BAND IN THE 70s TOOTS IN 100TH YEAR OF FAIR

Ogle Celebrates with a Mile Long Parade

Oregon, Ill., Sept. 5 [Special] —The Ogle County fair was 100 years old today, and 10,000 people poured into Oregon [pop. 4,500] to take note of the fact.

The Centennial fair started off with a mile long parade in the morning. Virtually every business in town was represented by a float or other vehicle in the procession, and half a dozen bands kept the air wild with music.

Some of the most spirited tooting came from the town square, where the Lafayette band was blaring forth. This organization of old time farmer-musicians was formed in 1875, and the drummer still plays the same drum they had then.

Oldsters Give 2 Concerts

Most of the 23 members of the venerable organizations are in their 70s, and it was deemed better for them not to undergo the rigors of the parade march. Instead they gave a concert on the square, and later played again at the fair grounds.

Ancient horse drawn and motor driven vehicles were among the most interesting features of the parade. A Standard Oil tank wagon harked back to the days when horses carried the gasoline to the horseless carriages. A. D. Etnyre & Co., a local firm, ran one of its 1916 street flushers in the parade, and a covered wagon drawn by a team of oxen attracted considerable attention.

There were three harness races during the afternoon, as there will be on each of the two remaining afternoons of the fair—tomorrow and Monday, Labor day—when even bigger crowds than today's are expected.

Record Stock Entry

In addition to the racing, other attractions include judging of the largest number of prize live stock ever entered in the fair here, half a dozen free vaudeville acts performed on a stage opposite the grandstand, exhibits of antiques, and the usual carnival attractions.

Tomorrow has been proclaimed Ernie Landers day in honor of the local newspaper editor and old time circus manager who has been secretary of the fair 20 years.

NAME MICHIGAN MAN CANADIAN LEGION'S CHIEF

Frederick Francis, of Grosse Pointe, Mich., yesterday was elected commander of the Great Lakes command of the Canadian Legion at the organization's 19th annual convention in the Sheridan Plaza hotel, 4609 N. Sheridan rd. The Legion is a Canadian war veterans' organization that is affiliated with the British Empire Service league.

Other newly elected officers are Frank Blaydon, Royal Oak, Mich., first vice-commander; David Cunningham Jr., 3818 Lakewood av., second vice-commander, and Thomas Gilroy, 3024 Armitage av., pensions and service officer.

Convention members and units of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will join in a parade at 1:15 p. m. today starting at Wilson av. and Hazel st. The parade route will be principally in Lawrence av. and Sheridan rd. in the vicinity of the Sheridan Plaza hotel.

VETERANS URGE STRONGER U. S. ARMORED UNITS

The Sixth Armored Division association adopted a resolution yesterday urging the armed forces to develop further the equipment and technique of armored units in ground warfare. The resolution said that interest in armored units had lapsed to a big extent among military chiefs because of the static type of warfare in Korea. Five hundred members of the association, which concluded a two-day annual convention in the Congress hotel, gave a rising ovation to Maj. Gen. Robert W. Grow, now retired, of Washington, who commanded the 6th armored division thru five European campaigns in World War II. One of the new association officers elected was Charles Hughes, of 3317 Seminary av., who was chosen first vice president.

RAINS IN FOREST FIRE AREAS END TRAVEL CURBS

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 5 (AP) —Rain eased the forest fire peril in Quebec and northern Ontario today. Restrictions on woods travel were lifted.

Showers drenched 2,500 firefighters and 111 fires in northern Ontario. Rain poured down also in some areas of Quebec, where flames have swept many square miles of timber after a long spell of hot, dry weather. Henri Kieffer, chief of the Quebec forest protection service, said the travel ban was dropped because rain was forecast for nearly all regions.

The hazard is not ended, but one forester fighting the 4,250-acre blaze in Gladman township, near North Bay, said the rain gave firefighters "their big chance." E. L. Ward, district forester at North Bay, said his men have all fires in check.

Mother Reunited with Child Taken by Baby Sitter

[Associated Press Wirephoto]

Mrs. Burlie Nelson of North Philadelphia reaching for daughter, Edith, 2, at reunion in Philadelphia police station after child was taken to Chicago by Barbara Murray, 16 (right), a baby sitter.

CORN, SOYBEAN YIELDS CUT BY EXTENDED HEAT

Big Crops, However, Are Expected

BY RICHARD ORR

Recent hot, dry weather has reduced yields of farm crops in Chicagoland and most other areas of the midwest, but not enough to affect consumer supplies adversely, crop forecasters said yesterday.

Corn and soybeans, the two field crops principally affected by the drouth and excessive temperatures that existed thru most of August, have been cut, but big crops remain in prospect. Pastures and hay crops have been damaged severely in many areas.

May Eliminate Quota Vote

One result of the prospective reduction in the corn crop may be to relieve the secretary of agriculture of having to ask corn growers to vote on whether they want federal marketing quotas imposed on next year's crop, which the secretary must do if the total supply is too far above normal.

Charles B. Shuman, president of the Illinois Agricultural association, said farmers of this state have suffered their biggest dollar loss in the reduction of pasture and hay yields, which is causing many to dig into winter hay and silage supplies much earlier than usual. He estimated yields of corn and soybeans may have been lowered as much as 35 per cent or more in some areas, particularly south of Champaign, Champaign county.

Farmers "Hurt More"

"The drouth and heat have hurt farmers more than consumers," Shuman said.

The state department of agriculture described pasture conditions as the lowest since 1936. Spring seedings of legumes and grasses have been damaged by the extremely hot, dry weather, which also delayed fall seedings of these crops for 1954 hay and pasture.

W. E. Schmidt, assistant Cook farm adviser, estimated the county's corn crop has been reduced 10 to 20 per cent. Tomatoes, the biggest single commercial vegetable crop, have been hurt severely, he said. Late sweet corn, sugar beets, and other truck crops also have suffered.

C. M. Galvin, crop forecaster for James E. Bennett & Co., grain commission firm, estimated the heat and drouth lopped more than 90 million bushels off the nation's corn crop. His estimate of 3,182,922,000 bushels as of Sept. 1 compares with a government forecast of 3,330,418,000 bushels as of Aug. 1. The nation's average corn crop for the 10 years ended 1951 is slightly more than 3 billion bushels.

LOSES $120 TO ROBBER

Anthony Peterson, driver for a company at 1530 S. State st., was assaulted and robbed of $130 yesterday by a [illegible] in front of 331 E. 51st st.

Watching the Birds

[illegible]

Those interested in birds, whether they are experts making detailed studies in some field of ornithology or whether they don't know a starling from a grackle, gain knowledge and stimulation in banding together with others interested in the same subject. That is why they join bird clubs. All those in the Chicago area are open to the public as guests, and membership is easy to attain.

Continuing with the list of bird clubs begun last Sunday, we have probably the most active in the entire area, the Evanston Bird club. It meets at 7:45 p. m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month, September thru April, in the downstairs lecture room of the Evanston public library. The opening meeting of the fall season will be Sept. 22.

Has Picture Collection

The club has a collection of bird slides, which members use when giving talks at various club and school groups in the community. It also maintains a booth at the Evanston Garden Club fair each spring.

The club has field trips semimonthly in the fall [the next is Oct. 24] and weekly in the spring, on Saturdays, with four extra ones on Fridays scheduled for the coming season.

Youth walks, for children 8 to 14 years old, are held twice a year. The club supplies leaders for special groups such as Boy and Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls, and the like. Altho most of the membership is in Evanston, the club draws members from Chicago and many suburbs. The president is Mrs. Reba Campbell, 1119 Hull st., Evanston, and the field chairman is Mrs. Robert Rulison, 2307 Central av., Evanston.

Wheaton Club Newest

Newest bird club in the area is the Wheaton Audubon society, organized less than two years ago. It holds meetings on the last Tuesday of each month in the Wheaton Y. M. C. A. and also sponsors field trips and occasional social gatherings. Membership is drawn roughly from the Du Page county line on the south to Naperville, and from Lombard to West Chicago.

Most of its field trips have been to the Morton Arboretum, an unexcelled area for many kinds of birds, especially in winter, not found elsewhere in the Chicago region.

The club is the only local one in the Chicago area that is affiliated with the National Audubon society. It also is affiliated with the Illinois Audubon society. Edward F. Luchen of 7 S. Sleight st., Naperville, is president and Mrs. Roy J. Lile of 408 Pennsylvania av., Glen Ellyn, is secretary.

FOUR TV SETS STOLEN

Raymond Clark, owner of the [illegible] store at 3141 Shields av., reported that burglars broke into the store yesterday and stole four television sets valued at $1,200.

SITTER TAKES BABY ON JAUNT OF 1,600 MILES

From Philadelphia to Chicago and Back

Philadelphia, Sept. 5 (Special) —A 16 year old baby sitter, Barbara Murray, returned to her home here today after taking a neighbor's 2 year old daughter with her on a 1,600 mile round trip jaunt to Chicago.

"I went on a choo choo!" was the enthusiastic report given police by blonde little Edith Nelson.

Not so enthusiastic were Edith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burlie Nelson, and Barbara's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murray. The two couples, who are neighbors, had reported the children missing Thursday night and a nation-wide alarm had been sent out for them.

Gets $30 from Father

Both couples work, and for some time the Nelsons have paid Barbara $10 a week to take care of Edith during the day. Barbara saved $30 of her pay, and obtained another $30 from her father by telling him the rental agent wanted their September rent early because he was going on a vacation.

This $60 financed the Chicago jaunt. Barbara and the child left the Nelson home in a taxi Thursday morning and caught a Pennsylvania railroad train at North Philadelphia station, arriving in Chicago at 7:10 a. m. yesterday. Barbara later told police they wandered around the station and nearby streets.

About noon they took a train back to Philadelphia, reaching here at 8:30 a. m. today. Barbara telephoned police from the station and they were picked up immediately.

Little Money Left

She had less than $2 of the $60 left. Most of it went for her coach fare, $27.50 each way. They ate sandwiches and milk on the trains.

Asked why she had gone to Chicago, the runaway baby sitter replied, "I didn't want to go back to high school. [She'll be a junior this year.] And besides, I'd never been to Chicago and wanted to see it."

In the last two years Barbara has run away to New York City, Baltimore, and Princeton, N. J. But she never took anyone with her before. Her case was turned over to juvenile authorities.

4 Ribbons Put on Cage as Lioness Has Quads

SAN BENEDETTO DEL TRONTO, Italy, Sept. 5 (AP)—Four ribbons fluttered today from the cage of Mary, a circus lioness, to announce the birth of quadruplets to her and her mate, Tarzan. One of the cubs in the litter is an albino.

Cactus Kate Deserts a Cabin for Big City

"Well, suh, podner, that's the way it happened. Created a character to amuse folks, then she got the upper hand. I just had to skip town to get away from her."

That's how Mrs. Lillian Thompson explained her visit here with her sister, Mrs. Anna Smith, of 2615 N. Mozart st., yesterday. Mrs. Thompson returned to civilization after living the last six years in a wild west mountain cabin with only an occasional coyote as company.

Character Outgrew Her

The character that outgrew her is that of Cactus Kate, a cigar smoking sure shot, who rode down from the mountains into the San Bernadino valley on her old gray mare, Lightnin', into Pioneertown, Cal.

"I—or rather, Cactus Kate—handled wildcats and rattlesnakes, hunted coyotes, smoked big black cigars, and became a sure shot with a gun. Haven't smoked a cigar since I've been here—or shot a gun," she said.

"For years, only one person knew who Cactus Kate really was," explained Mrs. Thompson, "and that was my husband, Arent." Thompson owns the bowling alley in Pioneertown, a village of 15 folks, 4 miles south of Yucca Valley and 30 miles north of swank Palm Springs.

Mrs. Thompson holding picture of herself as Cactus Kate.

No Autos Allowed

The bowling alley, said Mrs. Thompson, is one of seven buildings in town and houses the postoffice. The town is the only one in the United States where no cars are allowed on the main street—called Mane st., she said.

"We didn't even have a postoffice until three years ago," she added. "Then my husband just applied for one to put Pioneertown on the map."

Cactus Kate came into being about eight years ago as a stunt to amuse the townspeople and attract the tourists. She replaced Diamond Lil as a character played by Mrs. Thompson because Diamond Lil did not fit the area.

"I just let her disappear," said Mrs. Thompson. "In her stead came someone to go with the desert—Cactus Kate—on a horse I bought at an auction for $15 because he was too old for horsemeat. I named him Lightnin'."

Wore Men's Shoes

Cactus Kate dressed in long sleeved calico dresses, threw a black shawl around her shoulders on cool days, hobbled around in men's shoes, and took to the mountains six years ago.

"I lived there all alone," said Mrs. Thompson, "30 miles up in the mountains. I soon found I had lived that way so long I couldn't be any other way out west. So I came to Chicago and wired my husband where I was."

Mrs. Thompson now has a job in a television manufacturing concern. Occasionally, she becomes nostalgic and plays a record of a song written about her, "Cactus Kate," by Bruce Cranston, of Los Angeles.

"But I just had to get away," she said. "After all, Cactus Kate is 75—and I am only 60."

HISTORIC HOME IN VIRGINIA IS WEDDING SCENE

BY JUDITH CASS

One of late summer's outstanding weddings took place yesterday in Cobham, Va., where Miss Audrey Lawrence was married to Don-Michael Bird, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Donald Bird of Kenilworth, at Castle Hill, the home of her parents, Col. and Mrs. Clark J. Lawrence, formerly of Winnetka.

The Rev. Gerard Yates, dean of Georgetown university's graduate school, performed the ceremony before an altar on a raised dais in the center of the hourglass shaped front lawn at Castle Hill. The setting for the reception was the bowling green adjacent to the eldest part of the house, which was built in 1765.

Fashioned on Empire Lines

The bride's chantilly lace and silk taffeta gown was fashioned on Empire lines with a very full skirt trimmed with tiers of lace and taffeta which fell into a cotillion train. Her fingertip veil of illusion was held in place with a cap of chantilly lace.

Two honor attendants gowned in royal mint taffeta and six bridesmaids in similar gowns of romance rose preceded the attractive bride to the altar. Three of the bridesmaids, the Misses Frances Blunt, Judy Roberts, and Ann Murray are of Winnetka. The bridegroom's brother, Brian Bird, was best man; and among the ushers were Don Hannah of Hinsdale, Robert Pool of Evanston, Frank White Jr. of Milwaukee, and William Steinwedell of Winnetka.

Frost-Bannerman

Antique ivory, apricot, and gray-green were the colors chosen by Miss Mary Bannerman for her marriage at 4:30 p. m. in St. Mary's church, Lake Forest, to William Dalrymple Frost, son of Mrs. Katherine Dalrymple Frost of Wayzata, Minn. A reception was held after the ceremony in the Lake Forest home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Alvin John Schiffmann, and Mr. Schiffmann.

The bride's gown was of antique ivory satin with long sleeves and a train embroidered with seed pearls. The seed pearl embroidery also was carried out in the cap from which a finger tip illusion veil was attached. The bride's bouquet was of Amazon lilies and stephanotis.

An apricot satin gown with a matching hat and veil was worn by Miss Diane Frost, the bridegroom's sister, as maid of honor. The bridesmaids, Mrs. John W. Dowling, Mrs. Claude Peck Jr., Miss Mary Lew Pope, and Mrs. John C. Washburne wore gray-green satin.

La Crosse-Brown

Pink and cranberry provided the color notes at the marriage of Miss Bonnie Bowman and Wallace E. Brown, son of Mrs. John La Crosse of Minocqua, Wis., at 5 p. m. in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Kenilworth. The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Bowman, gave the reception in their Kenilworth home.

Heavy moire taffeta ballerina length frocks of cranberry color with stoles lined in pink were worn by the four bridesmaids, the Misses Dorothy Seyberth of Eau Claire, Wis., Joan Oldberg, Barbara Fitzpatrick, and Claire Billow. The maid of honor, Miss Fay Walker, was dressed in pink with a stole lined in cranberry. Their flowers were rubrum lilies. The twin flower girls, Donna and Dianne La Crosse, half sisters of Mr. Brown, were dressed in light pink taffeta dresses.

The bride's gown was of ivory satin fashioned with a bodice of chantilly lace and a high Queen Anne collar. She wore her mother's illusion net veil caught to a crown of chantilly lace and carried a shower bouquet of pink sweetheart roses surrounded by small white chrysanthemums.

David Bowman, the bride's brother, was the best man. Another set of twins, David and Robert Lowell of Crystal Lake, were among the ushers.

Heffernan-Cleveland

Simplicity set the keynote for two other afternoon weddings in the suburbs. Miss Jacqualin Ann Cleveland, who was married at 4 o'clock in St. Francis Xavier church, Wilmette, to John Ward Heffernan Jr., wore a long wedding gown of white nylon tulle with sleeves of chantilly lace. Chantilly lace also trimmed the hoop skirt of the dress and the crown supporting the bride's fingertip veil.

Miss Barbara Clark of Glencoe, the bride's only attendant, also was dressed in white. Her ballerina length frock of organdy had a sweetheart neck line. She carried blue delphinium and white carnations. Leo G. Hadley III of Kirkwood, Mo., was best man for Mr. Heffernan, who is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Heffernan of Wilmette.

Hardin-Davies

Miss Diane Davies chose a short dress of white lace over light blue silk for her marriage at 5 o'clock in Howes Memorial chapel, Evanston, to David Kimball Hardin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Hardin of Evanston. She wore a small white silk hat to complete the costume. The bride's only attendant, Mrs. John S. Mercer of Wilmette, also wore a short dress. Hers was fashioned of beige silk.

After a family dinner in the Drake hotel, Mr. Hardin and his bride left on a wedding trip to the Bahamas. On the way home to Chicago they will visit with his sister and brother-in-law, the Donald Wrigley Clarks, in Charlotte, N. C. The bride's parents are Sydney H. Davies of Northfield and Mrs. Louis Whitcomb.

Nickelson-Marts

For her marriage yesterday afternoon to Robert William Nickelson of Havelock, Ia., Miss Carolynn Marts wore a gown of white chantilly lace over satin and a strand of pearls belonging to her mother, Mrs. Carroll H. Marts of Octavia av. The ceremony took place at 3 o'clock in St. Genevieve's church. Later the bride's parents gave a dinner and reception in the Lake Shore club. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Elim Nickelson of Havelock.

Miss Patricia Marts, who was maid of honor for her sister, and Mrs. Benjamin Knupp of Cicero, Miss Martha McDowell of Blakesburg, Ia., and Miss Marcella Boland of Fairfax, Ia., who were bridesmaids, were dressed in ballerina length gowns of frost green iridescent taffeta. Their flowers were rust colored daisies.

Weddings of Interest Here

[Vassar Photo]

Mrs. Don-Michael Bird (Audrey Lawrence).

Mrs. Wallace E. Brown (Bonnie Bowman). [Wesley Bowman Photo]

[TRIBUNE Photo]

Mr. and Mrs. William Dalrymple Frost (Mary Bannerman).

[Austin Field Photo]

Mrs. Robert W. Nickelson (Carolynn Marts).

British Teacher Arrives Here on Exchange Visit

Joan Selley, 35, a faculty member of the Malden Manor school in New Malden, Surrey, England, arrived in Chicago yesterday on her way to Whiting, Ind., where she will spend a year as an exchange teacher in the Whiting Elementary school. Miss Selley, who was met in Chicago and feted at a luncheon by several Whiting teachers, said the city was "much like all big cities." She was among 96 teachers from Britain who arrived recently in the United States as exchange instructors.

'MISSING' JET PILOT WALKS OUT OF WOODS

TOKYO, Sept. 5 (AP) — An American flyer missing after yesterday's six jet crashes "walked out of the woods" unharmed today as still another air force Sabre jet crashed in Hokkaido, injuring the pilot.

The far east air force said the missing man, one of six pilots caught in a violent storm in southwestern Japan yesterday, apparently bailed out over the mountains of Kyushu island.

"He was discovered about 4 p. m. after he walked out of the woods and as far as we know now he was unharmed," an air force spokesman said. "He was picked up by helicopter and taken to Itazuki air base.

Reds Say They Rebuilt Irrigation Reservoir

San Francisco, Sept. 5 (AP)—Peiping radio said today that North Korean and Chinese Red troops have rebuilt the Sunan irrigation reservoir, 18 miles north of Pyongyang, which was wrecked by American bombers May 13 and 14. The broadcast said restoration of the reservoir, one of Korea's largest, began May 23 and was completed by mid-August.

'DEAD' SOLDIER WRITES 'WIDOW' AFTER 13 YEARS

[Chicago Tribune Press Service]

TOULOUSE, France, Sept. 5—A letter from Stalingrad today made Madeleine Ferron, a French peasant woman, a "merry widow."

Datelined "Stalingrad, Soviet Union" and postmarked Warsaw, Poland, the letter came from Madeleine's "dead" husband, Antoine Capdeville, an artillery soldier captured by the Germans in the debacle of 1940, shipped to an East Prussian prisoner of war camp, and reported presumably dead by the French government in 1946.

Antoine and Madeleine, farmers' children in the hamlet of Boudy, 60 miles northwest of Toulouse, were married in May, 1939. Four months later Antoine was called to the colors. In May, 1940, Antoine got a furlough and saw his son, Robert, born. Then Antoine returned to the army and disappeared for 13 years.

Name on Monument

Sadly the mayor of Boudy chiseled Antoine's name in gold underneath his father's on the granite monument to the dead of World Wars I and II. Madeleine donned mourning clothes.

In 1949 Madeleine married another Boudy peasant, Marius Gineste. Marius died in an accident only 10 months later. Once again Madeleine put on mourning garments.

Weary of working her small farm all alone, Madeleine had decided to wed a third Boudy farmer when Antoine's letter arrived. Madeleine learned that she had unconsciously committed bigamy and had never been a widow!

Here's His Letter

"Dear family, I write after all these years to give you good news of myself," Antoine wrote. "I have written to you several times, but I have never had a reply. I suppose that there have been changes in the family. Some have grown older and others have perhaps died.

"As for me, I am working in a factory. For the moment I can say no more than that. When I have had word from you, I will be able to explain my life to you. Love, Antoine.

"P. S. Write to Antoni Kaptovil [Russian phonetic spelling], 103 Sveritna, Stalingrad-Bohatenow," he ended.

The mayor of Boudy immediately ordered his name scratched from the war memorial.

FINDS MOTHER HANGED

Mrs. Clara Hessling, 45, of 1308 Thorne av., was found hanged in a closet of her home yesterday. Her body was discovered by her son, Lawrence, 15, when he opened the closet door to get clothing.

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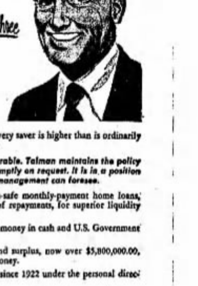

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