

Services, Barbecue Park Attractions For Hundreds, Sun.

Always spectacular, always so amazing, all functions in the Azalea State Park during the two-day festival were more than enjoyed by the hundreds who came to witness the 1951 edition of Brookings spring event which has become almost nation-wide in appeal.

Because of its breath-taking setting among many colors of azaleas, the coronation of the queen each year is said to have the greatest photographic appeal to dozens with movie cameras, kodaks of all sizes and descriptions.

Adding much to this year's festival was the azalea chain, inaugurated by Dorothy Lockland, who has this to say:

"Thank you, girls of the Azalea Ring, for adding a lovely touch of pageantry to the coronation of Queen Beverly. Thank you for spontaneous response of applause and good sportsmanship when Shirley Bowlin's name was drawn for the turquoise bracelet. Thank you for sharing your time, beauty and grace to salute our Azalea State Park with its annual festival, which is an expression of the splendid community spirit of this area.

The coronation spectators, all seated on the knoll of the look-out at the park, were given inspirational treat Saturday afternoon. Heralded by Jerome Nichols' fine coronet solo, Shirley Bowlin led the first Azalea Ring down the path between the natural azaleas in their full glory of bloom. On her arm she carried the bouquet of azaleas and rhododendrons, which was the beginning of a 350-foot garland of azaleas which was gracefully draped from shoulder to shoulder of 28 girls from the junior and senior high. Wave upon wave of beautiful girls and garland, moving with grace, dignity and

rhythm to the strains of 'Pomp and Circumstance,' rounded the curve of the path—a truly thrilling sight. LaVerne Landauer made a beautiful finish to the chain with the end of the garland around her shoulders as a stole.

"As the girls formed a circle around the throne, they made a perfect setting in the natural amphitheatre for the arrival of Her Royal Highness, Queen Beverly I, and her court.

"After the ceremony, Azalea Ring followed the royal court to the entrance of the park, formed a circle around the stone drinking fountain and dropped the huge garland—a fitting climax to an artistic tribute to youth and beauty. The links of the chain were: Shirley Bowlin, Pauline Hendricks, Mary Lou Berger, Georgia Pickens, Juditha James, Laura Moffitt, Judy Johnson, Diane Bowlin, Geraldine Vehrs, Joann Clendenin, Mary Knapp, Karen Simpson, Joann Pettygrew, Dorothy Rowley, Nellie Vaughan, Carol Ann Scholtz, Connie Jaklewicz, Janet Crump, Marlene Still, Barbara Gould, Roberta Zook, Peggy Moffitt, Kay Nichols, Lois LeClair, Pat Hyland, Marjorie Freeman, Elaine LeClair and LaVerne Landauer.

"To all of the kind friends and neighbors who took time from their busy days to gather greenery and fashion the almost endless garland, we give our sincere thanks."

Along Azalea Row

By B. Miller

Now grandmas are freed from baby sitting, and husbands have other than cookies to eat! The dust under the bed is cleared away and there is time to wander about the garden and pull a weed!

The Azalea Festival and Garden Club Flower and Art Show kept us busy for weeks, but who would be a spectator when the fun is in the thick of the fray?

Did you examine the junior exhibit? Robert Berger had such

a nice parrot in his Bird book, and I like Ann Matot's bluebird. There was a bluebird to sing you a song on a rainy day! Melody Brimm had an exceptionally fine science display, some star maps which were carefully and neatly made. One flower book was signed "Elizabeth, I love you" and I never did find out who Elizabeth is. Don't you wish you knew really? Robert Berger had an attractive drawing of a calla lily, and Anna Ettinger's trees were green as green could be. Mrs. Jermark who made the awards had a very difficult assignment, and debated and studied a long time before she reached a decision. In the dish garden class, was one called "Fairylane" by Marilyn Brown. Marilyn spent a lot of time on this and it was so sweet and pretty! And did you see the painted handkerchiefs Gene McGrady made? Beautifully done! So carefully and neatly executed, no smears, no blurred edges! Carol Rausch had a driftwood arrangement which I admired very much. I can't mention all the arrangements, but I thought they were very nice.

Mrs. Lockland who conceived the idea of the garland chain for the queen's escort of high school girls, gathered some women about her and they worked for days and days making that chain. But it was very effective, and added to the beauty of the occasion.

Martha Grayshel said we have worked so hard in past years, put on such large shows, striven for the purple ribbon award, let us this year just enter our flowers, bring them together and let us and the community enjoy them! Well! Even that was work and required days of preparation! A very nice show it was, too.

The art chairman, because the hall was smaller than the school gym where the show was held in former years, limited the showing to recent works of local artists, and obtained a cartoon exhibit which she hoped would be the entering wedge toward bringing Portland artists here to art shows in the future. Here is a thought! But here again, it means much preparation if the community is to have an art show that is an art show. For pictures must be hung properly, otherwise it is like inviting guests to one's house and asking them to sit in the kitchen while others more favored, sit at the dining room table!

Pat and Ben Kerns worked very hard on the festival. And

others were up all night tending the barbecue. It was a community project, the Azalea Festival, and the Azalea Garden Club Flower and Art show. To name everyone who made contributions towards its success in terms of thought and work, would be impossible, someone would be overlooked, that's for sure! But it was all very nice, and lots of fun.

And B. Miller—that fortunate woman — won the needlepoint footstool made by Mrs. B. E. Kerns, and given away at the flower show, the proceeds going for a 4-H scholarship.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Barton returned from the northern part of the state recently and are now living near Klamath, in their trailer.

Mrs. Zirbel Heads Topaz Rebekahs

At the semi-annual election of officers for Topaz Rebekah lodge Tuesday, Mrs. Grace Zirbel was elected as noble grand; Harriett Baker to be vice-grand; Cleo Craig as recording secretary and Jo Smith as treasurer. Installation will take place at the first meeting in July.

It was decided to hold a short meeting on the first meeting night in June, after which everyone will go to the home of Mrs. Ethel Olsen for the social hour.

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Weather Report

For the week ending on Sunday:

	Max.	Min.	Rain
May 21	66	46	
May 22	54	49	
May 23	58	51	.04
May 24	62	53	
May 25	74	47	
May 26	66	50	
May 27	64	50	
Rainfall for week			.04

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Brookings	1	0	1.000
Bandon	1	0	1.000
North Bend	1	0	1.000
Medford	1	0	1.000
Coquille	0	1	.000
Reedsport	0	1	.000
Myrtle Creek	0	1	.000
Roseburg	0	1	.000

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Brookings, 14—Coquille, 11.
Bandon, 10—Reedsport, 2.
North Bend, 21—Myrtle Creek, 8.
Medford, 3—Roseburg, 2.