

Picnic Committee Plans Meeting at Kim's Banquet Room

The last committee meeting preparatory to Sunday's family picnic sponsored by Jackson County Democrats in TouVelle State park has been scheduled for tonight, K. C. (Swede) Wernmark, chairman, announced.

He has asked all committee members to attend the session starting at 8 p.m. in Kim's banquet room.

Sunday's picnic, according to Charles Crary, chairman of the Jackson County Democratic Central committee, has been planned to enable people to get better acquainted with out emphasis on political affiliations. They are invited to come at 10 a.m. and remain until dusk. The program, however, will not open officially until noon.

The old time fiddlers contest will start at noon under chairmanship of Pat Graham. The finals are scheduled for 3:30 p.m. A gold panning contest, with J. E. Bishop as chairman, begins at 1 p.m. The finals for trophy will be limited to six contestants, chosen from the preliminary runners.

Horseshoe Tournament
There will be horseshoe pitching in a tournament, opening at 1 p.m. and this will be chaired by Jim Nistler. Bicycle races are scheduled for two age groups, starting at 1 p.m. The six-mile course to Table Rock Monument and return will be driven by bicyclists 12 to 16 years of age and a 17-mile course by cyclists over 16 years. Registration must be made by 12:30 p.m.

Selection of a princess will be made during the noon hour from entries three to six years of age. Judging will be on looks and talent and the princess will be crowned at 2 p.m.

Committee List
Activities are to be directed by a long list of committees, Wernmark said, with emphasis on public safety. Bob Jones of the YMCA has assisted the committees in obtaining life guards. The Central Point fire department and Cal Bowers will have a rescue wagon and scuba equipment at the scene and a standby fire truck has been promised by C. L. Lisen-

bee, chief of the Central Point rural fire department. Jack Sides of the Rogue Training service will furnish emergency vehicles, and LeRoy Williams, first aid assistance. Wall Bowen is in charge of safety in the park, and DeArmond Leigh and the sheriff's auxiliary, highway safety.

Dr. Thomas Rutter is medical representative on the safety committee.

Games and Contests
Pat Redmond and Tex Phillips head the games and contests committee and music and entertainment will be directed by John Lusk, Pauline McDonald and Virginia Redmond. Food and serving are to be chairmanned by Walter McMahon, Hazel McMahon and Vic David. Berlie Stephens and Irene Stephens form the concessions committee. Ed Taylor has been responsible for location and coordination. Pat McCoy and Don R. Hanlin will operate the public address system.

Other committees are: grounds and maintenance, W. E. Morrison, Mark Norton, Charles Crary and G. O. Loomer; finance, Pat Redmond, Tex Phillips and Berlie Stephens; princess selection, Veda Redmond and Pauline McDonald; judges, Stan Smith, Graham Nistler and Bishop; publicity, Marjorie Madden, Elizabeth Poston and Ralph Poston.

Men's Swimming Classes to Start

The YMCA is offering a men's swimming class starting Aug. 26 at 5:15 p.m. The class, to last six weeks, will be held Mondays and Wednesdays. There will be a practice swim every Friday afternoon.

The men's classes will be for the very beginners through intermediates and are limited to 15 men. The sessions will be primarily individual instruction.

Instructor for the class will be Ben Jensen, physical director.

For further information or to register call the Medford YMCA, 772-6295.



DIES IN FLAMES—Thich Tieu Dieu, a 71-year-old Buddhist priest, dies in flames early Friday. He was the fifth Buddhist suicide by burning during South Viet Nam's current religious crisis. Thirteen Hue university students threatened to kill themselves by fire Monday, while in Saigon thousands of Buddhists continued a hunger strike at the capital city's main Xa Loi Pagoda. (UPI)

Are You Forming a Committee?

West Enjoys Good Crusade, But He Has Trouble Finding Worthy Cause

By DICK WEST
United Press International
Washington - (UPI) - There is nothing like a good crusade to start the day off right. Are you forming a committee to make our highways safe for water buffalo? Count on me to be a block chairman. Need someone to solicit funds for a campaign to rehabilitate wayward icebergs? I'll ring a hundred doorbells before night.

Here of late, however, I've been having some trouble finding worthy causes that I can identify with. The new crusades I've been asked to join all seem lacking in appeal.

Take this scheme to add a prefabricated breakfast to the line of frozen TV dinners. Some experts are predicting that it will destroy the last remnants of Western civilization.

Have Offsetting Factors
I agree that a TV breakfast will further weaken the fabric of our society, but there are offsetting factors that deter me from enlisting in the campaign against it.

I have found that the aluminum trays the meals come in are just dandy for coloring Easter eggs.

It is much the same with an appeal for help that I received from William L. Hopper, crusading assistant city editor of the Greenville (Ohio) Advocate.

"My lofty position enables me to spread my influence to quite a number of readers," Hopper wrote, "but there may be a few million readers outside my sphere."

Therefore, he urged that I draw upon my experience as a crusader to help "cut away a veil of untruth" that is being draped across the nation in the daily press.

"This cancerous fiction that becomes more widespread each day is the way that 'the weatherman' is used in papers from coast to coast," Hopper explained.

His crusade is directed at news stories which read: "The weatherman dumped seven inches of rain here last night

before bringing in 102-degree temperatures today. For tonight and tomorrow, the weatherman will bring hail mixed with sleet, partly followed by tornadoes."

It is his contention that a weatherman couldn't possibly cause such abrupt climatic changes. In the interest of scientific accuracy, he says, such stories should read: "The weatherwoman, etc."

Although it pains me to turn down a colleague, I must turn down a colleague, I must regretfully reject the Hopper crusade on grounds that it likewise is based on a fallacy.

In order to be meteorologically correct, the stories would have to read: "The weather committee, etc."

General Maddux to Philippine Post

Maj. Gen. Sam Maddux Jr., recently assumed command of the Thirteenth Air Force in the Philippines, which also has units at Formosa, Viet Nam and in Thailand.

General Maddux and his wife, the former Charlotte Collins of Medford, and their two children, Michael and James, will live at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines.

General Maddux exchanged duty assignments with Maj. Gen. T. R. Milton, who will go to Lawton, Okla.

Local Participation In Oregon Program Reviewed at Lunch

The Medford project in the Oregon Program for the Improvement of Education was presented to the Medford Chamber of Commerce Roundtable Monday at lunchrooms. When they exchange places everyone will have had what many experts have maintained they need - a duty free lunch hour.

Question Is Asked
The explanation came when someone asked "When do teachers eat?" demonstrating that this situation also has been of concern to chamber of commerce members.

The sliding schedule which will enable students to start the school day at three different times was explained by the director, who emphasized that provision, however, will be made for the student who wants to come early and stay late.

Another area in which the Medford project is unique in the Oregon program, Ruck said, is in the extension of the teacher intern or associate teacher program to two years instead of one.

Making clear his contention that team teaching is not mass education, Ruck used a projector and chart, demonstrating the manner in which the large lecture group is broken down into much smaller seminars groups to give every student an opportunity for active participation.

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Daughter Persuades Father to Give Up

Russelville, Ala. - (UPI) - A moonshiner who killed a sheriff and a police chief with a single shotgun blast walked out of the woods with his hands held high Monday when his teen-age daughter begged him to surrender.

"I'm very, very sorry it all happened," said Troy Thornton, 40, who gave up without a fight when he heard his daughter, Carolyn, 18, plead with him to surrender over a highway patrol car loudspeaker.

Thornton, who was placed in jail here, faces first degree murder charges in the Sunday afternoon shooting.

A slender man who has twice been convicted of moonshining, Thornton had been told by his doctor he has cancer and has only a few months to live, his relatives said.

"He thought he didn't have anything to lose," his wife told officers.

Thornton was accused of killing Sheriff Herman (Red) Cook and Littleville Police Chief Neil Pace with a single shotgun blast and critically wounding Deputy Don Files with a rifle shot. Another deputy who had gone to Thornton's house to investigate was not hurt.

AGENT DIES

New York - (UPI) - Funeral services were scheduled today for Sam Homsey Jr., 29, who at 16 was a successful public relations agent in Manhattan. He died Sunday of a stomach ailment. The New Yorker magazine in 1950 profiled him as "probably the youngest press agent in the world."

CALL ON CUBAN PORTS

Washington - (UPI) - Rep. Paul Rogers (D-Ala.) told the House the number of Allied vessels visiting Cuba outnumbered Russian ships. Rogers said that in June - the last complete month recorded - 43 "free world" ships called on Cuban ports against 31 Soviet ships.

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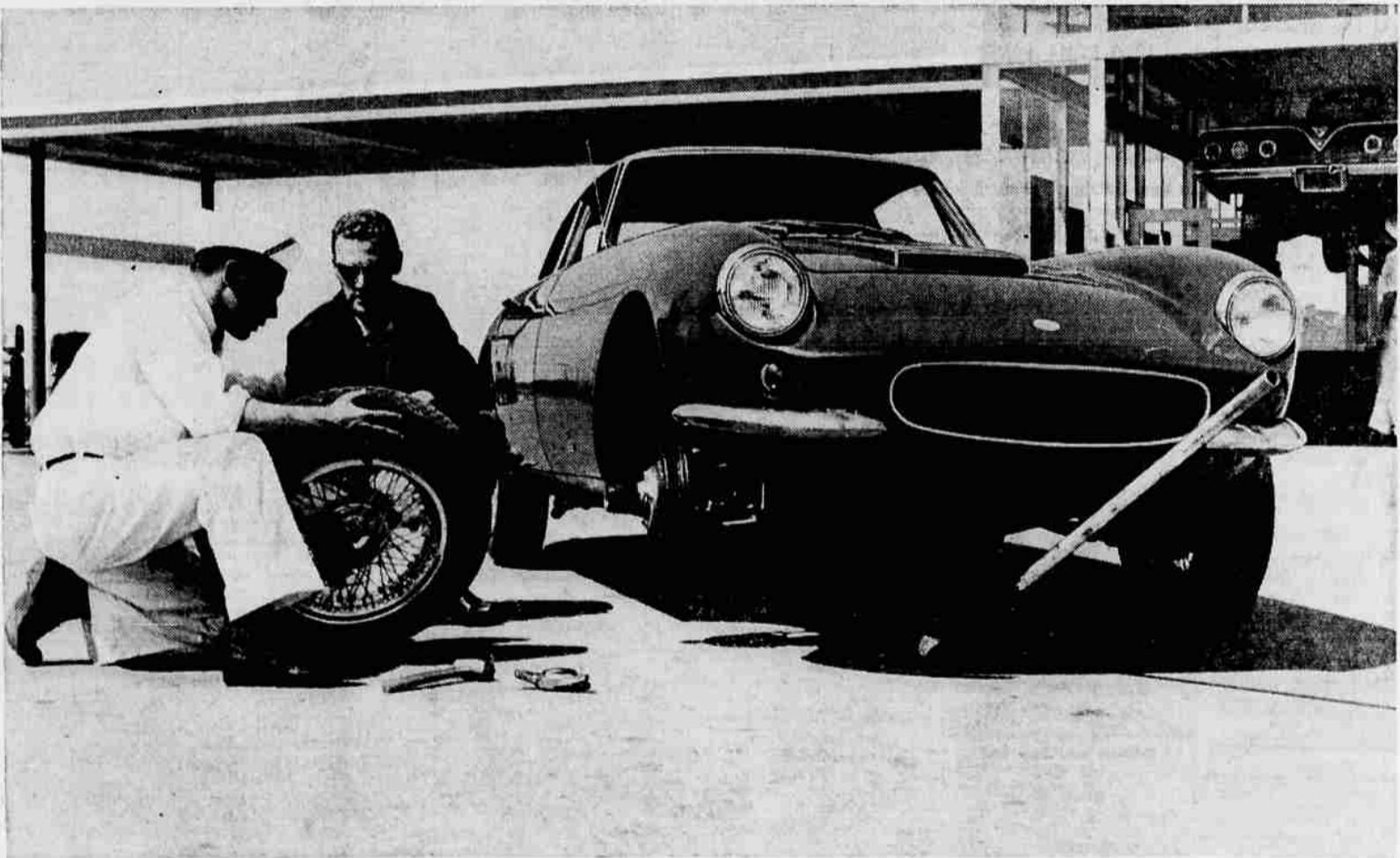
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