

Radio Hams Plan Defense Exercises On Week-End Trip

The required shovel, axe and bucket will be only a small part of the equipment each group will have on hand when members of the Rogue Valley Radio club camp on Siskiyou summit on Saturday and Sunday, June 21 and 22.

This occasion will be the 16th annual field day sponsored by the National Association of Radio Amateurs and the American Radio Relay League. Rogue Valley club members will set up battery-powered and gasoline-driven generator transmitters and receivers at the summit.

To Tax Capacity

In this full dress rehearsal the communications facilities handled by amateurs will be taxed to full capacity. A nation-wide network will be established. Brief messages will be exchanged, as in actual emergency, concerning location and number of operators. The information will parallel that which an amateur station handling civil defense messages would report to a control center.

Officials of the club here said that civil defense leaders are interested in the field day since radio amateurs will have to form the backbone of communications in a major disaster. American Telephone and Telegraph company, according to Federal Civil Defense administration chart, plans to lean heavily on amateurs for radio support of wire facilities.

Mobilgas, portables and fixed stations, about 6,000 altogether across the nation, will participate in the field day.

Prizes Offered

Prizes are being offered to Rogue Valley club members to spur interest. There will be awards for the first contact after 4 p.m. June 21, for the most contacts, the greatest distance, the last contact before 4 p.m. June 22 and hardest luck (break-downs and least contacts). There will be a ladies' registration prize.

All interested are invited to watch operations and learn what is being done by radio hobbyists.

Those going to the site are instructed to go through the large "cut" on Highway 99 at the summit of the Siskiyou then to turn off to the right. The site is a short distance from the highway.

Remedial Work Given At Phoenix School

Phoenix—Remedial work for the first eight grades will be offered in summer school at Phoenix, starting June 16, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday through Friday for six weeks, according to E. R. Jones, superintendent of schools.

Arrangements for the school were made between Southern Oregon college at Ashland and the Phoenix public schools. James said, with classes under the supervision of David Barker, Lincoln school, Ashland.

The children may take special remedial work in certain subject fields and any others desiring to take such work this summer may attend.

Due to some remodeling being done at the grade school, classes will be held at the Phoenix high school, the superintendent concluded.

Vacation Bible School Slated in Rogue River

Rogue River — Vacation church school will open at Hope Presbyterian church on Tuesday, June 11. The school will continue four days each week from 9 a.m. to 12 noon until July 3.

The program opens with a study period, followed by a craft period which will provide instruction in making puppets as well as other art work and dramatic use of the finished puppets. There will be a recreation period, music and a closing worship service.

The final program will be Thursday evening, July 3 when the public is invited. Mrs. Ruth Speers is superintendent and has a group of teachers working with her. The school is non-denominational and all children of Rogue River and vicinity are invited.

Traffic Fatalities In Oregon Increase

Salem—U.P.—Death is rising Oregon highways this month, according to the state traffic safety division. Accidents reported to the secretary of state's office have reflected sharp increases in traffic fatalities.

In one week 10 persons lost their lives in traffic, seven in only three accidents and three in "freak" mishaps, the division said. Reports now in the mail are expected to bring the toll for the first two weeks of June to at least 15.

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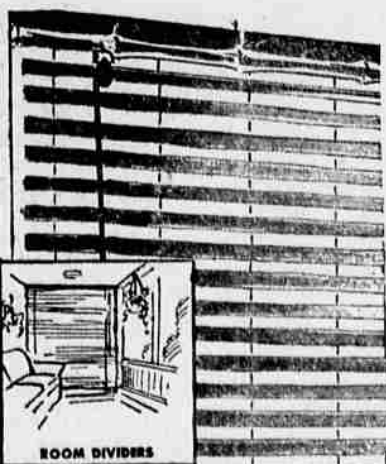
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