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Rentals rebounding at Vida's manufactured home community

Eight new homes could be available around first of the year



Workers are putting final touches on a complete reconstruction of the Blazing Stump Mobile Home Park, which was lost when the Holiday Farm Fire swept through the area.

VIDA: Over a half-dozen, new homes near the Goodpasture Covered Bridge have been generating a lot of interest, along with false assumptions. "The majority of people who stop in think we're a sales lot," says Steve Shefcheck with a laugh. Instead, the eight factory-fresh manufactured homes he and his wife, Diana, bought are key to the couple's plans to restore some rental options to the McKenzie River area.

From the time he was 21 until his mid-40's, Steve owned an insurance agency in Springfield. Fifteen years ago he sold that

business and bought the Blazing Stump Mobile Home Park as a backup source of income. Hidden behind a tree line, the 1.6-acre parcel had three homes on it. Two were owner-occupied and another was abandoned. As time went on, brought in five more used 1990's homes, purchased the others, and operated the park as a landlord.

All seemed to be well until September of 2020 when the structures were part of more than 470 destroyed by the Holiday Farm Fire. The Shefchecks have lived on Mountain View Lane for 24 years. The fire hit there too, taking out an outbuilding

that was stuffed with a lifetime's accumulation of all their rental materials and tools.

Because of evacuation orders, they weren't able to drive to the site to check on the eight families that lived there or determine if the trailers had burned. Their only connection was through posts on the McKenzie Residents Wildfire Group's Facebook page, where they learned people evacuated and all the homes were gone.

"The first time around I wanted to do it," Steve says of how he felt back in 2006 when they bought the property. After the fire, he had to

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Family offering \$50,000 reward

Info sought on missing man's fate

BLUE RIVER: The search is still on for a man missing since November 3rd. According to the Lane County Sheriff's Office Shane Sprenger, 47, was believed to be picking mushrooms near Blue River Reservoir when he disappeared. That morning, around 7:30 a.m., he told a family member he'd lost the keys to his truck and needed a ride home.

Cellphone pings indicated Sprenger had been in the Blue River Reservoir area, but his phone was turned off on November 4th. The next day family members found his abandoned truck. They say when was last seen he was wearing a camo jacket and dark work pants.

Starting on the day he was reported missing, the Sheriff's Office began searching the areas where Sprenger was believed to be. Searchers included K-9 teams, deputies, and Search and Rescue volunteers. As the days went on, they widened their search pattern and covered a lot more ground. Those efforts have focused



Shane Sprenger

on the areas off of U.S. Forest Service Road 15, including the Saddle Dam. They also searched extensively behind the former Lazy Days Mobile Home Park and a location generated early on by a phone ping.

His family is offering a \$50,000 cash reward leading to the missing man's successful location and physical recovery. Anyone with information on Sprenger's whereabouts should contact the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4150 and reference case number 21-6268.

Robbery suspect sentenced to prison

Pair were charged with wildfire breakins



Lorrie Hocker

EUGENE: One of two suspects connected with robberies committed during the Holiday Farm Fire evacuations of 2020 has been sentenced to 30 months in prison. Appearing in Lane County Circuit Court on November 3rd Lorrie Marie Hocker was convicted of Burglary in the First Degree and sentenced to 30 months prison with 3 years post-prison supervision. She was also convicted of Theft in the First Degree (3 counts) and Mail Theft (2 counts). She was sentenced to 13 months prison

on each count of Theft 1 and 24 months prison on each count of Mail Theft. Those sentences will run concurrently to the Burglary sentence. According to the Lane County District Attorney's Office, the theft charges were enhanced because they were committed "during a riot, fire, explosion, catastrophe or other emergency."

The court rulings stemmed from a September 15th incident near the Taylor Boat Landing on Deerhorn Road. According to Springfield Police Dept. reports, police received a call that morning from an attendant at the 76 Gas Station at 4095 Main Street. The caller reported a male and female had been observed sorting through a pile of items and throwing things they apparently didn't want into a trash bin. The pair, later identified as Stephen Ray Friend and Lorrie Marie Hocker, were said to be operating a gold Ford Expedition and were seen leaving the station westbound.

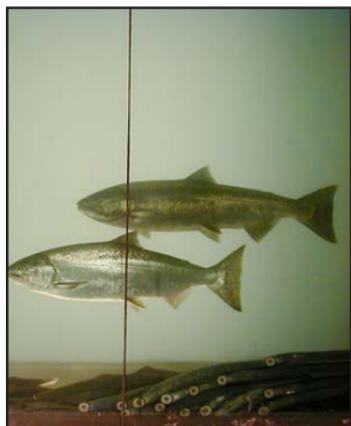
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Broodstock captured for hatchery

Returns to the McKenzie River are in the average range

LEABURG: Operations weren't normal for the Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife teams counting salmon at Leaburg Dam this year due to a camera malfunction that lost some of the early data from March. In addition, the fish ladder was shut down a good portion of the summer when fish sorting was underway, causing all the fish to go through the left bank ladder.

During June 1st to mid-September, "We passed through somewhere in the neighborhood of 400 wild fish upstream through the fish sorter and were able to take out about 150 hatchery



Salmon passing by a good grouping of lamprays at Willamette Falls.

fish," according to ODFW Upper Willamette District fish biologist Jeff Ziller.

When those numbers started to drop off, workers installed a trap in the fish ladder itself. There they caught and passed upriver another 130 wild fish and caught almost 500 more hatchery fish for broodstock.

That last point was important because of the situation downstream at the McKenzie Salmon Hatchery where flows from EWEB's Leaburg power canal had been stopped because of

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McKenzie Sports Schedule This Week

The McKenzie Middle School Girls Basketball team travels to Crow on Monday, December 6, for a 4:30 pm tip-off. The team will host Siltetz, on Wednesday,

December 8, game time also set at 4:30 pm.

And Then, Fifty And Sixty

The Fall of 1971 on the McKenzie had all the feel of another State Championship opportunity in the offing. The Eagles, led by Head Coach Wade Thomas, had run the table in 1969, finishing that outstanding season 11-0 to bring home McKenzie's first Football State Championship. The next season (1970) - led by seniors quarterback Lannie McClure and running backs Alan Jones and John Garkow - the Eagles finished 8-1, good for second place in the Northern Division of the Evergreen League.

Building on the two previous, successful seasons, the 1971 Gridiron Eagles won the Class A 11-man Evergreen Title by defeating a tough, stubborn North Douglas team 14-12. The key to that win over the Warriors was the Eagle Blitzing Defense, led by All League Defensive Tackle Ross Gubka. Gubka, a senior, spent the majority of his time harassing and hurrying the Warrior QB, effectively setting up his Eagle teammates, Dana Burwell and Jim Billick, for seven sacks.

With the hard-earned victory, McKenzie advanced to the Oregon State Semi-Final game at Santiam. The Wolverines had wrapped up their own League title with a 6-2 record and carried a highly respected balanced offensive and defensive attack. McKenzie would counter with their own, outstanding, ground game, featuring Junior Running Back Dallas Scofield and Senior

Quarterback Lannie McClure.

The Eagles traveled North as slight favorites based on McKenzie's recent success and the fact that Santiam had not reached the playoffs since 1959. The Friday night Semi-Final contest up the Santiam River Valley started out dark and foggy and as the night wore on, it only got darker and foggier. The two teams, evenly matched, stood toe-to-toe and slugged it out. Neither offense could break down the other team's defense and at halftime, the scoreboard, somewhat visible through the Valley Fog, still showed 0-0.

Following the halftime break, the teams' defensive teams picked up right where they left off. After three quarters of smash mouth, the scoreboard had still not moved from 0-0. At the start of the fourth quarter, despite the cold, dark night, nobody had left the sidelines.

McKenzie, the smaller of the two teams, both in size and team numbers, had up to this point been very successful holding down the Wolverines' 180 lb. star power running back, John Ruby. In fact, the Eagles' tough, physical, blitzing defense had effectively beaten back Santiam's offensive attack to where McKenzie held a total yardage gained advantage. The importance of that stat was key as the game wore down to conclusion.

Under OSAA State playoff rules at the time, the team that held the total yardage gained advantage would decide a scoreless game finish. All, fans, coaches, and players on both sides of the field that night knew what was at stake. As the game clock slowly wore down, Eagle fans were cautiously hopeful and Wolverine fans nervously concerned.

The big, deciding break finally showed up. Ruby put his Wolverine team on his back, powerfully rushing up field and scoring the game's first touchdown following a 14-play, 70-yard drive, which started with eight minutes remaining. The Eagles' bone-weary defense grudgingly gave up a second touchdown just one minute later, following a fumble.

Then, down two scores and with



their running back Dallas Scofield headed to a Salem hospital with a concussion (he recovered fine), the Eagles (8-2) could not overcome the deficit, falling 14-0. Santiam advanced to the OSAA State Championship game to face and defeat Pilot Rock 21-6, their first State Football Title.

The 1961 McKenzie team concluded their season in the Emerald League with a 5-4, fourth place finish. Drain, the Emerald League Champion, would defeat visiting McKenzie, 29-7, to cap off an undefeated League run (8-1 overall) and advance to meet Phoenix in the Oregon State Class 2A playoffs. Phoenix would defeat Drain the next weekend, 20-6, on its way to capturing the State Championship, a 26-0 win over Central.

The Eagles lone score at Drain came in the fourth quarter when Junior Quarterback Dennis Baldrige found the League's leading scorer, McKenzie's Doug Hamby, on a 45-yard pass play to set up the score. The Eagle drive started on the McKenzie 35 yard line and culminated with Baldrige plunging in from the two-yard line. Baldrige would follow with successfully running in the extra point.

Rentals rebounding

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make a decision. "Now I wanted to do it, but not so much." Bolstering the decision to go forward was the realization that, "This was one of the better investments I've ever made." Like other fire victims, the Shefchecks say the community has been supportive. "We would have not wanted to take on the rebuild and couldn't have done it alone," Steve says, "without the help of the Hileman family and the skilled help of Kevin Hileman."

These days he's spending a lot of time on the site clearing debris, planting more than 50 Cypress trees along the frontage area, and overseeing workers. "I thought I was going to be semi-retired," Steve says. "Now I've gone back to work harder than I have in my life."

People could soon see the results of those efforts. On January 5th of 2021, they ordered all new homes from the manufacturer. Seven single wides and one double-wide were delivered to the property on October 4th. All include stackable washer-dryers,

built-in microwaves, and mini-split heat pump/air conditioners. Barring anything unforeseen, the Shefchecks should begin accepting applications in another month, with the first tenants starting to move in during January. Prices will range from \$1,100 to \$1,400 per month. Along with a roof over their heads, renters will receive water, garbage removal, and yard care.

At times Steve said it's felt like he'd started a never-ending project. Like others who are building back, he agrees that the biggest thing to overcome with the whole project had been dealing with Lane County's building permits and regulations. Even so, he didn't find the process overwhelming and says he found the best ways to move forward include, "Knowing who to talk to, and not going away."

People looking for more information can text Steve at 541-729-0313 or email at: Chefchex22992@gmail.com.

Prison sentence

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When the gas attendant looked at what was in the dumpster, he found jewelry, and credit cards that helped identify a couple whose house had been robbed.

Using the vehicle description, police shortly after stopped the Expedition and found other items associated with homes on Deerhorn Road. The recovered items ranged from cameras and related equipment to jewelry and collectibles, as well as a package containing a hamburger press.

The robbery victims had evacuated their residence on Deerhorn Road in response to the Holiday Farm Fire evacuation orders. SPD

Detective Brian Antone said the suspects avoided a roadblock at the Waltherville Shopping Center by turning onto Millican Road and using Camp Creek Road to get back on the main highway without being seen.

During the traffic stop, the driver, Lorrie Hocker, consented to a search of the vehicle where police found jewelry on the floor as well as a credit card in her pocket belonging to one of the homeowners.

Antone said the robbery victims were able to respond to the scene of the arrest to identify other items that belonged to them. They also

went with police to their home where they found it had been broken into. Antone said police were



Stephen Friend

able to determine the suspects had stolen mail and took other packages while "porch pirating."

Following court sentencing on November 3rd, Hocker was transferred to the custody of the Oregon Dept. of Corrections.

Friend is scheduled to appear before a Lane County Circuit Court judge on January 13th, but that date could be subject to change. His case had been postponed from a planned November 5th appearance date.

Letters to the Editor

Letters To The Editor should contain no more than 250 words. All letters must be signed and include an address and phone number. Addresses and phone numbers will not be published upon request. Deadline for submission is Monday at 5 pm.

WEATHER REPORT

READINGS TAKEN AT THE US ARMY CORPS COUGAR DAM

READINGS TAKEN AT EWEB LEABURG POWERHOUSE

Date	High	Low	Rain	Releases	Date	High	Low	Rain	Riverflow
11/23	46	38	0.97	NA	11/23	57	35	0.68	3,690 cfs
11/24	45	32	0	NA	11/24	51	32	0.09	3,940 cfs
11/25	47	34	0	NA	11/25	49	37	0	3,910 cfs
11/26	48	39	0.44	NA	11/26	57	41	0.51	3,580 cfs
11/27	51	45	0	NA	11/27	51	41	0.06	3,760 cfs
11/28	56	42	0.01	NA	11/28	54	49	0.24	4,070 cfs
11/29	54	42	0	NA	11/29	57	45	0.02	4,010 cfs

Friday 12/3		Saturday 12/4		Sunday 12/5	
McKenzie Valley Mostly Cloudy 10% chance precip High: 53 Low: 40	Santiam Pass Mostly Cloudy 10% chance precip High: 47 Low: 34	McKenzie Valley Mostly Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 58 Low: 41	Santiam Pass Mostly Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 47 Low: 34	McKenzie Valley Mostly Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 57 Low: 47	Santiam Pass Mostly Cloudy 20% chance precip High: 52 Low: 38

Sheriff's Report

Nov. 21: 8:24 p.m.: Suspicious Vehicle - Deerhorn Rd. & Bridge St. A white SUV had been parked in a pull out for approximately four days.

Nov. 22: 2:09 a.m.: Narcotics, Drug Overdose - 54700 blk, McK. Hwy.

4:58 a.m.: Injured Animal - Marcola Rd. & Shotgun Creek Rd.

7:23 a.m.: Robbery - McK. Hwy. & Aufderheide Dr. Caller reported he met a female on a dating app that threatened him with a taser and unsuccessfully tried to take his things.

11:30 a.m.: Citizen Contact - 2/2021 11:30:21 a.m.

12:01 p.m.: Suspicious Vehicle - Deerhorn Rd. & Bridge St.

1:25 p.m.: Bike Accident - Marcola Mp. 3.

1:31 p.m.: Theft of Mail - 35800 blk, Camp Creek Rd.

2:28 p.m.: Theft of License Plate - 91100 blk, Donna Rd.

2:50 p.m.: Assist, Follow Up - 51100 blk, McK. Hwy.

3:35 p.m.: Assist, Follow Up - Lookout Camp.

Nov. 23: 9:21 a.m.: Disturbance, Dispute - 38400 blk, Wendling Rd. Deputies responded to the report of a dispute. Parties were uninjured and separated.

12:43 p.m.: Fraud - 38400 blk, Wendling Rd. Caller reported they were the victim of a credit card fraud. An undisclosed amount of money was taken.

2:53 p.m.: Weapon Offense - 45000 blk, McK. Hwy.

4:13 p.m.: Incomplete 911 Call - Lat: 44.1433463. long: -122.369063.

Nov. 24: 12:41 p.m.: Motor Vehicle Accident, Unknown Injury - Marcola Rd. & Sunderman Rd.

1:46 p.m.: Welfare Check - 55600 blk, McK. River Dr.

3:18 p.m.: Abandoned Vehicle - Marcola Rd. Mp. 19.

3:30 p.m.: Injured Animal - 87600 blk, Cedar Flat Rd.

5:59 p.m.: Assist, Information - 88100 blk, Keola Ln.

7:22 p.m.: Suspicious Conditions - 47800 blk, McK. Hwy. Caller reported former tenant littered on his property.

Nov. 25: 9:54 a.m.: Disturbance, Dispute - 36400 blk, Camp Creek Rd. Caller reported a dispute between a male and female. The male was possibly trying to keep the female out of the roadway.

11:35 a.m.: Disturbance, Dispute

- 39900 blk, McK. Hwy. Deputies responded to a dispute involving two males. One of the males left prior to the deputies arriving. One person was taken into custody on an unrelated arrest warrant.

1:12 p.m.: Vehicle Stop - 45600 blk, McK. Hwy.

1:27 p.m.: Citizen Contact - McK. Hwy. & S. Gate Creek Rd.

1:38 p.m.: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. & Goodpasture Rd.

1:49 p.m.: Vehicle Stop - McK. Hwy. & Goodpasture Rd.

2:39 p.m.: Citizen Contact - Blue River Dr. & Dexter St.

2:52 p.m.: Suspicious Vehicle - McK. Hwy. & McK. River Dr.

3:26 p.m.: Welfare Check - 40300 blk, McK. Hwy.

8:15 p.m.: Attempt To Locate Drunk Driver - Old Marcola Rd. & Marcola Rd.

Nov. 26: 9:15 p.m.: Suspicious Vehicle - 35200 blk, Camp Creek Rd.

11:41 p.m.: Incomplete 911 Call - 90300 blk, Thomson Ln.

Nov. 27: 12:06 a.m.: Suspicious Conditions - 91800 blk, Mill Creek Rd.

7:05 a.m.: Weapon, Shots Fired - 41000 blk, Deerhorn Rd.

12:00 p.m.: Suspicious Conditions - 91800 blk, Mill Creek Rd. Caller reported a large black garbage back across the

street from the location.

12:23 p.m.: Citizen Contact - 38100 blk, McK. Hwy.

2:22 p.m.: Motor Vehicle Accident, Unknown Injury - Marcola Rd. & Paschelke Rd.

9:40 p.m.: Disturbance, Dispute - 8600 blk, McK. Hwy. Caller reported a dispute at the location. Parties separated and deputies

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State Police Report

Nov. 27: 14:46: Crash, Injury - Marcola Rd. & Paschelke Rd. Dispatched to a report of a crash at the intersection, located 1/2 north in the driveway of Unit #1. Operator of Unit #1 was towing a boat and attempting to turn into his driveway when he failed to yield right of way to operator of Unit #2 who was traveling in the opposite direction. Unit #2 struck Unit #1 on the bed of the truck on the passenger side. The impact pushed both parties off the roadway. The passenger of Unit #1 was transported to Riverbend hospital with minor injuries to their arm. Both vehicles were towed. Involved: white Chevy Silverado, Bolton boat, blue Ford F350, 68-year-old male from Marcola, 30-year-old male from Springfield,

McKenzie Fire & Rescue

Nov. 22: 3:23: 41000 block, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Refusal.

7:51: 36000 blk, McK. Hwy. Electrical Problem. Investigate Burning Electrical Outlet.

10:43: 45000 blk, McK. Hwy. Motor Vehicle Accident. Non-Continued On Page 8

Upper McKenzie Fire/Rescue

Nov. 28: 01:54: Medical - 55000 block, McK. River Dr. Male, Conscious, Breathing.

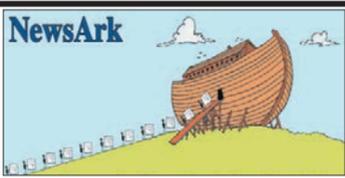
07:27: Medical - Medical - 55000 blk, McK. River Dr. Male, Conscious, Breathing.

10:34: Vehicle Fire - 91000 blk, Mill Creek Rd. Car smoking, in parking lot - not at the pumps.

13:42: Motor Vehicle Accident, Unknown Injury - Milepost 10, Clear Lake Cutoff. Single vehicle, tire flew off involved pickup.

Nov. 29: 00:25: Medical - 91000 blk, Horse Creek Rd. Female, Conscious, Breathing.

The Upper McK. Fire District board of directors will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 15th, at the McK. Fire Station, 56578 McK. Hwy. in McKenzie Bridge, at 7 p.m.



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Saturday 4/8: McKenzie Valley Rain/Snow - 60%, High - 56 - Low - 44

Sunday 4/9: McKenzie Valley Rain/Snow - 60%, High - 54 - Low - 44

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McKenzie Fire & Rescue could grow

WALTERVILLE: McKenzie Fire & Rescue's area of coverage could grow by another 975 acres. On April 6, the Lane County Board of Directors will take action on an annexation proposal that came at the request of property owners in an area of the McKenzie River Valley. If approved, the annexation would provide emergency 79 properties and about 975 acres response coverage in the case of fire, vehicle or medical emergencies. In the interim, the district's Board of Directors has extended response coverage to the affected properties until the annexation process is completed. The annexation would extend coverage to populated areas either surrounded by or adjacent to current boundaries, including 32 properties and about 975 acres of land.

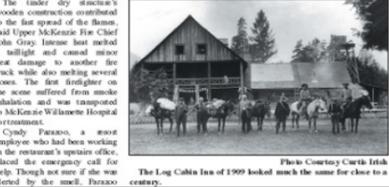
Landmark Log Cabin lost in Wednesday fire

MCKENZIE BRIDGE: The 100-year-old Log Cabin Inn of McKenzie Bridge was destroyed by flames last week, despite a massive response from firefighters throughout eastern Lane County. Fire responded from the Upper McKenzie River Fire District arrived on the scene five minutes after a 9-1-1 call was placed. They found the fire had already breached the ceiling of a corridor and family room, and fire had to focus their efforts on keeping the blaze from igniting nearby trees and wood cabins. In the course of the battle, they doused the fire with an estimated 100,000 gallons of water drawn from the nearby McKenzie River.



Thirty-plus firefighters from 11 agencies rushed to the Log Cabin Inn Resort last week but couldn't halt the destruction of the hundred-year-old restaurant building.

The timber dry structure's wooden construction contributed to the fast spread of the flames, said Upper McKenzie Fire Chief John Gray. Intense heat melted a window and caused minor heat damage to another structure. The first firefighter on the scene suffered from smoke inhalation and was transported to McKenzie-Wilamette Hospital for treatment. Cindy Parazzo, a resort employee who had been working in the restaurant's upstairs office, placed the emergency call for help. Though not sure if she was deterred by the smell, Parazzo



The Log Cabin Inn of 1909 looked much the same for close to a century.

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Cascades Raptor Center's Louisa Skimmel has been a frequent visitor to the summer amphitheater's Sunset Tails talks or forums at Delta Campground.

EUGENE: Want to see an owl up close? Located in the heart of the Cascade Raptor Center, the new Northern Goshawk (often referred to as "the grey ghost") Care to learn a little more about children's classic Owl Moon. The Center is home to 600 permanent birds of various species. Visitors can do all this and more at the Cascades Raptor Center's 12th annual Earth Day Open House. The event will feature behind-the-scenes tours of the three-acre facility, as well as a raptor release, children's activities, and a drawing for exciting prizes from local artists and merchants.

The Cascades Raptor Center is a little-known local Lane County treasure. Volunteers bring visitors into community schools and to festivals, as well as having groups of individuals up at the Center in order to foster a greater understanding of raptor and environmental education. The Center has helped to lead and release over 1,500 birds.

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Radical Wobblies found support among Oregon loggers

By Finn J.D. John

In early 1917, shortly after the U.S. declared war on Germany, the first detachment of U.S. soldiers was dispatched ... to the forest of western Oregon.

It turned out the wildest, boldest and (if you were a capitalist) most terrifying labor union in U.S. history had got its hooks deep into the logging business just as demand for timber reached its peak, and as the rest of the country was marching to war, the loggers were marching off the job.

That union was the International Workers of the World — better known as the Wobblies.

The year and a half that followed would be eventful ones in Oregon and Washington. They'd see the U.S. Army actually chartering a labor union of its own; U.S. soldiers taken from the trenches of Europe and deployed with axes and saws to cut timber; industrial sabotage; and even some violence in the woods.

They'd also result in the adoption of the eight-hour workday — something the mill and logging outfit owners fought bitterly to stop, since they paid their men by the day rather than by the hour.

The cast of characters

The I.W.W. was founded in 1905, and it was by all accounts an extraordinary outfit. It was a labor union fully committed to the concept of class warfare, of the need for workers to seize the means of production, and fully convinced of the hopelessness of trying to effect change by working within the system. The Wobs didn't bother fielding political candidates to get labor laws changed; they preferred "direct action" — street demonstrations, strikes, industrial sabotage. They used stickers of a black cat — called the "Sabotabby" — to let everyone know when they broke something on purpose.

They were known for ferocious street preaching, in which members would shout about the need for a revolution and for a general war against the "clowns" (police) and "barons" (capitalists).

But I.W.W. people quickly figured out that the timber industry



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The front-cover art from a Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen publication from 1918.

was ready to hear their message. Real wages in the woods had been sliding for some time, and conditions were getting worse every year — bunkhouses were getting smaller and less hygienic, camp food was getting cheaper and less plentiful, working hours were stretching into the 12-to-14-hour range. The timberlands had all been snapped up by trusts like Weyerhaeuser, and there were few opportunities left for bright-eyed young men to work their way into the middle and upper classes through a logging camp.

It had become a dead end, a hobo's job. The workers were itinerant, so getting fired was no big deal; you just hired on somewhere else. They had nothing to lose.

So the I.W.W. started working the logging camps and mill towns pretty hard. They found some

members, but mostly what they found was a lot of sympathy for what they were saying among men who didn't want to get involved directly.

And that's where things stood on the eve of the First World War.

The spark

What happened then was simply this: The timber markets exploded. Prices shot through the roof. Suddenly the government was buying finished lumber by the cubic acre. And Oregon in particular was the primary source for the most desirable wood of all — the straight, true, stable, lightweight, splinter-resistant Sitka spruce.

Overjoyed, the factory and logging-company owners started making plans to save and spend the torrents of lovely money that would soon be coming their way as the market price per board foot

doubled and doubled again. And it never occurred to them that their low-level employees would even be aware of their good fortune. If it had, they wouldn't have considered it any of their business. It was the workers' job to cut the wood and cash their paychecks, regardless of how much their bosses were making by selling it.

So no, wages were not going to go up. If anything, they'd go down, because of the powerful incentive to lengthen the workday.

In the logging camps, though, the "slaves" (as the I.W.W.'s newspapers called them) started simmering with rage. The Wobblies had preached the concept of class conflict for a decade, and now it looked an awful lot like they were right. The bigs were about to gather in a massive windfall of profits made possible by their work, and it was clear that rising tide was not going to lift all the boats. It wasn't fair, they fumed.

And the fight was on

The loggers started striking, spiking logs, sabotaging equipment. They demanded an eight-hour workday, bunkhouses with beds in them, better wages, and a few other things. The owners of mills and logging outfits were furious and frantic about the opportunities for profit that were passing them by every day, but refused to budge. After all, if you give a mouse a cookie it will just keep wanting more.

As spring blossomed into summer, the U.S. Army started taking notice of the fact that they were getting a lot less timber out of the West than they had expected to, and sent a general named Bruce Disque out to investigate.

Enter the Army

Disque quickly figured out several things:

First, the Wobs had several very legitimate beefs. Wages were really low, bunkhouses were nasty and full of bedbugs, and twelve hours was a long time to be out cutting timber.

But he also quickly figured out that, with their earnest advocacy of armed insurrection, the Wobs were a dangerous organization, and as

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By Slim Randles

That certain ... crispness? ... in the air reminds me of one of my favorite story assignments over the past thousand years or so. I was a reporter/columnist/feature writer for The Anchorage Daily News, and since I had a tolerance for eccentricities in others ... well, they called me the weirdo reporter.

And one of the annual tasks that dropped in my lap was doing a story on what kind of a winter it's going to be. And I did this story each August, you see. So will it be nasty cold, very mild, deep snow, no snow ... that sort of thing.

It was fun. I'd call up old sourdoughs who'd give me some estimate and then tell me some weird reason why they thought so. You know, the bird calls changed from the key of C to G sharp, that kind of thing. And I'd call up some Native villages and get expert opinions from the old guys there. Fun story.

Well, this one year I thought, hey ... we have a division of the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration right here in Anchorage, and they have satellites and computers and all kinds of neat stuff. I'll ask them.

So I called NOAA and said, what kind of a winter are we in for? And the guy said, "We really can't predict beyond maybe a week at the most." So I said, look, you have all those neat toys over there ... why can't you figure it out? And he said, well, Slim, let me see what I can put together and I'll call you tomorrow, okay?

Now we'll get some really educated information for the readers. I couldn't wait.

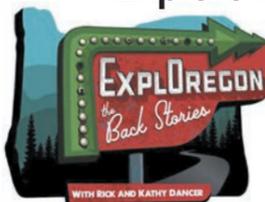
So next day he calls and says his best guess is we'll have a colder than usual winter. Super. And how did he arrive at that conclusion?

He hemmed and hawed, then said, "Well, the beavers are building their lodges in deeper water this year, so we should expect thicker than normal ice."

Once again science triumphs over the tundra.

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Gardening Tips
By Kym Pokorny
Oregon State University
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Myth vs. reality: What's the truth in gardening?

Reality can get skewed when there are so many sources of information – books, magazines, newspapers, nurseries and, most of all, the internet and social media open up lots of room for contradiction. So, how do you find the right answer for gardening questions?

Nine experts from Oregon State University Extension Service stepped up to bust some common gardening myths. Read on to get some research-based answers to 10 common misconceptions.

For additional questions, call the OSU Extension master gardeners in your area.

MYTH: You should top a tree to control its height.

REALITY: Trees are programmed to attain a certain height. Topping only temporarily delays the inevitable. The resulting sucker growth, which grows rapidly in an attempt to provide food for the compromised root system, is weakly attached. This creates an even greater hazard. Additionally, the trunk is not a limb and cannot use the tree's architectural physiology to seal the wound caused by topping. This often leads to a slow death for the tree. – Al Shay, horticulturist and site manager for OSU's Oak Creek Center for Urban Horticulture

MYTH: Lime will remove moss from your lawn.

REALITY: Lime will not fix the problem. Moss prefers to grow in wet, shady conditions. Lawns with moss need more sunlight, i.e. trimming, pruning and thinning trees. If you like the trees the way they are you will continue to have moss and you should think about shade-tolerant alternatives to grass. Moss also grows well in infertile soils, which includes acidic (low pH) soils, but more importantly it also includes nitrogen-deficient soils. Lawns, like a lot of cultivated plants prefer nitrogen-rich soils. Regular fertilizer applications (four applications per year, two

in the fall and two in the spring) with products containing nitrogen, combined with improved sunlight will result in a green, dense lawn that can out compete moss. – Alec Kowalewski, OSU Extension turf specialist

MYTH: Ponderosa pine needles make the soil more acidic (low pH).

REALITY: The notion that pine needles change the soil pH so that nothing will grow or that it will damage plants has been out there for years. The truth is pine needles do not make the soil more acidic. It is true that pine needles have a pH of 3.2 to 3.8 (neutral is 7.0) when they drop from a tree. If you were to take the freshly fallen needles (before the needles decompose) and turn them into the soil right away, you may see a slight drop in the soil pH, but the change would not be damaging to the plants.

For those of you that leave the needles there on the ground, they will begin to break down naturally and the microbes (decomposers) in the soil will neutralize them. So, you can leave them there (if you're not in a wildfire prone area). They are a good mulching material that will keep the moisture in, suppress weeds and eventually add nutrients back to the soil. You can also add them to a compost pile; they will slowly break down over time. If you run them through a shredder they will break down faster. A general rule of thumb is not to add more than 10 percent of pine needles to your compost pile.

If you are having difficulty growing other plants under your pine trees it is likely due to the fact that evergreen roots are numerous and shallow and compete for water and nutrients. The shady conditions under a tree cans also make growing other plants a challenge. – Amy Jo Detweiler, OSU Extension horticulturist

MYTH: Just add more compost to the soil.

REALITY: Adding organic matter to soil in the form of compost helps to improve soil

structure and promote long-term plant health, but adding too much compost at once or over time can lead to problems. If the soil organic matter is much higher than ideal (5 to 8 percent), the soil can have too much available phosphorus, which can stunt plant growth and potentially leach into the water table. Also, some compost can be high in salts, which can also impact plant growth. – Weston Miller, OSU Extension horticulturist

MYTH: Beehouses help promote and conserve bee diversity.

REALITY: Although some bee species nest in the cavities provided by bee houses, most bee species nest in the ground. Research out of Canada shows that most cavities in bee houses are colonized by native wasps (that help control pests), and not native bees. So, bee houses still do good, but not necessarily the good that you might think. – Gail Langellotto, OSU Extension entomology specialist and state coordinator of the Master Gardener program

MYTH: Tree roots go only as far as the drip line.

REALITY: Many trees extend many times beyond the branch crown diameter. For instance, magnolia extends 3.7 times the diameter; red maple 3 times; poplar 3; locust 2.9 and ash 1.7. – Steve Renquist, OSU Extension horticulturist

MYTH: Epsom salts are a must for great tomatoes. Use them in every garden.

REALITY: If you have done a soil test and your soil lacks magnesium and your plants are not growing well, give it a try. In most soils and gardens, they can do more damage than good. Steve Renquist, OSU Extension horticulturist

MYTH: When you plant a new tree or shrub, dig the hole and add an amendment to the soil before you backfill the hole.

REALITY: Although amendment of soil with organic matter is often a good idea, it should be done on an area-wide basis, not just in a planting hole for an individual plant. Adding an organic amendment to the soil only in the planting hole will tend to reduce

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Country Kitchen
By Mary Emma Allen

THE TRADITION OF CAROLING

Is the tradition of singing Christmas carols and giving musical presentations falling by the wayside? Many schools have done away with their Christmas concerts, or at least ones with songs that have any religious overtones. Even some churches feel they must have more general songs.

Christmas caroling has been a tradition for centuries. Sometimes this involved a get-together when friends and family congregated around the piano to sing old and new holiday songs.

Or it may be a gathering at a nursing home by school children, organizations, or church groups. I remember doing this with my 4-H club when my daughter and nieces were young. Also, some groups carol along the streets and visit homes along the way.

We also heard carols playing as we walked along the streets of town or during our shopping. This music lightens our hearts and steps.

Caroling Through the Ages
Christmas caroling has been one of the most festive traditions of the holiday season since the early days of Christianity. It's said that music for Christmas began with musical prayers of the Christian church called litanies. Gradually they sang songs that expressed the joy of the Yuletide season.

Street caroling is thought to have evolved from performances of Nativity plays. When people began acting out the events of the Christ Child's birth, they composed carols to accompany these plays and continued singing as they walked along the streets on their way home.

Origin of "Carols"
The word "carol" supposedly comes from the Greek word "choros," meaning a dance. The early carols usually were suitable for dancing as well as singing.

In fifth century France, people gathered in the village squares to sing favorite Yuletide songs. The musical accompaniment came from a lyre or a lute, which were two popular instruments of those days.

A tradition dating back to the second half of the seventh century was the playing of the Advent hymn on trumpets, trombones, and kettledrums to herald in the Christmas season in Sweden.

This delightful holiday music, both traditional and modern, has become a joyous part of the Christmas season over the centuries as people express their feelings of hope and happiness in song.

Christmas Caroling Food
After a caroling session or perhaps for carolers stopping by, some Christmas goodies are appropriate.

ALMOND CRESCENTS - Cream together 1-cup butter or margarine, 2 teaspoons vanilla extract, 1/4 cup confectioner's sugar. Add 2 cups flour and 1 tablespoon water. Mix in 1-cup ground or chopped almonds.

Shape into 1 1/2 inch crescents. Place on greased cookie sheet. Bake at 325 degrees F. for 20 minutes or until delicately browned. While warm, roll in powdered sugar.

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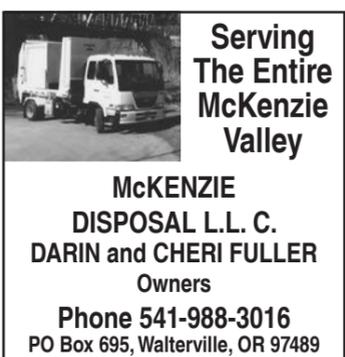
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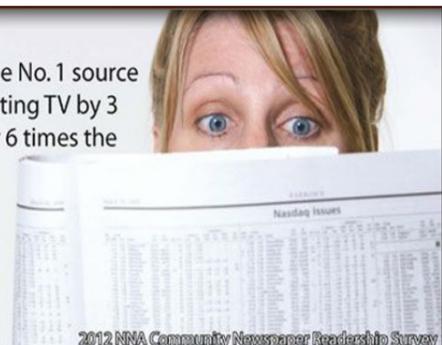
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December 4 & 5 Holiday Boutique
The 2nd Annual Holiday Boutique at the McKenzie Station PUB in McKenzie Bridge is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, December 4th & 5th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a variety of unique gifts from vendors, along with stocking stuffers.

December 5 Wine Tasting
Meadows Estate Vineyard & Winery will hold an Open Tasting including their award winning wines on Sunday, December 5th, at the Waltherville Community Center, 39259 Camp Creek Road. The event, from 12:30 to 3:30 This free event from 12:30 to 3:30 will be hosted by vineyard owners Dexter and Marilyn Meadows of Dearhorn. For more information, call 626-318-4502.

December 11 Bridge Lighting
The Upper McKenzie Community Center and the O'Brien Memorial Library are co-hosting an Open House from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on December 11th for the lighting ceremony at the Belknap Covered Bridge. People can meet at the Community Center and walk with carolers to the bridge. There will also be opportunities to see the temporary library and kids can place an ornament on the community tree. People can also meet Katie Caulley and view her book, "Get Out! Now! A Firefighter's Account of the Holiday Farm Fire Of 2020." Used books for sale, along with a display of McKenzie River Historical items., and gifts for the young.

December 12 Holiday Parade
The McKenzie Chamber of

Commerce, along with the McKenzie Community Development Corporation and Locals Helping Locals are planning a Joyful car parade for the "Holiday Light Up the Valley Celebration" on Sunday, December 12th, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. People are invited to decorate their cars, property, RV, business, truck, or camp spot. The event will include two car parades. One will start at Cedar Flat and head east. The other will travel west from McKenzie Espresso & Deli. Both will meet at the Vida Windermere Office, where there will be a get together with hot chocolate and cookies.

December 15 Upper McK Fire Board
7 to 8 p.m. 5 Upper McKenzie Fire District Board of Directors monthly meeting. At the fire station, 56578 McKenzie Hwy, 541-822-3479.

December 20 McKenzie Fire District Board
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Direct Answers

By Wayne & Tamara Mirchell

Jekyll And Hyde

Why do I want to stay in a relationship that makes me so unhappy?

I have been with my boyfriend for two years. Over the last few months the relationship has rapidly declined. We are spending less and less time together (his choice), and the time we do spend together we argue about the way he is treating me.

One minute he is loving and caring, the next cold and hurtful. His confusing behavior is causing me to act out of character. I feel I am turning into an emotional wreck.

My partner now says he doesn't love me and doesn't want to be with me because of my irrational behavior. He told me this two weeks after booking a family holiday to Spain for us and his parents, which he still plans to take us on.

Mornings are my weakest time. I end up phoning him only to be told to leave him alone. I must be crazy because I still want to work things out with him. Yet I know there is no chance.

I need to hold things together for the sake of my three children from a previous marriage. I want to be free of the emotional turmoil and start to rebuild my life.

Sabrina

Sabrina, it doesn't matter whether your boyfriend is acting from some diabolical plan,

treats everyone this way, or is completely clueless about other people's feelings. The end result is the same. Pain and confusion.

With three children, you probably feel your options are limited. But think about what you are showing them.

It is not right to manipulate others this way, or to allow yourself to be manipulated. Show your children what is right. Start building a life without him.

Wayne

Alice In Wonderland

I am having great difficulty understanding this.

My husband had an affair that lasted a year and a half. He said he met with this woman in a parking lot about a dozen times, less than 20 minutes each time. Once they met at a hotel for drinks, which led to her asking him to get a room. He says they had sex a total of five times.

This woman is a mutual friend of ours. She wanted to meet my husband to discuss divorce because he had been divorced prior to our marriage. He says she was the sexual aggressor.

We have been in therapy and he is also seeing a hypnotist. My husband says his infidelity was caused by: fear of losing me, fear he didn't measure up to men in my past, and mid-life crisis. He believes he never wanted to be unfaithful and was torturing himself. So do the therapist and

hypnotist.

My husband realizes some aspects of true love were missing, but he always loved me. I love him, yet I am having difficulty getting over the pain this has caused.

Do you think there is a way I may be able to understand?

Carol Ann

Carol Ann, you are confused. So are we. It's fear, mid-life crisis, he's torturing himself, it's the other woman's fault, it only happened a few times, there were aspects of true love missing, and the hypnotist and therapist agree with him.

Listening to your husband's explanations is like sitting down to tea with the Mad Hatter. No matter how hard you try, it's difficult to have an intelligent conversation. You would have to throw out your common sense and true feelings.

Your husband is skirting the truth and not taking responsibility for his actions. He is throwing out a variety of excuses, hoping you will find one you like and accept. He hasn't owned up to what he has done.

You can't do a thing until he does.

Even though you are outnumbered three to one, don't doubt yourself. You will never understand life down the rabbit hole.

Wayne & Tamara

Wayne & Tamara are also the authors of *Age Difference Relationships, When Is the Gap Insurmountable*, available from Amazon, Apple and most booksellers.

American Life in Poetry

By Kwame Dawes

For Kayleb Rae Candrilli, as for many of us, the dramatic change of setting—in their case, the arrival at the coast facing the grand Atlantic—can shift our sense of being in significant ways. For the poet, their affirmation “that lines are always changing” brings a certain comfort. Even more significant is the epiphany that ends the poem: “the tide tells me/ my body can morph/ as many times as it needs”. “Summering in Wildwood, NJ” celebrates the fluidity of our changing human bodies by connecting them with the defiant fluidity of nature.

Summering in Wildwood, NJ

By Kayleb Rae Candrilli

in a few days, i'll be on a beach so bright i can see the sun through my fingers,

each thin vein lit up blue like a heron's leg.

this poem is not so much about a beach as it is about arriving,

blowing stop signs until the coast affirms

that lines are always changing, and the tide tells me

my body can morph as many times as it needs.

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Radical Wobblies

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Soldiers and residents of Toledo pose with a giant spruce log, which is ready to be sent to the government's spruce mill in Vancouver.

long as they had legitimate beefs, they would remain dangerous.

And he also learned that as long as it was the Wobs arguing for these changes, the owners wouldn't budge, for fear of empowering their enemy.

So Disque did two things: First, he sent Army troops into the woods to start cutting timber. And second, he started a labor union.

The Army's union was called the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen. Technically it wasn't really a union, since its by-laws forbade it to go on strike. But it was an organization that soon included hundreds of thousands of workers, and one that quickly developed a reputation for being reasonable — and, thanks to the active backing of the U.S. Army, it was fairly effective in trimming away the more egregious violations of 1910s industrial management.

Many of the owners were furious. They were especially angry about having the eight-hour workday more or less crammed down their throats. But there was a point beyond which if they resisted, they would simply have had their businesses nationalized; after all, there was a war going on. So they had to swallow hard and go along.

But if the Army's plan was to take the wind out of the I.W.W.'s sails (as many feel it was), it worked. From a membership of around 100,000 card-carrying members in 1917, the union collapsed to just a few thousand, and those that

remained fell to bitter internecine fighting. Their advocacy of sabotage and "hoosiering" — deliberately working very slowly — during a national shooting war had focused on them the ire of an aroused population, and many of them went to jail under the Espionage and Sedition Act, which was passed soon after.

A bloody shootout with the American Legion in Centralia after the war, which appears to have been provoked by a rogue Wob, put the final nail in the coffin of the Wobblies' reputation with the public, and then the Communists — "Comicals," in Wobbliespeak — rose up on their left and stole away their more extreme members.

By the mid-1920s, the Wobblies were spent as a serious political force.

But the eight-hour workday — that was here to stay.

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Broodstock

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leaks in the levee.

During the big rainfall of late September, a large number of fish came up the left bank ladder. In about a two-week period another 600 hatchery fish were recovered. In addition, close to 1,000 salmon came into the trap at the outflow near the back of the Leaburg Trout Hatchery that had been set up for steelhead.

"Having the right bank ladder shut down, running the fish sorter, and having the opportunity to only go up the left bank ladder caused a bit of confusion for those hatchery fish," Ziller thinks. Those conditions combined to cause the non-wild fish to go up the Leaburg Hatchery trap.

"We learned a lot of things that will really help us capture hatchery fish more efficiently next year," Ziller said.

For 2021, estimates are that the numbers of salmon returning from the ocean to the McKenzie River were in the normal range of from 1,400 to 1,500 fish. The return numbers for the Willamette River system are projected to be in the 40,000 to 50,000 range but haven't been fully tabulated yet.

There were concerns with higher water temperatures this year.

"We were in the 60's really early in the year for the McKenzie," Ziller notes. "Anytime you see those elevated water temperatures you can have a pretty high pre-spawning mortality."

Although some numbers from surveys of redd spawning beds were down, Ziller said they were "pretty Decent" upstream from the South Fork McKenzie, particularly in the Horse Creek and Lost Creek streambeds.

Sheriff's Report

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were unable to articulate a crime.

10:25 p.m: Open Gate - 38400 blk, Shotgun Creek Rd.

Nov. 28: 7:05 a.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 41000 blk, Deerhorn Rd.

8:37 a.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 47800 blk, McK. Hwy.

9:03 a.m: Weapon, Shots Fired - 47800 blk, McK. Hwy.

11:43 a.m: Littering - 47800 blk, McK. Hwy.

11:48 a.m: Abandoned Vehicle - Marcola Rd. Mp. 4.

5:15 p.m: Suspicious Conditions - 41900 blk, Deerhorn Rd. Caller reported a red GMC pickup had been parked near the location

McKenzie Fire & Rescue

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Injury/Partial Blocking.

20:21: 88000 blk, Chita Lp. Medical, Heart. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Nov. 23: 11:20: 35000 blk, Camp Creek Rd Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Nov. 24: 9:00: 38000 blk, Upper Camp Creek Rd. Kitchen Fire. Fire Extinguished.

12:30: 87000 blk, Cedar Flat Rd Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Nov. 25: 17:03: Milepost 10, McK. Hwy. MVA. Non-Injury Non-Blocking.

17:22: 35000 blk, Camp Creek Rd. Medical, Heart. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Nov. 27: 7:35: 40000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

13:25: 90000 blk, Thomson Ln. Public Assist. Lifting Assistance Provided.

18:22: 43000 blk, McK. Hwy. Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Nov. 28: 13:17: 88000 blk, Partridge Ln Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

Nov. 29: 2:33: 88000 blk, Twin Firs Rd Medical, General. Patient Assessed, 1 Transported.

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Myth vs. reality

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growth of the plant. This happens because roots may stay within the amended soil and not grow into the native soil, creating a root-bound plant within the amended soil. If the organic amendment is not completely decomposed it may require nitrogen for further decomposition, which will compete with plant roots for minerals, thereby resulting in reduced growth. And in the case of large shrubs or trees, decomposition of the amendment will cause the plant to settle and the root collar will sink below the soil. — Neil Bell, OSU Extension horticulturist

MYTH: Brown recluse and hobo spiders are common in Oregon.

REALITY: It is commonly thought that hobo and brown recluse spiders cause necrotic bites in this state, when in fact the brown recluse is not found

in Oregon and the hobo spider does not cause necrotic bites. The hobo spider was in fact removed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's list of venomous spiders in 2015. The black widow is the most harmful spider to humans in the state. — Heather Stoven, OSU Extension entomology specialist

MYTH: Watering on hot sunny days will burn the plants because the water droplets magnify the sun's rays.

REALITY: It rains during the summer all around the world and plants are just fine. More of an issue is that the irrigation water will evaporate and not be as effective. Note though that sensitive houseplants like African violet can show leaf damage from very cold water applied to the leaves. — Brooke Edmunds, OSU Extension horticulturist

A Moment in Oregon History
By Rick Steber
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December 2 - Early on the morning of December 2, 1922 a fire broke out on Astoria's waterfront and before it was stopped, 32 city blocks had been destroyed. Only two people died but hundreds were left homeless and property loss was estimated at more than fifteen million dollars. According to the fire chief, the flames burned beneath buildings, on pilings upon which the business section of the city had been built. To stop the advancing flames, firefighters resorted to using dynamite. Local citizens, in the wake of the devastating fire announced they were, "Down but not out." Within fifteen years, the town of Astoria had been rebuilt.

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