



COUNTY Trapper Robert E. Walker shows two coyote taken in traps along with evidence of one type of damage done by predators. About all that remained of this two or three-month-old fawn was the head. Walker's trapping efforts are financed jointly by county and federal funds, along with some assistance from the state game commission.

Don Coin Walrod photo

## New Trapper for County Learns Area, Notes Results of Work

Robert E. Walker, county trapper, who assumed his duties July 1 following the resignation of Walter Forsyth, reports reasonably good success in taking coyote, bobcat and bear in spite of having to learn his territory.

Walker came to Columbia county from Tillamook. Although this is his first position as a government trapper, the trapping business is by no means new to him since he has operated private trap lines.

## Voter Sign-up Time Is Short

Robert A. Welwood, county clerk, reminds all citizens of the county that there are only 13 days left to register to be eligible to vote in the November 6 general election. Registration closes at eight o'clock October 6 and anyone registering after that date will not be qualified to vote in the November election.

Welwood states his office will be open until 8:00 p.m. on October 6, but he urges all those who should register or reregister to do so early. For the convenience of voters throughout the county, he has appointed the following official registrars:

In St. Helens, Dorothea Coldwell, chamber of commerce building, Everett Emerson, acting fire chief and Rollie Martin, at the St. Helens fire station; Louise DeRossitt of Goble; Grace M. Brough, city recorder of Rainier; R. W. Kessell, justice of peace, and Edne M. Bradley, Culbertson Feed store, Clatskanie; Katherine Grimsbo, Mist store, Mist; Walter E. Linn, city recorder, Vernonia; Wendell G. Hill, Hill Ins. Agency, Scappoose, and Edna M. Graf, Sauvies Island.

Anyone of the above will be pleased to help in registering all those who call upon them.

## Broken Leg Is Result of Play

RIVERVIEW—Mary Ann Steele broke her leg while playing on the bars at the Lincoln school after school a week ago Friday. She hopes to get a walking cast and be able to return to school the latter part of the week.

Melvin Snook of Fullerton, California came Tuesday to spend his vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Snook. Other relatives there were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snook and family of Portland on Saturday and Mrs. Lewis Morgan of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Don Morgan and two daughters and Janice Heskett of Longview on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Weygant have moved into the house on the corner of Eighth street and the highway from the Davies farm on Keasey road.

Week end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Normand were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Raymer of Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Brown and son Danny left Saturday for Three Hills, Alberta, Canada where he will enter Prairie Bible Institute for his senior year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Steele Jr. have taken over the Sun Valley service station on Sunset highway near Buxton.

No umpire can change the classified advertising results!

## Eleven Vision Clues Outlined

Eleven clues to possible vision problems in a school-age child are outlined by the Oregon Optometric Association.

Dr. Richard D. Nelson of Medford, OOA chairman on visual problems of children and youth, says four out of ten school children have vision deficiencies which handicap them in their studies, preventing maximum achievement.

He urged parents and teachers to note carefully their children's habits and relate them to possible visual problems.

"Watch for symptoms like frequent loss of place when reading, avoidance of close work, and body rigidity while viewing distant objects," Dr. Nelson advises.

Other important indications of possible visual problems are holding reading material closer to the face than normal, excessive head movements, poor sitting posture or position, facial distortions or squinting while reading, excessive frowning, scowling or blinking, rubbing eyes, and complaints of headaches.

"These irregularities are too often considered childhood antics by parents or teachers, when they can be and often are the result of serious vision problems," Dr. Nelson comments.

Dr. Nelson also recommends that parents, in addition to watching for these symptoms, have their child's vision examined by a vision specialist at least once a year to keep up with growing vision requirements.

Unloved is the man who can drop ashes on the rug at home and get away with it.

## Pages From Our Past

By Kenneth L. Holmes, writer historian

### WHEN BUFFALO ROAMED THE NORTHWEST

Little do we realize that there was a time when one could sing, "O give me a home where the buffalo roam," about the Northwest and mean it. Although there seems to be no evidence that there were buffalo north of the Columbia in present Washington, it is well established that once they roamed over present eastern Oregon and southern Idaho. Some of the Washington tribes did trek over the northern Idaho Bitterroot range to the Montana buffalo country each summer to lay in a meat supply for the winter and to obtain buffalo robes, horns, sinews, and other parts for multiple use.

Vernon Bailey, a wildlife specialist with the U.S. Biological survey, years ago proved that buffalo had been in Oregon. After numerous interviews with Indians and pioneers in eastern Oregon, and after combing the area himself, he turned up skulls of buffalo in quantities enough to show that the beasts roamed all over southeastern Oregon.

The Piutes had a song calling for the buffalo to return: "Come back; come back, "And do not go away again."

In 1916 a Piute brave living near Burns told Bailey, "There used to be buffalo all over the Malheur valley." At the time of this interview the Indian was not sure of his age but thought he was 70 or 80. He said that his grandfather had seen plenty of buffalo. He thought the great animals had left the area about 100 years before.

What caused the bison to disappear from the Oregon country? There seems to have been no record of their having been here af-

ter the coaming of the white man. It was not the whites who drove them out.

The answer lies in the coming of the horse to the Indians with the resultant radical change in the Red Man's habits of life.

"There is no question," wrote Dr. Bailey, "that only a few generations back buffalo covered in considerable numbers many of the large valleys of southeastern Oregon, and that they disappeared after the introduction of horses among the Indians and before many firearms were obtained.

"A thrilling page of history seems to be missing, when red hunters first mounted on horses learned of their power to overtake and kill with comparative ease and certainty big game as well as their less fortunate enemies. The balance of nature was disturbed almost as much by the advent of horses as by that of gunpowder."

What a hunter the Indian was on horseback even with only his lance or bow! The horse was trained to run at full speed guided only by knee-pressure from his rider. The bowman had to use both hands for shooting his arrow and reloading.

With a quiver of a hundred arrows, tipped with obsidian from volcanic deposits, here was a formidable hunter and steed. And the brave could replace another arrow after shooting one, with great rapidity too.

There was a game common to many tribes, a contest to see which warrior could keep the most arrows in the air at the same time. The Indian held eight or ten arrows in his left hand and stood in position with his bow in his

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right. At a given signal he would start shooting arrows in quick succession, sometimes having as many as eight in the air at once.

Place such expert bowmen on horseback, and you can see what formidable opponents the buffalo faced.

By the end of the first quarter of the 19th century the great hairy beasts had retreated out of eastern Oregon and were only occasionally seen in southern Idaho. Within the next 75 years they were to be nearly extinguished by the white man east of the Rockies as well.

## Let's Get Acquainted!

Do You Know This Man Born at Medford, Minnesota, on March 29, 1901.

Came to Vernonia in 1952.

Has been in business here but is now employed here.

Has four children, a number of grandchildren.

Must have a rabbits foot, judging from his luck.

Is active in local civic, fraternal and patriotic groups.

Is a sports enthusiast.

(Information supplied by J. W. Nichols)

Answer to last weeks quiz: Joe Magoff.

Wonder how many years it will be before the first cloverleaf traffic interchange is dedicated as an historical monument.

It's always the first step that costs the most—but it is worth the price if it is in the right direction.



'63 CHEVROLET IMPALA SPORT SEDAN

## Tomorrow-GO JET-SMOOTH CHEVROLET for '63

If it didn't say Chevrolet on the flanks of the superb automobile you see here, you'd have a hard time proving it's a low-priced car. It offers luxurious styling, extremely comfortable, spacious and silent interiors . . . plus a lot of invisible ways to keep it looking and running like new when a lot

### IT'S EXCITING!

of others have started to sag and sigh: new flush and dry rocker panels under the doors to guard against rusting . . . self-adjusting brakes . . . Delcotron generator for longer battery life. If you ever wondered why Chevrolet leads its field, a drive in this '63 should answer all your questions.



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Hard as it may be to believe, this year's Chevy II is better, better than last year's and better than anything in its class. It combines all the new easy-care features of the big Chevrolet with its own wonderful attributes of parkable size, four- or six-cylinder fuel economy and interiors that'd do justice to cars with twice its price and half its charm.



'63 CORVAIR MONZA CONVERTIBLE



Change it? Calm yourself, nobody's going to mess with a winner like this one! We did add self-adjusting brakes and a more fully aluminized muffler; interiors and outside trim are refined a bit, but the rest is pure Corvair with all the over-the-road goodness that implies. Oh yes, we changed the taillights so all those people you pass will know you're driving a '63.

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