

'Sophomore Day' Program Friday At Senior High

A "sophomore day" program for sophomores entering Medford high school this fall will be held Friday, Sept. 23, from 8:30 to 11:50 a.m., it was announced today. Purpose of the special day will be to orient the sophomores into the senior high school program and procedures.

The program will open at the senior high school at 8:30 a.m. when sophomores will locate home rooms, pay fees and attend to other similar business.

Assembly Scheduled
At 9 a.m., a general assembly is scheduled in the auditorium. Students will be greeted by the school principal, deans, counselors, Associated Student Body officers, Boys and Girls league officers, and others.

At 9:30 a.m., students will report to home rooms, where they will receive textbooks, ASB handbooks, class schedules, locker assignments, and directions for following their schedules.

From 10 to 10:10 a.m., students will put away books in their lockers and starting at 10:13 a.m., will go through a regular day's schedule, spending approximately 10 minutes in each class.

Grandmother Solves Locked Door Problem

Lynn, Mass.—(U.P.)—Two-year-old Pamela Brewster caused all sorts of excitement when she decided to lock herself in the bathroom.

Her sister, Bertha, became panicky when Pamela turned on the hot water and couldn't turn it off. Bertha ran out and rang a fire alarm.

Police and firemen arrived shortly, but the children's grandmother, Mrs. Bertha Merriman, had things under control by then.

She had chopped open the bathroom door with a hatchet.

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County Grade Schools Report Increases In Enrollment; High School Total Down

Grade schools in Jackson county outside the Medford district have a total enrollment of about 6,890 students, an increase of more than 300 over last year, according to figures from the county school superintendent's office.

Enrollment in eight high schools outside the Medford district is about 1,970 students, a substantial decrease of about 463 from last year's total of 2,333. Last year's enrollment figures are taken from records in the county superintendent's office for Sept. 17, 1954. This year's figures are first day registrations.

Expected to Increase
Many high school students are expected to raise first day enrollment figures considerably when fruit harvest is completed.

Greatest Increases
Ashland and Central Point noted the greatest increases in elementary school enrollment. 1,609, compared to 1,555 last year, while at Central Point, some 1,364 enrolled this year compared to 1,250 last year.

25 more students are expected to enroll within the next couple of weeks.

Increases at Phoenix indicate about an eight per cent increase over last year's enrollment, James said. Some 540 are enrolled in elementary grades compared to 518 last year.

Talent high school's total of 123 presently enrolled students is expected to increase and equal last year's 130 students after fruit harvest is completed.

County-wide totals do not include Medford's district, which showed a substantial gain in grade school enrollment. High school does not start until Monday, Sept. 26, in District 49.

Rollment increased from 436 last Sept. 17, 1954, to 480 this year, while Rogue River, enrollment in elementary schools increased from 316, last year to 351 this year.

Pinehurst, which last year had 16 students, this year has an enrollment of 25 students.

Other enrollment figures are: Jacksonville, 265 elementary, 117 high school, compared to 250 elementary and 135 high school last year.

Griffin Creek, 264 elementary compared to 240 last year.

Ruch, 103 this year compared to 126 last year.

Ashland, 537 high school compared to 556 last year.

Central Point, 510 high school compared to 502 last year.

Eagle Point, 240 high school compared to 247 last year.

Lone Pine, 239 elementary compared to 240 last year.

Talent, 333 elementary compared to 311 last year.

Rogue River, 115 high school

Africa's Tsetse Fly Stands Up Well Under Attack by Scientists

Bakavu, Belgian Congo—(U.P.)—No insect in the world has stood up under a more concentrated attack by the human race than Africa's tsetse fly. So far, the tsetse fly has won.

But scientists have reported to the Lederle-Sikorsky medical expedition crossing the dark continent by helicopter that a new drug is going to be used in an effort to get the upper hand over the insect that has made an area of Africa as big as Europe unsafe

this year, 147 last year. Applegate, 75 elementary this year, 77 last year.

Elk-Trail, 107 elementary this year, 113 last year.

Prospect, 220 elementary, 83 high school this year, 199 elementary and 81 high school last year.

Evans Valley, 118 elementary this year, 115 last year.

Oak Grove, 181 elementary this year, 195 last year.

Shady Cove, 149 elementary this year, 154 last year.

Butte Falls, 101 elementary, 48 high school this year, 111 elementary and 40 high school last year.

West Side, 75 elementary this year, 61 last year.

Howard, 362 elementary this year, 359 last year.

for human colonization.

A vast part of Africa is almost desolate except for wild game—and the tsetse fly, which is the carrier of the parasite trypanosome. This parasite causes sleeping sickness, which is fatal to domestic cattle and extremely dangerous to man.

Dr. Said Kinany of the Cairo Expedition Medicae said he hoped to arrange tests of the new antibiotic stylomycin as a weapon against the tsetse's bite. In preliminary experiments the new drug has shown hopeful results in clearing trypanosomes from the blood.

The tsetse fly itself has survived the most ingenious of man's weapons.

Female Lays Few Eggs

The astonishing thing," said Kinany, "is that the female tsetse lays less than two eggs a year—not hundreds or thousands as other insects do. Yet it resists all efforts to exterminate it.

"They've tried breeding sterile males so no offspring would follow a mating. They've tried killing some females so the more numerous males would harass the rest of the females to death. They've bombed tsetse with insecticides.

"They've tried using parasites to kill the tsetse's parasites, and

they've even tried changing its surroundings by removing certain vegetation. But the tsetse keeps on living," said Kinany.

The sleeping sickness carried by the tsetse is believed to be a comparatively new disease for domestic cattle and human beings. It tends to kill them. But zebras, antelopes and other game native to Africa don't die from it, probably because their species have been exposed to it for hundreds of thousands of years.

Opens New Areas

Doctors believe any amount of effort to eradicate the tsetse fly is worthwhile for economic and humanitarian reasons. A victory in the fight would open a now impoverished area to economic development.

Africa remains a hostile territory, health-wise, for the foreign traveler. He must take anti-malaria shots, boil his drinking water, watch his food carefully, sleep under mosquito nets, and wear boots.

Even malaria is getting resistant to new drugs in some places, but medical science has managed to keep one jump ahead of the disease. Some West Africans have a form of immunity to malaria.

One tropical disease expert told the expedition he understood that West Africans were

reluctant to go along with schemes to eradicate the menace of malaria. Malaria doesn't bother them, and if the threat of the disease were wiped out it would just open their homeland to penetration by foreigners. They like things the way they are.



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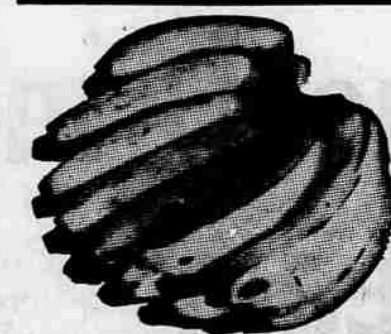
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