

Drain Street Sign Posts Are Planted By Lions Members

Formal presentation of the posts on which are stenciled the names of Drain's streets was made Sunday, Dec. 12, in a ceremony arranged by the Drain Lions Club. The presentation of the first post was made by Roy Jones, president of the Drain Lions, to Mayor Sherman Chapman.

The post was planted by Mayor Chapman and Mayor-elect W. E. McIntosh with the assistance of Jones and John Weber chairman of the Lions Club civic betterment committee.

Three months ago it was brought to the attention of the Lions Club that the city needed street markers. It was difficult for residents of the city as well as strangers to find certain streets.

Through the efforts of Weber and Ed Mattin, a sufficient number of 5 x 5 cedar posts were obtained from a local mill, were surfaced by a planer mill, and stacked in a mill yard to dry. The cost of painting was paid by the City of Drain.

The posts were painted white with the names of streets stenciled in black. The work was done by Weber, Mattin, Dick Scott, and McIntosh.

Each of the Lions will be assigned certain street intersections, to be held responsible for seeing that the signposts are planted.

House Speaker To Be Wants No Long Session

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Rep. Frank Van Dyke of Medford hopes the 1949 legislature will end within 60 days.

The Southern Oregon legislator slated to be speaker of the lower chamber of the new Legislature, said he hopes all groups will have law proposals ready for the first day of the session.

"Our committees are all arranged and the House could start right to work," he declared. He said he wants state boards and agencies also to be ready with bills for proposal at the earliest.

The 1947 Legislature lasted 83 days, although pay stopped at the end of 50 days.

Warship Oregon's Hull Retrieved From Lone Cruise

GUAM.—(AP)—The Navy is keeping its eye on the old hull of the pride of the fleet in the Spanish-American War—the battleship Oregon.

The "old lady" is given to unattended cruises and the admirals want no more unscheduled trips into the South Pacific.

Now back in its berth here, the Oregon recently took off during a typhoon on Nov. 13 and went sailing. It was a week before someone noticed the great hull, stripped of superstructure and engines, was missing. Early this month, a Navy Privateer weather plane crew sighted the Oregon, drifting far southwest of this Pacific island.

She continued the ghost cruise, reaching almost halfway to the Philippines, before a tug caught up, got a line aboard and towed the hull back here and securely moored it.

The Oregon was brought here during World War II after being berthed at Portland, Ore., as a memorial. The hull was used as a breakwater for Apra harbor, but later was towed to Santa Rosa reef, 30 miles southwest of Guam, for use as a practice bombing target.

That ignominious fate was thwarted, however, when some one in the top-drawer Navy brass decided the ancient and honorable ship deserved a better ending. Navy fliers never were permitted to drop their bomb loads on her thick top decks.



Picture by Paul Jenkins

RADIOS FOR THE NEEDY—Used radios will be distributed to families without radios by the Salvation Army this Christmas. Here, Capt. Claude Bowden, left, receives a used model from Freeman Keller, manager of the Firestone Store, who is cooperating in the plan. All radios that the store takes in as trade-ins on new models during the Christmas season will be turned over to the Salvation Army for distribution. Capt. Bowden requested that persons who know of deserving families notify the Salvation Army. Any necessary repairs will be made by Howard Kluser, operator of a radio repair service, so that every family will receive a set in good working order.

Varied Experience, Advantages Related at Meeting of Rotary

At Aberdeen, Wash., visitors to the Rotary Club receive a can of crab as a memento. At Portland and Seattle, they step to a microphone to tell where they come from, with prizes going to those farthest from home. Rotarians are equally friendly from Chilliwack, B. C., to Hermosillo, Mexico.

These and other impressions of Rotary fellowship were told by Jackson Beaman, chairman of the fellowship committee, at the Roseburg Rotary Club luncheon at the Umpqua Hotel Thursday noon.

While Beaman and his wife were driving through British Columbia one day, they passed a Rotary signboard on the highway, indicating the nearest club to be two miles and five minutes away at Chilliwack.

While his wife went to a restaurant, Beaman attended the Rotary meeting at the hotel. There he had turkey dinner and enjoyed the friendly spirit of the meeting. Everyone shook hands with him as the only visitor from the States that day.

When Beaman rejoined his wife, he learned that she had had coffee and a cheese sandwich. It was "meatless Tuesday," Beaman commented. "Those are the impressions that two people can have of the same town."

Beaman called on Harold Horn and Jim Oakley to tell of their past lives before joining the Rotary Club, and on Bob Phillips to tell what the Rotary Club means to him.

Horn was born March 2, 1905, at Eugene. While he was young, his family moved west of Eugene. He spent his early years in logging and truck driving. He worked three years on the government survey in Douglas County. He came to Roseburg with his family 10 years ago, when he purchased the Roseburg Refrigeration and Supply.

Oakley was born July 14, 1917, in Tennessee. In the fall of 1935 he entered Cumberland University, earning his expenses as a door-to-door book salesman. When he failed to get into the Naval Reserve, he joined the Liberty Mutual Life Insurance Co. Later he went into the Army and was selected for "a very secret job" in the Counter Intelligence Corps. Following the war, he and a friend from Ontario, Ore., came West. In May of this year, Oakley and his wife moved to Roseburg after 13 years in Eugene. He is an insurance man.

Phillips said he had "gotten a lot of good out of Rotary." When he came here two years ago to go into partnership with his stepfather, he had noted the "friendliness" of the people and found he could always count on reliable dealings with members of the Rotary Club.

Food Prices Next Year to Decline, Business Forecast

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Lower prices in 1949 is the optimistic outlook by the men who keep on top of the nation's food business.

Retailers and their suppliers and other authorities in the food industry expressed their opinions on what the consumer can expect in the way of prices and supplies next year.

They anticipate that prices will be slightly lower next year. They also look for increased food supplies and greater sales. And the consumer can expect to find high quality food and improved service in the country's retail stores.

Views on the food outlook for next year were expressed by officials in all lines of food including meat, dairy, poultry, fruit and groceries, as well as by the secretaries of agriculture and commerce. They were in articles appearing in the annual food industry review issue of the National Grocers Bulletin, official publication of the National Association of Retail Grocers.

The men who deal directly with the housewives—the retailers—and their suppliers told what the consumer is likely to find in 1949. In a survey by the association they said they believe prices will be more stable in the coming year and will be likely to decline slightly.

The survey also disclosed they believe that generally the year ahead will be one of progress marked especially by even greater grocery store sales and a more widely varied diet on the part of the American people.

Vesper Service Honors Job's Daughters' Queen

Job's Daughters held a vespers service at First Presbyterian Church Sunday, Dec. 19 in honor of Queen Susan Moteschenbacher.

The daughters marched into church singing a special vespers song and sang Christmas carols during the service, accompanied by Miss Janice Plummer at the organ.

LOCAL NEWS

Lodge to Meet—Moose Lodge will meet at 8 p. m. Wednesday in the I. O. O. F. hall, it was announced today.

Accepts Employment—Mrs. Ethel Johnson of Winston has accepted employment with the Douglas Abstract Company.

Visiting in Roseburg—Mrs. Maxine Patchett has arrived in Roseburg from Eureka, Calif., to spend the holidays visiting relatives and friends.

Arrives from Chicago—Bob Roach, student at Wheaton College, Chicago, arrived in Roseburg Sunday to spend the two-week holiday season visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Morris H. Roach, on South Main street.

Departing Home—Roseburg residents planning to leave the city over the holidays are requested to notify the police, so that their homes may be watched. Chief of Police Calvin Baird said. Residences that are temporarily vacant will be checked regularly for possible entry by unauthorized persons, he stated.

D. of U. V. to Meet—Florence Nightingale Tent No. 15, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, will hold its Christmas party Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Anna Peterson, 1026 Military avenue. Election of officers will be held. Members having birthdays in November and December will be guests of honor.

Home for Holidays—Sheldon Chambers, student at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, has arrived in Roseburg to spend the holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Chambers, in Laurelwood. He will be joined here Wednesday by his friend, Norman Olson, who is attending dental college in Portland, who will spend Christmas with the Chambers family.

Called to Pendleton—Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Berg of Roseburg left Monday for Pendleton, where they were called by the death of the latter's sister, Mrs. R. W. (Stella) Ayres, who died Sunday evening. The Ayres family formerly resided in Roseburg, at which time Mrs. Ayres was employed as bookkeeper at the Douglas County Creamery. She was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club. Funeral services will be held Wednesday at Pendleton.

City Court—Three persons were arraigned in the Municipal Court Monday morning, while three other persons forfeited bail. Municipal Judge Ira B. Riddle reported. He said they included: Joseph Gilford Shadden, 47, committed to 15 days in the city jail, drunkenness on a public street; Fred Harrison Atkinson, 28, committed to 15 days, drunkenness on a public street; Virgil Echarary, 50, \$20 fine suspended, vagrancy, ordered to "leave town."

Harold Burton Williams, 50, 922 N. Jackson St., forfeited \$10 bail, both on disorderly conduct charges; John Clarence Bateman, 52, Glide, forfeit \$40 bail for drunkenness on a public street, Judge Riddle said.

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