

# Cottage Grove Retrospective

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

May 26, 1955

## Wilson Takes 1st in pole vault at state track meet

Cottage Grove High's two-man thinclad squad copped a tie for 13th spot at the Oregon State High School Track and Field Meet at Bell Field in Corvallis Saturday, as Jay Wilson walked away with a blue ribbon in his specialty pole vaulting event and Doug Ballow garnered fifth in the long hurdles.

Wilson won the event with a 12' 6" effort. He missed the 12' 10" mark on three consecutive tries, although his first miss was greatly aided by a stiff wind which, after a very slight jar, finally blew the bar off.

Ballow had a stroke of bad luck when, coming around the final turn in contention for the lead, he hit a hurdle, got off stride and loped in fifth.



High School students can have a positive effect on the community, a group of them spent all day Saturday constructing a log house for the Harrison playground across from the fire station.

Here Jeff Brownell (left) and Mike Scarpelli measure their progress. According to project coordinator Brent Daniels, materials for the playhouse were donated by various merchants, and labor was provided by fel-

low students and three local carpenters. The structures, which is scheduled to have the final touches added this week, replaces a rotted structure that Forestry class students tore down Friday.

The construction crew toiled until 10 p.m. Saturday to complete the work they had begun, Daniels said. To see what they were doing, the headlights of couple of pickups were beamed onto the project.

## CITY BEAT

Excerpts from the City's Friday Update publication

### Kimwood fire flow meter

Kimwood Corporation, located just south of Cottage Grove, is served by a 16-inch water line that runs down Highway 99 to Weyerhaeuser and supplies water to a 10-inch meter for fire flow and a two-inch meter for domestic service. This week, the 10-inch meter developed a significant leak on one of the welds. The Public Works utilities crew responded to the leak and the faulty weld was tapped and plugged. This quick repair seems to have solved the problem for the moment. However, the meter will be monitored and if the leak reoccurs, the 10-inch meter will need to be replaced at a cost of \$3,770.

### Safe Drinking Water Act training

On Friday of last week, Water Production Superintendent, Ray Pardee and Water Treatment Plant Operator Sam Haynes attended a one-day class in Beaverton on maintaining compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act regulations. Specific topics dealt with total coli form rules, surface water treatment rules, disinfection byproducts rules, lead and copper rules, and microbial contaminants.

### Library receives Pilerow Foundation Book Grant

The Cottage Grove Public Library has just been awarded a Pilerow Foundation 2015

Children's Book Project grant. The Friends of the Cottage Grove Public Library will provide \$400 in matching funds and the Pilerow Foundation will double that and provide \$800 toward book purchases. The result is \$1200 for the purchase of children's books for the Cottage Grove Public Library. Guests can check out these new children's titles soon at the Cottage Grove Public Library.

### Free ukulele lessons

Each Thursday at 9 a.m., the Cottage Grove Public Library hosts Nolene Wheeler, who leads and teaches ukulele to players of all levels of skill. For beginners, the Library has ukuleles that can be borrowed and even checked out from the Library. Ukulele for Kids begins on Tuesday, June 16 and will continue every Tuesday this summer at 9 a.m.

### Sing-Along at the Community Center

The Cottage Grove Community Center will be hosting a "Sing-Along" Thursday, May 28 in the Reception Hall from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sing-Alongs will be held every other week through the summer. Pianist Doug Trappen will lead the group with songs from the 1880s through the 1980s with the last 15 minutes dedicated to solos.

May 29, 1985

## Students build play structure

In an effort to show that Cottage Grove

## POLICE BLOTTER

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

May 18

### Driving with suspended license, Middle Field Oaks

The reporting person, a facility administrator, said she observed the subject operating his motor vehicle with a suspended license. Officers contacted the subject, who voluntarily released his vehicle keys to his nephew.

### Neighborhood problem, Kelly Field

The caller said he is having an ongoing problem with his neighbor, whose backyard backs up against the outfield. The caller said that his neighbor becomes angry and threatening towards players who are coming to his door to retrieve balls have been hit into his yard.

ered case containing medical supplies, which was recovered at the high school. The case also contained a Bible, an endorsed check and other miscellaneous papers.

### Theft, the Grove

The caller said her purse was stolen from the location on Friday. The stolen property, which included the victim's Social Security card and birth certificate, was valued at \$300.

### Animal info, Taylor Ave.

The caller said there was an alligator in the bathtub at the location. The caller said he had seen it the previous week but did not know if the subject had a permit or if the animal was being taken care of properly.

May 20

### Intoxicated subject, S. 8th St.

The caller said that a very intoxicated older female was laying in his flowerbed. He said the subject was uninjured but didn't want to get up. The subject was given a courtesy ride home.

May 19

### Property found, CGHS

An unknown suspect entered the vehicle overnight while it was parked on Hayes Ave. and took a blue-and-white bag that contained a smaller, blue flow-

May 21

### Agency assist, S. 6th St.

The caller, who had sent a unit from Eugene, requested CGPD to standby for a possible domestic disturbance. The caller had been alerted to a situation in which a stepson had broken into the residence, and the husband said that the stepson had a gun. However, the reporting person later said that she misunderstood the situation and that there was no weapon involved.

May 22

### Theft, Row River Rd.

The reporting person said that two males purchased a PS4 with accessories using five counterfeit \$100 bills.

May 23

### Theft of lost or mislaid property

The caller took an envelope with \$35,000 in cash, his social security card and birth certificate to Affordable Automotive

to buy a vehicle, but he was unable to do so because he doesn't have a license. The caller had misplaced the envelope, but when he got home it had been returned by someone who had found it.

May 24

### Suspicious condition, Harrison Elementary

The complainant, whose property backs up to the school, said he can see three teenagers on the roof of the cafeteria. Officers contacted the subjects, who came down from the roof, and told them they were trespassing.

May 25

### Harassment, Walmart

The complainant, an employee, requested an officer to contact her to discuss options on how to deal with her soon-to-be ex husband, who was parked in front of the store and harassing her.

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**6-day weather forecast**

<b>THURSDAY May 28</b> 53°   84° Sunny	<b>FRIDAY May 29</b> 54°   83° Partly Cloudy
<b>SATURDAY May 30</b> 54°   83° Mostly Sunny	<b>SUNDAY May 31</b> 53°   79° Mostly Sunny
<b>MONDAY June 1</b> 52°   73° A.M. showers	<b>TUESDAY June 2</b> 49°   72° P.M. showers

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