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"Biggest and Best"

Cottage Grove's Centennial was a success from the first day. Many made little or no effort toward planning for the event, seeing that the program went off as scheduled or even creating a Centennial atmosphere. These may have enjoyed themselves in the festivities, but not to the extent of those who worked hard to make the celebration such a success. It was the ones who saw the fruits of their labor fulfilled that had the best time. These sparkplugs, too numerous to give individual credit, deserve the highest of praise for helping bring about the "biggest and best" celebration that our town has ever seen. For fear of leaving out someone's name, which inevitably happens when a large group of people work together, this editorial won't single out any individual for a pat on the back. Those who did the work will know to whom the reference is made.

The Pet Parade was one of Cottage Grove's "biggest and best", with many entries and a large variety of pets entered. A large crowd, and it might be added a very appreciative one, viewed the parade. The event was well run off, each child was given a token prize for his efforts and cooperation, and the spectators seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly.

A large crowd of some 6,000 spectators viewed another "biggest and best" at the rodeo grounds the evening of July 4, when they had the opportunity of seeing Cottage Grove's first major fireworks display. And a dazzling array of fireworks it was. The some 130 aerial displays and 15 ground pieces made it an equivalent, proportionately speaking, of the big fireworks show in Eugene. Donations for the show were disappointingly small, but as was explained in last week's editorial the blame for this does not lie entirely with the spectators.

Bicycle races and the frog jumping contest, designed primarily for the youth of Cottage Grove, were well attended. While there weren't many contestants in the frog jumping contest, a large crowd was well pleased with the proceedings. It is hoped that these two events can be made annual affairs.

Special events, such as the Centennial Golf Championships, the Oregon Archers' 28th annual shoot, motorcycle races, high school-alumni track meet, several baseball games, Rod and Gun club trapshoot, community flower show, and the showing of "Roaring Rails", added to the festivities. The Rod and Gun club was also responsible for helping dump over 4,000 trout in the Dorena Reservoir by the state game commission.

The Vigilantes, rough and tough as they appeared to be on many unsuspecting persons, added a great deal to the success of the celebration. Catching offenders and trying to put them in the jail sometimes proved to be hard work, but a good time was had by all. No one, farmer, police chief, mayor or even the governor, escaped the justice of these dreaded lawmen.

As usual the rodeo and buckaroo breakfast were big successes. Both recorded increases from the previous year, with prospects for "bigger and better" events next year.

Saturday was the topping on the cake. The whisker judging and button drawing events drew throngs of people, but it was the Centennial Parade that was the crowd drawer. Spectators lined up, three deep, with heads popped out of every window, from two blocks west of Pioneer Bridge, all the way down Main street and down the highway to Sixth street. An estimated 20,000 people saw the hour-long parade. It can safely be said that at no time in Cottage Grove's history have there been so many people congregated in town at one time.

The parade itself was Cottage Grove's "biggest and best". There were over 60 entries, and not just marching units and horses. The various buggies, ox drawn wagons, stage coaches, floats, ancient autos and other entries made it a parade long to be remembered.

Cottage Grove's merchants did a good job of creating the atmosphere of the "good old days" with the many and excellent window displays and store decorations. It was also the merchants that donated the many prizes for the Pet Parade and button drawing.

Let's hope that the Centennial has set a precedent for like celebrations in the future. It's a boost to business, good for the unity of the area and helps to put the town on the map.

How's Your Publicity?

No newspaper, daily or weekly, is doing its work if the publicity material of local and civic groups is slighted or overlooked. Publicity is one of the most important functions we are prepared and able to serve. Sometimes, however, it presents a problem.

With the possible exception of organizations which regularly sponsor town-wide betterment programs and projects, we have selected no favorites among the vast number of local organizations. We attempt to give full coverage to them all, but we depend on publicity chairmen within the groups for their news. Organizations that arrange interesting programs have little difficulty in providing material, or in having it printed.

Any newspaper, however, has a considerable problem in making much of a story out of "regular meeting will be held" or "refreshments will be served" information. We find that the success of a publicity program depends first of all on the type of activity to be publicized, and secondly, the initiative and ability of the person assigned to handle publicity.

We recommend that local organizations examine their own publicity programs if they feel they don't get proper recognition. It is easy to place the blame for weak publicity on the newspaper, and difficult to originate a successful campaign.—The Branford (Conn.) Review.

Federal employees have been instructed to write informal, human-sounding letters when corresponding with the public, it says in a Washington news item. So don't be surprised to receive a letter from the income tax department beginning: "Good morning. How's every little old thing today? By the way, you really didn't expect to get by with all those expense items you listed on your return, did you?"
The Nance County Journal (Fullerton, Neb.)

Letter from Washington

By Congressman Harris Ellsworth

The Mining Claim Bill which I have mentioned several times in these weekly letters was passed by the House without even a roll call vote. There appeared to be little or no opposition to it. The bill which I and several other House Members sponsored will put a stop to the attempts which have been made to obtain valuable timber land under the guise of its being a mining claim. When it is enacted this new law will not prevent any genuine miner or prospector from filing on and perfecting a mining claim—but he will have to use it only as a mining claim. The Forest Service will manage the surface of the claim and be able to sell the timber on it, except such timber as is needed by a miner in developing his mine.

One question—and a good one—was raised during the debate on the bill. Congressman Young of Nevada wanted to know if sportsmen and recreationists would have the same right to go on a mining claim filed in the National Forests as on the rest of the forests. Because of my knowledge of the wording of the bill I took the floor to assure Mr. Young and the House—also to have the record of the debate clear on the point—that the bill permits such use of the mining claim surface. The bill asserts the right of the government to "manage and dispose of the vegetative surface resources thereof and to manage

other surface resources thereof". Certainly wildlife and recreation values are "other resources thereof" and are under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service the same as the rest of the National Forests.

As is usual here about this time each year there is quite a bit of conversation as to the possible date of adjournment of this session. The past few days indicate a determination on the part of the majority leadership in both Houses to adjourn before the end of July. If that does happen it will surely mean that action on several important bills will be put over until the next session which will convene January 3rd. Next year being a presidential election year, it seems likely that the Democrat majority in Congress would want to have some good hot controversial legislation to work on. The political thinking naturally would be that they might be able to put us Republicans "on the spot" enough times to damage us in the election. Apparently one thing that is troublesome to our opposition is the popularity of President Eisenhower. They seem to be having some difficulty in opposing him while supporting him.

One interesting fact about the present situation in Congress is that for the first time in many years the Senate is ahead of the House in getting its work done.

Washington Calling

By Richard and Maurine Neuberger

The Senate Public Works subcommittee of which I am a member has reported favorably on legislation establishing a five-year program for control of water pollution. This has special value to the state of Oregon because our state has a great stake in fighting stream pollution which adversely affects salmon fisheries.

It is well-known that sewage and chemical waste dumped into the Willamette river was blocking off spring Chinook salmon runs of great importance. Our subcommittee bill provides \$10 million in grants to states to combat stream filth. This should prove beneficial to Oregon's valuable fish runs, especially because it calls for wildlife experts to be named to the board which will administer the program.

How You Can Get a Capitol Flag
My office receives many requests for information about flags flown over our national Capitol Building. Any patriotic organization, school group or individual citizen can get one of these for \$6.50. This is the cost of a 5x8-foot flag, the standard size. Then, my office will arrange to have the flag unfurled from

the balyards of the staff which stands at the base of the marble and glass dome, at the west side of the building. A letter from J. George Stewart, Architect of the Capitol, attests to the fact that this is a flag which has flown over the nation's Capitol.

Salk Vaccine—and the Situation in Canada
Some partisan Oregon newspapers have been critical of the speech I made on the floor of the Senate here a few weeks ago when I called attention to Canada's sound and orderly government program for getting the Salk anti-polio vaccine to children of that free nation.

At least, my stand is supported by the leading newspaper of the country, the New York Times, which backed President Eisenhower in the election. Here are a few excerpts from the Times editorial of June 12, 1955:

"The mystery deepens in the light of the brilliant record of Canada. There over 500,000 children have been vaccinated, so far without any mishap. . . . In Canada all vaccine has been produced in the Connaught Medical Laboratories of the University of Toronto under the strict control of the Ministry of Health . . ."

Telegram From Oregon's Senators

Delighted to report that Senate Appropriations committee today reported public works appropriation bill providing for Oregon and Columbia Basin projects, \$200,000, the maximum usable, was recommended for Green Peter dam planning.

President Eisenhower requested no funds and House provided none. \$500,000 for Cougar dam planning and construction was provided; President requested only \$100,000 for planning only and House Bill provided \$100,000.

Senate Committee Bill includes \$750,000 for deepening of channel at mouth of Columbia; this represents a net gain over budget request and House action. Senate committee recommends \$300,000 for Hills Creek planning and construction.

President and House provided \$10,000 for completion of planning only. \$500,000 in Senate Bill for Talent irrigation project. President made no fund request and House provided limit of \$154,000 for planning only.

Senate committee boosted planning funds for John Day dam to \$600,000, an increase of 20 percent over President's budget request and House bill. Senate bill provides \$200,000 for Tillamook Bay and bar and \$236,000 for Coos Bay harbor. These amounts are net gains over budget and House bill.

The Senate bill provides first construction funds for Lee Harbor dam \$1,000,000. These appropriations for Oregon and Columbia River Project will go a long way in meeting our power, flood control, navigation and irrigation needs. We made specific requests to committee for each of these projects.

Congresswoman Green also submitted testimony to Senate committee urging these funds. We shall spare no effort in keeping these amounts in bill when it comes to senate floor.

A later telegram reads:
Today the senate passed the public works appropriations bill with all committee recommendations for Oregon projects reported last Friday included.

As reported Senate Bill added \$5,368,200 to bill as passed house. Of this amount \$3,144,000 represented net gain for Oregon projects including Lee Harbor. Senate bill provides for new multipurpose dam starts at Hills Creek and Lee Harbor, maximum progress on Green Peter and Cougar planning. With Cougar construction to begin next spring; major construction starts on channel at mouth of Columbia.

The Talent Irrigation Project, Tillamook Bay and bar and Coos Bays Charleston boat harbor; planning of the John Day project would go forward more quickly than with the amount in House bill recommended by President Eisenhower, this bill is of major importance to Oregon for power, flood control, navigation and irrigation.

We shall work diligently to preserve these gains as the bill goes to conference to work out differences with House of Representatives.

Regards,
WAYNE MORSE, U.S. Senate,
RICHARD L. NEUBERGER, U.S. Senate

Oregon's Traffic System Is Lauded

SALEM — (Special)—Governor Paul Patterson has received notification from the executive secretary of the Institute of Traffic Engineers that Oregon had been adjudged first place for achievement in traffic engineering for 1954 among the 11 western states. The official announcement was made by the Board of Directors of the Institute of Traffic Engineers meeting in Atlanta, Georgia.

R. H. Baldock, State Highway Engineer, advises that the annual selections are determined by a committee of judges comprised of national personages in the safety, insurance, engineering and automotive fields. The judging is based on a very comprehensive inventory of traffic engineering activities and the effectiveness thereof with respect to all of the 48 states. This is the second consecutive year in which Oregon has been given the award in the western area having tied with the state of Washington in 1953.

Presentation of a plaque symbolic of this award will be made at a later date by an official of the Institute of Traffic Engineers.

Harry Porter Jr., Institute president, and traffic engineer for the National Safety Council, comments: "States and cities selected for awards have demonstrated that traffic facilitation and control, coupled with good law enforcement and public education, will ease congestion, which is so irritating to the millions of motorists on our streets and highways. Free and smooth movement is an economic necessity in our nation. It is the responsibility of every city and state to move traffic wisely, by the application of good basic engineering, for then traffic is moved more safely."

Nature's first and last lessons teach man to be kind, and even pride should sanction what our natures need. —Mary Baker Eddy.
The flowers are nature's jewels with whose wealth she decks her summer beauty. —George Croly

State Fair Gives More Space, Money For Foods Dept.

SALEM (Special)—More space for exhibits and more prize money will be featured in the Foods Department of the 1955 Oregon State Fair which will be held from September 3-10 at Salem.

Slightly cramped for space last year when Oregon housewives delugged the department with over 1,000 exhibits in their quest of the coveted "Queen of the Kitchen" title, the foods display definitely will be enlarged for the 55 State Fair, according to Mrs. James H. Turnbull, foods department superintendent.

Pies Judged
Pies will be judged at the State Fair this year for the first time in modern history and demonstrations will be added to other activities in the foods booth. A platform will be erected for the demonstrations of bread baking and other specialties.

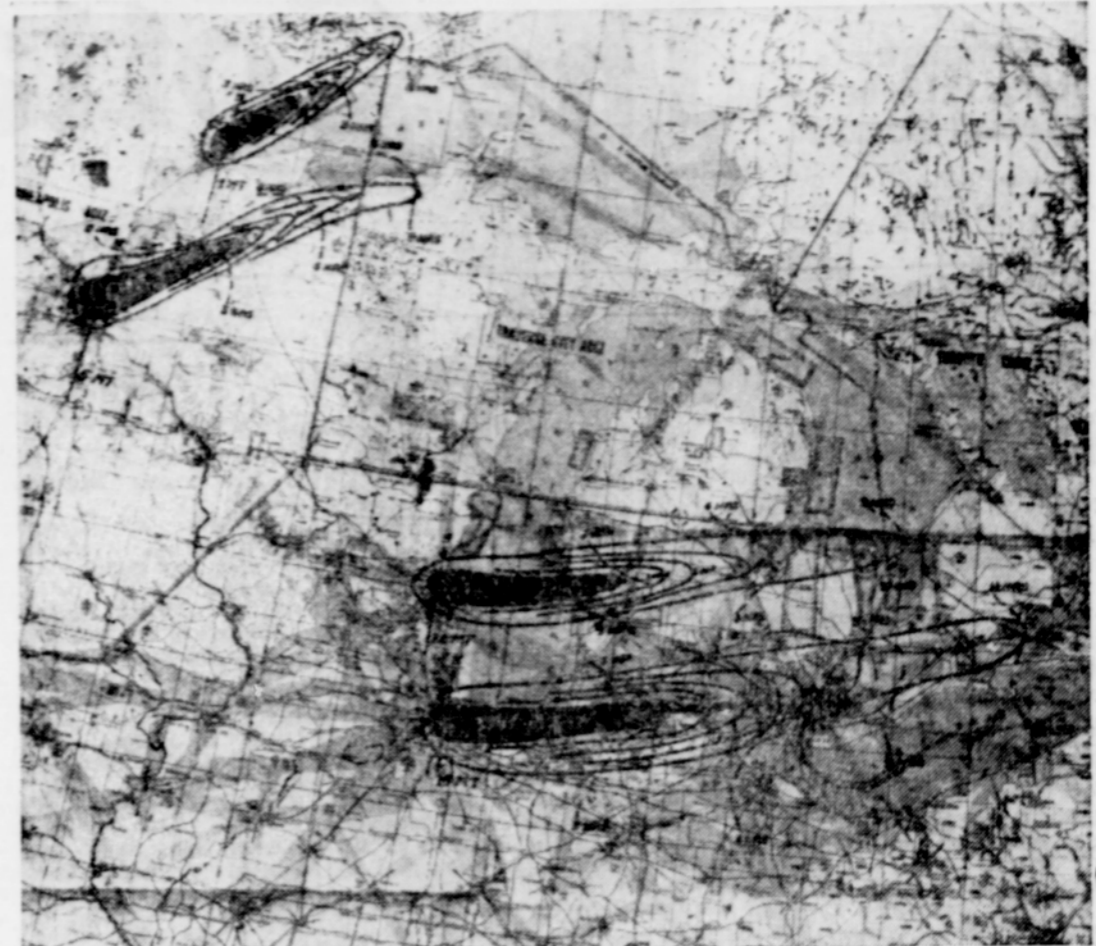
Competition in many varieties of breads, cakes, candies, canned fruit, meats and fish, preserves and jams, pickles, relishes and frozen foods will be repeated.

Specialty cakes entered at the 1955 State Fair must be in keeping with the fair's overall theme which is "Gay '90s."

No Entry Fees
Winner of the State Fair "Queen of the Kitchen" contest last year was Mrs. Donald C. Calkins of Gevaia. The title goes to the person who wins the most individual prizes in the foods department. Blue ribbons count five points, second prizes are worth three points, and third prizes one point.

No entry fees are charged in the foods department competition which is open to all Oregon residents. A complete list of foods which may be entered is listed in the State Fair premium list, available now from the state fair office, Salem.

This is fire weather—Trees are Dollars! Don't burn them. Keep Oregon Green.



TYPICAL SPRINGTIME fallout pattern last April 21 for Minneapolis, Duluth, Milwaukee and Chicago. The "isochrones" (curved dotted lines marked in hours) show how soon and how far H-bomb fallout would have covered the earth under that day's prevailing wind conditions. The day's "danger area" is shown within the solid black "Lines of Constant Dosage," scaled to indicate the estimated radiation intensity for the first 36 hours of fallout in areas at varying distances from the blast. Evacuation of at least the danger area would be probable. (FCDA Photo)

Rhoda E. Davison

Rhoda E. Davison of Cottage Grove passed away at her home Saturday, July 9, 1955, at the age of 78.

Mrs. Davison was born Rhoda E. King in Illinois on July 24, 1878. She came to Oregon with her parents 64 years ago. On December 19, 1907, she married John M. Davison at Cottage Grove.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. Her survivors include her husband and four brothers: Dwight King of Norfolk, Calif.; Ben King of Portland; Luther King of Oregon City; Edd King of Whitefish, Mont., and several other relatives. Funeral services were held at Mills Mortuary in Cottage Grove Tuesday, July 12, with Rev. Scott Ryan officiating. Vault interment in the Roseburg Masonic Cemetery.

Pioneer License Law Is Amended

The recent legislature partially closed the door on the issuance of special fishing and hunting licenses to so-called "pioneers" according to a statement released by the Oregon Game commission.

At the present time, the special 50-cent license may be obtained by anyone who has resided continuously in the state for 60 years. An additional provision in the law will limit distribution of licenses to those whose birthdate is not later than 1899. This new provision will ultimately bring about the complete elimination of the "pioneer" license.

The number of pioneer licenses issued has been increasing rapidly in recent years, reaching more than 12,000 in 1954. Without the limitation added by the legislature, the number would have continued to grow at an accelerated rate, with the possibility of creating a serious financial problem insofar as game funds are concerned.

The new act becomes effective on August 2, 1955.

Commission Lauds Coquille Salvage

State Fisheries Director M. T. Hoy this week commended members of the Myrtle Point Rod and Gun club who have carried on a salmon fingerling salvage pro-

gram in areas of the Coquille river where receding flood waters have stranded the young fish in potholes. The work was begun at the time Colonel Going of Coos Bay was a member of the Fish Commission two decades ago.

Throughout the high water period this spring, Myrtle Point sportsmen have been watching flooded sections along the Coquille river for signs of trapped, ocean-bound salmonoids. Fish sighted have been seized with nets and returned to the river to move on downstream. Frank Smith, fish commission employe and former superintendent of the Coos river salmon hatchery, has been assist-

ing the sportsmen in their salvage efforts. Hoy said annual losses of young salmon and steelhead due to stranding in potholes are believed to be great in some cases. He pointed out that potholing is only one of the many dangers young salmonids face during their fresh water existence. "Any project, regardless of scope, which increases the chances for salmon survival in our coastal rivers is a step in the right direction," Hoy emphasized. "The Coquille salvage program is an excellent example of what can be done by interested groups to accelerate rehabilitation of our salmon runs."

SOUTH LANE RECREATION SCHEDULE

Week of July 15-21

Friday,	9-12	Baseball: Little League at Kelly Field
	9-11	Baseball: American League at high school
	1:30-2:30	Baseball: National League at Kelly Field
	5:30	Baseball: Peeewe League vs. Roseburg at high school
	9:30-11:30	Girls' activities at high school
	1:40-3:00	Park supervision
	8:30-11 p.m.	Teen-age dance at Jefferson gym
Saturday,	1-5	Swimming
	7-9	Swimming
	2 p.m.	Baseball: Lane County Boys' Baseball Jam-boree at Bethel Park
	3 p.m.	National League vs. McKenzie
	3 p.m.	American League vs. Junction City
Sunday,	1-5	Swimming
	7-9	Swimming
Monday,	9-12	Baseball: Little League at Kelly Field
	9-11	Baseball: American League at high school
	11-12	Baseball: Peeewe League at high school
	9:30-11:30	Girls' activities at high school
	1:40-3:00	Park activities
	1-5	Swimming
	6:30	Softball: Church of Christ vs. Episcopalians
Tuesday,	6:30-8	Basketball at high school gym
	9-12	Baseball: Little League at Kelly Field
	1:30	Baseball: American League vs. VFW at Colin Kelly Field in Eugene
	1:30	Baseball: National League vs. KVAL at Roosevelt
	10-11	Lionette dance group at high school
	1:40-3:00	Park supervision
	1-5	Swimming
	7-9	Adult swimming
Wednesday,	9-12	Baseball: Little League at Kelly Field
	1-4	Baseball: Junior League at high school
	9:30-11:30	Girls' activities at high school
	1:40-3:00	Park supervision
	1-5	Swimming
	7-9	Adult Swimming
	6:30	Softball: Methodists vs. Knights of Columbus
Thursday,	9-12	Baseball: Little League at Kelly Field
	1-4	Baseball: Junior League at high school
	10-11	Lionette dance group at high school
	1:40-3:00	Park supervision
	1-5	Swimming
	7-9	Swimming
	6:30	Softball: Free Methodists vs. Church of Christ
	6:30-8	Basketball at high school

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