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JULY 4TH OFFERS VARIED ACTIVITIES

Fairgrounds Program, Individual Community Celebrations, County Grange Picnic, Mountains and Seashore All Vie for Public Patronage.

Local people will be able to take their choice in the manner of celebrating the Fourth of July this year. It is seldom that such a varied list of programs and celebrations has been arranged for in this county and even this group of events which includes the large celebration at the Lane county fairgrounds, community programs at Junction City, Noti and other places, the county Grange picnic at Riverside, and the opening of the swimming season at Swimmers Delight, will not be enough to hold a large portion of the population from going into the mountains on camping and mountain climbing trips.

Springfield merchants will not close their stores on Saturday. Several of them want to close their business places on both Friday and Saturday, but the sentiment was not unanimous and they have all decided to keep their doors open. The depot will operate on a Sunday schedule with one man on duty until 4:00 o'clock when it will be closed.

Reports along the McKenzie highway are anticipating large crowds and it is certain that the ocean beaches within driving distance from this city will all be crowded with both young and old.

Foresters to Be Busy

Forest officials are going to keep careful check on all campers in the national forests tomorrow and they have already warned motorists not to smoke, while driving through the woods off the main highways, or to build fires without campfire permits. Some of the local people have announced their plans for the Fourth. Mr. and Mrs. Jess Spiltson have already left for Newport. They left Tuesday morning when Mr. Spiltson's resignation as fire chief became effective, and will spend several days on the coast.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gillette will go to Halsey where their daughter, Beatrice, is visiting, and spend the day with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Turner, accompanied by A. Turner, C. Woodruff, and Walter Newman and two daughters, all of Eugene, will spend the day on the Smith river in the southwestern part of the state.

Miss Helen McKee will go to Salem with her relatives to spend the weekend with friends.

HIGHWAY SURVEY GROUP WANT MEETING TUESDAY

A committee of the Lions club have been asked by Mrs. Jessie M. Honeyman, chairman of the roadside and billboard committee of the Oregon Federation of Garden Clubs, to gather for a special meeting Tuesday at noon to meet with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lawton, who are now completing a survey of state highways, and discuss plans for the beautification of the roads in this part of the state.

Mrs. Lawton came to Oregon more than a month ago at the request of the Oregon Club Federation to make a survey of the present scenic features of the highways and to make a report containing recommendations for improvement. Mr. and Mrs. Lawton have been spending the past week in Central Oregon with Judge Robert Sawyer of Bend and have visited all of the highways around Crater Lake, Klamath Falls, Prineville, and Bend.

Saturday and Sunday they will go over the McKenzie highway and will note possibilities for improving the scenic features of the highway.

On Monday they will visit the Booth-Kelly timber holdings above Wendling and in the Mohawk region. Mr. and Mrs. Lawton will go to Washington after they complete the survey here and make a similar one for the Garden Clubs of that state.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY PREACHES TO METHODISTS

Rev. D. E. Baker, missionary worker for the Baptist church Sunday schools in this part of the state with headquarters in Eugene, delivered the Sunday morning sermon at the Methodist church. Rev. Baker told the audience something of the work which he is engaged in and then preached an interesting sermon. He filled the pulpit during the absence of Rev. C. J. Pike, pastor, who was attending the annual conference of the church at Astoria.

Union Services to Begin On Sunday

Veltie Pruitt Will Preach Initial Sermon at Baptist Church Sunday in Evening

Veltie Pruitt, pastor of the Springfield Christian church will deliver the sermon Sunday evening at the Baptist church for the first union church service to be held in Springfield this summer. Rev. Ralph R. Mulholland, pastor of the Baptist church will preside at the service, and members of his congregation will provide musical numbers. The services will start at 8:00 o'clock.

The three protestant churches in this city have been holding union services every Sunday evening for the past several seasons. The ministers of the three churches have charge of the meetings and they usually take turns about preaching and the meetings alternate from one church to another. The pastor of the church here where the union service is being held usually has charge of the opening and closing service and special numbers are provided by the members of his congregation.

These services have been very popular during the past and good audiences are expected again this season.

Rev. C. J. Pike, pastor of the Methodist church, will preach on the subject, "Trustworthiness," at the morning service at his church. The regular Sunday school and Young People's meetings will be held.

Baptists will hear Rev. Mulholland speak on the topic, "A Soldier Who Was Told to Fear," at the 11:00 a. m. service. They will have their Sunday school at 10:00 o'clock.

The regularly quarterly business meeting of the Baptist church will be held next Thursday evening at the church.

Regular services will be held at the Christian church Sunday morning. The subject for the sermon has not been announced.

PERKINS GETS CONTRACT FOR NEW LOWELL H. S.

The contract for the construction of the new union high school at Lowell was awarded to George Perkins on Monday. His bid was \$27,423.56. The plans for the building was drawn by Hunzicker, Smith and Phillips, Eugene architects. The outside dimensions of the building are to be 190 by 120 feet and it is to be completely ready for use by October 1, according to the terms of the contract.

Another clause in the contract provides that the contractor must use as much local labor and local materials as is possible. The entire school will be built of wood.

The new school building will contain a study room, a library, three recitation rooms, a lecture hall, and a science room. A kitchen and a manual training room will also be provided as will be offices for the teachers and the principal.

The plans also call for a combination gymnasium and auditorium 65 by 80 feet in size. This will also include locker and shower rooms for both boys and girls.

The school board now owns an eight acre site to be used for the school. On this will be constructed a double tennis court which is expected to cost approximately \$1,000, and an athletic field.

The Lowell union high school district was formed by the uniting of six school districts in that vicinity. The school board has just been elected and the first high school classes in the district will be started this fall.

FLYING SCHOOL TO TAKE SHIPS TO SILTCOOS LAKE

The cabin monoplane, City of Eugene, and the two place trainer ship belonging to the Lee Inman flying school will be flown to Siltcoos lake this afternoon where they will be used to haul passengers during the Fourth holidays. Lee Inman and Jim McManiman will fly the cabin ship and Dalton Shinn will take the smaller plane. Mrs. Inman and Mrs. McManiman plan on driving to the lake this afternoon.

LUMBER WORKER SUFFERS BADLY BURNED BACK

Leo Hammer of Bend, an employee of the Orem lumber mill at Walterville, suffered a badly burned back last Thursday evening when he was caught between a donkey steam pipe and a tree while the donkey was being moved. He was taken to the Pacific Christian hospital in Eugene for treatment. His injury was not serious, but it will take a long time for the burns to heal.

Salmon Story Is Branded As False

Rumors That Racks Are Being Opened Are Denied by Fish Commission Men

Rumors to the effect that some individuals have recently taken several truckloads of salmon from the McKenzie river at the fish racks above Hendricks bridge, and that unknown individuals have at various times in the past few weeks opened the racks to permit the fish to go up the river to spawn are not only untrue, but the commission of these acts is almost an impossibility according to employees of the state fish commission who are stationed at the racks to watch them.

E. V. Anderson, who has assisted in the capturing of salmon at the racks for the past several seasons, stated that while it was not impossible to have committed the acts which are so frequently spoken of, however, it would be almost an impossibility.

Many Salmon Above Racks

The racks were not put in as early this year as they usually are, he stated, and several thousand salmon had run up the river before the racks were completed on May 14. These salmon which made their way above the racks stay in the deeper holes along the river and frequently a small school of them move further upwards and cross the dam above the power plant. Every time a few large fish cross the racks at the dam someone starts a rumor that the racks have been broken by discontented people living above the racks and who think that they will have more salmon to catch if they only break the obstruction which the state has placed there to secure eggs which are hatched and later put into the streams again to stock them.

Few Caught Above Racks

The people living along the river are not as much opposed to the racks as some people would have the public believe, he continued. They know that this year, for instance, they have several thousand salmon above the racks and they are permitted to fish for them two miles below the lower rack. Many have tried to fish for them between the two racks during the time they were being constructed and few have ever caught any of them there. Likewise, it is very seldom that a person catches a salmon above the dam, although there are lots of them there. They have been seen going over the racks at the dam.

Very Difficult to Open Racks

It is a very difficult thing to remove any of the slats from the racks without being able to notice the change as they have all accumulated a covering of moss which would have to be broken if one were removed. Further, the state fish commission has a man stationed at the racks the entire season and he has a powerful searchlight mounted on the rack which makes it possible to see anyone molesting the property from the window of the cabin where the watcher stays.

O. W. Peterson is the warden in charge of the racks and he has been on duty there ever since they were started with the exception of a few hours a week when he is relieved.

Public Education Needed

We frequently see people violating the state law in one manner or another, but it is usually because they do not understand it or do not realize the use of certain things. The rack has been broken, stated Anderson, and it was very easy to see it for many weeks afterward. He ventured that if the public is told of the purpose of the racks they will soon forget their ideas that the state is spoiling their fishing streams and there will be no further troubles experienced.

The racks have been operated for five years now and very little trouble has been experienced by molestation.

The quantity of salmon between the racks now is estimated at somewhere between 6,000 and 15,000. There will be many times that number there by the end of August when they stop running upstream.

RUSSIAN EXILE VISITS IN SPRINGFIELD MONDAY

Colonel Alexander Schwartz, former commander of the body guards of the late czar of Russia, spent several hours in Springfield meeting local business men on Monday. He is making a tour of the United States telling of the conditions in Russia today. He is speaking before the Active club in Eugene this noon.

The former Russian military officer does not take a defiant attitude toward the Soviet government which exiled him. He is watching conditions there very closely and believes that many good reforms will eventually come of the new form of government.

BRIDGE APPROACH OILING THIS WEEK

All Highway Work to Cease at Noon Today Until After July Fourth; Heavy Traffic Expected on All State Highways; Traffic Slows Oiling.

All highway repair and construction crews will be taken off the Oregon state highways at noon today and will not begin work again until Saturday morning, according to orders issued from the State Highway department at Salem. This action is being taken by the highway department so as not to hamper any more than is necessary, the thousands of motorists who are contemplating motor trips over the Fourth of July.

More than fifty men have been working long hours since Monday morning trying to get the oiling of the approaches to the new Springfield bridge completed before the Fourth. Officials in charge of the work there stated yesterday that they expected to have the work completed by noon today, but also added that if they didn't, they would cease all work and open all roads to the heavy traffic which is expected to pass up the McKenzie for the holidays, which will be three days in duration for many business people in Lane county.

Work Requires More Time

The original plans of the highway department allowed only two days for the oiling of the approaches, and they probably would have completed the work in that time if unusually heavy traffic had not started using the bridge. The three approaches, which are being oiled are twenty-four feet wide. This coupled with the fact that the vehicle portion of the bridge is no wider has made the oiling of the east approach more difficult than ordinary stretches of highway oiling. Here the shoulders have to be either built up or dressed down and the roadway itself is very narrow for even one way traffic which is necessary on one side of the road while the other side is being oiled.

The oiling which the crews are doing now actually amounts to a soft paving. It consists of four inches of three different sizes of crush river gravel which has been mixed with several heavy coatings of heavy road oil and rolled and packed down with steam rollers. A smooth coating of fine crushed rock is spread over the top coat of oil and this keeps most of the oil from sticking to the tires of automobiles and being thrown against the fenders.

Crew Going to Cottage Grove

The crew now working on the bridge approaches will be moved to Cottage Grove next and then will be sent back north of Junction City where they were working before they started here.

Surfacing of the McKenzie highway in the east part of the city starting at Tenth street will be similar to the work being done at the bridge. It is to be done by a Reedsport contractor who is now working on another contract job near Lebanon. The work is expected to start here in about one month.

LOCAL DOCTOR VOTED OFFICE AT ASTORIA

Dr. W. H. Pollard was chosen to be one of the vice-presidents of the laymen of the Methodist church at the annual conference which was held at Astoria last week, and Rev. C. J. Pike was re-appointed pastor of the church in this city by the conference.

A change in the division of the state into four instead of five districts as it formerly had was made by the conference. The Springfield church now becomes a part of the Salem district which includes all churches from Oregon City to Eugene. Dr. M. A. Marcy will continue to serve as superintendent of this district, but it is not certain just where his headquarters will be located. It is probable that he will be moved to Salem so as to be located more in the center of his charge.

SCHOOL BOARD TO BE REORGANIZED MONDAY

A reorganization of the school board to include members which were elected at the annual school election, and to select a new board chairman to succeed D. J. Beals, who did not run for re-election, is scheduled to be held next Monday evening. Dr. W. H. Pollard will probably be chosen to serve as new chairman, being the senior man on the board. F. B. Flanery will take the place of Mr. Beals and C. F. Barber will succeed Wm. G. Hughes as clerk.

LOCAL COUPLE OBSERVES WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WITH DINNER FRIDAY

The twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Endicott was the occasion for a large anniversary dinner which they gave at their home at 621 F street on Friday evening, June 27. Mr. and Mrs. Endicott were married in Eugene on June 27, 1905.

An interesting incident in connection with the anniversary dinner was the fact that five of the people who attended the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Endicott were able to attend the dinner Friday evening. They were Mrs. Lepley, mother of Mrs. Endicott, Mrs. Arthur Roberts, Mrs. Elsie Davis, Pratt Holverson, and J. B. Endicott.

Those who attended the dinner Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Endicott and son, Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wallace, Mrs. Lepley, Mr. and Mrs. Pratt Holverson, and daughter, Faye, Mrs. Elsie Davis, M. E. Northrop, who is visiting in Springfield from North Dakota, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Clover and daughter, June, R. M. Stevens, Ola Endicott, Junior Endicott and Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Endicott.

REBEKAH INSTALLATION TO BE HELD ON MONDAY

Plans for the semi annual installation of officers of the Juanita Rebekah lodge were discussed at the Monday night meeting of the organization and a committee consisting of Mrs. Stella Fidelity, Margaret Halsey and Amy Love was appointed to make arrangements for the installation which is set for next Monday.

The new officers to be installed are: Miss Amy Love, noble grand; Mrs. Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roberts, Nellie Pyne, vice-grand; Mrs. Genevieve Louk, recording secretary; and Alice Lorah, treasurer. The position of financial secretary which is held by Mrs. Clarine Putnam is for one year, and is filled at the beginning of each year.

A surprise birthday party was held following the meeting in honor of Miss Amy Love who recently had a birthday.

TWO AUTOMOBILES CRASH ON SATURDAY MORNING

An automobile accident involving cars being driven by Mrs. H. V. Neher of Pasadena, California, and Cadgel Ziolski, route 1, Springfield, happened at the intersection of Fourth and Main streets last Saturday morning damaging the front fender of the California automobile. According to the accident report filed at the city hall Mrs. Neher swung her automobile to the right as if to make a right hand turn and then suddenly turned it to the left to make a reverse turn. The driver of the second car in attempting to pass caught the front fender of the first machine with the rear bumper and bent it.

POLICE CHIEF ARRESTS DRUNKEN DRIVER HERE

C. Johnson, transient, had a hard day of it on Monday. First he drove his automobile into a telephone pole at the corner of Fifth and K streets and then deserted it and proceeded by taxi to an auto camp across the river. Here he was arrested by Lum Anderson and Deputy Sheriff George Candy on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Johnson was assessed a fine of \$100 and was sentenced to serve 60 days in jail when he was tried in justice court in Eugene on Tuesday.

The Springfield police chief had several bottles of liquor in the city vault Tuesday which he had found in the wrecked automobile, and which he was keeping as evidence of possession if the arrested man should have been freed of the first charge.

MANY PEOPLE ATTEND CHURCH NIGHT PROGRAM

A large crowd attended the church night program presented by the Live Wire high school class of the Christian church in the social rooms on Friday evening. A program consisting of musical numbers and a short play was presented and was followed by refreshments consisting of sandwiches, cake and coffee served by the women of the church.

LIONS CLUBS HAVE JOINT PICNIC LAST THURSDAY

Sixty people attended the joint picnic of the Springfield and Cottage Grove Lions club members and their wives which was held at Swimmers Delight on last Thursday evening. The members and guests enjoyed a 6:30 dinner which was followed by dancing and other entertainment.

NEW WILLAMETTE ROUTE IS WANTED

Upper River Folks Working on Water Grade Line From Lowell to Fall Creek Station Are Soliciting Aid in Springfield Today

A new county road on a water grade from Lowell to Fall Creek station is being sought by people living in the upper Willamette district. It is claimed that the proposed road on the east side of the river is five miles shorter than the state highway through Pleasant Hill to Springfield.

A committee from the upper river district headed by Frank Blair, Lowell merchant, plans to attend the Lions club meeting in Springfield today to solicit support for the project here. As soon as sufficient backing is had the county court will be petitioned for the road. Supporters of the plan say that the whole upper river district to Oakridge will come on through Springfield if the new road was built, due to a shorter distance. Tourists, also, would use this road as it is more scenic than the west side route.

The regular weekly meeting of the Lions club is being held at noon today instead of Friday due to the fact that tomorrow is the fourth of July and most business houses will be closed.

David Bidwell, former resident of Springfield, a graduate of the local high school and University at Eugene, will be a guest at the meeting of the club today and will make a talk. He is now an instructor at the University of Ohio and is spending his vacation here with his sister, Miss Ann Bidwell.

David Evans, member of the State Game Commission, was a guest at the meeting last Friday and told something of the work which that organization is carrying on in the state.

ENTIRE FAMILIES TAKE TO OLD SWIMMING HOLE ON MONDAY AFTERNOON

The old swimming hole became exceedingly popular on Monday, which was one of the warmest days of the year. People of all ages, mothers, fathers, and children, more than 50 in all, hied down to the east pier of the old bridge and cooled off in the slowly moving waters of the Willamette river.

The river has a very gradual slope at this point, has a fairly smooth rock bottom, and in only a few instances does it get too deep for children. The current is not very swift and if one should be carried down stream he would be carried to the bank or to the sand bar near the gravel company.

MRS. ANNA BARNARD DIES HERE ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Mrs. Anna Barnard died at her home here on route 1, Friday evening, June 27, after a short illness. She was 72 years old and had lived in this vicinity for the past six years.

She is survived by her husband, David Barnard; three sons, John, Portland; Henry, Springfield; and Reuben, Suplee, Oregon; two sisters, Mrs. Emma Raglin, Prineville, and Mrs. Lela Duley, Portland; and eight grandchildren.

The funeral services were held Monday morning from the Walker-Poole chapel at 10:00 o'clock. Mrs. Vernon, pastor of the Full Gospel Assembly officiated and interment was made in the Laurel Grove cemetery.

LOCAL FAMILIES HAVE PICNIC ON SOUTH FORK

Mr. and Mrs. John Henderer, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Flanery and family, and Dr. and Mrs. W. N. Dow and family all motored to the mountains Sunday and spent the day picnicking on South fork of the McKenzie river. They report that the road is not very good along the South Fork as yet. Landslides have been cleared off and it is now open to French Pete's cabin, but parts of the road have been graded and are still quite loose.

BOWLING ALLEYS ARE REOPENED THIS WEEK

The Mel Bartlett bowling alleys which were destroyed by fire which swept the building this spring have been rebuilt and playing started on them Monday. The entire alleys had to be rebuilt as well as the ball pits and return frame. New pins and some new balls have been provided. The entire front room has been repapered and painted and presents a very cheerful appearance.