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PAGEANT PROGRAM

PROLOGUE

ENTRANCE OF QUEEN AND ROYAL PROCESSION

Episode I.....Indian Village	Episode VI.....Farewell Ball for Union Draftees
Episode II.....Picnic Hill	Episode VII.....Early School
Episode III.....Watts' Store	Episode VIII.....Centennial 4th of July
Episode IV.....Boat Landing	Episode IX.....Flanders Field and Iwo Jima
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TUESDAY, JULY 1

Coronation Day

- 12:00 noon Official Grand Opening
Proclamation by Mayor Bennett that
the Centennial is under way
Ringling of Bells
Parade of Band through downtown
streets

TUESDAY NIGHT

- 7:30 p.m. Band Concert at Flinn Field
Official Welcome by Mayor Bennett
Introduction of Guests
Address by Mr. Frank Knight, Editor
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Coronation of Centennial Queen
Gala Entertainment in the Royal
Court, including the Queen's Ballet
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 2

Pageant Day

- 10:00 a.m. Children's Events at City Park—
Greased Pig, Tug of War, Greased
Pole, etc.
2:30 p.m. Children's Matinee—"Under the Sea"
Ballet by Ford Studio of the Dance

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

- 7:30 p.m. Band Concert at Flinn Field
8:00 p.m. CENTENNIAL PAGEANT at Flinn
Field
Entrance of Royal Procession
The Queen's Ballet
Eleven - Episode Pageant depicting
the History of Ravenswood's 100
Years

THURSDAY, JULY 3

Pageant Day

- 10:00 a.m. Children's Events at Flinn Field
May Pole
2:00 p.m. Swimming Contests

- 2:30 p.m. Miniature Bathing Beauty Contest
(up to 10 years old)

THURSDAY NIGHT

- 7:30 p.m. Band Concert at Flinn Field
8:00 p.m. CENTENNIAL PAGEANT at Flinn
Field

FRIDAY, JULY 4

Homecoming Day

- 11:00 a.m. Grand Parade
2:30 p.m. Rodeo at Flinn Field
2:30 p.m. Baseball Game at Ball Park

FRIDAY NIGHT

- 8:15 p.m. Rodeo at Flinn Field
10:00 p.m. Fireworks from Picnic Hill

SATURDAY, JULY 5

Centennial Queen's Ball Day

- 10:00 a.m. Marble Tournament at Grade School
Playground
2:30 p.m. Rodeo at Flinn Field

SATURDAY NIGHT

- 8:15 p.m. Rodeo—Selection of Ravenswood
Junior Cowpoke (up to 8 years old)
—Flinn Field
10:00 p.m. QUEEN'S BALL at N.Y.A. Hall
Awarding of Prizes

SUNDAY, JULY 6

Church Day

- 9:30 a.m. Go to Church and Church School of
your choice
1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Boat Races on Ohio River

SUNDAY NIGHT

- 7:30 p.m. Union Church Service—Sermon by
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PROLOGUE

Our Scouts and members of the Armed Forces make way for the entrance of Her Majesty, the Queen, and the Royal Court. The Queen's Ballet entertains.

EPISODE I

An Indian Village

A glimpse of the domestic life and Council fire in a typical Indian village such as George Washington might have seen when he surveyed the area which is now the Town of Ravenswood.

EPISODE II

Picnic Hill

Some of the early citizens of Ravenswood gather on Picnic Hill for food and fellowship. In the isolated village, there began a close bond of friendship.

EPISODE III

Watts' Store

The village store was a favorite gathering place. People came to buy and trade, to exchange news; pack peddlers often appeared to bring goods not available in the store. Entertainment and relaxation centered in the store.

EPISODE IV

The Boat Landing

River travel and commerce was an early source of development of the town of Ravenswood. Here we see the excitement surrounding the landing of a river boat.

EPISODE V

The Early Church

Faith in God and freedom to worship has always been a part of our American heritage. Before a Church was established, the people met in homes for worship. Here we see the sturdy pioneers worshipping in the Episcopal Church, the first Church in Ravenswood. We now have many splendid Churches of several denominations.

EPISODE VI

Farewell Ball for Union Draftees

The new state of West Virginia helped the cause of the North by raising \$37,900.00. The section was troubled with some hostilities of the

Civil War. The draft law in 1864 took many men from the county. The sadness of farewell is covered up with gay festivities of a Farewell Ball.

EPISODE VII

Early School

Education has always played an important part in the lives of American people, and Ravenswood is no exception. From the early Union Academy has grown our splendid grade school and well-equipped modern high school of today. Let's go into that first school room.

EPISODE VIII

The Centennial Fourth of July

When America's Independence was 100 years old, it called for a gala celebration. A parade with the band, the fraternal orders, both children and adults made a spectacular march to the picnic grounds.

EPISODE IX

Flanders Field

The nations of the world engaged in a great World War to end all wars. Ravenswood sent her boys to help gain the victory in 1918.

EPISODE X

Iwo Jima

The great ideal of World Peace and a League of Nations was crushed beneath a second World War, to which our boys again responded in patriotic manner in 1941.

EPISODE XI

Ravenswood to Date

A brief summary of the progress of these 100 years is consummated in the spectacle which you have just witnessed. Friendliness and community spirit, the great American ideals of Freedom, Peace and Democracy are a vital part of the town of Ravenswood.

GRAND FINALE

Wheel of Progress

No hand can stay the force of this great wheel
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PROLOGUE

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EPISODE I

Indian Village

Boy Scouts of Troop No. 24

EPISODE II

Picnic Hill

Miss Ann Gettys, Mrs. Paul Harris, Madeline McMaster, Mrs. O. R. Cunningham, Mrs. C. R. Mortimer, Mrs. James Blackburn, Mrs. W. S. West, Mrs. C. L. Anderson, Mr. C. L. Anderson, Jimmy Blackburn, Connie Matlack, Jane Blackburn, "Sarge" Bare, Miss Mary Pitthan.

EPISODE III

Watts' Store

Mr. C. L. Anderson, Mrs. C. L. Anderson, Miss Margaret Geren, Mrs. Jessie Geren, Miss Elsie Geren, Mr. F. D. Fleming, Mr. Grover Cowdery, Miss Madeline McMaster, Miss Ruby Watts.

Fiddlers and Square Dance Group

EPISODE IV

Boat Landing

Mrs. Vennie Caldwell, Mr. Frank Fleming, Mrs. Louise Noll, Miss Margaret Geren, Mrs. Jessie Geren, Miss Elsie Geren, Mrs. Nellie Hughes, Mr. Orville Hughes, Mrs. Thelma Monroe, Dr. L. M. Monroe, Mr. Philip Watts, Gary Bush, George Pease, Mrs. Dorothy Leeson, John E. Leeson, Mr. William Caldwell, Mrs. Lucy Fleming, Mr. George Noll, Mrs. Ardith Chambers, Mr. J. C. Kuhn, Mrs. Ruth Kuhn, Mr. W. P. Turner, Mr. Allen Short, Mrs. Susan Bish, Mr. Harold Bish, Jean Bish, Jimmie Bish, Miss Sue Myers, Miss Lillian Dye.

EPISODE V

The Early Church

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Choir Director—Miss Bess Huey

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EPISODE VI

Farewell Ball for Union Draftees

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Howard Jones, Mr. Franklin Moore, Mrs. Franklin Moore, Mrs. Delbert Cole.

Dancers for Virginia Reel

EPISODE VII

The Early School

Mr. Eugene Perkins, Mrs. Eugene Perkins, Mrs. Paul Pickens, Mrs. Paul B. Harris, Sr., Mr. C. L. Anderson, Mrs. C. L. Anderson, Mr. David Fleming, Mrs. David Fleming, Miss Madeline McMaster, Mrs. Margaret Woomer, Mr. Hershel Bonnett, Mrs. Will H. Fleming.

EPISODE VIII

The Centennial Fourth

July 4, 1876

Cub Scouts — Robert Woofter, Chuck Milhoan, Clark Ritchie, Bobby Slaven, Gene Buffington, Stephen Seaman, Johnny Slaven, Jimmy Robinson, Harold Smith, Charles Compston, Mike Chambers, James Stevenson.

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Members of Masonic Order Band — Jack Carmichael, Harold Kuhn, Danny Powell, Bob Park, Frank Smeeks, Frank Noll, James Purdy.

EPISODE IX

Flanders Field

Johnnie Pease, Frederick Anderson, Hilda Sayre, Betty Fowler, Roy Easter, Madeline McMaster, Lois Morehead.

EPISODE X

Iwo Jima

Harold Smith, Othal Fletcher, Bud Baker, Vivien Bachtel, Ernest Pyatt, Earl Fling, Hickory Pyatt, Mrs. Harold Morgan.

EPISODE XI

Ravenswood to Date

Mrs. Jessie Polsene, Miss Ruby Watts, Mrs. L. M. Monroe, Mr. Burl Chambers, Mr. Walter Purdy, Mr. Kelly Somerville, Miss Kathryn Elder, Mrs. W. H. Stewart, Mrs. Will Fleming, Mr. Paul Harris, Mr. Howard Blake, Mr. Paul Cox, Mr. P. T. Dowell, Sue Ann Somerville, Mike Chambers, Mr. Wayne Myers, Mrs. William Pinnell, Mrs. Dana Paul Woofter, Mr. Jim Beauseau, Mrs. Glen Hartley, Mrs. E. K. Windsor, Mrs. Eugene Davis, Mr. Harry Marsh, Mr. Frederick Anderson, Mr. Charles Anderson, Mr. Ray Ritchie, Mayor Bennett.

FINALE

Wheel of Progress

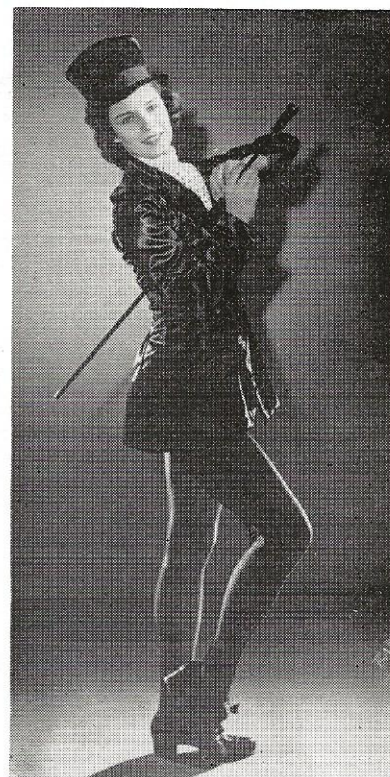
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Historical Facts About Ravenswood and Jackson County

By Dr. Roy Bird Cook

There is no evidence of any race of Indians that had a permanent home at or near the site of Ravenswood, but there are evidences of village sites along the river above; these were occupied for considerable length of time. Here and there are found mounds built by a race that preceded the Indians, known to us as the Mound Builders. The Indians, as a rule, belonged to the Shawnee tribe, but occasionally parties from some of the other tribes in the lake regions came to hunt. Cornstalk and Logan were the two best known chiefs locally, and Killbuck, no doubt, often visited the location. Killbuck figured in raids on South Branch in 1758. Cornstalk, a very able leader of his people, was killed at Point Pleasant in 1777. Tecumseh probably visited the site of Ravenswood on his visits to the region of the upper Monongahela. Kiashtuta, who opposed Braddock and Washington at the battle of the Monongahela, was at the mouth of Sand Creek in October, 1770.

The first white men to view the site of Ravenswood were LaSalle and his party of French explorers in the summer of 1669. The second party of white men to visit this site was led by Captain Bienville De Celeron, who, with Father Bonnacamps and about two hundred French and Indians, sailed down the Ohio to bury lead plates and claim the land for France. Out of this grew the French and Indian War. This group was on the site of Ravenswood on August 17, 1749. Christopher Gist, a noted explorer, was near the site in 1750.

Colonel George Washington, Dr. James Craik, and others passed here on their way down the Ohio on October 28, 1770. The same party camped on the site of Ravenswood on the journey back up the river, Monday, November 5, 1770. In June, 1771, Captain William Crawford, later killed by Indians, appeared on the site of Ravenswood and made survey of 2,448 acres for Colonel Washington. This was patented by Lord Dunmore to Washington on December 15, 1772. In 1810, Lawrence Lane and William Bailey settled on the land and cleared about 40 acres of the forest. Nicholas Roosevelt passed this site with his first steamboat on western waters in 1811.

The first white settlers in what is now Jackson County came by water from the region of Pittsburgh and Wheeling, where they had migrated from eastern Pennsylvania, Maryland and from around Winchester, Virginia. Afterwards, the influence of the settlement of the Northwest Territory and the founding of Marietta brought in pioneers from New England. The first settlers were William Hannaman, Benjamin Cox and James McDade, who erected cabins in what is now Union District in May, 1796.

The first white child born in the area now embraced in the county was a son of William Hannaman, born in 1797. The first marriage in the county area was that of William Buffington to Sarah Hughes. The first mill was a hand mill, established by Andrew Hushan in 1799. Benjamin Wright in 1802 built the first horse power mill, on the site of Cottageville. The first school was erected in 1806, and taught in 1807 by Andrew Hushan. He had fifteen pupils who paid in rye, corn and wheat, to be taught reading, writing and arithmetic as far as "single rule of three."

Jesse Hughes, who prior to 1770 appeared on the border along the West Fork of the Monongahela, and entered upon a great career as a scout and Indian "hater," and for whom Hughes River is named, spent his last days just outside of present Ravenswood, where he died in September, 1829. Sand Creek Riffles in the Ohio River were used by Indians as a crossing, and later by white pioneers, and by General J. A. J. Lightburn's army in 1862.

Jackson County was created from a part of Kanawha, Mason and Wood Counties in 1831. It was named for General Andrew Jackson, seventh president of the United States. The first lots sold in Ravenswood were bought by Joseph Holdren, George Warth, Bartholomew Fleming, Thomas Coleman, and John Thorn. They became the town's first settlers.

This community had no part in the Revolutionary War. In the War of 1812 a few individuals went to join General Harrison for operations in northwestern Ohio and Indiana. In the Civil War a few families gained distinction in the Confederate army; many won fame for their participation in the Federal army. The outstanding events in this section of the Ohio valley were Morgan's raid, Jenkins' raid, and Lightburn's retreat.

In August and September, 1862, General J. A. J. Lightburn was in command of Federals at Charleston and in the Kanawha valley. Confederates under Loring appeared and drove him back in one of the most spectacular episodes of the Civil War. With over 700 wagons, Lightburn escaped, a part of his men crossing the river at Ravenswood. General Albert G. Jenkins with a force of cavalry set out by way of Weston and Glenville to intercept Lightburn. Jenkins reached Ravenswood on the evening of September 4th. They crossed the river and were the first to set the Confederate flag on the soil of the North. He recrossed the Ohio at Racine and made his way back to Virginia.

In July, 1863, General John Hunt Morgan, commanding forces of the Confederate Cavalry, in a dramatic raid out of Kentucky into southern Ohio, created consternation in all directions, and in the latter part of that month passed through Chester and reached the ford at Buffington's Island, above Ravenswood. Here he was intercepted by Federal troops under various commanders, including Colonel Rutherford B. Hayes, later president of the United States. A spirited engagement took place in which Morgan and part of his men went on up the river, and were captured and sent to prison at Columbus. One detachment escaped, crossed the river, and by forced marches up the Little Kanawha valley, escaped back to Saltville, Virginia. Hayes reported that "we had a glorious time at Buffington Island." In this affair, an armored gun boat, called the Elk, appeared and engaged the enemy. This was the only appearance of the U. S. Navy on the upper Ohio River.

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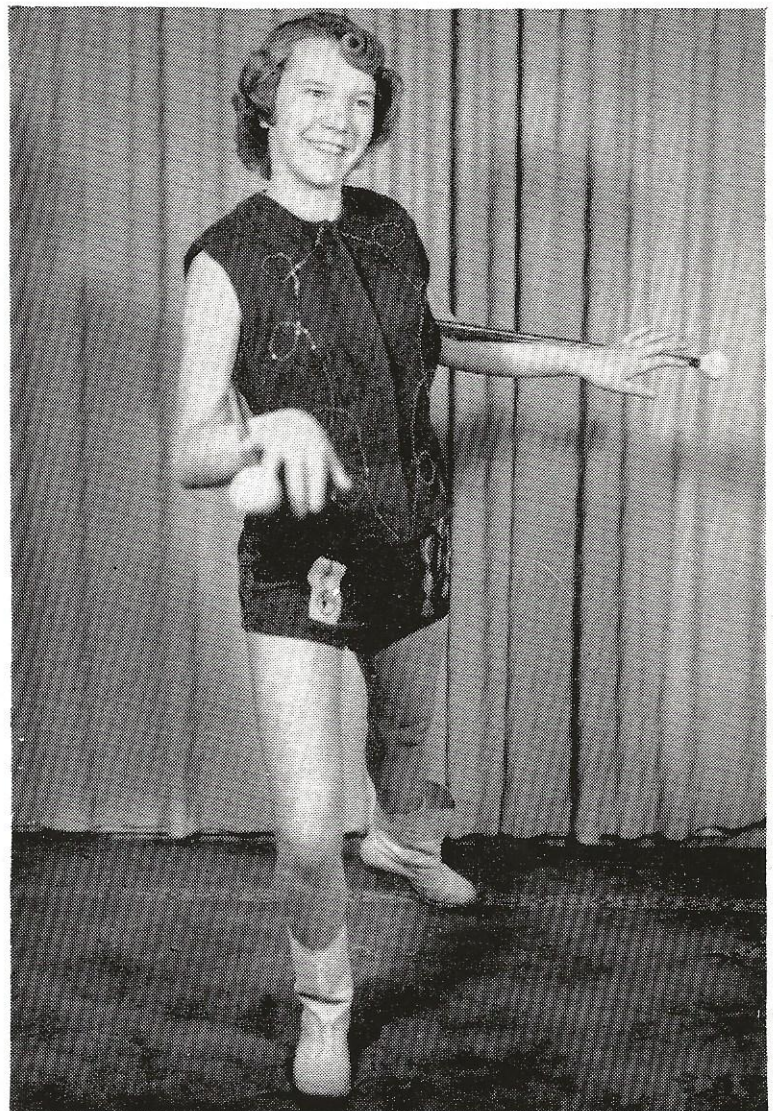
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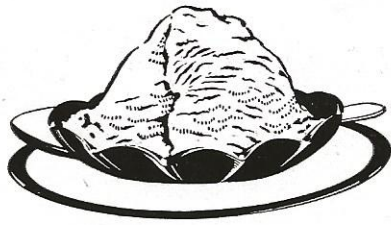
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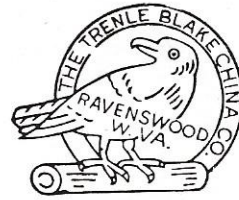
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