

# Local YWEA Group Recreates Old Time 'Quilting Party'

Why did they stop holding them? Wouldn't they still be lots of fun? These were some of the queries heard around the room at the recent meeting of the Young Women's Educational Auxiliary held in the Methodist church.

The November program committee presented the 'Quilting Party' much to the delight of those watching. The scene was set in an old-fashioned room with a large quilted frame holding a quilt ready to be worked.

Hostess for the day was Esther Burnett and she welcomed her quilting friends and assisted them in taking off their bonnets and shawls.

Much merriment was added as the latecomer entered, as the women had just commented she never arrived on time. Mable Doty played the latecomer. She added spice to the party with latest news bits she had accumulated including a 'secret' she confided to all assembled. While the other women, Annetta Adskim, Atrelle Ingerson, Nellie Moseley, Vera Fulp and Mrs. Burnett were busy quilting throughout the scene, Miss Doty just sat in the background chatting and trying to thread a needle. As the afternoon

wore on the hostess got out her coffee grinder and was fixing her workers some refreshments, when another neighbor dropped in. The new arrival announced she had been unable to come because of a household of unexpected company. She brought them several news items and a plate of lemon crackers.

Prices of such items as ammonia, glycerine and other household articles were discussed as well as modern conveniences such as a water pump in the house and hot water without using the reservoir on the stove.

It was a delightful portrayal of a 'Quilting Bee' and was warmly applauded by the members. The scene closed as Hiram (Mae Stearns) came in to announce that a fellow was waiting to take Nellie home.

The business meeting was presided over by Florence Smith, president. Reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and accepted. A letter of thanks from Naomi Robertson was read as was a letter from the United Fund. The members voted to donate to the UF drive.

Amy Belle Robinson reported on the changes in the program com-

mittee. Mrs. Pearl Swan, member of the Sunshine committee, reported Elsa Hammond had suffered a broken leg and that Neil Clark had been ill.

Mrs. Ella McCoy, membership chairman, reminded members to pay their dues. Mrs. Helen Daniels announced the December meeting would be held in the Methodist Church sanctuary.

Co-chairmen of the evening's program were Annetta Adskim and Esther Burnett.

The devotionals were given by Maude Wallsinger and included a Bible reading and talk, comparing a quilt with life and she also gave a Thanksgiving poem, "Father in Heaven, We Thank Thee."

A quartet composed of Alice Masters, Merle Janice Pitts, Helen Jean Speckhart and Maxine Cook, dressed in centennial style dresses and bonnets, sang several numbers including "Sewing Nellie Home," "In the Evening by the Moonlight," "Sweet Tuxedo Girl," and "Tra Ra Ra Boom De Ah."

Annetta Adskim gave an informative speech on the history of quilting. She stated that quilts first appeared in Europe after the Crusades. The idea being brought back by soldiers who had fought in the Far East. Facts have established that nuns were believed to have originated the most intricate designs.

Patchwork quilts came into full flower in America when pioneer women used scraps from other sewing to make bed coverings. Most women had a piece bag and even brought this bag complete with scraps across the plains on their way West. Most quilts are treasured keepsakes.

Refreshments were served following the meeting.

The committee for the evening included co-chairmen, Mrs. Adskim and Mrs. Burnett, and Bernice Billerbeck, Fannie P. Branner, Mildred Hamilton, Geneva Houtz, Florence Prescott, Fern Prosch, Margaret Smith, Mable Doty, Mrs. Ingerson, N. Moseley, Mrs. Fulp, Eleanor Starr, M. Stearns and Mrs. Wallsinger.

## Emerson P. Victor Dies At Enterprise

ENTERPRISE (Special)—Emerson P. Victor, 42, manager of the Majestic Hotel, died Friday at the local hospital where he had been a patient for the past week. He had been in ill health for 16 months.

Funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Pullman Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. Al Boesche officiating. Burial will be in the Enterprise cemetery.

Son of Oscar and Lulu Victor, the deceased was born near Walla Walla, Oct. 14, 1917, and had lived in Walla Walla county all of his life. For many years he was a sheep raiser. On Nov. 17, 1944

## Program Set At Imbler

The Imbler Ladies Aid will meet in the home of Mrs. Leona Bingham at Imbler, Dec. 3. This will be their annual Christmas program. There will be a gift exchange and a potluck luncheon. Each member is to bring something.

He was married at Lewiston, Ida., to Laura M. Victor, who survives him.

Besides his widow, he leaves a daughter, Lucille Ann Victor, his parents, and three brothers: Libern R., Kermit E., and Oscar M., all of Enterprise; and one sister, Mrs. V. J. (Thelma) Anderson, of Twenty-nine Palms, Calif.



TAKING OFFICE—During the joint county granges installation ceremony, the above secretaries were taking office. Mrs. Mary Miller, Cricket Flat, and Mrs. Elsie Evans, Buc Mt., were installed by Nina Powell, Wolf Creek, and Dorothy Kipling, Wingville Grange, Baker. (Observer Photo)

## LOCAL EVENTS

# Local Granges Hold Joint Installation

**A Drivers License Examiner** will be on duty in La Grande on Tuesday at 106 Depot Street between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Persons wishing original licenses or permits to drive are ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure time for completion of the required license test.

**Eagles Auxiliary** drill team and officers will hold a practice in their hall, Tuesday evening at 7:30.

**Willow PTA** will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the school gym. Mrs. Kittle Crockett and James Keerns, both of EOC, will speak.

**Evening Circle of the First Methodist Church** will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Miss Mabel Doty, 1910 Oak Street.

**Eagles Auxiliary sewing club** will meet Tuesday at the home of Gerie Lentz at 10:30 a.m. Potluck at noon.

**Friendship Club** will meet at 12 noon, Tuesday, for a Thanksgiving party, in the home of Mrs. Frank Young, Mt. Glenn.

**American Legion and Auxiliary** will hold a meeting in the Legion hall, Wednesday at 8 p.m.

**Woman's Benefit Association** will hold a social meeting tonight at 8 p.m. in the IOOF hall.

**Chapter CO of PEO** will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Sacramento apartment of Mrs. Roesch Fitzgerald.

**White Rose Club** will meet in the home of Marian Hilary, Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. Bring white elephant.

**Evening Circle of the First Methodist Church** will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mabel Doty. Mrs. Nellie Moseley will assist.

**Neighbors of Woodcraft** will hold a social Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Odd Fellows hall.

**Granddaughters of Urelen County Pioneers**, will meet for a potluck luncheon, Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Rodney Miller.

**Parkdale Club** will meet Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Charles Andrews, 1322 Jackson Ave.

**M. Sgt. W. F. Lillis**, United States Army Recruiter, will be in La Grande two days a week, Tuesdays and Fridays, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. He will be in the Selective Service office located in the Post Office building.

**Sew and So Club** will meet Wednesday at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. Sheldon Price, 1503 Y Avenue. Each member to bring Christmas ideas.

**Waharka Extension Unit** will meet in the home of Marge Ferguson, Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Granges of Union County met Saturday evening at the Blue Mt. Grange hall, for a joint installation of officers.

Mrs. Dorothy Kipling from Wingville grange at Baker, was the installing officer. Mrs. Nina Powell of Wolf Creek Grange, was the installing marshal.

There were four attractive young women assisting. Sandra Givens, pianist; Kathleen Payton, recital bearer; Lorna Kipling, emcee bearer and Anna Rohner assisting the latter two. The girls are all from Wingville Grange at Baker.

The meeting opened with group singing, followed by a welcome by Mrs. Kipling.

Granges taking part were Blue Mt., Wolf Creek, Rockwall, Catherine Creek, Pleasant Grove, Mt. Fannie and Cricket Flat.

Those installed were the masters, overseers, lecturers, stewards, chaplains, treasurers, secretaries, gate keepers, ceres, pomona, flora, lady assistant steward, and the executive committee.

The Misses Kipling and Payton were accompanied by Miss Givens, as they sang "Nearer My God To Thee," following the chaplains installation, and "Bring in the Sheaves," following ceres.

There were about 100 persons attending. Cookies and coffee or tea, were served following the evening's event.

## Woman's World

MAXINE NURMI, Woman's Editor

### Social Creeds, Populations Topic Of WSCS Dessert Meet

Mrs. Wesley Brownnton was hostess to the First Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service, recently. Dessert was served by Mrs. Frank Paris, chairman. Mrs. John Bedingfield, Mrs. Donald Scott, and Mrs. William DeLashmutt.

Devotions in the Thanksgiving theme were led by Mrs. Virgil Choate, followed by the lesson, "Social Creeds and Moving Populations," ably presented by Mabel Doty.

The routine business meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Victor Prosch, president.

In the absence of Mrs. William Dowdy, vice-president, Mrs. Keith Mills reported on the "Federation of Women."

Final plans were made for the

Harvest Festival, which was held Nov. 5.

Helpers are needed for the rummage sale dated for Nov. 21. Rummage is to be left in the Fellowship hall Thursday or Friday morning of that week.

The members were asked to continue saving Flav-R-Pac labels and MJB coffee bands.

The next general meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 2, at the home of Mrs. Harry Trimble, 501 Washington.

The Circle meetings were announced as follows: Wesleyan—Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Harvey Carter; Evening—Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Mabel Doty; and Ruth Robinson—Wednesday, at 2 p.m., at the home of Mrs. M. A. Cochran.

## ANN LANDERS

Answers Your Problems



Dear Ann Landers: Millions read you daily and this is the best way my wife and I can think of to alert people to a serious danger.

Please, warn couples who wish to adopt children to work only with welfare agencies and authorized homes.

Our daughter was obtained through a connection, and there was hell to pay. This beautiful, healthy child was the light of our lives for four years.

Last March her blood-mother popped up out of nowhere. When she saw the child she said she'd turn the world upside down to get her away. She claimed she was in an emotional state when she agreed to let us have her, and that she was not responsible for her decision.

It resulted in a messy court fight—and we lost. Before the child was born the mother gave her solemn word she'd never see the child or bother us in any way. We paid her hospital expenses, bought her a ticket to a city 2,500 miles away, and saw to it that she was employed. We gave her \$1,000, and the friend who brought us together got \$2,000.

Potluck at noon. Project on "Consumer Buying."

VFW Auxiliary will meet Tuesday at 8 p.m. in their hall. All members urged to attend.

Celebrating birthdays today will be Mrs. Harold Hilary, La Grande, and Walter Primm, Mt. Home, Idaho.

St. Peter's Episcopal Guild will meet in the Parish hall, Wednesday at 2 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. LaDell Puckett are the parents of a daughter reported as born on Nov. 12 in the Grande Ronde Hospital.

Crooks who deal in black market babies are the lowest form of life.

We'll never get over wondering how our little girl is, and what her life is like. This is a terrible price to pay for ignorance and eagerness to have a child.—Y. J. T.

Dear Y. J. T.: Thank you for writing. This is not the first such letter that appeared in this space, but the problem is indeed a serious one, and worth repeating.

Dear Ann: I like a certain fellow very much even though he is a bit of a show-off. This is my biggest problem with him:

I feel like a fool when we dance together because he insists on doing all the fast and complicated steps even though I've told him a hundred times I can't follow him.

I have threatened to walk off the floor when he starts that stuff, but I haven't the nerve to do it. It's awfully embarrassing to stumble around on the dance floor with a guy everybody knows is a great dancer. What do you suggest?—Left Leg.

Dear Left: I know the type—they don't need a partner because they always seem to be doing a solo. A good dancer should stick to the simple steps out of consideration for the mediocre partners—(Like you and me). If Astaire ignores your pleas and insists on trying for the cup every time, just walk off the floor and leave him standing there.

**Union Group Meets**—The Union Commercial Club will meet at 6:30 Tuesday evening at the Skoot Club for a dinner and business meeting.

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