

Scores Of Towns In State Preparing For Fourth Of July Rodeos And Carnivals

By The Associated Press
The call of Independence Day began sounding through Oregon today, as a score of towns and hamlets bid for the tourist trade with razzle-dazzle festivities over the three-day holiday.

The Fourth of July doesn't mean fireworks any more. It means pagants and street dances and Brahma bulls and respectable bankers who've let their whiskers grow. And a bumper crop of queers will be crowned this week-end in the Oregon towns that have discovered

Cain Makes Quick Trip

SEATTLE, July 3 (AP)—A one-day hearing on Pacific Northwest steel problems brought Sen. Harry P. Cain back to Seattle today for his second return to Washington state since he took office last January.

Cain, who flew here late last night from Los Angeles, is a one-man subcommittee of the senate small business committee. The hearing sessions were set for 10 a. m. and 2 p. m.

Opponents of the Cain-Russell housing disposal bill, soon to receive senate consideration, announced yesterday they planned to picket the chamber building during the steel hearing's noon recess.

In addition to taking part in tomorrow's Independence Day celebration, the senator agreed to meet with public housing officials and projects directors at 4:30 p. m. tomorrow in a closed conference arranged by Gene Seares, Bremerton housing administrator. The senator plans to fly back to Washington tomorrow night.

Convict Count Hits Record

SALEM, July 3 (AP)—The state penitentiary received a record total of 290 new convicts during the first half of 1947. Prison Warden George Alexander said today.

Fifty-nine of them came from Multnomah county, while Lane county was second with 25. The other leaders were Douglas 18, Jackson 17, Linn and Deschutes 15 each, Marion 12, and Clatsop 11.

Four counties—Curry, Jefferson, Sherman and Wheeler—did not send a man to prison.

Figures for other counties: Baker 6, Benton 5, Clackamas 7, Columbia 4, Coos 10, Crook 3, Gilliam 1, Grant 1, Harney 1, Hood River 3, Josephine 9, Klamath 7, Lake 1, Lincoln 8, Malheur 4, Morrow 3, Polk 5, Tillamook 5, Umatilla 7, Union 4, Wallowa 1, Wasco 10, Washington 6, Yamhill 7.

33 DEATHS
PORTLAND, July 3 (AP)—The Portland traffic toll stood at 33 for the year today following the death of Motorcyclist Vilas George Winkler, 19, Portland. His motorcycle skidded under an interurban bus last night.



Ralph T. Howard, for 12 years manager of Big Basin Lumber Company here, has acquired an interest in the Swan Lake Moulding Company and will become associated with that firm beginning August 1. Irving Miller, who comes here from Eugene, has assumed management of Big Basin.

Alaska Hotel Rates Static

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, July 3 (AP)—The principal hotel owners in this overcrowded city agreed today not to raise rates for either permanent guests or transients, despite the easing of rent restrictions in the States and jumps in rates there.

The numerous arrivals, however, who number from 20 to 50 daily, have complained that owners of private homes and operators of transient dormitories were "cashing in," even before the restrictions were lifted.

Alaska Legion Asks Housing

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, July 3 (AP)—Alaska's American Legion convention adopted 16 resolutions yesterday, including an appeal for federal construction of 5000 permanent rental housing units for veterans in the territory.

"The safety and security of the whole United States depends to a large extent on speedy permanent settlement of Alaska, now delayed and defeated by a lack of decent, healthy housing," said the resolution.

Apartment Hunting On Increase

PORTLAND, July 3 (AP)—Apartment-hunting hit a more frantic pace in Portland today as many hotels increase rates for permanent residents more than 100 per cent.

Already a number of hotel tenants had checked out as the hotels abolished monthly rates, putting all rooms on a transient basis, as allowed under the latest rent act of congress.

Most of the tenants indicated they would move, many to smaller suites, some to other quarters.

Local Scout France Bound

Three Boy Scouts from the Klamath basin and Central Oregon region are going to the international Scout encampment soon to be held in Moisson, France. They are Barton Adams from Klamath Falls, 14, 1st class Scout, and son of Dr. and Mrs. F. Cecil Adams who will make the trip to France as Scoutmaster of the northwest contingent. Adams will also serve as advisor to the central medical staff. From Bend, Leo Hebring, 15, Eagle Scout of Troop 24, and Jack Symons, 15, Eagle Scout of Explorer Post 120, will make the long journey.

Prior to their departure for France, the boys and Dr. Adams will make a preliminary encampment at Missoula, Mont. They will leave for this encampment on July 9, and will meet other boys from the Pacific Northwest there. Purpose of the Missoula stopover is to provide a period of training for the boys before they make the long trip.

At Missoula the boys will be trained extensively in the art of combat and camping out. The reason for this is the only facilities for putting them up in France are tents and they will have to do their own cooking.

Navy Planes To Perform

ASTORIA, July 3 (AP)—Thirty combat naval aircraft, flown by naval reserve fliers, will perform battle maneuvers Sunday afternoon in the three-day Astoria air fiesta, the navy announced here.

Besides the navy planes, three army B-29's will fly here from Rapid City, S. D., to take part in the air show Saturday.

Several professional air circuses will perform and over 300 Northwest and Canadian civilian pilots have signed for the various "break-fast" flights that will come in over the holidays.

Indian Agency Fund Cut Eyed

PORTLAND, Ore., July 3 (AP)—How to cut expenses in half and still keep operating—that's the problem Indian agency officials of the far West will discuss here Monday.

Agency superintendents from Oregon, Washington, California, Arizona and Nevada will discuss the matter with the prospect some agencies might be closed because of lowered congressional appropriations.

E. Morgan Fryse, regional head of the U. S. Indian service, said the timber sales program probably would be discontinued. He added, however, that the Warm Springs Indian school, once scheduled for closure, would continue operation.

Flashes Of Life

ALL-SEEING DRIVER
OKLAHOMA CITY, July 3 (AP)—A driver charged with failing to yield the right of way told Acting Police Judge Granville Scanland the other motorist "must have dropped from heaven."

"I never did see him until after the accident and I looked both directions," he testified.

"You should also look up in the air," Judge Scanland observed as he assessed a \$6 fine.

SAFETY NOTE
KANSAS CITY, July 3 (AP)—The white cars driven by traffic and safety department police will have extra passengers tomorrow.

Interns from the General Hospital will ride in each car to take care of any Fourth of July casualties.

CHURCH OF VEGETABLES
CHICAGO, July 3 (AP)—The garden which Emil Soldan is growing out Southwestern avenue is described by neighbors as pretty as a picture.

Soldan, 63 and partly blind, used vegetables instead of paints to make the picturesque garden. With cucumbers, beets, cabbages and other vegetables as his materials, Soldan has created the design of a church in his 40 by 60-foot garden.

In the center of the church is a huge star of lettuce with a center of cucumbers. A circle of cabbages and beets surrounds the star.

Roof Collapses, Injures Owner

PORTLAND, July 3 (AP)—District Judge Fred L. Olson, 79, was injured last night when the roof of a garage he was building at his summer home near Zig Zag on Mount Hood collapsed.

At the hospital where he was brought with back and head injuries he was reported to have spent a "fair" night.

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Judges For Parade Named

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The judges will be Ed Osterdorf, Frank Sexton and I. D. Rumor. They will be stationed on a truck at the corner of 8th and Main. It is requested that the chiefs or chairmen of each section stop by the judges' stand to inform the judges that their section is coming up, in order that the different units may be identified.

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