

Canyonville Folks Set Benefit For Polio Victim

Last summer, Don Miller, Canyonville saw filer, contracted polio. He was taken to Emmanuel Hospital in Portland where he has been under constant care. His health is improved to the point where he can occasionally spend a period of time in a rocking bed, but Don Miller is far from well. While he is but one of dozens of Douglas County polio patients, the people of Canyonville have taken his case to heart and intend to do something about it. Principally, they intend to hold a local talent benefit program Jan. 27, in the Canyonville School gym, at 7:30 p. m. to raise funds for his aid.

Judge Hill To Get Tough On Juvenile 'Gangsters'

Conflict with authorities, from skipping school to burglary. They were arrested by Myrtle Creek and state police after helping dispose of a stolen motor and then fleeing from officers who wanted to question them. One of the boys, recently from California, displayed knowledge of a vicious "pachuco" sect which has grown up among young toughies all over the country. He and another boy bear tattoos on their hands similar to tattoos adopted by gangs which have been responsible for every crime of violence imaginable. Two of the five boys in court Thursday will go straight to McLaren School at Woodburn. The other three have been placed under probation on condition they toe the mark. Judge Hill and Miss Pitchford agree there will be no coddling of the ones placed on strict probation and that's that. The juvenile officer pointed out that the boys will not be spied upon, nor will they be persecuted in any way, but they now have to prove to society that they deserve the chance they have been given.

Talent Contest Slated To Benefit Polio Fund

In another effort to raise money for the fight against polio, the junior class of Roseburg High School will sponsor a local talent benefit Wednesday night, Jan. 26, at 8 p. m. at the high school. Talent presentations will range from the classics to hillbilly, combining both student and adult talent. Twelve acts are on the program. Phillip Cary and Robert M. Moldenhauer, instructors, are advisors to the group, and Sara Annette Skinner is director. Admission will be charged to the show, proceeds of which will go to the March of Dimes.

Earl R. Shelton Found Guilty In Robbery Case

(Continued from Page One) circumstantial evidence around the defendant, a cook by trade who has one previous felony conviction and a few more minor scrapes with the law. It was alleged Shelton picked up Drago at a Drain tavern and told him he would take him home. Drago is a farm worker, living east of Highway 99. The district attorney brought out that Shelton went out Highway 38, stopped two miles east of Elkton, stopped and robbed Drago, then drove on to Reedsport.

Dep. Sheriff John McCool of Drain and Reedsport Police Sgt. Ray Haas told of various inconsistencies in what the defendant told them at the time of his arrest. The arrest was made by Reedsport officers about a day after the crime. The district attorney accused Shelton of telling five different stories. It was contended he first denied stopping at the Drain tavern, then that he said he had never seen Drago before in his life. Both Drago and bartender Joe Edmondson identified Shelton a few hours after the arrest. On the stand, Shelton admitted everything up to the point where he stopped on the highway with Drago. He said Drago told him he thought he was on the wrong road, so he let the man out and drove away. Both had been drinking. Drago had said that Shelton struck him with a shiny object, which he believes was a gun. When arrested, Shelton had no gun, but did have a wrench in his coat pocket.

Shelton had a ready answer and alibi for each contention brought by his accusers. For example, he said he found the wrench in Reedsport, along the dock where he went to look at a boat. Shelton's glib performance on the stand prompted Stults to remark in his argument before the jury that the story must have been "rehearsed a thousand times." He questioned whether Shelton was telling the truth on the stand, since he had lied so many times to the officers who arrested him. Ray Compton, who with Donald S. Kelley defended Shelton, accused Stults of "making much ado about nothing." Compton and Kelley both pounded away at "reasonable doubt" and the fact the state had the burden to prove its allegations.

During the course of the trial, Compton tried to have the indictment tossed out of court on grounds it should have read "while armed with a dangerous weapon." The wrench introduced into evidence is a dangerous weapon, he asserted, and, also, Drago testified he was hit with a gun. Judge Wimberly overruled Compton's motion and left the matter up to the jury. The judge later gave them a definition of what a dangerous weapon is. Shelton was calm as the jury returned its verdict, but his wife was visibly upset. Shelton was married while out on bail awaiting trial. Bail of \$5,000 was continued on Shelton Thursday night.

Buckeroo Square Dancers Will Go To Springfield

The Buckeroo Square Dance Club Saturday will have three busloads of people going to Springfield for the fourth anniversary celebration of a similar group there, according to Homer Strickling. About 160 dancers and the local caller, Curley Reynolds, will make the trip to the event, which is being sponsored by the Hix and Chix Club. The dance will be at the Springfield Memorial Building.

All But Three Operators Sign Wage Agreement

Only three lumber operations in central Douglas County employing AFL Lumber & Sawmill Workers in Local 2949 have not yet signed agreements settling last summer's wage dispute. Ted Prusia, local business agent, reported Friday that only Western Handle Co., St. Helens Wood Products Co. and Western Battery Separator have not yet signed. He said they had not yet been contacted but would be soon. He said handle companies in Washington settled Thursday.

Meanwhile plants in the area employing about 1,350 lumber and sawmill workers have accepted the 7 1/2-cent an hour wage increase. This was the settlement recommended by a fact-finding panel appointed by the governors of Oregon and Washington after last summer's strike.

The increase is retroactive to Jan. 1, Prusia said. He said the agreement, which is separate from regular bargaining contracts, was secured without any trouble. Meanwhile, Eugene Miller, business agent for IWA Local 207, said meetings with operators employing members of his local have not been contacted yet. He said meetings would be scheduled with them in the near future. He said the agreement should be reached without fuss, because operators made stipulations to that effect when the men went back to work. Other union agents in the area could not be contacted immediately.

Communists Say Parents Can Visit Prisoner Sons

(Continued from Page One) the families wishing to visit China to see their men. This statement evidently was made because the United States cannot guarantee the safety of its citizens traveling in countries with which it has no diplomatic relations. American passports ban any travel to Communist countries (except Yugoslavia.) This ban is lifted and the passport amended when a traveler can show his proposed trip will not hurt U.S. interests. About three hours after the announcement by Peiping, the State Department issued a statement which did not make clear whether it will permit such visits. But it said it cannot encourage the trips, explaining Red China is an area where the protections of an American passport cannot be offered. Some of the fliers' relatives received telegrams from Washington saying they could go to China if they wished. The telegrams were signed Brig. Gen. R. J. Reeves, the U. S. Air Force casualty branch.

L. J. Bennett Rites Scheduled In Kansas

Funeral services for Luther J. Bennett, 54, will be held in Garnett, Kan. Bennett was born in Marian, Kan., and came to Roseburg a year ago. He was a mechanic for the Utne Brothers at the time of his death. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. J. W. Bennett, Bush City, Kan.; two brothers, Howey and William, both of Neosho Falls, Kan.; two sisters, Mrs. John A. Worthington and Mrs. Monroe Earhart, both of Bush City, and a stepson, J. R. Pierce, Roseburg. The Chapel of the Roses, Roseburg Funeral Home, is in charge of arrangements.

Winston City Council Studies Law Enforcement

Winston City Council members delved into the matter of law enforcement this week. At the meeting, they discussed the hiring of a police officer for the city, according to News-Review Correspondent Mrs. Ted Peterson. At present no police force exists in Winston. The council named Ed Welch to contact Douglas County Sheriff Calvin Baird, regarding law enforcement. In other action, the council members approved city bills, purchased 12 chairs for the city office and mulled the matter of a taxi franchise in the city. They also talked about business licenses. The Council took no action on the franchise or licenses, Mrs. Peterson said.

Underwriters President

E. V. Lincoln, Roseburg, is the new president of the Umpqua Basin Assn. of Life Underwriters. He replaces Keith E. Carter, Carter submitted his resignation recently because of "pressure of extra duties in connection with my business." Lincoln had been vice-president of the association. Lincoln said two men were appointed special chairmen at the last meeting of the underwriters. C. W. Robbins will speak to high school students who wish to learn more about life insurance in their classes. Eddie Wyatt was appointed Chartered Life Underwriters chairman. He will investigate the possibility of getting the CLU class for the local association, Lincoln said.

HUBCAPS STOLEN

Wesley Buzzard, 730 E. First Ave. N., told city police Thursday that a full set of hubcaps was removed from his car while it was parked.

Garden Valley Women's Meet To Aid Polio

(Continued from Page One) The Garden Valley Women's Club will have a card party for the polio fund at the clubhouse Saturday at 8 o'clock. Refreshments will be served. A small admission will be charged. The public is invited.

Return Home

Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Higbee took Mrs. W. D. McMillan home to Mt. Angel this past weekend. Mrs. McMillan has been visiting for a week at the homes of her daughters, Mrs. Higbee and Mrs. Ray Young.

The Garden Valley School PTA decided at a recent meeting to hold only special meetings to be called when the need for both parents to be present arises. The mother's club will continue to meet once a month. Mrs. Hugh Ritchie, who has been ill in the hospital, was brought home Sunday evening and is reported much improved. Mrs. Clifford McKay, who has been ill at her home, is reported to be improving.

Mrs. Harvey Ewens spent the weekend in Coos Bay visiting at the home of her niece, Mrs. James Redburn. The Rev. and Mrs. Newell Morgan and daughter, Paula Jean, and Mrs. Frank Poole of Roseburg and Joe Canaga of Lebanon, a student at Northwest Christian College, called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Love Sunday afternoon. Canaga, vocalist at NCC, entertained with a group of songs accompanied by Mrs. Frank Poole. Mrs. Mary Love has been chosen as the men's class sweetheart candidate in the Bible school sweetheart heart contest at the First Christian Church in Roseburg.

Guests Call

Mrs. and Mrs. Melvin Curtis are the parents of a baby girl, Lorraine Louise, born Jan. 17, weighing 9 pounds, 8 1/2 ounces. Mrs. C. A. Curtis of Tillamook is staying with the Curtis family for a few days.

Attorney General Status Argued In Legislature

(Continued from Page One) ing introduced, and he asked them to get bills back to the floor as soon as possible. Through Thursday, there were 90 House bills and 53 Senate bills, compared with 120 House and 62 Senate bills at the same point two years ago. Geary also asked the chairman to put time limits on speakers at committee hearings, asked members of House committees to attend Senate committee hearings, and called for as few closed sessions as possible.

Mrs. Roberts Concludes 24 Years City Service

(Continued from Page One) ies were manifold, in that all purchase of books was left up to the board, and payment of bills was also handled personally by the board secretary. In recent years the librarian selects new books, the board approves and enters a requisition, and the city, through the city recorder's office, approves or disapproves the requisition. Mrs. Roberts agreed this was most efficient for handling the greatly increased needs of the library. In contrast, the library, at the beginning of her service, kept one full-time librarian, with an occasional assistant, while the present librarian has two full-time assistants, with one part-time library assistant being provided for. Even though she is no longer active on the board, Mrs. Roberts maintains a close interest in the library and the coming construction of the proposed county library. "It's nice," she said, "to know that every time I walk to town I will pass the county library, which is what we worked so long to see. Instead of serving just a few, we will see readers from all over Douglas County, young and old alike, enjoying the books that it is impossible to find room for in our present restricted quarters."

Elderly War Veteran Succumbs In Hospital

Robert Walter Calway, 85, Spanish-American War Veteran, died Friday morning at the Roseburg Veterans Hospital. He was born Dec. 11, 1869, in Neillsville, Wis., and was a resident of Portland at the time of his death. He was a member of the Scout Young Camp No. 1 of the Spanish-American War Veterans. Surviving are his wife, Julia Ann, Portland; a son, Vern D. Calway, Tigard; a sister, Mrs. Alfred Klopff, Neillsville, Wis.; a grandson and two great-grandchildren. The body has been removed to The Chapel of the Roses, Roseburg Funeral Home, and will be taken to the Riverview Mausoleum, Portland, for funeral services and entombment.

Reedsport Judge Case Is Delayed Until February 4

Further court action over the constitutionality of Reedsport's city charter has been delayed until Feb. 4.

A. N. Orcutt, judge pro tem, granted a delay Friday morning in Douglas County Circuit Court when one attorney asked additional time to file a brief. A test case of the city's charter is being made to determine if it is in violation of the Constitution's guarantee of trial by jury. The charter expressly prohibits jury trials for cases where a city magistrate, with right of appeal to the decision. The test case began Monday when a petition was filed asking Municipal Judge Irving Johnson to be forced to give a jury trial to Lloyd Noel, arrested Jan. 7 for driving while intoxicated. Noel's attorney is D. D. Hall. Johnson's attorney filed a demurrer, pointing out that a city judge does not have authority to grant the jury trial. The attorney, William Jayne, appeared in court Friday morning after Judge Carl E. Wimberly issued an order to show cause why a writ should not be issued to force a jury trial in Johnson's case. More maneuvers in the case are due Feb. 4.

District Judge Continues Hearing On O & C Petition

WASHINGTON — District Court Judge Alexander Holtzoff Friday continued for two weeks a hearing on a petition by Clackamas County, Ore., seeking to force distribution of 7 million dollars to 18 Western Oregon counties. He acted after the government urged postponement pending disposition of a proposed application to the Supreme Court for dismissal of the county's suit. A. W. Lafferty, Portland, attorney for the county, urged the motion be granted. The action results from a suit seeking distribution of timber sale receipts impounded pending settlement of a controversy whether 472,000 acres of Western Oregon timber land should be considered part of the Oregon and California (O & C) Railroad Land Grant or the national forest. As O & C land, the counties would receive 75 per cent of the receipts. Only 25 per cent would go to them if the lands were national forest land. Holtzoff dismissed the county's action last spring but was overruled by the Court of Appeals, which ordered the case returned to District Court. The county then asked District Court for a final judgment, leading to Friday's hearing.

Three-Day Leadership Course In Progress

A special training course for Pathfinder leaders in Southern Oregon will begin at the Roseburg Seventh-day Adventist auditorium Friday at 7:30 p. m., lasting through Sunday at 4 p. m. Representatives from Eugene south to Ashland will be present for the sessions. Topics of the courses scheduled to be taught include: "How To Organize a Club," "Let's Go Camping," "Teach Them To Tumble," and "Use Your Hands In Crafts." Sponsors of the convention are Elders J. T. Porter, Wilson Baldwin, A. J. Reiser and W. D. Blehm. The men are from Portland and are the heads of the Missionary Volunteer Dept. for Oregon. They invite all adults who are interested in junior leadership to attend the sessions.

Marching Mothers Set Special Coffee Hour

A special coffee hour for volunteer marching mothers and community captains in the 1955 Mothers' March on Polio will be held Sunday. The program will include information concerning the March scheduled for Jan. 31, according to co-chairmen Mrs. Arthur Pollard Jr. and Mrs. Robert R. Green. A polio film with Miss Helen Hayes will be shown. The coffee hour will be held at the VFW Hall on Garden Valley Road. Hours are from 2 to 4 p. m. Volunteers from 13 communities have been invited.

Council To Start Action On License Adjustments

The Roseburg City Council tonight will start action on adjustments on license fees for coin-operated amusement and vending machines. The status of pinball machines is expected to be made part of a new ordinance dealing with the devices. The council will meet in the City Hall at 8 p. m.

Pulitzer Prize Winner Passes Unexpectedly

WESTBROOK, Maine — Robert P. Tristram Coffin, 62, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet whose works depicted his native Maine's folk life, died unexpectedly Thursday night. The poet was stricken as he was about to address a Portland College Club audience.

BAND MOTHERS SEW

Deer Creek School band mothers will meet at the school, in the multi-purpose room tonight at 7 p. m. to sew capes for band uniforms. More machines are needed for the task. Twenty six capes were cut out Monday evening, and several were sewn. Mothers of the area are invited to bring sewing machines and help with the work at tonight's meeting.

Hospital News

Douglas Community Hospital Admitted Medical: Mary Cotton, Ardilla Newland, Clyde Kenyon, Mrs. Roy Crain, Mrs. Darrell Walters, Mrs. Melvin DeDobbeleare, Mrs. Leonard Kress, Mrs. Jerry Lund, Roseburg; Norman Conner, Sutherlin; Charlotte, Margaret and Sandra Roberts, Winston; Mrs. Archie Briggs, Myrtle Creek; Wanda Paulsen, Cave Junction. Surgical: Dr. Dwight Boyles. Discharged: Mrs. William Stein, John Grivett, Ronda Benedict, Mrs. Lester Baird, Chester Houser, Mrs. Melvin Curtis, Roseburg; Mrs. Delbert Jones, Winchester; Jim Ralston, Mrs. Charles Duncan, Camas Valley; Mrs. Chester Cook, Idleyd Park.

Mercy Hospital

Medical: Henry Allen, Roseburg. Surgical: Mrs. Richard Stritzke, Winchester; Marion Withers, Dillard, Mrs. Aled Galla, Sutherlin. Discharged: Margaret Rose Sherman, Marion Daly, Roseburg; Linda McGinnis, Canyonville; Jess Griffin, Oakland.

Between-States Contest To Benefit Polio Drive

A between-the-states (and Hawaii and Alaska) milk bottle competition to aid the March of Dimes fund drive now in progress will be held in Roseburg Saturday. Fifty milk bottles, each designed for a particular state or territory, will be placed in front of Miller's Dept. Store, 212 N. Jackson St. The milk bottle contest is sponsored by the Alpha Theta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. Chairman Mrs. Everett Johnson said Thursday chapter members hope to spur a lot of good-natured rivalry with the contest. Last year's battle of the states added \$131.70 to the MOD fund drive, in spite of rainy weather. Rain has plagued the contest for the past three years, according to Mrs. Johnson. A public address system will be used to attract passersby.

Dr. R. Sheppard Buried Thursday

CLEVELAND — On a snow-dotted knoll in a west side cemetery, Dr. Richard A. Sheppard, 64, was buried Thursday next to his wife. His son, Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard watched the rites handuffed to a deputy, as he was 11 days ago at the burial of his mother, who killed herself. The elder osteopath succumbed Tuesday night to a respiratory ailment he suffered some weeks before his 31-year-old son was found guilty of bludgeoning his pregnant wife to death last July 4 and sentenced to life imprisonment. The Dec. 21 conviction is being appealed. Chief of staff at the Bay View Osteopathic Hospital he founded, the father of three osteopaths had been in critical condition since Jan. 7, when Elbel Sheppard, also 64, shot herself in the head after leaving a note saying, "I can't manage any longer without dad."

LOCAL NEWS

Benefit Card Party — The Garden Valley Women's Club is sponsoring a benefit card party Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at the club house in Garden Valley. The proceeds will be donated to the March of Dimes. Everyone in the community is urged to attend. Banquet tickets may be purchased from members of the local Jaycees, or by telephoning club president Don Hagedorn at 22631 or 2-1796 or Dr. William Allen at 3-6571 or 3-3074.

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DR. SAM'S DAD DIES—Dr. Richard Sheppard Sr., 65, (above) father of convicted wife-slayer, Dr. Samuel Sheppard, died at the hospital he founded in Cleveland.

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Roseburg's First Citizen Will Be Named Saturday

(Continued from Page One) Junior Who's Who of Roseburg: Billy Black — 1947; Wayne Crooch 1948; Don Forbes — 1949; The Rev. W. A. MacArthur — 1950; Bob McCarl — 1951; Robert S. Davis — 1952; Dr. Verne Anderson — 1953. Guest speakers at First Citizen Banquets have included local and national figures. They range from the first speaker (the Rev. W. A. McArthur who went on to win the First Citizen award in 1950) to Dain Domic, Domic spoke at the 1953 banquet. At the time he was president of the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce. Other speakers have brought quite a variety of information to listeners. They include: Deane Seeger, city manager of Eugene, 1947; Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, 1948; Bruce Kelly, state Jaycee president, 1949; Lofton Tatum, past national Jaycee director, 1950; Jim Aiken, former University of Oregon football coach, 1951; Harold Hoyt, local manager of Coca Cola Bottling Co., 1952; and Domic, 1953. The Junior Chamber of Commerce also honors other men at its annual banquet. Saturday night they will name a "key man" — an outstanding first year man; and the outstanding project chairman. Tickets to the banquet are now on sale. Featured speaker in 1955 will be Al Krieg, Portland's junior first citizen in 1953. Master of ceremonies will be Randolph Slocum.

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