60 to Compete in Derby at Pioneertown

SPCA, Humane Society Inspect Burros

PIONEERTOWN — Sixty burros, which will be competing in the 12th annual National Burro Derby starting Aug. 5, were inspected here Tuesday by officials of the Los Angeles Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the Southern California Humane Society.

Pronouncing the animals in good physical shape were George M. Crosier, general manager of the two societies, and Clyde F. Miles, chief investigator and state humane officer. The officials also oversee the association's provisions for caring and equipping the burros, loading and unloading the animals at the start and finish of each day, etc.

On hand to go over all details of the three-day race and handling of the animals were William Snyder, Big Bear Lake, president of the Old Miner's Association, Inc.; Robert Freeman, Big Bear Lake, publisher-editor of the "Old Miner's Gazette"; and Samuel A. Moore, Pioneertown activities chairman.

Miles will be in charge of the Humane Society detail which will accompany the wranglers and burros, it was stated. Two of his men will cover the field on horseback. In addition, it was reported, an officer from Barstow's United Humane Society will also participate.

The Old Miner's Association of Big Bear Lake and Old Miner's Association of Pioneertown, cosponsors of the burro derby, are anxious to clarify some of the confusion and misconceptions on the part of animal-lovers who have protested the race on the grounds that it was a form of cruelty to animals. This is definitely not the case as the association's rules and regulations and those drawn up by the LASPCA and Southern California Humane Society are strictly enforced. If there are infractions of the rules the wrangler will be disqualified and fined.

Each burro in the race must be sponsored. As each wrangler and sponsor signs up, he is provided with the four-page rules and regulations from the association and the one-page rules and regulations from the society.

Regarding the treatment of the burros, the association's rules state: "Burros shall not be treated with brutality or abuse under any conditions, mechanical or electrical "gimmicks" or other means which injure or abuse a burro, are strictly forbidden. The making of noise is permitted if it is not offensive to other wranglers or passers-by, or if it does not interfere with another wrangler's burro. In no event shall noise be of harsh or unreasonable nature, such as cannon shots, gunshots or horn-honking. Burros may be coaxed with the use of food."

Further protection is afforded by the society's rules, which state: "Pack must fit burro properly with adequate padding so as to prevent rubbing and causing raw sores, and pack must not exceed current weight of approximately 15 pounds. Rope halter and lead must be used on each burro entered in race.

"No instruments or gimmicks of any type may be used to force the burros to walk in the race, and wranglers may not use the end of the lead rope to whip the burro, which may cause bruising. Food, however, may be used to coax the burros along the trail of the race. All wranglers to be given a copy of the rules and regulations regarding the race, and particularly all rules governing the manner in which the burros are to be handled during the race.

"Should it become necessary to disqualify any entry in the race due to misuse of the burro, the decision of the state humane officer of the SPCA will be final. This in no way, however, is to be construed as interference with other rules and regulations as set forth by the Association governing the race. The Old Miner's Association must accept all such rules and regulations as set forth and same be entered in the minutes of the Board of Directors, and a copy of such minutes of the Board be submitted to the SPCA signed by the president and secretary of the Association."

Punitive action has been taken into account in the case of any infraction. The regulations provide: "The willful violations of rules and regulations by wranglers and/or sponsors warrant punitive action. This action may be as follows: (1) Verbal warning (2) 15-minute time forfeiture (3) 30-minute time forfeiture (4) One-hour time forfeiture (5) Disqualification or elimination.

"Officials wearing badges will note infractions of rules and regulations and at any time may give verbal warnings. If the incident is of a nature which warrants greater punitive action than a warning, the official will immediately advise the wrangler of the violation witnessed by him, and the official will advise further that action may be taken. The official will immediately present the case to the judges.

"A panel of five judges (each wearing an arm band of distinctive color) will make punitive decisions for each day of the race. Their names will be announced prior to each day's start. Judges will have full authority to render decisions on all infractions of rules and regulations, and their decisions will be final. Their authority applies to all matters ruled by common sense and decency and to any situation which might arise not covered by official rules and regulations."

The winning wranglers, who obviously exhibited good sportsmanship all the way, will be rewarded by cash prizes. Final first place winner will receive $500; second place, $200; third place, $100; and the next seven places, $20 each.

In addition, daily cash prizes will be awarded as follows: 1st place, $20; 2nd place, $15; 3rd place, $10; and the next seven places, $5.

And, as an added incentive, a daily cash prize will be awarded for PHYSICALLY completing each day of the race at $10 for EACH COMPLETED DAY. The association also will award place trophies to the first three finalists and finalists trophies to all the others.

Following the burro inspection, Moore announced that four more contestants have been added to the "Miss Burro" Contest which closes Friday night. They are Susan Miller, of Yucca Valley; Marion Bonser, "Cactus Kate" and Baby Doyle, all of Pioneertown. The girl accounting for the most votes, at ten cents a vote, will be crowned at the Coronation Ball in Pioneertown on Saturday, July 31, and will reign over Pioneertown Days, the Burro Derby and Old Miner's Days at Big Bear Lake.

Stormy Final Year Seen

Trustees in Barstow Spar Over Expenses

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BARSTOW — One-two punches delivered by Melvin Hill, newly returned to the Barstow Union High School - College board of trustees, and Robert J. Speth, a veteran at board in-fighting, served notice Tuesday night that the 51st final year of BUHS district government will not be a tranquil one.

With the district scheduled to turn over the high school and college to the new unified district a year from now, some people thought the stormy days were behind for the high school district and attendance at trustee meetings would fall off.

But any hopes for a peaceful demise for the district were shattered Tuesday night when Speth hurled the charge of "lie" and drew an angry rejoinder from Dr. C. Dean Hammans, immediate past president of the board and a man rarely ruffled.

The session also drew a carefully - prepared rebuttal from Dr. James L. Prince, district superintendent, to recurring charges — usually anonymously circulated — of excessive administrative staffing and Speth's first offer of a public explanation as to why he voted against hiring Charles T. Boyle, former University of Illinois Rose Bowl player and Tulsa high school coach, as Barstow High School head football coach.

Speth said that it had nothing to do with the fact that Boyle is from Oklahoma but because of the way his salary had been increased through extra assignments. Speth did not explain, however, why he had also voted at the same meeting against hiring a second Tulsa coach — Arthur G. Davis — and abstained from approving the employment of another Oklahoma man—John P. Gwartney—as a special education teacher.

The only additional compensation that Davis is to get is that regularly scheduled for coaching duties, while Gwartney was hired in on the regular schedule.

Speth's comments on his dissenting vote came in the midst of his argument for a resolution that would forbid any expenditures or commitments beyond budgeted amounts without prior board approval.

In arguing for his resolution—which will be voted on at the next meeting of the board — Speth complained anew at the piecemeal manner in which the track improvement at the high school was presented to the board, labeling one presentation a "lie."

Hammans, describing the track project as a "great" improvement, flushed at one point and asked: "Do you think the majority of this board was dishonest?"

As was repeatedly explained at board meetings, the track project was submitted for piecemeal approval of the board in order to circumvent the requirement that it be put out to bid and thus allow the district to do the work with its own personnel.

Norman Smith, board president, pointed out that much of the spending to improve the campus during the past year was aimed at securing a full five-year accreditation of the high school. He noted that the high school had been awarded five-year accredition — for the first time in its history.

The high school's diminishing reserve — which has slid from more than 600,000 three years ago to about $200,000 now and is expected to very nearly vanish in the coming year — drew fire from Hill, who declared:

"If I were a unified board member, I would be a little bit perturbed at us turning over a bankrupt district."

In his presentation, Hill made a point of the fact that he had secured the figures on the dwindling surplus from the county school superintendent's office.

Under questioning from William Russ district business manager, Hill acknowledged that he had not sought the figures from the district office, explaining, "I just happened to be in San Bernardino."

Actually, the disappearing reserve has been well-chronicled by the high school administration, with Prince pegging his opposition to salary hikes for teachers on the fact that it would increase deficit spending. Speth has taken the lead in securing approval of salary increases in spite of Prince's negative recommendations.

Prince pointed to the teachers' salary schedule — which, he reported, has been rated the best in the state for two years in a row — and the teaching load — which, he reported, is among the lowest in the state—in presenting figures indicating that administrative staffing of the high school is well under state averages for districts of the same size.

Other high school districts of the same size, he reported, have three or more certificated administrators, whereas he is the only certificated administrator in the district office. As a consequence, he pointed out, he has to pull other high school administrators away from their jobs to do work for him.

He said that administrators are needed not only for present operation — "to maintain the status quo" — but also to plan and initiate educational improvements. Emphasizing that "traditional methods in education are not adequate for the space age," Prince maintained that, "innovation comes from administration . . . not teachers nor board members nor the public."

"Good education," he added, "requires teachers and administrators in quality and quantity."

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Dr. Walter E. McGinn

Ex-Barstow M.D. Dies on Holiday

VICTORVILLE — A Los Angeles doctor, on a vacation trip in Virginia, died when his camper upset in a rainstorm, also injuring his three children and wife, a former Victorville resident.

Walter Edward McGinn Jr., M.D., 42, a former physician at Barstow and Lucerne Valley (1957-58) was trapped and fatally hurt in an upper bunk as the camper truck rolled over at 1 a.m. Monday in Hanover County, Va., it was reported.

Treated at a hospital, then released, was his wife, Beverly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Wright, 16311 Forrest Ave., Victorville. Wright is manager of the Sears store.

Dr. McGinn, a veteran of World War II, was a member of St. James Masonic Lodge, Mansfield, Mass., residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. McGinn Sr. Other survivors include his wife and children Mike, Billie and John, residents of 916 W. Florence Ave., Los Angeles.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at O'Donnell-Jacoby Mortuary, Victorville, with Rev. O. William Hansen, Church of the Valley (Presbyterian), Apple Valley, and Dr. Irwin E. Cole, former pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lucerne Valley, officiating. The Rev. Dr. Cole performed the wedding ceremony for the McGinns.

Burial will follow in Victor Valley Memorial Park.

Taxpayers' Assn. Suggests

Supervisors Consider Employes Parking Fee

The Board of Supervisors has taken under consideration a plan by the County Taxpayers' Association to charge county employes for use of county parking lots.

The plan for a $5 per month fee for employes parking on county-owned lots was among a group of items presented by the association as a means of improving the tax rate.

No action was taken on the matter, and presumably it is one of the items which may come up again today in the discussion preparatory to adoption of the 1965-66 budget.

The recommendation by the Taxpayers' Association presented over the signature of Stephen P. Rehwald indicated the move might save as much as a penny on the tax rate, Administrative Officer Robert A. Covington said the amount would be much less.

Covington said he would study the matter but doubted he would be in any position to make a recommendation today.

He said a rough calculation indicated the charge might bring in as much as $20,000 a year in the Courthouse complex.

But Covington admitted that this figure did not take into consideration county facilities away from the courthouse. He said these properties would add to the revenue if a parking charge was extended to them, but such a plan would be much more difficult to implement there.

Boy Falls 200 Feet on Motorbike

VICTORVILLE — Warren Angel, 14, was recovering yesterday at St. Mary Desert Valley Hospital from multiple injuries suffered when he and his motorbike tumbled down a 200-foot canyon in upper Deep Creek.

He suffered a broken right ankle, fractured rib and numerous cuts and bruises, said his father, Robert W. Angel, 14221 Indian Creek Place, Victorville.

Riding along the lip of an old irrigation ditch on the slopes of the ravine, about 9 a.m. Tuesday, young Angel and his machine dropped off and tumbled to the bottom.

A fellow rider, David Chilly, called for help to Jerry Downey and Robert Baldridge, hunting nearby, and the three carried the injured boy "about a mile" to the road, said his father.

2 Injured In Car Crash, Recuperating

UPLAND — Elise Hallgren, 46, of 1185 W. 23rd St., is reported to be in fair condition at Kaiser Foundation Hospital where she was taken after being injured Saturday night in an auto accident.

The Upland resident was a passenger in an auto that struck a power pole at Euclid Avenue and 22nd Street. She suffered multiple lacerations of the head and possible injury to the left leg.

The driver, Lynette Beckley, 22, Hollywood, is in satisfactory condition with a fractured jaw and cuts in her left leg.

Police quoted Miss Beckley as saying she didn't remember any thing "but I was awful sleepy and must have fallen asleep."

The car was northbound on Euclid Avenue when it veered off the roadway and crashed into the pole.

45 Children In Sixth Week Of Head Start

TWENTYNINE PALMS — Forty-five children will begin their sixth week of instruction next Monday, as Operation Head Start nears the close of its seven - week program. Teaching Principal Mrs. Ella M. Vigil stresses the rewarding experience this has been for the faculty.

Mrs. Mary Kelley and Miss Laura Lear, teachers; and Mrs. Sherlyn Saladin, Mrs. Mary Wise, and Miss Trudy Grether, teaching assistants, work with Mrs. Vigil in preparing the 4 to 6-year-olds, of below-average income families for situations they will confront when they begin formal schooling.

The Blessed Sacrament School has lent its facilities to this program, a part of the federal antipoverty plan. Federal funds also allow for transportation for the children.

The program is designed to equip underprivileged youngsters to compete on an equal basis with their peers when schooling is begun. Situations and objects familiar to the other children are often strange and frightening to these children. Many times they face a language barrier which keeps them from progress they are otherwise capable of.

Mrs. Vigil has observed an interesting situation in her classes: an exchange of knowledge in occurring between English and Spanish - speaking students as each learns of the other's native tongue.

Classes are conducted from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. five days a week, and topics, around which a week of study has been planned, have included the family, community helpers, water, and animals.

In addition to classroom preparation, the students have had dental checkups and complete physical examinations, as well as tuberculosis patch tests. The program is designed to help the children in every possible way to realize their potential.

As a part of the curriculum, representatives of the local sheriff's substation, fire department, and ambulance association have demonstrated and discussed their equipment and role in community life.

The children were conducted through the Joshua Tree National Monument on Tuesday, and another field trip is scheduled to the Whitewater Fish Hatcheries.

On Tuesday, July 20, 180 teachers and volunteers of Project Head Start from San Bernardino and Riverside counties met for dinner in Redlands. Ethel Johnson, director of elementary curriculum of San Bernardino City Unified School District, was speaker. Representatives broke into small groups to discuss various aspects of the program.

Prior to the opening of Head Start on June 28, the teachers received instruction from consultants in the fields of nutrition, medicine, psychology, welfare art, music, and others, in a week-long training program under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Goodman. The program was an extension of the University of California at Riverside, and was held at the Redlands University campus.

Daggett Reaches 98

DAGGETT — Following a morning low of 67 degrees, the mercury rose to 98 degrees yesterday.

Liberty Amendment Urged

Speaker Blames Apathy For Government Growth

A Liberty Amendment supporter yesterday cited apathy, charitableness and a broad interpretation of the Constitution as the primary reasons for the widening scope of the federal government today.

Speaking to a luncheon meeting of the downtown Kiwanis Club, Mrs. Ted L. Cranford, cochairman of the San Bernardino County Liberty Amendment Committee, said, "The Constitution is so broadly interpreted that the government now can do anything that is not specifically prohibited."

Backing up her comment on apathy and charitableness, she said, "We are sacrificing our freedoms for the common good."

Mrs. Cranford told the audience that the Liberty Amendment is designed to restrain the powers of the federal government and to repeal the 16th Amendment, which deals with income tax.

She drew from the text of the amendment which says that the government shall dispose of any business, financial or industrial enterprise, except as specified in the Constitution. The government would have three years after the ratification of the amendment to sell its properties.

The amendment also provides that Congress will be unable to levy any tax on income, estates and gifts.

The amendment was researched originally in 1944 as an attempt to restrain the powers of government, she said. The income tax provision was added in 1957 after the original amendment had been introduced in Congress by Rep. James B. Utt of Orange County.

Mrs. Cranford said the amendment now is going through the state legislatures because congressional people won't let it be brought to the floor.

The Liberty Amendment Committee was formed in 1959 in Los Angeles. It has spokesmen in all 50 states. The San Bernardino chapter has approximately 70 active members, according to Mrs. Cranford.

In closing, she urged the Kiwanians to pass a favorable resolution on the amendment and send it to their congressional representatives.

Held for Hearing On Check Charge

TWENTYNINE PALMS — An Aug. 3 preliminary hearing has been set for Julius H. Buchman, 65, of Twentynine Palms. He has been charged with writing checks against insufficient funds, a felony.

The warrant for his arrest was issued after investigation of complaints from local business establishments. In addition, a hold was placed against him by the Palm Springs Police Department on a similar charge.

Bail was set by the Twentynine Palms Judicial Court at $2,200; the warrant from Palm Springs included $1,100 bail.

Needles Has New Deputy City Clerk

NEEDLES — The Needles City Council has selected John J. Lidin, 51, as its new deputy city clerk.

Lidin is a graduate of Lasalle University in Chicago, Ill. and has attended business college in Billings, Mont. He is working toward a law degree. His wife, Lilly E., and daughter, Jennifer age five, will join Lidin around Aug. 1 when his duties will begin.

He was formerly employed as the chief deputy of the clerk of district court in Billings.

The acting city clerk is Judge F. P. Wilkin, under whom Lidin will serve for one year before assuming his role as city clerk.

The next city council meeting will be Aug. 3.

Old Miners' Day Event

Old Fashioned Dress Takes Clementine Show's Honors

BIG BEAR LAKE — The tree-shaded patio of the Robinhood Inn in Big Bear Lake Village was the setting for the Clementine Fashion Show held Sunday afternoon. The contest was the first in a series of events to take place during the coming weeks in conjunction with the annual Old Miners' Days celebration.

Master of ceremonies was John Dehner, well known as "Commodore Wintoon" on "The Baileys of Balboa" television series.

Judges for the seven divisions were Stacey Harris and Jadeen Barbor, both familiar faces to movie-goers and TV viewers, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pruitt of Ontario. Pruitt is a past president of the California State Horsemen's Assn.

The theme of the show was "Fashions of Yesterday and Today." Local models displayed modern dress for daytime, date-time and school wear as a change of pace from the Clementine costumes entered in the contest.

Andra Ballard, Beverly Broughton, Laura Follett, Kim Hallan and Jeannette Thompson all competed in the Little Miss Clementine division.

Top honors were won by eleven - year - old Jeannette Thompson who was wearing a print "Sunday - go - to - meeting" dress trimmed with pink and blue. Authentic accessories included a Mary Todd Lincoln parasol and black, high-topped, high-heeled laced shoes.

The two entrants in the men's division were both authentically garbed. Thomas Borning was dressed as a gambler of the late 1800s, complete with black derby, a six-shooter on his hip and a few extra aces tucked into his belt.

John Kurlander wore the costume of a working rancher, including a cow hair vest, batwing chaps and spurs. He wore an authentic Colt .44 in his holster, and carried a Winchester rifle. Kurlander took the honors in the men's division.

Entrants in the Best Couple division were Betty Wiggins and Bud Preston, and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Callanan. The Callanans won in this section.

Mrs. Callanan wore a handmade white lace and chiffon dress dating from the 1880's and Mr. Callanan dark trousers and a bronze brocade vest.

Contestants in the Mrs. Clementine division were Donna Broughton, Donna Cowles, Sharon Hockman, Suzie McCluer, Barbara Ward and Marilyn West.

The winner was Mrs. Cowles who wore an authentic copy of a daytime dress of calico print trimmed in black velvet and dimity lace. Her black bonnet was trimmed in matching lace.

There was only one entry in the "Best Bathing Suit" category, a full-length suit designed and modeled by Sandee Wessman. It was of black cotton satin trimmed with white lace, featuring high-button shoes, bloomers and a lace-trimmed parasol.

Entrants in the "Best Family Group" were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Borning and their seven children, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Callanan with their two youngsters, and Jan Reberger and Claude Miller who were dressed as Indians.

The "squaw" was carrying a pack wrapped in an Indian blanket that was almost twice as large as she.

The winners in this category were the Boring family. Boring had been an entry in the men's division, attired in a gambler's costume and his second appearance, followed by his wife and seven children, drew a hearty laugh from the crowd.

Mrs. Boring was wearing a calico print dress with brown trim and one of the children was pushing a 150-year-old doll carriage. The children were all dressed in period costume.

The two entrants in the Miss Clementine division were Marie Kammerer, who wore riding attire, and Sandra Pool, who wore an authentic handmade white wedding gown which was worn by Sandy's great-great aunt on her wedding day in Crete, Nebraska, in 1905. Sandy won the Miss Clementine division and will reign as Queen of Old Miners' Days here August 5-8.

Trophies were presented to the winners of the contests at the Clementine Dance, held last night at the Sugar Shack in Big Bear Lake Village.