

Regional Roundup

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A number of interesting things happened around the valley while we were away on vacation.
Ralph (Jiggs) Conners, chief of the Talent Rural Fire Protection district, and previously chief of both the city and rural departments in Talent before the rural district was formed, resigned, effective Sept. 1. He resigned because of lack of time for the job, which has now become full-time.

Formation of the Prospect Rural Fire Protection district was approved by the rather unanimous vote of 35 to 0 at an election Aug. 16.

We've also been trying to track down some information concerning reports we heard that a hootenanny had been proposed in Jacksonville, to take place on the Britt grounds. An informal meeting was held last week, we understand, between members of the Britt festival board and some Jacksonville City Councilmen. Some of those present favored the idea, while others felt that a hootenanny would tend to degrade the atmosphere of the grounds, we were informed. No decision on the matter was reported.

Before leaving on vacation, we learned that our Merlin friend Daniel W. Fry, about whose flying saucer encounter we wrote an article last January, had been invited to address the teachers of Ashland School District No. 5 on the afternoon of Sept. 3. Upon our return we find that Medford School District No. 549C has invited him to speak also, on the morning of the same day. In addition, the teachers of District 6C at Central Point, Gold Hill and Sams Valley will sit in on the Ashland meeting. The teachers are going to be in for an interesting day. We hope to attend both meetings.

Vacation on the Coast

"If you are searching for a three-day holiday and if you wish to really see Oregon," writes Genevieve Briggs, Wilderville correspondent, "the coast is your answer. It is now just two hours to Brookings (from Wilderville, thanks to the Collier tunnel) and four hours and 30 minutes to Coos Bay over the most beautiful coast line in the world, and the new highway is something that engineers dream of.

"Leaving after 5 p.m., we arrived on the coast in time for the most exquisite sunset one ever saw. The sun set across the Pacific in a ball of fire with a halo of soft golden, fleecy clouds. The peace and tranquility was refreshing after the turmoil of the world — more in keeping with the world God wanted it to be.

"Arriving at the home of Mrs. Arthur Bollinger, who is a long time resident of Brookings, we spent the evening talking of old times before the coming of the famed lilies of Brookings. We saw many changes from the days gone by — new motels and new homes. Arising early the next morning and watching the fishing fleet put out to sea, we wandered on up the coast at an easy pace. The whales were starting their southward journey and we saw a few spouting in the distance, and the sea gulls told us where the fish were running. Arriving at Gold Beach, where there were dozens of sport fishing boats dotting the ocean, we found the Pacific as calm as a mill pond. The air was golden and warm and cozy.

Unheard-of Speed

"We wandered on to Bandon then on to Coos Bay all within the time of three hours, unheard-of for those who like us have lived here for many years and know the hours of twisting and turning to make it from Brookings to Gold Beach alone.

"We found the motels in Bandon in many price ranges, from \$18 down to moderate, so take your choice. This is true of most of the sea coast towns. That is the fun of Oregon. You can pick the time and the place, from Harris State park, with its beautiful picnic areas and camping and trailer areas, to Humboldt State park, nestled within the arms of the inlet with a merry creek passing by, on to the most expensive hotels and motels.

"Have you heard the legend of Humboldt mountain? Here you can hear street cars and trains and music in the air. All sorts of theories are advanced that this mountain carries radio waves, why, no one knows.

"This way of living makes you feel that you are away from the canned artificial world that we are all forced to live in."

Patrick School Registration Friday

Gold Hill—Parents of youngsters who will enter first grade at Patrick Elementary school in Gold Hill are reminded that registration date has been set for Friday, Aug. 30, according to Gilbert A. Mack, principal.
On that date between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. first graders will register in the rooms of teachers, Mrs. Wilda Branks and Mrs. Barbara Toner. Parents are also reminded to bring their child's birth certificate on registration date.
Students other than first graders attending Patrick will register on September 9.

THE MOST INTERESTING



PEOPLE I'VE MET

by Geoffrey Bocca

The men and women who have fascinated this adventurous correspondent could not all be judged for their virtue—but they have all been violently independent, tough and resilient.

Bocca provides a revealing glimpse of eight of these people in the **SEPTEMBER 1ST** Weekend issue of **Family Weekly**

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Labor Day Jubilee Slated In Illinois Valley

By KATHERINE SCOTT
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Cave Junction — Residents of the Illinois Valley are getting ready for the annual Labor Day Jubilee celebration here, to be held this year from Saturday, Aug. 31 through Monday, Sept. 2.

Festivities will actually get under way Friday night with a dance at the American Legion hall.

The queen's coronation ball will be held Saturday at the legion hall starting at 9 p.m. The queen will receive her crown early in the evening and begin her reign over the celebration.

A highlight of the jubilee will be a country fair, sponsored by the local grange, with chairman K. H. Grims-gard in charge. Booths are being set up by various valley organizations.

Sweepstakes and other prizes will be awarded in con-

nection with the fair. Judging will take place Saturday at 1 p.m.

Twelve girls are competing for queen of the Jubilee. They are:

Bonnie Cox, formerly of Medford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Cox. She has lived here the past six months and is employed at Hazel's Beauty salon, which is also her sponsor.

Glenda Stava, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Stava. Miss Stava will be a senior in Illinois Valley High this year. She is sponsored by the Home Town Hardware.

Nancy Brunsvold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Brunsvold, sponsored by Hines Ready to Wear. She will be a junior this year.

Beverlee Frost, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Frost of Selma, sponsored by Lake Selmae Lost Resort.

Judi Prather, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Prather, sponsored by the Tip-Top Beauty shop.

Patsy Miller, daughter of Mrs. Etta Miller of Selma. Sponsor for Miss Miller is Circle Star Riding Stable of Selma.

Kathy Breckenridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Breckenridge, will represent O'Brien with the Twin Pines Motel and Zoo as her sponsor. Miss Breckenridge is a high school senior.

Vanita Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Van Johnson. Miss Johnson is employed at the Woodland Deer Park, which is also her sponsor. She will be a high school junior.

Janice Trefethen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Trefethen. She is a junior and her sponsor is Valley Drug.

Claudia Hayes, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hayes, is sponsored by the Illinois Valley Cleaners. She is a junior and is very active in the Job's Daughters.

Sandy White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob White, sponsored by Williams Plumbing. She will be a junior at Illinois Valley High school this fall.

Also competing for queen is Kay Warner.

The candidates made a trip to Medford Tuesday to tape a television interview. It will be seen Thursday on channel 5 between 6 and 7 p.m., announced Mrs. Andy Anderson, contest chairman.

A queen's banquet will be held tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Immanuel Methodist church. Guests at the banquet will include the candidates' parents and sponsors, jubilee directors and chairmen, and all who have donated gifts.

The girls were the guests of Ray Davis at his Rogue Farm Supply booth at the Josephine County fair Aug. 22. Davis promised the winning girl a complete western outfit as a prize. Mrs. Margie Gothe will present all of the girls with pastel portraits.

Regional News

Vacant Lot T's Offered

Jacksonville — Owners of vacant lots here who plan to build at a later date may save themselves some expense by getting a "hook-on T" installed now while the city's sewer system is being constructed, the city council has announced.

Owners interested should contact the city recorder's office as soon as possible, inasmuch as construction is proceeding rapidly.

A "T" can be installed for the price of \$7.50 now, whereas it would cost considerably more to dig up the ground and do it at a later date, said Mayor E. O. Graham at last week's council meeting.

In other action last week, the council named a committee of Graham, Don Wendt and George Brewer to study future development of the Britt grounds.



QUEEN CANDIDATES — Girls competing for queen of the Illinois Valley Labor Day Jubilee at Cave Junction met for a luncheon at the Todelope cafe Aug. 19. Some of the group are pictured above, along with Mrs. Anderson (at end of table), chairman of the queen competition.

Petitions Seek Interim Zoning In Shady Cove

Shady Cove — Shady Cove Planning association members are currently in the process of circulating petitions requesting the Jackson County Planning commission to draft an interim zoning ordinance to apply to the Shady Cove-Trail area.

In the course of investigating the mechanics of incorporation, it was determined that incorporation is a lengthy and time consuming procedure and that interim zoning will be an invaluable aid in halting the currently unorganized expansion of the area here while proponents feel the need for incorporation remains urgent, interim zoning is a readily instituted stop-gap measure to prevent further undesirable land use mixtures and can more effectively cover a larger area, they assert.

The area proposed for zoning is the Shady Cove-Trail Rural Fire Protection district plus two additional small areas; one extending northward approximately 2 miles from Dodge Bridge along Rogue River drive, the other covering approximately 1 1/4 miles along the east bank of the Rogue River between Shady Cove and Trail.

Shady Cove Planning association members are also working on the preliminary draft of an interim zoning ordinance tailored to suit the particular needs of this area.

When this draft is completed, a local public meeting will be announced and held to review the ordinance in detail and to receive the suggestions of residents concerned.

In the meantime, any of the members listed here are available to answer any questions and to accept signatures of residents who may not have been contacted previously: Kenneth Oliver — V.F.W.; Dr. D. L. Hayes, school; Russell Stelle — Lions club; Ray Chubb, businessmen; Jim Wilson — Rotary club; Ed Houston — Grange; Arlene Walsh — real estate; and Helen Duckler — first district representative.

Prospect Seeks Home Economics Teacher

Prospect — Superintendent and Mrs. Roscoe Larson of Prospect School District No. 59 have returned from McMinnville, Ore. and other points north, where he was looking for a home economics teacher for the district.
All other vacancies have been filled, but with school scheduled to start Friday, the district was at last report still without a home economics teacher. It did not have one last year.

Unusual Event In Plant World Taking Place At Eagle Pt. Couple's Home

By GAYNELL KRANBEAL
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Eagle Point — An unusual event in the plant world has appeared at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don McGovern, Eagle Point.

Mrs. McGovern noticed two buds forming on one of two split leaf philodendrons she has potted together in her living room. At the present time one of the buds is opening into full bloom with a flower that appears to belong to the lily family.

For this type of plant to bloom is indeed a rarity, according to local florists. This specimen, the Philodendron pertusum (synonym Monstera deliciosa), is a native of Mexico and Central America.

When it reaches the proper

age it changes from the juvenile stage to an adult stage, where the leaves reach an immense size with a maximum of perforations. The rank stems between internodes disappear, and at this point the flowers, and an edible fruit, appear. However, this is rare in captivity.

These plants were a housewarming gift to the McGovern in 1956. Judging from the size of the plants at that time, Mrs. McGovern estimates the age to be about ten years.

She attributes her excellent luck to the fact that these plants are located where they receive a great deal of filtered light and she sprays the leaves with a light film of water from time to time.



BLOOMING PHILODENDRON—Mrs. Don McGovern of Eagle Point looks at the two buds which have formed on one of two split leaf philodendrons she has in her living room. The buds may be seen in closeup in the bottom photo.

TIMBER INDUSTRY FUNDS PAY COUNTY COSTS — PLUS SEVERAL OTHER BENEFITS



RECEIVE CHECK — Already in the banks drawing interest is the majority of the \$2,356,903.21 check the Jackson county court and treasurer received Friday as the county's share of the O and C timber receipts. Presenting the check was Don Seagraves, district manager of the bureau of land management here. It is being accepted by County Judge Earl Miller and Commissioner Don Faber. Waiting with a bag (in reality a typewriter cover) is County Treasurer Karl Janouch (right) who explained that "he wanted something big enough to carry it." Of the check, \$1,000,000 has been deposited for the county and nearly \$197,000 for the schools. From now until Jan. 1 it will earn \$249,47 in interest each day. During the year this money plus that already on hand will earn the county about \$65,753.09 in interest.

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RECREATION

The O & C Funds have built 13 camp and picnic sites and cooperated with the Accelerated Public Works Program to provide an additional 7 sites as indicated.

- Rogue River Trail*
- Kelsey Creek
- Russian Creek
- Whiskey Creek*
- Cold Springs
- Little Applegate
- Star Gulch
- Salt Creek
- Surveyor*
- Topsey*
- Tucker Flat
- Horseshoe Bend
- Big Slide*
- Rainey Falls*
- Shady Branch
- Tunnel Ridge
- Elderberry Flat
- Battle Creek
- Deer Creek*
- Gold Nugget

* (funds used from Accelerated Public Works Program to alleviate unemployment and further conservation)

ROADS

Funds paid by the Timber Industry for O & C Timber and administered by the Bureau of Land Management has accounted for over 500 miles of roads built and maintained in the Medford District (Jackson, Josephine and western Klamath Counties).

Each year approximately 50 miles of new road is added. Recent projects include the Alameda Bridge over the Rogue River at Grave Creek to open a big area for recreation on the lower Rogue, the Keno access road opens another huge area for hunters and fishermen and will make the Howard Prairie and Hyatt Lake facilities more easily available to Klamath Falls residents.

The Galice Road and the Kelsey-Mule Creek system opened a 140,000 acre area for hunters, fishermen and timber removal.

O & C FUNDS

Money paid by the local buyers of timber is distributed in the following manner: One-fourth is retained by the Government for administration of the lands and management costs, of the three-fourths left, one-fourth is spent on roads, reforestation, recreation and other capital developments. The balance—one-half is then returned to the counties for administration of county government. This applies only to those counties which have land formerly a part of the O & C Railroad grant and the funds are distributed on a ratio of acreage.

YOU— Jackson County Taxpayers would bear this \$2,356,903.21 load without this timber sales program.

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