

O'Leary Stages--

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The Riverside Ramblers gathered in first prize in the professional talent competing.

Presenting a wide variety of entertainment were Edrie Wells, Allan Scharback, Mrs. Gianola, "Red" Thomas, and Riverside Ramblers in the talent class.

Stanley Ogden was the lucky winner of the first door prize donated by Hill Top Store. Pat Cree took home the second door prize furnished by Stewart's Grocery. Wilbur Meinert captured third prize given by Stiffler's Radio and Appliance store. Norma Downer was the lucky ticket holder for the fourth door prize donated by Mill City Variety store. Wilson Stevens snagged the fifth door prize contributed by Nu-Method Cleaners.

An added treat made possible by Jim O'Leary was the demonstration put on by the Paul Armstrong school of dancing. Santiam Sam opened proceedings show night and Professor Venesso gave a mystic performance.

Jackie Nibler secured first prize through her demonstration of dancing ability. Bobby Christianson captured the hearts of his audience by singing and dancing for second prize. Gary Peterson hit a nice instrumental vein by manipulation of his trumpet for third place money.

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Out of the Woods

By JIM STEVENS

Unused Wood . . .

As a sagebrusher, there is only one thing I miss in the "Unused Wood Inventory: Summary Report No. 1" of the Washington State Institute of Forest Products. It is the problem that rears up on untold millions of northwest country acres—the problem of sagebrush wood disposal.

Back in old Idaho Uncle Ben Cotter, a most inventive and ever reflective man used to worry aloud to me on this problem.

"Take the leaves," he'd say. "There is shorely all kinds of uses to be made of leaves with great smells and other signs of mighty attributes. The Indians use sagebrush tea on their hair. I use the same regular. But that is only a starter."

He also turned out in his carpenter shop the first novelties of sagebrush wood I ever saw on the market. But then Uncle Ben got interested in Debs Socialism, then in a new idea for a washing machine, and after that in a scheme to put balsam fir cough drops on the market. There's no telling what he might have done with sagebrush development if he'd stuck to it.

Anyhow, the new unused wood inventory report is a prime research job on Washington forests.

Advertising Pays . . .

In the times of old, up to 1940, an average of around 21,000 board feet per acre of usable material—usable but not marketable—was left over from logging in the Douglas fir region. Surveys of tree farms in 1950 showed that in 1949 only 2,100 board feet per acre of usable but unmarketable wood was being left along with the stumps and rotten windfalls by the loggers.

A good share of this new logging is with Western hemlock, scorned as a "weed tree" in the times before the pulp industry had grown to its present giant size and before builders had learned that hemlock lumber is interchangeable with Douglas fir in most uses.

More of the clean-up of logging is in the lower grades of all species. The national advertising and trade promotion of the West Coast Lumbermen's association has been the main force in this phase of forest progress. Industry refinements of manufacture are another way of progress.

Publications of both the Oregon State college and the Washington Institute of Forest Products have not only served to inform the public on progress in woods and mill utilization but have helped farmers, other small loggers, and mill men to do a better job and make more money per-hour of employee and machine.

Forest Fodder . . .

There's Circular No. 9 of WIFP,

MILL CITY

The Lions Auxiliary meeting scheduled on April 7 has been postponed because the American Legion hall is being re-decorated.

Mrs. Alfred Ward is suffering a very sore foot. Boiling water was spilled from the stove upon her.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bruder and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cline gave a birthday dinner in the Bruder home for Miss Daisy Hendricson Tuesday.

The Presbyterian church membership enjoyed a no-host dinner last Wednesday night.

Mrs. Harry Wood received word this week that her brother, Walter Scott of Marcola is seriously ill in a Eugene hospital.

Mrs. Arlo Tuers and Mrs. Verne Clarke had charge of the Lions club dinner served in the Presbyterian church recreation room Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barney and daughter of Tillamook spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvine Ricketts and son of Salem, and Mrs. L. V. Clarke of Milton visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Dennis of Monroe, Wash., visited with Mrs. Hayes and Mr. and Mrs. Clarke. The Dennis family have been vacationing in Mexico.

The mothers of the Mill City grade school basketball team gave a banquet in honor of their sons this week in the grade school.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jull left Wednesday morning for a Preachers' parliament at Eugene. They will return Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irl Plymale spent one day this week in Salem on business.

Mrs. Charles Gentry spent Tuesday and Wednesday visiting friends. Mr. Gentry is superintendent of the Gentry Lumber company in Springfield.

Mrs. Laurel Brown, Mrs. Rose Caudle, Mrs. Nelly Ward, Mrs. Marcella Peterson and Mrs. Irene Podrabsky spent Wednesday evening in the Arey Podrabsky home cutting out and arranging materials of the drum majorette costumes for the girl baton twirlers of the Mill City grade school band. The white satin material and special gold braid, buttons, belts and the costume patterns were purchased by Mrs. Podrabsky, Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Brown Monday.

The Teen-agers chaperones for Saturday are Evelyn Kanoff, Bill and Peggy McCoy. Host and hostess for

for example. It tells about experiments in treating trees by girdling and application of sodium arsenate to make them shed bark in from three to six months. This circular is just one Institute chore. It needs mentioning for contrast with such a giant's job as that of the separate publications on "Available Wood for Industry" in 12 districts of Washington, and the newly published "Summary Report No. 1" on the dozen original publications.

This report tells that the wood left annually in western Washington still could supply 800,000 tons of pulp for kraft paper per year, and that the annual leftovers of wood in all the state could be converted into 140 million gallons of industrial alcohol—now a critical item.

"Summary Report No. 1," tied to the preceding bulletins, circulars and the just published "Second Biennial Report" of the state's Forest Products Commission, might be given the over-all title of "Paradise Regained". Washington has, definitely, saved her forests. But the work yet undone remains a giant challenge. It calls for more industries that can use and sell the material which by economic necessity is still left in the logging woods.

Airport Opening Sparks Interest

Opening day for Davis airport found among the well wishers Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moore of Vancouver, Wash., who with their two children and pet spaniel flew down for the special occasion last Sunday. Mr. Moore soloed from Davis airport in the not too distant past and already has 300 flying hours to his credit.

Students brushing up on their flying ability since last flight season were Clyde Wells, Bud Thomas, David Hoeye, Court Rue and Bill Oshershaw. Clyde Wells, who recently purchased Wayne Kerr's Taylor-craft plane, checked out and soloed Sunday evening. Wells has named his plane "The Mug-wump of Mill City."

Jim O'Leary and Bud Thomas rolled the air-strip after the freeze last winter. They report that the new seed is doing nicely now. O'Leary together with Byron Davis flew to Lebanon where they picked up the Davis airport trailer following its inspection by CAA officials.

The "Air Roost", Davis airport restaurant operated by Edrie Wells this season, provided a convenient get-together spot for the visiting air-men and guests at the airport opening last Sunday.

"Pete" Peterson won the lucky ticket for a free airplane ride drawn each Sunday. "Pete" confided that it was his first time on a plane flight, and that the ride over the North Santiam Canyon and his home was a pleasant experience. He added that not until his free ride over Mill City had he realized Mill City was platted in blocks and presented a regular pattern to the eye.

Drawings for free rides are held each Sunday at 3 p.m.

The event are Bob Lee and Joan Ryal. Sunday word was received that Glen V. Sorensen's father, V. C. Sorensen, passed away following the heart attack he suffered earlier in the week. Sorensen, local attorney, was called to the home of his parents in Lyle, Wash., last Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. David Ferguson, Mrs. John Swan and Miss Daisy Hendricson attended the much publicized opening of another Epps Furniture Store just outside Albany on highway 99. They report Epps has an excellent location for his new enterprise.

The Mill City PTA elects officers next Wednesday. Bob Veness and his "battleship amplifier mounted" automobile raised the populace of Gates and this area from their normal pursuits as he cried free refreshments were ready for all comers at the Variety Cafe in Gates. Norman Garrison, proprietor of the new addition to his variety store, gulped as he told of having nearly 250 more people as guests than he had anticipated, but no one seems unhappy about the whole thing!

J. C. Kimmel--

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In connection with the recreational possibilities of the North Santiam canyon area, Kimmel is closely following and abetting the efforts of representatives of Redmond, Sisters, and Gates interested in advertising highway 222, which goes through these cities as well as those on down the canyon, and highway 97 as travel routes.

Attractive signs and other advertising media are in the planning stage. The city spokesmen wish the general public could have full knowledge of the gas, oil and wear-and-tear savings gained through travel on these highways.

Kimmel commented, "Driving from Salem to Bend on highway 222 is an awe-inspiring treat plus the fact that innumerable recreational outlets dot these routes."

The executive committee for the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce consists of Jake Myers of Elkhorn; Sam Palmerton of Idanha; James Nightingale of Sublimity; John Cannon of Detroit; and Ken Golliet of Mehama.

With the approval of the other chamber directors, Kimmel appointed Gene Teague chairman of the roads and highways committee. W. N. Simmons of Stayton was assigned by Kimmel the chairmanship of the publicity committee; Fred Lindemann of Lyons the industries committee; Jack Lingaas of Mehama the membership committee; Richard Parker of Gates the public relations committee; Wilson Stevens of Lyons the utilities committee and Russell Kelly of Mill City

the recreation committee. These committee chairman may choose their own committee members.

Those meeting in Mehama accepted the welcome of the Detroit representatives that the chamber board of directors meet next time in Detroit on Wednesday, May 2, in the Detroit high school.

Kimmel extended the thanks of the group to Kelly's Riverside cafe for the use of their banquet room and the serving of coffee.



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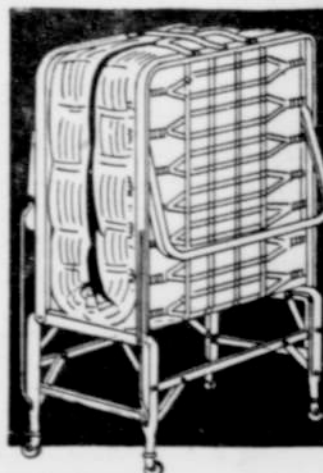
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