

Cottage Grove Retrospective

A look back at Sentinel stories from 30 and 60 years ago

March 17, 1955

'Ball of Fire' seen by local residents.

A "ball of fire" went flashing across the sky in a northerly direction last Tuesday evening at about 7 o'clock reported Maurice B. Cochran of Mosby Creek last week.

Cochran's story corresponds to one in the Eugene Register-Guard last Wednesday, which stated that... "What may have been the largest meteor flash across the Northwest in several years, was reported Wednesday by J. Hugh Pruett, Eugene astronomer."

Pruett said that he received five reports on the meteor between 7 and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Pruett stated that his callers' estimates of the meteor size ranged from "as big as the moon," to about one-tenth the size of the moon. He said it was seen generally in the

east, Cochran reported that it looked like a Roman Candle.

The display also was seen in Portland and other areas. Pruett asked persons who saw the meteor to write him at 1832 Lonview Ave., Eugene, so that we might trace its course.

March 13, 1985

Drain plywood mill to hire 130 workers

Up to 800 applications for 130 jobs that become available April 1 when the Drain plywood mill reopens are expected to be received by Thursday, according to Bohemia Inc. officials.

Over 300 people stood in line Monday when the mill office first started receiving applications.

The 230-employee mill closed down al-

most a year ago, creating ill feelings and cynicism on the part of townspeople. Community leaders and Mayor Grant Levings have pledged to improve relations between the town and the company.

Prospective employees from around the region flocked to fill out applications for the 130 openings, which will be "paying representative wage rates with similar industries in the area," according to Don Fisher, Bohemia's public affairs vice-president.

He said preference will not be given to previous employees, but that experienced millworkers are being sought. Future timber market conditions will determine whether the mill will remain operating permanently.

Applications will continue to be accepted until next Thursday and a hiring decision is expected by sometime next week, according to Fisher.

The opening of the Drain mill on April 1 will come a month after the company indefinitely shut down its Culp Creek sawmill plant.

POLICE BLOTTER

Cottage Grove Police Department 24-Hour Anonymous Tip Line: 767-0504

March 9

Suicidal subject, S. 6th St

Reporting person said that a 17-year-old female had threatened to kill herself.

Theft from vehicle, E Madison

A complainant at the station filed a report for theft of musical equipment from his locked vehicle — which was parked in the driveway at the location — sometime overnight. The estimated value of stolen property was \$900, and there was no suspect info.

Attempted burglary, Taylor Ave

A caller reported that a male subject outside the building and attempting to make entry through the front door of a house across the street from the caller's residence. When the subject was unable to do so, he went around the rear of the residence. The caller did not know if the subject made entry. The subject has long hair and was last seen wearing a red jacket with horizontal black stripes across the back, and was heading southbound on 4th St.

An area check for the suspect

was negative, and officers determined that the residence in question was secure.

March 10

Motor vehicle accident — injury, Row River Rd

Multiple calls regarding a single vehicle motor vehicle accident at the location; a semi truck was on its side.

March 11

Theft, S. 1st St

A reporting person at the station said that a handgun was taken from the location on Monday by his nephew, and he discovered both missing on Tuesday. The gun was a FN45, .45 caliber semi-automatic pistol, valued at \$700.

Theft, Villard Ave

A caller said his Danner, gore-tex, steel-toed work boots, which are valued at \$280, were stolen off the front porch of the residence sometime between 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday and 2:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

March 12

Criminal mischief, Taco Bell

Reporting person said unknown subjects threw eggs at the building. The suspects were last seen on Thornton heading toward Mosby Creek. An officer contacted the reporting person for additional info and to file a report.

Criminal mischief, Gateway Blvd.

Reporting person said unknown subjects threw eggs at vehicles parked at the location. An officer contacted the reporting person for additional info and to file a report.

March 13

Assault, E. Adams

Caller said that the subject had choked her and left the residence. The subject was last seen wearing a blue shirt and gray Vans, and was riding a bike.

Prowler, Row River Rd

Caller said she heard a noise and when she looked outside she saw a flashlight in her backyard.

March 14

Menacing, Relax Inn

Caller said that the subject menaced her yesterday and believes he will come back to harm her. The caller believes the subject is currently in a nearby parking lot and could be armed with a handgun. She also said the subject is a convicted felon. Officers told the caller that no crime has been committed and gave her a victim's rights card.

Welfare check, N. Lane St

A reporting person from the suicide hotline said they'd received a call from a male who was acting suicidal. The reporting person said she could hear the male in the background saying he wanted to be with his mother, who is deceased.

Criminal mischief, E. Adams Ave

Complainant returned home and found the landscaping and garden destroyed.

CITY BEAT

Another water main break

On Thursday of this week, the Public Works utilities crew had to deal with yet another water main break, which occurred in the 1100 block of South 4th Street. The City says the waterline in question was a 10-inch transite (asbestos cement) main that cracked near a service saddle connection, adding that the service saddle had decayed and rusted, causing the strap on the saddle to break. The Public Works crew installed a new service saddle on the mainline and restored service to nine customers. The nine customers affected were out of service for approximately four hours. This particular waterline dates from the early 1960s. The City says at least one-quarter mile of this old transite water main needs to be replaced with ductile iron pipe in the very near future.

ager Richard Meyers attended a meeting of the local government managers from throughout Lane County at the Lane Council of Governments office. The managers met and discussed Lane County's tobacco retail licensing ordinance and local economic development efforts. Brenda Wilson, LCOG Executive Director, gave a report on LCOG dues for the 2015-16 budget and on the LCOG Board of Directors visioning process that is kicking off.

New gravel installed on Middlefield Golf Course cart path

A significant portion of the total Middlefield Golf Course cart path has a gravel surface. This gravel surface is prone to settling and develops pot holes during heavy use. This week, the Middlefield maintenance crew finished placing gravel along the entire unpaved section of the cart path in preparation of this summer's busy season.

Regional managers meeting

Cottage Grove City Man-

Family Fishing Event set for April 4

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife invites Oregon families to come fishing at one of 33 free family fishing events scheduled throughout the state this spring and summer. Cottage Grove will host a family fishing event on Saturday, April 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Cottage Grove pond at Row River Nature Park.

The events are designed to show families how easy and fun fishing can be, said Shahab Farzanegan, ODFW angler education coordinator. ODFW provides loaner rods and reels, tackle, instruction and freshly stocked fish — everything a family needs for a successful fishing trip.

"These events are fantastic and I enjoy taking my kids and their friends and teaching them different techniques," said one recent participant. "The best part about it is that the kids catch

fish and want to go again."

Children under the age of 14 can fish for free; kids 14 to 17 and adults will need an Oregon fishing license in order to fish.

For families that can't attend one of the scheduled events, ODFW offers several resources to help families get started on their own, including:

Easy Angling Oregon — 101 great places for families to fish in Oregon

Gearing Up — rod, reel and tackle recommendations

Trout Fishing in Oregon — how to fish for trout in rivers and lakes

Trout 365 — a web page dedicated to catching trout in Oregon throughout the year

Visit the ODFW website, click on the Fishing tab at the top of the page, select Where and How from the menu.

OFFBEAT

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couraged, but he never gave up. Finally, in 1911, while working for a going-nowhere pencil-sharpener manufacturer, he started writing crazy stories to submit to the fiction magazines, and a few months later he was cashing a check from Munsey's All-Story Magazine for \$400 — about a half-penny a word — for his first novel.

That novel was titled "A Princess of Mars," and it was the first book in the long-lived and much-loved John Carter of Mars series. And, two years later, he wrote the novel that would make his name and his fortune: a little yarn about an unrecognized English lord growing up in the African jungle, titled "Tarzan

of the Apes." You have perhaps heard of it?

(Sources: Fenton, Robert W. Edgar Rice Burroughs and Tarzan. New York: McFarland, 2003; Porges, Irwin. Edgar Rice Burroughs: The Man who Created Tarzan. New York: Ballantine, 1975. "The Edgar Rice Burroughs Idaho connection," ERBzine, erbzine.com, v. 3650)

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JOYCE

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the rewarder of those who earnestly and diligently seek Him [out]." And Romans 8:17 says that if we are children of God, we are "heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ" (NKJV). This means, as born-again Christians, God has provided everything we need in Christ. We just have to access it through a personal relationship with Him.

The Bible also teaches us to "love [our] enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and [our] reward will be great..." and to "be merciful, just as [our] Father is merciful" (Luke 6:35-36NKJV). Verses 37-38 tell us not to judge others, to forgive, and to be generous with our giving, "for with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you." Obedience to God's Word,

giving and serving others are the ways we release the blessings of God in our lives. And if you haven't learned to be a radical, generous giver, you are missing out on one of the best things in your life. I know from experience that you'll never be happier than when you're helping someone else...when you're doing something to help make someone else's life better. And anytime you do anything for anyone, always look at it as if you're giving to God.

The best attitude we can have with giving is: "Lord, I'm doing this for You because I love You. You gave to me, now I want

to give my life to You!" When this is the motive of your heart, then you can stand on Philippians 4:19, knowing He will meet your every need.

Trust God to meet every need in your life today. He wants to be your healer, comforter, wisdom, peace, joy—anything and everything you need. He wants you to live in His grace, forgiveness, mercy and strength. Rest in Him with confidence that He is the Lord your Provider!

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6-day weather forecast

THURSDAY March 19 44° 68° Partly Cloudy	FRIDAY March 20 42° 64° P.M. Rain
SATURDAY March 21 37° 59° Showers	SUNDAY March 22 43° 63° Partly Cloudy
MONDAY March 23 42° 56° Rain	TUESDAY March 24 41° 56° Showers

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