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The third and fourth degrees were given at Grange Thursday evening to a member. A food sale was planned for Saturday, Jan. 31 at the Red and White store with the proceeds to go to the Children's Hospital in Eugene. A special meeting was called for February 9 at the home of Mrs. F. A. Clark. Two more applications were presented. The membership now totals 309. All members are to bring pies for lunch at the next meeting with Mrs. E. L. Reynolds and Mrs. A. E. Radcliff in charge of preparations. A March of Dimes contribution was taken and amounted to \$10.47.

The Home Economics club met with Mrs. G. R. Miller Tuesday afternoon and new year books containing all standing committees and projects for the year were distributed. The club voted to meet at the hall Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 10:00 a.m. to clean the kitchen and club room.

FL club met at the home of Mrs. Loren Westrope Tuesday evening and obligated Mrs. Harold Johnston as a member. A food sale was planned for Saturday, Jan. 31 at the Red and White store with the proceeds to go to the Children's Hospital in Eugene. A special meeting was called for February 9 at the home of Mrs. F. A. Clark. Two more applications were presented. The membership now totals 309. All members are to bring pies for lunch at the next meeting with Mrs. E. L. Reynolds and Mrs. A. E. Radcliff in charge of preparations. A March of Dimes contribution was taken and amounted to \$10.47.

The Missionary society of the Presbyterian church met for a dessert luncheon Thursday at the home of Mrs. H. S. Joslin with

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Bobby Rand, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rand is home from school with a broken leg which he suffered when he fell from his bicycle. He is recovering nicely however.

Presbyterian Ladies Aid met at the Civic club house Wednesday with Mrs. W. B. Gillespie and Mrs. George Gwyther as hostesses. March 20 was the date set for the Easter food sale. Twenty-two members were present and Mrs. M. P. Hoover was a guest and became a new member. The quilts group held a party at the home of Mrs. Minnie Anderson Monday and enjoyed a 1:30 luncheon. The birthdays of the month were observed.

Fellows met Wednesday evening and Ted Mogstad was elected a trustee to serve for three years. A pot-luck was planned for the first meeting of February with the Rebekahs as guests.

Theta Rho girls met Thursday evening and initiated Betty Hord and Shirley Netzei. Installation of new officers was also held. After the meeting the group went to the home of Mrs. R. M. Carpenter for refreshments.

The Youth Fellowship group of Creswell were hosts at a district meeting at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon and evening. Rev. Frank Brown of Cottage Grove was speaker and 110 Lane county members registered. Reports were given by delegates who attended the convention of the group in Cleveland, Ohio. The next meeting will be held in the spring at Eugene.

A group of about 75 Grangers and friends met at the Grange hall Sunday for a pot-luck dinner and farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Miller and daughter, Bonita, who are moving away. The Millers were presented with a gift from the Grange.

The WSCS of the Methodist church met at the Annex Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Blanche Gwyther in charge of the devotion. It was decided to hold a study club at 10:30 a.m. of each meeting day hereafter.

The Lane County Red Cross has donated enough lumber for the erection of a one room building for the Lyle Dent family, who lost their home and all belongings in a fire last Tuesday, and the men of the community are donating their labor. Many donations of clothing and provisions as well as household effects have been gratefully received by the family. The family has been staying with neighbors while the house is being built.

Posters are out announcing the play, "Meet the Husband," which will be presented Thursday and Friday evenings, Jan. 29 and 30, at the Grange hall by the Little Theater group.

Miss Nadine Jones, daughter of Mrs. L. H. Jones of Creswell, and Marvin Schapp, son of Mrs. Louise Schapp of Bontry, North Dakota, were married at a pretty wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Doyle, brother-in-law and sister of the groom, Fri., Jan. 16, at 8 p.m. with the Rev. Joseph Knotts officiating at the double ring ceremony. The bride wore a grey suit with an orchid corsage. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Kennedy were the attendants. The bride is a graduate of the Creswell high school and the groom of the Bantary high school, and he served six years in the army. The couple is living in the Seavey district north of Goshen.

Mrs. Grace Miller and Edgar Clark were married in a simple ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Miller on Howe Lane Monday evening, Jan. 19. Rev. J. B. Wright read the double ring service. Mrs. Janet Smith and Jack Miller, son and daughter of the bride, attended the couple. A group of 25 friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony. The bride wore a grey suit and a corsage of baby orchids. Mr. Clark, MoMM F1/c USN is home on furlough from his station in Guam, and will be returned to that island in another week or ten days, and he expects to be transferred to China. Mrs. Clark plans to join him overseas when he is permanently stationed.

SAGINAW

Sixteen women attended the potluck dinner at the home of Mrs. Helen Russell at Goshen Thursday, it also being the regular meeting of the Friendly Neighbors club. In the "advertising contest" given, Mrs. Margaret Keene won first prize and Mrs. Velma Zumwalt and Mrs. Betty Laird second and third prizes. The next club meeting will be a Valentine party at the home of Mrs. Ruth Schwarzer.

Joe Getty, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Getty, left this week for Guam by plane from San Francisco, where he has accepted a position as property clerk for a large construction company which has a contract with the government. Joe expects to be gone a year and a half.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Laird left by train Sunday evening for Los Angeles to spend several weeks with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Treister and children returned to their home at Compton, Calif., after spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. Treister's father, Clarence Mower. Mrs. William Sharon went to Roseburg Sunday to help care for her mother who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Cline and children of Disston and Mrs. Ethel Cline spent Sunday at the Howard Keene home.

Dorothy Sharon of Eugene is

spending a few weeks at the home of her parents.

Jacky Monteith and son of Cottage Grove spent Sunday with Jacky's mother, Mrs. Inez Monteith.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Bash and children spent Sunday at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Bolton, west of Cottage Grove.

Revelutionized Football

The first game of football played in America in which the player was permitted to run with the ball was between Harvard and Yale. The running with the ball was the result of a boner by William Ellis at Rugby college in 1832. He was forced to apologize for his unsportsmanlike conduct—but his action resulted in the game of football as now played in America.

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The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen and the Switchmen's Union of North America, representing 125,000 railroad employees, have refused to accept the offer of the Railroads of a wage increase of 15% cents an hour.

This is the same increase awarded 1,000,000 non-operating employees by an arbitration board in September, 1947.

This is the same increase accepted by 175,000 conductors, trainmen and switchmen by agreement on November 14, 1947.

Agreements have been made with 1,175,000 employees, represented by nineteen unions. But these three unions, representing only 125,000 men, are trying to get more. They are demanding also many new working rules not embraced in the settlement with the conductors and trainmen.

Incidentally, the Switchmen's Union of North America represents only about 7% of all railroad switchmen, the other 93% being represented by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and covered by the settlement with that union.

Strike Threat

The leaders of these three unions spread a strike ballot while negotiations were still in progress. This is not a secret vote but is taken by union leaders and votes are signed by the employees in the presence of union representatives.

When direct negotiations failed, the leaders of these three unions refused to join the railroad in asking the National Mediation Board to attempt to settle the dispute, but the Board took jurisdiction at the request of the carriers and has been earnestly attempting since November 24, 1947, to bring about a settlement. The Board on January 15, 1948, announced its inability to reach a mediation settlement. The leaders of the unions rejected the request of the Mediation Board to arbitrate. The railroads accepted.

What Now?

The Unions having refused to arbitrate, the Railway Labor Act provides for the appointment of a fact-finding board by the President.

The railroads feel it is due shippers, passengers, employees, stockholders, and the general public to know that through-out these negotiations and in mediation, they have not only exerted every effort to reach a fair and reasonable settlement, but they have also met every requirement of the Railway Labor Act respecting the negotiation, mediation, and arbitration of labor disputes.

It seems unthinkable that these three unions, representing less than 10 per cent of railroad

employees, and those among the highest paid, can successfully maintain the threat of a paralyzing strike against the interest of the entire country—and against 90 per cent of their fellow employees.

The threat of a strike cannot justify granting more favorable conditions to 125,000 employees than have already been put in effect for 1,175,000, nor will it alter the opposition of the railroads to unwarranted wage increases or to changes in working rules which are not justified.

A glance at the box shows what employees represented by the Engineers and Firemen make. They are among the highest paid in the ranks of labor in the United States, if not the highest.

Compare these wages with what you make!

Here is a comparison of average annual earnings of engineers and firemen for 1939 (prior war) and 1947. Also shown is what 1947 earnings would have been if the 15% cents per hour increase, offered by the railroads and rejected by the union leaders, had been in effect throughout the entire year 1947.

Railroad wages computed from Interstate Commerce Commission Statement M-300, Full year 1947 estimated on basis of actual figures for first eight months.

Type of Employee	1939 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings with 15% Cents per Hour Added
ENGINEERS			
Road Freight (Local and Way)	\$3,966	\$6,126	\$6,787
Road Passenger (Local and Way)	3,632	5,399	6,025
Road Freight (Through)	3,147	4,984	5,169
Yard	2,749	4,081	4,539
FIREMEN			
Road Freight (Local and Way)	2,738	4,683	5,268
Road Passenger (Local and Way)	2,732	4,544	5,165
Road Freight (Through)	2,069	3,460	3,891
Yard	1,962	3,136	3,563

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