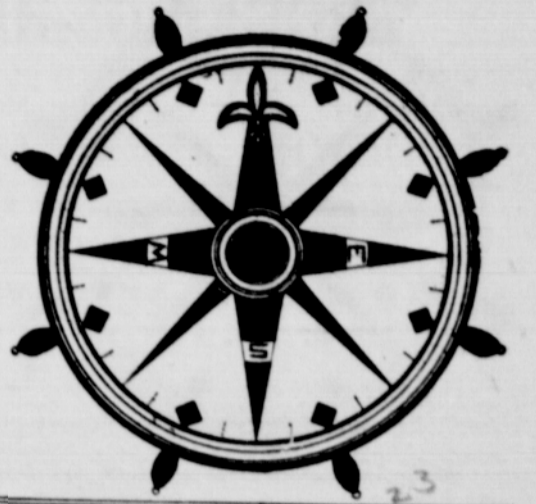


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Air Corps Training Described To Club Members, Tuesday

Air force training, as experienced by Ben Kerns, was ably told to the Rotary club, Tuesday noon. All processes employed by the air department of the army were fully described and revealed, as they affected the trainee on his course.

"No doubt the air force did the most precise screening ever thought of," Ben told his listeners. "At all times they were doing their level best to 'crack' up the men, rather than send them out half trained, or incompetent in such a highly-technical game as was the lot of pilots, regardless of the type of plane they were in charge of.

"We were actually given college training enough to graduate most men, a full four-year course, in just three months. We had to make it, or we were simply washed out. We started in with simple arithmetic, and at the end of three months could handle calculus problems. We had a complete course in physics, in meteorology, in ground school training, and everything which might be needed to make each pilot self-sufficient to himself, to be his own navigator, if necessary.

"I have some books, which at one time were secret, but now are common knowledge, since all the trend is toward jet-type aircraft. (Here he showed books on the B-24 and B-25 planes). Notice the instrument panels. Notice how there was no guessing left to the pilot. I finished my primary at University of Missouri, had some of my basic and advanced training in Texas at different fields. We were given our last training in Kansas.

I was just completing my entire training program when the war ended in Europe, but we still had Japan to lick.

"Pilot training did not come easy to me. I thought I would never learn to make a perfect landing. It seemed that it was all at once, all alone in a big plane that I suddenly came to know how to do it properly.

"At every new camp, and on all assignments, there was a constant screening. We were never allowed to forget for one moment those things which we had all the way through training. It was no snap, and I saw many fine fellows 'wash out,' some as late as two weeks before graduation and commission.

"The education the government gave the pilots is expensive. The equipment they handled was so expensive. It was with this in mind, together with the mission each was being trained for, that training had to be just that rugged at all times."

Following his talk Ben answered many questions which had been in the minds of the club members. At no time did he hesitate to answer. He told the club that he was not discharged. He is on active reserve. In case of war, all flying personnel can and will be called to service.

Lumbermen To Meet

Regular meeting of Del-Cur Lumbermen's Association will be held at Crescent City, at Pat & Guy's Bar-B-Q on Hwy. 199, at 7:30 p. m. March 25. All lumbermen of this area are urged to attend as important business is to be acted upon. Dinner will be served, according to A. P. Olson, secretary of the group.

Brad Page Seen Over Television

A card from May Lytle, who left here at Christmas time to live at San Jose, reveals her surprise, recently to see Brad Page's face on television. The card:

Editor, Pilot: Guess who entered our parlor, through the medium of our television set? None other than Bradley Page!

I think he is in the wrong racket. However, we prefer him as we knew him today. Jim and I were so excited at seeing him, that we don't know who else was in the picture, and no, he didn't get the girl. Regards to yourself and all our friends. May Lytle, San Jose.

Flower Show Head Names Committees

Mrs. Roy Weideman announces committee chairmen to assist her in the annual Azalea Garden Club show and art exhibit, who are:

Schedule—Mrs. Charles Grayshel.
Entries—Mrs. Max Brainard.
Classification—Mrs. Ray Guerttaz.

Judges—Mrs. Almo Newton.
Hospitality—Mrs. Roy Parker.
Publicity—Mrs. Erskine Miller
Horticulture—Mrs. Walter W. Wollam.

Awards—Mrs. Guy Rice.
Conservation — Mrs. Harry Lockland.

Tea Room—Mrs. Archie Anderson.
Tea Room Decoration — Mrs. Clifford Lindskoug.

Tickets—Mrs. Victor Reynolds
Art—Mrs. Alice Perkins.
Movies—Mr. Lloyd Moss.

Plant Sale—Mrs. Ben Kerns.
Sr. Tentative appointments for staging and properties have been and will be announced later.

J. B. Hendricks Passes At Salem

Mr. and Mrs. Archie P. Hendricks and family returned late Tuesday from Salem where they had been called to attend the funeral of J. B. Hendricks, 73, father of Archie, who died of cancer Friday.

Born in Michigan in 1877, he lived for a time in North Dakota before moving to Oregon in 1925. Mrs. Hendricks died 22 years ago at Portland. Surviving are six children, three sons and three daughters and 15 grandchildren.

A retired railroad man, he had enjoyed the best of health until about two years ago. He had on several occasions, visited in this area. Death came while he was at the home of his youngest daughter, Mrs. Mildred Smith, at Salem.

Funeral services were from the House of Holman, and interment was beside his wife in the Riverview Cemetery, Portland.

New Agent Here

Mrs. Eva Lea Long, for the past six years a representative of the Standard Life Insurance Co., of Portland, is located at the office of Pete Lesmeister.

Insurance problems, needs, and any problems confronting people of this area are what Mrs. Long would like to discuss, she told the Pilot, early this week. Her advertisement appears on another page in this issue.

World War 1 Pilot Chamber Speaker, Thursday Evening

With many projects which demand considerable finances, as well as work, Brookings chamber of commerce is launching a drive to increase its membership to over 200 members for 1950, it was announced last week. Toward this end a dinner meeting

Chamber Speaker



W. M. "Jack Bartlett, veteran pilot of World War I, will speak tonight at March meeting of Brookings Chamber of commerce.

He is a registered professional engineer, receiving his B. A. Degree at Willamette University in 1917, and his mining degree at OSC four years later. He has been active in the operative and administrative phase of mining, was plant manager for the Atomite Corporation (diatomite mining and processing plant), director of the planning division of the federal works administration, state planning engineer, and has been for the past two and a half years director of the Oregon state board of aeronautics.

has been scheduled for tonight at the Grange hall, when everyone in the community is invited.

Foremost in the plans of the chamber, naturally, will be the development at the mouth of the Chetco and possibility of the Chetco Cove development as a deep-harbor project.

Business membership are \$12 a year, with private memberships at \$6 per year. The dinner begins at 7 p. m., with the meeting following immediately.

Reservations Due

People are urged to make reservations for Chamber of Commerce dinner to be served at the Grange hall, Thursday. Reason for this urging on part of the chamber officers is to allow the Altar Society women time to food for the number coming.

Reservations for the meal may be left with Charles Grayshel, at the Coffee Mill Cafe, or with any director of the chamber.

To help Nick Baumgarner celebrate his 71st birthday in manner befitting the occasion, Nick Baumgarner, Jr., of Concord, arrived early this week. He was accompanied by Mrs. Ann Reeves of the same place. Nick's took Tuesday off for the occasion.

Weideman High For Card Party Series

Last of the eight pinochle parties, given by the Rebekah Social Club, was held March 11 with only a small crowd present due to other public affairs on the same evening.

At the close of play, William Weideman was found to have the highest total score of all the parties, and was given a prize. Winners of the evening were: High, Fred and Tora Gustafson; low, May Waterman and Phinice VanPelt; pinochle prize, Grace Edwardson and to George Murray, and door prize to Glen Simpson.

OSC Men Study Blueberries In Co.

PORT ORFORD—C. A. Boller and Dr. R. E. Stephenson of Oregon State College, Corvallis, visited the Oregon Coast Berry Co. last week to see its blueberry nursery and planting. Boller is an assistant horticulturist in charge of blueberry research and experimentation and Dr. Stephenson is a soil scientist, and professor of soils.

Dr. Stephenson and Boller, assisted by George D. Asdel, owner, set out a fertilizer trial including minor elements as well as major elements on a plot of three-year-old plants. When results of the tests are known, the information will be made available to all interested parties at a field day as well as being incorporated in future station bulletins.

The Corvallis men spent an entire day inspecting the recently expanded lath house and hotbeds where several thousand cuttings have been planted, also the nursery and commercial planting. Many phases of blueberry propagation and production were discussed.

One of the purposes of their trip was an inspection tour of all blueberry plantings on the coast from Newport to Port Orford. They looked at plants, took soil samples and visited the different growers.

It is their observation that blueberries are being planted on an ever-increasing scale throughout the western part of Oregon.

Boller is planning an eastern tour in August to visit blueberry growers in Michigan, New Jersey and the U. S. D. A. experiment station at Beltsville, Md., noting new developments in all phases of the industry from developments of the industry from propagating to production and marketing.

Dr. Stephenson was in the area two weeks ago working out a fertilizer trial on the Chenoweth Croft Lily farm south of here.

Fifield Will Open Up Cabinet Shop

J. E. "Jim" Fifield, who has been doing building work in this area for the past several years, Monday, announced to the Pilot that he was leaving for Portland that day to acquire cabinet-making equipment with which he is to open up a cabinet shop in the area.

Decision to do this was made after Harold Jesser had said he was leaving the area. Mr. Fifield will also act as a clearing house for the area in obtaining carpenter help for when building is being planned. A statement will be made next week, after he returns from Portland.

Models Ready To Display Fashions Saturday Show

Third annual Fashion Show and Dance, sponsored by Satellite Social Club, have been set for Saturday night at the High School Gym, for the show and the V. F. W. hall for the dance.

Members of the club will add a feature this year in the form of "all nations" costumes, which will be worn primarily by the Easter Star members and their daughters. These costumes are not quickly gotten together creations, but are in the whole, authentic costumes, purchased in the countries they represent.

In the commercial show cottons, sportswear, tailored suits, afternoon dresses and formals will be modeled by Beverly Stoller, Mary Lou Berger, Charlotte Simpson, Carol Ann Benson, Patsy Cook, Mrs. Mary McMann, Mrs. Harriett Stephenson, Mrs. Agda Bickner, Mrs. Charlotte Crook and Mrs. Jack Kaiser.

Children's school dresses and Easter togs will be modeled by Beverly Brimm, Dixie Duggan, Nancy Hull and Marilyn Brown.

The men will not be forgotten and there will be a showing of the latest in garments and sports wear. Those modeling have not been announced.

The various merchants of both Brookings and Harbor will display the latest styles available.

Entertainment numbers planned for the evening are: Girls Chorus, Millie Barker, Charles Low, Charles Bickner, Ernest E. Jones, Patsy Cook, Mrs. Gilbert Christensen and Mrs. Stanley Patterson, and Tom Smith.

Dance tickets are on sale by any member of the order. There will be a door prize, so everyone is urged to get a ticket.

Ex-Curry Dairymen Leaders In Calif.

GOLD BEACH—Nis C. Jepsen, Fort Dick, topped the Del Norte DIHA by producing a 461-lb. butterfat average on 95 cows. Old neighbors remember Jepsen as a tenant on the Kenworthy ranch near Langlois, Ore. He moved to California in the late '30s and there established one of the best commercial dairies in the state.

Doyle Garvin, Smith River, also classed in the top ten herds. His herd of 30 cows averaged 400 lbs. Garvin moved from a small ranch on the Chetco near Harbor during the later '40s.

These production records are taken from the annual report of the association released from the agricultural extension office by Harry B. Tucker, farm advisor. Gordon Smith, Smith River, has served as tester during the past year.

Twenty-seven herds include 1892 cows produced an average of 336 pounds of fat during the time covered by the 1949 summary. This compares to the 241 pounds in 1948.

Since there is no dairying in Central Curry county this association includes dairy herds in the Harbor community of Oregon. The Langlois and Port Orford dairymen are served by the southwestern Oregon association with headquarters at Coquille.

This association has an average in 1949 of 331 pounds of fat on 2467 cows. The average for 21,265 cows tested in Oregon in 1949 was 357 pounds of butterfat per cow.