

QUEEN

SUSANNAH VI

Leone Is 18 And She Has Lots of Fun

By JEAN WORTH
Queen Susannah VI, Leone Nadine Decker of Oakridge, is 18 years old and the baby in a family of five children.

Looking far too young for her imposing title, Leone was born in Eugene but has lived in Oakridge six years. She was graduated from Oakridge High school in May, this year, and now is working full-time for the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph where she worked the last five months of school on a part-time basis.

Swimming, volley ball, horse-back riding, and dancing vie for top spots on Leone's "favorite" activities lists. She also likes "play-acting" and has had parts in her high school junior and senior plays.

"I was a wicked woman named 'Anna' in the senior play," she confesses.

Leone has another big date besides the Pageant outlined in red on her calendar. Sometime in October (she wouldn't say when) congratulations are in order for Robert Furnell.

It seems that Robert doesn't think much of the idea of Queen Leone's being escorted around by Brigadiers during the Pageant. "Oh well, he'll get over it," is Leone's guess.

She wants a big family, and if they all turn out as cute as Leone, who can blame her?

Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Forecast: Eugene and vicinity, fair Sunday and Monday. Slightly cooler. Oregon, same, except slightly cooler west portions Sunday afternoon. Moderate southwest winds off coast.

Local statistics: Highest temperature Saturday, 81 degrees; low Saturday, 58 degrees; rainfall in 24 hours ending 10:30 a.m., .01 inch; total for month, .01 inch; normal for month, .38 inch; stage of Willamette River at 7:30 a.m., minus 1.90 feet; wind at 11:30 a.m., NW 7; prevailing Friday, South 9.

Sunrise and sunset (PST): Monday, 4:42 a.m. and 7:53 p.m. Tuesday, 4:43 a.m. and 7:53 p.m. SUSLAW TIDES Sunday: High 5:22 a.m. 5.5 ft. 8:07 p.m. 8.5 ft. Low 2:10 a.m. 0.7 ft. 1:40 p.m. 2.6 ft.

Council to Get Smoke Protests By East Siders

Four petitions carrying several hundred names will be turned over to city councilmen at 7:30 p.m. Monday in protest against alleged smoke and offensive odors in the vicinity of Alder, Hilyard, and Patterson Sts. near Eleventh Ave., E.

The petitions will ask that the city council do something about unnecessary smoke from the Northwest Cities Gas Co., Southern Pacific trains, and occasional odors from the use of ammoniac at the Crystal Ice Co.

Residents said Saturday that their chief complaint arises as a result of smoke which dirties laundry and houses and soot which falls on furniture, windows, and gardens. Many of the petition signers are expected to attend the council meeting.

Sanitary Sewer Plans

Meanwhile, the council is scheduled to ask assessments from other property owners. In addition to sidewalk and street repair assessments, councilmen will submit an ordinance for levying funds to construct a sanitary sewer along Elk Drive from Fairmount Blvd. to Hendricks Park.

Councilmen also will be asked to authorize the following payments: First payment for an interceptor sewer on Fifteenth Ave., W., between Jefferson and Charlestown Sts., \$15,585.28; first and only payment for a sidewalk on Van Buren St. from Twelfth to Thirteenth Aves., W., \$792.29; second and final payment for a sidewalk on Thirteenth Ave., W., from Adams to Alameda Sts., \$1282.32; third and final payment for the Franklin Blvd., interceptor sewer, \$27,903.89.

Application for Rezoning

A rezoning application of Spencer R. Collins, asking for a change from multiple family to business on Pearl St., between Eleventh and Twelfth Aves., E., will come up for final action. The City Planning Commission has recommended approval.

Other rezoning applications coming up for final action, all of which were recommended for disapproval, include: Lex B. Cox, requested change from multiple family to business on Oak St., between Fourteenth and Fifteenth Aves., E.

GOP Fails To Rush Tax Measure Finale

Don't Guess Too Soon, But July's Fine Thus Far

No matter what may happen later, let it be said now that July has blessed Eugeneans with temperate (though coolish) weather . . . so far.

The high temperature for the first 12 days of this usually torrid month has been a mild 84 and the average temperature is a downright cool 63.9. That's more than two degrees below normal (66.1) and almost three degrees below the average for July last year (66.8).

Of course, all this may not mean much because Eugene had pretty good weather during the first 12 days of July, 1946, too; then the mercury rose to a scorching 105 on July 20. That broke a 56-year-old record for the local weatherbook. But, so far—it's been nice.

Murray Defies Taft Law For 'Court Test'

WASHINGTON — CIO President Philip Murray and Walter P. Reuther, head of the organization's biggest union, Saturday night deliberately violated the Taft-Hartley act to provoke court tests on prohibiting of its union political expenditures in federal campaigns.

Murray violated the law by publishing an editorial taking sides in a Maryland congressional campaign. Reuther, chief of the United Automobile Workers, took similar action in Detroit. In the July "United Automobile Worker," Reuther took sides in the same campaign. In addition, he urged voters in a Pennsylvania district to elect the Democratic candidate for congress.

Reuther said he doubted whether Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) or other backers of the new labor law would "have the courage to demand prosecution for this violation." He said he

Gulf Between East and West Yet Wider—

British-Russian Trade Talks Near to Failure

LONDON—(AP)—British-Soviet trade negotiations in Moscow, one of the last bridges across the wide gulf between the eastern and western worlds, were on the verge of collapse Saturday night.

If they fail—and it was generally believed they would—the isolation would be complete, except for the United Nations. With the failure of the trade negotiations, would go all chance of extending from 20 to 50 years the British-Russian treaty of peace and friendship, born in the comradeship of war.

The foreign office admitted that the talks were in a critical stage, that Britain had made its final offer and that the British delegation would be called home next week if the offer is not accepted.

Britain had once thought so highly of the prospects of the trade negotiations that its first reaction to the Marshall plan was that the plan and a trade agreement between Britain and Russia would be equally important in restoring England's economy.

Russia, of course, boycotted the Marshall plan and kept out eight nations in its sphere. This boycott and the apparently imminent failure of the trade negotiations would be a serious defeat for Sir Stafford Cripps and for the leftwing "rebel" bloc of the British Labor party that has been criticizing the government for hanging onto the coat-tail of American foreign policy.

Outcome Certain But Delayed Until Monday

Republican Fears Astonish Barkley

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Republican sponsors failed in an effort to ram the \$4,000,000,000 income tax cut bill through at a night senate session Saturday night, and final action was put off until Monday.

A vote then—with passage assured—was arranged in an informal gentlemen's agreement between leaders of Democratic and Republican parties.

The GOP leadership once turned down such an agreement, but accepted it later after Democratic Leader Alben Barkley of Kentucky told them he believed President Truman will veto the measure promptly without waiting the usual ten days.

Timing Watched Barkley, in giving his ideas of what the President will do, shouted that he was "astounded" that some Republicans apparently feared that either Senate Democrats or Mr. Truman "would indulge in some kind of chicanery" to delay adjournment of Congress July 26.

That adjournment goal is bound up in the action on the tax measure. The President, can if he desires, wait ten days—not counting Sundays—between the time he gets the bill and the time he gives it his promised veto. Delay in acting on the bill would cut the time for a vote to override close if the President took the full ten days.

With the informal agreement accepted the Senate recessed at 7:49 p.m. (EST) until noon Monday.

Morse Loses The decision came after nearly ten hours of debate during which eight amendments by Senator Wayne Morse (R-Ore), including

Conference Opens On Marshall Plan

PARIS — (UP) — Forty-eight statesmen sat down around a table in the French Foreign Office Saturday and opened a fateful, Russian-boycotted conference on the Marshall plan, which was, perhaps their last chance to pull the 16 western European nations they represent out of a deepening morass of bankruptcy, hunger and despair.

Undisturbed by east-west friction, the conference worked with speed unprecedented in international meetings since the end of the war. The conference held a first session that lasted from 11:03 a. m. to 12:05 p. m. Pact With USSR

Russia and one of its satellites, Czechoslovakia, also disclosed an example of quick agreement Saturday. It was a far-reaching, five-

year trade treaty which may be the start of a Russian counter-offensive project to the Marshall plan.

Communist Premier Klement Gottwald, Foreign Minister Jan Masaryk and Minister of Justice Prokop Drtina returned to Prague, the capital of their country, and announced that Russia in 1948 will deliver to Czechoslovakia 400,000 tons of wheat, fodder and corn, 65,000 tons of fertilizer, 20,000 tons of cotton and various ores.

During the hour and two minutes of the first session, Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin of Britain and Foreign Minister Georges Bidault of France, representing the inviting powers, made short speeches. They, as well as Stora, the only other speaker, emphasized the urgent need of haste to save western Europe from economic chaos.

HER TORCH held proudly aloft, Queen Susannah VI, Leone Decker of Oakridge graciously accepts the acclamations of her loyal Pioneer subjects. The picture caught immediately after the investiture ceremony, in which she received the crown and robe of her elected office. (Wiltshire photo and engraving.) (Other pictures on Pages 2 and 3.)

Hail the Queen of the Lane County Centennial!

Leone Decker Who's Susannah VI

Hail Leone Decker, of Oakridge, Queen Susannah VI. Amid the applause of her subjects, Miss Leone Decker became queen of the 1947 Oregon Trail Pageant — Lane County Centennial — at coronation ceremonies Saturday night at Hayward Field. Thus Eugene lost its traditional queenship.

The announcement, dramatic and made before a huge crowd, was made to the platform by a courier. The name of the queen made

to the queen—who will wear the 1947 pageant coronation. And hail to her court, which includes Athene Maher, Marylyn Miller, Reitha Sauman, Barbara Smith, Francine Shrode, and Rose Sneed.

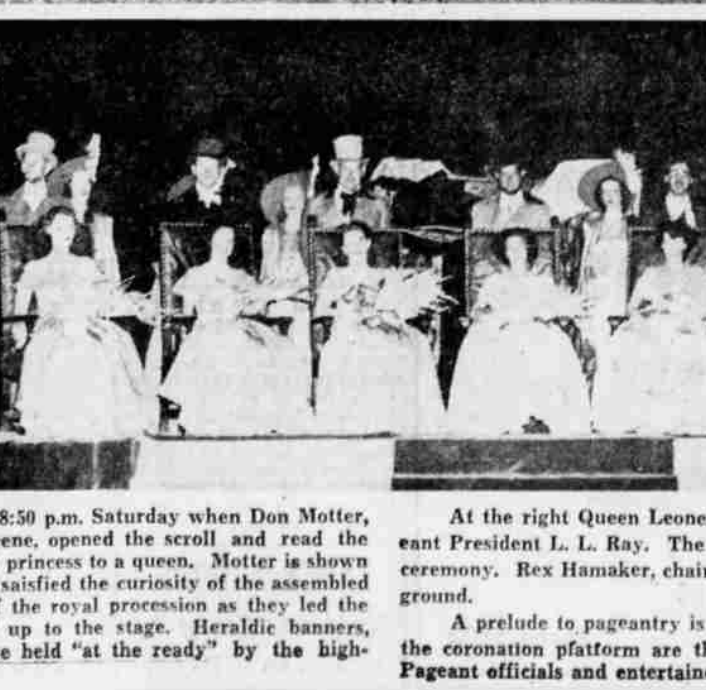
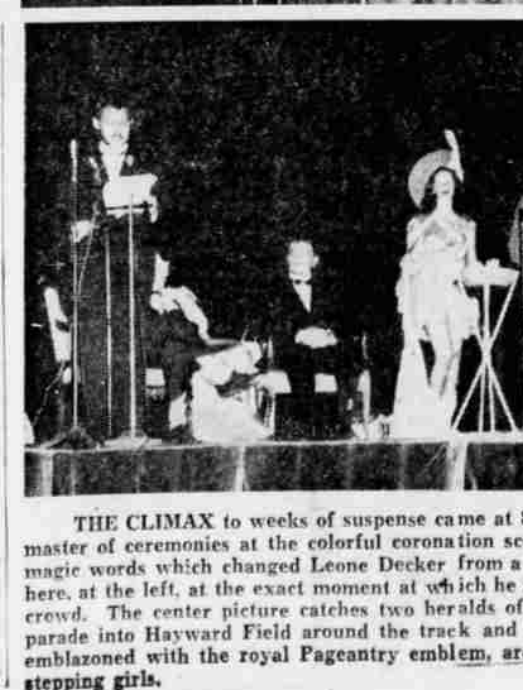
Enter the Princesses The ceremony began with overtures by Art Holman and his orchestra, followed by the strains of the opening procession. Then came the Wiltshires; the robe, scepter and scepter bearers; the princesses; and the seven princesses in alphabetical order, each seated in an open automobile, by brigadiers.

The princesses, gowned in pastel shades, were announced to be seated and then escorted to stage and seated.

Don Motter, master of ceremonies, then presented the princesses with gifts from Eugene.

Came the Courier The scroll bearing the name of the queen was presented to Rex

REX FORD DIES
SASIE, Ore. — (AP) — Emil Rexford, 45, well known Eugene "hot music" band leader, collapsed here Saturday night and died enroute to a hospital.



THE CLIMAX to weeks of suspense came at 8:50 p.m. Saturday when Don Motter, master of ceremonies at the colorful coronation scene, opened the scroll and read the magic words which changed Leone Decker from a princess to a queen. Motter is shown here, at the left, at the exact moment at which he satisfied the curiosity of the assembled crowd. The center picture catches two heralds of the royal procession as they led the parade into Hayward Field around the track and up to the stage. Heraldic banners, emblazoned with the royal Pageantry emblem, are held "at the ready" by the high-stepping girls.

At the right Queen Leone kneels to accept the crown of her high station from Pageant President L. L. Ray. The rest of the court remained kneeling during the crowning ceremony. Rex Hamaker, chairman of the queen's committee, is shown in the right background.

A prelude to pageantry is the lower shot of the entire coronation scene. Shown on the coronation platform are the entire royal court of princesses, their Brigadier escorts, Pageant officials and entertainers. (Wiltshire photos and engraving.)