

3,000 Teachers Plan Attendance At Portland Confab

PORTLAND—More than 3,000 Oregon teachers from every part of the state are expected to converge on Portland for the 46th annual convention of the Oregon Education Association March 31 and April 1 and 2, according to Cecil W. Posey, executive secretary of the group.

The convention is an annual affair for Oregon teachers, providing opportunity for discussion of current educational problems and procedures. Prominent educators from several sections of the nation will appear on three general session programs which will be held in the Portland Civic Auditorium. Teachers will take active part in the discussions being held by more than 25 sections and departments of the state-wide organization.

"Oregon teachers look forward to the annual convention each year as an opportunity to bring back to their classrooms new ideas and new procedures," Posey said. "The convention mixes in a liberal amount of inspiration which gives the teacher renewed zest for his dealings with pupils."

Nationally-known educators to appear on the program this year include: Dr. Harold Benjamin, dean of college of education, University of Maryland; Miss Helen Hefferman, assistant chief of the division of instruction, California State Department of Education; Miss Lilla Belle Pitts, author and professor of music education, Columbia University; Dr. A. D. Holt, executive secretary of the Tennessee Education association, and Dr. R. H. Montgomery, graduate professor of economics, University of Texas.

Frank B. Bennett, superintendent of the Salem public schools, will also be one of the main convention speakers.

Every Tuesday noon, Rotary club, at Vincent's Restaurant. All visiting Rotarians are welcome.

Grange Offers Big Prizes In National "Essay Contest"

Herbert Payne, master of Chetco Grange, this week announced a nation-wide essay contest on "Conservation of Our Soil Resources" will be conducted by the National Grange and American Plant Food Council, beginning on March 15 and ending June 15, with state and national prizes totaling \$15,000 for young men and women through 20 years of age.

"The contest is open to any young man or woman, regardless of Grange membership, who will not be more than 20 on June 15," Mr. Payne told the pilot, "but all entries in this area should be sent to the Chetco Grange, Harbor, for processing by June 15."

Secretary of Agriculture Chas. F. Brannan is chairman of the national board of judges which includes: Dr. Hugh H. Bennett, soil conservation service, USDA; Mrs. Malcolm Byrnes, president, National Home Demonstration Council, Ethel, La.; Dr. W. T. Spanton, chief agricultural education service, U. S. department of education and Dr. M. L. Wilson, director of extension work, USDA.

The following national and state prizes are offered by the American Plant Food Council:

National—First prize, a nationally-known 1949 Buick super, 4-door sedan; second, Chevrolet deluxe 4-door sedan; third, \$750 and fourth, \$250.

State—First, \$150; second, \$75 and third, \$50.

Contest judges explained that each entrant's treatment of conservation principles "may be based on information from textbooks, bulletins, motion pictures, interviews or personal experiences, but practical application of the subject to the land of the community, state or nation will be given special consideration in the judging of each paper."

Entries must not exceed 800 words and will be judged on the basis of 55 points for effective-

ness, 20 points for originality, 15 for practical application of subject matter and 10 for gramatical correctness.

Dollar Day Sales Clear Shelves, Moore's Variety

Dollar Day event, advertised last issue by Moore's Variety & Apparel Shop, exceeded expectations of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Moore, who found their shelves

quite bare of goods by late Saturday afternoon, the last day of the sale.

Mrs. Moore, who told the Pilot she wanted space to hold the incoming spring goods, said: "It was almost like the Christmas business,"

Mr. and Mrs. George Fry of Grants Pass, were overnight visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Yokum, Wednesday.

Weather Report

| For the past week, ending on Sunday: | | | |
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| | Max. | Min. | Rain |
| March 14 | 60 | 49 | .38 |
| March 15 | 52 | 50 | 2.56 |
| March 16 | 58 | 47 | .17 |
| March 17 | 53 | 50 | 1.84 |
| March 18 | 60 | 50 | .46 |
| March 19 | 51 | 46 | 1.24 |
| March 20 | 50 | 45 | .61 |
| Total rain for week | | | 7.26 |

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