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# Alba observes 90th July 4th

Valley residents are invited to celebrate 4th of July in an historic and special place. Tomorrow is the 90th annual 4th of July celebration, sponsored by Alba Recreation District, at 90-year-old Alba School house.

"It's just a great big, old fashioned 4th of July celebration!" remarked Alba historian Julia Gotthold.

This celebration is expected to draw nearly 200 people from throughout the Valley. Hot dogs, baked beans, and home-made ice cream top a long list of edibles that will be served at noon.

Those attending will gather to watch the flag raising and bell tolling at 11 a.m. The traditional auction will follow, beginning at 1 p.m.

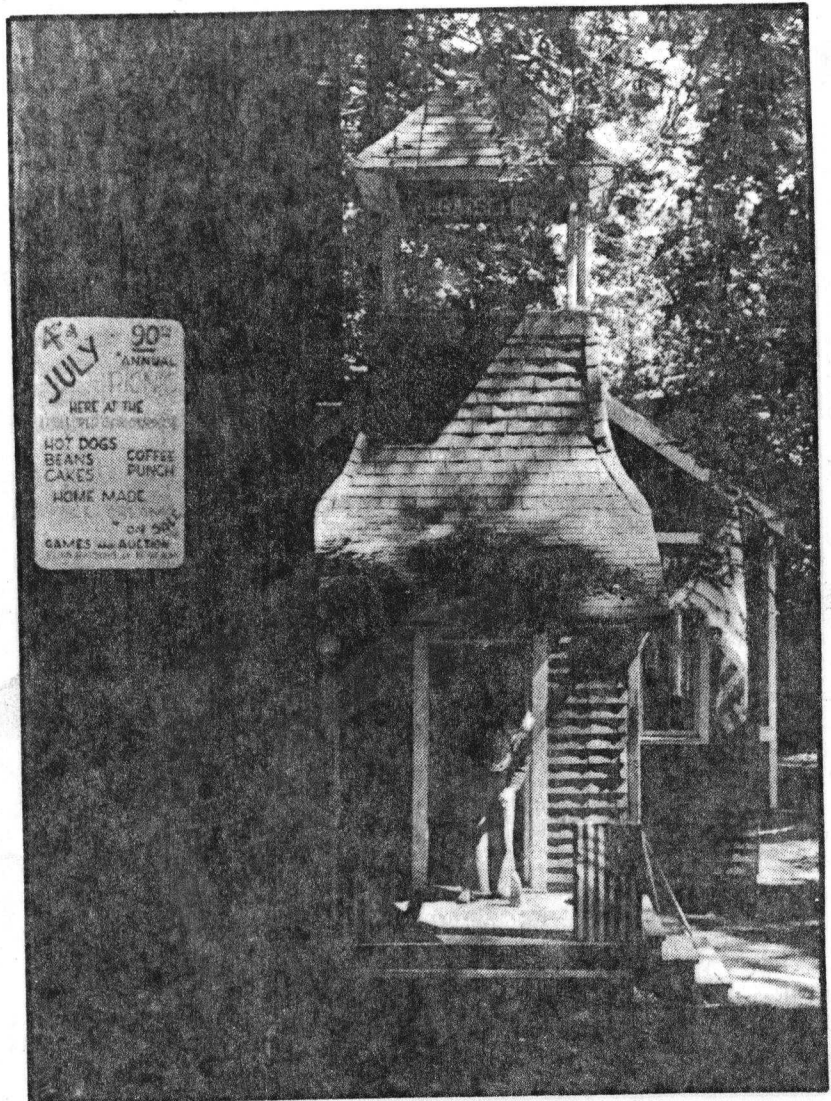
The Alba Schoolhouse 4th of July celebration began when the schoolhouse was built in 1895. Pupils who attended the school, which was closed down in 1940 and converted into a public library, will be on hand for the celebration.

Alba Recreation District not only has the distinction of being the smallest in the state, it is also the only one that does not levy a tax.

Gotthold said the local festivities are done in a traditional American way.

"We just have a regular old-fashion picnic," said Gotthold. "We have nothing but fun!"

All proceeds from the auction will go toward maintaining the schoolhouse.



The public is invited to Alba school's 90th 4th of July celebration at 90 year old Alba school, above.

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