

Barbara Graham Finally Executed



CAROL YANTIS, who lives near Melrose, is the tallest (5-8) of the Douglas County Rodeo queen contestants. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Yantis. A brunette with brown eyes, she weighs 135. Born in Portland, she celebrated her 17th birthday Thursday. She is a good horsewoman and likes other animals as well. She also finds special interest in swimming and painting. (Master Studio photo).

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Uranium Rush Tension High In Kern Valley

HOBOT SPRINGS, Calif. (AP)—The government opened 2,914 acres of rocky Kern River Canyon for uranium claim staking at 10 a.m. Friday as two mine operators in the area warned they will protect their diggings with dynamite.

More than 1,000 prospectors, of whom about 300 camped overnight at the site, were on hand to join in the rush for potential bonanza.

The operators of the Miracle and Keron Mines, who have been removing ore despite the fact their claims were not valid, dug "discovery" holes during the night and packed them with dynamite.

A ranger who returned from the scene Friday morning said the operators had warned that after 10 a.m. they would begin exploding the charges to do "development work." Prospectors were warned to stay clear of the claims, and the ranger said the prospectors were doing so.

There is only one telephone near the area in the rocky, steep-sided canyon in the high Sierra 40 miles east of Bakersfield, Newsmen and others were unable to report immediately on whether there was any disorder. Sheriff's deputies have had no report of disputes and say none of the prospectors bore arms.

Fifty-three sheriff's deputies, armed and with horses, spent the night in the canyon. Several physicians accompanied the posse.

Oakland School Director Recall Petitions Filed

The much-battered Oakland school board was in for another bout this month.

Petitions containing 162 names have been filed with School Clerk S. H. Early asking for an election June 20 for the purpose of recalling one of the board members, Lyle Himmelwright. He has served a year of a three-year term.

Early reported that notices of the recall election will be posted Monday, June 20 is the date of most annual elections. One other member of the board, Harold Crouch, will end his tenure of office at that time also. This will leave only Chairman Leo Sparks of the 1954-55 board.

The board has found this year an unhappy one. In January, the board was caught in the middle in an administrative battle between Elementary Principal J. Clyde Akey and Supt. James Cummings. Both resigned.

Early said that to get the recall effort to election, it was necessary to have signatures totaling 15 percent of the number of children on the district's school census. The last census was about 975. Thus, signatures total slightly over 16 percent.

In the event Himmelwright is recalled, another election will be necessary after June 20 to name a replacement. This will mean the board will have four new members. Under state law, the three-man board must be increased this year to five.

Senate Passes Foreign Aid Bill; House To Act

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower's \$3.1 billion dollar foreign aid program sped to the House today after comfortably surviving all attempts in the Senate to reduce the total.

Senate passage last night marked the first time in five years a global aid authorization measure has won Senate approval without a money cut. Also defeated were attempts to require that a major part of economic aid be made as loans rather than grants.

The final vote was 59-18, with 11 Republicans and seven Democrats voting "no." The program is already under consideration by the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

The overwhelming approval recorded by the Senate, however, concealed a measure of strong dissatisfaction on the part of some senators who voted for the bill.

They served notice they would fight to reduce the money total in the Appropriations Committee and later on the Senate floor when the forthcoming money bill is taken up. The legislation passed yesterday authorizes continuation of the seven-year-old aid program. Actual money to carry it out must be voted separately.

Central Junior High School Sets Exercises Tonight

A promotion program for 185 Central Junior High School eighth-graders will be held tonight in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

Dr. James Millar, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Roseburg, will deliver the address. Certificates of promotion will be presented by Joe Seaton, vice principal, and M. C. Deller, district school superintendent.

Officers of the student body at Roseburg High School, where the eighth-graders will be freshmen next year, will give welcomes to the Central students. Musical selections on the program will be by school chorists and pianist Georgene Shanklin. Invocation will be said by the Rev. Raymond Schaefer and benediction by the Rev. Arthur Kelstrup.

Two scholarship cup awards will be made to outstanding students. One will be presented by Rotary Club to a boy and one by the PEO Sisters to a girl.

Roberts Creek Dist. Boundary Change Asked

Four residents of Roberts Creek School District 37 (a non-high district) have requested a boundary change in the district. They hope it will solve the problem of where high school age students now in District 37 will attend school.

The request was presented County School Supt. Kenneth F. Barneburg Thursday. He is secretary of the county's district boundary board. Others on the board are the County Clerk, M. C. Deller, district school superintendent.

The citizens request the board put a small portion of the district (primarily John Lander's land) into the Glendale School District. They further ask that the area known as "Clark's Branch" be placed in the Myrtle Creek School District. Remainder of the district would continue to be known as District 37 if the request is granted, Barneburg said.

Last Minute Effort Fails To Get Delay

BULLETIN
By HAROLD V. STREETER
SAN QUENTIN, Calif. (AP)—Barbara Graham died in San Quentin's gas chamber Friday at 11:43 a.m. after it was twice postponed by a series of last minute legal maneuvers.

Death of the deceptively demure 32-year-old woman for the profitless murder-for-money of a southern California widow came at 11:43 a.m. after it was twice postponed by a series of last minute legal maneuvers.

She was composed and slightly pale. Mrs. Graham, a delinquent who grew up to be a gun moll, moved her lips in prayer as the pellets were dropped into the acid beneath the death chair at 11:34 a.m.

Following her into the gas chamber Friday afternoon in a triple execution for the same murder were to come Jack Santo, 54, and Emmet Perkins, 47, who also have been convicted of five other murders including the gruesome 1932 massacre of a grocer and three small children in a northern California woodland.

Khrushchev Staggers Out Of Soviets' Farewell Party

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP)—Nikita Khrushchev staggered out of the Soviets' goodbye party just before 2 o'clock Friday morning, issuing a blanket invitation to everyone in earshot to visit Russia.

For six hours he and Premier Nikolai Bulganin had entertained Yugoslav President Tito, top of officials of Tito's government and their wives in a private room in the Serbian Parliament building. Several hundred lesser guests danced in a concert hall nearby.

Soviet singers imported from Moscow entertained the official party.

The reception followed the signing of the joint declaration by Tito and Bulganin which concurred the Russians' eight-day visit to the Yugoslav Communist chief Stalin had kicked out of the Soviet bloc in 1948.

Khrushchev wound up the party with kisses. After listing down a long flight of marble steps to his car, he bussed the wife of Vice Presidents Edvard Kardelj and Moshe Pijade on the cheeks.

Tito's handsome wife—who drank only tomato juice during the evening—shook hands with Khrushchev, Bulganin and Deputy Soviet Premier A. L. Mikoyan. No one kissed her.

Booth Concessions Still Available At Rodeo Grounds

A call was issued today for groups who want to make some money at rodeo time to sign up for a booth in the Fairgrounds pavilion.

Bill Allen, chairman of the "Frontier Town" which will be set up in the building, said space is still available for concessions or commercial displays.

Groups and organizations renting booth space can boost their treasuries, he pointed out. A 10-by-20 booth rents for only \$10 per night, Allen said.

He suggested the following types of concessions which might be set up: Darts, basketball shooting, golf putting, baseball "throw," 117 casting, wheel of fortune, grab bag, bingo, ring throw, penny pitching, fortune telling, and various food concessions.

Any group desiring space should contact Allen at 1813 Harvard Ave., Phone OR-3-4571.

Booths will be open from 7 p.m. Friday, June 17, until about 1 a.m. Saturday, and on Saturday from the time the rodeo performance ends until about 1 a.m. Sunday. There will be dances each night. On Friday night will be a cowboy dance which will include the crowning of the queen, and on Saturday night there will be a square dance "hoedown."

Mark Robbins Receives UO Ralph Hill Award

Mark Robbins, state high school mile champion, has been named among four brilliant Oregon sports stars as the first winners of the "distinguished" alumni scholarships at the University of Oregon.

The other three are Johnny Johnson of Marshfield High, Ted Miller of Milwaukie and Richie Curtis of Roosevelt High in Portland.

Robbins this morning was given the Ralph Hill Award. Hill of Henley, Ore., was a state Olympic Games miler in 1929-30-31, whose Hayward Field record was not broken until last Saturday.

The new scholarships were set up earlier this spring and are similar to three others which had been granted earlier. All are awarded on the basis of outstanding work in both scholarship and sports.

County Superintendents Of Schools Will Meet

A "mandatory" meeting for all county school superintendents in Oregon has been called by Supt. of Public Instruction Rex Putnam. It will be held in Salem Monday and Tuesday, according to Supt. Kenneth F. Barneburg.

The session will bring the superintendents up to date on new legislation and various changes, he said.

Two Roseburg Brothers To Get Doctor's Degrees

Two sons of a Roseburg family will be graduated with doctor of medicine degrees from the Oregon Medical School in Portland Friday evening.

They are Robert S. Miller and Alan G. Miller, sons of Dr. and Mrs. Horace G. Miller, Rt. 2, Box 683, Roseburg. Robert will join the Navy Monday and will intern at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va. Alan will intern at Sacramento County Hospital, Calif.

YMCA's Summer Program For Boys To Start Monday

The boys' summer recreation program of the YMCA gets under way Monday. It will end August 5, according to YM executive secretary Don Naden.

Two age groups will be served by the program. Both will meet at Central Junior High School, Roseburg.

Boys age 9 to 11 will meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2 p.m. They will be called the Gray Rangers Club.

Older boys, age 12 to 14, will meet Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week. They have been designated the Pioneer Junior Hi-Y group.

More than 30 boys have signed up for the program, Naden said. Registration can still be made at the YM office in the Roseburg Armory between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. A registration fee of \$3 is charged.

Each day sessions will end at 5 p.m. Robert Shober is director. The daily periods will be divided into three parts. The first consists of lobby games (ping pong, checkers, etc.) and orientation talks on hobby development, citizenship and related topics. The second part is devoted to recreational games such as softball, tumbling and boxing. Movies will be shown once a week in period two.

Boys will send the third portion of the day at the local swimming pool. There will be instruction for all from beginners to advanced swimmers, Naden added.

First Polio Shots Set Thursday At Reedsport

First shots of the Salk anti-polio vaccine for first and second graders in the Lanesboro area will be given next Thursday in a special clinic to be set up in the Pioneer School, Reedsport.

The clinic was worked out between Reedsport doctors and Douglas County Health Dept. people, according to the Port Umpqua County, Reedsport.

Dr. D. L. Courtney and R. W. McLean have volunteered their services, and a group of nurses and assistants is to be organized by Neva Siller, public health nurse, and the Red Cross.

The inoculation program will be voluntary. Parents must transport their children to the school and sign a consent for vaccination.

Earlier this week, Dr. E. J. Waincott, public health physician, announced clinics will be held at the courthouse in Roseburg on June 14, 21 and 28.

New Crosswalk Colors Tested On City Streets

A crosswalk test paint is undergoing a trial in Roseburg, according to City Manager George Farrell.

The crosswalk is located on East Second Street, near Benson School. Farrell said the walk is unique in that it's painted a blue-green color. The particular paint used is highly reflective, and Farrell said tests have shown that it's about 50 per cent more noticeable than white or yellow paints.

The strip, about five feet wide, is bounded by white painted lines.

Roseburg Boosters Assn. Sets Breakfast Meetings

The Roseburg Boosters Assn. will hold breakfast sessions at 7:45 a.m. at the Hotel Umpqua for future meetings, it was announced today by Vernon M. Murdoch, executive secretary.

The decision came Thursday at a regular meeting. The next meeting is set for June 15.

Membership has increased about 10 per cent since May 1, Murdoch said.

The session will bring the superintendents up to date on new legislation and various changes, he said.

STORE ENTERED Burglars Probably Juveniles

Burglars probably juveniles, carried away \$1 in small change from a cash register in Pearson's Market, Winchester Street and Second Avenue South, sometime Wednesday night, according to city police. Entry to the store was made by breaking a window on the Winchester Street side of the building.

2 County Officers Reach Retirement Age, Stay On Job

The statutory retirement date has arrived for two county department heads, but they are being continued in their jobs on an emergency basis pending replacement.

They are Dr. E. J. Waincott, health officer, and Miss Agnes Pitefford, juvenile officer.

County Judge Carl C. Hill said the officers will continue in their present positions for indefinite periods. Under the law, persons reaching retirement age may be continued in their posts, with work limited to 600 hours per year.

The State Retirement Board has approved such an extension for Dr. Waincott, the judge said, and continuance of Miss Pitefford has been given temporary approval until such time as the board can further consider her retirement.

Future juvenile department appointments will come through the circuit court, Judge Hill pointed out, after recent legislative action transferring juvenile matters to that court has been put into effect.

The matter of replacement for the officers may be difficult, the judge said. For example, the doctor replacing Dr. Waincott must be qualified as a public health physician.

FINE NOT PAID

Paskel Vance Beasley, 46, Roseburg, arrested by a deputy sheriff on a warrant out of justice court, Canyonville, Ore., failed to complete payment of a fine for drunken driving, according to Judge Nina Pitefford. Beasley was charged with violation of his probation and put in the county jail in lieu of payment.

Loading Of Grain Stopped To Divert Rail Cars To West

WASHINGTON (AP)—Grain loading in rail cars of the Pacific Northwest has been ordered discontinued until next Wednesday in a move to ease western Oregon's boxcar shortage, Sens. Morse and Neuberger, Oregon Democrats, said Friday.

They said they were in a joint statement, it was hoped empty boxcars would be on hand from the east to take care of western Oregon shippers' needs.

They said that they were told in a conference with American Car Service and the Interstate Commerce Commission that the seasonal shift of cars from east to west should ease the situation.

American Car Service reported that if the acute shortage which developed suddenly late last week isn't eased by June 8, the Department of Agriculture and the Commodity Credit Corp. will be asked to hold off grain loading for a few more days.

Empty cars are being diverted to Oregon from as far away as New England, the senators said ACS reported.

The western Oregon shortage is annual, when grain and other seasonal loading peaks conflict with top summer lumber demands. This year, though, it came earlier and was more severe than usual.

Officers Continue Search For Missing Clapp Child

Officers continued to patrol the waters of Little and North Umpqua rivers today in search of the body of Irene Clapp, 4, who apparently drowned on May 22.

Sheriff Ira C. Byrd said he is still in place. Search for the child has been continuous since she disappeared while on an outing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Clapp, Roseburg. The spot where she disappeared is about a mile southeast of Glendale on Little River.

Truman To Blast Ike In Portland

CLEVELAND (AP)—Former President Harry S. Truman said Friday he will "open up" on the Eisenhower administration in a speech at Portland, Ore., on Saturday.

He said the speech would answer all the political questions put to him here Friday, "and then some."

Truman, here from Missouri to speak at a fund-raising dinner for a library to house his official papers, parried nearly all queries on politics and foreign policy during a 25-minute news conference.

He said his trip to Cleveland was not the place for him to talk politics, then pledged an attack on the Republican administration in his Portland speech a week from Saturday.

Camas Valley School Budget Vote Set June 10

The Camas Valley School District budget election has been set June 10 from 2 to 8 p.m. at the school, reports Mrs. William Cunningham, correspondent.

Voters will cast ballots on a \$84,475 budget, which included \$13,318 outside the 6 per cent limitation. Included in the budget is \$8,750 for retirement of bonds. The Rural School Board allocation amounts to \$68,349.

Camas Valley will also elect three new school board members at an annual meeting on June 20. Persons desiring to nominate candidates must obtain a petition from Mrs. Lee Wilson, school clerk.

The petition contains at least 10 signatures, must be filed seven days prior to election, and acknowledgment must be made five days before the election.

School Consolidation Of Roseburg Studied

Roseburg's School District 4 may serve as a model for forthcoming consolidation of several school districts in the Castro Valley, Calif., area.

A representative from the California area (near Oakland) was in Roseburg this week to learn how consolidation here had been effected. She was Mrs. H. W. Wiseman. Wednesday and Thursday Mrs. Wiseman talked with administrators, instructors and citizens of District 4. She returned to California yesterday afternoon.

More And Better Horse Races Are Slated For Rodeo

More and better horse races at the Douglas County Rodeo, June 18-19, are shaping up, according to Les Miller, chairman of that phase of the 11th annual affair.

Miller says five different races are now planned during the Saturday and Sunday rodeo performances, including a baton race with \$10 purse and \$4 entry fee per team, winner take all.

Also scheduled is a quarter-mile race for Douglas County horses with western equipment. All entries must be qualified as saddle horses before each day's race. Entry fee is \$5.

All races except the baton race have \$35-per-day purses, plus a 30-30-20 division of entry fees for first, second and third places. Entries close at noon each day, Saturday and Sunday. Early entrants should contact Miller at the Southern Pacific roundhouse.

Two "open to the world" races are planned, one for one-half mile and one for a quarter mile. Entry fees are \$10 on each day.

Miller asked for immediate notification on entries for a half mile chariot race, which also has a \$10 entry fee. Prior notification is necessary in order to assure enough participants for holding such a race.

The races are one of the special features of the rodeo, sponsored this year by the Douglas County Rodeo Assn., which draws its members from the Douglas County Mounted, Roseburg Lions Club and the Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Myrtle Creek School Budget Given Approval

Voters in the Myrtle Creek school district resoundingly approved the 1955-56 school budget Thursday.

The \$38,008.07 outside the 6 per cent limitation was approved by a vote of 166 to 53. In Myrtle Creek proper, the vote was 122 yes and 48 no. In Tri-City, it was 44 yes and 11 no, reports correspondent Ruth M. Evans.

The board canvassed the votes and held a short session after the election. Supt. Al Neet reported millage under the approved budget will be about 47.7. He said last year, it was 47.1.

The total expenditures are estimated at \$638,241.07.

800-Foot Depth Reached In Riddle Oil Drilling

A depth of more than 800 feet was reached Thursday in the well drilling operations of the Riddle Gas and Oil Producers, Oregon Ltd.

Since April 1, the company has had actual drilling under way on the Harry Dayton ranch near Riddle. Vice president Sam Humphrey, who is in charge of the drilling, said the well "looks very good."

Two oil shows were reported early in the course of drilling. One at 99 feet and another at 176 feet. Humphrey did not tell the correspondent if further shows had been made. Company president W. M. Farnell is supervising drilling.

PLEADS INNOCENT

Walter Cleveland, Mulford, 28, Canyonville, Thursday pleaded innocent to a charge of driving while under the influence of liquor, and Municipal Judge Randolph Slocum set July 6 for the trial. Bail was set at \$300. Mulford was arrested by city police Wednesday night.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Glaring inadequacies, from the layman's view, of some prison penalties suggest that their official designation be changed to "sojourns."

The Weather

Mostly cloudy with local drizzle tonight and early Saturday. Becoming partly sunny and warmer Saturday afternoon.

Highest temp. last 24 hours 74
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 44
Highest temp. any June 106
Lowest temp. any June 34
Precip. last 24 hours .03
Precip. from June 1 .03
Precip. from Sept. 1 22.02
Deficiency from Sept. 1 6.79
Sunset tonight, 7:48 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 4:34 a.m.