

Experts Bamboozled as Bantam Contender Crows Way to Rogue River Championship

Rogue River — The experts were bamboozled yesterday at Rogue River when a pint-sized bantam rooster crowned his way to the championship of the second National Rooster Crowing contest with a record-shattering mark of 109 crows in the 30-minute period.

The previous record was held by "Hollering Harry," who crowned 71 times last May 23 in the first such contest. "Harry" was also entered in yesterday's contest, but the large Cornish Game rooster could only manage to yawn once during the contest and was too aloof to even attempt a single crow. No excuse was given by "Silent" Harry's owners, except that maybe he was a "mudder" and liked the wet weather of last spring's contest.

Packs 'Em In

The winner, "Beetlebaum," packed the crowd around his cage as he averaged over three crows a minute and noisily

surpassed the former record. The small white-ruffed bantam was entered by 10-year-old Linda Lugenbeel, who won top money of \$100. Although the rooster emitted somewhat "squeaky" crows, he proved that size is no valuation for a champion crower.

A record crowd of near 1,000 persons milled about Depot st., which was roped off for a block on the occasion. A total of 95 entries were in the contest, topping last May's contest by 20. Entries were as far away as Oakland, Calif., and Portland.

Second Winner

No other winners topped the prior record, but second-place winner, Marilyn Hatch's "Egg Hatch," won second prize money of \$35 when her bird made 70 crows.

Other winners were Shirley Yarnall's "Birmingham Tom" with 65 crows for \$15; fourth, Al Black's "Shanghai Bob," 63 crows, \$10; fifth, Virginia

Brown's "Goofy," 48 crows, \$5; sixth, Peter Parr's "Fricassee," 47 crows, \$5; seventh, Diane Moch's "Woody," 46 crows, \$5; eighth, Dick Stamm's "San Quentin," (Oakland, Calif.), 45 crows, \$5; ninth, Barbara and Billie Graham's "Brewster," 43 crows, \$5; and 10th, Don Bigger's "Hook of The Chinook," \$5.

A prize of \$10 was won by Gail Grooms' cage for "Ouil the Fil," which featured a South Seas theme of cane sides and grass roof.

A special award was given by Merle Stockman for Stamm's "Gorgeous George," entry. "George" opened his beak plenty of times but never could crow. Stockman gave Stamm a box of chlorophyll cough drops to clear up this unusual condition.

An auction followed the regular contest with several of the birds going to high bidders. Pat Edgerton's "Bar-L

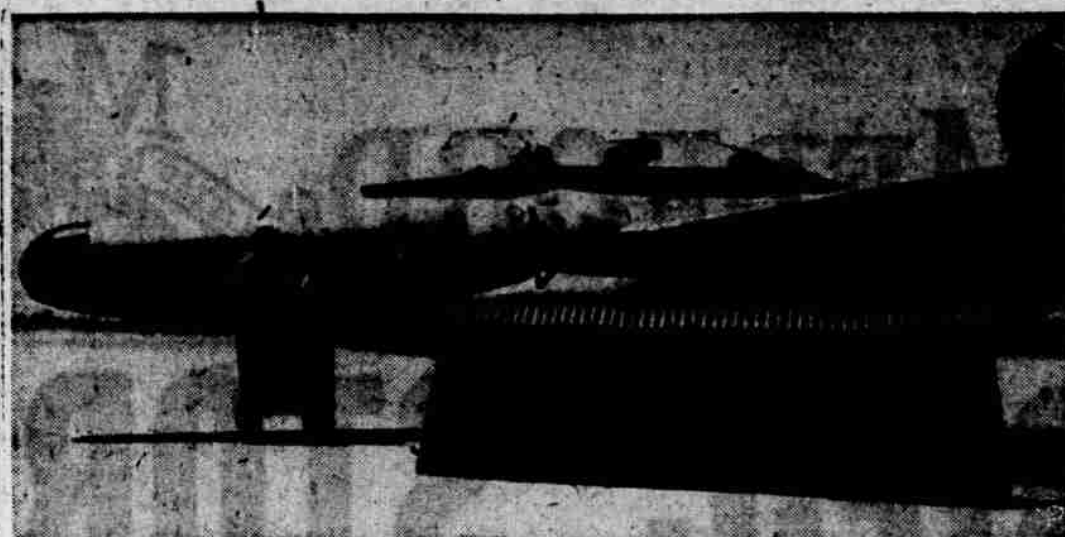
Squeaker," which neglected to even squeak during the contest, started off the bidding and was bought for \$1 by J. P. Coleman.

"Thief" Reported

A "chicken thief" was reported during the auction by B. M. Kearns, whose "Malarkey" had been swiped from his cage. Kearns discovered "Malarkey" in the auctioneer's hand while mistakingly bidding on his own bird.

A half-hour broadcast was scheduled yesterday afternoon by radio station KUIN at Grants Pass on the rooster contest.

Hereafter, the contest will be held once a year on the third Saturday in June. The affair was believed to be unique in the United States when it started. The American Legion in Cassville, Mo., is now putting on a similar contest, according to officials of the sponsoring organization, Rogue River Boosters club.



REMOVING SECURITY WRAPS from Scorpion F-89, U. S. Air Force reveals 20-ton fighter carries 104 high explosive air-to-air rockets in wing-tip pods. Plane unveiled at Los Angeles is powered by twin jet engines, has top speed above 600 mph. (International Soundphoto)

Severe Shortages Of Freight Cars Said Developing

Portland — (U.P.)—A severe freight car shortage has developed in the past two weeks in Southern Oregon, particularly among the mills south of Eugene, it was reported here Saturday.

R. T. Titus, executive vice president of the western forest industries association, said he had visited numerous operations in the Willamette and Umpqua valleys and they were "getting only from half to less than one third of the cars they need."

He said the shortage appeared most severe on the Southern Pacific line and in the southern part of the state which is served only by that railroad. Lumbermen expressed fear the shortage might extend for several weeks.

However, F. C. Nelson, district freight traffic manager for the Southern Pacific, said efforts of the line over the long labor day weekend should help the situation next week. Nelson said northern lines also are affected by the car shortage.

Nelson said the perennial shortage has curtailed shipping the entire length of western Oregon. He added that an ICC order to the Southern Pacific to deliver 25 cars a day to a northern line was cancelled only a week ago.

Titus did not indicate that any mills were closing down because of the shortage.

He saw several reasons for the shortage, including the heavy use of cars for grain and canned goods movements.

TRAPS CLOSED

Medford Gun club officials issued a reminder yesterday that no activity is scheduled at the traps today. The traps are remaining closed because of dove and pigeon season. Shooting will resume next Sunday.

Flynn Proclaims Special Week for Aid to Koreans

"Aid to Korea Week" will be observed in Medford and the rest of the state, beginning Monday and ending Sept. 13.

Mayor Diamond Flynn has asked residents of Medford to assist in the campaign by personal donations to offer immediate relief to millions of displaced, sick and wounded Koreans.

National Goal

A national goal of \$5,000,000 has been set by the American-Korean foundation as the first step in a long range program of relief and rehabilitation for the Korean people, who have suffered three years of war.

Dr. Milton Eisenhower, foundation chairman, has pointed out that the war has cost Korea 100,000 orphans, 300,000 war widows and 9,000,000 homeless people.

"These people urgently need our help on a warm, people to people basis," Dr. Eisenhower said.

Portland Man Chairman

Donald C. Sloan, Portland, has been appointed state chairman of the week by Gov. Paul Patterson. All cash contributions are to be sent to Governor Patterson.

Two Men Accused Of Taking Parts In Seven Slayings

Los Angeles — (U.P.)—A deputy sheriff from Nevada county, Calif., Saturday attributed seven murders to a gang he said was led by Jack Santo and Emmett Perkins, co-defendants with Barbara Graham in the murder of Mabel Monahan, 62, March 9.

The deputy, Wayne Brown, said Santo and Perkins were linked with these murders:

Mabel Monahan, wealthy Burbank, Calif., widow, slain in her house for \$100,000 in jewels and cash a gang thought was hidden there.

Baxter Shorter, implicated in the Monahan murder, but kidnapped and feared killed.

Gard Young and his three small daughters, killed last October, near Chester, Calif; after he was robbed of \$7,100.

Edmund Hanson, gold dealer, Nevada City, Calif.

Brown arrested Santo's common-law wife, Harriet Hanson, yesterday on suspicion of the Hanson murder. She was taken into custody just after she testified for the defense that Santo was with her at her Auburn, Calif., home March 10, the day after the state charges Santo helped kill Mrs. Monahan.

Brown said George Boles is in custody at Sierra county jail, charged with suspicion in the Hanson murder.

The gang is suspected of the torture and robbery of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Colner, gold dealers, of Folsom City, Calif., shortly after Hanson was slain, Brown said.

Legion Will Resume Meetings Tuesday

Medford American Legion Post 15 will hold its first meeting of the Fall season on Tuesday night at the Legion home on South Riverside avenue, according to Commander Larry Luy.

The Legionnaires will discuss plans for Fall and Winter activities and will hear reports from members who attended the national convention at St. Louis, the commander said.

Preliminary plans for Armistice Day will be considered at Tuesday's meeting and the commander urged all Legionnaires to attend and interest themselves in making the annual observance outstanding.

Grenada, Miss. — (U.P.)—Just for the record, East Street here is two blocks west of the business district and runs north and south.



CAPTURED — Sidney Steinberg, 38, telephones from U. S. Commissioner's office in San Francisco after his capture by FBI agents in a well-laid trap at a remote mountain retreat in California's High Sierra. Steinberg, second-string Communist Party leader, was convicted in New York in 1949 for conspiring to overthrow the Government. Seized in the trap with him was New York Red Party leader Robert G. Thompson. Three others were arrested for harboring the fugitives.

Court Records

POLICE COURT

Ralph Douglas Green, failure to yield right of way, \$5.

Duwayne Peterson, failure to stop at stop signal, \$5.

Leola Morton, violation of basic rule, \$10.

Hapla Frank O'Neil, violation of basic rule, \$10.

Cyrus Raymond Gladen, violation of basic rule, \$10.

Sidney George Knox, violation of basic rule, \$10.

Winifred Elizabeth Stanley, expired operator's license, \$5.

Mattie Myrtle Stout, failure to give right of way, \$5.

James William Atchison, violation of basic rule, \$15.

CIRCUIT COURT

Justina Irene Robinson vs. Harley Earl Robinson, divorce complaint.

Home C. Beckett vs. Jewell E. Beckett, divorce decree.

Gerald L. Bishop vs. Marie E. Bishop, divorce complaint.

DISTRICT COURT

Laverne W. Dunnagan, overweight load and overload, \$110.

Gary von Smith, no operator's license, \$10.

Donald E. Swanson, no operator's license, \$10.

Vernel R. Shroy, overweight load, \$15.

Herbert J. Daniken, overweight load, \$15.

James G. Slack, overweight load, \$15.

Robert Lee James, disorderly conduct, \$25.

Donald R. Newman, defective headlights, \$7.50.

Ira D. Clark, failure to yield right of way, \$10.

Ray K. Gum, 32, 233 Losier lane, drunk on public highway, \$15.

Max M. Mayo, no operator's license, \$10.

EP Council Plans To Study Fire Hall Addition Program

Eagle Point — A special council meeting will be held at Eagle Point September 15 at 8 p.m. to consider bids on constructing a new addition to the city's fire hall, according to Mayor Don Ashpole.

The addition will be for the city's new fire truck, which is now on order from the American-La France company. Delivery was originally scheduled for August 6, but has been delayed until November 10, Ashpole said.

Table Application

At last week's council meeting, the council voted to table an application by Ridgley's Stop and Shop market for a package store beer license until the special meeting, according to Sam Coy, recorder-treasurer.

Ashpole expressed the city's appreciation to the logging firm of Skeeters and Skeeters for changing their log truck haul route through the city from West Main st. to the county highway. The firm had been asked by the city in a letter to comply with the request, due to the heavy traffic of about 30 loads a day on Main st.

It was reported that Councilman Jim Clark and Marshall Harold Ottsen had completed preparations for school for school crossing safety by establishing a school police patrol and crosswalks.

The mayor reported that the city has completed oiling of one mile of city streets and will follow through next year with another coat. It will take three years to complete the program, he pointed out, and a few streets with no oil as yet will be graveled this winter in preparation for next year's oiling. When completed, a black top surface will be provided.

Cleaning of the city's reservoir has been completed, with new air-tight sealed lids applied, which are insect tight, and new copper screens on all vents.

Municipal court cases reported by Judge Coy were Bob Gene Turner, no vehicle license, \$7; K. V. Shelton, no driver's license, \$5.50; Donald Lee Terry, improper parking, \$5.50; and LaMerle Hodges, driving without lights, \$9.50. (Each fine includes \$4.50 court costs.)

Recent building permits issued by the city are J. E. Derry, 21 West Fifth st., \$200, addition to residence; Boyd Brunner, 15 North "B" st., \$1,000, remodel store; John Lucas, 408 South "B" st., \$200, re-roofing house; Oscar Frei, 800 South "C" st., \$1,000, erecting garage; W. G. Cox, 23 West Third st., \$100, installing septic tank; and C. E. Kimmel, South "B" st., \$4,000, new residence.

Hornbrook Man Held On Bad Check Charge

James Monroe Craig, 39, Hornbrook, Calif., is being held in Jackson county jail on a charge of knowingly publishing a forged check. Bail, set at \$2,500 in district court, had not been raised Saturday.

Craig told officers varying stories about how he came into possession of the check for more than \$200 made out to Maxwell L. Nelson, 504 Liberty. Nelson said he had not received the check in the mail and the endorsed signature was not his. He said he first learned of the check when it was taken to his home by a relative of Craig who became suspicious of the check.

GAME ARRANGED

Phoenix — A football game between Phoenix and Jacksonville high school has been scheduled for the evening of Saturday, September 12. The game had been arranged for that week end, but the exact day had not been ascertained.



SELF PROMOTER — Handcuffed Ralph T. Jackson, 27, being led into U. S. Commissioner's office in San Francisco on forgery charge, promoted himself right into jail. Jackson upped himself to master sergeant in Army's finance department and wrote \$10,000 worth of bad checks on the Government.

TOOTHLESS BABE

Buffalo, N. Y. — (U.P.)—Bernadine Marie Gaudy was born with a tooth but a physician was required to extract it seven days later because it was loose. It was feared Bernadine might swallow the 1/4-inch tooth. Personnel at Children's Hospital here said it was "extremely unusual" occurrence.



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HEROINE'S WELCOME — Mary Lena Falk waves to crowd of hometowners at Thomasville, Ga., upon her arrival. The folks set aside the day in Mary's honor for winning the U.S. Amateur Women's Golf Championship.

THE BERRIES

Temple, Mich. — (U.P.)—Thomas Crawford picked 150 quarts of huckleberries this year. Crawford is 90 years old.

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who in turn will send the money to Korea through the foundation. A local chairman is to be appointed by Mayor Flynn.



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