

# Society and Clubs

By LOTUS KNIGHT PORTER

## P. T. A. MEETING IS HELD FRIDAY

GLIDE, March 2.—The Glide P. T. A. met at the schoolhouse Friday evening with the president, Mrs. Floyd Hickman, conducting the business session. It was announced that the serving of a hot dish at noon would be continued for a time as there was money on hand to continue the project. The annual 4-H program will be held on March 19, the regular meeting of the association. Mr. Britton will show some pictures and several other numbers will be presented.

The fifth and sixth grade room taught by Mrs. Gurtz presented a patriotic play. Those taking part were: Crystal Helms, Mildred Hickman, Zona Willshire, Jane Glascock, Jane Messing, Janet Strader, Jean Messing, Jaunita Wright, Louella Callahan, Eleanor Moore, Earl Hodges and Robert Rodgers. A recitation was given by Richard Armstrong. A skit was given by Mrs. John H. Robinson, Mrs. Vern Shrum, Mrs. Floyd Hickman and Mrs. Dale Clark to commemorate Founders day and the birthday cake was brought in and the candles lighted.

## MRS. NORTHCRAFT IS HONORED AT SHOWER

OLALLA, March 2.—A very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by the Olalla ladies when Mrs. Bertha Divine invited them to meet at her house Tuesday. The ladies then went to the home of Mrs. W. H. Northcraft a recent bride giving her a surprise shower, many beautiful and useful gifts were opened and passed around to be admired by the ladies. Lovely refreshments were served to the following: Mrs. Northcraft, honor guest, Maureen Muetzel, Garnie Falmsbee, Rene Jenkins, Mary Hodges, Sadie Lewellyn and daughter Darlene, Junia Byron, Lillie Reed, Mrs. Farley, Annie Dusenberry, Adda Ollivant, Elizabeth Ollivant, Melina Perron, Millie Stallard, Julia Crawley and Bertha Divine.

## GIRL SCOUT TROOP ENJOYS HIKE SUNDAY

CAMAS VALLEY, March 2.—The Girl Scout troop enjoyed a hike to the hill back of Frank Browns Sunday afternoon and enjoyed a wicker roast celebrating the birthday anniversaries of all the Girl Scouts occurring during the last summer and fall months. Sponsors present were Mrs. T. W. Siegel and Mrs. Brown Wakefield of the Scouts, Jeanne Moore, Marie Siegel, Marie Wakefield, Doris Wakefield, Lorine Perry, Virginia Coon, Doris Church, Frances Church, Pauline Parrott, Virginia Thornton, Gail Church, Louise Church, Joanne Lawson, Jeanne Church, Jerry Thrush, Dorene Thrush, and Phyllis Crouch.

## P. E. O. TO MEET AT ALLEN HOME FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Chapter BI of the P. E. O. Sisterhood will meet at 1:45 o'clock Friday afternoon, March 5, at the home of Mrs. Clair K. Allen at 237 Watson street.

## O. S. C. MOTHERS CLUB TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Oregon State College mothers club will meet Wednesday at a one o'clock no-hostess luncheon at the Rose Hotel. All mothers of O. S. C. students are urged to attend the meeting.

## GLIDE BAPTIST LADIES AID HAS FINE MEETING

GLIDE, March 2.—The Glide Baptist Ladies Aid met in the church parlors last Wednesday with Mrs. W. F. Price and Mrs. Asher Agee as hostesses. The president, Mrs. Agee conducted the business meeting. A discussion was held regarding kal-somining the church. A 1:30 pot-luck luncheon will be held at the March meeting. Mrs. S. J. Shrum led the devotionals and Mrs. Floyd Hickman gave the missionary reading.

Refreshments were served from a table covered with a lace cloth and with a centerpiece of greenery. Those present were: Mrs. Larken Rice, Mrs. Roy Bond, Mrs. H. D. Contine, Mrs. Annie Franklin, Mrs. S. D. Chapman, Mrs. George Casebeer and Richard, Mrs. S. J. Shrum, Mrs. Floyd Hickman, Mrs. Vern Shrum, Mrs. Lizzie Blakely, Mrs. Charles Vleck, Mrs. David Doerksen, Mrs. Fred Asam and Jeanette Asam.

## MRS. CURTIS IS HOSTESS TO CLUB

AZALEA, March 2.—Mrs. Lowell Curtis entertained the members and friends of the Sunshine club at her home Wednesday afternoon.

The regular business meeting was held and the president, Mrs. Henry Gaedecke, appointed a committee consisting of Mrs. Harry Cooke, chairman, Mrs. Lowell Curtis and Mrs. Frank Young to be in charge of the Red Cross drive in this vicinity.

At the usual tea hour a dainty lunch was served on small tables to Mrs. Walters, Mrs. Vernon Gaedecke, Mrs. Albert Guest, Mrs. Henry Speaker, Mrs. Everett Roach, Mrs. Walter Kemp, Mrs. Jake Fisher, Mrs. Henry Gaedecke, Mrs. D. H. Clare, Mrs. Dan Clark, Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. Frank Tripp, Mrs. John Feldmiller, Mrs. F. A. Farnam, Mrs. Paul Newman, Mrs. Martin Newman, Mrs. H. H. Waltermire, Mrs. Cora Chadwick, Mrs. Champ Johns, Mrs. Frank Young, Mrs. Stanley Jantzer, Mrs. William Jantzer, Mrs. Ben Phelps, Mrs. Harry Cooke, Mrs. Jim Pickett, Mrs. Esther Thorpe, Mrs. Rollin Johns, and the hostess Mrs. Curtis.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Champ Johns.

## WEST MELROSE CLUB HAS ENJOYABLE MEETING

MELROSE, March 2. Mrs. Ray S. Petrequin and Mrs. E. M. Seeley entertained the West Melrose club at the former's home in Slymon valley, Thursday. A very pleasant afternoon was spent visiting and sewing. Books were brought to be donated to the use of the soldiers. A lovely lunch was served by Mrs. Seeley to: Mrs. O. A. Keenal, Mrs. Harold E. Evans, Mrs. Max Meyers, Mrs. H. M. Cox, Mrs. Petrequin, Mrs. B. A. Gann, and Mrs. H. G. Thompson.

The next meeting will be held Thursday afternoon at Mrs. Seeley's, with Mrs. Thompson in charge of the lunch. Red Cross sewing will be continued.

## HOME EC CLUB DOES RED CROSS SEWING

GLIDE, March 2.—The Home Economics club met at the home of Mrs. John Alexander last Wednesday to do Red Cross sewing. A pot-luck lunch was enjoyed at noon. It is planned to hold the next sewing day at the garage hall providing arrangements can be made for the loan of sewing machines. Ladies of the community are invited to meet with the group and help on this project. Those present were: Mrs. Herbert Connine, Mrs. S. D. Chapman, Mrs. Geo. Casebeer, Mrs. Lizzie Blakely, Mrs. Vern Shrum, and Mrs. John Alexander.

## EASTERN STAR TO ENTERTAIN VISITING MEMBERS THURSDAY

Visiting members will be guests of the Roseburg Chapter of Eastern Star Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Masonic temple. Miss Gladys H. Strong, worthy matron, will preside over the chapter meeting and Mrs. Guy Gordon and Mrs. Walter Hervey will be co-chairmen of the evening. A program has been planned for the occasion including piano solos by Mrs. Frances Lintott and vocal solos by Mrs. Floyd Lewis.

## BAPTIST WOMEN'S SOCIETY TO MEET

The Roseburg Baptist Women's society will meet Thursday at two o'clock at the church parlors with Mrs. R. D. Krugge, president, in charge and Mrs. Jennings conducting the devotions.

Nomination of new officers will be made and the new officers will be installed. All members are urged to be present.

## GARDEN VALLEY WOMEN'S CLUB TO MEET THURSDAY

The Garden Valley Women's club will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. Clem Schneider. All members are cordially invited to be present.

# Montgomery Ward's Statement TO THE NATIONAL WAR LABOR BOARD

February 27, 1943

National War Labor Board  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

A National War Labor Board panel has recommended that the Board issue another order against Montgomery Ward and Co. imposing upon Wards' six large stores in Denver, Detroit and New York City:

1. A form of closed shop, called "maintenance of membership," together with a check-off of union dues from wages.
2. Compulsory arbitration of any question the union wishes to raise.

Wards objects to the proposed order for these reasons:

1. The War Labor Board is without authority. Congress, the only law-making authority under the Constitution, has not empowered the Board to order any employer to adopt these requirements.
2. The War Labor Board, by ordering a closed shop in this case, will be furthering disrespect for constitutional authority. The Board is attempting to assume a power to make rules and laws by executive fiat alone. The public is being deceived into believing that the Board's orders have the force of law, when in fact they have no such effect. Employees are being confused and deceived into believing that their government desires them to join labor unions when in fact the national policy as declared by Congress is that employees are free to join or not, as they wish. Thus the Board is destroying the very essence of democracy, the right of the people to make laws through those whom the people elect for that purpose.
3. The War Labor Board, by promiscuously granting some form of the closed shop, is destroying the laws constitutionally enacted by Congress. The National Labor Relations Act endorses, guarantees and encourages the process of collective bargaining. The orders of this Board, however, have led the unions to abandon collective bargaining. The union in this case has rushed to the War Labor Board in the conviction that the Board will grant more than it could obtain through collective bargaining, the procedure which Congress has sought to protect and encourage. Other unions are following the same course. Thus the Board, by this proceeding and by its policies as proclaimed in other proceedings of this nature, is nullifying the public policy of the nation as declared by Congress and set forth in the National Labor Relations Act. Laws passed by Congress, the only law-making authority under our Constitution, can not legally be repealed by executive decree.
4. The proposed order would require Wards to violate the law. It would require Wards, first, to interfere with the free choice of its employees to resign from the union; second, to give support to the union by a check-off of union dues; and third, to discriminate against employees if they resign their membership in the union, all in direct violation of the National Labor Relations Act.
5. Wards operates in a highly competitive field composed of one million seven hundred fifty thousand retail establishments. It is unfair to impose burdens upon Wards and not upon those with whom it is in

competition. If the retail industry is to be subjected to the closed shop and arbitration requirements, they should be legislated by Congress and applied uniformly against all retail establishments.

6. The proposed order would require Wards to surrender to outside arbitrators the final decision on all matters which the union may wish to treat as grievances. Thus Wards' sixty thousand shareholders would be deprived of the right to direct, through the management they select, the affairs of the corporation they own.
7. Under this "maintenance of membership" form of closed shop, employees are not free to resign from the union without losing their jobs. Wards is compelled to discharge every union member who fails to maintain his union membership in good standing (non-payment of dues, etc.). "Maintenance of membership" is the starting phase which inevitably leads to the full closed shop and a labor monopoly.
8. The proposed order violates the fundamental principles of liberty. Liberty requires that an employee be free to join, to refuse to join, or to resign from a union without losing his job. Liberty requires that an employer be free to employ the person best suited for the work.
9. Wards has consistently defended these principles of liberty. In times of peace, Wards successfully denied all demands for the closed shop in any form. Two years ago the Teamsters' Union, in an effort to force a closed shop, maintained a vicious seven months strike against Wards' retail stores and mail order houses on the Pacific Coast. Two mail order houses and six retail stores were forced to close, forty-three other stores were picketed, and Wards suffered damages exceeding two million dollars. Employees were slugged, customers abused, and property destroyed. The railroads, the express companies, the truckers and finally the United States Post Office obeyed the demands of the union and, with total disregard for their obligations to the public and in violation of law, refused service to Wards and its customers. Nevertheless, Wards, while announcing its willingness to bargain and to contract with the union, refused to compromise the principles it was defending. The strike did not end until the union, in writing, withdrew its demand for a closed shop.

Even if the War Labor Board had the authority which it lacks, it should not, in time of war, when sacrifices are demanded of all, grant to any union a privilege it could not have obtained in time of peace.

Wards has no quarrel with legitimate union practices. However, Wards strongly opposes the War Labor Board's illegitimate attempts to sabotage our laws and to socialize all industry, ostensibly as a part of the war effort.

Wards desires to continue to obey the law, to preserve constitutional government, to maintain management by ownership, to remain competitive, and to leave its employees free to belong or not to belong to a union as they wish.

In accordance with these principles Wards must reject any proposals which require it to enter into contracts which it believes to be illegal, or to surrender principles which it considers to be fundamental. In so doing, Wards is taking the course which good citizenship requires.

**MONTGOMERY WARD AND COMPANY**  
(Signed) **SEWELL AVERY**  
President

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