

### GOLD HILL BUSY IN PREPARATION FOR ANNUAL FAIR

Entire Populace Working for Bigger and Better Northwest Jackson County Fair Scheduled September 18

Unless the enthusiastic and determined predictions of Gold Hill's entire population are wrong, the Northwest Jackson County Fair on September 18 will dwarf its predecessors and rival even the State Fair at Salem. The festivities are six weeks away, but the little village 14 miles north of Medford was a bee hive of preparation when visited by a Mail Tribune reporter yesterday morning.

With meetings every two weeks, Fair Chairman H. D. Yocco, town postmaster, seems to have mobilized the entire community for action. There's lots to be done before the fifth annual celebration will be presented to an estimated crowd of 3000 people and everyone seems to have his individual job to do.

For example, Walter Iverson, when not editing the town weekly, is scouting likely talent for the parade which is expected to include 500 entrants when it sets out to weave through the entire town by a serpentine course. A tradition of the parade is the annual performance of Fire Chief Charley Kell and soft-drink dispenser Chris Jorgenson. Both having lived in Gold Hill since birth, they don costumes of a half century ago and cavort as though they were that much younger. Last year, Jerry Jerome's Craters participated in the costume march and the Grants Pass Cavemen may appear this year. Humorous and old-fashioned costumes have featured the parades of the past. This year's event will take place in the morning and cash prizes will be awarded for the first time.

Exhibits Arranged For. Meanwhile, plans for the exhibits have been progressing rapidly. Each store will have a display of commercial goods. The Live Oak, Gold Hill and Sams Valley Granges will also compete to share in the \$500 which the state donates annually for premiums. As an other innovation, a livestock show will be staged under auspices of the 4-H club.

In order that Saturday business will not prevent Medford and Grants Pass residents from viewing them, these exhibits will be on display Friday night, September 17. Needlework, arts and hobbies and minerals complete the list of displays.

On Saturday afternoon sports come to the fore. In addition to a baseball game between Gold Hill and some outside nine, there will be all manner of individual competitive events. Mrs. T. A. Robinson, for the last two years winner of the women's shouting contest, is reported to be limbering up her larynx to defend her title. The four judges of this contest are stationed at different posts throughout the town. Those who witnessed last year's contest state that Mrs. Robinson could be heard throughout the valley.

Two other defending champions, Miss Louise Stewart, victor in the rolling-pin throwing contest, and Bill Ferguson, fastest fat man, are also favored to repeat last year's triumphs. Clint and Della Walker, co-chairmen of the sports committee, announce particular difficulty in securing entrants for the homeliest man contest, which was a flop last year. Other sports events include track events, an obstacle race, a greased pig catching contest, and a women's sawing contest. The last-mentioned tilt was won last year by Mrs. Alben Galbreath, who was building a home at that time.

Prepare for Barbecue. Under supervision of Mrs. Icie Walker, chairman of the barbecue committee, a 750-pound, stall-fed steer is being fattened in Sams Valley to furnish the meat for the free barbecue in the evening on the town hall grounds.

Two dances are planned by the committees. One will be on the night of the fair while the other will be held sometime before the fair in order to raise prize money. Both will be held on the town pavilion. Concession booths will line the streets throughout the festivities. Chairmen of committees not mentioned above are: Arts and hobbies, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Reed; minerals, Jim Clement; home canning, Mrs. S. K. Barnes; flower show, Mrs. Beth Kulkman. Besides Mr. Force, fair officers are: W. C. Auterick, vice-chairman, and Mrs. Cleo Gilchrist, secretary.

Gold Hill's first fair was in 1932, the year after the Jackson County Fair at the Medford fairgrounds was discontinued. At first it was all held in one or two small buildings. At that time a salmon-bake was held instead of the present barbecue. Drawing its spectators from all over

### Taking Canoe Vacation



Vacationing at Lake Arrowhead, Calif., Margaret Lindsay tries paddling her own canoe.—(A. F. Photo.)

### Ex-Medford Residents Yearn for Bob-Tail Cat

Clear across the continent has come a plea from Maj. and Mrs. B. McMahon, former Medford residents now living in Tuculosee, Ala., asking friends here to find for them a bobtail cat.

The McMahons left here three years ago, taking with them a bob-tailed gray kitten, one of a litter of bobtails born at the fairgrounds buildings, then used as quartermaster warehouse.

Says Maj. McMahon in his letter asking another: "The little animal traveled the length and breadth of the Pacific coast with us, went with us in our car to the farthest reach of Cape Cod, spent two years with us at Leavenworth and came to Alabama with us."

Maj. McMahon relates the sad tale of the death of the widely-traveled feline a short time ago, averring that a long-tailed cat looks like a monstrosity to the family now, is seeking another like the deceased pet. Medford's population of short-tailed cats is believed to be the result of the arrival here six years ago of Sassy, arrogant feline member of the Leon B. Haskins household.

Sassy is of the Manx breed, which produces bob-tails and six-toed feet instead of the normal five. Sassy herself, has a long tail, but has bequeathed to the world innumerable kittens with mere stumps. During her six years here, Sassy has produced an average of approximately a dozen kittens a year, which adds up to an impressive number of progeny. About half have been bob-tailed and more have had six-toed pedal extremities.

Among most famed of her descendants is the Elks' club roasting cat, Tiger, who does not have a short tail but boasts 14 toes. Using a little mathematics to estimate the multiplication of survivors of Sassy's 70-odd children, it becomes apparent that Maj. McMahon's friends here will probably have little difficulty locating a bob-tailed cat to replace the late lamented McMahon pet.

Jackson and Josephine counties, the fairs have been financially successful from the outset.

### TOURING YOUTHS AT CRATER LAKE

CRATER LAKE, July 29.—(Sp.)—Headed by Monroe Smith, national director, 31 members of the American Youth Hostels, Inc., were visitors here yesterday while en route from Mt. Rainier to Yosemite.

The group of cyclists, all from Northfield and Boston, Mass., is the first of the organization to visit the Pacific coast. Information is being gathered for several youth tours to the west next year. The trips are similar to those which have proved popular in Germany, Austria and other European countries.

Plans are underway for the establishment of hostels in Portland, Medford and other Oregon cities, Smith said. Twelve hostels are underway or completed in California and several are planned for Washington, he added.

The present group is covering much of the journey from the east on trains but relying on bicycles to make side trips. Each member pays \$50 for 60 days food, lodging and other expenses, outside of train fare. There are no restrictions to membership. Ages in the group here ranged from 13 to 31, with the 13-year-old pedaling with the best of them.

**FIRST WOMAN MAJOR SUCCUMBS, AGED 97**  
SANTA BARBARA, Cal., July 29.—(Sp.)—Dr. Belle Reynolds, 97, civil war veteran and first woman major in the United States army, died today. A number of nieces and nephews survive, including Leroy A. Macomber, Seattle.

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### BOY SCOUT CAMP AT LAKE O' WOODS IN FIRST PERIOD

First session of Boy Scout summer camp opened last Sunday at Lake of the Woods with scouts from 12 different troops, the Sea Scout Ship and Lone Scout attending. The boys are from Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass, Central Point and Tennant, Cal. Scouts registered for the remaining three weeks of camp are from Weed, Dunsmuir, Mt. Shasta, McCloud, Yreka and Prospect, in addition to the other communities.

Every registered troop in the council will be represented at the camp in at least one of the sessions. In many instances the scoutmaster and other adult leaders are accompanying their scouts and camping as individual troops under council supervision.

Camp leadership is most efficient. Irving P. Bessey, scout executive, is director. The waterfront is under supervision of Russell Miller, life guard of much experience and excellent training. Tom Emmens is camp doctor and first aid instructor; the mess hall and kitchen are under Ralph Smith. A number of junior leaders are assisting with the camp canteen, handicraft, shop and mess hall and as cabin leaders. These are Jack Heyland, Bob Jones and Don Younger, all Eagle Scouts of Sea Scout Ship McLoughlin, George Gillings, also of the Sea Scout Ship, and Shirrell Doty of troop No. 18.

There are still a few places for the second week of camp, which starts Sunday August 1. Any scouts who wish to attend during this week must register at once. Headquarters urges that applications for the last two weeks be sent or brought to the office as soon as possible, for the periods are filling rapidly.

Parents are welcomed to the camp on Sunday. A court of honor will be held each Sunday, beginning at 2 p. m. If advance reservations are made, dinner will be served to those wishing to eat in camp. The request has come from headquarters that if anyone is going to Lake of the Woods, it would be appreciated if they call or stop at the office to see if there are any packages or mail to be taken in.

### PARK VISITATION PROSPERITY INDEX

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(AP)—Secretary Ickes said today visits of nearly 3,500,000 persons to national parks since last October were "indicative of more prosperity." He reported a 22 percent increase in visitors at national scenic spots, and said: "If preliminary reports of travel to the national parks are any gauge of travel during the next two and a half months, the 1937 travel for those areas will cause all previous records to topple."

Yosemite national park in California has had 299,229 visitors, and Yellowstone 195,008. Rocky Mountain national park in Colorado had 117,450 visitors, Grand Canyon national park in Arizona 169,314, and Mount Ranier in Washington 160,190.

### FARM FAMILIES FIND COLD STORAGE USEFUL

SALEM, July 29.—(AP)—Food preservation, long a privilege only of the city dweller, has come to rural residents who are taking advantage of space in city cold storage plants. Farmers are leaving their dressed meats, poultry, fruits and other foods in these individual compartments. They cut the meat into roasts and when the farmer kills a beef or hog, stores it away in his locker.

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### RUSSIANS PIERCE VEIL OF MYSTERY IN POLAR REGION

LENINGRAD (UP)—Prof. R. L. Samoilovich, director of the All-Union Arctic Institute, has summarized the work carried out by the four Russian explorers who flew to the north pole and established a base there.

Paying tribute to Ivan Papanin, Ernest Krenkel, Peter Shirshov and Eugene Federov, the professor said: "Four courageous men, despite the brief time of their stay at the north pole, have made a number of exceptionally important discoveries concerning the nature of the vast white spot, the center of which is the pole."

"We knew nothing about the central polar basin, whereas at present we know precisely the depths prevailing in the proximity of the north pole and we can say with certainty that the Arctic ocean represents a cup, the deepest parts of which are located in the vicinity of the north pole."

"Until lately we had no idea of the direction of the warm current of the Gulf stream in the northern latitudes; now we know that even on the pole there passes a powerful current of comparatively warm Atlantic water."

"We knew nothing about the drift of the polar ice-floes in this region inaccessible to man. Now we know that the drift generally proceeds in the southwestern direction toward the area situated between Spitzbergen and Greenland."

"We formerly could only conjecture in the past on the weather conditions characterizing the climatic peculiarities of the area near the pole, whereas at present we know that comparatively high temperatures of the air prevail there during the summer season."

"Does any life exist on the north pole? This problem has been solved as well. The presence of birds proves that life does exist on the ice on the north pole, and it will undoubtedly be found under the ice, too. Finally, we have ascertained the magnitudes of the elements of land magnetism."

### BUTTE HIGHWAY BIDS TO BE OPENED AUG. 12

SALEM, July 29.—(AP)—The state highway commission announced today it would open bids on 10 road projects August 12 at 9 a. m. in the auditorium of the public service building, Portland.

Projects include: Jackson county: Eagle Point-Baker Gulch section of Little Butte secondary highway, 3.2 miles surfacing. Phone 542. We'll haul away your refuse. City Sanitary Service.

### F. R. ASKS EXPANSION OF NATION'S FIGHT ON INFANTILE PARALYSIS

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt has taken steps to expand the nationwide program of infantile paralysis prevention and immunization.

The president's birthday ball commission for infantile paralysis research said today trustees of the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation

already were working at his request on the enlargement program.

Mr. Roosevelt, a sufferer from infantile paralysis for more than 15 years, praised the agency's work.

The commission's final report of the 1935 ball showed \$241,000 had been granted for paralysis research to 15 colleges, universities and other organizations.

This represented 30 percent of the total funds raised. The remaining 70 percent is turned over to local communities to assist paralysis victims.

New York university received the largest grant, \$64,000. Others included: Stanford university, \$30,000; University of Southern California, \$25,000; University of California, \$10,000.

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