

Cottage Grove Sentinel

VOLUME LI

COTTAGE GROVE, LAKE COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1941

NUMBER 49

Lillian Geer Is Chosen Queen of South Lane Fair

Queen Contest Ended at Midnight Last Night. \$480 Realized From Event.

Lillian Geer was chosen Queen Bohemia I of the South Lane County Fair, after one of the most spirited contests ever seen here, ending at midnight last night. Interest in the contest did not reach white-heat until first of the week. In the last two days of the contest all contestants and managers worked hard and long, candidates even going as far east as the H. and H. Mines at Bohemia to solicit votes. All contestants deserve praise for the manner in which they conducted themselves and for the efforts they put forth in trying to win the contest.

The official count as given out after midnight last night was as follows:

Lillian Geer	2,793,340
Betty Jones	2,572,110
Betty Chapman	2,315,890

Miss Geer's candidacy was sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, Miss Jones by the Lions club and Miss Chapman by the FFA and Granges.

Last minute interest in the contest is indicated by the cash revenue of the contest. Receipts from all sources grossed \$480.00. It is the plan of the South Lane Fair board to use the funds for the purchase of permanent quarters for the fair, which has grown in interest and attendance each year. The prospective site chosen is the property north of the city park, containing the auction barn. While a new roof and minor repairs are needed the auction barn could be made into attractive quarters.

Plans have been made by the Chamber of Commerce to send the two princesses, Misses Betty Chapman and Betty Jones to the Lane County Pioneer Pageant at Eugene July 24-26. The young ladies will be guests at the pageant for one day with all expenses paid.

Numerous Fires Set by Lightning

Forest crews were battling 12 forest blazes yesterday morning, R. H. Wilson, forest ranger at the Rujada station reported. Some of the fires had been practically extinguished at the time of the report, but guards were keeping a lookout to prevent the possibility of a new outbreak. The rainfall from Tuesday evening's storm, one of the most severe electrical storms seen here in a number of years, ranged from nothing to .47 of an inch at the Holland lookout. At Rujada the moisture measured .15 of an inch.

The twelve fires were all in the Bohemia district. Extra guards were given fine cooperation by local loggers Mr. Wilson said in fighting the blazes.

Here the electrical storm did no particular damage. Trouble in the Springfield district disrupted the services of the Mountain States Power Co. for an hour or so.

Heat Wave Broken.
The heat wave which sent temperatures soaring to new heights over the western part of the state was believed to have been definitely broken Tuesday afternoon by the shower accompanying the severe electrical storm. According to C. E. Stewart, weather observer, the highest temperature of the season was reached Tuesday reading of 101. Yesterday the highest mercury reading was 98 degrees, moisture with the storm measured .12 of an inch.

According to reports there were 125 fires started from lightning in the Lane county district, most of the fires did not prove to be a serious menace.

While the population here sweltered, three suffered from heat wave strokes. Included among the victims was a local woman, who is reported to have fainted in a local store and two dam workers suffered strokes, according to reports.

Hay fields in some parts of the county were said to have been swept by the wind and the hay scattered. On a few farms the hay fields were swept bare.

Gordon Schrenk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benton Schrenk, is convalescing nicely at his home following an appendectomy last week.

Sewing and Surgical Dressing Classes to Be Organized the 18th

The American Red Cross will hold a meeting at the dining room of the armory Friday afternoon at 2:00 p. m. for the purpose of organizing sewing and surgical dressing classes for all interested ladies.

Miss Dortha Davenport, ex-secretary of the Lane county Red Cross, and Mrs. Jackson, supervisor of surgical dressing, both of Eugene will be present to help with the organization. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

Rod and Gun Club To Stage Pageant

A pageant and picnic has been planned by the Cottage Grove Rod and Gun club to be given August 10th and preliminaries connected with the presenting of the pageant under the direction of R. S. Drenner, which proved so popular last year, were discussed at the regular meeting of the Rod and Gun club Monday night.

In addition to the pageant, presented last year at the Drenner ranch above Culp Creek, the club plans skeet shooting, archery shooting, horse shoe pitching, small bore rifle shooting, demonstrations of fly casting. A picnic dinner has been planned. Concession space will be available on the grounds.

Special Meeting the 31st.
A special meeting of the Rod and Gun club has been called at the club house for Thursday evening, July 31st to complete plans for the pageant and picnic. Members are urged to cooperate in helping to put on the program.

Ben Claggett Here.
Ben Claggett of Salem, assistant superintendent of ladders and streams with the state game commission, was in the district the past week investigating streams in regard to blowing out abandoned logging dams and investigating the possibility of building a fish ladder at the Row river falls and other improvements that would allow the migration of fish.

Drive for Scrap Aluminum Set to End on July 30th

Further information with reference to the state wide drive for scrap aluminum was received by the Sentinel from County Judge Clinton Hurd, Lane county chairman Tuesday morning. The depot for South Lane county has been established at the Cottage Grove armory and those having scrap aluminum in the form of pots and pans and other articles made of aluminum are asked to bring these wares to the armory, where they will be stored until picked up by the county truck. The drive for scrap aluminum will be completed by July 30th and the county will send a truck to pick it up at that time.

Boy and Girl Scouts and 4-H club members will assist in gathering materials for the collection. Judge Hurd also suggests that plans for the drive be announced in moving picture theatres, Sunday schools, churches and placards in all business houses.

Fred Wanker Takes Over New Hancock Service Station 14th

Fred Wanker, well known to the motorists trade, has taken over the new Hancock service station at Madison and the Pacific highway and assumed his duties as manager Monday. Although inactive for the past five or six months, Mr. Wanker has been associated with the service station business here for the past eleven years and was with his father at a station at the corner of Fifth and Main for some time, later he was with his father at the Gilmore station on North 9th street.

Mr. Wanker and family returned home Sunday after spending a month visiting interesting points in the west. The trip of the Wanker family included points of interest in California, Arizona, Utah and Wyoming where the Yellowstone national park was visited.

The Fun's All Over; Queen Bohemia I Is Chosen



Queen Bohemia I (Lillian Geer)



Princess Betty Chapman



Princess Betty Jones



Here is Queen Bohemia I and the three princesses of the South Lane County Fair. Above picture shows N. J. Nelson Jr. introducing the three candidates at the softball game Monday night. The three young ladies are Miss Betty Jones, Miss Betty Chapman and Miss Lillian Geer. Miss Geer won the queen honors. Picture by Picture Shop; Cut Courtesy Register-Guard.

Captain Lansing Tells of New Law

Capt. Lansing, with Sergeant Bates and Officer Fetter, was a guest at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon Tuesday noon and spoke on the new state traffic law. Mr. Lansing said the new law was approximately the same as the old except that designated speeds are indicated along the highways. In discussing the possible offenses, the speaker said the burden of the proof was on the state and not on the defendant and that the state had to prove the offender guilty to the satisfaction of the court.

The speaker dwelled more on what the present national emergency might mean to the traffic situation, saying that people of this section had witnessed the possibilities of a new traffic congestion in the recent movement of the army.

If and when an attempted invasion was made of this country, it would be up to the officers and citizens to prevent sabotage and keep the traffic as well as industry moving in a normal course. Capt. Lansing referred to the invasion of European countries by the German army, saying the ground work for the invasion had been laid many months previous.

N. J. Nelson has on exhibit a drawing of the Cottage Grove float which will be entered in the pageant parade in Eugene next week.

WEATHER BUREAU INSTRUMENT FOUND.

A weather bureau instrument, for testing the upper atmosphere, was found by C. A. Bushong of Blackbutte route and sent to the local post office Monday. The instrument was attached to a balloon and sent to a height of 12 miles and released. It was probably sent up somewhere on the coast and contains instructions to return to the weather bureau. The finder may claim a reward for his efforts.

Mrs. W. B. Johnston is in Portland visiting friends and relatives.

FORTY ATTENDING SWIM CLASSES.

The annual swimming class, sponsored by the Lions club under the direction of the Red Cross, has an average attendance of about 40. L. W. Coier, Lions chairman, announced Monday. Daily classes are being held at the Curran bridge and not at the Tarzan hole at the Dorena grange site as originally planned.

Attendance is not up to that of last year when transportation was furnished. However, the instructions this year are free. Chas. Stewart of Eugene is the instructor.

TO SPONSOR HOME TALENT CARNIVAL.

The Calvin Funk Post American Legion is sponsoring a home talent carnival, the show to be staged during the South Lane County Fair here August 22 and 23. Further announcement will be made regarding the operation of the carnival as soon as additional plans have been made. If any of the local people have any special talent, the Legion will appreciate knowing about it. Please contact William Haldeman at Bill's Super Market.

Mrs. Cora Knight of Springfield is visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Allen.

Lane County's Most Disastrous Lumber Fire Occurs at Marcola

Fire which broke out at the Fischer Lumber Co. mill at Marcola Monday evening was the most disastrous lumber fire suffered in the county for several years, causing \$250,000 in damage, burning the company property with exception of the big mill and thirteen homes and one death, that of Ernest Spicer, father of Mrs. Florence Ellis of Cottage Grove, Spicer, 60 years of age, is said to have died from a heart attack. A fire truck from Eugene and one from the East Lane Fire Patrol battled the flames, but could not save the mill property and the thirteen homes of the mill workers. In addition to the

First Aid Revives Drowning Man At The Tarzan Hole

Benefits of first aid, about which the public has heard so much the past few years, was given a practical demonstration with good results Monday afternoon when Al Draeger of Havre, Montana, was drowned at the Tarzan swimming hole and revived after being unconscious for about 45 minutes. According to the story told of the accident, Draeger got into the swift current and sunk. Two companions, Denton Runyan and Louis Yturri pulled him from the water and while Yturri hurried for a doctor, Mr. Runyan and wife started first aid treatments, which restored life. Dr. W. H. Earl, the attending physician, said he was unconscious for three-quarters of an hour.

Runyan and Yturri are employed at the Cottage Grove dam. Mr. and Mrs. William Petersen and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wylie spent a few days last week visiting along the coast. Mrs. June Hubbell and children moved back to Cottage Grove from Springfield Wednesday.

John Read of Dorena has recently completed new quarters for the Read Grocery and Service Station No. 2, located a half mile west of Culp Creek on Row river and is planning a grand opening of the new establishment tomorrow, Friday, July 18th.

The new store is opening with a larger stock of goods including groceries, fresh and cured meats, drugs, notions, work clothes and Texaco products.

The new building recently finished is 48 by 36 feet with living quarters in the rear. The front of the building has a double driveway to serve the gas and oil customers.

The Read store at Dorena, known as the No. 1 store, will be operated for the present time, but will likely be moved as soon as the town is cleared for the Dorena reservoir.

Free balloons, free pop, free gliders, free doughnuts and a free loaf of bread will be given customers coming to the store on the opening date. See the ad of the Read Grocery and Service Station for other details of interest to the public.

False Alarm at Grove Hotel Causes Scurry For Safety by Tenants

A false fire alarm at the Cottage Grove hotel Tuesday afternoon caused a rush for safety among the tenants in the building at the time the alarm was sounded, until it was discovered that a glass in the alarm system had been taken out, probably the work of some practical joker.

Except for the inconvenience of putting back household articles hastily removed, no damage was done. In the meantime Manager Dickson is looking for the person that removed the glass.

Gilbert H. Oleson Meets Death in a Logging Accident

Gilbert H. Oleson, 41, met instant death in a logging accident in the Prune hill country east of Saginaw Tuesday morning about 8:10 a. m. while at work for Robert Beach, logging contractor.

He sustained a broken neck and other injuries when a log rolled on his body, crushing it. Jim Powell, logging foreman, was the only witness to the accident. The body was brought to the Mills funeral home where funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock with the Rev. Eric White, Baptist minister, officiating. Interment will be in the I.O.O.F.-Masonic cemetery.

Mr. Oleson was born April 4, 1900, at Ogleve, Minnesota, and came to this section when but a small child. He was a single man and had made his home at Curtin.

Surviving are his father, Ole F. Oleson; a sister, Mrs. Clara Michael of Cottage Grove, and four brothers, Victor Oleson of Curtin, LeRoy Oleson of Oakridge, Johnny and Leslie Oleson of Cottage Grove.

Farmers Should Make Application For Seed Now

Farmers expecting to have seed of English ryegrass, bentgrass, Ladino clover, or Willamette sweet clover certified this year should make application for certification at once, according to O. S. Fletcher, county agent. Lane county farmers may apply at the county agent's office in the Public Market Building in Eugene, either in person or by letter.

All of the crops mentioned above, excepting English ryegrass, must be inspected in the field before cutting. English ryegrass growers who apply for certification will be furnished a county number that is to be stenciled on all bags containing their seed in a warehouse. Applications should be filed at once so that the county agent can arrange for someone from the College to make the field inspections.

Seed certification is a service furnished by the Extension Service of the Oregon State college to provide sources of good seed and to increase the sale price of the seed.

Read's Grocery to Hold Grand Opening

John Read of Dorena has recently completed new quarters for the Read Grocery and Service Station No. 2, located a half mile west of Culp Creek on Row river and is planning a grand opening of the new establishment tomorrow, Friday, July 18th.

The new store is opening with a larger stock of goods including groceries, fresh and cured meats, drugs, notions, work clothes and Texaco products.

The new building recently finished is 48 by 36 feet with living quarters in the rear. The front of the building has a double driveway to serve the gas and oil customers.

The Read store at Dorena, known as the No. 1 store, will be operated for the present time, but will likely be moved as soon as the town is cleared for the Dorena reservoir.

Free balloons, free pop, free gliders, free doughnuts and a free loaf of bread will be given customers coming to the store on the opening date. See the ad of the Read Grocery and Service Station for other details of interest to the public.

Twenty-One Year Olds Will Get Numbers Allotted

Drawing for 750,000 Youths to Be Held in Washington Tonight.

WASHINGTON—America's 21-year-olds—the 750,000 youths who registered for the draft on July 1—will get their marching numbers tonight in the selective service "junior" lottery, second in the nation's peacetime history, it was announced at Washington.

Between the hours of 7 and 10 p. m., in the government's departmental auditorium in Washington 800 numbers encased in capsules will be drawn from the lottery goldfish bowl by high federal officials and present inductees of the conscript army.

The drawing to determine the order of induction for the new registrants, will be set off by much of the fanfare which marked the first lottery for 16,000,000 Americans between 21 and 36 years old last October 16.

Members of the cabinet, of congress, and of the war and navy high commands will draw the first numbers. Thereafter, 50 non-commissioned officers, chosen from nearby army camps, who are themselves inductees, will draw the remaining numbers.

Selective service officials estimated tonight that approximately six weeks will be required for completion of selective processes.

Social Security Checks Are Paid To 178 in County

In Lane county there were 178 men, women and children at the end of March entitled to a monthly check from the federal government under the old-age and survivors insurance program of the social security act, according to Carl D. Monroe, Eugene manager of the social security board.

Payments in the county at that time were \$2,972 a month. Monroe said, but did not include substantial lump sum settlements which are made if a worker dies leaving no dependent entitled to a monthly payment when death occurred.

Included on the Lane county list were 95 retired workers of age 65 or more and 35 wives of these workers who are also 65. Payments to these workers and their wives amount to \$2,297 a month. The retired worker's wife, if she is 65, receives half the amount paid to her husband; if less than 65, she receives it when reaching that age.

The social security act, Monroe explained, provides a monthly payment to the widow and young children of an insured worker who dies, regardless of the worker's age at death. These benefits, he said, are illustrated by payments to 13 young widows and 29 children in the county who were receiving \$588 a month at the end of March. In many instances, it was said, the family survivors of these deceased workers will, over the years, receive from \$5000 to \$10,000 in monthly insurance payments.

Monthly checks were also being paid last March to 5 widows in the county who were 65 or more years of age, these being survivors of insured workers who had died.

"These payments should not be confused with the state public assistance program," Monroe said. "All payments under the federal old-age and survivors insurance plan are made as a matter of right and based entirely on the worker's employment and earnings at jobs covered by the social security act. When employed in any commercial or industrial employment by an employer having one or more employees, the worker pays one percent of his salary or wages and the employer pays an equal amount."

"Several workers in Lane county who are 65 or more have already had sufficient employment to entitle them to monthly payments when they quit work. The increasing number of jobs as a result of the national defense program has provided an opportunity for many of these older workers to continue in employment."

Information on the federal old-age and survivors insurance plan may be obtained by writing to the social security board, Post Office Building, Eugene, Oregon.