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C. G. Riding Club To Sponsor Rodeo

The Cottage Grove Riding club is busy with plans for a big time rodeo to be held in Cottage Grove July 31 and August 1. Christensen Brothers are to furnish the stock for both the professional and amateur rodeos. The professional part will be held complete with brahma bull riding, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding and calf roping and tying.

The home town talent will not be forgotten as plans call for amateur events in bronc riding, calf roping and tying, races, musical chair, and other events usually associated with amateur rodeos.

The Hattie Sharpe place on the highway south (formerly the old airport) has been leased by the club and the rodeo will be held on the grounds. This will be the only professional rodeo to be held this year in the Willamette valley, the closest ones being at Calapooya and Roseburg. Tentative plans call for entertainment besides the ro-

deo. Possibly this will include a good carnival.

Last year the club staged a rodeo at the Dyson ranch near Lorane. This was well accepted by the Cottage Grove people. Their one complaint was the distance from Cottage Grove. The club has debated whether to put on a little amateur rodeo or to go into the professional field. To put on a professional rodeo is a real job and members were reluctant to undertake such a huge project but with Christensen Brothers furnishing the stock and with the valuable assistance which they can give, the club feels it will be able to put on a show which will make the whole community proud.

To help promote interest in 4-H club work, most rodeos are featuring a calf scramble. In this event a number of calves are released in the arena with twice as many 4-H club members, and the boy or girl capturing a calf is given the calf.

Every three months the winners are required to report the progress of the calf to the donor. Then the following year at the rodeo, the calves are auctioned off to the highest bidder with each

winner receiving the proceeds from the calf he has cared for.

This event will be possible only if there are enough persons or firms who are willing to donate a calf for this purpose. Every effort is being made by the club to procure the interest and cooperation of the whole community.

Monday evening May 24 at eight o'clock, the club is holding a meeting in the Eastburn hall. At this time the executive committee will make a full report of plans up-to-date. Anyone in the community who is interested in seeing a good rodeo put on in Cottage Grove is invited to attend this meeting. A special invitation is being extended to all businesses and all mill operators.

Former C. G. Girl Appointed Assist. Probation Officer

Mrs. Richard H. Goettsche of Durham, California, former Miss Frances Mackin of Cottage Grove, was recently appointed to the position of assistant probation officer for a two-year term, by Judge Harry Deirup of Oroville. She is replacing Mrs. Dorothy Hearn, who resigned.

Mrs. Goettsche and her husband, who is employed in Chico, moved to Durham from Berkeley last year where she had served for six years with the University of California Child Welfare Institute. She will maintain her office in Chico.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dugan of Newberg spent the week end with Mr. Dugan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dugan on South Sixth street.

Kenneth Hickok Talk in Defense Of Manager Plan

Speech Highlights Manager Duties

Continuing its series of articles and reports concerning the City Manager Plan, the Junior Chamber of Commerce this week publishes the high points of an address by Kenneth Hickok made to the B.P.W. club on May 3.

Mr. Hickok was a member of the city council for six months just before and just after the establishment of the city manager system. He has had an opportunity to observe the working of both systems and as chairman of the committee to select the city manager has studied the city manager system. The following is the text of his address:

The city manager form of government is based upon the idea of big business. The city of Cottage Grove will of necessity spend several million dollars during the next several years. The water lines within the city limits are in very bad condition; a completely new sewage disposal and storm sewer system will have to be put in; many thousands of dollars will have to be spent on the street repairs, and a great many more on street construction.

The city council, elected by the people, is directed to run the city business. Councilmen receive the salary of \$1,000 per month, and for this salary many of them have to meet many nights each month, talk to salesmen during the day and listen to the public the rest of the time. No one can take the job of councilman in a city such as Cottage Grove except as a public duty. Under the council system of government it is impossible for a man in business to give adequate time to the duties of running the city.

The city manager is an employee of the city. He is under the direction of the council. He occupies the same position as the manager of a corporation hired by the directors to run the business. Every act of the city manager is subject to the approval and direction of the city council, and the only time the city manager plan will not work is when the city council is not doing its job. If the people do not like the way the city manager is doing, go to the city council members—they hired him.

I have made notes of complaints concerning every conceivable thing while I was in the council, and I think I can say without one bit of doubt that between ninety and ninety-five per cent of the complaints were based upon erroneous information. A few illustrations are as follows: There has been quite a drive for an airport. I personally believe there are too many other things to spend money for and so does the city manager, but people say the manager is to blame for this drive. Actually the airport measure was placed on the ballot by the citizens of Cottage Grove by petition. I remember one night at a council meeting when one man sat in on the meeting and then went straight to another party and told the exact opposite of what really happened. Another example of public thinking is as one man said, he was not opposed to the city manager form of government but just didn't like the city manager, so he will vote out the plan, get rid of the city manager, then vote the plan back in.

Every time a law is passed, someone gets their toes stepped on. Perhaps a highway may run over my land; I am not going to like it, but I will do my best by whatever is decided by the people.

I believe that the city manager form of government is the way to run our city. If we vote out the city manager form of government, we are personally slapping every councilman in the face, and once we do that, who in his right mind will take the job of councilman? The city council likes the new system so far, and in any event we have not had the new form of government long enough to give it a fair trial.

The city manager was not hired with the thought of initiating particular improvements for matters of policy or the problems of the

city council. If he has satisfactorily carried out the instructions of the city council in administering their policy, he has certainly earned his money.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL ACCOUNT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of ALVIN FUNK, Deceased, has filed his ac-

count for the final settlement of said Estate in the Circuit Court of Lane County, Oregon, and that Tuesday, the 15th day of June, 1948, at the Circuit Court Room of said Court, in the County Courthouse, in Eugene, Oregon, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, has been by said Court fixed as the time and place for hearing of objections thereto, and for final settlement of said Estate. GLEN JENKINS, Administrator. HERBERT W. LOMBARD, Attorney. 40-5t-44

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