

RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL TO BE ELABORATE AFFAIR

As the time draws closer to the festival a stronger interest is being taken by the people of the Siuslaw in having a fitting part in its celebration. Mapleton, Glenada, North Fork and other communities are busy with preparations to be represented at the royal gathering.

Committees are busy in an effort to make the festival this year the best one ever held.

The program as far as completed is as follows:

Thursday May 21, 10 a. m.—Boat parade leaves Acme. The Empress leading, followed by the boats of the different queens. It is desired that as many as possible who have boats, decorate them and join in this procession. A suitable prize will be offered for the best decorated boat. The procession of boats will proceed from Acme down the river to a point near the old mill at Spruce point, then circle back and anchor in the middle of the river, opposite the Florence queen's barge, which will be located out from the city dock.

The boat of the Empress will approach first, salute the Florence Queen with her flags; the Empress will then disembark with her court followers and be received by the Florence Queen. Then each queen, as designated, will approach, one at a time, salute with flags and disembark.

After all the royalty have gathered on the barge, the ceremony of crowning Empress Rhododendron will take place.

The Lord High Mayor will receive the Empress and visiting Queens with a speech of welcome. The representative of each queen will be requested to make, not

more than a five minutes talk, at this time, describing the resources of each province and swearing allegiance to the reign of Empress Rhododendron.

A large platform or barge will be extended out from the dock, so that all the ceremonies may be plainly seen from either the river or the shore.

12 m.—A banquet will be served by the Florence queen to the royalty assembled. The line of march will be from barge to north side of Front street, thence to Lincoln street and returning on south side of Front street to banquet hall.

1:30 p. m.—School parade starts.

2 p. m.—Royalty will re-assemble at pavilion, near church.

2:15 p. m.—School program. This will be very interesting for everybody.

3:30 p. m.—An interesting court scene will be presented, in which an issue of very great importance will be debated by the great legal heads of the court of the empress.

4 p. m.—Water sports, consisting of boat races, swimming and numerous other feats of skill and daring.

7 p. m.—Basket ball games. A double header. Boys and girls. Dancing after the game.

Friday May 22, forenoon—Program to be arranged.

Afternoon—will be devoted entirely to sports. Baseball game and field meet.

7 a. m.—Another basket ball game Double header. Boys and girls.

The evening will be given over to dancing.

In spite of telegrams sent to outside papers and rumors that the Hugh Hogan would be a total loss, and that those on board were in danger of being drowned, the schooner is now at the Tide Water Mill Company's dock and no lives have been lost.

While it looked as though the schooner might have been driven to a position on the beach where it would have been impossible to pull off, at no time were those on board thought to be facing death.

The life saving crews came from the Yaquina and Umpqua to be present if conditions developed that would endanger life, and to carry lines to the schooner.

Reports printed in the Oregonian and Coos Bay papers, dated at Florence, must have been written by some one greatly excited, or without knowledge of what had happened, and they will create an impression that the Siuslaw bar is very dangerous and strewn with wrecks.

Making a sensational write-up at the expense of a community is costly, and it is to be regretted that in this case such articles were sent out for publication.

A rumor that the schooner was ordered out by the mill owners was also given considerable publicity, but was absolutely false and untrue.

The editor of this paper was on the launch which took Mr. Johnson Porter to the mouth of the river in response to a message that the Hugh Hogan was in distress, and Mr. Porter, was heard to remark. "I trust in Capt. Jones' judgement, and I am confident he would not have attempted to cross the bar, unless conditions were favorable."

Rumors that affect the character or business interest of people are nothing but scandal, and are nothing else when printed.

seven-mile trail and telephone line to the top of Prairie mountain. Here he will locate a lookout station from which a guard can watch the forests in four counties: southern Lincoln western Benton, western Lane and northern Douglas. The work will cost about \$500.

When this is done he will start the construction of a six-mile phone line, commencing at the mouth of Wildcat, built up the Siuslaw to the mouth of Wolf creek. This will be the first of a twenty-mile system which will cover the upper Siuslaw as far as Mount, and eventually, as far as Lorane.—Guard.

M. W. ENGLAND STABBED SATURDAY

Saturday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock M. W. England was stabbed in the left side by Thomas Russell.

It seems as if there had been some dispute about pasture land and Mr. Russell called at the England home and in a dispute Russell drew a dirk knife and used it upon England. The knife penetrated the left side, and ranging upward toward the heart, pierced the lungs.

Mr. England was brought to Florence Saturday night and placed in a physicians care. He is now resting easily.

Justice Goude deputized Clark McLaughlin as constable and he went out Saturday night and brought Russell to Florence. A preliminary hearing was arranged Monday morning at 11 o'clock. Russell waived examination and Tuesday he was taken to Eugene by deputy constable Fred Meyers.

Voters at Eugene authorize a municipal band, an armory and the acquiring of Skinner's Butte by the city.

HUGH HOGAN NOW DOCKED AT FLORENCE

Thursday the Hugh Hogan worked into the river and a line was put aboard and fastened to the enrockment of the north jetty. Thursday, Friday and Saturday men were working to get her into the river channels. The Longshoremen went down and helped to unload lumber, a crew under Barney Stampe was on the vessel while Joe Porter had charge of the shore work, and these crews worked night and day until Saturday evening when the schooner was pulled into the channel and the Roscoe made fast and started to bring it up the river. The schooner was full of water and a heavy tow. When near the old salt house below Florence it ran onto sand where it remained until Sunday night. Some of the lumber was unloaded on a scow and the high tide made it possible for the tug to pull the vessel off.

The launches Lena and Mae assisted in getting lines aboard, and especially captain Tanner did some good work with his launch.

Capt. Turner has arrived to represent the underwriters and arrangements are being made to tow the schooner to Portland where she will be unloaded and repaired.

A diver is expected to arrive soon and inspect the hull so an estimate can be made of the damage and repairs necessary to put the schooner in shape to tow at sea.

James J. Hill has given \$50,000 to the Christian Church Bible School for a new building at Eugene.

WHAT'S DOING IN GLENADA

Geo. Colter returned from California Tuesday afternoon.

Frank Knowles is having gravel hauled to begin the erection of another building in Glenada.

The boiler and engine for the shingle mill arrived on the Rustler and it will be installed at once.

The interior of the lower floor of the Fox-Miner building is being fixed up for the new general merchandise store.

The barber has moved into the annex to the Mission Pool Parlors.

Blackies Inn has doubled its lunch counter and is busy serving the public.

A basket social was held in the church building and funds raised for the Rhododendron Festival. Miss Jane Colter was elected queen, and Miss Nora Lowe and Nita Hansen were selected as queen's maids.

Building activity still continuous and business is growing. Business men of Glenada are receiving many letters of inquiry as to prospects and surrounding country.

NORTH FORK SELECT THEIR FESTIVAL QUEEN

At a basket social held last Saturday night the North Fork people raised funds to secure costumes for their royal representatives at the Rhododendron Festival. A program and dance was enjoyed.

Miss Frieda Lindgren was elected queen and will represent Ceres; Miss Bessie Dot Buchanan was elected to represent Flora, and Miss Leona Vanderberg was elected to represent Pomona.

The North Fork province is preparing to come to the Festival in royal state and take part in the ceremonies crowning Rhododendron VII.

A neat flag pole has been raised on top of the Masonic building.

The machinery for J. P. Cox's ice plant was brought in on the Rustler and will soon be installed.

VOTING CONTEST CLOSES WITH BASKET SOCIAL

A basket social Saturday evening May 9th at 7:30 will close the contest for Queen Rhododendron. A special free program with vaudeville stunts has been arranged and will be an enjoyable feature.

The ladies are requested to bring well-filled baskets. A prize of 100 votes will be given for the prettiest basket, the best character basket and the ugliest basket.

Whose basket will bring the highest price should interest you. Come and see the auctioneer fool some of the young fellows.

In the race for queen the candidates and their standing is as follows.

Nimo Buchanan	1890
Eleanor Saubert	1750
Marie Deveny	1455
Hazel Weatherson	1370
Mary Cassidy	865
Agnes Haring	110

MISS LULU BEERS MAPLETON'S QUEEN

The contest for Queen of Mapleton Province was closed last Saturday night with a dance. Two weeks previously a basket social was given and now the committee have raised a large sum of money to furnish costumes for the Queen and her court.

The final count of votes ended with Miss Lulu Beers elected queen.

Miss Alberta Knowles and Inez Brazee were selected as maids.

The Mapleton people are enthusiastic and will come to the Festival prepared to make the whole kingdom admire their display of pomp and loyalty to the Empress.

WILL BUILD A SIX-MILE TELEPHONE

The state supervisor in Eugene, C. V. Oglesby, has more extensive plans for development work in Lane county than ever before. This work will commence next week when Oglesby will take a crew of three men to Lake Creek and begin the construction of a

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