



PINE RIDGE VITAL STATISTICS FER 1938

By ABNER PEABODY

NAME: Pine Ridge, Ark.

POP. 94

BIRTHS: Twins ter Ernie Bickford and wife.

DEATHS: Old Mr. Seestruck.

PEOPLE LEAVING TOWN: The Widder Lief (she got husband in marriage bureau) and Dick Huddleston (on trip).

BUSINESS ENTERPRISES: Mose Moots, barber. Doing Good. Luke Spears, restaurant. Doing Good. Sister Simpson, boarding house. Doing Good. Caleb Weehurst, blacksmith. Doing Good. Judge Bates, Law. Not so goot. Jot 'Em Down store. Everything. Doing real fine. Dr. Bursingtod, doctoring. Drug-store doing good.

VITAL STATISTICS ABOUT CROPS:

Oranges, (tree Lum brought back from Calif. doing alright in his front room) 1 orange, Potatoes, 15,580 bushels, Corn, 10,598 bushels. Interesting note: Ezra Seestrunk grewed one shoot a corn 16 feet high. Now on exhibition at Jot 'Em Down store. All other things about normal.

Other things to know about Pine Ridge—biggest bass caught last year was nine pound by Bede Seestrunk. Got spanking because should have been in school and Ezra Seestrunk had heart set on that bass anyway. Most unusual occurrence was windstorm which took feathers off chickens for Wednesday night supper. Most unusual invention was Lum's plan to use windmills to stir up a uncommon good breeze in Pine Ridge so's we could make it into a summer resort. Invention fergot by Lum until jist now. Biggest social event was Lum's turkey dinner when running fer mayor. Biggest sporting event was the big game between Pine Ridge University and the high school team, which the university lost 1-0 after Lum forfeited the game.

TRANSPORTATION: Train south 8:37 a.m.

Train north 4:05 p.m.

(NOTE: If you ride past station, train stops to take on water hunderd yards down track.)

GOVERNMENT:

Mayor: *Lum Edwards.*

Treasurer: *Same.*

Chief Police: *Abner Peabody.*

Force: *Same.*

COST OF GOVERNMENT:

\$688.17

Raised from taxes, sociables, Wednesday night suppers:

\$690.29

Surplus:

\$2.12 (1 dollar of this in stamps)

CRIME WAVE: 1 gangster kilt while trying to muscle inter Pine Ridge.

PEOPLE IN JAIL: 1 (This is Rig Potter and family. Not guilty or nothin. Jist renting while roof being fixed. Money comin in from this enterprise, \$4.30 per month.