

The Weather

(Courtesy Cottage Grove Lake Weather Station)

	High	Low	Pre.
June 26	65	51	.00
June 27	69	52	.10
June 28	63	53	.89
June 29	71	52	1.17
June 30	64	47	.11
July 1	72	52	.00
July 2	70	43	.00

THE COTTAGE GROVE SENTINEL

Serving the Heart of the Nation's Greatest Lumber Region Since 1889



VOLUME LXIII

COTTAGE GROVE, LAKE COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1952

Ten Cents per Copy

NUMBER 47

Cap Guns Only Noisemakers Fire Truck to Act in Eugene Display

A safe and sane Fourth of July as far as fireworks are concerned was in store for the city Friday, with cap guns the only legal noisemaker. This is the second year that the state has forbidden sale of fireworks, with the city also having had in effect for some time an anti-fireworks ordinance.

Violation of the city ordinance could mean a \$100 fine for each offense. The ordinance prohibits use and sale of fireworks, firecrackers, sparklers and other displays.

All business houses will be closed the Fourth, with some to take a three-day holiday. Some places, however, will be open on Saturday, including the city hall, post office, bank and part of the stores. Many mills are down this week and next for annual vacation and repairs. Most all garages will be closed Saturday. Exceptions are McCoy Motors and Maulding Motors. Kem's drug store will be open Friday as a convenience to holiday travelers.

Fire Display

Participating in the big holiday fireworks display at Howe field in Eugene will be the tank truck from the Cottage Grove fire department. This will be called "Operation—Mutual Aid," and will bring in equipment from cities in and out of the county to demonstrate fire fighting potential of units participating in reciprocal protective agreements.

Demonstrating aid in case of a big fire, the Cottage Grove unit will join others. It will report directly to the simulated fire with its 1,100 gallon tanker to cover any spot which might be suffering from a shortage of water.

According to the script for the demonstration, "Cottage Grove with Chief Shipley has a 1,100 gallon tanker which carries a portable 60 gallon per minute pump which may be set up anywhere and placed in operation. This would be extremely valuable in the extinguishment of the numerous spot fires that would break out in connection with a conflagration of this type. Left at Cottage Grove he has one 750 gallon per minute pump, one 500 gallon per minute pump, a high pressure rig and a hose truck."

Police officers here warned holiday travelers to drive carefully, avoiding fatal accidents. Over 300 were killed in the nation in various types of accidents over the last week end holiday, Memorial Day.

STATE EVENTS NAMED

Numerous rodeos, three water festivals, and a score of Fourth of July celebrations make Oregon's July events varied and exciting, according to the Travel Information Division, Oregon State Highway department.

Happy Days at Hillsboro began July 1 and will continue through the Fourth with dancing, roller skating, carnival rides, free acts, band music climaxed by a parade on July 4 with patriotic speaking, flag raising, ball games and fireworks following. Most events will be staged at Shute park.

The 1952 Timber Carnival at Albany runs July 2-4. The Cottage Grove Intermediate and advanced band will play at the carnival. The six rodeo queen contestants with their chaperone, Mrs. Chet Purdy, also will take part.

Other special events around the state for the Fourth include the Bandon Free Fish Fry in the city park.

Fireworks displays for the Fourth include those at Newport, Oregon City, Eugene, the Rogue Rod and Gun Club Jamboree at Grants Pass, Lone, Tillamook, and Ashland.

Three water events which invite attention during July are the Bend Water Pageant, July 4-6, the Aqua Carnival, Gold Beach and Wedderburn, July 4, Nehalem-Wheeler Water Festival, Nehalem, July 26-27.

The Old Fort Dalles Frolics, (Continued on page 8)

Wet For June

It was a little wet for June, according to official reports. A total of 4.89 inches of rain fell.

The inches were those measured at Cottage Grove dam by John L. Wall, dam tender. Last year no rain at all fell in an unusually dry June, with only .80 in June of 1950 and 1.50 in June of 1949.

No records before that year were available at quick notice, but Mr. Wall quoted an old timer in the area as saying, "This June was the typical June. The dry ones are the unusual." We will take the unusual.

10 Oregon Deaths Predicted for 4th

Another big holiday weekend, the Fourth of July, begins Friday, and at least 10 people are expected to die in Oregon highway smash-ups while celebrating their independence, Captain Walter Lansing, head of the state traffic safety division, predicted Thursday.

Lansing said most holiday deaths stem from drivers who overestimate ability to control high speed. If drivers would plan shorter trips, concentrate on the job of driving, and allow plenty of time to reach destinations without speeding, the death toll would not be so high.

One cause of accidents in rural areas, where three out of four traffic deaths occur, is a driver who pokes along at 35 or 40 miles an hour, forcing others to pass him, and who "remains blissfully unaware that he is as much a traffic hazard as the guy who flies low at 70 or 80 miles an hour," Lansing said.

No Road Work

A check with highway department engineers early this week indicated there will be no road construction work in progress over the holiday weekend unless an emergency, such as a slide, develops. This does not mean, however, that extreme caution will not be needed in areas where construction has been underway, Lansing said.

Major road projects in the state are on the Columbia River highway near Cascade Locks and south of Reedsport on highway 101.

New Store Opens; Three Redecorate

Another new business opened in Cottage Grove this week, with three other stores putting on modern fronts and redecorating.

The new business is Rich Maid ice cream store at Fifth and Washington. The store will hold a grand opening on Thursday, July 3, and will give away free ice cream cones. It is operated by Lloyd and Nelle Smith.

Getting a new modern face is Wolfard's Market at Seventh and Main. The attractive front is of Roman brick base, with plate glass windows and louvered wood above.

Walker's and Gierau's will get a new, modern front of Roman tile and plate glass. Walker's also will be remodeled inside and will get a new concrete floor. Work was begun July 2 and will be finished in about a month.

Roner in Training At Pensacola, Fla.

Naval Aviation Cadet Charles R. Roner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roner of Cottage Grove, has recently reported to the U. S. Naval auxiliary air station, Corry Field, Pensacola, Fla. where he is undergoing training in radio, instrument and night flying.

Cadet Roner graduated from Cottage Grove Union high school prior to his enlistment in the Naval service in 1950. Since reporting to the Pensacola area for flight training in October, 1951, he has completed pre-flight school and the first phase of basic flight training.

Cadet Roner will be designated a naval aviator and commissioned an ensign in the Naval Reserve upon completion of his flight training.

RECKLESS DRIVING CHARGE BROUGHT AGAINST YOUTH

A 17-year-old Cottage Grove youth was arrested Tuesday by city police officer Eldon Erickson for reckless driving. Erickson said the boy was sliding his car in half circles near the highway and Main streets then took off on East Main at a high rate of speed.

The youth was released on \$25 bail but as of press time had not yet appeared in municipal court.

SERVICEMAN HOME 4TH

Eldon Hudgins SN of San Diego will spend the Fourth here with his wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hudgins. Mrs. Hudgins will return with him on Saturday to San Diego where he is in Yeoman's school. Hudgins returned the middle of May from overseas duty where he had spent the past six months on a troopship between Japan and Korea. Mrs. Hudgins has been employed in the office of Daugherty Lumber Co. for the past three years.

Fruit Crop Hard Hit—Rains and Hail Do Damage

Hail which fell in scattered areas Saturday afternoon and continued rains combined to practically wipe out the sweet cherry crop. The crop of Bing cherries was hardest hit from rains the past two weeks. Royal Annes and other later varieties came thru the hail and rains with less damage. Hail knocked about half of the berries from holly orchards and in some sections badly damaged tree leaves. Eighty to ninety percent of the Bing cherry crop was lost thru cracking.

Mrs. Walter Downes, reporting from the Mt. View community says: "The hail storm which hit the community Saturday was quite destructive to strawberries and small fruits. Hail stones were as large as quarters and nickels and fell for about five minutes. Tree and plant leaves were badly stripped. The stones with white centers and clear rims rolled like wheels when they hit the ground, while others were not round enough to roll."

Fireman Added To City Dept.

A new fireman was added to the city department July 1, bringing the force to four including the chief. He is Cliff Anderson, owner of Cottage Grove Heating Co.

Chief Ernest Shipley said he had hired Anderson to fill out until the return in November of Tracy Arnold, formerly on the force. Arnold is now serving with the army but expects to be discharged in the fall.

Anderson will work as fireman during the slow season in the heating oil business, Shipley said. He formerly was with the fire department at St. Helens.

The city budget passed recently provided for an extra man, whom Shipley said was needed because of heavy coverage required by the rural areas.

Record Month—No Losses

The fire department had a record month in June with no fire losses in either the city or rural areas. Chief Shipley said this was the first month since he had been here that no fire losses at all were reported. "May be the lull before the storm," he said. The department went out on only two calls, both for overheated oil stoves, with no loss.

Another city employee returned to his job as night radio operator with the police force July 1. He is William Highland, who has been on leave of absence since April because of illness. Pat Ryan has been taking his place. Loren Meacham will take the graveyard radio shift from 12 midnight to 8 a.m. Highland will work the 5 p.m. to midnight shift.

Acting Chief of Police Charles Roberts said this week he was short handed because of Chief Ed Jones being on vacation and had hired Jim Dowis, an ex-city police officer, to help out. Dowis will work part-time only. Sgt. Mike Hunter, who has been aiding the force while on leave, left this week for the east coast before being sent to France where he will be attached to an army air force police unit.

HAS ANNUAL VACATION

The Wagner-Binford sawmill just north of Cottage Grove on highway 99 is shut down this week giving employees an annual vacation with pay. The plant closed Friday, June 27, and will resume operations on Monday, July 7.

Modern Home for First National



THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COTTAGE GROVE will look like this when the bank's new quarters are completed at the northwest corner of Fifth and Main streets. Work on the new building will begin in the next few days under the supervision of general contractor J. S. Crepeau of Cottage Grove. Featured in the completely modern building, which will be over 2½ times as large as the bank's present quarters, will be a drive-in banking window enabling customers to conduct their regular banking from their cars. Over 5000 square feet of parking area will also be provided for customers. Barrett and Logan are the architects.

Sailor Is County's 11th Traffic Death

A sailor riding a motorcycle which skidded in loose gravel near Saginaw Thursday, June 26, became Lane county's 11th traffic fatality of the year. He was Donald Ray Stockert, about 18, of Kirkland, Wash. State police reported that speed apparently was not responsible.

He was born August 23, 1934, and was a member of the Catholic church.

The body was shipped to Bremerton, Wash., for burial by Mills Mortuary, who was in charge of local arrangements.

Lane Survey Meet Scheduled July 7

Men from all over Lane county will meet in Eugene Monday, July 7, to continue study of the county's economic future and possible diversification of industry.

The committee was formed recently to supervise an economy study being made by Industrial Survey Associates of San Francisco. Art Schaefer, president of the Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce, is chairman of the group.

CONVENTION TALLY SHEETS AVAILABLE AT STATION

With national party convention enthusiasm running high at this time, the local Shell Oil service station at the corner of Highway 99 and Main street announces that tally sheets for keeping track of presidential balloting at republican and democratic conventions are available.

The sheets measure 12 by 18 inches and provide space for recording six ballots.

The names of the 48 states, the territories and the District of Columbia, with the number of delegates from each, are listed down the left side of the sheet. The names of leading candidates are across the top. There is also space for writing in the names of any dark horse nominees.

Delayed Play Program Gets Started; Red Cross Swim Classes Start July 7

Gary VanNortwick Wins Driving Test

Sixteen-year-old Gary VanNortwick of Delight Valley won the Junior Chamber of Commerce safe driving test held Saturday on the course south of Githens Lincoln-Mercury agency.

Gary will be entered in the state tests at Jantzen beach, Portland later this month. Second place was won by Sam Kosanke, 19, of Cottage Grove, with third place going to Miss Catherine Heath, 17, of Blackbutte route. Gifts of auto accessories were given these two winners.

Test Points

Judges picked winners on the basis of a written test and five points in a driving test. These included driving in a straight line, backing, brakes and stopping, parallel parking and closeness to stopping at a drawn line on the course.

Cars driven in the tests were donated by Githens Motors, Inc.

Approximately 12 eligible persons were entered in the tests. Gene Cutts, contest chairman, said quite a few were eliminated because of citations having been issued against them within the last six months. Age limit in the tests was 20.

Judges included Cutts, Milo McCall and Walt Sorensen, all Jaycee members.

Hebron Youth Plan Picnic 9th

By Mrs. Hugh Trunnell
The Hebron Grange youth group has decided to sponsor a 6:30 wiener roast, July 9 at the hall grounds by request of Morris Culver, who will arrive July 4 for a ten-day leave. The picnic will precede the already planned youth meeting on the 9th. Members may bring friends.

Miss Jane Beidler of Portland spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beidler.

Cottage Grove's summer youth play program got underway Monday with a respite in the heavy rains that had postponed the events for a week.

The first buses for the swimming program at the Wilson Creek recreation area at Cottage Grove lake left Jefferson school on Monday. A bus leaves each day at 1 and 2 p.m.

The Red Cross swimming lessons will begin Monday, July 7, and will run six days a week for the next three weeks. There will be classes for beginners, intermediates, and seniors; also for junior and senior life saving.

RC Instructors

The Red Cross will provide three instructors for that period. Beginners are requested to take the bus leaving at 1 p.m., with intermediates, seniors and life savers to take the 2 p.m. bus. Anyone who received the rating of pollywog or frog is to go on the second bus.

According to Bob Dusenberry of the local recreation committee, the classes will be in session rain or shine. The minimum age is eight years. Registration will be on Monday. There is no charge for the lessons or transportation.

The touch football program at the high school got underway Monday night. A teen-age dance, postponed from June 27, will be later in the month, according to Carmen Grewelle and Joan Webb, high school students in charge of the dance program.

A supervised afternoon play period for children was conducted this week at the city park. Miss Grewelle is park supervisor. The program is from 1 to 5.

NEW PHARMACIST HIRED AT GROVE DRUG STORE

William Wolverton of Eugene has been employed as pharmacist at Cottage Grove Pharmacy replacing Ed Hansen, who is returning to eastern Oregon to be with his family.

Mr. Wolverton formerly was with Baker's Pharmacy in the Medical Center building and for the past year has been in charge of the prescription department at Fred Meyers drug store.

BONUS CHECKS MAILED REACH \$5,500 MARK

The Department of Veterans' Affairs reported that \$5,500 bonus checks had gone into the mails as of last Friday evening. This represents payments to 2089 next of kin of deceased Oregon veterans and 51,411 to living ex-servicemen since June 18. The current rate of payment is about 1700 a day.

Department officials said that those veterans with bonus application numbers lower than 60,000 who had not been paid by Monday, can assume that their claims are in the pending file. There are about 3,000 of these. They were urged not to inquire presently about the status of their claims.

TACOMA MAN IS FINED FOLLOWING ACCIDENT HERE

Orville S. McAdams of Tacoma, residing at the Grove Court Motel, was fined \$25 in municipal court Friday for failure to yield the right of way to an oncoming car. McAdams was involved in an accident at Jefferson street and the highway with a vehicle driven by Clarence Collins of Cottage Grove. There were no injuries and only about \$100 damage to the two cars.

City Ends 1952 Fiscal Year; \$580,000 Projects Underway

Oak Park Addition To Be Ready Soon

Oak Park addition, Cottage Grove's newest subdivision will be offered prospective home owners soon. The subdivision, located across Silk creek from Main street is the former property of R. B. Hill. The subdivision owners are Earl and Maynard Wilson.

Oak Park consists of seventeen acres, laid out in 51 large lots. Oak Park will be a restricted area as to the type of home which may be built. Entrance to the new subdivision will be from M street, across a new bridge on Silk creek. Earl Wilson, one of the owners, said Tuesday the new bridge would probably be built within three weeks.

In the meantime Oak Park owners are preparing to offer choice building sites to the public after having the area plotted and streets graded and improved. Home owners will be offered sites in Cottage Grove's first restricted area.

The addition is in the city limit and will be supplied with city water and sewerage facilities.

Drain Civic Leader Suffers Gun Wound

A. A. Sandlin, 50-year-old Drain auto court operator and civic leader, was improving at Cottage Grove hospital Wednesday. He was accidentally shot in the head last Friday morning.

Sandlin was injured when a German pistol which he was showing to his nephew, Clayton Sandlin, discharged. The bullet struck him above the left jaw.

Although his condition was improved he was receiving no visitors except immediate members of his family. A son and his wife from eastern Oregon arrived Wednesday to see him.

20 In A Morning No Job For Judge

Judge John Wells returned from his vacation Wednesday and was immediately faced with 20 court cases in one morning.

This did not seem to faze the judge, however, who disposed of all of them, minor traffic cases, in record time. Asked if this were some kind of record he said, "No, I once had 60 in a day."

Only more serious case scheduled to be heard Wednesday did not materialize. Elliott Bryan of Creswell, who is out on \$50 bail following his arrest on the 21st for reckless driving, was scheduled to appear at 10 a.m. but did not show up. His attorney, Richard Thwing, was out of town Wednesday and could not be reached. Bryan was arrested following a complaint signed by Fred Deffenbacher, ex-Cottage Grove police officer now on the Roseburg force. Deffenbacher said Bryan passed him on a curve about five miles south of Cottage Grove.

Takes Trip
Judge Wells returned to his office following a trip with members of his family through Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. Accompanying him were his wife, his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ann Hamilton, and two granddaughters, Joan and Catherine.

The judge said he brought back 200 pounds of rocks he had collected in five states.

Bennett Receives Promotion to Major

Moody Air Force Base, Ga.—Air Force officer Dale W. Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry O. Bennett, 212 N. Ninth street, Cottage Grove, was among the officers listed for promotion recently. The promotion was from the grade of captain to major.

Major Bennett has been on active duty with the air force since his initial entry in 1941. He served in Germany and Austria from 1946 to 1949.

The major's present assignment is Wing Military Personnel Officer at Moody Air Force Base, near Valdosta, Ga. He is married to the former Miss Doris Ellen Fender of Seaview, Wash.

Robert W. Hart Jr., son of Robert W. Hart of Dorena, is home on leave from San Diego, Calif., where he finished his boot training with the navy. Young Hart will be stationed on the SS Ajax, a repair ship. He is studying to be an electrician.

The city of Cottage Grove ended its 1952 fiscal year on June 30 with several of the largest projects in its history in different stages of development.

These projects are the \$225,000 sewer system, including the construction of a sewage disposal plant now in its first stages; a new, \$275,000 proposed water distribution system for the entire city, and an \$80,000 street improvement plan, largest in recent years.

City Engineer L. W. Collier said that digging work at the site of the sewage disposal plant northeast of the city had begun. Contractor on the job is Henry Herder of Lebanon. The digging has been hampered somewhat by bad weather and the fact that rock has been hit, Collier said. He said that city crews would start work soon on extending the water pipeline about 2,000 feet to provide facilities at the plant.

The bonds for the sewer system, purchased by W. H. Daugherty, were to be delivered this week.

Pettition Circulated

Groundwork was being laid this week for the coming \$275,000 water bond issue election. An initiative petition signed by 30 legal voters of the city was expected to be filed with the city recorder before council meeting Monday, July 7, that would call the election. It will be in the form of a charter amendment to authorize the council to sell the bonds. Election may be next month.

If the issue is voted on favorably and bonds sold some work on the new system may begin this summer. Plans are to completely overhaul the water system and increase the capacity of the reservoir from about 1 to 2 million gallons.

Replacement of some water lines in the city will start upon arrival of three carloads of pipe ordered recently. Two cars of 6-inch and one car of 10-inch pipe were ordered and will be delivered sometime this summer. This will be paid for with funds on hand at the end of the fiscal year.

Paving Project

Another project to start soon will be the paving and improving of 3,891 feet of street on South Tenth and Taylor in the areas of the Harrison school and the high school. The Sentinel carried a story last week, estimating the project at \$40,000. However, Mr. Collier pointed out this week that the amount of front footage should be doubled, as it takes in both sides of the street. Costs estimated at \$10 a front foot would bring the project to nearly \$80,000.

Bids on the job will be opened at 8 p.m. Monday, July 14, at city council session. The project, proposed by over two-thirds of the property owners in the area, will be financed through the Bancroft bonding plan.

Bridge Project

Another city project that is expected to start before too long is the building of a bridge over Silk Creek as an entrance to the Wilson and Wilson real estate addition on the west side.

Estimates on costs are being figured by the city engineer prior to having the work done.

The city project to hook up to (Continued on Page 8)

Yes Sir It's Paycation Time!

Yes Sir It's "PAYCATION" time again. Yes, you are reading right, the word is "PAYCATION," which means to sell all unused items that are dust catchers to you thru an inexpensive want ad to raise your summer vacation money.

Almost everybody reads the Sentinel want ads every week. Here is an inexpensive way to raise cash for the items you no longer need. You'll be amazed at how many people are interested in what you have to offer.

Put Dollars in Your Pocket With Sentinel Want Ads