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County Fair Attracts Many

More Amusements Are Shown
This Year

Continues Until Saturday

Deer Island is Scene of Showing
Of Agricultural and Livestock
Exhibits Until Saturday.

With a high standard of exhibits in all premium classes as well as the greatest showing of manufactured goods and farm implements and equipment at this year's county fair, every effort was made to secure the best in new and novel amusements and attractions.

Increased lighting facilities have made possible a much more extensive night show, both in the exhibit buildings and on the midway and race track. At least three good night programs are offered before the grandstand during the fair. One of these will feature an illuminated rodeo with all the thrills and features presented by day with the greatly added thrill when presented under bright flood lights. Both horses and riders present a more thrilling spectacle when performing under these surroundings. At least one night show will feature a musical evening with the best talent available. Some of the best big-time vaudeville features have been contracted for this presentation.

Every afternoon, starting at 2 o'clock, a complete racing card and rodeo show is presented on the greatly improved half mile track. Two tractor and implement companies have donated their machines and operators to put the track in excellent shape and all former records will go by the boards when many new outside blooded horses lengthen out on this better track.

To assure those who like wild west events a new rodeo program with about 25 new wild horses is being shown. Both local and outside cowboys will attempt to subdue these unbroken cayuses. All the better events that thrilled the large audiences of the shows on July 4 and the recent rodeo will be repeated with many new attractions. A new covered section of the grandstand will be welcomed by those who prefer their rodeo taken in the shade.

Free acts and attractions will be given both afternoon and evening on the midway. The well known St. Helens band will furnish music during one day and at least two evenings and other bands will also play. The radio demonstrators will no doubt keep some music on tap at all times and the fast decreasing G. A. R. fife and drum corps will be on hand Friday which is children's day to give many a child their last opportunity to hear the stirring music of '61.

Wednesday, opening day, was judging of farm products, floral, art, canning and baking, poultry, and school club work. This was set aside as farmers and Grange day. Implement and farm machinery demonstrations were featured. Many other events were added to this day's program.

Today is St. Helens day and most of the stores and industrial plants have agreed to close at noon and make this day truly a representative county seat day. The St. Helens band will give several open air concerts and a prominent speaker will make a short address. All livestock will be judged this morning and awards in all other departments will be completed.

Friday, children's and Columbia county day, will bring the largest attendance in the fair's sixteen years from present indications.

Club work demonstrations and boys and girls work will be presented and this day will mark the start of the annual trap shooting tournament for the county championship. Ben Copeland of St. Helens landed the beautiful silver cup last year and is out to repeat, as the cup must be won three times to be retained. Concerts by the G. A. R. fife and drum corps will also enliven the day, along with special free acts for the kiddies.

Saturday has been set aside as Rainier, Clatskanie and Vernonia day and will be attended by large delegations from these cities. The

Art Goebel Attracted To Oakland All American

The greatest air derby in the history of aviation was won last month by Art Goebel, pilot of the Travel Air monoplane Woolaroc, who arose in a single day from comparative obscurity to international prominence. True Goebel was well known in aerial circles as a daring stunt flyer and sterling pilot but the great American public merely regarded him as another of those "fool aviators."

But now he is an honored figure. His name, like that of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, conqueror of the Atlantic, will go down in history. There is much in the stories of Goebel's and Lindbergh's flights that are parallel.

Both of them were considered great pilots, both of them received comparatively little publicity before the "hop off" other than something like a casual mention that they, competitors, both of them had planes that were tuned to the minute and ready for the supreme test.

While Art prepared the Woolaroc for the Dole race at Mills Field, San Francisco's municipal airport, he managed to find time enough to inspect the new Oakland All American Six with its poised eagle on the radiator cap. Goebel was struck by the similarity of this great bird ready for flight and his own "ship" which at that time was perched impatiently on its wheels waiting for the starter to drop his checkered flag.

The new All American Six sedan which the aviator inspected aroused his enthusiasm because of its trim lines and on account of the power beneath its hood. Goebel drove the car around the airport and tested it for pick-up, easy riding qualities and braking power. After he got out from behind the wheel, he remarked, "Some Automobile!"

To watch Art prepare his monoplane for the flight showed that he knew just what he was doing. He went over it minutely from motor to rudder. When he got through he had a mechanic spin the "prop" until his 9-cylinder Wright Whirlwind motor roared its challenge to the air. He allowed it to warm up for 15 minutes before he signaled his helpers to pull the chocks away from the wheels so that he could take the Woolaroc up for a test flight.

On the day of the race he pursued somewhat similar tactics before the checkered flag dropped.

Pacific University Will Open Doors September 19

Pacific university will open its 79th year on September 19, with the largest enrollment in its history. The freshman class will number more than 100 as indicated by applications already in the office of the registrar. A unique feature of the opening week will be the two days devoted entirely to acquainting the freshmen with college life and traditions.

The faculty has been strengthened by the addition of several new members. Wm. R. Barnhart of Columbia university will teach philosophy and sociology; Miss Arlene Butler of the University of Oregon, physical education for women; S. Miller Callahan of Northwestern university, director of conservatory of music; Clement H. Sievers of Stanford university, education; and Francis B. Turner of Harvard, history.

Pacific is a standard college, giving courses leading to the A.B. degree. Its classes are small, and special attention is given to the needs of the individual students. Pacific has played an important role in the educational history of the northwest. It is not only one of the two oldest colleges, but its professors helped to organize the University of Oregon and gave Whitman its first president.

New Paper for Rainier

A newspaper man from the Puget sound region named Leslie is to establish a newspaper at Rainier in the near future. Printing machinery for the new plant has already been shipped to that city.

annual horseshoe tournament will be run off in the forenoon with players from all sections of the county competing.

In the nature of amusement the fair management has a surprise feature or two on which no advance publicity is given. Some of these surprises and other attractions have never before been presented at the local county fair and will be warmly welcomed.

Deer Island County's Largest Municipality For Three More Days

Special Days Set Aside For Visitors from Certain Sections of Columbia County, Vernonia Saturday

(By Paul Adams)

Columbia county's largest municipality has rapidly changed like some city built by magic from a deserted hay and pasture field and a few empty buildings, into what is the largest city in western Oregon. All the departments and divisions are functioning, starting yesterday. In case you haven't placed this new city by name, we will call it the town that agriculture built, the Columbia county fair grounds. Industry and agriculture are the basis of all strong commonwealths and so in this case the year's rewards in farm and field and home, the best samples of a fine growing season and the art of men and women on the farms is again this year proudly brought forth for exhibition.

With skill that approaches an art, the best breeders of livestock and poultry have planned for a whole year and spent every effort to develop this or that animal into a better representative of its species than the parent stock. Proud of their accomplishments and willing to back their skill against those of their neighbors, they once each year display to all who wish to see their efforts for the past 12 months. As you look at the countless exhibits pause a minute and consider the moments of worry, the efforts of entire families, the back-breaking labor and the sacrifices that have been willingly given to produce the wonderful corn, the perfectly proportioned young animal, the wonderful fruit, or the countless hours of toil represented by art and fancy work, canning and cooking departments and floral sections. These things don't just happen. Someone gave their best to give you the display you hastily pass by in your rush to get a "kewpie" doll or to hear a jazz tune.

But since every city is made up of all classes and turns of mind it seems necessary that this froth of life, the cheap idle amusements, the thrills and tawdry doll racks fill some need or else why would you and so many more "play" these things, so that at many hours the best of the fair is left deserted while a mass of humanity pays hard cash for the things that lose their glamor the day after? The shows and amusements that you will condemn after the fair will be there during the fair because you support them.

In drawing a final conclusion between our fair and any American city let us briefly consider the many departments, established in a few days for only four days service, to make the city more livable.

Public utility service, with free water, light, police protection, medical and hospital service, banking privileges, transportation, sanitation and many other departments function so quietly that some may not know of their existence.

Good clean amusements and educational features are there for your approval. Boys and girls demonstrations of skill and handiwork merit much of your fair time. Contests and competitions of several types will engage your interest. It is the hope of those who give time and effort to make this city possible that you can find much of profit in education, instruction and relaxation every hour of the days and nights the rest of this week.

Mrs. Childs is Injured

While driving on the highway near the Columbia service station at St. Helens Tuesday evening, the car driven by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Childs of Vernonia collided with a truck which turned to the wrong side of the road in passing a car, breking Mrs. Childs' arm. The driver of the truck admitted that the accident was his fault. Mrs. Childs' car was considerably damaged by the impact, which overturned the truck. Mrs. Childs was taken to the St. Helens hospital for treatment.

Gladstone—\$142,000 water and sewer system planned.

Roseburg—New corporation takes over Roseburg Lumber & Manufacturing company.

"Observe Stop Signs at Schools For Safety of Children," Says Kelly

Enforcement of Motoring Law Will be Strict Near the Three Schoolhouses in Vernonia.

With the opening of school in Vernonia Monday, Marshal Kelly has placed the stop signs for motorists on the roads passing the Washington, Lincoln and High schools for the safety of the pupils and students of these schools during school hours.

"There have been no fatalities among school children in Vernonia," said Marshal Kelly, "but a strict enforcement of the law requiring all motor vehicles to come to a stop between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. on school days will be observed to reduce the danger to a minimum."

One child was struck by a car last year, but was uninjured, according to Mr. Kelly, who states that the splendid record is probably due to the presence of the stop signs and the enforcement of the law. A number of motorists were arrested and fined last year for the failure to observe the warning.

Keen Eyes Scan Northwest Forests During Dry Season

Lookout Men, Perched High in the Mountains, Hold Steady Watch

Keen eyes scan the wooded valleys and ridges of the Pacific northwest from early summer until late fall. The eyes belong to the lookout men. And they must be good eyes, for smoke sometimes appears as a hazy thin vapor, almost indiscernible to the untrained or imperfect eye. Writing for the current issue of the Four L Lumber News, Carl B. Neal tells how the lookout man lives and works in his little perch some 10,000 feet or more above sea level.

"When the lookout man sees a fire," writes Mr. Neal, "he immediately locates it as nearly as possible by his own knowledge of the topography of the country and by means of the Osborne fire finder. Before one has seen this instrument one may have had an idea that it was a twin sister to the gold seeker's divining rod, or the desert rat's water-witch, that in some mysterious manner it pointed toward, and "found" the fire. In reality, the fire finder is a large compass by means of which the observer obtains the azimuth or bearing from the lookout man on Mount Wilson report a fire to the central dispatcher at the Summit station and this is what he said:

"This is Mount Wilson talking I see a fire down on Salmon river azimuth 241 degrees and 20 minutes, distance from here 17 miles; from the map I would say that it is in the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 16, T.4; S. 8. E., unsurveyed. There is a light east wind blowing on the fire which is in an old burn, and covers less than an acre of ground. The fire is burning slowly, and if you can get three men in there within four hours, I feel certain they can handle it."

"The central dispatcher immediately called up the lookout man on Lookout mountain, the report was confirmed and then three men were dispatched with tools and provisions to the fire."

Williams-Hobson

May Marie Williams became the bride of George Wesley Hobson yesterday morning at the Evangelical parsonage. Both are residents of Vernonia. Mr. Hobson being a logger in one of the camps near here. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Plumer.

They left immediately after the ceremony for Portland for a short honeymoon trip. They plan to reside in Vernonia. Friends present at the ceremony were Mrs. Estelle Carrigan, Mrs. Rose Poetter and Mrs. Betty Snipe.

After a three months summer vacation the Pythian Sisters will hold their first autumn meeting September 14. The lodge meets every fourth Wednesday night in the Grange hall.

Friday evening the members and friends of the Evangelical church will give a Fellowship Supper and reception to the teachers in and around Vernonia, supper at 7 p.m. sharp in the social hall.

Burns—Heavy steel work completed for big Herrick sawmill here.

Detailed Route of Proposed Beach Road Discussed by O.W. Taylor

Detailed plans of the aims of the Portland and Seaside residents who are backing the project for the construction of the proposed Clatsop beach highway via Vernonia were given in an article written and signed by O. W. Taylor and appearing in the current number of the Columbia Fort Digest, a shipping and commercial trade journal published in Portland.

Mr. Taylor's article follows in full:

Building of the Lower Columbia highway was first agitated in 1911. Whether it would be built down the river, or, through the Nehalem valley was at first a muted question. If it should be nine feet wide or sixteen was also discussed. Now the only question is why it was not made wider and with less curvature.

It is difficult for the average motorist to realize the conditions that prevailed when the Oregon good road movement was first started. There was less than a score of automobiles in Clatsop county at that time and no place to drive them.

Now there is a very heavy regular every-day travel over the lower Columbia River highway and a great congestion on week-ends and holidays. A way to increase its capacity for handling travel is already under serious consideration and within two years something will have to be done to lessen the congestion caused by the narrow pavement. Reducing the curvature will help but nothing less than a twenty-four foot pavement will carry the traffic in a few years. This will entail a very heavy expenditure.

Of late there has been an agitation started at the Clatsop beach points for an inland highway to lessen the traffic on the river road and give a greatly shortened trip from Portland to these points.

Such a highway might use the present West Side pavement to Hillsboro; thence to Banks; Buxton, over a low divide to the head of Beaver creek; down that creek to the Nehalem river at Vernonia; thence up Rock creek some ten or twelve miles; then down Buster creek to the Nehalem river three miles below Jewell.

Line Is Optional

From this point two routes are possible. One down the Nehalem to Humbug creek, and up the Humbug to Saddle mountain, or, follow the Nehalem to Jewell and up the Little Fishhawk to a point close to Saddle mountain and there connect with the grade of the Lewis and Clark railway, following that grade to the intersection of the Lewis and Clark-Wahannah highway and down that road to its intersection with the Columbia River highway, midway between Gearhart and Seaside.

This will bring Clatsop beach points to within about eighty-five miles of Portland.

This distance could be further shortened by crossing the Tualatin Plains to the north of Hillsboro, but the saving in distance would not be sufficient to justify the additional expense.

The timber to be moved by the Lewis and Clark railroad will all be cut in two or three years and that railroad grade can probably be made available for highway purposes. If so, and the pavement to Hillsboro be used, the cost of the inland route should not be greater than the expense of widening the Lower Columbia highway.

Benefits Cited

Such a highway would bring our most popular beach centers to within two and one-half hours of Portland. It would open up a delightful route through the mountains and coast valleys; would bring Saddle mountain Park into use and greatest of all, relieve the congestion on the Lower Columbia River highway.

A movement has been started at beach points to ask the highway commission to survey this route so that its practicability can be demonstrated for use when the time comes for its construction.

Portland is, of course much interested in the proposed highway and prominent Portland people are active in its behalf. The large number of people from the cities who regularly come and go between the beaches and up-river points are anxious to see the present facilities supplemented.

The project will, from present indications, have strong support all along the line.

Vernonia Day Plans All Made

Event Will Be This Saturday,
September 10.

Many Attractions Offered

Various Local Organizations Will Sponsor Concession Booths and Attractions; Profit of Park

Saturday, September 10, has been declared Vernonia day by the Chamber of Commerce, and many local organizations are working with the viewpoint of attracting a large crowd to this city. Street dances, water fights and all the attractions of a carnival are promised by those in charge of the events of the day.

The American Legion, the Nebekahs, the Legion Auxiliary, the Pythian Sisters, Women of Woodcraft, and the fire department are all contributing in the work of staging this big celebration of the day when the railroad was officially opened from Vernonia to Portland.

Local merchants are offering special attractions for the day and many people are expected to start coming in the morning of the 10th. Street booths will be erected by local organizations which are expected to be doing business most of Saturday.

The American Legion Auxiliary will serve hot dogs and hamburger sandwiches, and coffee. The Pythian Sisters will have a tag sale, with the benefits accruing to the city park fund. The fire department will stage a water fight about 7 p. m. Confetti will be sold by the Women of Woodcraft and the Womens Relief Corps will also have a booth.

The dance, music for which will be supplied by a local orchestra, the Serenaders, is under the auspices of the American Legion, and will be held on Bridge street, between Second and Third. A section will be roped off for this purpose, it is said, but in the event of rain the Legion hall will be used.

Arrangements are being made by the Legion to have a few speeches made appropriate for the occasion, and it is said that Mrs. Sarah Spencer, president of the Womens Relief Corps and who is "Aunt Sally" to the World war veterans, has agreed to say a few words. Mrs. Spencer has been a resident of the Nehalem for nearly 50 years.

Tousley-Collins

The wedding of Miss Margaret Tousley and Lester Collins both of Vernonia, occurred Saturday at the Methodist Episcopal church in St. Helens. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collins and daughter Eunice were present at the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins plan to reside in Vernonia, where he is employed at the O.-A. mill. Mrs. Collins formerly was a telephone operator at the local exchange.

Horseshoe Has Banquet Room

The meeting of the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce was held Thursday in the new banquet room of the Horseshoe cafe, which moved recently to the Pringle building at the corner of Bridge and Second streets.

The 30 members who attended the noon luncheon meeting were high in their praises of this feature of the cafe's service.

Plans were discussed for the entertainment of the next meeting of the Lower Columbia River Chamber of Commerce association of which this chamber is a member. Vernonia has the right to ask that the next meeting, which will be held in late October, be held here. The problem of whether 1000 visitors should be handled in Vernonia was left to a committee appointed by President Aldrich.

Hillsboro—Oiling completed on miles of 16 market roads in Washington county.

Burns—Big Herrick sawmill under way and 50-mile railroad built.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Mecklem of Portland visited over the week in Vernonia with friends and relatives.