

House Set Detroit Dam

Installation
Be Open Sept. 13

Dam will be complete
ready for public inspection
the Willamette River
Commission reported

House ceremonies are
for that day, and the
Engineers will conduct
through the big Santiam
Installation.

through the dam will
at 9 a.m. (DST) and con-
through 4 p.m. The power-
at the dam site will not have
completed at the time of the
house, but portions of it will
be opened for public scrutiny.

Dam has been designed
around 40,000 acre-feet of
and its power units will
be up to 100,000 kilowatts of
energy, beginning
in 1953.

dam is one of nine plan-
the Willamette River Basin
and will be operated as a
flood control-hydro-
installation. Its total cost
approximately \$50 million.

Litchman Lists Strong Teams

Litchman, director of the
news bureau at the Uni-
of Oregon, Monday gave
run-down of the strong
points of Pacific Coast
base football teams for the
coming season.

ing to members of the Eu-
Klanis Club, Litchman
the University of California
winner of the con-
championship. He listed
of Southern California
as close contenders.

in the middle bracket
outside pennant hopes are
of Washington, Wash-
State College and Stanford.

the process of rebuilding
State College, Univer-
of Oregon and Idaho.
Litchman said, "and
a very good offense. The
will be weak defensively."

about 20 lettermen will
winning. There will also be
seniors, transfers and non-
from last year's team.

San Francisco Starts Desalination

FRANCISCO — The sixth
metropolitan area in the
States, San Francisco, be-
ginning of its water supply.

novation, which was vot-
ed November, will reduce
tooth decay of chil-
drink the water by 60
according to proponents.
Desalination operation will
be controlled electronically, and
the department said that in
breakdown in any part of
the whole system
itally will shut down.



BALLERINAS IN BATHING SUITS, these girls will take part in Eugene's third annual water pageant Wednesday through Friday nights at the city's Memorial Swimming Pool, 16th and Jefferson Sts. The pageant will open at 8:15 p.m. each evening. Tickets will be sold at the gate. On the diving board above, left to right: Erika Fruhlinger, Betty Anderson, Nina Woods, Sally McIsaac, Helen Huse, Carmen Faris, Barbara Huse, Sue Shreeve, Karen Shreeve and Helen Pederson.

Labor Day Pageant to Celebrate Douglas County's 100th Year

ROSEBURG — The yellowed
pages of history will come alive
again in a large stage performance
here Labor Day Weekend.

The occasion is Douglas Coun-
ty's 100th birthday celebration.
The county's history will unfold in
a two-hour show at the county
fairgrounds in Roseburg with a
cast of 1,500 performers.

Music for the pageant—called
the "Umpqua Cavalcade"—was
written especially for the show by
Pulitzer Prize winning composer
Gail Kubik, now studying in
Rome.

The Battle Rock incident near
Port Orford provides material for
one scene in the pageant. At Bat-
tle Rock, settlers were besieged
by attacking Indians for four days
—finally escaping to a white set-
tlement on the Umpqua River.

In other scenes of the pageant,
Indians swoop down on the hap-
less Jedediah Smith party near
Reedsport and murder all but
two of them; settlers look for and
find the southern route of the
Oregon Trail; and a young pio-
neer girl — severely wounded—
rides furiously to warn a wagon
train of an approaching Indian
attack.

Playing the part of the white
girl is Jackie Carstens of Rose-
burg, widely known throughout
the Northwest as a prize-winning
trick rider.

Horace Robinson, head of the

University of Oregon Theater in
Eugene and director of pageants
in Eugene, Klamath Falls, and
Salem, will direct the Roseburg
show.

AUTHENTIC SHOW
Gordon Howard, University of
Oregon drama student and winner
of a leading actor award, will as-
sist him, while Bob Stedman,
Medford teacher, is technical di-
rector.

The presentation of Douglas

County's history will be as au-
thentic as theatrical limitations
permit, Robinson says. The per-
formance may provide inspiration
for some.

In one scene, for instance, rob-
bers take an undetermined amount
of gold in a stage coach robbery.
They later are captured and
hanged before they have a chance
to tell where they hid the gold.

So far as is known, the gold is
still hidden somewhere in Douglas
County.

TWO QUEENS REIGN

Not one but two queens will
reign over the celebration. Eigh-
teen-year-old Barbara Peterson
has already been selected as
queen, while a lady over 70 and
a resident of Douglas County since
1890 will be selected as "dowager
queen" of the Centennial.

The event will be held on a 225-
long stage in front of the fair-
grounds grandstand in Roseburg.

Reserve seat tickets are \$3 while
general admission is \$1.50. The
show will be held at 8:30 p.m.
daylight time Aug. 30, 31 and Sept.
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DANGERS IN FAR NORTH WILDERNESS

Explorers Check Legends

EDMONTON, Alta. (AP) —
Three men have come out of
Nahanni Valley alive to prove
that legends of death stalking
those who brave that far north
wilderness have some founda-
tion, but that the dangers are
not from supernatural forces.

The three explorers who
barely won out in their hazard-
ous trek through the mysteri-
ous valley are R. M. Shamp,
young chemical engineer from
Washington, D. C.; writer-pho-
tographer Norman Thomas of
Albuquerque, N. M.; and botan-
ist Howie Martin of Yale Uni-
versity.

"If trappers and prospectors
have failed to return from the
valley it's because they were
not as fortunate as we were,"
says Shamp. "There is good rea-
son for their failure to return.
It's the kind of country where
one mistake can mean your life."

They financed the trip by a
commission from the U. S. De-
fense Department to test a new
food ration pack, and an as-
signment to write scientific re-
ports on some of their findings.

The trio motored from Wash-
ington to Watson Lake in the
Yukon, where northern aviator
C. C. F. Dalziel picked them up
for the 150-mile flight to their
base camp at Glacier Lake,
some 180 miles upstream from
the mouth of the Nahanni River.
The river is in the north-
west territories and about 700
miles northwest of Edmonton.

They started from Glacier
Lake because much of the Na-
hanni Valley had been covered
by prospectors and trappers,
and they wanted to go through
a region less likely to have been
seen previously.

When they got going on foot,
each carried a 75-pound pack
with a rifle and other equip-
ment. Shamp cracked a knee-
cap and fractured a shoulder-
blade soon after the start, but
continued with the others.

A few days later one rifle was
damaged beyond repair on
rocks, and the two others were
put out of commission by con-
tinual dampness, leaving the
explorers without arms to kill
game for food. On the whole
trek they saw the sun only
three days.

In 25 days they walked 150
miles through tortuous country,

but were only 50 miles from
their starting point. With
rations getting short, they de-
cided to return to camp as fast
as possible. On the way back
they built rafts on three oc-
casions, suffered a spill in
glacier-fed waters and once
were trapped for two hours in a
whirlpool.

They got back to base with
three meat bars, one pair of
shoes between the three, one
sleeping bag, a camera and film.

The rest of their equipment had
been ruined by rain or lost in
raft upsets. All had lost a lot of
weight — Shamp about 40
pounds, and the others about 20
pounds each.

He doesn't believe the legend
about a tropical valley in the
Nahanni, but says there are
some hot springs around which
summer growth is luxuriant.
They also found some mineral
deposits, but not enough to
bother about.

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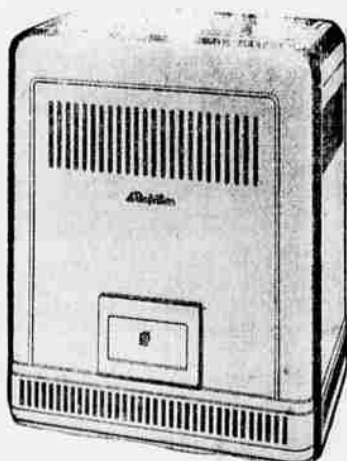
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