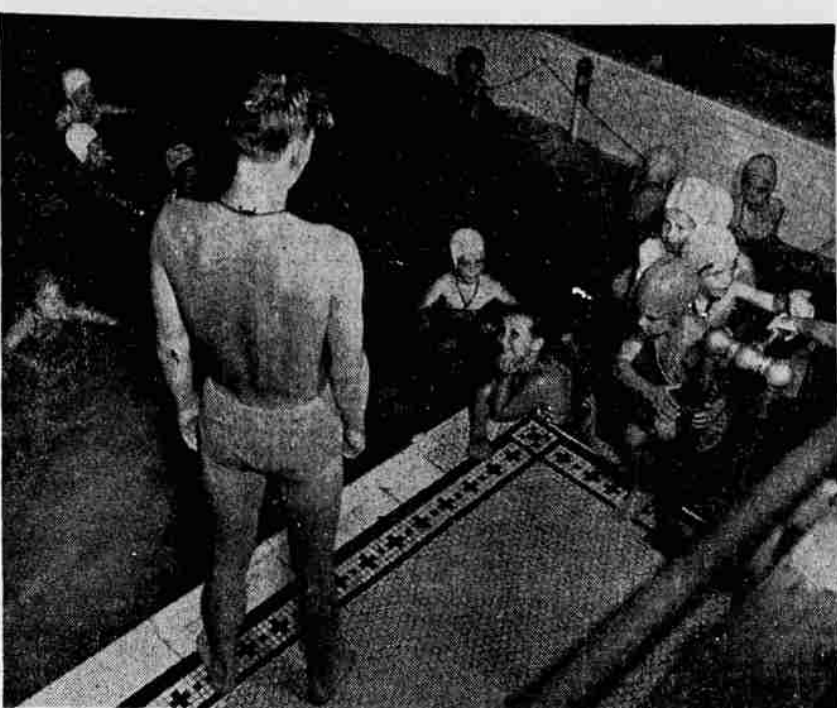


Pruett Reaffirms Disc Doubts, Points Out Venus in Daytime

Reaffirming his belief that daytime appearances of the planet Venus account for recent "flying saucer" reports, Astronomer J. Pruet of Eugene Saturday High School pointed out Venus in the sky. Pruet said, "Venus appears as a tiny, pearl-white dot. Pruet said, and is due south at 10:30 a. m. (daylight time), very high in the sky. Stand in Shade. Advising would-be observers to stand in the shade of a building or tree, Pruet noted that on Aug. 1 the planet will appear "about 10 degrees down and to the left of the white, crescent moon — which can be easily spotted." On Aug. 2, Venus will be about the same angular distance down and to the right of the moon, he said. "Good field glasses will show it clearly." As for the reports of Yakima



A FEW OF THE 250 Springfield children who are using the University of Oregon men's pool for swim classes sponsored by the Lane County Chapter of the American Red Cross are shown in a corner of the pool. The youngsters attend classes held throughout the day, and at night the pool is used for adult classes. Looking on is Don Pickens, senior lifesaver who assists Imogene Love in teaching the classes. (Staff photo, Wiltshire engraving).

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Willamalane Park Schedule Shows Busy Recreation Week

SPRINGFIELD — One of the busiest weeks of Willamalane's summer playground program is on the agenda for the next five days. Last week, 6647 children and adults took advantage of the recreational facilities. Touch football is on the schedule, every Tuesday and Thursday night at Brattain Field across from the high school. Buses Leave. Buses taking the boys and girls to Eugene for the swimming program will leave the respective playgrounds at the following times during the week: Maple playground — 9 a.m. for boys, and 1 p.m. for girls; Junior High, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. for boys, 2:30 p.m. girls; Lincoln — 10 a.m., boys, 2 p.m. girls; Glenwood — 11 a.m. boys, 3 p.m. girls. Baseball School. A baseball school is scheduled at the high school field every afternoon, beginning at 2 p.m. Monday evening at 7:30 on the high school field, a baseball game will be played against Colin Kelly of Eugene. Friday afternoon, all schools will take part in a rhythm band jamboree at the Lincoln school.

New Drug Kills Garden Enemy

Early successes have been announced by Asst. County Agent W. B. Parker in a campaign against the garden destroying synphylid through use of a new fumigant solution called DD. Previous tests with tear gas, burning Chloropicrin, live steam, electricity, and commercial solutions were mostly ineffective and Parker warns that even "DD is in an early testing stage and may not be the final answer." Synphylids are white bugs, about a 1/4 inch long, armed with two horns, a big appetite, and 24 legs. They eat almost all garden vegetables and cause thousands of dollars of damage yearly in Lane County. Almost every product and killer known has been used by experimental teams from OSC and the agricultural agent's office but with little effect. Finally this year on the Truman Chase farm on Country Club Road, they met a measure of success. Parker and H. E. Morrison, OSC entomologist, used a new type five foot tiller to turn the soil 12 inches deep on 6 acres. When it had been worked to a list of DD into the soil, using 35 gallons to the acre. Where previous experiments had ended with the synphylid still in position of the battlefield past DD shovel tests found most of the average 25 to a shovel-full dead and out of action against local planters. "The synphylid is a strong bug. It thrives on moist soil and organic matter and, where irrigation is complete they are found in large numbers. But DD seems to be having a discouraging effect on them," says Parker.

Lane Fair Premium List Books Ready

Premium list books for the Lane County fair may be picked up at the fairgrounds or at the office of the county agent. Commercial and eating booth space is now being allotted for the Sept. 22-25 event. Drawings for Grange exhibit space will be conducted soon. residents that they saw a veering, wobbly disc of luminosity in the sky, the Eugene authority said he doubted that they had held their field glasses steady and accordingly the image they saw probably did dip and swing a great deal. Pruet is extension division astronomer for the Oregon System of Higher Education and also is Pacific Coast director for the American Meteor Society.

City to Open Amazon Bids

Bids on dredging operations to clear the Amazon Creek channel will be opened at the mayor's office in the city hall at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday. City Manager Deane Seeger reported Saturday that "every effort is being made" to see the drainage capacity of the stream increased before the rainy season sets in. If favorable bids are received Wednesday, Seeger added, Mayor Earl McNutt may call a special session of the city council to consider them. The permanent improvement of the Amazon, a federal-aid project for which funds already have been appropriated, will not be jeopardized by the scheduled cleaning operation, Seeger said. But the threat of winter floods will be reduced until the permanent control plan is carried out.

Miller Heads Church Music

Byron Miller will head the music staff of First Methodist church for the coming year, it was announced Saturday by the church. Mrs. Barbara Tripp will be organist, and soloists will be Mrs. Doris Siegenthaler, soprano, James Kays, tenor, and Wayne Sherwood, baritone. The staff will work with the complete church choir. Miller is director of instrumental music at Eugene High School, summer guest conductor of the Eugene Municipal Band, and a member of the Eugene Gleemen. He has had many years of choral conducting in schools and choirs, and before coming to Eugene conducted a church choir at Centralia, Wash. Mrs. Tripp was recently organist at the Christian Science Church, and the soloists, all known in Eugene, were re-elected for another year to their same positions. The choir of 35 was trained and conducted for several years by the late Glenn Griffith.

Funds for Gym Sought by Veneta

VENETA—A mass meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Monday at the Old Community Hall in Veneta to discuss means of raising additional funds for construction of a new gymnasium for the Veneta high school. The meeting is being sponsored by the Veneta Improvement Assn., of which Ralph Johnson is president. Previously \$10,000 was raised for the gymnasium, but more funds are required now.

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