

SOLD EVERY TICKET AT "THEATRE PARTY" TUESDAY EVE AT PINE CONE

"Sold Out" sign was on the ticket window hours before the opening Chetco Rod and Gun Club "Theatre Party," Tuesday, when this area was treated to about the best entertainment anyone could find outside of Hollywood. Beginning with the picture, "State of the Nation," and continuing until the last effort to locate Mrs. Twiddlebottom, everything was fast-moving despite over four hours of entertainment which held the capacity-house spellbound until after midnight.

While no issues were settled by the plot of "State of the Nation," politics were given an expose, depicting how elections are maneuvered and the sometimes dismal failures.

After the opening, "Hi Neighbor," participated in by the entire cast, Bob Perkins, temporary town assistant vice-president in charge of frivolities, trivialities and unrealities, engaged Zeke Huddlemiddle in conversation, who like the sage from Van Buren, had plenty of relatives who had talent, and produced the Chetco Mound Williams and lot of hill-billy music.

Susie and Jeff, in a spring romance, brought nostalgia to those who observed nature.

An old trouser of stage and screen, Ray Gallagher chit-chatted about common-place things, and told some of the jokes the older people had heard sometime in their youth.

"Everything isn't what it may seem" people found out that a bucket could contain water and confetti at the same time. This revelation was made when Bradley Page, permanent first vice-president in charge of nothing, assisted by Bob Perkins and Lyle Vaughan, literally dumped water on the crowd, and almost suffered a libel suit by defiling the "purity" of the water.

Song impressions, those which appeal to a tenor, were given by Freddie Fox, followed by the mystifying mental acrobatics of Alice Perkins, who read everything, even to forbidden letters.

With apologies to Gallagher & Shean, Page and Perkins told a lot of secrets about people in the area.

Everyone said it couldn't be done but Zeno, the human meteor, who was none other than Thor Ask, dived 43 feet, 3 inches into two inches of water. His saturated body proved it.

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With facial expressions which would be the envy of Fred Allen any day, Bob Perkins, standing behind a phonograph, showed all the agony singers endured to entertain their public.

The "Flat-Foot Four," Emil Moore, Ernest Jones, Charles Laysnel and Lucian Harvey, recalled days of the late '90s with tunes of that era. Following them was "Skipper" Bowie whose educated toes could certainly play tunes on the maple boards.

The Frantic Mother, Faye Sunderland, finally found someone to care for her "baby" after a number of desperate attempts which lasted the entire show-time. Mrs. Twiddlebottom could not be found for delivery of her potted plant, and it almost filled the lobby by the time the play was over. The evening was concluded by passing of novelty "hum-a-tunes" and the crowd enjoying community music imitating a band of 300 pieces.

Plenty Crab Ready For Sea Scout Feed Set Next Wedn'day

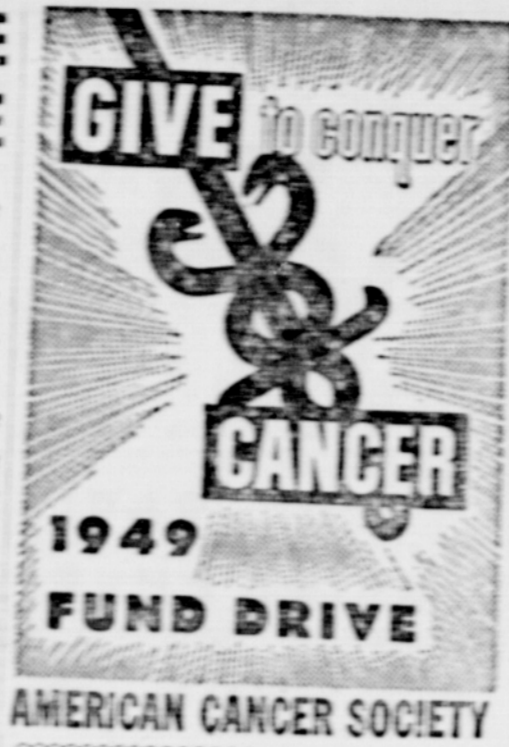
"All you can eat" has been made the motto of Ship 232, Sea Scouts, at the second annual crab feed, booked for next Wednesday, April 14, at Chetco Grange hall.

Tickets are being sold by the boys, at \$1.00 each, and already a large crowd is assured, especially from those who attended last year's affair.

Motion pictures, by George Milford of Rivers End will be part of the entertainment to be presented afterward.

Mrs. Tamba Hears From Son In Japan

Announced last week that Theodore Tamba had been appointed one of the defense lawyers for Tokyo Rose, Mrs. Albina Tamba has been receiving air-mail letters from him, now in Japan, obtaining evidence for the trial. He was appointed by the federal court at San Francisco. One San Francisco paper re-



cently carried the following item: "Federal Judge Michael Rothe granted \$5250 in government money for defense expenses in Tokyo Rose's treason trial. The funds will pay transportation, to Honolulu and Tokyo for state-statements from 43 witnesses."

Mr. Tamba is well known here and when at home in San Francisco, writes his mother every day, and if by chance one day goes by without a letter, she'll be sure to get two the next.

Bruins Dump Ophir Easily Tuesday, 5-1

Behind air-tight pitching of Junior Shrader, coupled with big-league slugging on the part of Raymond Reekman and Dwain Sumner, Brookings Bruins, in the first baseball game, dumped the Ophir aggregation, 5-1.

For the first game of the season, both teams showed coaching and promise to be contenders in any later tussle.

Electric Co-op Will Spend Million On Lines And System

Coco-Curry Electric Co-operative recently announced the approval of the expenditure of a million dollars to build a transmission line and distribution system, the major portion of which is in Curry county, according to Bruce Shavere, manager.

He also announced that they are ready to call for bids for the construction of the transmission line from the California line to Gold Beach as soon as easements for right-of-way can be completed. Only one property owner is holding up this development as all other owners have given satisfactory easements.

As soon as this transmission line can be completed a general rate reduction will become effective making the rate structure uniform for the entire system.

Without undue delay this construction should be completed by early fall, states Mr. Shavere. Plans have been made for the completely re-building of the old Gold Beach system, starting in April. This should be completed by next fall.

The rate reduction will be material. Instead of 10c for the first 40 kwh the new rate will be 6 1/2c per kwh at Gold Beach. Mr. Shavere estimates that in Gold Beach the new rate would reduce the average monthly bill by 50%.

Gasoline Sales Dip In February, Report

SALEM — Gasoline sales reported in February were below those of a year ago for the third consecutive month, according to tax figures filed with the Oregon state department.

February sales of 26,758,767 gallons dropped more than 10% below the figure for the same month last year in the biggest decline of the post-war period.

Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry pointed out that December was the first month to show a decrease from the previous year since the end of the war, with

the decline growing through the months of January and February. He attributed most of the drop to the extreme weather conditions which restricted travel and resulted in the lowest number of traffic death in recent years.

Taxes paid on the February gallonage were \$1,337,938.37, of which approximately 13% will be returned to non-highway users as refunds.

Repeat May Be Asked Of Show

Early Wednesday talk about the area, concerning the Rod & Gun clubs' first theatre party, is that many would like to see a repeat performance, soon.

While this information may not be taken as mandate, the consensus reveals many who didn't get to see the performance for reasons beyond their control.

Rumors, too, are going the rounds that Crescent City would like to see a modified edition in that city. Most of the local cast could be used, it was pointed out.

School Busses In 239 Accidents, '48

SALEM — School busses were involved in 239 accidents throughout Oregon last year for a jump of 45% over those reported in 1947, state-wide accidents show.

A special summary of school bus mishaps occurring in 1948 compiled from accident reports filed with the secretary of state reveals that collisions with one other car led all other accident

types in frequency of occurrence. Two hundred and nine car-bus collisions were reported as compared to 116 the year before. Copies of the summary, giving detailed information based on the accident reports, are being distributed to school authorities and other interested officials.

More than one-third of all primary and secondary school pupils in Oregon rely on school-provided transportation traveling a total of 62,000 miles daily, according to the state department of public instruction.

Homemakers

BY ALDENE N. AHO,
County Home Demonstration agent

Hello there: This is the week of the Homemakers Festival! In the county home extension unit, members are making plans for their part on the day's program. Our county committee predicts there will be 200 home makers present, so, Friday, April 8, do come to Gold Beach community hall and see the workk of our extension units.

Registration will begin at 10:30 and start at 11 a. m. for a full program.

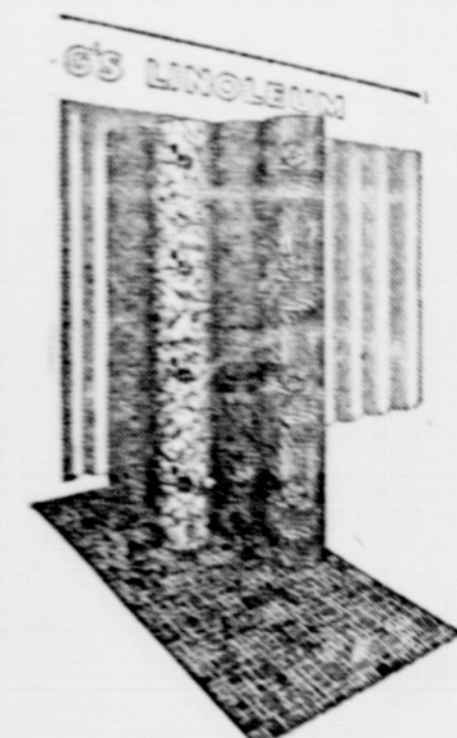
Featuring the program will be a showing of pictures by Mrs. Azalea Segar, state home extension leader. She will tell of her travels in the United States and Mexico last year and will show color slides she took while on her journey.

Luncheon will be served at 12 noon. A ticket will cost \$1.00 and all profits will go to Curry county hospital association.

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