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Aug. 23	84	58	.00
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Aug. 25	64	51	.01
Aug. 26	74	51	.00
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Children Play Near Projects, Hamper Work

Just start any kind of construction project and you have provided a real lure for children. They will play on wet pavement, around excavated holes, and crews are lucky if they don't spend half their time baby sitting.

Such was the report that city engineer L. W. Coiner made at city council session Monday night as he gave a progress report on projects thruout the town.

He said that children were in the way on the paving project on Tenth and Taylor and that parents did not seem to pay any attention to them. He said he and his crews kept busy trying to keep the children away. A boy was discovered one evening trying to start the roller, he said.

A complaint also was given the council by the contractor, Henry Herder of Lebanon, about children playing at the site of the sewage disposal plant construction northeast of the city.

There are deep holes, some with water in them, according to the complaint, and children might fall in them.

Barriades Needed

The city recorder was instructed by the council to write the contractor advising him to erect barriades to protect the property and the children, since under the agreement the contractor was liable for any damage or injuries.

"Children should not be allowed just to run free at the project," Councilman Joe Bricher said. "We should do something about it."

Outside of the juvenile problem, the progress report given by the engineer included work progress. He said that curbs and gutters were in except circular curbs on South Tenth, which will be put in after the straightaway is paved. He said a first course of paving was in from Taylor to Polk and most of the way between Polk and Tyler.

Excavation work is done at the disposal plant, and digging for the clarifier well along, he said.

Mr. Coiner also reported that about two thirds of the new 6-inch pipeline to the high school had been laid.

Gowdville Line

He said that the Gowdville 4-inch pipeline was built and that the city planned to put in about 1,000 feet of 6-inch line to replace old pipe between the end of the Gowdville line and the city. He said the Gowdville line would probably be hooked up this week, providing residents in that area with city water. They have been getting it thru an old line, now worn out. Under the agreement with the area residents, the line, constructed by the Water Users' Association, will belong to the city.

The oil furnace in the city hall building is about installed, with the contractor waiting for one pump, was the report. An underground tank for storing oil to use in the furnace had been put in, Mr. Coiner said.

In other business at council meeting members passed Resolutions 424, 425 and 426 authorizing the mayor and city recorder to sign contracts for the sewer jobs in six new districts formed recently.

New Vapor Lights

Councilmen voted to authorize Mountain States Power Co. to install three new mercury vapor lights in the area of the high school.

A request from a home builder on South Fourth street for a mercury vapor light in front of his home was tabled. Councilmen said they felt they could not grant such a request as they would then have to be put all over town.

A request from the Jefferson school for permission to construct and repair sidewalks and parking with asphalt was rejected. The decision came after the League of Oregon Cities advised that asphalt was never satisfactory for such work.

The September meeting of the council has been set for 8 p.m. Tuesday, September 2, since the regular meeting date comes on Labor Day.

KINDERGARTEN SEEKS NEW TEACHER FOR FALL

Kindergarten classes in the basement of the Armory, taught the past three years by Mrs. R. B. Gray, may or may not begin this fall. A teacher is being sought to replace Mrs. Gray, who has accepted the position as librarian at Cottage Grove high school.

Opening date is tentatively set at September 15, when registration is also to be held. Mrs. Gray is now seeking a teacher to take her place. The kindergarten here is sponsored by the PTA, with expenses paid from monthly attendance fees.



EDWARD HEMENWAY, 11, with trophies won for his two Holstein cattle at the South Lane Fair. The heifer won the grand championship and the bull reserve championship. His father, A. R. Hemenway, is shown with Edward. The family has a dairy farm northeast of Cottage Grove, and Edward raised the cattle himself.



DORIS DARLENE PATTERSON, 12, won a blue ribbon and reserve championship for her black Berkshire hog at the fair. She calls the hog Lynn Lee Crusader. Doris is a member of the Mt. View Row River Hustlers, 4-H club.

Contest Hobbyist Wins Another One

Cottage Grove's contest hobbyist has done it again. Mrs. W. E. White, of 304 Washington, who has gained national recognition for winning contests, this week won another and Monday got a \$100 check for her efforts.

This contest was for identifying storybook houses and submitting a statement about light bulbs. This won her \$100 as one of the fourth place awards in the national Westinghouse test.

Mrs. White, who recently attended a contestor's convention in Los Angeles, said she was in the middle of about three other contests now and thought she had won in a Mission Orange jingle contest, as she had received an affidavit from the firm.

Her total winnings so far—\$5, 100 plus several products. She said she had lost count as to how many contests she had won, but that she was starting on her second scrapbook of letters and news clippings.

"It really keeps me going, entering contests," she said.

Nice going, we would say.

Sentinel To Publish Late

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the Sentinel will be published a day late, Thursday, September 4, instead of Wednesday evening, September 3. The office will be closed all day Monday.

A survey made by the Chamber of Commerce office indicated that garages, business houses, the bank, post office and city hall would be closed Monday. One drug store, Cottage Grove Pharmacy, will be open, and most cafes. Most grocery stores will be closed and almost all service stations.

Infant Is Injured In Hiway Accident

Doris Van Vleet, three and a half year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Van Vleet of South Sixth street, received head and eye injuries when she was hit by a truck on Highway 99 last Friday evening.

The little girl was recovering at home this week but still had to remain in bed. She was taken to Cottage Grove hospital after the accident and treated.

According to the story told by her mother, the little girl, unknown to her parents, had followed her two older brothers, Norman and Paul, to the fair but lost track of them. She reached the M&W market corner, then turned around to go home. Witnesses stated to police she ran without looking out in front of a Woodard Lumber Co. wood truck driven by Harry McCall. No citations were issued.

Hiway Viaduct Job Contracts Awarded

The State Highway commission awarded two contracts on the new highway in Douglas county at its session in Portland recently.

Hamilton & Thoms, Eugene, was awarded the Constock grade separation job at the low bid of \$27,890. This is for construction of a 90 foot reinforced concrete viaduct on the Divide-Anlauf section of Pacific highway.

Hannan Bros. Co., Portland, was given the Manning and Cemetery road grade separation structures at the low bid of \$60,080. Two reinforced concrete viaducts will be built on the Oakland Junction-Deady unit of the highway near Oakland.

The two story frame residence at 6th and Whiteaker, property of Mrs. Emma Smith has been moved to First and VanBuren, where it will be occupied as a dwelling. The lot vacated by the dwelling will be for sale, Mrs. Smith said.

Grade, Hi School Registration Set

Registration for grade and high school students in Cottage Grove is set for next week, with the first day of classes scheduled Monday, September 8.

High school students will register September 3 and 4: Freshmen, 2 to 5 p.m. and Juniors 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday; sophomores, 2 to 5 p.m. and seniors 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday.

Grade school registration is Friday, September 5, from 9 a.m. to noon. First graders living west of Highway 99 register at Adams, and first graders living east of the highway report to Harrison. Fifth graders living west of the highway sign up at Jefferson, while fifth graders in the other area go to Harrison. All sixth graders report to Jefferson.

Students in grades two, three, four, seven and eight, unless they are new students, do not have to register.

Medical Forms

All beginning first graders are asked to present a birth certificate and medical form.

New students registering for high school and grade school are also requested to have their medical forms with them.

A registration fee of \$11 also is required of high school students to cover book, locker, towel and insurance fees and cost of the Reader's Digest for English classes.

Teacher in-service training classes for the high school will begin September 2 and will continue all that week. Grade teachers will meet at Harrison September 3 and 4 for their training program.

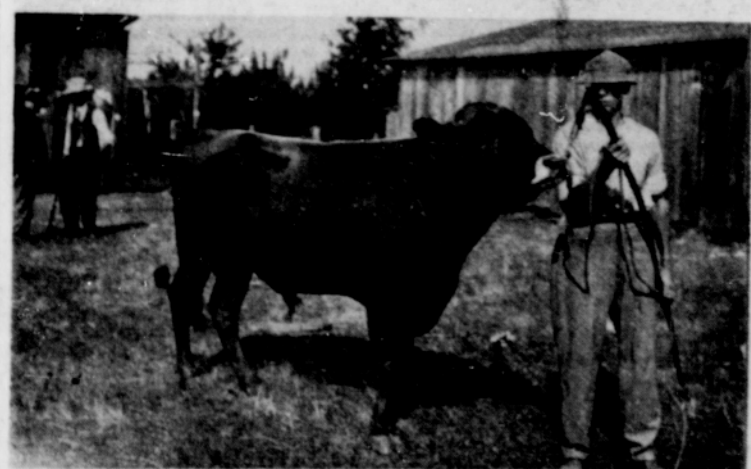
4-H LEADERS TO MEET

The South Lane 4-H Leaders' association will hold a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 2, at Latham school. Annual reports and a study of national contest rules will be studied.



One of the main attractions for comment at the South Lane Fair was Mrs. Verne Shortridge with her spinning wheel. Mrs. Shortridge, in native Norwegian costume, carded, rolled and spun her own wool into yarn for hundreds attending the fair. At times Mrs. Shortridge would entertain with songs in her own language, delighting children and adults alike. This was a portion of the London 4-H Mothers Club exhibit, where members worked at quilting.

Little Erin Veley of Drain and High Acres is shown earnestly watching the fascinating spinning wheel at work. The wheel was brought back from Norway three years ago when Mrs. Shortridge made one of her trips there to see her family.



COTTAGE GROVE FAIRS began 40 years ago. Picture above is scene at first fair here in 1912, on site of present M&W market. Ernest Anderson, brother of Esther Anderson Trunnell, our Latham correspondent, is shown with his Jersey bull. In background is the late John Cooley, (left) pioneer who lived on the homestead south of town, now the Virgil White property. Talking to Cooley is the late J. H. McFarland, father of G. W., W. W., J. F. and C. A. McFarland. All of the sons are still living in Cottage Grove except C. A., who died several years ago. Anderson now lives in Cutbank, Montana.

Carpenters Receive 15-Cent Wage Raise

Members of the Eugene Carpenters' local 1273, which includes Cottage Grove workers, were granted a 15-cent an hour wage raise effective August 28.

The raise followed about ten days of negotiations between the union and the Eugene Contractor's association, according to J. S. Crepeau, local contractor and a member of the association.

Union demands originally were for 15 cents retroactive to July 1. The retroactive request was not included in final agreements. The new raise puts the minimum rate at \$2.45. Last boost was in June, 1951, when carpenters got a 5-cent raise, increasing the rate from \$2.25 to \$2.30.

City Okays Lodge Rubbish Can Plan

The Moose lodge here has taken on a project of keeping the city clean. At city council session Monday night a committee from the lodge requested permission from the city to erect automatic closing rubbish cans on Main street.

Councilmen called the project "very worthwhile" and unanimously gave permission for its erection. City Engineer L. W. Coiner was instructed to meet with Fred and George Anderson, lodge committee, to plan specifications for the cans.

"This is one of our lodge projects for the year," Fred said. "We feel it will help a lot to keep the city clean."

553 Exhibits Show S. Lane Fair Growth; Winners in Various Divisions Announced

By Jeanne Morton

The South Lane Fair with its 553 exhibits went off in fine style over the week end, held in larger quarters of Jefferson school.

Compared with the Armory quarters of past years, the school buildings afforded better display areas. However, room for livestock was still limited, and not much of it was shown.

Petitions Complete For 7 Candidates In City Elections

Nominating petitions for seven candidates in city races have been turned in, complete at the City Hall and checked by Don Allen, city recorder. Mr. Allen said he expected to take them to the county clerk's office before the deadline, September 4.

Petitions turned in were for J. S. Crepeau, mayoralty candidate; Gill Gardner, councilman, Ward 1; Robert Mills, councilman, Ward 2 and H. B. McMillan and Tom Mitchell, councilman, Ward 3. Petitions are also complete for Don Allen for city recorder, and George Stephen for city treasurer.

Mr. Allen said he did not believe there would be any more candidates for city positions as no other petitions had been filled out.

Issues Not on Ballot

Two issues that city council voted to put on the November ballot will not reach the voters, as the petitions have not been prepared for circulation. Acting Attorney Richard Thwing at a recent council meeting said that he did not wish to prepare charter amendments of any kind because the charter itself was "in a mess" and there were conflicting amendments.

Originally council had voted to put the 1 per cent limitation and maximum fine amendments to a vote of the people.

Since then the attorney discovered an amendment of 1921 raising the maximum fine to \$250. The municipal judge, Don Allen, announced he did not know it was on the books.

There is conflict in the 1 per cent issue also, Thwing indicated, since the section in the charter is confusing.

Council has indicated that the whole charter will probably have to be revised, a job that might take a whole year. City employees have expressed concern over the 1 per cent issue, since it affects any salary increases. The budget group this spring did not grant any increases due to the limitation on the General Fund.

A special election to revise the charter would have to be held.

Only city issue to reach the ballot will be the \$275,000 water bond issue that will pave the way to the replacement of the entire water distribution system and to increase the capacity of the reservoir to 3,000,000 gallons.

Oldsters Recall First Fairs 1912-18 As 'Bigger and Better' Than Today's

By Joan Gallo

In the issue of September 12, 1912 of the Cottage Grove Sentinel the story is told of the first fair—the Grange Agricultural-Industrial Fair—which had come to a successful close.

Excerpts from that story of the first venture are as follows: "On the second day of the fair Aunt Jane and Uncle Burn Veatch, both over 80 years of age, led the parade, riding horseback and using the same saddles with which they crossed the plains in 1851. Judge Vaughn and Aunt Fronie McFarland were two other pioneers in the parade.

"There were 150 different exhibits of apples alone . . .

"The poultry department was crowded with blooded biddies . . . the woman's department was a thing of beauty and a source of wonder, while the livestock department shows that Cottage Grove farmers are doing away with scrub stock.

"Arrangements are already in progress for a bigger and better fair next year, and the grangers will endeavor to get the use of city property on which to place the buildings which they already own and for the erection of future larger and permanent buildings."

"That was when fairs were bigger and better, according to old-timer G. W. McFarland, whose father appears in the first fair picture shown here.

Familiar family names appear on the winners' list in that issue (Continued on page 5)

By Esther Trunnell

When was the first fair held in Cottage Grove? Many times we have seen in the paper that it was in 1932. And so the present "fair" generation may think.

The accompanying picture and several others held by certain "oldsters" who were interviewed show a time between 1912 and 1918 when Cottage Grove had a fair much larger than the ones of recent years. At that time the Cottage Grove fair board erected a large fair building on about two acres of land leased from J. I. Jones near the present site of the M&W market on South Fifth.

The new highway 99 was not in then. After the first fair was held the fair board sold the buildings to the Cottage Grove Grange, which sponsored the fair for the next five years. Although the building was sold for the material in it, the fair carried on the rest of that period in the old high school building, so we are informed.

Had 300 Members

G. W. McFarland was master of this grange of over 300 members. They met upstairs over what is now Short's Second Hand store and also in Phillips hall over the present Petersen's store.

Among others who were active at that time in both grange and fair were "Preacher" Stephens, Bob Mosby, M. M. Wheeler (who only recently passed away) and Billy Dorwood. The latter lives in the north part of town now.

The livestock exhibits were especially large at that time. Oscar (Continued on Page 7)