

Wants and Sales

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FOR SALE—Trailer house, 26 foot, dual wheels 5 extra good tires and kerosene range, \$350. cash. Worth more. R. L. Stafford, Route 1, Box 102, Lyons, Ore. 13-3p

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Mehama Origin
By JEAN ROBERTS
Mehama, so one legend goes, was named for an Indian princess who once roamed this region. Still others claim that this small town on the North Fork of the Santiam was christened for Mehama Smith, early settler and owner of the original Mehama hotel.
There is evidence to support either story. Indian mounds have been found above Mehama at the site of the Oakdale school house. Near here also is an Indian war dance ring with mounds encircling a central dais lending credence to the Indian princess legend. A few years ago the cement blocks that once supported the hotel operated by Mehama Smith were still in place. These however, have been destroyed to make way for new businesses.
Mehama is principally a logging and sawmill community whose early morning slumber is broken by the whine of logging trucks gassing up for the day and any population in sight consists of loggers in their familiar staged off jeans and caulked boots.
Mehama, gateway to the Detroit dam region and the Elkhorn recreation area, has shown rapid growth of recent years. Its uniqueness does not stem entirely from its name nor its businesses but from the varied inhabitants that comprise this lustrous little town.
Ed Taylor, Mehama's old-timer hale and hearty at the age of 80 still indulges in a dance at the community grange hall where he can enjoy a do-ce-do with a pretty girl. He eagerly recalls his life as a youth when he was raised on "syrup, milk and venison, occasionally fording the river in a canoe to get to town where venison hams could be traded for staple groceries." "My brother chopped a finger off one day," relates Mrs. Taylor, "but we doctored it with brown sugar and tied it back on with a rag."
Still other early residents ardently recollect the Mehama of years ago when a ferry operated by "Gassy" Smith was the only means of transportation across the river. There was some disagreement at that time as to where to locate the town. One man insisted that up stream further near the present site of Wilson's hatchery, was the better place. Gassy however, proved to be more influential and the town sprang up at the present site.
The road to Stayton then was a cloud of dust in summer, a mire of mud in winter and slow going for the teams and wagons that traversed it. It was still unimproved when the automobile first made an appearance in the small town. This outstanding event consisted of a red buick driven by Dr. Beauchamp, a pioneer doctor and a familiar figure yet in Stayton. Among the excited youngsters this glistening vehicle was an object of envy, especially when Elsie Surry suffered a broken arm and was promised a ride in the doctor's car when it mended. Needless to say she was afforded little sympathy from her playmates who would have gladly taken her place.
Meral Teeters, born and raised in Mehama, readily compares the life of former years with that of today. A smooth pavement to Stayton replaces the old dirt road offering no transportation problem for school youngsters. Gone are the days of the Model T Ford which Meral and her brother drove to school fully equipped with a stout fence rail used for prying the car out of mud holes, for now a comfortable bus operates over the same route. Gone too, except in memories, is the medicine show which made a yearly tour and was welcomed by young and old, with its never to be forgotten, pretty baby, and most popular girl contests.
Still smacking of olden times are some of the street names, which very

few people remember or even know such as: Ferry street, which is now the state highway through town. Morris street, named for an early settler, and Hill addition, originally laid out in plots, now enveloped by school buildings.
Though times and styles have changed, population increased and transportation facilities quickened, Mehama is basically the same. It's a small town, a friendly town, which, as one wit aptly said, "people talk about you when you're well and come in to help when you're sick."

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