Riddle Teacher Writes Drama

A play to be presented at the Riddle PTA Founder's Day meeting Feb. 21 will be home - grown from writing to presentation.

The play was written by Mrs. Freda Daniels, Riddle eighth grade teacher, for her class. It is based on George Riddle's "Early Days in Oregon." Mrs. Lewis Wooley, PTA president, is coaching the group in the square dance which will serve as the finale of the play. The locale is Riddle and nearby communities, according to correspondent Erma Best.

Taking part in the play will be: Robert Saily, Michael Patrick, Linda Owen, Linda Humiston, Ann Cassidy, Gary Whaley, Ronald Wood, LeRoy Colter, David Sharp, Curtis Young, Toni Coelyn, Charles Miller, Deleane Teel, Sue Hughes, Peggy Koerner, Alice Watson, Garry Frahm, Jack Sailey, Patricia Frost and Charlotte Fields.

COMPEL RETIREMENT

SALEM (AP) — A bill to compel supreme and circuit court judges to retire at the age of 70 was introduced Tuesday by Sens. R. F. Chapman (D), Coos Bay, and G. D. Gleason (D), Portland.

Retirement now is optional under the pension system for judges.

Doctors Give Up Hopes Of Saving Johnson Child

Mrs. J. Lewis Johnson of Eugene, the woman who spearheaded the establishment of the Robin Dale School for Exceptional Children in Roseburg, was adjusting to tragedy today.

She reported Thursday that doctors at Sacred Heart Hospital had given up hope of saving her son, the reason for her efforts to start the school for mentally retarded children.

She said he had been in a coma for some time. In addition, she said, her son, Sheri, has also contracted the measles. She said, "He doesn't know anybody."

The child is afflicted with a tumor deep in his brain, Mrs. Johnson explained. She said the doctor had given up hope but was continuing to experiment in an effort to gain information for treatment of future cases of the same type.

It was because of her son that Mrs. Johnson decided to make efforts to have a school established for children who could not be enrolled in regular public schools. With the aid of other citizens who rallied to the cause, the school was established at its first site, the Westside Christian Church.

CORRECTION

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Boy Scout Skills Show March 23; Plans Are Pushed

Plans and preparations for the annual Boy Scout skills show at the Fairgrounds March 23 were pushed this week by a skills show committee headed by Bob Leavengood and by scouts preparing their displays.

Scout Advisor William Scarth noted that 40-45 scout troops and cub packs are expected to have booths in the show giving demonstrations of various scouting activities. The skills show in Roseburg is one of four scheduled for the Oregon Trail Council which includes this part of the state, Scarth added.

A typical booth is the one planned by Troop 109 of the Latter Day Saints Church in Roseburg. The booth, Scarth said, will demonstrate cooking as learned by scouts. Plans call for food cooked over a rack full of burning charcoal with scouts handing out samples of their cookery to persons passing by. People will be able to see an example of scout cooking and utensils used in cooking, Scarth stated.

Explorer Post 114, Fullerton School, is planning a mosquito control demonstration, Scarth said, while Troop 4, sponsored by the Methodist Church will demonstrate "realistic first aid" treatment.

Chairmen of adult committees working on the show are Fred Harter, ticket sales chairman; Fred Scherner, program chairman; Jack Shelton, unit participation chairman; Jack Denton and Bob Beardsley, judging and awards chairmen.

Ross Resigns Assistant's Job

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower has accepted swiftly the resignation of Robert Tripp Ross as assistant secretary of defense. Ross has been questioned by a Senate committee about military contracts awarded to firms headed by relatives.

Ross told Eisenhower he had done nothing wrong or improper, but "I feel that my future effectiveness" in the office "has been impaired."

Within a few hours after being informed last night of Ross' letter of resignation, the President wrote him a three-paragraph letter accepting the resignation, effective Feb. 20.

Ross, whose wife is president of Wynn Enterprises, Inc., and whose brother-in-law H. D. Wynn heads affiliated firms, has been on a self-requested leave of absence since Jan. 11. Ross himself has been an officer of several of the companies, but said he severed all those connections in 1952 when he was elected to Congress.

His letter to Eisenhower said he had been guilty of no wrongdoing.

Guest Speakers Listed For Co-op Meet Here

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uled to be graduated in June. In addition to attending college, she manages her household with two teen-age sons and a daughter who also is enrolled at Portland State.

She is noted for her skill at making glo candles and in other home-making crafts. Mrs. Strachan will be available for consultation throughout the day.

"What's new in fertilizers" will be the subject of a talk by Karl Bauer, and Bruce Strachan will show motion pictures of agriculture developments. New for this year's meeting will be a "Ladies Fair" with a display of handicraft articles, including textile painting, candles and other crafts.

Queen To Meet Duke In Lisbon Saturday

GIBRALTAR (AP) — Nearing the end of his four-month global tour, the Duke of Edinburgh sailed aboard the royal yacht Britannia today for a reunion with Queen Elizabeth II in Portugal.

Elizabeth will fly from London to Lisbon tomorrow. After two days of comparative privacy together, the couple will begin a round of official engagements as part of a state visit to Portugal.

Top Teamster Must Testify, Says Committee

WASHINGTON (AP) — Einar Mohn, top teamsters union official, was told today he "will be expected and required" to testify before a special Senate committee proving labor and industry racketeering.

Mohn, executive vice president of the teamsters, got that reply from Sen. McClellen (D-Ark) to his offer "to make myself available" to the new group. Mohn is facing a contempt of Congress citation for refusing to answer questions before the Senate Investigations subcommittee also headed by McClellan.

McClellan made public the exchange of letters with Mohn on the heels of a request to the union's president Dave Beck to surrender "all of your personal financial records from 1950 to date" for the special committee scrutiny.

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Dave Beck, president of the powerful International Brotherhood of Teamsters, said Friday "I have made a heluva lot of money" but that he has no objections to an investigation of his income by the U. S. Senate.

"The U. S. Senate can investigate my personal income any time they want to—now or for the last 40 years—so long as they do it legally and without trying to play politics and in concert with what my attorneys advise me," he declared.

Beck was interviewed at his hotel. He has been here since early this week. He says he has been studying how best to make a financial contribution by his union to Hungarian relief. He said it was a question of whether to let Austrian trade unions handle the money or to give it through International Transport Union channels.

Court Members Explain Building Dept. Curbing

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thing they could to rectify these mistakes. I believe the citizens of this county owe them a vote of thanks."

The court abolished the building inspection department — one of the aims of the Douglas County Citizens Committee, an organization spearheading the attacks on the Planning Commission and building department.

The jobs of Building Inspector C. H. Bonjols and his assistant, Chester Hamm, were eliminated. Also to lose their jobs are the technicians for the commission, Keith W. Chatterton, Frank L. Johnson and Norman Klehamer, and J. Haslett Bell, planning consultant.

The building department work will be taken over by one man to be named by the court. He will issue building permits and serve as a building advisor and "public relations man for the commission."

The court noted that a modified building code had been adopted by the previous court but that this had met with much criticism as had the way it was administered. "There should be no criticism, however, of the building inspector," the court stated. "Again some mistakes occurred and every effort was made to correct them, but still much fault was found of the entire setup."

It was stressed in the statement that the creation of a Planning Commission and building inspection are permitted by state law but are not compulsory. They may be adopted by the county court which was done here several years ago.

The Planning Commission will be continued in Douglas County but will not have the powers it once had. Last November the voters of the county rejected a zoning law and now the court has reduced its operations. The court says, "There is no doubt in our minds that good planning can be a great asset in the orderly development of this county."

Opposition Labor Party Wins Parliament Seat

LONDON (AP) — The opposition Labor party wrested a House of Commons seat from the governing Conservatives yesterday in the first by-election since Prime Minister Harold Macmillan took office. Labor leaders claimed it indicates how the whole country feels.

Laborite Niall MacDermott defeated Conservative Norman Farmer 18,316-17,406 in the North Lewisham district of London.

Household Poisons Elimination Object Of Junior Women

The Roseburg Junior Woman's Club voted Thursday night to request the aid of county Parent-Teacher Assn. groups in a campaign against household poisons which may injure children.

A report was made by Mrs. Norman Bleakman on the project. She said many household products, seemingly harmless, contain poisons which might cause injury or death to children. These products, she continued, are often left in places around the house which are easily accessible to children.

Mrs. Bleakman said her committee had outlined a plan by which printed sheets showing steps to be taken by parents in the event a child does get such poisons. These would be designed for the common poisons. In addition, the club will set up a local doctor's system to which parents of children stricken with poison could call to secure information. The center would have information on the types of poison contained in all products and methods of treatment necessary.

Mrs. Bleakman said plans are in the works to set up such a poison control information center in Portland. She said it was largely through the interest shown by the Junior Woman's Club that plans have gone ahead for a center. She said such a center had gained considerable success in Seattle, Wash.

In the line of prevention, the club hopes to work with the PTAs of the county in inspecting homes at the request of the occupants in order to point out any areas where poisonous products are dangerously located.

Imposter Poses In Teaching Roll

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — An imposter who has posed as a Canadian surgeon in Korea, among other roles, pleaded guilty Friday to a charge of cheating by false pretenses in getting a Maine Island teaching job.

Ferdinand Waldo Demara Jr., 35, a native of Lawrence, Mass., was ordered held for Superior Court. County Atty. Robert A. Marden said Demara told him he wished to have his case disposed of quickly and would waive grand jury action. The Superior Court is in session and may act Friday.

The Municipal Court warrant accuses Demara of misrepresentation in getting the teacher's certificate by falsely claiming he attended Wagner College in Staten Island, N. Y.

Demara was held overnight in the Augusta city jail—instead of county jail—at his own request. The desk officer said he had received telephone calls, all expressing sympathy for Demara, from Texas, Florida, California, New York and Canada during the night.

School Support, Key District Plan Argued

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are paying an average of $2 each in taxes to the state, and that they get back only $1 in school support money.

A.L. Graylaap, Klamath Falls school superintendent, said his city has met equalization by a county unit plan.

"Our money goes where the children are," he said.

Another Klamath County school official, Carroll Howe, told of effects of the Tax Commission's reappraisal program on the key district proposal. He said districts with low valuations would get proportionately more funds.

Under the key formula, he said, Klamath County, which picked up two million dollars in valuation by reappraisal, would get only 9.02 per cent more basic aid, while another county which hasn't been reappraised would get a 75 per cent increase.

"Let's not have a formula that encourages bankruptcy," he said.

Proponents linked their arguments for key districting with two other education bills—raising the basic school support from $80 to $120, and school district reorganization.

Kenneth Barneburg, Douglas County school superintendent, suggested the three proposals be unified. Had the 1955 Legislature passed the key district bill, he said, Douglas County would have received $400,000 more state aid in the 1954-55 school year.

Cahill Released From Prison

SALEM (AP) — Otto W. Cahill, 50, the Lincoln County justice of the peace who sparked the Lincoln County vice investigations of 1952 and 1953, was released from the Oregon State Penitentiary Thursday on order of Gov. Holmes.

Cahill had served three months of a year's sentence for taking $750 of funds of the Taft-Nelscott-Delake Water District, of which he was a commissioner and secretary.

He made the original charges that led to the Lincoln County grand jury investigation of gambling and prostitution.

The grand jury, however, returned only one indictment. It was against Cahill himself for using the water district funds.

He fought to the United States Supreme Court in an effort to escape a prison sentence. That court ruled against him shortly before he re-entered the penitentiary last Nov. 20.

Gov. Holmes, commuting the sentence to the time already served, said two doctors advised him that Cahill's severe heart condition makes it possible that further confinement could kill him.

Mildly-Worded Rebuke Approved

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — The U.N. General Assembly Friday approved a mildly-worded resolution expressing hope that the Algerian problem would be solved "in the spirit of cooperation."

The vote was unanimous. Britain had abstained on the original ballot, but later asked that its vote be recorded in the affirmative.

The compromise plan was worked out in a series of conferences after it appeared neither of two other resolutions before the Assembly could get the required two-thirds majority.

France did not vote.

The proposal called for no specific action, but merely expressed hope that "in the spirit of cooperation, a peaceful, democratic and just solution will be found" in conformity with the U.N. Charter.

France, which had vigorously opposed any U.N. intervention in the Algerian dispute, was reported to be happy over the new draft.

Passing Forged Check Draws Prison Sentence

Pleading guilty to passing a forged check, Arne C. Hellervik was sentenced Thursday by Circuit Court Judge Charles S. Woodrich to a term up to five years in the state prison.

Hellervik was charged with passing a $25.60 check with a forged endorsement here on Nov. 2, 1956. Arrested in San Mateo, Calif., he was extradited and returned here for prosecution.

During his arraignment before Judge Woodrich, it was revealed by Don Sanders, assistant district attorney, that investigation had shown the forgery had been done by someone other than Hellervik, hence the charge of passing a forged instrument.

HOLMES CANCELS TRIP

SALEM (AP) — Gov. Holmes Thursday cancelled his weekend trip to San Francisco, where he had planned to attend a Western conference of Democrats.

He said he can't go because he is too busy and is suffering from a cold.

YMCA Event Draws 25 From Roseburg

Members of three Roseburg High School YMCA clubs will attend an all-day pre-legislative assembly in Eugene Saturday.

Clubs attending the assembly will be the Beth Randall Tri-Hi-Y, Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y. Twenty-five Roseburg students will attend the assembly which is in preparation for the Youth Legislature at Salem late in the spring.

The event will draw YMCA Hi-Y members and YWCA Tri-Hi-Y members from district 2, which includes the area south of Salem to Roseburg and west to the coast. Delegates from about 13 cities are expected at the Eugene program.

Four district pre-legislative assemblies will be held in Oregon to train delegates in legislative procedure before they attend the Youth Legislature. All state offices will be filled by the delegates. This year district 2 will elect the governor and several other offices to lead the mock legislature.

Advisors accompanying the 25 Roseburg students will be Albert Phelps, Mrs. Alta Simonson and Miss Nancy Hooper.

Sutherlin Resident Passes Wednesday

John Henry Shields Sr., 70, Sutherlin, died in his home Wednesday evening, the apparent victim of a heart attack.

He was born at Fort Scott, Kan., Jan. 21, 1887, and moved to Baker at 15 years of age. In December 1922, he and Etta Malinda Sumter were married at Baker, where they farmed until 10 years ago.

Mr. Shields was an Army veteran of World War I.

The family moved to Sutherlin in 1947.

Survivors include his wife; a son, John Henry Shields Jr., San Francisco; three daughters, Elva Merle Marquez, San Antonio, Texas, Bonnie Erma Davis, Sutherlin, and Delores Velma Summers, Ephrata, Wash.; 10 grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are pending. The remains are at Stearns & Little Mortuary, Oakland.

Bohlen May Get Transfer From Russian Post

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Eisenhower administration reportedly is planning to shift Charles E. Bohlen, U. S. ambassador to Russia, to another diplomatic post.

A change in ambassadors to Belgium and the Netherlands also is said to be in the offing.

Diplomatic officials said Llewellyn Thompson, now American ambassador to Austria, may succeed Bohlen, who has been at his Moscow post for nearly four years.

Bohlen some time ago asked for a change of assignment and he reportedly has been offered another post. He is due here Feb. 21, presumably to discuss his new job.

Informants said President Eisenhower has decided to nominate J. Clifford Folger, chairman of the Republican Finance Committee, to take over in Belgium. He would succeed Frederick M. Alger of Grosse Point, Mich. Folger is an investment banker here.

Officials said Phillip Young, retiring chairman of the Civil Service Commission and a native of Lexington, Mass., was in line for nomination as ambassador to the Netherlands. The present U. S. ambassador there is H. Freeman Matthews, a veteran career diplomat. Matthews now is in Washington for consultations. He expects to return to The Hague before resigning.

Charters Of Four Locals Revoked By Labor Union

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These charters are under investigation by a federal grand jury and a U. S. Senate committee inquiring into union rackets.

Anthony Doria, who was censured by the AFL-CIO for alleged connections with Dio and with a Chicago local accused of welfare fund maladministration, resigned as international secretary-treasurer of the union. Gilbert Jewell, regional director of the union in Decatur, Ill., was named as Doria's successor.

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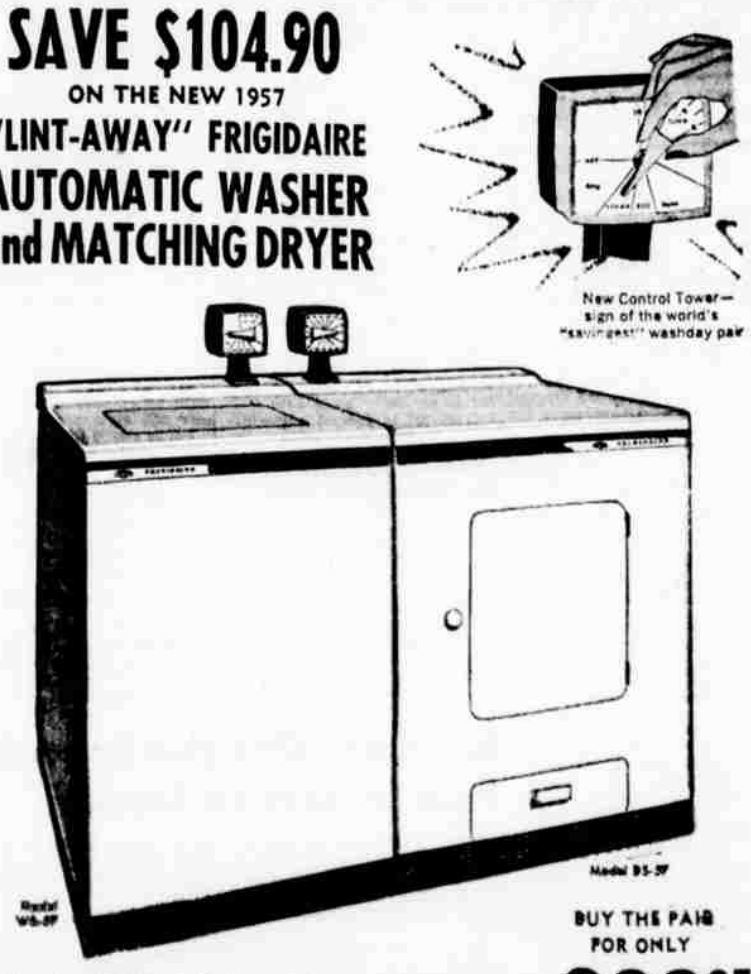

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