

CHAMBER COMMENTS

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KLAMATH COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Oregon Chamber Executives, at a meeting last weekend in Bend, passed a resolution commending the Travel Information Division of the Oregon State Highway Department for its "40 Million For One Club" tourist advertising program this year, and urging the department to continue the program next year.

The resolution followed a discussion of the effectiveness of the program by Carl Jordan, director of the Travel Information Division. Jordan's estimate of the value of the program was gained through personal observation in his travels around the state, and by answers given on questionnaires sent to chambers of commerce throughout Oregon.

Some aspects of the program, including the organization of the clubs in the various communities, will require more interest and active participation on the part of the wayside industry people to become completely effective. But there was general enthusiasm for the window cards, tent cards and other pieces of literature that were widely used by every chamber in the state. In fact, many of the hotels, motels and restaurants in the local area are still using several of the pieces to good advantage to tell the Oregon and the Klamath story.

Freight Rate Hearing Set For November

A request for revised freight rates by the Southern Pacific Company will be aired in a hearing before the state Public Utility Commissioner in Room 101, Public Service Building, Salem, Tuesday, November 15, at 10 a.m.

The company petitioned the PUC August 15 to increase carload rates for some shipments of iron and steel from Portland to points in Southern Oregon on the Siskiyou Line south of Eugene and to Klamath Falls.

The proposal would increase rates on a minimum weight per shipment of 40,000 pounds and cancel present carload rates on a minimum weight of 120,000 pounds. Present rates on a minimum weight of 80,000 would remain in effect.

Watch Waste, Britons Told

LONDON (UPI)—British businessmen were urged today to think twice before emptying their garbage cans.

The British Department of Scientific and Industrial Research said a close watch on waste may mean new sources of raw materials.

It said bricks are now made from fuel ash, cortisone from sisal plant, and animal foods from distillery wastes. There are metal polishes based on sawdust and surplus sugar is being tested as the base for a detergent.

Woman Dies

READING, Pa. (AP)—Virginia Showers, 29, one of five persons who became ill Sunday after eating what they believed to be mushrooms, died Thursday in St. Joseph's Hospital. Mrs. Showers picked the plants in a wooded area near her father's farm. The father, Harvey Leiminger, 61; his wife, Mabel, 56; their son, Charles, 14; and Jean Reber, 28, of Reading, all became ill after eating them. All except Charles Leiminger still were in the hospital Thursday. Physicians said the others were in satisfactory condition.

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BASIN BRIEFS

Other Basin Briefs On 2-A

Woodrow Nielsen, Grants Pass, visited and hunted last weekend with his brother, Clayton Nielsen, Willow Ranch. He left Sunday.

Malin

Mrs. Pete Riis and son, Danny, of Rogue River visited friends in Malin last week and spent some time hunting deer while here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cullen Jr., Yakima, are parents of a girl born October 8, weighing 7 pounds. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Elmore and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Cullen Sr. of Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Van Meter have returned to their home in Malin after spending the summer on Dog Mountain Lookout.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stuckey are parents of a baby boy born October 8 at Malin Clinic, weighing 5 pounds, 7 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vaeknitz of Malin.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Taylor are the parents of a baby boy born October 8 at Malin Clinic, weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Luther Henson of Ukiah, California, has been visiting with the Les and Clark Unruh.

Step Forward

GENEVA (AP)—The nuclear test ban conference took a small step forward today on a treaty agreeing that members of a global test control system would have the same privileges and immunities as United Nations officials. But chief Soviet delegate Semyon K. Tsarapkin made it clear the British, Americans and Soviets are still deadlocked on a research program to improve detection of sneak atomic explosions.

Ranch Burned; Woman Suicides

SUSANVILLE (PI)—Mrs. Eltha A. Perkins, 69, prominent Lassen County rancher, apparently burned her Ash Valley ranch house to the ground and then killed herself, authorities said today.

Mrs. Perkins' body was found by sheriff's deputies Thursday about two miles from the ranch. She had been shot in the abdomen with a rifle.

Deputies said they started the search Wednesday after the two-story building burned, and a note was found nearby with the woman's personal effects.

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Bellwether County Still Unsure How It Will Vote

PRINEVILLE (AP)—Oregon's bellwether county does not yet know which way it will go on Nov. 8.

That is the opinion of political observers trying to decide which way Crook County—and the United States—will vote for president at the general election.

Crook County voters have always—since the county was formed 78 years ago—voted with the winning presidential candidate.

Seven other counties in the United States—two in New Hampshire, two in Iowa, two in Wyoming and one in Indiana—have the same record.

But if Crook County is going to help point the way this year, the direction it is pointing is not yet clear.

"It is awfully close and there is no certain trend," says E. A. Donnelly, editor of the Central Oregonian. "Sentiment just doesn't seem to have jelled yet."

He said he doubted anyone could tell until perhaps a week before the election. About that time Crook County High School is going to take a straw vote. That, says Donnelly, will come close to telling how the adults will vote.

Cecil M. Sly, school superintendent, says he can't guess how the school vote will turn out. Sentiment now, he says, seems "pretty evenly mixed."

There is one thing sure, though, Sly says: The youngsters are not likely to be influenced heavily by religion. "The kids are much more against bringing in religion than their parents are," says Sly.

Whether Sen. John F. Kennedy's Roman Catholicism is going to be a major factor in the decision here in November is uncertain. Some seem reluctant to say it will be a factor at all; others say it will cut sharply into Kennedy support.

Democrats lead Republicans in registration 2773 to 1732, but this does not mean the Democratic candidate would normally be out in front.

"The people of the county are not strong party members," says Sly. Donnelly agrees they tend to look more at the candidate than at his label. The strong Democratic coloration is strengthened by the regional background of large numbers of the residents, who came from Oklahoma.

The Hudspeth family with its widespread ranching and lumbering operations is from Oklahoma and it attracted many from there.

The county's population is 5075 and of these 2336 live in Prineville, the county's only incorporated community. It has 7500 live in or right adjacent to the town and work in the several sawmills and related industries. Farming and cattle ranching in the county of 2800 square miles, occupy the rest

in 1916, contrary to the rest of the state which supported Charles Evans Hughes. And of more recent memory, it sided with Harry Truman in 1948, the year Oregon's electors were for Thomas E. Dewey.

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