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ON THE 4th DEPOSIT THIS PRIZE TICKET!

At Junction of Park Place & Washington Avenue. * * *

The ONLY place to be on the Fourth of July is Point Richmond, of course.

Not only does the local chapter of the American Field Service provide funds for the exchange of high school students from several countries to Richmond Schools, and from Richmond Schools to other countries through this great celebration, but their efforts (and it takes a great deal of effort by a great many people) give several thousand people in this area all the entertainment needed to fill an entire day, close to home.



BEFORE THE FOURTH:

Various items are still needed, and if you're willing to participate in preparations, here's a helpful list from which to choose:

• CAKES: At last count, not enough cakes were available for the cake booth. If you bake, bring a cake on the Fourth to the Olde Sweet Shoppe, on Park Place in back of the Library. Call 233-4999, for more information.

• WHITE ELEPHANTS: More white elephants are needed for the White Elephant booth, just back of the Fire Station. Call the above number for more information.

• TRUCK: A large truck is needed, for hauling 320 watermelons. The truck will be needed on the 2nd of July, and will store the watermelon until the Fourth.

Anyone with a large truck and a kind heart is asked to call immediately--same number.

• HANDS: 3500 programs will be available on the Fourth, for information concerning schedules, and locations of games. Programs must be stapled and collated on the Third--and a large group of people with staples, staplers and hands, will be welcomed at the Community Center at 9:30 Wednesday, July 3. Work will continue until all programs are ready--so come, even if you can't be there at 9:30.



ON THE FOURTH:

Come and have a great time from the Kiddie Parade at 11:00 a.m. till the last splash of the Dunk Tank at 6 p.m. If there's a dull moment between those times, it will only be because you may need a break between activities.

Should you wish to assist in any activities, the Point Civic Group can probably use more volunteers: Call chairman Mark Peppard, 234-5543. You can man a table, or (if you like to get away from the crowd) you can sell pop, bubbles and hats on top of the mountain! (Nicholl Knob).

Don't forget -- the day ends with Fireworks from the top of Nicholl Knob.

REMISCING

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WITH DON CHURCH

Interesting and sometimes amusing articles from old Richmond and Point Richmond newspapers, courtesy of the Richmond Museum.

• 1924 •

July 2, 1924; CROWDED FERRIES

"More than 2,000 autos were handled by the Richmond-San Rafael Ferry Company when it put its third ferry into

into service last Saturday. The company handled the business without difficulty over the last weekend and at the same time broke all records. 2,128 autos were carried across the bay on Sunday between 6:20 a.m. and 11:40 p.m. Manager Mose Moch of the ferry company announced that 20-minute service will be provided on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, to handle the fourth of July crowds and no long waits will be necessary. (The new ferry was "The City of San Rafael".)

July 5, 1924:

"The ferries carried 15,000 passengers and 5,685 autos on July 3 and 4. 20,000 see the parade celebrating the Fourth of July.

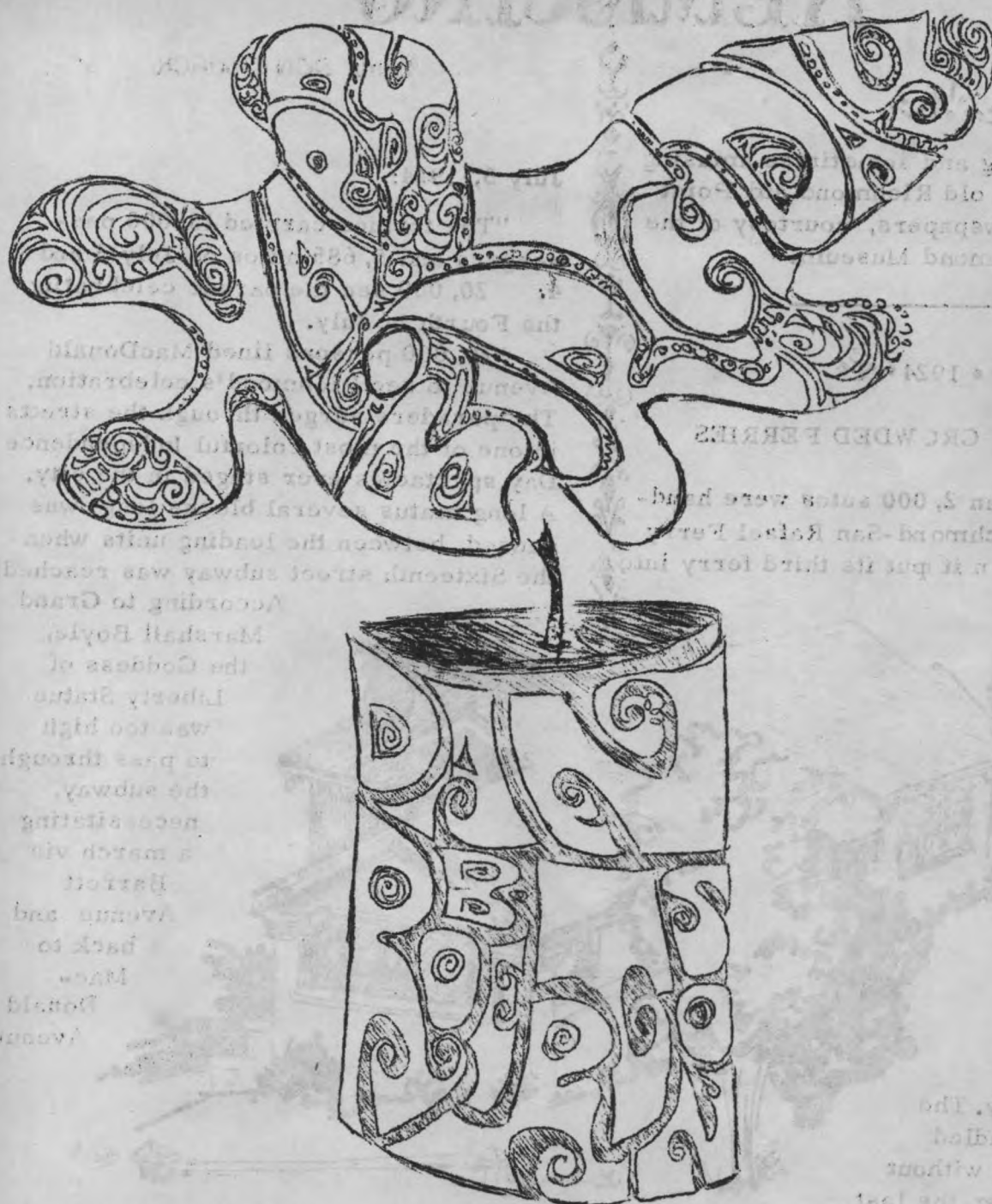
"20,000 persons lined MacDonald Avenue to see Richmond's celebration. The paraders surged through the streets in one of the most colorful Independence Day spectacles ever staged in the city. A long hiatus several blocks long was caused between the leading units when the Sixteenth street subway was reached.

According to Grand Marshall Boyle, the Goddess of Liberty Statue was too high to pass through the subway, necessitating a march via Barrett Avenue and back to MacDonald Avenue.



Approximately 750 knights of the Ku Klux Klan, robed and hooded in white regalia, but without masks marched in the rear of the parade. Banners indicated they were from Oakland, San Francisco, Vallejo, Santa Rosa, and San Jose. They also had several floats in the parade. The principal one depicted Uncle Sam clad in Klan robes with the caption "The Klansman Unmasked."

The Richmond-San Rafael Ferry float showing the new "City of San Rafael" attracted much attention."



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