

KLAMATH COUNTY CHEST X-RAY SCHEDULE

July 22 — August 8
Rural Area — Standard Time

July 25 Chiloquin, City Hall-Library, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Crescent Lake, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

July 28 Chemult, near postoffice 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

July 29 Malin, near postoffice, 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Shevlin, Store, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

July 30 Malin, near postoffice, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Beatty, store, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

July 31 Merrill, near postoffice, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Sprague River Chet Williams station, 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

August 1 Merrill, near postoffice, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Fort Klamath, Community Building, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

August 4 Bly, Sycan's Store, 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

August 7 Keno, near postoffice, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

August 8 Bonanza, near postoffice, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

LET'S X-RAY 100%

Sheridan Elected Head Of Local X-Ray Survey

Mrs. Margaret Sheridan Wednesday was chosen chairman of the Klamath Falls and Suburban area chest X-ray survey slated for Aug. 4 to Sept. 25 here.

Elton Smith was named vice-chairman, while a co-vice chairman is to be confirmed later.

X-ray steering committee members also include Home Call Chairman Mrs. H. A. Moore and Mrs. Pearl Buck. Host and Hostess Chairman Zelma Howard, Clerk Chairman Mrs. Farris Williams,

Klamath County since the first of this year, bringing the total of known cases here to 73.

The new ones are all men, aged from 31 to 66. Eleven persons died of tuberculosis last year. Dr. Kerron reported, giving the county one of the highest TB death rates in Oregon.

The chest X-ray, he said, is to discover the first indication of what might be TB in a lung, but that medical examination is needed to prove the discovery. Since TB is most often found in persons 15 or older, he said, the survey this year is attempting to X-ray all adults 15 years of age and over in the county.

A quota of more than 24,000 X-rays has been set, starting off with Gilchrist Wednesday where 135 persons were checked. A report on each picture will be made to each individual about 10 days following the X-ray, Dr. Kerron said.

Gene Wood of the TB and Health Assoc.; Elton Smith, Cancer Society and Norman Wilson, Heart Society, represented their respective units at the session. Each has a special interest in the results of lung and chest X-rays.

The Farm Bureau yesterday began a survey on farm health under the direction of Mrs. Earl Kerns, and the Modoc Toastmasters have offered a speaker's bureau for talks to any organizations on the X-rays.

The Klamath Camera Club has planned to use the X-ray program here as subject matter for a national photo contest on community services.



Mrs. Margaret Sheridan

and Business Chairman Gene Wood.

A steering committee meeting has been set for Monday, 8 p.m. at the Health Unit, and the Hostess Committee is to meet Tuesday, 8 p.m., at the Courthouse.

At Wednesday's session, Dr. Mildred Scott, State Board of Health, explained the place of the X-ray survey in the over-all state. Since Oregon set up X-raying in 1945, she said, more than a million and a half miniature chest X-ray films have been taken.

She noted that besides tuberculosis, X-rays have disclosed such diseases as lung cancer, pneumonia and heart disorders.

County Health Officer Dr. Seth Kerron told the group seven new cases have been discovered in

Prison Crew Works On Tillamook Burn

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.

TILLAMOOK BURN — They are building new men as well as new forests in this 300,000-acre area that has been ravaged by fire three times.

The 50-man state prison crew came there last October to plant trees, build roads and firebreaks, and fight fires.

They have done such good work that plans are being made to bring in two more prison crews.

State Forester George Spaur says the convicts, all honor prisoners who require no guarding, have done better work than the civilians he's hiring to do similar work.

He and Prison Warden Virgil O'Malley want to double the number of convict forest workers this fall, but they don't agree yet on how to do it.

Spaur wants to double the size of the present camp, while O'Malley wants another separate camp.

O'Malley doubts the wisdom of putting more than 60 men or so in one camp, while Spaur favors a bigger camp to reduce the overhead costs.

The convicts work all year. During the rainy season, and it really rains up here, the convicts plant trees. They planted 2,500,000 trees last winter and spring. The 15-inch trees are planted 600 or 700 to the acre, with the trees six feet apart.

When the weather warms up and the rain stops, they build firebreaks. This means they cut down the snags, or old dead trees, in corridors 1,000 to 1,500 feet wide. These corridors are built to confine fires to small areas.

The men cutting snags work in two-man crews, with one power saw to each crew. A good crew cuts down 70 snags a day, if the land isn't too rugged.

The men also have built 30 miles of roads to make the whole area accessible to fire fighters.

O'Malley also envisions a third camp to be used only during the summer. Spaur says he's for this, too.

The Tillamook Burn, once one of America's greatest forests, was burned in 1923, 1939 and 1945.

The state now is engaged in a long-range plan to develop a vast

new forest on it, and Spaur says the convicts are playing a big part in this task. And he likes the idea of rehabilitating the men at the same time.

The 1,500 convicts at the prison consider jobs at the forest camp to be the choicest of plums, so almost all of them want to go there. They have good reasons, too.

The men at the camp like their work, especially the chance to earn the \$1 a day that the Forestry Department pays each man. They like the good food, too.

The camp, located in the hills near the east end of the burn, was built at the penitentiary, and hauled to the site in sections. The men need a recreation hall for the long, rainy evenings.

Five guards, paid by the Forestry Department, run the camp. The state forester supplies the foreman and instructors. All expenses are paid by the Forestry Department.

The men live in overcrowded bunks, with up to eight men in each house. There isn't room for anything much except their double-deck beds.

No convict has run away yet, and escapes are unlikely. The men don't run away because if they do and are caught, they will be transferred to solitary confinement at the penitentiary. That's too much of a contrast to life in the woods.

Spaur said the men planted up to 1,000 trees a day or better.

That's better than civilians do. On snag falling, he figures it's costing a third less than it costs for civilian crews to do the work.

Warden O'Malley says the experiment will prove that men in the forest camp won't repeat their crimes as often as other men in the penitentiary.

O'Malley, who came here last September from prison jobs in California, says California's extensive convict forest camp system has proved that men in the camps go straight more often than other classes of convicts.

The snags being cut now are great fire hazards. They burn like torches. Many of them contain good lumber, and this lumber is being salvaged by lumber companies at a tremendous rate.

Spaur estimates it will take 10 years to get all the lumber salvaged in the burn, and trees can't be planted in areas where lumber will be salvaged. A lot of snags, however, dissolve into dust when they fall.

The convicts haven't had any fire-fighting experience yet, but they are trained to do it. They can be sent to any fire in the state.

O'Malley said he can supply three camps in the burn with honor prisoners. He will find plenty of use for these men, because the Federal Forest Service would like to get them, too.

OLCC To Act On Change

SALEM — The Oregon Liquor Commission will decide in August whether to change closing hours for beer and liquor sales.

The commission wants to know first what the public thinks about it.

The commission said it might adopt a uniform 1 a.m. closing for taverns and nightclubs. Now, taverns close at that hour, but nightclubs can serve until 2:30 a.m.

The commission is thinking about preventing any beer sales before 1 p.m. Sunday. Beer sales now are allowed all day Sunday.

R. L. Elstrom, chairman of the commission, said the commission would like public reaction to the proposal.

He explained the law doesn't allow the commission to stop all beer sales on Sundays, but it can change the hours.

The commission held its regular monthly meeting here Thursday, also considering routine license matters.

78,000 Bonus Checks Mailed

SALEM — The Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs now has mailed out 78,000 World War II veterans bonus checks, and has caught up with the big backlog of applications.

H. C. Saalfeld, bonus supervisor, said checks totaling 32 million dollars have been mailed.

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