

Camp Fire Girls Observe Birthday Of Organization

Although Camp Fire Girls throughout the United States are observing their national birthday this week, Douglas county Camp Fire Girls will begin birthday celebration Sunday. Purpose of the celebration was to climax their week's observance with the "Camp Fire Story," a pantomime and voice pageant, Saturday, March 25 at the junior high school auditorium.

Scheduled first on the Camp Fire agenda for the birthday week observance is "Go To Church." Girls will attend the church of their choice in a body Sunday, wearing their service costumes. Ministers throughout the county have been informed of the girls' attendance and they will be seated in a group. Any girl who has not been told of their group's selection of church is asked to contact her guardian.

Other projects during the week include completion of the birthday project, "Discovery Unlimited." Window displays are scheduled throughout the city through the courtesy of the following stores: Wayne's Shoe store, Huddleston's Shoe store, Mabel Lewis, Roseburg Pharmacy, Arbuckle's, Outdoor Store, Beehive, Roseburg Book store and Lowells.

The pageant, which will be open to the public, will close the week. The auditorium balcony at junior high school will seat a near 500 girls who will sing in chorus. It promises to be one of the outstanding public events planned by the girls on their calendar for the year.

Round-Up Queen Bosses Parents' Pendleton Ranch

PENDLETON, March 18.—(AP)—A Pendleton girl, who is foreman of her parents' 13,000-acre ranch, was named queen yesterday of the 1850 Pendleton Round-Up Aug. 24-27.

Red-headed, blue-eyed Kathryn Lazinka, 19, princess in last year's show, has been roping calves since she was nine.

There are no hired hands on the Henry Lazinka ranch in the Pilot Rock and Ukiah areas. Kathryn bosses a family-affair crew, her father and three younger sisters and a brother.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE

Spokesmen for the Altar Society, Circle 1 of St. Joseph's Catholic church reported a "very successful" evening, following the annual St. Patrick's day dance held Friday night at the armory.

A feature of the dance was an exhibit of a portion of the famed Blarney stone of Ireland, flown here from San Francisco for the occasion. The sponsoring Altar Society expressed gratitude today to members of the local National Guard unit and the city police who assisted in the stone's showing. National Guardsmen included Privates John and Jess Shirley and Recruits Jim Shirley, Frank Brundage and Joe Pinard.

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on the banks this season—as she came in the harbor.

The connector, outbound for St. John's, Nfld., was not visibly damaged and her officers declined to comment on the crash.

Edward Tanner, elderly cook aboard the De Costa, told of his own escape.

Below Aisle
"I was below aisle but I heard someone yell 'lower the sails' and that woke me. Then the crash came and someone cries 'My God, what happened?' By that time I was out on deck. Someone near the stacked dories was yelling for a knife to cut them loose but no one had one. I ran below and got one and took a couple of swipes at the ropes before she went under."

"My arms were twisted in the rigging as she sank. I still don't know how I'm here. I went down with her and then came up in the wreckage near a bunch of dories—somehow they had got loose."

Robert Parker of Canso said he was at the wheel just before the crash.

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'Blackout' Game Enters In Case Of Coed's Death

IOWA CITY, March 18.—(AP)—Opening scenes of drama in a drab rooming house where a golden-haired coed died were laid this week in statements and testimony in the murder trial of a University of Iowa psychology student.

Into the record yesterday went reports of a campus romance of two senior psychology students, a formal fraternity dance, a game of "blackout," and death in the "empty arms" rooming house on the edge of the campus.

Five state witnesses took the stand yesterday at the close of the first day of the trial of Robert E. Bednasek, 24. He is charged with strangling to death pretty Margaret Anne (Gee-Gee) Jackson, 20, whose evening gown-clad body was found in the rooming house where Bednasek lived.

One of the witnesses, Charles H. Snider, an Iowa City policeman, testified Bednasek said he was playing a game of "blackout" shortly before Miss Jackson died on Sunday morning, Dec. 11.

Snider related how he was called to the rooming house and found the body of Miss Jackson, clad in a white evening gown, lying on the lower bed of double-tiered bunks of the second-floor room. He said that while he was examining the girl Bednasek, who had summoned aid, told another student in the room that he was "only playing a game."

"You know 'Blackout,'" Snider quoted Bednasek as saying. "Blackout" is a stunt in which unconsciousness is temporarily produced by holding the breath and squeezing the neck.

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Dramatic Rescue Saves Tender's Crew Of 40

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March 10, the day the fire broke out. They finally were picked up by the dock landing ship Comstock at 3:15 p. m. (8:15 p. m. EST) yesterday. All climbed aboard unscathed.

The Elder's skipper, Lt. William F. Adams of Wilmar, Calif., said he believed the fire was started by a faulty diesel injection system recently repaired at Pearl Harbor.

Flames swept up from the engine room, he said, and the hatches and the stack caught fire. The fire was controlled in three hours but it was three days later before the blaze finally burned itself out.

The Elder was reached at 11 p. m. yesterday (4 a. m. EST Saturday) by the destroyer tender Piedmont. The Piedmont reported the 14 men aboard were "very good to excellent condition." Adams said they needed no help from the Piedmont's crew.

"I can manage my own ship with my own men," Adams said.

2 Miles Away
Adams declared the transport Brewster passed only two miles from the Elder.

"We signalled with flares, a square flag, international distress signal, smoke signals and mirrors. We fired 20-millimeter guns and very pistols. The crew jumped up and down on deck, waving anything they could lay their hands on."

The fate of the Elder began to unfold after the Navy's intensive air and sea search located the 26 crewmen aboard the lifeboat and rafts.

After they climbed aboard the Comstock, the sailors called for water then told their story.

Fire broke out in the engine room of the net tender March 10. A series of explosions followed.

The crew fought the spreading flames and jettisoned the ammunition aboard. All morning and all afternoon they struggled against the fire.

Then the Elder's commander, Lt. William F. Adams of San Diego, Calif., ordered 26 of the crew to abandon ship. They put out in a life boat and rafts.

The other 14—eleven enlisted men and her three commissioned officers—remained aboard to continue the fire-fighting. They were still toasting ammunition overboard as the 26 pulled away.

"They couldn't go into the engine room," one said. "It was too hot."

"There was a lot of three-inch cased ammunition floating around," another said.

Conquered Fire
Those 14 conquered the fire. They were still manning the flame and explosion scarred Elder when aid came a week later.

During the fire and explosion were unknown to the outside world. All that was known was that she had left Hawaii with a load of navigation buoys to be used during the atomic tests and had failed to arrive at Eniwetok. She was last heard from 7,000 miles north of Johnston island which is 700 miles from Pearl Harbor.

The only other report came from the military transport Gen. A. W. Brewster. The transport said she sighted the Elder Monday and the net tender was "in no apparent trouble."

The search by plane and ship began early this week.

Yesterday afternoon, navy search planes spotted the life boat and rafts.

The first terse report came from a pilot, Lt. William L. Adams of West Palm Beach, Fla.: "condition of survivors exhausted."

The Comstock moved in for the rescue of the 26. The scene as described by one plane radio message:

"As dusk settles and mist closes in, the Comstock moved into the area, colored with vivid yellow dye marker, to take aboard survivors."

"As the Comstock drew nearer the five small rafts (others had been dropped by planes) and one life boat crowded with weary seamen, overhead two patrol planes from Patrol Squadron 22 circled tirelessly as their task nears accomplishment."

"... as the navy patrol planes retire from the area, the Comstock draws alongside a raft. Amid cheers and feeble handwaving, the mission is accomplished at 1515 (3:15 p. m.)"

Would-Be Cowboy-Girl Arrested In 'Toyland'

PITTSBURGH, March 18.—(AP)—The two kids just wanted to be in cowboy movies but—

They had no costumes.

So David Perry, 10, and his nine-year-old sister, Caroline, hid in a department store "toyland" last night. Police found them under a counter.

The kids said they planned to borrow some cowboy suits and go to Hollywood.

Explained Caroline: "We were going to be in four movies with Roy Rogers and Gene Autry and Rocky Lane. Then we were coming home and pay the store."

Swallows Due At Capistrano

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, Calif., March 18.—(AP)—The engrossing legend of the San Juan Capistrano swallows will be perpetuated again tomorrow.

Tomorrow is St. Joseph's day. The legend of the San Juan Capistrano mission, dedicated in 1776 by Father Junipero Serra, founder of the Franciscan chain of California missions, is that the swallows arrive here annually on March 19 and depart Oct. 23, St. John's day.

There were none on the mission grounds today.

How the swallow finds his way from winter quarters in South America is still a mystery to man, who has to depend on his five senses for data from which to shape his actions.

Swallows born inside the ancient walls of San Juan Capistrano mission this summer will band together in the fall and without guidance from the older birds, will embark alone on a flight perhaps 10,000 miles to their winter habitat along the southern coasts of South America.

Negro Fraternities Cite Controversial Judge

WASHINGTON, March 18.—(AP)—A federal judge and his wife who have evoked a storm of controversy in South Carolina over their outspoken support of negroes, have been given special citations by a group of negro fraternities.

U. S. District Judge J. Waties Waring and Mrs. Waring, of Charleston, received separate awards yesterday from the American Council on Human Rights, which is sponsored by seven negro fraternities.

The South Carolina house of representatives wants Congress to impeach Judge Waring and voted this week to appropriate \$10,000 toward that purpose.

The impeachment move stemmed from Waring's ruling of two years ago that negroes are eligible for Democratic party membership and qualified to vote in the Democratic primary.

Italian Rioting Quelled After Day-Long Fracas

TURIN, Italy, March 18.—(AP)—Day-long rioting between Communists and Neo-Fascists was quelled late yesterday by heavily armed Italian Neo-Fascist Social police and Carabinieri massed behind machine guns and mortars in the center of Turin.

Twenty policemen and as many rioters were injured. At least 30 were arrested.

The violence was touched off Thursday night when members of the Italian Neo-Fascist social movement (MSI) tried to put up posters near the Communist party headquarters. In retaliation the Communists mustered auto plant workers to march on the MSI headquarters.

YEARLY FIREMEN'S DINNER

The annual firemen's banquet will be held tonight at 7 p. m. at Carl's Haven, according to Fire Chief William Mills.

Deputy Fire Marshal Eldon Winkley will be principal speaker and Bud Ellison will serve as master of ceremonies.

A complete chicken dinner and an evening of entertainment will be offered members of the fire department, fire commission, volunteer firemen, honorary members and guests. Wives of these persons will also attend.

The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon

Cloudy today; cloudy with showers tonight and Sunday.

Highest temp. any March 85
Lowest temp. any March 44
Highest temp. yesterday 54
Lowest temp. last 24 hrs. 37
Precipitation last 24 hrs. .20
Precipitation from March 1 2.85
Precipitation from Sept. 1 20.48
Excess from March 1 .88

Chrysler Strike Enters 53rd Day

DETROIT, March 18.—(AP)—The endurance contest between strike-bound Chrysler Corp. and the CIO United Auto Workers today dragged into the 53rd day. There was no official word from either camp to bear out rumors a settlement of the pension dispute was in sight.

The strike has idled 89,000 Chrysler production workers and about 50,000 other workers in supplier plants across the nation.

Both management and the union were under economic pressure to effect a settlement soon. Many strikers were drawing on savings to keep going. Chrysler needed to resume production if it was to get its share of the rich spring market for new cars.

The federal government is showing concern over the strike. Federal Mediation Chief Cyrus Ching conferred in New York for two and a half hours yesterday with Chrysler's director of labor relations, Robert W. Conder, and Chrysler Vice-President Herman L. Weckler.

Ching said afterward the conference was not designed for "arbitration at settlement terms." He said it was an effort on his part "to get a picture of the whole situation." Ching had talked informally in Washington Wednesday with UAW President Walter Reuther.

Ching said efforts to settle the strike are in the hands of the Detroit office of the mediation service. He added he assumes "nothing will happen over the weekend."

Atom Bombs Won't Desex World's Male Population

WASHINGTON, March 18.—(AP)—An atomic expert reassured senators today that atomic explosions are not going to sterilize the world's male population.

At hearings by the Senate-Atomic Energy Committee, Chairman McMahon (D-Conn.) recalled that in a fictional account of an atomic explosion ("Mr. Adam" by Pat Frank) all the males in the United States were left sterile except for one fellow who happened to be down in a lead mine.

McMahon asked Dr. Shields Warren, atomic medical expert, if there was any danger of a catastrophe such as that.

"I'm quite sure there isn't," Dr. Warren smiled.

But he added that atomic experts have studied just that possibility.

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