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City Should Furnish Fire Protection to Rural District

Residents in the rural fire district will be called on soon to vote a six mill levy for fire protection. This will be necessary if the city fire department continues to serve the area, as it has from the inception of the district.

Those served in the rural district will be faced with three alternatives. 1—To contract with the city for continued protection. 2—To acquire equipment for fire protection. Or 3—to do without any fire protection. In our opinion the last two alternatives would be a serious mistake because in trying to equip and maintain adequate fire protection would be more expensive than the present arrangement. At the present high cost of building, it would be foolish, it seems to us to take the risk of losing property by fire.

In the good old days, the city's only fire truck would answer either in the city or in the rural district, but the good neighbor policy went out with the five cent cup of coffee. Even the smaller towns are now maintaining a rural fire department, so far as we know.

We have no information at the present time as to what communities comparable to the size of Cottage Grove are spending for fire protection. We do not know if the present outlay for fire protection is too much or too little for the benefits derived from such protection, but we do know as far as the rural district is concerned and we are a taxpayer in this district, that equipment can not be bought and maintained any more economically than that offered by the city at the present time.

There are a number of fire districts serving the rural areas over the state, but aside from one or two instances where the rural area served is not near a town of any size, there are no instances where the rural section has attempted to purchase and maintain its own fire department.

In closing we might point out that the six mill levy to be voted on by the rural people is an arbitrary figure so far as we are concerned. We hope the budget committee may find some fat to cut from the amount budgeted for the fire department and thus lower the millage. If the proposition is turned down, the city will be forced to cut anyway.

Parents Needed in Scouting

One problem of scouting in this area is the need of adult leadership. It's an old problem, one that has been with scouting since its inception of Boy and Girl Scouting. We are told there are many boys here, who would like to become Boy Scouts, but under the present setup can not do it unless there is a vacancy in some troop, or unless a new troop is organized.

Scouting can provide the boy or girl with some valuable training, but can not supply all the training needed, neither can the school or the church, opinion to the contrary notwithstanding. Scout officials tell us that if parents of boys who want to become scouts, will take an interest in the formation of a new troop, it will solve the biggest difficulty facing the advancement of scouting in this section of the country. One reason that scouting has advanced as far as it has is that adult leaders and parents are willing to give time to the movement.

Some parents are too busy to take part in any activity which will provide wholesome recreation to their offspring. If any sacrifices are to be made, it will be up to the other fellow to do it. If the child grows up in his or her own way, which may be contrary to the rules of society, some parents are still too busy to do anything about it.

We understand there are sponsors available for the organization of new troops, if a scoutmaster and assistant scoutmaster can be found.

WE CAN STILL CHOP OFF A LOT WITHOUT HURTING OUR DEFENSE PROGRAM.



Cuts Can Be Made

Speaking about cutting unnecessary and wasteful Government spending, in the interest of balancing the budget next fiscal year:

A commission headed by former President Herbert Hoover finds that Federal paperwork—the daily blizzard of forms, letters, carbon copies, etc., etc.—is costing us taxpayers about four billion dollars a year!

That's about equal to the entire U. S. Federal budget prior to 1933. It means that Federal paperwork is costing the average American family of four about \$100 in taxes a year. The Hoover economy program, if adopted, would show about \$255,000,000 worth of red-tape immediately. It shows that cuts in Federal spending, to bring about a balanced budget, are possible. They should be made.



Dear Mr. Editor:
 Just received some literature from Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce sounded good. Years of observation have taught me that there is no medium of information like a newspaper and there is nothing that reflects the wide awareness or progressiveness of a community as does the home newspaper.

E. P. Edwards,
 2218 Locust St.
 Caldwell, Idaho

To the Editor:

Recently under the heading of "Box 66" the Sentinel asked its readers if they had any gripes? Yes, plenty of them. Last week's paper said some housing authority reported to the Chamber of Commerce committee that Cottage Grove's sub-standard housing would be further taxed to capacity when Woodard Lbr. Co. hired 300 new men for the new mill and plywood plant.

This self-styled housing authority further stated that C. G. now has 45 vacant houses, but that most of them are undesirable. How does he know? Has he been around? Or is that just his idea so he can interest someone in building more houses?

If he were in step with the times, he'd know that many people have left on account of the shortage of work. We placed an ad in the paper of a house to rent and received from two to nine calls on it. People can not tell that houses are undesirable until they come to see them.

Mr. Housing Authority, if we had known who you were, we'd loved to have come and got you today and let you look in on a house that a renter moved out of yesterday. Then maybe you could have seen why many rentals are undesirable. How would you like to clean up a back porch that had a pile of garbage about 3 1/2 feet in the corner, including all sorts of peeling, tin cans, beer bottles and so on. My advice to you is to buy a gas mask before you start in. We hauled a complete trailer load of old clothes and rotten garbage to the county dump from this house. We always clean our houses from top to bottom before we rent them, but it is a terrible temptation to leave the filth for the next renter to clean up.

One of our renters stayed three weeks and we had to repaint it, even though it had been repainted just before they moved in.

Some other experiences we have had with renters include wood chopped on the rugs, writings on the walls by adults as well as children, 2x4's nailed on firtex walls with spikes, bottom of cupboards sawed off, holes put in roofs to fasten TV antennas and left so the roof will leak. We have also had a number of items taken from the house and have had davenport ruined because they were used as baby beds, with no rubber sheet. Also we have had furniture burned with cigarette burns on stands, dressers, window curtains.

Do you begin to see why a landlord can't rent anything but an undesirable house? Also lots of renters move out in the night owing rent and many move out promising to pay, but many never do. Now don't get me wrong, we have had many nice renters and expect to have many more. All renters are not bad by any means. You always hear about the hard hearted landlord. I think if they are this way, they have a reason for it.

Wonder why a law cannot be passed so people can be fined when they leave their garbage, in moving out of the house, the same as when they dump it along the road. Would like to hear from other landlords and their experiences. Can't we form an association of some sort for our protection?

Mrs. Geo. Quimby.

German Who Speaks No German, Runs U. S. Club

BERLIN—Private First Class Gerald German, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold German of (1850 Bel Air Road) Los Angeles, Calif., is considering changing his name.

German, who is of English descent, is manager of the Stork Club, the enlisted men's club at the 7781 Army Unit here. When he answers the phones, he says, "Stork Club, German speaking."

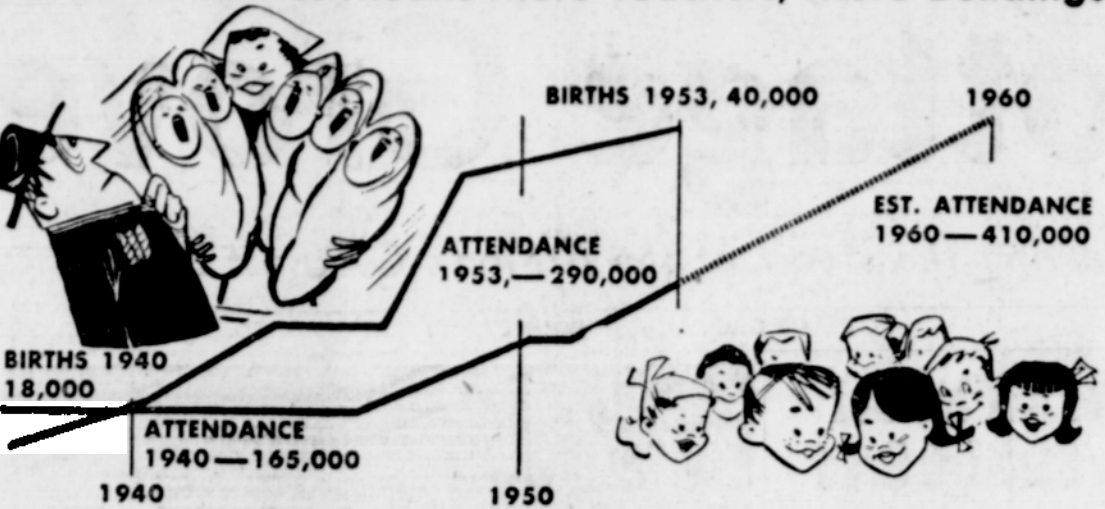
And the Americans who call often say, "May I speak to the American who is there please?"

When a German citizen calls and hears "Stork Club, German speaking," they invariably start talking in German.

"I can't speak a word of German," means German.

The Navy's attack aircraft carrier USS Midway was visited by more than 23,000 South Africans recently in Capetown, South Africa.

Boom in Babies Means More Teachers, More Buildings



These charts are based on material contained in a 16-page booklet, "Better Schools—Your Best Investment," just published by the Oregon Education Association. The above chart illustrates two facts of major importance to Oregon schools: That the birth rate in Oregon has been increasing rapidly since World War II and is still rising, climbing to a new high of 40,000 babies in 1953; and that school enrollments will continue to rise for many years. Average daily attendance is expected to increase from 290,000 in 1953-54 to about 410,000 in 1960.



School building needs are illustrated by this graph, which shows that by 1960, 3,400 new classrooms will be needed in addition to the 12,000 elementary and high school classrooms existing in 1954. Estimated cost of this new construction, including site, major renovations and additions, will come to about \$100,000,000—or \$20,000,000 a year for the next five years.

More teachers are badly needed by Oregon schools. Illustration at the left shows that Oregon teacher training institutions turned out only one-third of estimated requirements during the 1953-54 school year. Remaining teachers had to be obtained from other states, or in many cases teachers were hired who did not meet normal certification standards.

Cub Scout Pack Meeting Is Well Attended Mar. 24

By Mrs. Florence Erikson
 Phone 68687

CULP CREEK—The pack meeting of the Cub Scout was well attended at Culp Creek March 24. Program was as follows: Flag salute; song, "Star Spangled Banner"; short talk by Scoutmaster Donald Davis; skits by dens 1, 2, 4 and 5.

Presentation of awards with Randy Brown, Jack Lynch and Eugene Erikson receiving Wolf pins. Ronald and Raymond Huffman received two silver arrows and one gold arrow. Den mother pins were presented also. Theme for March was "Knights of Yore" with April theme "Reforestation." The next committee meeting will be held at the Henry Monroe home on April 12, with the big pack meeting to be at Dorena gym on April 28.

Harvey Blair of Sweet Home and Mrs. Richard Wooten of Lebanon visited Sunday with friends here and with relatives at Lynx Hollow.

Sewing club met at the home of Mrs. Groat with Mrs. Erikson as hostess on March 23. Marie Raymont was a guest. Next meeting will be on April 6, with Mrs. Groat as hostess.

Philip Goddard and Carol Dooly were married in Springfield on March 18 at eight o'clock in the evening. They are residing at 145 Street, Cottage Grove. Philip is back on his job at Booth-Kelly here. Those attending the wedding from here were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Goddard, Ralph Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grokett and daughters, Ruby and Lauren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Groat of Willamette City spent the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Groat.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Ward are residing at Mt. View.

Culp Creek girls softball team won over Mt. View on Friday afternoon. The boys team was behind at the end of the third quarter when the game was called off on account of rain.

Laura Belle Robbins returned to school Monday after being absent the past two weeks with the chickenpox.

The Culp Creek Assembly will present an Easter cantata on Sunday evening, April 10, at 7 o'clock. An invitation is extended to the public to attend Easter services.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wiscarson and children were Saturday visitors in Eugene at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Buckingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson of Yoncalla were Wednesday overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Groat.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hileman and Verna Jo of Willamette City visited with her parents, Mr. and

When Someone Gives A Dollar to the American Cancer Society:

25 cents pays for nationally planned research projects through fellowships and grants. (Some Oregon research investigators work through these grants!)

15 cents pays for the production of exhibits, pamphlets, movies and other tools for professional and public education produced nationally, as well as national library, statistical, administrative, publicity, fund-raising and special consultative services.

60 cents remains in Oregon to promote cancer control through: Research projects at the University of Oregon Medical School and Good Samaritan Hospital.

An Instruction Grant to the Medical School.

A Residency in Pathology. (To increase trainees in this specialty.)

A Grant to the Medical School Library for latest publications on cancer.

A Post Graduate Cancer Refresher Course for the general practitioner.

Augmenting technical and professional services to doctors as an aid to diagnosis (such as the Bone Registry, etc.).

Providing special Scientific Publications on cancer to all practicing physicians in Oregon.

The training of technicians in the Cytologic or "Smear" method of diagnosis.

Instruction of Dentists in oral cancer by a grant to the U. of O. Dental School.

Instruction of Nurses in special methods.

Purchase of Essential Facilities for diagnosis and treatment (such as x-ray machines, etc.).

Establishment of Tumor Clinics throughout the State.

Esophageal Speech Class for people who have had the larynx removed.

Cancer Dressings (made by volunteer groups).

Loan Closets (emergency sick-room equipment).

Home Visitor and Motor corps service.

Information Centers.

Distribution of Films—both lay and professional.

Instructional Material for High School Health Courses.

An Extensive Lay Education Program, including films and pamphlets, to familiarize the public with facts about cancer and early symptoms as a means of saving lives by timely diagnosis and treatment.

Mrs. Gurley Garrett and with friends here Wednesday.

Leonard Whitman of Gold Beach called on friends in this community Friday.

The names of Mrs. Bea Ross and Mrs. Oke Reals have been added to those who sent gifts to the shower of Mrs. Wilbur Castiel, but were unable to attend.

Sentinel Classified Ads Get Results

Get-Together Club Has Plant Exchange

By Mrs. Harry Castle
 Phone 66843

MOSEBY CREEK—The Get-together club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Steve Kavitz with Mrs. Glen Roby as hostess. A potluck lunch was served at noon and Mrs. Roby acted as chairman in place of Mrs. Jay Miller, who was unable to attend. There was an exchange of cactus plants and containers, and guests for the day were Mrs. Kenneth Grover and son, Pat, of Harvey Road and Mrs. Don Mosby and daughter, Cecilia of Mountain Home, Idaho.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Fred Overton and will be a plant exchange.

Doris Black and Vivienne Campbell of Eugene spent Sunday with Mrs. Ardella Black of Walden.

The fire truck from Cottage Grove was called to help extinguish a fire in a small building at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Hicks of Eden Park. It was thought for awhile that the Hicks house would catch fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett McCoy and Kay attended the Safety meeting Tuesday night in Eugene at the Lane County Co-op building.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Peterson returned home from a two weeks' stay at the coast and report that they got a lot of work done on their cabin they are building there.

Carol Lacy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lacy of Stockton, Calif., is staying with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Adams, and attending school. She has just had a bout with the chicken pox.

Callers Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lebow were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Lebow and son of Albany; Mr. and Mrs. Gale Lebow and children of Walden and Dee Lebow of Portland, son of Lester Lebow, Dee is in the Navy and is being sent back to Long Beach.

Mrs. Arnold Duerst surprised her husband Wednesday night with a birthday anniversary dinner at their home at Blue Mt. Those enjoying the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Cal Hand and girls of Cottage Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Duerst and two children of Delight Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kavitz of Eden Park.

Don Mosby, who is in the Air Corps at Mountain Home, Idaho, and Mrs. Mosby and daughter spent several days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dorel Mosby, and his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Mosby of Walden.

Evelyn Eastburn and Tony Davis were married Saturday night at a pretty wedding at Blue Mt. Assembly of God Church at Eden Park.

The Navy consumed 1,750,000.000 pounds of food last year, enough to fill a freight train reaching from Newport, R. I., to Baltimore, Md.

Annual Rebekah Dist. Convention At Lcrane Mar. 27

By Mrs. R. G. Conner
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LORANE—The annual Rebekah convention of District No. 10 was held Saturday in the Lorane high school building. This district is made up of Rebekah lodges from Harrisburg, Cottage Grove, Junction City, Eugene, Springfield, Corvallis, Creswell, Marcola, Walterville, Elmira, Oakridge, Irving and Lorane.

During the convention, the district was divided into district 10 with Harrisburg, Junction City, Eugene, Corvallis, Irving and Lorane and into district 33 with Cottage Grove, Springfield, Creswell, Marcola, Walterville and Oakridge.

District 10 convention will be held in 1956 at Corvallis with Velma Stolsig as chairman; Labetia Dey of Irving as vice chairman, and Edith Sidwell of Corvallis as secretary-treasurer of the convention.

District 33 will meet in 1956 at Marcola.

The morning session was colorful with seating drills and tributes paid to the president, Mrs. Beryl Drury, and other officers and to past chairmen of the convention. At noon luncheon was served in the grade school cafeteria by the Ladies Aid of Lorane Church of Christ, assisted by other ladies in the community.

The afternoon session was devoted chiefly to business with an impressive memorial service given by the Cottage Grove Rebekah Lodge.

A special meeting was held in the evening so the Rebekah state president could pay her official visit to the local lodge. More than 50 visitors remained for this meeting and the Ladies Aid prepared supper for them.

A group of accordion selections were played for the visitors by Mrs. Harry Jahnke while they were waiting between the afternoon and evening meetings.

In the evening a program was presented honoring the state president, Mrs. Drury. It consisted of a solo "Over the Rainbow," by Mrs. Dennis McCreel, while a picture of a rainbow taken by Mrs. Archie McCrae was shown on the screen. Mrs. Jahnke played two accordion solos and Mrs. Claude Payne played two piano solos. Jack Terrell showed two slides of local people and scenes from his home movie collection, including the Rebekah Easter Hat parade held last year.

Freshman and sophomore classes of Lorane high school are also making a new trophy case to more effectively display the high school trophies. The present case is badly overcrowded.

The high school shop class has also been working on new pews to be used in the young people's room of a high school boy who would rather go fishing than study history.

Hervy Ambercombe, president of the Central Washington College of the Bible at Selah, Wash., began a two week series of evangelistic services at the Church of Christ Monday evening. He is accompanied by a team of three students who will assist with the music and personal evangelism.

Home Extension Unit met Thursday for an all day session with Miss Shirley Damon from the Extension office bringing the lesson on "Keeping Up With New Fabrics."

By explaining the meaning of the different trade names and what fabrics they are composed of and how to care for them, she helped greatly to simplify the problem of buying the new fabrics and blends.

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Public Records

Bruce A. Lamb, Lorane, forfeited \$10 bail for violation of basic rule charge March 22.

William D. Plueard, Culp Creek, fined \$25 for being drunk on a public street March 22.

Floyd L. Macomber fined \$5 for non-stop March 23.

Carl R. Deedon fined \$5 for driving without accompaniment of licensed driver March 23.

Leon W. Loyd fined \$250 and had driver's license suspended for 90 days for minor in possession and driving under influence of liquor March 24.

Jack Gleason fined \$50 for being drunk in a car and minor in possession March 24.

Willard C. McKay fined \$100 and \$450 court costs for driving under the influence of liquor March 24.

Clyde L. Cosner fined \$250 for non-stop at a stop street March 24.

Cleon D. Irvin fined \$25 for being drunk on a public street March 28.

Viola Levona Rice

Mrs. Viola Levona Rice, 69, died at her home in Cottage Grove Friday, March 25. She was born February 12, 1886, in Nebraska, and was married to David J. Rice in 1903 in Cherokee county, Iowa, who survives her. She had been a resident of Oregon for the past 48 years, and came to Cottage Grove from Coos Bay seven years ago.

Surviving besides her husband are six sons, George, North Bend; James, Curtin; David V., Eastside; Joseph, Kendallville, Ind.; John and Charles, Cottage Grove; nine daughters: Lilla Johnson, Jean McKoffey and Ellen Ellev, all of Burns; North Bend; Elsie Smith and Hazel Gilbert, Cottage Grove; Ada Nee, South San Francisco, and Elizabeth Pappas, Oakland, Calif.; one brother, Grover Williams, Roseburg; several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday at Mills Funeral Home, Coos Bay, with the Rev. Walter Warner, Methodist minister, officiating. Burial was in Sunset cemetery, Coos Bay. Mills Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

pack Larry Jack of the Scout council from Eugene will meet with the local group to assist them. Boys of Cub Scout through high school age and their parents are invited to come to the meeting. The local Scouting program is sponsored by the IOOF Lodge.

James Kotze's 4-H Woodworking class of eighth grade boys is busy making a new trophy case for the grade school to display its trophies.

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This will be the first game played on the new athletic field at Lorane. It will begin at 2 p.m.

Supt. McCrae Resigns

At the last school board meeting, contracts were presented to all except the first grade teacher. Since the meeting, Archie McCrae, who has taught in Lorane schools and served as superintendent of schools, has handed in his resignation.

The Navy's submarine qualification insignia is a submarine flanked by two dolphins.

Nothing is so infectious as example.—Charles Kingsley