

The Weather

(Courtesy Cottage Grove Lake Weather Station)

	High	Low	Pre
Jan. 17	43	22	.00
Jan. 18	42	22	.00
Jan. 19	42	29	.07
Jan. 20	45	32	.61
Jan. 21	36	31	1.01
Jan. 22	37	31	.45
Jan. 23	40	29	.05

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A Christian's View of the Criminal: Kilpack Tells Local Groups of Needs For Crime Prevention, Prison Reform

Prevention of crime, need for prison reform and rehabilitation of offenders were the subjects covered by John Kilpack of the Oregon Council of Churches in his two-day speaking tour in Cottage Grove Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Kilpack, director of Juvenile Protection and Offense Rehabilitation for the council, spoke at the Baptist church evening session Sunday, to approximately 400 high school students in combined classes Monday and to churchmen at the Methodist Men's Fellowship meeting Monday night.

Religion Only Cure

"Religion and the Offender" took the spotlight Sunday evening, when the white-haired, terse-spoken Englishman told churchgoers that "religion is the only cure for crime."

He called on the church "not only to preach, but to help people live religion."

He spoke of miracles in prisons, where he has been doing counseling work. He told of a man who had served 24 years, 18 of them in solitary confinement, who had an anti-religious, anti-social attitude. Now he is living in California, rehabilitated, serving as a lecturer and author.

"Love opens the prison door" for many men, Mr. Kilpack said. He also warned Christians against rejecting the criminal, reminding them that Christ himself died as a common thief.

"There but for the grace of God go I," he said quoting Methodism's John Wesley.

Prison Conditions

He told of his first counseling work at the state penitentiary at Salem, when conditions were not good. He said they were much improved now under the new warden, Virgil O'Malley.

Previously, he said, there was no segregation, much idleness, little recreation, education or religion.

At this time he was working with the Volunteers of America in counseling and conducting church services at the state institution. However, he said, religious counsel was not encouraged by the administration.

The Oregon Council of Churches, he said, set to work to get a chaplain appointed by the legislature. The present chaplain has a very tough problem, he said. But under the new warden and his prison reform program, conditions are improving, he added.

Ideal Prison

He spoke of McNeil federal prison in Washington where ideal conditions exist. He said he did much counseling work with men who have been released from there in securing them jobs and rehabilitating them.

In speaking to men from all churches Monday night at the Methodist Men's Fellowship meeting he told them of needs at the state prison—for work, education, recreation and religion.

He said that the Oregon Council of Churches had a big job ahead of it in bringing before the next legislature the need for appropriations for carrying out state institution reform programs.

"One of the most important things is a need for a chaplain at the state mental hospital," he said.

2 Cameras Stolen From CG Pharmacy

Police this week were investigating theft of two cameras with a total value of about \$80 believed to have been taken from the Cottage Grove Pharmacy during business hours.

Glen Arne, owner of the store, told police a Keystone movie camera #1012552, was stolen Monday, January 21. He described it as a gray, 8 mm camera and valued it at \$64.50. He also said that on Saturday, January 12, a flash 620 camera, black box type, was taken from the window. This was valued at \$14.75.

Chief of Police Ed Jones said that Arne told him no one in the store saw anyone acting suspiciously.

C. G. PLYWOOD MILL STARTS OPERATIONS 10th

The Cottage Grove Plywood mill, which is operated in conjunction with the Bohemia Lumber Co. at Culp Creek, resumed operations January 10, after a shutdown of some time. A new clipper has been added to the equipment, which has increased the output of veneer.

First National Buys Main Site For New Bank

Plans to build a new, spacious building to house the First National Bank of Cottage Grove were announced this week by H. E. Eakin, vice president and cashier of the bank.

The proposed building will be erected at the northwest corner of 5th and Main as soon as government restrictions permit construction, Eakin said. Property on that corner running 77 feet on Main street and 105 feet on 5th has been purchased by the bank to accommodate the new building.

Plan Parking Lot

An adjoining piece of property 77 feet by 70 feet directly north of the new building site, facing 5th, has also been acquired by the bank and will be used for additional customer parking area, it was reported.

Increased Volume

According to Eakin, increased volume of banking activity has necessitated a move to larger and more modern bank quarters to meet the requirements of the growing Cottage Grove area. He pointed out that deposits at the bank have increased from \$1,940,492 on December 31, 1941 to \$9,003,817 on December 31, 1951, and loans have increased from \$93,392 on December 31, 1941 to \$1,269,156 on December 31, 1951.

Present quarters of the bank are at the southwest corner of 6th and Main. Eakin said that the new building, plans for which are now being developed, will be approximately twice the size of the existing structure and will incorporate the most modern advances in bank design.

Thrills Run High In H.S. 'Whodunit'

By Rosemary Rickard

Suspense, laughter, and surprise prevailed in the Cottage Grove High School auditorium Friday evening, January 18, as the mystery comedy, "Finders Creepers" was staged under the direction of Gardner Sellers.

Two boys, Hercules (Ray Coleman) and Wilber (Neal Hogate) spent the week end with Hercules' aunt and uncle (Joanne Peterson and Leon Hodges), who, unknown to them, have taken over a mortuary.

The Body "Alive"

Wilber and Hercules discover "the body" of rich Jason T. Quigley (Dick Heath) who cannot be dead, because he asks the boys to bring him orange juice and toast for breakfast. Mr. Quigley, suspecting that someone has tried to poison him, is going along with the plot and sleeps on a hard marble slab in the morgue in order to discover his supposed "killer."

Granny (Claudette Kime) who jitters and elopes with the corpse; Celeste (Gail Forrester) and Nina (Garnet Beach), two girls whom the boys would like to know better; and of course Claude, the philosophical handyman (Steve Hopper) who is in love with indifferent Daphne, the maid (Donna Decker), and wants "her broom to stand by his shovel," supplied the romantic interest in the plot.

Solves Case

Although the boys feel that they have solved the crime and captured the "killer," it actually was Frankie, the kid sister (Phyllis Hildon) who solved the case.

Particularly good is the scene between Claude and Daphne where Claude proposes in pantomime.

Other characters included the surprise villain, Dr. Brown (Bob Tank); Mr. Quigley's sister (Dorothy Cooley); lawyer Harry Shuster (Larry Greville); and Henry (Francis Chapman).

Fire Does Damage To River Rd. Home

Fire from an overheated cook stove Monday did an estimated \$1750 damage to the home owned by Bill Williams on South River Road.

Fire Chief Ernest Shipley said he believed the fire was built in the stove to dry out some wood piled behind it and got out of control. No one was home at the time.

The chief warned residents against putting anything inflammable near any stove without watching it carefully.

Damage was done to the kitchen and living room. A bedroom in the three-room dwelling was not damaged. The house was covered by insurance, but there was no insurance on the furnishings.

Polio Cards Mailed, Containers Placed As Drive Speeds

The Cottage Grove March of Dimes drive was speeded up this week with the placement of containers in various stores and the mailing of some 3500 cards.

A container filled with 365 for the polio drive was collected Wednesday from The Club on Main street, first collection to be made from the containers.

Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce placed the polio containers, while Jayceettes prepared the cards for mailing. These are the folders in which persons can place their dimes ad mail them back.

No Quota Set

Maynard Wilson, local attorney and drive leader for the fourth straight year, said that no quota had been set but that he hoped the area would exceed last year's donations of \$2600. He also said that he may announce soon a program to be presented locally as a means of raising money for the drive.

The local campaign is set for two months, January and February, with the last week to be devoted mainly to the Mile of Dimes on downtown sidewalks.

County Politics Quickens as Filing Deadline Nears

The past week has seen political activity quicken in Lane county. Some credit the little civil war, which got underway last week at the county court house in Eugene, between County Judge Day T. Bayly and Commissioner Lee Raish, as the prime factor in spotlighting interest in county politics. Only about five weeks remain to file as a candidate in the May primaries and this was chief factor in the renewed political activity.

Previous to the Bayly-Raish battle, which opened last week, Judge Bayly announced that he would be a candidate for circuit judge against the veteran G. F. Skipworth. Carl Wimberly, who will also be a candidate for reelection as circuit judge has drawn no opposition yet. Judge Skipworth has the backing of practically all of the county legal fraternity.

Last week, Bayly is alleged to have asserted that Lee Raish, county commissioner should be recalled. Raish has said that he will not seek office again unless things get too hot, but if the civil war continues he may be a candidate. Joseph A. Ayers of Springfield, Springfield construction foreman and a democrat, filed for the office of commissioner Saturday. If Raish runs for reelection as commissioner, he will be faced with at least two opponents, Tuesday, Charles W. Rickabaugh, Eugene oilman, filed for commissioner. Harry Chase, present county clerk, Saturday filed for reelection to this office. He is entered on the republican ticket.

Other county officers who have filed or intend to file for reelection are: Tom Swarts, republican incumbent for county sheriff; P. M. Morse, republican incumbent, as a candidate for county surveyor. Mrs. Lucille Klinge, non-partisan, filed for reelection to the office of county school superintendent. Fred Buel of Springfield, previously had filed as a republican candidate for the office of county coroner.

Harris Ellsworth, congressman from the 4th district, said he would seek reelection on the republican ticket. Walter Swanson of Springfield, a democrat has announced that he will oppose Ellsworth.

Only one of the three Lane county representatives to the state legislature has given any indication that he will run again. Loren Stewart, local man said Tuesday whether he will be a candidate for reelection. Likewise Donald Hubbard of Eugene has made no decision, but Earl Hill of Cushman has said that he will run again.

GRADE TEACHERS FORM SQUARE DANCING CLUB

Teachers of Adams, Jefferson and Harrison have formed a square dancing club that meets twice a month on Saturday night.

The first session was held last Saturday at Harrison. Neil Gwyn of Githens Motors called the dances and gave the teachers instructions in square dancing. Music was from records. Nine or ten couples attended and the group hopes to have more in the future.

The Githens Building . . . Modern Architecture at its Best



—Photo by Clark Studio

Skinney Ennis Band to Play Here Jan. 26

The best known name band perhaps ever to appear in Cottage Grove—Skinney Ennis and his orchestra—will play at the Armory from 9 to 1 Saturday night, January 26.

The local appearance, a one-night stand, is the only one the band will make between Medford and Tacoma. The arrangements were made after the local American Legion post received a telegram from the famous band leader telling he had one open date. The post is sponsoring the dance.

The orchestra is well known to radio listeners, especially for its appearance with Bob Hope and more recently on the Abbott and Costello show.

Song Stylist

Skinney himself is well known for his husky, talking style of vocalizing. He got his start singing with Hal Kemp and his band while he was still in college. When the featured vocalist fell down the stairs and was sent to the infirmary, Skinney, then a drummer, was asked to sing. He half-spoke, half-sang the lyrics in a husky, whispering tone and made a hit from then on.

Serves in Army

He later went into the movies and formed his own band. He served in the Army until 1946, when he was discharged. He played at many army camps in this country and became popular with the servicemen.

Tickets for the dance are on sale at the following places: Cottage Grove Pharmacy, Peterson's Dept. Store, Chamber of Commerce office, Cecil Beck Motors, Steele Grocery, Dorena, and the Red and White Store, Drain.

Winter Storms in Cottage Grove Area Bring From 6 to 18 Inches of Snowfall

Old man winter kicked up a fuss this week bringing from 6 to 18 inches of heavy snow in the area and fouling traffic for several days. Schools also were closed in some rural areas.

A total of 6.5 inches was reported for Monday by Earl Stewart at

Eugene Minister To Address Lions On January 24th

Dr. Wesley Nicholson, pastor of the First Congregational church in Eugene, will be the guest speaker at the luncheon program of the Cottage Grove Lions club Thursday, January 24. Dr. Nicholson who traveled extensively in Europe recently is expected to tell of some of his impressions of some of the European countries.

On January 31, the program will be in charge of Miss Joy Grimstad, high school music supervisor.

A speaker scheduled to appear last Thursday and discuss occupied Germany failed to appear and a short talk on the subject was made by Virgil Kingsley, program chairman. Some of the phases of the subject discussed by Kingsley were the overcrowded condition of Germany and the prospects of peace, which he said were rather remote.

'Dad's Night' Feature Of PTA Meet 28th

The PTA will feature "Dad's Night" at its monthly meeting Monday night, January 28, at Jefferson school.

Husbands of officers will present the program. R. W. Kensit, husband of the president, will preside.

Chamber To Honor Mr. Floyd Githens At Luncheon Meet

The Chamber of Commerce will have Floyd Githens, president of Githens Motors, Inc. as honor guest at a luncheon meeting Wednesday, January 30, at the Golf club. The Chamber will congratulate him on the opening of his new building that houses the Lincoln-Mercury agency.

Also expected to be present for the luncheon will be Lincoln-Mercury division officials from Seattle, including Clinton L. Hostetler, district manager; Floyd F. Frakes, manager of the administrative department; and Richard Chaney, field sales manager.

The Chamber postponed its regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 22, in order to have this special dinner on the 30th.

Co. Officials To Air Programs at Meet

An open meeting for any interested persons in Lane county where county officials will discuss their programs will be held January 31 at the Washington Street Recreation building in Eugene. This session, preceded by a pot-luck supper, is sponsored by the Young Republicans.

Interest in county officials was fired recently by the announcement of Commissioner Day T. Bayly that he plans to oppose Skipworth for the circuit court judgeship, at the same time blasting at other officials and their work.

Anyone wishing to attend from this area may contact Mrs. Douglas Spencer of Cottage Grove, wife of the national Young Republican committeeman from Oregon. Mr. Spencer recently returned from the meetings held in San Francisco.

Lincoln-Mercury Agency To Hold Open House 30th

Managers and department heads for the new Githens Lincoln-Mercury agency are as follows:

William F. Githens, son of Floyd Githens, will be manager. He has been with the firm since his discharge from the service in 1946.

D. A. Merrell, since 1944 parts manager with the Ford agency, will be parts manager here. He had 24 years previous experience in parts work.

Larry Brice, with the Ford agency since February, 1949, will act as sales manager.

Robert G. Moody, bookkeeper, has been with the firm since 1949. Darrel B. Bogher, head of the service department, has been with the Githens agency since 1946.

Local Seal Sales Up 12% Over 1950

Latest reports from 31 counties in Oregon indicate that \$245,479.52 has been raised to date from the 1951 sale of Christmas Seals, Frank K. Morrow, treasurer of the Oregon Tuberculosis and Health Association has reported.

Stewart Carlson of Cottage Grove, seals chairman for South Lane county, reported this week that \$1763.50 had been turned in so far, which is about 12 percent over last year's figure of \$1571.85 was the total.

Mr. Carlson urged persons who had not yet turned in their donations to do so at once.

"This indicates that the people of Oregon are continuing their tradition of strong support for the work of the association," Morrow said. "However, there are many people who intend to pay for their seals but who have not done so because of the Christmas rush."

"We hope that everyone who has not done so already will send in his Christmas Seal dollars," said Morrow, "in order that the association's program of tuberculosis prevention through public education may expand in the coming year. We are deeply grateful, however, to the many residents who have already acknowledged their Christmas Seals."

Morrow also praised the many volunteers and the enthusiastic cooperation of newspapers, radio stations, schools, churches, theaters, civic organizations, business firms, and labor groups and said that their tireless work had given a new insight into community problems.

Correspondents in some rural parts reported that residents had cars towed to the roads where they were letting them stand until the thaw started.

Weather further halted many logging operations. Some had already closed down due to earlier snows in high regions.

Minor Accidents

Several minor accidents were reported due to the ice and snow. Sunday a Sunnyside Greenhouse delivery truck driven by Wilbur Workman Jr. turned over on its way to deliver flowers to the Malcolm Horn home for observance of a 50th wedding anniversary. Workman was treated for minor lacerations at Cottage Grove hospital.

R. S. Johnston of San Leandro, Calif. was involved in two minor accidents Sunday night, one south of town and one at 7th and Main streets. Both times his car was hit by another due to slippery pavements. (For details see other story in this issue.)

There were a few short periods of power outages in outlying areas but nothing serious.

Githens new Lincoln-Mercury agency at 104 South Pacific Highway, one of the most modern and attractive buildings ever to be built in Cottage Grove, will hold open house January 30. The 1952 Mercury will be on display at that time.

Present for the showing will be officials of the Lincoln-Mercury division of the Ford Motor Co. from Seattle. They are Clinton L. Hostetler, district manager; Richard Chaney, field sales manager, and Floyd F. Frakes, manager of the administrative department.

In announcing the opening, Floyd Githens, president of Githens Motors, Inc., said, "We dared to deviate from the conventional . . . in order to get in every detail efficiency in operation and give service at a lower cost."

Home-Like

Mr. Githens said that the new building was "home-like" instead of like the old type box shaped buildings where no thought was given to efficient or convenient operations.

"Modern in design, economical in operation," was the way he described the L-shaped building. A three-way lighted show room gives the maximum light and visibility. The sales office is so located in the northeast corner of the showroom so that the salesman can keep an eye on the floor and the used car lot outside without leaving his desk.

Great Visibility

The manager's office has visibility in four directions — the showroom, the parts department, the service department and the parking area. In the rear is the shipping and receiving room. The accounting office is next to the manager's office.

The repair shop is very modern in idea. Formerly such shops were built where the entrance took about a third of the floor space and where there was such congestion that it was hard to manipulate turns. In this modern structure there are six repair stalls with individual entrances and no interference with other cars.

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By-Laws, Programs Drafted for 4-H Leaders Assn.

A first draft of by-laws and a program for 1952 meetings of the

South Lane 4-H Leaders Association were formulated at recent committee meetings and will be presented at the next session of the group February 5 at Latham school.

This new group was formed recently in an effort to guide the area's youth leaders in methods of the 4-H work and to unify them.

Committees Meet

Committees meeting last Thursday at the City Library to draft by-laws which will be discussed and possibly voted on at the next association meeting consisted of C. J. Robinson, Mrs. George Woodworth and J. W. Lickiss. Mrs. G. L. Gunn, another committee member, could not be present.

The program committee meeting consisted of Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Levita Floyd and Mrs. Jeanne Morton, chairman. They made a preliminary draft of the work the association hopes to cover, subdivided by meetings. Typical programs might be on demonstrations by youth of the area's various clubs, judging, or round table discussions on various 4-H projects.