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Construction Started on Golf Course



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Population explosion . . . it will be here.

According to the Los Angeles Times . . . Los Angeles County to gain four and a half million residents by 1980.

An official of the Federal Bureau of Roads said today that he expects motor vehicle registration to go over the one hundred million mark in 1972.

Let's leave all that population explosion and spend three days with me in Central Oregon, where the explosion has just begun.

Left Los Angeles in the morning . . . only three and one-half hours in the air and we landed at the Christmas Valley Club where we are greeted by Mel Thayer, the genial and corpulent host.

It's springtime . . . the trees are budding, grass growing and the air is balmy.

Lunch at the Club with Cy Sinton and Ham McCaughey.

Cy is the land and cattle baron who ram-rods the vast holdings of the ZX spread.

If all of their holdings were combined, I believe it would cover an area large enough to entitle them to send a delegate to the United Nations.

Ham is the famous land broker from Reno, Nevada, who, I believe, has sold more ranches than anybody.

The story must be true because he carved 75,000 acres out of the ZX holdings and sold it to us.

He also gave us a run-down on his recent trip to Pakistan where he spent several months on the top of The Himalayas looking for a particular type of sheep. Says he brought the head of one back. Can't understand why anyone would go that far and to that much trouble to get the head of a sheep when you consider how many thousands of them there are in Oregon and Nevada.

Spent the afternoon with Ham and Cy touring the ZX holdings in the vicinity of Silver Lake and Thompson Reservoir.

Returned to the Club for dinner where Mel Thayer served us some beautiful rainbow trout that he caught that morning in Thompson Lake.

We were also entertained at dinner by Mrs. Giuntini describing her trip of that afternoon to Morehouse Ranch. She was fascinated with all of the livestock on this ranch . . . cattle, horses, sheep, dogs, cats . . . also a baby
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PLENTY OF PROGRESS AT CHRISTMAS VALLEY — Aerial view tells what a lot of words cannot describe. There's plenty of activity and progress being accomplished in this bustling community. In the foreground are the model homes, which have been recently completed and sold. In the center is the beautiful Christmas Valley Lodge. Beyond it is the Motel. Light section in right center of the picture will be the big Christmas Valley Lake. Golf course will be near the Lake.

Horse Swapping Days Event Set for Christmas Valley July 21-22

Neighbors from Oregon, California, Washington and all points East are welcome to attend the first annual Horse Swapping Days at Christmas Valley Saturday and Sunday, July 21-22.

Two days of thrilling action will be in store for Christmas Valley Property Owners and visitors.

The age-old Western custom of horse swapping is expected to attract most interest. Everyone is invited to participate; just bring your own horse.

Not everyone, however, is invited to participate in the rugged

Gymkhana activities, which are reserved for expert riders.

Ralph Fullington, manager of the Christmas Valley Dude Ranch is in charge of the production. Ernie Miesner, foreman of the Schumacher Ranch, is in charge of arena activities. Betty Morehouse is rodeo secretary.

Fullington said there will be calf roping, team roping, barrel racing, pole bending, keyhole races, stake races, Texas barrel race for women, a Pony Express Relay Race, saddle bronc riding, steer riding and pole bending races for children.

To maintain the Wild West Atmosphere, General Project Manager Phil Washington said 50 Klamath Indians will be featured during the event. They'll set up 10 teepees and perform their tribal dances. There will also be a contest for the prettiest Indian Princess.

Top prize for the Gymkhana events will be a Trophy Saddle for best All-around Cowboy, said Fullington. Handsome belt buckles will be given for first place winners in each category.

For some of the visitors who aren't interested in riding, there will be a sitting contest — sitting and whittlin contest, that is. Free Whittlin Sticks will be provided.

On Saturday night, there'll be square dancing following a gigantic Bar-B-Que. After dinner and dancing there'll be outdoor camping around the camp fire.

Christmas Valley's first Horse Swapping Days will be publicized

in more than 60 newspapers, radio and television. It promises to be one of the most exciting events ever held in Eastern Oregon.

Fullington reminds all Christmas Valley visitors there is activity at the Dude Ranch every Sunday, sponsored by the Christmas Valley Wranglers.

Christmas Valley Has New Look in Road Surfacing

That new look you see at Christmas Valley is the result of trial application of road surfacing.

"We tried an oil coating for our road improvement program," said Phil Washington, "and it worked out very well."

"We've surfaced Christmas Valley Road with the oil application a mile each way. We also did the approaches to the Christmas Valley Lodge, the parking areas and the 5000 ft. airstrip," added Washington.

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Sporty 9-Hole Layout Ready for Play Next June

Here's good news for golfers and people who just like to walk around and watch golfers. Construction has begun on the 9-hole Christmas Valley Golf Course. The course is expected to be open for play in June, 1963.

Golfers are promised a first-class course, because the sporty layout has been designed by Carlo Giuntini, president of M. Penn Phillips Co. For the busy executive, it was a labor of love.

See Course Layout
On Pages 4 and 5

Giuntini, who swings a mean wedge himself, is no stranger to golf course design, though he has hired the services of Joe Ward of Bend, who will carry out Giuntini's plans and serve as course superintendent.

During the development of Hesperia in the High Desert country of California Giuntini was responsible for the creation of the championship Hesperia Golf and Country Club course, which has been the site of five PGA tournaments and several top collegiate events.

For Average Golfers

The scenic Christmas Valley 9-hole course will measure 3405 yards but can be extended to 3550 yards for tournament play.

"I was thinking of the average golfer when I designed the Christmas Valley golf course," said Giuntini. "For example, I've put in only five sand traps on the entire course.

"I feel that a sand trap only penalizes the golfer who already has trouble enough. Sand traps don't bother pros, anyhow, so why have too many of them. The average player is not out on the course to prove he can beat the pros; he's out there to have a good time and healthful recreation," said Giuntini.

"I could have made the course longer," continued Giuntini, "but I don't think added length adds anything to the enjoyment of the game. You'll find the trend now is for shorter courses, with a premium set on placing tee shots
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GROCERY STORE TO HOUSE POST OFFICE

Al and Connie Baert are completing the interior of their Christmas Valley Grocery Store and are hurriedly installing fixtures in anticipation of the grand opening this month.

Baert said there will be space in the store for a Post Office. His daughter-in-law, Bonnie Baert, former postmistress at Ft. Rock, is expected to be in charge of the Christmas Valley Post Office.

The store will be located on the corner of Christmas Valley Lane and Christmas Tree Road.

It will be a spacious 2,000 sq. ft. building. The Baerts said they will carry a complete line of general merchandise, including groceries, meats, vegetables and hardware.

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EDITORIAL

SEEING IS BELIEVING

BY CARLO GIUNTINO
President, M. Penn Phillips Company

Sometimes even criticism based on misinformation can serve a useful purpose.

A good case in point is the newspaper item Fred P. Hempler, a San Jose, California, accountant, ran across in a locally distributed newspaper (not the San Jose Mercury Herald, I am pleased to point out). Mr. Hempler was kind enough to send us the ill-advised article, as well as a letter based on his personal experiences at Christmas Valley.

After the newspaper article first appeared, Mr. Hempler wrote that many of his friends questioned his business sense and began asking him questions about his Christmas Valley land purchase.

At this point, Mr. Hempler did something the writer of the newspaper article did not do.

"I made the trip to Christmas Valley and saw with my own eyes, what I was buying. I was satisfied and am still satisfied with what I saw there," said Mr. Hempler.

Mr. Hempler then went on to say in his letter, "M. Penn Phillips Company is a highly reputable company. I am firmly convinced that Christmas Valley has great possibilities, especially since the M. Penn Phillips Company has assured its clients that the company will guide the development with all the resources and experience at its command."

Mr. Hempler's letter has served another useful purpose.

It has reminded us here at the M. Penn Phillips Company that seeing is indeed believing.

Accordingly, we have issued invitations to a number of editors and feature writers to come and see Christmas Valley for themselves.

During the next few months we will be conducting what amounts to an open house in Christmas Valley for the press and radio-television people.

For some, it will be the first time they have seen at first-hand the beautiful countryside of our Pacific Northwest. For others, it will be a return visit, a chance to see the completed Christmas Valley Lodge, the airstrip, the lake shore development, the golf course and other facilities now in various stages of construction.

Among the writers we have invited is the man whose newspaper item originally prompted Mr. Hempler's visit to Christmas Valley and his letter to us.

I think we can safely predict that this writer's cynicism will turn into enthusiasm after he sees Christmas Valley for himself.

It certainly wouldn't surprise any of us very much if this writer ended up buying property at Christmas Valley for himself.

A Schoolgirl's Impressions

The following unsolicited letter was received by your editors. We thought it contained some very sincere and interesting thoughts on the progress and development of our Christmas Valley.

The letter was written by Gerie Judd.

"Dear Sirs:

Not too long ago we had to write an essay in English. We could write on anything and since Christmas Valley is really fascinating to me, I decided to write on it.

When I showed it to my parents and friends they urged me to send it to you. I hope you can find some use for it.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Gerie Judd"

Gerie's essay follows:

CHRISTMAS VALLEY

Since I live only 11 miles from Christmas Valley, I have seen it grow from desert to what it is now. Some people don't think it's much now, while other people think it's beautiful (And I've heard a lot of opinion). Actually, I can't say it's beautiful but I wouldn't trade it for anything.

I would say that it's fantastic that such a city could be started in the middle of a desert, but then all cities had to start somewhere. Our desert is as good as any desert! Maybe it will be another great Salt Lake City!

At first the "old-timers" of the Fort Rock-Silver Lake district really resented people coming in from California and changing their desert to a city, but they're getting used to the idea and are realizing that it will help more than harm.

Who knows? Maybe someday it will be famous and I'll turn to my grandchildren (great-grandchildren?) and say, "Why my father helped to build that city!"

PENN POINTS

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wild Bobcat, baby Antelope and baby Coyote.

Imagine my surprise when I walked out of the motel in the morning to see a station wagon in which a man, woman and two children were sleeping peacefully.

In a few minutes the sun wakened them and I found it was Richard and Carolyn Wetzel from Culver City, who had arrived one day ahead of their reservation, to again inspect their land holdings. They stated they were very comfortable as the night was balmy and the children tired and they all slept well. They were also happy to find that their reservations for motel units for the balance of their stay were available.

After breakfast we flew to Burns, Oregon. This is a vast area of lush meadows, dotted with fields of alfalfa and thousands of head of good-looking cattle.

This area is worth anybody's time for a trip.

Returned to the Club and found Phil Pitman waiting to take us for a tour on the Little Deschutes in the area of La Pine. This was a most enjoyable afternoon wandering through the big trees . . . we saw at least 20 deer and some spectacularly beautiful country.

Next morning up early for a tour with Warren Morton, project manager, and Carlo Giuntino, president of the M. Penn Phillips Company, of the miles and miles of new roads. A visit to the experimental farm where the Mint and the Grain were bursting through the soil, trees budding, spring . . . a beautiful sight.

We visited the ranch of Rex White of San Francisco where he has just developed a new well. This was most interesting. The well was drilled to a depth of 127 feet . . . the water stood 16 feet from the surface . . . the well driller stated that he had tested the well for several hours, pumping 1,750 gallons a minute and the water pulled-down only 4 feet. He stated that 1,750 gallons was the capacity of his pump and that he believed the well had a potential of 3,000 gallons a minute.

We visited the Dude Ranch where they are planning for the Rodeo to be held July 14 and 15. This is going to be a real big-time one . . . all of the details are covered in this issue of the Gazette . . . be sure to read about it and plan to attend.

Then to the filling station under construction at the airport. We went through the new store nearing completion and being built by Al Baert. He is to be congratulated as this store is capable of housing a post office and market that would do credit to a community of 5,000 people.

We found a four unit addition being constructed at the motel. The lake more than half completed and the installation of the pump and power plant at the well that is to supply the lake with water.

We participated in the ceremony of the starting of the Christmas Valley Golf Course . . . made a tour of the recently black-topped roads in the vicinity of the motel, of the homes for sale, then back to the Club for lunch with the Dooley Bros., and their "Girl Friday," Pat Hayes, who just arrived from Oakland in their DC-3 with 35 new Christmas Valley property owners.

We went to the stable and almost had to pull our pilot, Frank Galgano, off his new horse so that we could get to El Monte in time for dinner.

Fooy!! what do we care if

Topnotch Management Team Heads Christmas Valley Project

The M. Penn Phillips Company believes that teamwork in management is the key to success in running a multi-million dollar organization with a thirty-seven year history of successful community development.

A close-knit organization where the executives of the company have known and worked with one another for

many years, the company is well aware of the advantages of teamwork; knowing what every department is doing, how it is doing and when it plans to finish what it is doing.

Founder M. Penn Phillips has grouped the following men around him to plan and guide the orderly progress of Christmas Valley. The key executives of the company have had over a half century of combined experience in the real estate field.

Guintini President

Heading the team is Carlo P. Guintini, President. Guintini has been associated with Phillips as his chief executive for almost two decades. As president, he directs all sections of the company's operations: engineering, planning, administration and sales, as well as developing the overall program, with Phillips, of the Christmas Valley development.

His extensive background has made him one of the top, young executives in the real estate field.

Washington Project Mgr.

Philip O. Washington, General Project Manager, has been with Phillips most of the last ten years. Starting as a construction field supervisor in the company's building department, he showed a decided knack for the sales field and when the community of Hesperia was first opened for public sale in October of 1954, Washington was made sales manager for the project.

Except for a short period of time in the late 1950's, when he ran a successful construction and sales business in Hesperia, he has been associated with Phillips and Guintini in a sales executive position.

Heads Engineering

Penn Thayer, head of Planning

and Engineering, is the youngest of the executive team. A short but extensive background in the field, plus a well-rounded education and a "head for business" have placed him in his present position.

Chief executive at the Valley is Warren W. Morton, who is in charge of all development and building at Christmas Valley. Morton's responsibilities are to build roads the lake, the golf course, the installation of utilities, build homes and business places. And he is ideally qualified for the job.

Morton Supervises

Morton has supervised the special building projects of Phillips' and Guintini's since the Hesperia development. He was construction supervisor of the beautiful Hesperia Inn and Country Club; the ultra-modern Salton City administration building at the Salton Sea; as well as supervising the building of hundreds of homes and business places in both communities.

He spends most of his time at the project, flying his own plane between the Valley and the Los Angeles area.

Construction Supervisor

Construction supervisor on the site is Harold Boyer. The Boyer's live in Christmas Valley where Velma Boyer is the Christmas Valley Lodge's hostess and manager. Boyer is the newest of the men who form the team, but has had a long and varied background in the building field.

Such are the men who make your Christmas Valley project "go." They know their jobs, know them well, so the future of Christmas Valley is in good, capable hands.

Airport Commission Files For More Funds in Improvement Plan

A revised application for federal assistance on an expanded airport improvement project was drawn up here when the Lake County - Lake - view airport commission met at luncheon with Max Bard, an engineer with the Federal Aviation Agency, from Seattle. Henry Bergstrom is chairman of the airport commission.

The local committee had applied for federal help on a project that was estimated at \$56,000

total, but which did not include the addition of 4 inches of new gravel on the runway before resurfacing. On the advice of the engineer, the new application includes the gravel layer and changes the cost to an estimated \$78,000.

The project has an allocation of \$8,000 from the Oregon Board of Aeronautics, and the committee estimates that by applying \$27,000 of the local money from the 10-year serial levy, the new project can be feasible with an appropriation of \$43,000 of federal money.

Engineers assured them that such an amount is almost certain of approval. Under the federal aid program, the FAA can supply up to 56% of the cost of approved projects.

If approved, the federal money would be available after July 1, and the local commission hopes to get the work done this year.

It would include drainage work at the south end of the runway, surfacing the last 500 feet of the taxi strip, addition of four inches of new gravel on the runway and tapping that with a 2-inch asphalt pavement, plus painting center stripes on the runway and taxi strip.

there are to be one hundred million cars on the road . . . four and one-half million people in Los Angeles County.

Hope they don't all try to get into Christmas Valley.

Had cocktails last night with Goodwin Knight and his charming wife, Virginia. Goodie has apparently regained his health and, observing the fire and sparkle in his eyes, I pity anyone who attempts to stop him four years from now when he completes what his ill-timed illness so tragically interrupted.

This is my 75th birthday . . . going to have dinner tonight with the entire "Phillips Tribe" . . . children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

See you next month.

Penn



HIGH AS AN ELEPHANT'S EYE — Sam Morehouse holds his hat over 6 ft. in height to measure the Fall Wheat Grass grown on his ranch near Christmas Lake in 1958. No irrigation was used to grow the crop. A bundle of this Wheat Grass won first prize at the Lake County Fair. Photo was by Betty Morehouse.

LATE STORMS IMPROVE WATER OUTLOOK HERE

The 1962 water supply outlook for Lake County has continued to improve to "near average," according to a report released by W. T. Frost, Snow Survey Supervisor for U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service cooperating with Oregon State University and State Engineer.

Stored water supplies are very low but better than average stream-flow forecasts are expected to offset this shortage.

Snow cover received above average increases during March. The water content of Lake County snow courses is now 155 percent of the 1943-57 average and almost double last year on April 1st.

Watershed soil moisture has improved during March but is still very dry on the upper reaches of the watershed under the snow-pack. Valley soils are fairly well primed.

Forecasts Raised

Streamflow forecasts in Lake County have been raised again and are still slightly above average.

The inflow to Drews is expected to be 40,000 acre feet for the April-July period or 118 percent of average.

The Chewaucan forecast for the April-September period is 108,000 acre feet or 119 percent.

Honey Creek is expected to flow 18,500 acre feet for 109 percent for this same period and Deep Creek, heading at a higher elevation, is forecast at 129 percent of average or 98,000 acre feet during April-September.

Twentymile is estimated at 105 percent of average or 21,000 acre feet for this same period. Smaller streams in the area are expected to flow near average during the season.

Ladies Hold Club Meeting at Lodge

The Ladies Community Club of Christmas Valley held its first meeting of the year June 7 at Christmas Valley Lodge. The ladies discussed club business and had refreshments.

Among those present were Dorothy Murphy, Ruth Adams, Esther Jointer and Betty Morehouse.

Elects Officers Grazing Assn.

Richard Morehouse was re-elected president and Mrs. R. A. Long, secretary of the Northern Lake County Stockmen's Association at its annual meeting here.

U. S. Forest Service personnel of Bend met with the group to announce allotments granted for

Squaw Ridge and Gebhardt Well. Grazing fees were announced as remaining the same, according to Milt Griffith, range assistant to the Forest Supervisor.

Plans for fence improvement and maintenance as well as moving of watering locations were announced by the Forest Service. Assistance was pledged in road locations and maintenance since permittees must haul all water consumed during the grazing season.

Henry Tonseth, Ranger of the Fort Rock District, his assistant, Don Hanson, and range conservationist Harry Little were personnel taking part.

Soil Conservation District Chooses Porter for Prexy

Eston Porter of Silver Lake was re-elected chairman of the board of supervisors of the Fort Rock Silver Lake Soil Conservation District at their recent meeting. Serving with him are Bud Parks, vice chairman; Lawrence Iverson, secretary and Richard Morehouse, treasurer.

Points to be covered in the annual Goodyear Contest were discussed.

Lake County Extension Agent, Oris Rudd, was present to assist with program planning.

Soil Information

Everett Green, local work unit conservationist serving the district met in Lakeview with Soil Conservation Service personnel from Oregon, California and Nevada on the Malheur-Harney Resource Area Guide.

The Fort Rock-Silver Lake Soil Conservation District is in the heart of this geographical division, he pointed out, with the northeast corner boundary extending as far as Juntura.

Soil information was a resource for listing characteristics of the soils in determining their agricultural uses. Following this the group listed conservation practices that would apply for each land use. Eventually land use capability classifications will be assigned locally.

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Crops Bustin' Out All Over on Model Farm

Revis Joiner, manager of the 40-acre Christmas Valley Model Farm, is all smiles these sunny days.

"Everything is really taking hold here," he said enthusiastically.

"Our mint crop is just starting to break through, while the grains, oats and alfalfa are all coming along nicely."

Joiner said tomato plants are thriving in their hothouse atmosphere. He also said that he expected to save 50% of the conifers transferred from the National Forest for planting here.

"Right now we're looking forward to planting potatoes, turnips, carrots, radishes, beets and other row crops. And the way things have been growing up here this spring, we don't anticipate anything but a bumper crop on these," said Joiner.

Bend Chamber Thanks Giuntini for Gift of Lot

The Bend (Oregon) Chamber of Commerce thanked president Carlo Giuntini for donating a city lot in Christmas Valley to be used in the promotion of the Mirror Pond Water Pageant.

The 25-year-old Bend Water Pageant will be held July 27-29 on the Deschutes River in Bend.

The Pageant is a night parade of lighted floats which enter the viewing area through an arch, 80 ft. wide and 60 ft. high. The arch is lighted by five basic colors but constantly changing shades of color are available by manipulating switches.

In a letter to Giuntini, Marion E. Cady, manager of the Bend Chamber of Commerce, wrote:

"Dear Mr. Giuntini:

The Board of Directors at the last regular meeting accepted with gratitude the gift of a city lot in the Christmas Valley development. The lot will be used in the promotion of our famous Mirror Pond Bend Water Pageant.

The deed has arrived and has been forwarded with the fee for recording in Lake County.

Be assured that we do appreciate your generosity in making the lot available to us.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Marion E. Cady"

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Let's Get to Know More About Our Neighbors in Christmas Valley

Many Christmas Valley Property Owners have written your editors, asking for a personal survey of some of the people who live in beautiful central Oregon. We think it's a great idea.

Naturally, we don't have the facilities or the resources of George Gallup, so we'll need quite a bit of help and cooperation from you in order to undertake this poll.

Everybody is curious about his neighbor. Maybe this poll will bring about lasting friendship through mutual interests. And who knows? Maybe we can even start a romance.

We'll ask you six questions, which you can answer by completing the accompanying handy form. We intend to make this a continuing survey.

From time to time, after we receive considerable information to do so, your editors will keep you apprised of our findings. We'll publish a resume of the poll.

Please mail the accompanying coupon to the Christmas Valley Gazette, Box 888, Azusa, Calif.

1. What recreational activities interest you and your family?
Swimming Fishing
Water Skiing Golf
Boating Hunting
Tennis Hiking
Horseback Riding
Others?

2. To what Fraternal, Professional or Social organization do you or your family belong?
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3. When was the last time you visited Christmas Valley and how often do you come here?
Last visited?
How often?

4. Number of members in your family. Ages and sex?
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5. What is your occupation?
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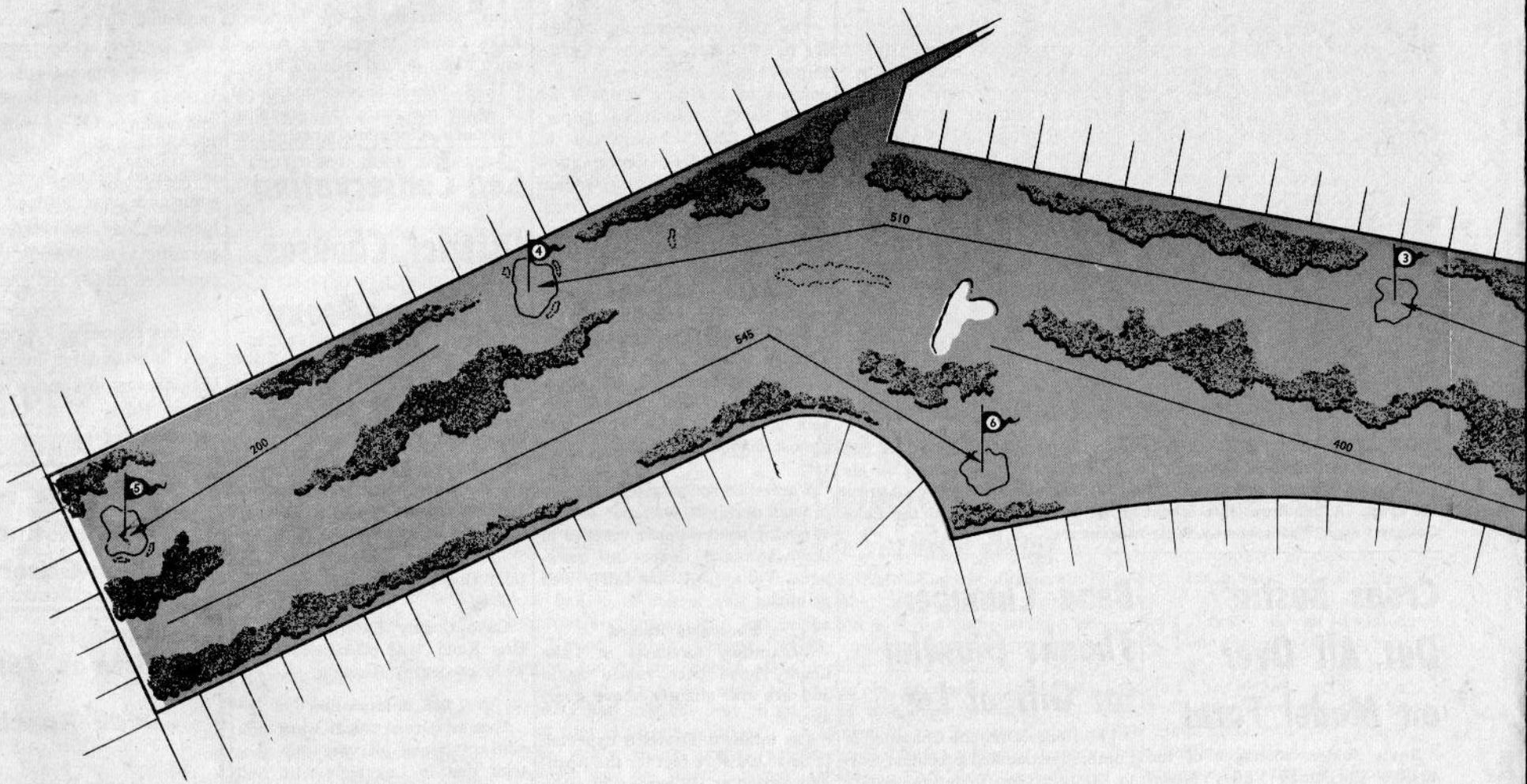
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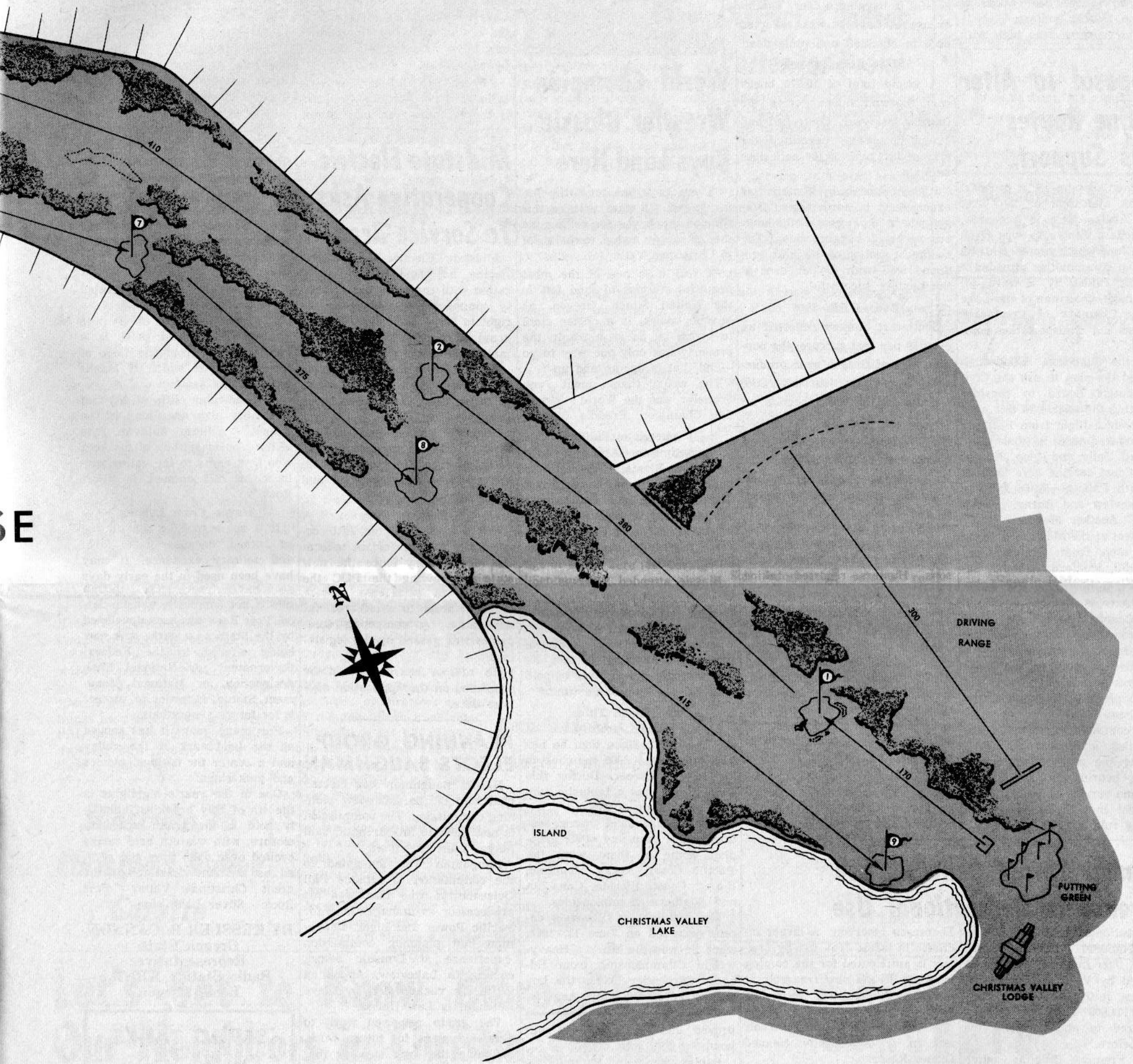


Christmas Valley GOLF COURSE

Here's Brief Description of How Each Hole May Be Played

Hole	Yardage	Par	COMMENT
No. 1	170	3	Deliberately designed fairly easy getaway hole. About 3 or 4-iron shot. Large green with decided pitch toward rear will make 3-putting a constant danger.
No. 2	380	4	Another fairly easy straightaway hole to build up your confidence. Drive should be placed on right side of fairway for better approach to green. Drive and 7 or 8 iron.
No. 3	410	4	Now we're getting down to business. Slight dogleg requires accurate drive. Tough second shot. Mounds 3-ft. high in front of green block run-up shots. Drive and 3 iron.
No. 4	510	5	You can unlimber your muscles on this baby. Dogleg hole demands distance and accuracy. To stay away from sand trap, which will be on the right, golfers will tend to go left. This gives them a tougher approach shot over a trap.
No. 5	200	3	Fine one-shooter into prevailing wind. Safest approach is through narrow opening on right to small green. Birdies will be scarce on this one. Long iron or wood for this one.
No. 6	545	5	No need to hold back on this dogleg. Hole calls for two long and accurate wood shots to point of turn. Trap on right and sloping green discourage long hitters who might try to reach green in two shots.
No. 7	400	4	Straightaway hole which demands accuracy. Big hurdle is cupped green which makes birdie putts rare. Mound in front of green stops missed shots.
No. 8	375	4	Shortest par-4 hole but most difficult green to hold. Green slopes away from line of shots. Green protected by 100-ft. mounds.
No. 9	415	4	Toughest and wettest hole on the course. Since most shots will be steered away from the water to the left, that line of approach will be difficult because of trap. Good finishing hole.

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Deer, Elk Hunters in Record Kill During '61

Sharpshooting deer and elk hunters reported an all-time high during the 1961 big game season, breaking the record deer kill set last year by almost 6,400 animals and topping last year's record elk kill by more than 1,200 animals, the Oregon Game Commission said.

The general, extended and controlled deer seasons produced 163,900 deer for 265,326 hunters purchasing tags, compared to 157,500 deer taken in 1960 by 259,739 hunters.

Hunter success was high with

62 per cent of the hunters successful in bagging a deer. The increase in harvest was reflected both in blacktail and mule deer.

10,770 Bucks Taken

A grand total of 10,770 bucks was reported taken during the seasons last year. Controlled and extended seasons permitted the take of just over 55,160 antlerless animals.

Highest success by hunters was experienced in northeastern Oregon where 76 per cent of the hunters reported bagging deer. The southeast section of the state produced well with 67 per cent of the hunters successful.

Record Elk Shot

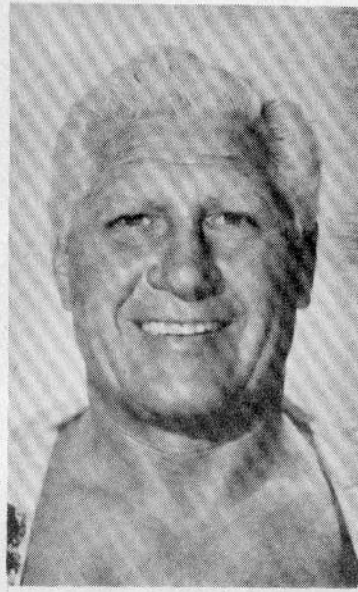
Southwest hunters reported an even 60 per cent success, the popular Central Oregon area produced a 55 per cent success ratio, and the northwestern section an even 50 per cent. Nimrods reported hunting an average of 8½ days during last year's seasons.

The elk harvest of 12,100 animals was the highest ever recorded and was made up of 9,250 elk taken during the general season, plus 2,850 bagged on management unit permits and controlled seasons. Hunters reported taking 9,700 bulls and 2,400 antlerless animals.

Archers Score

Hunter success during the general season was 18 per cent, slightly below the hunter success of last year. Good success by hunters on the management units and controlled hunts brought the over-all season success up to 24 per cent.

Archers numbered almost 8,300 strong. These hunters reported good success last year bagging 889 deer and 124 elk.



World Champion Wrestler Blassie Buys Land Here

"Dear Jack Schaefer," the letter began. "I want to take this time to thank you for selling me the 200 acres and a townsite lot in Christmas Valley.

"I feel it is one of the most beautiful sections of land left in the United States. Oregon, as anyone knows, is a choice state to invest in. So as a result, the property has only one way to go — and that is up, up and up."

The writer thank agent Jack Schaefer was the World's Wrestling Champion, Freddie Blassie.

Intends to Build

"Sometime in the near future," continued Blassie, "I intend to build a home on my townsite lot. Then I will be able also to take advantage of the wonderful fishing streams nearby, plus the terrific hunting," said wrestling champ Blassie.

Blassie attended S. Louis University where he wrestled, played football and boxed. At the age of 17 he held the AAU heavyweight wrestling and boxing championship of the Midwest. In fact, he was the only person ever to hold both titles at the same time.

Won World Title

Blassie turned professional at the age of 20. Since then he has had more than 3000 matches in his 16-year career. During this time Blassie has a fantastic winning percentage of 98%.

Freddie has held more sectional titles than any other grappler. Some of them were the Pacific Coast, Rocky Mountain, East Coast, Florida, Canadian and Southern championships.

The highlight of Blassie's career occurred on June 12, 1961, when he won the World's Heavyweight Championship from Eduaord Carpentier before the largest indoor crowd in Los Angeles.

proved, and Taylor said the staff hopes to get both done.

Public picnic and camping facilities will be installed at the new Cottonwood Meadows reservoir, and at Lofton Lake the roads have been built and other public facilities will be installed, although the latter probably will not be open to fishing this year.

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HISTORICAL MUSINGS

Ancient Fort Rock Has Fascinating Background

Christmas Valley, Oregon, is a great expanse of over 230,000 acres, lying in what we now call a high plateau, but which was at one pre-historic time a great lake.

The land upon which Christmas Valley is being developed for recreation-retirement-vacation homes, is a former lake bed, and visitors to the Valley will find many traces of long-lost shorelines, marine life and water deposits.

The basin area is the westernmost part of the great Basin Lakes which covered much of the west of our country and which now have receded into the Salt Lake in Utah.

From Pre-Historic Times

North of the Fort Rock country is the northernmost edge of the

former body of water. Much of the high land, dune developments, outcroppings and mounds that we find in the valley today were islands in the pre-historic times.

Some geologists feel that at one time perhaps the Deschutes River itself flowed into Christmas Valley country when it was a lake. And from this River came the Pacific Salmon, evidences of which are found in the deposits of the valley.

The Rock

No other explanation for the presence of Salmon in the fossil remains seems to fit. One of the great outcroppings of rock in the valley area is what we call "Fort Rock."

The "Rock" is an isolated mass, imperfectly crescent shaped, nearly a third of a mile across. The highest point is a good 325 feet from the floor of the plain upon which it stands as a guiding sentinel.

Perpendicular cliffs of 200 feet and more high are found in the "Rock." William Sullivan, one of the pioneer settlers of the area who first came to the valley way back in 1873 named it "Fort Rock."

Haven From Indians

It is not surprising that it was so named, because of its form and solitary existence. It may have been used in the early days as a haven from Indians, though this is not completely substantiated. Fort Rock has been developed by the State as a park. It is now being offered to the Federal Government for National Park designation, or National Monument Status, in order to protect it for future generations.

For many years it has served as the land-mark of the valley and a center for outings, picnics and gatherings.

One of the year's highlights is the 4th of July breakfast annually held in the great rocky enclosure, with western beef steaks broiled over open fires and served as the sun rises across the great Christmas Valley - Fort Rock - Silver Lake plan.

BY KESSLER R. CANNON,
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Radio Station KBND,
Bend, Oregon

Midstate Electric Cooperative Asks To Service Area

Midstate Electric Cooperative, Lapine, has submitted an application with the state public utility commissioner asking for the right to serve exclusively certain areas in Deschutes, Lake, Klamath and Lane Counties.

Parts of the territory applied for contains the towns of Lapine, Gilchrist, Fort Rock and Silver Lake.

Midstate has also asked the PUC to allocate to it four presently unserved territories which are at present undeveloped and unserved.

Fifth to File

Hill said this is the fifth cooperative to file for an allocation of territory since the new state law giving the PUC the authority to certificate service areas in order to avoid wasteful duplication by competing companies was passed by the legislature.

He said a hearing would be scheduled on the application at a later date.

PLANNING GROUP ELECTS BAUGHMAN

Harold Baughman was elected chairman of the Lakeview planning commission. The commission is now back to full strength, said Mayor Lane Thornon.

Baughman was appointed to the commission to replace Phil Quisenberry, who also was his predecessor as manager here for Pacific Power and Light. Baughman had planning commission experience at Dunsuir before coming to Lakeview. Appointed to fill the vacancy left by Cleve Ketcham is Lew Harris.

The group reviewed work to date and plans for future work, including the area surveys that will be made by the Bureau of Municipal Research, University of Oregon, with assistance of a federal housing grant in aid.

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Proposal to Alter Airline Routes Gets Support

Further support for a proposal to seek alteration of the West Coast Airline route in this area, to include a Reno stop, was given at Medford where representatives of seven communities attended a meeting called by Howard M. Goodnough, chairman of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce aviation and transportation committee.

At the luncheon, Goodnough outlined the plan to ask the Civil Aeronautics Board to consider re-routing the airline in this area to provide a flight from Portland to Bend-Redmond, to Lakeview, Klamath Falls, and Reno. Present West Coast service here is from Klamath Falls to Boise by way of Lakeview and Burns.

Another Meeting

Present at the Medford meeting were men from Grants Pass, Gold Hill, Medford, Ashland, Salem, Klamath Falls, and Lakeview. Accompanying Goodnough were County Judge C. W. Ogle and Trow Long, manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

Another meeting on the same topic was scheduled in Reno and Goodnough was to present the plan there.

The communities involved are supporting a request that CAB consider the route change at a coming hearing on continuation of airline service at points which have not met the 5 passengers per day rule of CAB.

Fremont Forest Officials See Increase in Recreational Use

Recreational visits to the Fremont National Forest increased in 1961, over those of 1960, it was reported by V. E. Taylor of the Fremont staff. The figures show about 134,000 visits in 1961 as compared to about 131,000 the year before.

The Fremont officials anticipate that a number of factors will cause greater use of forest recreational attractions during the coming completion and opening of the Winnemucca road and establishment of new fishing reservoirs.

The number of deer hunters using the Fremont fell off last year, with about 51,000 visits recorded as compared to the peak of some 61,000 in 1960. Taylor said the foresters believe there were not fewer hunters in this part of the state, but the Winnemucca road made it possible for many of them to go to other hunting sites.

Fishermen Increase

There was an increase in visits by fishermen, however, due to increased management activities by the State Game Department in creating more fishing opportunities such as Hart Lake and

Thompson reservoir. A larger increase in forest area use by anglers is anticipated for the coming year due to the new reservoir at Cottonwood Meadows, which has been planted; and due to plantings foreseen at Lofton reservoir and in the recently cleaned Drews Reservoir.

Anticipating greater demand for picnic and rest areas, the Fremont plans to establish two new sites on each side of Quartz Mountain, along the highway, with tables, water and sanitation facilities. One site has been ap-



MESS OF TROUT — These proud fishermen had no trouble at all landing this fine batch of trout in nearby Diamond Lake. Since trout season opened here on Saturday, May 26, anglers have been reporting heavy catches of the delicious beauties.

FISHING RULES CHANGES

The Oregon Game Commission adopted the following fishing regulations for 1962. These are now in effect.

The general trout season for all zones except streams in Zones 1, 3, and 4 is from April 21 to October 31. Streams in Zone 1 and lakes, reservoirs and their tributaries within national forest boundaries in the Cascades and Siskiyou will be open May 26 to October 31 with certain exceptions. The Umpqua and Rogue Rivers also will open on May 26.

The general bag limit for trout remains unchanged. Anglers still are allowed to take 40 in the aggregate of steelhead and salmon 20 inches or over but may not take more than 20 of either species. An angler hooking a steelhead or salmon must punch his own card even if he allows another person to land the fish.

An emergency closure is contemplated in the area below Savage Rapids dam if snapping endangers the salmon there.

Except in Zone 3, it will be unlawful to use fixed spool or spinning reels and/or monofilament lines (except for fly line backing) on water restricted to fly fishing.

Other changes are listed below by zones:

ZONE 1

Coquille River (North Fork): Laverne Falls closed to all angling from 200 feet above falls to 500 feet below from October 1 to 31. (Also winter season.)

Devils Lake: open entire year.

Fall Creek (Alsea): closed to all angling above a point 200 feet below the big falls about one mile above Hwy. 34.

ZONE 2

Clackamas River: closure below Cazadero Dam changed to 300 feet.

Crystal Springs Creek: opened. Dexter Reservoir: open entire year.

Eagle Creek (Clackamas Co.): open to trout angling May 26 to October 31.

Fay Lake: restricted to fly fishing.

Fish Lake: open April 21 to May 31.

Indian Prairie Lake: closed to angling from a motor propelled craft.

Lookout Point Reservoir and M. F., Willamette River, up to Southern Pacific railroad bridge at Hampton open entire year.

Pamelia Lake: open entire year.

Sandy River: closed to trout and steelhead fishing below Brightwood bridge from April 21 to October 31. Closed to salmon and jack salmon angling up to a point approximately 4,000 feet below Marmot Dam except from September 1 to October 31 and entire year above Marmot Dam.

ZONE 3

Umpqua River: Not more than 10 salmon may be taken up to June 10, 1962.

ZONE 5

Crane Prairie Reservoir: open April 21 to October 31.

Deschutes River: from Little Lava Lake to Cow Camp opened to bait angling.

East Lake: open May 26 to October 31.

Mud Lake: open only to fly fishing with barbless hook, May 26 to October 7. All fish must be carefully removed from the hook and returned to the water unharmed.

Paulina Lake: open May 26 to October 31. Closed to angling within 350 feet radius of the screen at the outlet.

Prineville Reservoir: open en-

tire year.

Squaw Creek and tributaries (Deschutes River): closed from Camp Polk road bridge downstream to mouth.

Sparks Lake and tributaries: open May 26 to October 7.

ZONE 6

Bag limit for trout 20 inches and over is 2 fish per day and 4 in possession or in 7 consecutive days, and is to be counted with regular trout bag limit.

Cottonwood Meadows Lake: closed to fishing from motor propelled craft.

Crump and Hart Lakes: Regular trout season applies.

Klamath River: open to trout angling except from June 16 to September 30.

Thompson Valley Reservoir: open entire year.

ZONE 7

Open to trout angling entire year — Strawberry Lake, Slide Lake, Magone Lake, Olive Lake, Bull Prairie Lake, Rowe Creek Reservoir, and John Day dredge ponds.

Bull Prairie Lake: closed to angling from motor propelled craft.

Walla Walla River (North Fork): Regular trout season applies.

Open to steelhead and salmon angling except from March 15 to June 30:

John Day River below Indian Creek.

John Day River (Middle Fork) below Highway 395.

John Day River (North Fork) below Highway 395.

And except from March 15 to November 30:

Umatilla River below Mission Bridge.

Walla Walla River below confluence of north and south forks.

ZONE 9

Snake River: open to trout angling entire year except that that portion between the marker 100 feet above the upstream bank of Pine Creek and Oxbow Dam is closed to all angling. Bag limit for trout is 15 fish 6 inches or over per day or in possession.

Joseph Creek below Crow Creek open to steelhead and salmon angling except from March 15 to June 1.

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salmon angling except from June 20 to August 31:

Catherine Creek below the City of Union water intake.

Eagle Creek below the bridge at Newbridge.

Grande Ronde River below Beaver Creek.

Imnaha River below Freezeout Bridge.

Minam River below Cougar Creek.

Pine Creek below the North Fork.

Powder River below Thief Valley Dam.

Wallowa River below Lostine River.

Wenaha River below Crooked Creek.

ZONE 10

Columbia River deadline moved downstream to a line between Tongue Point, Oregon, and Grays Point, Washington.

WINTER REGULATIONS

Coos Bay: Salmon angling open entire year — Kentuck Slough (Creek) up to Mettiam Creek; Larson Slough (Creek) up to Sullivan Creek; North Slough up to Bear Creek; Palouse Slough (Creek) up to bridge at Roundtree place approximately 2 miles from highway.

Coquille River (North Fork): open except Laverne Falls closure.

Middle Creek (North Fork) Coquille River): open up to Cherry Creek.

Sixes River: open up to South Fork.

Clackamas River: open up to a point 300 feet below Cazadero Dam.

Winter season closes February 28 for:

Columbia River tributaries.

Cook Creek.

Nehalem River (North Fork).

Rock Creek.

Salmonberry River.

History of Lake County Told by Famous Author

(This is the third in a series of interesting articles by noted author Betty Morehouse, who has retraced the history of Christmas Valley and the surrounding area from the earliest beginning.)

BY BETTY MOREHOUSE

Scientific examination of the Paisley Cave pumice indicated either a violent eruption from a distant source, or a mild explosion from a nearby volcano. The possibility of an adjacent source is very remote.

Mount Mazama, the ancestral cone in which Crater Lake now lies, was one of the major volcanoes of the Cascades that is known to have erupted pumice in post-pleistocene times.

The pumice erupted from this volcano, immediately before the collapse of its summit. Some of the pumice was extremely coarse

and was laid down by glowing clouds in the canyons that radiate from the lake but most of it was hurled high above the volcano and was drifted by the winds, mostly towards the north and east.

Trap for Pumice

After careful examination, it was concluded that the pumice in the Paisley Cave came from the Mount Mazama explosion. Facing towards the southwest, approximately towards Crater Lake, the Paisley Cave was well situated to act as a trap for the pumice.

It is not surprising that the pumice in the cave reached a thickness of six inches.

After careful study of various geological factors, scientists estimate that the violent eruption from Mount Mazama occurred between 4,000 and 10,000 years ago. Therefore a minimum age for the artifacts taken from the Paisley Cave, beneath the pumice is 4,000 years.

3,000 Years Old

From examination of the pumice at the Fort Rock Cave, it was concluded that this pumice was laid down during an eruption from the Newberry Crater, which lies 20 miles north of the Fort Rock Cave.

It is thought that the four pumice cones within the Newberry Crater are younger than the pumice deposits of Crater Lake. But even so, they may be several thousand years old. Therefore, artifacts found below the pumice in the Fort Rock Cave, may have a minimum age of 3,000 years.

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Larson Named President Of Midstate Group

Roy Larson, of Lapine, was elected president of Midstate Co-operative when that group held its annual meeting and election of directors at Silver Lake.

Elected to the board were M. L. Patterson, Loren Masten, Walker, and George I. Fraser. The first three were named to regular vacancies on the board, and Fraser was elected to fill the vacancy left by the recall of Lloyd Anderson.

Walker was elected secretary-treasurer. Carry-over members of the board are William M. Taylor, Merritt Parks, M. R. Reed, and Lawrence Iverson. Parks was president during the past year.

Record Turnout

There was a record turnout of 380 persons at the meeting, the first time Midstate has held its annual meeting away from its Lapine headquarters.

George Larimer, Midstate manager, said in his annual report that the co-op now supplies REA electric power to 1238 customers, 125 more than the 1113 a year ago. Midstate has 516 miles of power lines in Lake, Klamath, and Deschutes Counties.

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EXTENSIVE RANGE TOUR PLANNED HERE FOR INTER-AGENCY COUNCIL

Plans for an extensive tour of range improvement projects are being made by the Lake County Inter-Agency Council. The dates for the two-day show have been set for Friday and Saturday, June 15 and 16. Ben Hazeltine is president of the council.

Bill Moser has been named chairman of a steering committee, full membership of which is now being arranged. This committee will have charge of overall planning, and will name seven other committees to arrange details.

The tour was set to coincide with a June visit here of the board of directors of the Association of Oregon Counties, of which County Judge C. W. Ogle is president. Everyone interested in the public range lands, or in their effect on the local economy, is urged to attend the tour.

Recent exchanges between ad-

vacates of different theories about the ranges and their administration and rehabilitation is the immediate reason for the tour, and council members believe it will be helpful to a general public understanding of the problems to show the people what is being done and planned, and to explain the reasons.

The Inter-Agency Council is a local association of personnel from the federal, state, and county agencies. They meet for luncheon once each month to keep each other posted on programs and plans regarding various resources of the county.

As tentatively discussed so far, the tour will cover such areas as the Abert Rim burn, seeding tests in the Rabbit Hills, brush burning and range improvements on the Hart Mountain Antelope refuge.

Construction Started on 9-Hole Golf Course

(Continued from Page 1)

and accuracy of second and third shots to the greens."

After rough grading is completed, construction crews will start laying 3 miles of pipelines. Next spring 500 trees, mostly native to the area, will be planted to lend beauty and additional trouble for wayward golfers—to the course.

"We're setting up a nursery for native pines but the majority of the trees will be poplars, elms and cottonwoods," said Giuntini.

Driving Range

The fairways will be sown with blue grass. In winter Italian Rye will be planted to reinforce the blue grass. The greens will be a strain of bent grass best suited for Christmas Valley.

Giuntini said a driving range and practice putting greens are also planned. He said that in addition to the big Christmas Val-

ley Lake, which will be along the 9th fairway, another water hazard will be installed. This one will affect play on the 4th and 6th holes.

Giuntini has a par-3 hole for the opening assignment at Christmas Valley golf course, a novel idea since most courses have longer starting holes.

New Concept

"It's a different concept," admitted Giuntini, "but I think people would rather be near the club if they have to wait than somewhere on the first fairway."

The first hole is the shortest at 170 yards. The longest is 545 yards, a tough par 5 for anyone who wants to gamble on reaching it in two shots. There are par-3s, two par-5s and five par-4s, giving the Christmas Valley course a par 36 rating.

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MEL THAYER NEW LODGE MANAGER

Mel Thayer, an outstanding restaurant man, has been named manager of the Christmas Valley Lodge, reports Phil Washington, General Project Manager.

The genial Thayer has enjoyed a fine reputation for his cooking talent and restaurant work.

For many years Thayer was manager of the famous Ranch

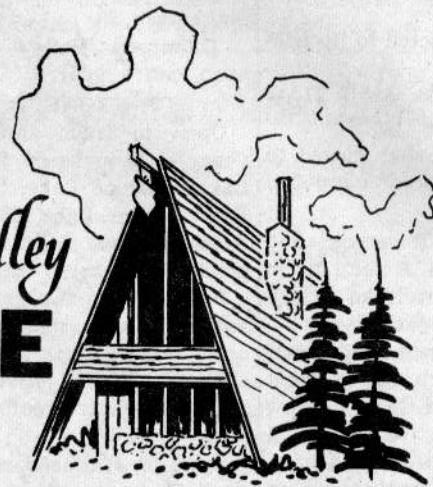
House Restaurant in Arcadia, Calif.

"We feel we're very fortunate to obtain the services and experience of Mel," said Washington.

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