

Mrs. James Gordon entertained Monday evening with a pinocle party at her home. Refreshments were served after the evening of cards. Winning high was Mrs. Ramon Roberts and Mrs. Howard Farmer received the consolation prize. Mrs. Gordon won the pinocle award.

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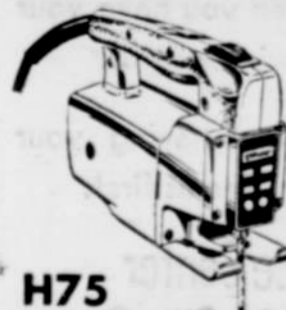
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TOWN TALK

Arnes Jackson and Lowell Cree are elk hunting near Enterprise, Oregon.

Allen Heywood and Donald Cree attended the Portland Roadster show Sunday.

Pamela Fish of Newport has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Fish.

Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Umphress were Mr. and Mrs. Al Derrick.

Guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles French were Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hoskins of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gregory and Donnie, spent Sunday in Portland where they spent the day visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cline have returned home after visiting with their son, Charles Cline and family at Sunnyside, Wash.

Sunday visitors at the Mary Hartman home were Mr. and Mrs. Bill McGhee of Salem and Mrs. Dorsey Collins of Eugene.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Mason over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Art Cole and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Balmer of Salem.

Dr. Mark Hammericksen's Optometric offices in the Ball building in Stayton; Thursdays from 1:00 p. m. to 6:00 P. M. No appointments necessary. adv.

Mrs. L. J. Moody of Eugene is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Burton Boroughs, while her husband is elk hunting in Eastern Oregon.

Leo Poole accompanied a group of relatives from Stayton to the coastal region near Astoria where they hunted elk. However, none of the group was successful.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Scott returned home Monday after spending the week-end in Seattle where they visited with friends. They are former Seattle residents.

Mrs. Jack Duggan and Mrs. Francis Bodeker returned Friday from a week's trip to California. They brought Mrs. Bodeker's mother back to Mill City with them for a visit.

Denny Sheythe of Roseburg spent the week visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Sheythe. He returned to Roseburg Sunday with George Rambo, who had spent the weekend here.

Mrs. Burton Boroughs and Mrs. Al Yankus were in Lebanon this week where they received training for taking the farm area census. They will have some districts here and some in other areas.

Mrs. David Umphress and small son of Portland will spend some time in Mill City later in the month with the Charles Umphress family. Her husband, A2c David Umphress will be in Chicago for a month for specialized training.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rogers were Mrs. James McMurphy and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Jones of Philomath. Mrs. MacMurphy is the former Minnie Tatum, who taught in the Mill City schools a number of years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Enreal of Skagway, Alaska are in Mill City at present visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irl Plymale. Mr. Enreal has been employed in Alaska for some time but was forced to give up his work there because of a heart condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Baltimore visited Mill City friends Saturday evening. They had been to Portland where they were dinner guests at the home of her sister, Mrs. Leonard Runkle. Mrs. Mable Baltimore spent the day in Mill City visiting with old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lalack and two children were in Portland Sunday where they visited at the home of an aunt, Mrs. Anna Forest. In the afternoon they went out to the new zoo and Jeannine said they all had fun riding on the Zoolliner, as well as looking at the animals.

Mrs. Helen Fowler has moved into the Deer Horn Motel in Mill City. She is a teacher in the elementary school and has been driving back and forth from her home in Aumsville for several years. Her daughter, Miss Susan Fowler left Sunday for Cloverdale, Calif. Mr. Fowler is now employed in California.

Beta Kappa Theta Rho, at the regular meeting Oct. 22, received an official visit from Edna Oster, Vice Chairman of the Youth Committee and Jr. Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon. She was accompanied by her husband, Al Oster, Past Grand Officer of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. The Club presented her with a Theta Rho cup and saucer and a corsage. Refreshments were served by a committee from the Santiam Rebekah Lodge.

Robert N. Smith has been hobbling around this week with a sprained ankle the result of a fall which he received while fishing. Mr. Smith broke his ankle several years ago and as a result it is easily injured. Sunday guests at the Smith home were his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith of Salem.

Attending the district meeting of the Ninety and Nine Men of the Christian Churches Monday evening were Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Irl Plymale and Dick Freeman. The wives were special guests at the banquet which was held at the Court Street Christian Church. Gov. Mark Hatfield was guest speaker.

Mrs. Joe Walters received word recently that her brother-in-law, Leo Wagner of Mehama was at the Oregon Medical center in Portland for observation. It was discovered that he had an enlarged heart; also a hole in his heart about the size of a nickel. To further complicate his condition he has now developed pneumonia.

Editor's Letter Box

Dear Editor—
Last week I wrote you about the early survey for a road thru our farms up the Gates Hill. I wasted my time because there is no county right of way thru our farms up the Gates Hill. There is no county right-of-way at all, and the people who have been traveling this road have simply been imposing on the good nature of the owners.

After a thorough search through records we come up with these facts. In the year of 1896 when the viewers viewed the road and the petition was presented section 23 and 27 belonged to the Southern Pacific Company. On Dec. 14, 1903—deed number 3550 the Southern Pacific Co. wrote a deed for W. S. Mott for the N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW1-4 and E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sec. 23 T9 R3E, WM. in this deed there is no provision or mention of any rights-of-ways what ever. This was six years after the petition. We have not found any mention whatever in any of our deeds for sections 23 or 27. Not even in the one we received from Marion County in 1948. No records show that we have been able to dig up any such dreamy road! So there never was a county-right-of-way thru these sections.

The Little page Road which runs from Gates, to Section 18, T9, R4E, is the topic of conversation these days—it is said that the County intends to claim ownership of it because it claims to have maintained it for a period of ten years. The County has no legal right to this road.

If maintaining a road gives one the right of ownership then I own this one, as we widened it and rocked it every year, besides buying it. Our deed gives us All Rights.

The loggers in this county must own All the roads in the forest as they are the ones who maintain them, besides constructing them and pay for the rock put on—Plus, a toll fee.

It is the common practice of everyone in this county to Repair the damage which they do on any given road. I pay for my damage to other people's roads when I use them, the same as every one else. Private owner's expect and get this service, the same as does the Forest Service and the B.L.M.; these people even charge the loggers for the rock they use in the repair work, yet no one claims to own a road because of repairing of damage.

I do not think running a grader lightly over ruts made by the school bus or the county gravel trucks or dumping a little—very little gravel here and there is enough to give anyone the right to possess and take away from private ownership a good rock road.

The county did not make this road, the rock for it came from our own rock pit but the county did run its gravel trucks over this road while making roads elsewhere and beyond our land. They tore up the road and as is the custom patched up their damage, a small bit.

I have a deed given by the county and signed by the court giving us full and complete ownership to this land in 1948.

In 1954, the ownership of the Little page road thru our lands was contested and a Federal Court hearing was the result. The Court decreed that the road was our property and denied the taking of it.

Toll has always been charged in one form or another for passage thru. Due to the terrain only downhill pay loads have been able to pass. In late years the B.L.M. has collected toll for the higher portion of this road.

There have always been "No Trespass" and "Private Property" signs on this property. Also—we have always protested the unauthorized meddling of the county grader's.

The fork of the road running uphill toward the North Fork, was made-as the other-by loggers getting their logs out, and using rock from our rock pit. This was done in the late 40's. Our own cat worked this grade as well as the Cree's and William Sheppard.

At one time in the late 40's one of the Cree's had a permanent landing, a place to load his logs, in the middle of this road for almost a year and a boy had to ride his horse to school because there was no passable road thru here. Every one knows this is the truth.

Since when is private property confiscated without due process of law and just compensation?

I believe there are still a lot of people in Oregon, with a little spark of pioneer spirit and the idea that the common citizen still has some individual rights.

Mr. and Mrs. Warner Hampton.

THE MILL CITY ENTERPRISE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1959

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shaw were hosts at their home Sunday for a family dinner. An unusual arrangement of red roses centered the dining table. Present were Miss Audrey Shaw of Salem, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Bilyeu and Brent of Newport. Mr. and Mrs. Verne Shaw, Craig and Skye and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shaw.

Mrs. Louis Verbeck returned home last week after visiting several weeks with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Wirick and family and with her son and family the Louis Verbecks Jr. Also visiting in Roseburg during the week was Mr. and Mrs. Richard Verbeck and family of Albany. Verbeck was on vacation from his duties as state police officer.

The Den Mothers for the Cub Scouts met at the Scout Cabin last week. The Workshop for the Den Mothers which will be Nov. 7 was discussed and plans were made to attend. Plans were also made for the November pack meeting. Present were Mrs. Nell Hince, Mrs. Martin Hansen, Mrs. June Heuter, Mrs. Al Ziebert, Mrs. Edsel Croan and Mrs. Richard Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Anderberg were hosts Saturday evening at a Halloween buffet dinner at the Scott home. Those invited came to the party in costume, and a pleasant evening was spent in visiting. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stevens, Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bassett, Mr. and Mrs. Don Moffatt and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Anderberg and Mr. and Mrs. Scott.

Miss Carol Veness of Seattle spent the weekend in Mill City visiting her family. Carol, who was a member of the 1959 graduating class, completed her training at the Seattle Dental Assistant's school last week and is now employed in the office of Dr. Kenneth Roberts, orthodontist, in Seattle. The whole family drove to Portland Sunday and visited with friends, before taking Carol to the depot for the early evening train back to Seattle.

Mrs. J. D. MacGregor entertained the Round Robin pinocle club at her home Monday evening. A dessert was served preceding the evening of cards. High was won by Mrs. John Muir, Pinocle by Mrs. Leo Poole and consolation went to Mrs. Don Carlson. The next meeting of the group will be at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Chance. Guests for the evening were Mrs. L. J. Moody, Mrs. Edsel Croan and Mrs. Charley Stewart.

Good Program Planned For PTA Ham Dinner Here Thursday Night

A highly enjoyable stage program is planned for the entertainment of all those attending the PTA ham dinner in the grade school gymnasium Thursday evening. Acts representing the new states of Hawaii and Alaska will be presented, with Mrs. Doris Sheythe, Robert Harris, and Mrs. Robert Veness in charge. General program chairman is Mrs. Lawrence Brent.

August Traffic Accidents Show 10% Increase

Traffic accidents in Oregon through the end of August showed an increase of slightly more than 10 percent, the latest Department of Motor Vehicle figures state.

At the end of the first six months, accidents were up only about seven percent over the same period last year, indicating that the accident increase in the state is continuing to worsen month-by-month.

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