

Beaverhead Forest News Notes

UNBENDING ROAD AT BIG HOLE MONUMENT

Motorists who have in the past had reason to quail at the hair-pin approach to the Battlefield Monument can now un-quail, thanks to the cooperative efforts of the Park Service and the Forest Service.

A road crew from the Beaverhead Forest, under the direction of Mickey Durant, and including Howard Gerdon and Kenneth Adams, all of Dillon, has been working for the past two weeks straightening the bend. Completion of the project, which entails a considerable amount of raising and filling, is expected by May 30, according to Forest officials.

Family Home From Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. William H. (Bill) MacKenzie and family have returned from Lander, Wyoming, where they had gone for the burial of Mr. MacKenzie's father, Hector MacKenzie, who died in Ennis while on a visit. Bill MacKenzie is now District Forest Ranger at Ennis and will be remembered locally around Wisdom and Dillon, having served as Assistant Ranger at both places.

Training Session at Helena

Joseph Meuchel, Forest Entomologist, is presently attending a training session at Helena, preparatory to his summer's work of evaluating results of the spruce budworm program on the Beaverhead Forest.

McDougal Assigned to Wisdom

John J. McDougal, Assistant Forest Ranger at Dillon, has been transferred to the Wisdom District as Acting District Ranger pending the return to duty of Ranger Venrick.

GRAZING INSPECTORS HERE FROM MISSOULA

Frank C. (Jack) Curtiss and Fred W. Johnson, both from the Regional Office, Missoula, are presently making an inspection of grazing and wildlife resources on the Beaverhead National Forest. Local residents will recall that Jack Curtiss, from 1946 to 1952, was Assistant Forest Supervisor here in Dillon.

John Venrick Convalescing

John W. Venrick, District Ranger at Wisdom, is convalescing satisfactorily at home. Venrick broke a leg in an altercation with a horse and was hospitalized at Butte.

Reports for Induction

Joe T. Helle Assistant District Ranger at Sheridan, has returned to his home in Fargo, North Dakota, to report for induction into the armed forces.

Only a doctor can diagnose cancer. But knowledge of cancer's seven danger signals can take you to the doctor in time for the best chance for cure, says the American Cancer Society.

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DELL NEWS

Correspondent
MRS. LEMONT ROBERTSON

LDS Church

LeMont Robertson, Jay DeGraff, and Glen Holbrook spent Saturday evening in Butte attending leadership meetings in connection with the quarterly conference of the LDS church. Harold Briggs also attended meetings on Sunday.

Home from Hospital

Visitors at the Jack Briggs home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Peterson and Mr. and Mrs. Jex Terry. Marcene Briggs returned home from the hospital Friday night where she has been confined with pneumonia. Jack Briggs is scheduled to undergo further skin graft in Butte on Tuesday.

Visit in Ogden

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Briggs spent the week end in Ogden, Utah, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Beede. They were accompanied by Mrs. John Briggs, Sr., who visited her mother, Mrs. Ceila Mayer.

Rider Has Accident

Gus Lucas, who is employed at the Briggs ranch, had the misfortune of having a horse fall on him last Friday. He required hospitalization but is much improved at this time.

Dinner at Hansens

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martinell and family were Sunday dinner guests at the Howard Hansen home on Medicine Lodge. The Mother's Day dinner had a double purpose since it was also the birthday of Mrs. Ras Hansen, mother of Howard and Mrs. Martinell.

Dance Revue

Children from Dell who participated in the Frances Stevens dance review which was held in Lima Saturday evening included the three Detton girls, Dixie Briggs, and Tana Knox.

Bill Rule spent Monday in Idaho Falls attending to business matters.

Mrs. Lee Martinell and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rogers visited with Louis Kaufman in the Dillon hospital Sunday.

Gordon Martinell spent the week end in Idaho Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Muggs McGrath spent the week end in Dillon visiting with their daughter, Mrs. Hazel Stinson, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. LeMont Robertson and Marlin spent Friday in Idaho Falls attending to business matters.

Mrs. Evalyn Etheridge of Lima spent Sunday afternoon and Sunday night with Gladys Briggs.

Week end visitors at the Don Detton home were Mr. Detton's sister, Mrs. Elva Olsen and her son of Pocatello.

Dick and Boyd Briggs and Jim Lamb attended the rodeo in Dillon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kay Jenkins and daughter of Idaho Falls spent the week end as guests of Mrs. Jenkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Belton Hatch.

Dell HD Club

The Dell Home Demonstration club held their regular meeting on Wednesday, May 16, at the home of Edna Lohr. The lesson on foundation garments was given by Mrs. Lee Martinell. Hostesses were Mrs. Lohr and Mrs. Naomi Stone.

Laurence Peterson, Sr., III

Mrs. Jim Anderson spent several days last week in Butte with her father, Lawrence Peterson, Sr., who is seriously ill. Ricky and Ronnie Holten spent the week end with the Andersons and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson took them back to Butte Sunday evening.

Attend Ladies Aid

Mrs. Orca Swaggerty attended Ladies Aid in Lima Friday. Mrs. Orca Swaggerty spent a few days last week visiting in Butte. Henry and Betty Lohr of Dillon spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lohr.

Conservation Is Exemplified In 4-H Camp Program

Ed. Note — Owing to space limitations the following article, prepared for National Soil Conservation week, was held over from the last issue. It is still interesting and timely.

by Boone Sparrow

National Conservation Week, May 6 to 12, is here, so I am going to tell you of the necessity of conservation training and a very excellent method of obtaining that training. This training is very vital to everyone, for conservation is everyone's business, as it has far-reaching effects upon the entire populace of any community, not just the rancher and farmer. The amount of food produced, the multitudes of beautiful scenic wonders found in countless national parks and forests, the quantity of the water you drink, and the types of hunting, fishing and other outdoor sports you enjoy all depend upon that fundamental base, Conservation, and how well it is used as a tool to serve man by conserving the very environment about him.

One of the best things being done in the way of Conservation education is State 4-H Conservation Camp. The four or five days of camp are filled with helpful tips on various phases of conservation. Some topics included are: Wildlife Management, Range Management and Range Conservation, Soil Conservation, Forest Management, Safety or Human Conservation, and Watershed Management. Naturally, there are also sidelights on numerous other sub-topics of conservation used to reinforce the basic main topics. These constitute a fairly complete list of the choice of workshops at Conservation Camp. Here is a brief break-down of these programs as to content:

1. Wildlife Management—campers learn the types of wildlife found in Montana. They also learn how the Fish and Game Department deals with these species in their natural habitats. They also learn the composition of the State Fish and Game Department by going through a resume of the various branches.

2. Range Management or Range Conservation—campers learn the various details of the three fundamental segments of the 4-H Range Management program, as follows:

A. Plant identification — this is the lowest level and the first stepping-stone of range management. Here campers learn the names of most of the important plants in the particular region where Conservation Camp is held. In this section also, they learn how to differentiate the members of the various tribes of the grass family.

B. Forage Values — this section is aimed at fixing in mind which plants are desirable and are good forage, and which ones make poor grazing and low production.

C. Range Production — deals with as to which groups of plants, (invaders, high-grade native plants, and low grade native plants), are producing well and are desired on rangeland. It deals with stocking rates in A.U.M., or animal unit per month's (how much acreage needed for one animal for a month's grazing).

3. Soil and Water Conservation tells how to keep the land in the best possible condition, so it will lose the least soil and yet produce the most meat poundage. This is done by good grazing methods, proper forest care, and by the planting of desirable species of plants to hold soil and water.

4. Watershed Management — uses the fundamental principles of soil conservation, and eventually serves the same end, although the program is directed on a relationship of good conservation practices to a high-quality water supply.

5. Forest Management—teaches campers about the various spe-

cies of trees prevalent in the vicinity of Conservation Camp and their most common uses as wood. Campers learn a few of the more simple lumbering techniques, so they have a working knowledge of fundamental lumbering at their grasp. If the camp is located in a lumbering area, a sawmill is toured to give campers an idea of the process of the creation of lumber from logs.

6. Safety — deals with proper swimming techniques, gun safety, first aid, and other safety hints of a highly diversified nature.

Besides the wide array of workshops, Conservation Camps offer excellent recreational facilities which round out any session of work.

To be eligible for Conservation Camp, you must be a 4-H member of the age of 14 or over and be interested in conservation. Anyone wishing to go should submit their 4-H record book to the County Soil Conservation Supervisory Board by a date in early July, which will be specified by the Board.

County Residents Purchase \$41,762 In Savings Bonds

Residents of Beaverhead county purchased \$41,762 worth of Series E and H United States Savings bonds during the month of April, according to a Treasury report received by W. W. Hawkins, County chairman, from A. T. Hibbard, State chairman, Helena. The county has now attained 35 per cent of its 1956 goal with sales of \$122,648 for the first four months.

Mr. Hawkins also reported sales for the state during April at \$2,447,715 for a total for the first four months of \$11,289,008. The state has reached 34.4 per cent of its 1956 sales goal of \$32,800,000.

"On May 1, the Series E bond was 15 years old," said Mr. Hibbard, "and the birthday of this brash teen-ager is being celebrated with good cause by more than 40 million Americans. They will pause to review with satisfaction their purchase of more than 80 billion dollars worth of E bonds in 15 years. They will observe with even greater satisfaction their holdings of nearly 38 billion dollars worth at current value, some of which are 15 years old."

NEEDLE CLUB PLANS PARTY FOR PARENTS

We met at the Armstead school house on May 7, 1956 at 7:30 with leader, Mrs. Halstead, five members and one visitor present.

We decided to go to the Beaverhead Laboratory on our tour on May 20 at 3:00. We will then go to the show in the evening.

We made plans for a Parents' Party to be held May 14 at 8:00 at the Armstead school house. Entertainment and refreshments will follow.

A demonstration was given by Sharon Hill on the care of the hair. Each girl in the club has now given a demonstration this year.

Refreshments were served by Sandra Huntsman. Our next meeting will be held at the Armstead school house on May 28, at 7:30.

—Darlene Kruletz, Reporter

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COACHES WILL LINE UP FOUR JUNIOR TEAMS AT MEETING

Coaches for Little League baseball will draw the members for the four teams at a meeting in the Elks Club Thursday night at 8 o'clock. All boys wanting to play should be registered with one of the coaches before Thursday. The various lists will be combined, and drawings for the teams made from the players' pool.

Practice sessions have been under way twice a week for the past month and the teams will be formed so that the players may work together in remaining practice sessions before league games start in June.

Coaches who will line up the teams Thursday night are Lloyd Tysdal, Frank Davis, Ronnie Kenison, Mike Schmauch, Norman Stubbs, Wes Maren, Don Keltz, Ted Kato, John Markovich and Bruce Watters. The Farm team this year will be coached by Bun Lodge.

George Koontz Campaigns Among Former Home Folks

George E. Koontz of Columbus, Mont., was in Dillon Monday greeting many old friends and campaigning for the nomination to the office of State Supt. of Schools. George is widely known and popular in both Beaverhead and Madison counties, having lived in each. He attended and graduated from schools here as well as Western.

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