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COUNTY FAIR MANAGER—Paul Abeel, manager of the first annual county fair, is caught by the camera as he works on an exhibit arrangement in the new fair building. Abeel was manager of the Northwestern Turkey show in 1945, has taken charge of county exhibits at the Pacific International Livestock show and the state fair. (Picture by Photo Lab)



NEW FAIR BUILDINGS—This new 100x140 exhibit building has been erected for the first Douglas county fair in 37 years. On its exhibit floor will be arranged community booths entered by organizations throughout the county, large farm equipment displays, commercial exhibits, and 4-H club entries. In the background are the two livestock barns to be used by the 4-H and Future Farmers of America. The fair will open tomorrow for three days. (Picture by Photo Lab)

FAIR OPENS TOMORROW

New Buildings Erected; Four-H, Future Farmers Ready For Competition

Three new buildings are in readiness for the opening of the first county fair in more than 35 years. The three-day fair starts tomorrow, when 4-H members and Future Farmers of America bring in their livestock, and their canning, cooking and sewing exhibits to be judged.

Packing Firms Fight Extra Fee Inspection

PORTLAND, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Two meat packing firms, objecting to the Oregon Department of Agriculture practice of charging an inspection fee on livestock carrying inspection certificates from other states, have filed suits in a test of the policy. The firms, Swift & Co., and Armour & Co., contend that while the state may charge a fee for inspecting livestock originating within the state, it is not authorized by law to do so on shipments from other states.

BOMB INVENTOR DIES

BALTIMORE, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Emil Gathmann Sr., inventor of the depth bomb used to fight submarines, died at his home in suburban Catonsville Tuesday. The 76-year-old metallurgical engineer had been ill about three months.

There will be no adult classes in the fair this year, but there will be several community exhibits entered by Granges, Parent-Teacher associations, and other organizations.

One unique exhibit is expected to be that from Curtin, whose citizens entered a model village representing their community in the North Douglas County fair at Drain last year.

This year, the people of Curtin have greatly enlarged their model village and are expected to be entering it in the county fair this year.

The Roseburg Rod and Gun club is also expected to enter an interesting display of Douglas county wild life.

Manager of the fair this year is Paul Abeel, who has been busy in recent weeks putting the finishing touches on the large fair building and the two new livestock barns.

He has been assisted by Homer Grow, who will supervise the F. F. A. livestock show.

The fair manager has also allocated a large amount of space on the exhibit floor in the fair building, to commercial entries and a farm implement display.

Arrangements of the Northwestern Turkey show in 1945, when it was revived in Roseburg after its wartime suspension. He also has taken charge of the county's exhibits at the Pacific International Livestock show and state fair in Salem.

Among the contests for 4-H club members will be the dollar dinner contest, the bread baking contest, and the cake baking contest.

In a letter to 4-H club leaders, Frank von Borstel, county club agent, reminded that all members are eligible to exhibit. In addition to the regular ribbon awards, the judges will select purple award winners for county championships for state fair showing.

The 4-H home economics demonstration and cooking, baking, and canning contests will be supervised by Mrs. Holden R. McTaggart, Douglas county home demonstration agent.

Classes in the 4-H junior livestock show will include dairy, beef, sheep, swine, poultry and rabbits. There will be showmanship classes for dairy, beef, sheep and dogs.

Cal Monroe of Oregon State college, assistant state 4-H club leader, will judge the livestock classes.

Future Farmers of America competitions will be largely confined to livestock entries.

Children's Story Hour Will End This Afternoon

The final YMCA children's story hour will be heard at 5 p.m. over KRNR Wednesday. All those who have enjoyed the program and would like to have it continued next summer are urged to drop a card to Marlen Yoder, YMCA, Roseburg.

Alva Laws reports that the story teller this week is Mrs. Beth Warg. Laws also expressed the thanks of the Roseburg YMCA to Mrs. Iris Helliwell, Warren Ward, and all other members of the KRNR staff, who gave their time in planning and putting on the program, and to Mrs. Mary Eastman, Mrs. Marie Hall, Mrs. Opal Munson, Mrs. Esther Geddes, Mrs. May Matthews, and Mrs. Beth Warg, who all took part in telling the stories.

The glazed tile dome of Mexican motif Puebla Cathedral retains its original luster despite 400 years of exposure to the elements.

Oregon's Obsolete Traffic, Highway Statutes Recalled As Mechanical Age Blooms

By RALPH WATSON

Oregon Highway Department

Maybe you don't remember it but the "left hand turn" was outlawed in Oregon the second time the legislature had a chance after the adoption of the constitution.

It may have been that the lawmakers of 1862 wanted to tell the Britishers with which the landscape was fairly well sprinkled just the right direction to head in. The record is silent as to that point but the statute is plain in saying that all horses, teams and vehicles approaching one another on the public roads should "turn to the right," and so "The American Way" came into Oregon right at the beginning of state's history.

Then, too, there was a time when the mechanized age first commenced to stick its snout into the traffic lanes that Old Dobbin was the legally recognized boss of the road and all puffing, snorting traffic had to stop in its tracks while the king went prancing by. That was in 1885 when the legislature decreed that any steam thrasher engine, or other mechanically driven vehicle, should stop at a distance of not less than 100 feet from any horse or team approaching on the highway "and remain stationary until it has passed." That was when horses were innocent and unsophisticated, before they learned with the aged, the infirm and pedestrians generally to take to the ditch and let the motor driven parade go hurtling by.

As early as 1885 it seems that the road builders of the state were having their troubles with "overloads" on the roads and bridges they had been building here and there. The 1885 legislature came to the help of the bridges by providing it to be unlawful for anyone to drive a steam thrasher engine onto a bridge without first laying a track across made out of planks at least 2 inches thick, by 12 inches wide and not less than 10 feet long. And somewhere along about the same period they made them remove the "lugs" off the drive wheels before rolling out onto the highway.

But do you think that the log trucks were the first headache of the road builders of Oregon? Well, don't you believe it, for it was the wood hauler, the wheat hauler, all those heavy freight haulers with the big four-and six-horse teams

and the wagons which just dug down toward bottom of the already more or less bottomless roads.

So the legislature of 1899 came to the rescue. It passed a law which provided that after January 1, 1900, any person who "habitually" used tires on his wagons of "not less than 3 inches wide" should be given a rebate of \$1 for each wheel for four years "on road tax."

But if the teamster drove a wagon which had a difference of "not less than 8 inches" in the width of the tread between the front and the rear wheels and also had tires not less than 4 inches wide all around, he was given a rebate of \$2 for each wheel for four years.

Those rigs pulled a little harder on the horses, a little easier on the pocketbook and, presumably, had a tendency to smooth out the roads.

Those were the good old days when each of the 36 county courts built its own county roads according to its own design and the disposition of its road supervisors. It was in 1901 that the legislature provided for a levy of "not more than 10 mills" on all the property of the county assessed for state and county purposes to make up a "county road fund" and provided for the appointment of a county road master to boss the road building job.

Another decade rolled by before road and bridge building was standardized throughout the state by the creation of the State Highway commission by the legislature of 1917.



DIRECTS FFA COMPETITION—Homer Crow, instructor in agriculture at Roseburg Senior High school and advisor to the FFA, hangs up sign which will identify FFA exhibits in the county fair. The cages, now empty, will be filled with poultry entries. (Picture by Photo Lab)

4-H Scholarships Promised Champs Of Bread Contest

Scholarships to 4-H summer school next year await the first place winners in the 4-H bread baking contest at the county fair, Aug. 25, 26 and 27.

All 4-H cookery III or IV members who are in at least the third year of 4-H club work are eligible to participate. Winners in each division will represent the county in the state bread baking contest at Salem.

The junior division is for members who had not yet passed their 15th birthday on Jan. 1 of this year. The senior division is for members who were 15 years of age or older Jan. 1 of this year.

Contestants must bring all the utensils they will require, such as mixing bowls, measuring cups, spoons, flour sifters, bread boards, spatulas, etc., and any other equipment they are accustomed to using. They should also bring their ingredients, but these are to be previously mixed or measured.

Range and work table will be supplied. Contestants may use recipes and methods they prefer. They may also use any flour and yeast preferred.

Junior division contestants are to bake one loaf of white bread at the time of the contest. Senior division contestants are to bake one of white bread and one pan of rolls from the same dough, such as Parker house, plain, or clover leaf rolls.

Skill will count 60 points and the finished product 40 points toward the total which contestants may earn. Skill will include accuracy of measuring, 15; dex-

terity in mixing and kneading, 30; neatness-personal and way of working, 1. Finished products will be judged on appearance, 10; texture, and flavor, 20.

Foreigners Learn English At Institute In 8 Weeks

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—(AP)—A sort of linguistic miracle is being accomplished here. Young foreign students, with little or no background in English, are achieving a fluency in eight weeks that might take as long as two years elsewhere. This is being accomplished by the University of Michigan's English Language institute.

"There's been as much advance in linguistic science in the last 15-20 years," Dr. Charles C. Fries, director, says, "as there has been in the field of physics and atomic research."

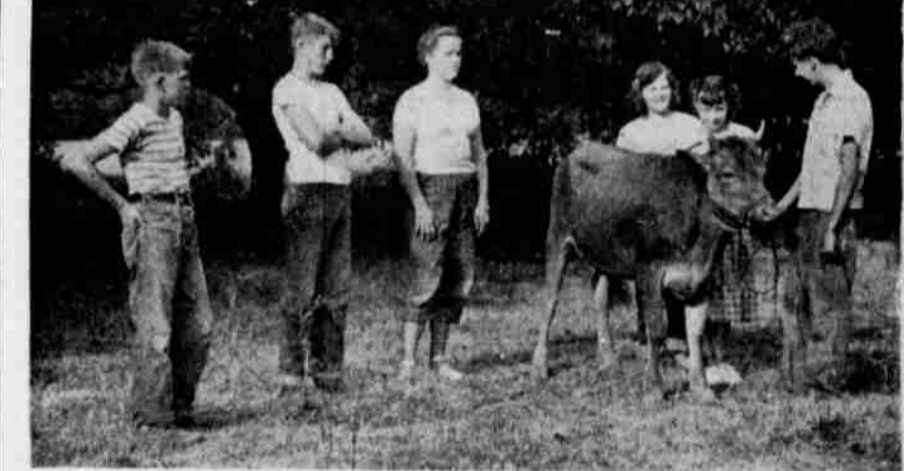
Dr. Fries says the whole program rests on determination of the differences between the foreign language and English. Different sentence structure, different pronunciation of the same letter and different meanings of the same word provide the working area. Intense effort is then applied to eliminate "trouble spots."

Proof of the system is that about two-thirds of the students are ready to hold their own in the English-speaking world after eight weeks. Each has a working vocabulary of about 1,800 words of usable English.

Dr. Fries looks forward now to the 39th institute session this fall. With it is almost sure to come again the student who learns "room and board," then tries to justify "eat our education" for "board of education."



THEY'RE COMING TO THE FAIR—Four-H members throughout the county are grooming their livestock for showing in the county fair this week. Upper picture shows Carl Walin, 16, of Myrtle Creek and his 900-pound fat Hereford steer, which he caught in the calf scramble at the Pacific International Livestock show at Portland last year. He'll enter it in the beef class. Lower picture, members of the "Deer Creek Hustlers" (unidentified) look at the Jersey calf which Galen Crisler of Dixonville, right, intends to enter in the fair. (Pictures by Frank von Borstel)



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Soft Drink Blast Basis Of Action For Damages

The "explosive" nature of a bottle of soft drink was the basis for one of three money suits filed in circuit court Monday by Beatrice A. Willener, naming as defendants L. J. Fullerton and Hubert Alford, doing business as Fullerton Beverage company.

The plaintiff alleges the defendants were negligent in supplying a faulty-manufactured metal container. She claims that another person had made a purchase of the soft drink and was carrying the bottles in the container when the handle suddenly came loose, spilling the bottles to the cement.

Because of the "explosive" nature of the soft drink, one of the bottles broke and a piece of glass violently struck the plaintiff's leg. The plaintiff demands judgment for \$2,000 general damages, \$181.40 special damages, including doctor's bills and wages for domestic help hired, and other costs. Traffic Mishap Suit

Five counts of negligence were charged in the case of Claude C. Fallin and Shirley Fallin vs. E. K. Wood Lumber company and Robert Harvey Thomas.

The plaintiffs allege that a truck owned and operated by the defendants crowded them off the road, resulting in damage to the plaintiffs' automobile. The plaintiffs request judgment for \$196.80 car damages, \$50 for the loss of use of the car, \$100 attorney fees and other costs.

Judgment for \$998.65 and interest is demanded by the plaintiff Arthur Winsor vs. Lyle Strain. The plaintiff alleges the total is an unpaid sum owed by the defendant.

200 Yellowjacket Stings Added To Birthday Gifts

PORTLAND, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Carla Marie Bergich was home Tuesday with about 200 more birthday presents than she wanted. Observing her fourth birthday, she went out in the yard to play yesterday, met a swarm of yellowjackets and wound up in the hospital with 200 stings. Attendants applied pain reliever, found the girl was otherwise all right, and released her.

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News Views

By SHERMAN PLIMPTON

A report from Washington says that a new budget system is to be used by the U. S. The new system will call for a "performance budget" which is something that can be explained easily by someone who understands it. "To state it briefly," said one government executive, "the average taxpayer will better understand where his dollar is going and what he is getting for it." This may be good or bad... depending on what he gets for it. Knowing where the money goes is some consolation, though there are some folks who'd rather know it didn't have to go. They prefer more performance and less budget.

Mr. LeRoy Ladd, 629 So. Stephens wins our factory approved lubrication this week. Bring your car in at your convenience, Mr. Ladd.

In Nanking, China, a group of gamblers who were picked up in a police raid were sentenced to sweep the city streets. That's one clean-up they hadn't counted on. Don't gamble with your car. "Clean up" on driving satisfaction with regular repairs and service from CORKRUM MOTORS, INC., 114 N. Rose St. Now's the time for that before Labor Day checkup. See us soon and be sure your car is safe for extra driving. Phone 408.

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