminary work on the lower floor remodeling project has started. The original floor on the lower right section has been torn up by Odd Fellows members who donate their time on Tuesday night of each week. The above photo shows workmen laying handmade bricks to construct the building. The workmen in that day received about \$1.50 for an eight or nine hour day, and bricks cost about \$15 per thousand. The workmen, left to right, were Tony Olsen, father of Mrs. Raymond Thompson, building fund committee member; Mrs. Gwen Stickle Davis, who was then 5 years old; Walter H. Stickle, her father; a man named Humphrey; Bill and Clyde McFarren; the Beidler brothers; Hunter and George Val Stickle.

## Klamath Forest Has 8,745 Acres Of Slash To Burn

YREKA — The Klamath National Forest has 8,745 acres of slash to burn this fall. The fire must be hot enough to burn up all the slash and leave the ground clean for the planting of more than four million trees, and not do any damage to the surrounding virgin timber stands.

The foresters must first plan the details of the burning, including the equipment they are going to use, the number of men necessary, and the precautions to be taken to protect the surrounding forest.

During the summer, firelines are built around the cut blocks, and after cutting the heavy fuel into short sections it is piled into windrows by means of bulldozers.

After the first fall rains, weather observations are taken inside the cut blocks to determine when conditions are satisfactory for burning. Weather forecasts are watched to anticipate strong winds and drying weather.

The safety of the men during the burning is carefully watched. The firing begins at the top of the block and burns downhill and in from the sides to prevent a strong fire burning uphill, creating its own draft and threatening escape.

Another hazard is rolling rocks which are loosened by the burning material and which are hard to detect in the heavy smoke conditions.

### Regional Calendar

GOLD HILL — Saturday, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., a benefit dance will be given at the Central Point American Legion hall. All proceeds earmarked for the Gold Hill IOOF building fund project.

CENTRAL POINT — Sunday, 2 p.m., at Central Point Junior High Gym, Miss Monte Belle Cummings will speak and show slides of her trip to the United Nations. All Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and others interested are invited.

GETS POSITION WILDERVILLE — Edward R. Colin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Finn Colin of Fish Hatchery rd. here, has received news that as soon as he completes his tour of duty with the armed services he will have a post with Trans World Airlines as a radio and ground control crewman.

## Heifer From Actor's Ranch Is Champion at Exposition

APLEGATE VALLEY — Red Addie, junior yearling red Angus heifer from the Suncrest stock ranch near Copper, owned by motion picture actor, Steve Reeves, was champion of her class at Pacific International Livestock Exposition in Portland last week.

A second heifer, Columbine's Joy, won second place in the same class, according to Reeves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Maylone, managers of Suncrest.

Mr. and Mrs. Maylone also announced that Reeves, now in Rome, having completed the picture, "Sandokan," will return to the Alegate in January to make his home.

Reeves, who has lived in Europe for a number of years, spent some time in Ceylon of the southern coast of India and in two localities in Spain while making the last picture.

One picture in which Reeves starred as the son of Spartacus was "The Slave," which closed Sunday at a local drive-in theater.

Mr. and Mrs. Maylone attended the exposition in Portland. Their Angus cattle were trained and shown by their herdsman, Alan Kitt, an experienced showman who has appeared at stock shows in Fort Worth and in

Colorado and other sections of the west.

Suncrest ranch also breeds Rex Morgan horses, and Mr. and Mrs. Maylone report recent sale of Sun Gold, two year old stallion, for one thousand dollars. The sale was made to Miss Meredith Kerr of Mission Hills near Los Angeles. She will use him as a show horse and for riding.

In June Suncrest ranch exhibited in the all Morgan horse show in Portland, where Sun Gold placed second, with King's Ramsom placing first in the same class.

The horses also were shown at the Josephine county fair at Grants Pass in August, where King's Ramsom won reserve championship. Sun Gold won second place again in Grants Pass. Lady Sun Gold, a three year old mare, placed first in her class.

Sugar, a '63 filly foal, placed first at Grants Pass, and Rocky, a male colt, placed third.

Mr. and Mrs. Maylone have managed the 162 acre Suncrest ranch since it was purchased by the actor about three years ago. The ranch is stocked with 60 head of Angus and 12 head of Morgans.

## Lions To Sponsor Breakfast Sunday

CENTRAL POINT — The Central Point Lions club will sponsor a pancake breakfast Sunday from 6 a.m. to 12 noon at the legion hall on Pine street in Central Point.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to the Central Point Volunteer Fire Department to be used toward the purchase of a new truck to house the rescue unit.

The rescue unit was put in service in 1959 and was obtained through the cooperative effort of the entire fire department. It is fully outfitted with modern equipment. However, the present 1953 truck must be replaced. The firemen plan to replace the truck through donations from residents and service clubs in the Central Point area.

Firemen have reached the halfway mark toward their goal of \$4,000, according to Don Milligan, assistant fire chief.

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