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Rod-Gun Club Schedules Shoot Sunday for March of Dimes

Countywide Event Open to Amateurs, Experts; Shoot Starts at 10:30 a.m. at Local Club Grounds

The Cottage Grove Rod and Gun club will hold a countywide shoot, proceeds of which will go to the Polio Drive, this coming Sunday, January 24. The shoot will begin at 10:30 a.m. when the traps are opened. Competitive shooting starts at 1:30 p.m. Announcement of the event was made by A. D. Baker, chairman of the shoot.

Baker extended an invitation on behalf of the club to any persons in the area to participate. They may compete in the Hileman Handicap or may shoot for merchandise. He stressed the fact that the persons who do not do much shooting will not be competing with experts.

Ability of the shooter will determine into which classification he or she will participate.

Club members said the success of the March of Dimes Shoot will depend on the turnout of local shooters. There will be competitive shooting on a small bore range indoors. There is a large bore, outdoor range, which will also be open for use. Club members have extended a special invitation to local boy scouts to use the ranges, but they stress that anyone desiring the use of either range is welcomed.

Light refreshments will be served during the shoot. Proceeds from the kitchen sales will also go to the March of Dimes.

There are now nearly 240 members of the Cottage Grove Rod and Gun club. Baker said that the members will be donating their time to make the shoot a success. He added that many of them were bringing pies and cakes to help cut down on kitchen operating expenses.

Baker said that the club members hoped that folks in the area would find time to drop out to the Gun Club which is located north of Cottage Grove and watch the shoot.

Variety of Events Planned to Help Polio Fund Drive

Many events are planned to help the local March of Dimes Drive during the remainder of the month, according to Mrs. Virgil Kingsley, chairman.

1. Mothers' March, set for January 28, 6 p.m.
2. Local high school "blanket toss" at the game between Cottage Grove and Junction City at halftime, January 26.
3. Rod and Gun club countywide shoot at the club house, January 24.
4. Dorena Grange food sale at Coast-to-Coast, January 23.
5. Dance for Elks and their guests, January 23.

In addition to these special events (and there are others not reported in), members of BPW are manning a special booth at the First National Bank where contributions may be turned in; contributions will be collected in many area grade schools this Friday, and parents are urged to send their donations to the school; two special boxes, painted with the school colors of the University of Oregon and Oregon State College, will be placed at Maurie's Thursday, and supporters of the two schools are urged to place contributions in the box of their choice.

Bad Weather Cause Of Many Accidents

Snow and rain joined forces last week and to cause more than the usual number of vehicle collisions. As of 10 a.m. Monday morning, a total of 11 accidents involving cars had been reported in at the local police department. No serious injuries to persons were reported, neither were there any collisions resulting in complete loss of the vehicles involved.

Among the more serious accidents was one involving Jim C. Bonnichen of Dorena and Archie Harrington of Cottage Grove at 5 p.m. Saturday. Harrington, 42, was driving a '48 Kaiser. He had slowed to pull off the Disston highway when his car was sideswiped by a '46 Chrysler driven by Bonnichen.

Storm Causes Power Failure

By Mrs. Florence Erlisen
CULP CREEK—Residents here were without electricity from Sunday morning at 1 a.m. until 9:45 Monday morning. The power breakdown occurred when the snow and rain storm blew down some light poles.

Oil lamps had to be taken off the top shelf and filled to use and candles were found in old hidden-away places. Many families with electric stoves were inconvenienced and found it necessary to cook their meals by other means.

Culp Creek school was dismissed Monday because of the power lack.

May We Tell You Of . . .

One of the March of Dimes Foundation's Staunchest Cottage Grove Supporters

By Laura Olson
One of the staunchest supporters of the March of Dimes drive in this area is Miss Opal Robinette. Miss Robinette says that during the entire history of the drive she has always done as much as possible to help support it, not realizing that it could be of help to her. For, you see, Miss Robinette had poliomyelitis at the age of nine months.

"I'd just taken for granted that it would be for people who'd just been stricken with polio," she said, "and I saw no point in my seeing if assistance were available to me."

Then, one day in late 1952, a woman living near one of Miss Robinette's sisters, Mrs. Orval Greer who resides in Idanah on the North Santiam, suggested to Mrs. Greer that Miss Robinette was eligible to apply to the Foundation.

Mrs. Greer relayed the information to her sister, and as Miss Robinette says, "I applied, receiving wonderful help, and am now, for the first time, able to lift both of my feet a little ways from the floor." She was unable to do this

for more than 40 years of her life. Looks to Future

Miss Robinette is a vivacious, sparkling person. Her brown eyes continually smile, as does Miss Robinette. Her cheerful attitude toward life was of great help to her before the operations and during them. It's a help now, as she looks toward the future with the knowledge that eventually she will be able to stand or sit at the back corner of her home out on West Main and water the flowers which she wants to plant in her back yard.

Before her first operation, she walked with a stiff-legged gait with the help of two canes. She was unable to lift her legs from the floor. Actually she had been operated on when she was 9 years old, long before medical science had discovered the variety of helps for polio victims, that are available. That very first operation was of little success. But, the operation performed April, 1953, did help and it prepared the way for the second operation in October, 1953.

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BIG CATCH. Emery Harris is pictured at Acapulca, just before Christmas, with two fish he'd just caught. Big one is a sailfish, 9 feet 1 inch in length, which weighed 85 pounds. Small fish is a dolphin which measured 40 inches and weighed 40 pounds. Harris said the sailfish put up a big fight for 30 minutes before he was able to land him. Harris and his wife and small boy went to Mexico about December 7. They returned to the states about December 31.

Jaycees to Meet National President At Brief Stop Here on January 27

Inside The Sentinel . . .

1. Crewell voters ballot to remain in rural school district . . . full details on Crewell page.
2. Axemen beat Lions 80-63 in hang-up game . . . see account on sports page.
3. Second installment of "Russia's Big Bluff" . . . see editorial page.

And, throughout The Sentinel, you'll find interesting reading.

District 45 PTA To Meet Monday

Mrs. Jeanelle Moorhead, former state president of the PTA, will be guest speaker at the next meeting of District 45 PTA which will be held Monday. Starting time of the meeting is 8 p.m., and it will be held in the Multipurpose room of Harrison school.

Mrs. Moorhead, who is with the General Extension Division of the University of Oregon, is one of the instructors in the class "Personal Problems in Daily Living," now being held at the local high school.

Her topic at the PTA meeting is "Today's Family."

Refreshments will be served following the program portion of the gathering. All parents of children attending Jefferson, Harrison and Adams school are especially urged to attend.

Dain J. Domich, 25, of Sacramento, Calif., national president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, will make a coffee stop in Cottage Grove next Wednesday, January 27, around 3 o'clock in the afternoon. His brief stop will be at the D-M Cafe and will give the Jaycees and other interested persons opportunity to meet him.

Domich was elected national president at the June 1953 Jaycee national convention held in Minneapolis. He has been a Jaycee since 1946 and has served as chairman of most of the Sacramento chapter's major committees. In 1950, he was elected president of the Sacramento Jaycees.

During Domich's terms as president, Sacramento won the Henry Giessemer award and set a record at the state convention by winning 18 award entries.

He has been very active in many civic activities in Sacramento and was selected Sacramento's "Young Man of the Year in 1950."

Domich is returning from Seattle where he attended a meeting and banquet of the 10 outstanding men of the nation which is sponsored by the Jaycees. He will have a luncheon meeting in Salem and is scheduled for an address in Roseburg.

VFW Building Has Neon Sign-Lighted Parking Area Now

The VFW building, located on South River road has been lighted with a four foot sign with lights around the parking area, W. H. (H) Hubbell announced the first of the week. All materials including the neon sign atop the roof of the building were donated Mr. Hubbell said. The Mountain States Heavy Crew built the lines for the park lot area, a about 200 feet square and the Cascade Sign Co. donated the sign, "VFW," which was placed on top of the roof. Mr. Hubbell was in charge of construction.

Due to the particular location of the building, the entrance was hard to find before the lighting project, especially for strangers. Now the neon sign and the parking lot lights are visible from the highway. The four foot neon sign could be seen from a much greater distance, barring obstructions.

UPHOLSTERY, SEWING CLASSES TO BE HELD

Anyone interested in enrolling in an adult upholstery class or a sewing class should call the local high school at 774, and leave his or her name and phone number. The classes will be sponsored by the high school and the State Department of Vocational Education.

Council Accepts Revised Highway Thoroughway Plan

Authorizes Immediate Work on 3 CG Streets

City Council members, in a special Friday night meeting, accepted the routing of the expressway highway through the southeastern portion of Cottage Grove as proposed and modified by the Oregon State Highway commission. Council adopted the proposal officially by Resolution 438. The routing of the thoroughway will make it necessary to vacate a portion of Parks Road which now intersects a portion of the proposed highway.

The ordinance also stated that no points of access to the proposed thoroughway will be located in the corporate limits of Cottage Grove. (This is the only place where the thoroughway crosses city property.)

Residents living on parts of Parks Road not taken by the highway will have access on Taylor street.

School Board member Lloyd Griggs was present and said that the school board had had no objections to the revised routing of the thoroughway which would cut across a small, rough section of the baseball field at the board's meeting the previous night.

Councilman H. B. McMillan pointed out there will be no access to the highway directly. The accesses to the city will be for people east of the highway and vice versa and all accesses will be overpasses or underpasses, with the exception of the north access road.

Four Inlets, Outlets

He added that there would be at least four overpasses or underpasses. As now planned, they will be at Main, Taylor, South Sixth and Latham. He said that many people believed the Sixth Street would dead end at the highway, but he said this is not the case since the overpass or underpass will be provided by the highway commission.

Council members also heard of the possibility of the city's being allowed to lay pipeline on the edge of the highway's right-of-way from Main street to Taylor.

McMillan said the pipeline would increase pressure in southern portion of city and in the main district and would provide added fire protection for the high school and the grade schools. The pipeline committee was authorized to work out an agreement with the highway commission which would be official.

Street Revampings

The quorum of Council members present also discussed the possibility of improving city streets in need of repair. After a lengthy discussion they unanimously passed a motion to have the firm of Den Herder and Stroebel complete its contracts on Gibbs Avenue from Sixth to Ninth and on Quincy from First to Third. When the contracts are finished, the City Engineer's road crew will maintain the street repair and make necessary gravel fills.

They also agreed to notify the contractor to level the fill on South Eighth street to an equal height of 18 inches.

City Council will meet again Monday evening to discuss city matters.

DUSENBERY NOMINATED

The Oregon Association of Secondary Principals association will hold its fourth annual winter meeting at the University of Oregon on January 22 and 23. The group will consider ways and means of guiding secondary education in Oregon, which has been used successfully in curriculum development.

At the business meeting on January 23, members will elect a vice president and member at large. Robert Dusenberry of Cottage Grove high school has been nominated as a member at large of the board of control and with two others will be considered for the post. Three have also been nominated for vice president.

Mitey Cold . . .

If you shivered January 20, you had good reason to. It was the coldest day of the year and low temperature was 25 degrees. January 17 was a mighty chilly day, too. Four inches of snow fell at the Cottage Grove dam; five inches at Blackbutte; and six inches at London. Temperature stood at 32 degrees.

And just as a word of warning, according to The Old Farmer's Almanac, the January thaw is coming about the 23rd, to be followed by bitter cold the last week of this month.

"Leadership Goal of All" Gov. Patterson Tells Grovians

200 Residents Attend Chamber Dinner; Hear Representative Stewart, Engineer Baldock Discuss Area Happenings; C. of C. Directors Introduced



"FIRST CITIZEN"

More than 200 area residents and guests, present at the Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce's Annual Installation and First Citizen banquet Monday evening, applauded enthusiastically when principal speaker Gov. Paul Patterson awarded the "First Citizen" plaque to Mayor Joe Crepeau. Mayor Crepeau received the award in recognition of his outstanding service to the community for 1953.

In presenting the award Governor Patterson congratulated the Mayor for his services and expressed the hope that he would not stop in his good work.

Mayor Crepeau in accepting the award said: "I'm deeply appreciative of this honor. I wish it could have been possible to present the award to the City Council as a whole. The work towards improving the city has not been one man's job. It has been done by a group of people working very hard."

Prior to presenting the plaque, Governor Patterson read to his assembled and listening radio audience, the list of achievements of the City Council in 1953 and planned projects for 1954.

Royalty Contest Set for CG Area See Details Below

"Flying High," a hilarious three-act local talent comedy will be presented in Cottage Grove under the sponsorship of the American Legion Post 32 January 28 and 29 at the local Union high school. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the Junior Legion Baseball League.

The action of "Flying High" takes place in the lobby of a small town resort hotel, Purdy's Last Resort, owned and operated by a lovable old rascal—Jeb T. Purdy. A curious assemblage of guests at the hotel gives the opportunity for many mirth-provoking situations. Admission to play is \$1 for adults, 50 cents for high school students and 25 cents for youngsters.

One of the most appealing parts of the play is the Kiddle Circus where a tiger, an elephant and a sprightly zebra will perform. Bugs Bunny will be there along with clowns, dancers, singers, and William Tell and his son.

A contest to select this area's King and Queen of the Circus will be held in conjunction with the comedy.

Young Contestants

Boys and girls entered in the contest are to be between the ages of 6 months and 6 years. It's one cent a vote. Voting jars and pictures of the candidates for CG's King and Queen of the Circus have been put in various stores and other places of business. Winners will be announced the night of January 29. Pictures of candidates will be in Petersen's. Voters may learn there where the voting can of their favorite candidate is located.

Anyone wishing to enter a child in the contest is asked to phone Mrs. Ralph DeJarnette, contest chairman, at 243Y. The contest closes at 8 p.m., January 29. One half hour will be allowed for last minute voting before the Saturday evening performance.

Jim Roy is general chairman for the event. Miss Janis Bailey will direct the play.

HEALTH CLINIC POSTPONED

The Child Health clinic announced for Thursday, January 21, has been postponed until February 18, due to the fact that Dr. Anthony Triolo could not be present on January 21.

Oregon's Gov. Paul Patterson; chief engineer of the State Highway commission, R. H. Baldock; and state representative Loran Stewart were principal speakers at the Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet Monday evening.

Governor Patterson, who also awarded the "First Citizen" Plaque to Mayor Joe Crepeau, told his listening and radio audience that he was "astounded at the list of accomplishments of the local Chamber." He added that he was delighted to be in Cottage Grove again on such an occasion.

The Governor pointed out that the accomplishments of the Chamber are often one and the same thing. "No community improves without leadership of men and women in that community," he continued, "and, of the leaders, one will stand out."

CG High Play 'Huckleberry Finn' Set for Fri. Night

ASB to Give Proceeds For Swimming Pool

"Huckleberry Finn," made famous by Mark Twain, will be presented in play form by the Associated Student Body of Cottage Grove Union high school at 8 p.m. Friday in the school auditorium. The play is directed by Gardner Sellers. All of the play proceeds will be donated to the "Swimming Pool" fund.

Tickets may be purchased at the high school the evening of the performance. Admission price is adults 60 cents, students 25 cents.

The cast includes Craig Hickok as Huckleberry Finn, an adventurous boy who has always been accustomed to look out for himself; his pal, Tom Sawyer, played by Doc Kingsley, is a mischievous imaginative boy of twelve.

Aunt Sally Phelps, played by Carol Thiel, is about 45, good-hearted and excitable. Her daughter, a cousin to Tom Sawyer, is a fun-loving, long-legged child of 11, and is played by Billy Culvey.

Three Wilks Girls

Carol McCracken is Lize, a colored girl. The Wilks girls include Joanna, age 14, played by Claudia DeBord; Susan, 15, played by Carol Oviatt; and Mary Jane, 19, played by Joyce Carpenter. Jerre Sears is Dr. Robertson, a good-looking young doctor friend of the Phelps family.

Joe Griggs plays the King, a confidence man in his twenties. Paul Randall takes the part of the Duke. Mrs. Hotchkiss, a talkative little neighbor of about 40, is played by Thora Seaver. Her laughter, Glory Belle, is played by Barbara Woodard. Ray Johnson is Jim, a runaway slave.

Phyllis Higdon will act as student director. The play was adapted from the book by Jane Kendall.

Classes at CG high school have divided up the various portions of work connected with putting on a play. Freshmen have charge of scenery; sophomores are making up the program and preparing tickets for sale; juniors are handling the ticket sales; and seniors will usher.

CG High PTA 'Back to School' Eve Is Big Success for Visiting Parents

More than 200 adults who live in the Cottage Grove area went "back to school" the evening of January 14. The Parent Teacher's association of Cottage Grove Union high school sponsored the event to introduce parents of CG high school students to instructors, classes and school facilities.

The adult "students" brought with them a schedule of their youngster's classes, and followed the schedule in 10-minute sessions. During these brief class periods, visiting parents were told about material the class covered during the year, how the class was set up and supervised. Parents were also given an opportunity to ask questions. Their only complaint concerned the "shortness" of the class periods.

It was a successful evening, all the way "round." Visiting grandparents were directed to the classrooms by high school girls who served as guides. They were stationed in the building corridors. Most parents found that it was relatively simple to find the classrooms, but one freshman mother was heard to comment "I certainly know what my daughter meant when she said she had to walk so much."

"No More High Heels"

Another visitor told her companion that she'd "not wear high heels to class the next time."

Mr. Patterson told his listeners that of 103 board and commission appointments he makes, only four or five are not volunteer workers. He said "because of such leadership, government in this state is less expensive than elsewhere."

In the latter portion of his speech, the Governor said that as citizens in a free country, we must always be aware of what we have and what we're trying to do.

"Leading World Nation"

"Whether we wish to pay the price of 'normalcy' or not," he continued, "America is the leading world nation, with a government built on the principle of the fatherhood of God and brotherhood of man."

"And, he said, "in order for you and I to run a government for the people it is necessary for the people to help."

"Cottage Grove is now a better place," he said, "because people

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South Lane Demos Elect Area Officers

At the organizational meeting of the South Lane Democratic committee held last Saturday in the offices of Justice of the Peace John Wells in Cottage Grove, Walter H. Dodd was elected chairman of the organization and Mrs. Gladys Hatch was elected secretary. Both Dodd and Mrs. Hatch are from Cottage Grove.

The South Lane Democratic committee consists of Democratic precinct committeemen and women from the five Cottage Grove precincts and precincts of North and South Latham, Dorena, Saginaw, London, Brumbaugh, Row River, Lorane, and Silk Creek.

The South Lane Democratic organization promises active organizational work in preparation for the 1954 November elections and hopes to bring to the Cottage Grove area important state and national Democratic party leaders to discuss questions of general importance.

CG High PTA 'Back to School' Eve Is Big Success for Visiting Parents

A few parents found themselves in the wrong classes. One lady did attend a boy's PE class. However, Wallace Clochetti, instructor, told her that girls didn't attend the classes, and the matter was quickly corrected.

This is the first time that such a program has been sponsored by the local PTA. In previous years, the high school has held "open house," but parents said that last Thursday's "class sessions" were more informative. Teachers were delighted with the good response of the parents, and said they were pleased with the interest shown by the visiting Moms and Dads.

During the evening, members of the PTA sold pie, cake and coffee in the school cafeteria to help raise funds for future PTA events. (Continued on page 8)

A Real Mystery

Somewhere—between Salem and Cottage Grove, and between Eugene and Cottage Grove—there are two packages. They contain valuable material. Not in price, perhaps, but certainly in news value. Anyway, we had planned to have pictures this week which won't appear; they included a shot of our Governor and "First Citizen" plus others.