

Library Books are Not All Fiction

A local lady was searching for a not common book dealing with a certain decorative shrub. Upon inquiring as to where it might be bought, she was advised to look in the local library. The very book she and her husband were yearning for, and which would have cost them money, was right there on the shelves and she borrowed it, along with some others about flower culture, at no cost to them.

To contradict possible belief that your local library contains nothing but fanciful fiction and children's books, there is a very large portion of the shelf space devoted to non-fiction and educational volumes all of which are available to you to take home and study or refer to in the library.

Should you be a carpenter or one who aspires to a bit of work with wood, among other helpful volumes especially for the professional, is Townsend's, "The Steel Square". Very few builders are familiar with this most common tool of their craft. There are several other volumes dealing with the use of wood, including one telling about boat building. Or, should you be interested in air-craft, there are books about them. Baseball may be your hobby and you'll find enough dope on this and other sports to keep you busy. The cluster of books on photography may help with your picture problems but if it is rocks you are interested in, there is a flock of them dealing with that.

Perhaps your interests lie in plants, both field and floral. If so, name your interest and chances are excellent you may add to it from the library shelves. There is even a thick volume devoted entirely to the grasses.

Most of these books have been given to the library by individuals. They have had them about the house and realizing that others might like to have access to them, have consulted the library and made them available so everyone can have the use of them. Several of them are either hard to obtain or would be too expensive for the individual to buy.

Should you have volumes of this nature you no longer frequently use, you might consider this disposition of them.

Additions of more books are partly through memberships in the Library Association and partly through a quite small sum brought in through rentals of certain books and fines for keeping books out too long. Membership in the association is far less than the price of any book you might want to use which is on the shelves, mostly made available to you through the thoughtfulness of others.

Funds for the cost of operating the library come from the taxpayers of the City of Brookings. No salary is paid the librarian from city funds.

A large proportion of the borrowers live outside the city limits

Bulb Growers Plan School

Many Curry county bulb growers are planning to attend the first annual Oregon short course for bulb growers and nurserymen, to be held at Corvallis on February 5 and 6, reports Lou Oester, county extension agent.

The first session will start at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 5 in the Withycombe auditorium on the Oregon State college campus. General sessions will deal with problems in the entire specialty crops industry. Special sessions will be held for bulb growers where disease, insect, and economic problems will be discussed by research workers.

This short course provides growers with the latest information in their field. Local bulb growers have been instrumental in setting up this course because of their interest in the many complex problems of the industry. A registration fee of \$2.00 has been set for the course.

and it is to these people, especially, that an appeal is made for membership in the Library Association, the group who actually made this facility possible and wisely uses every penny they have. Inquiry regarding membership can be had from the librarian.

The library is open Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 2 to 5 and Friday evenings from 7 til 9.

Local VFW Post Events Scheduled

Two events are scheduled by the local VFW Post and ladies Auxiliary, according to Mrs. Bill Hynes, auxiliary president and Red Ross, the commander. First, there will be a crab feed in their hall on Friday evening, February 8th, profits, if any, from which will help defray the \$1000 city

billing against the property for street and sewer. The crab feed, at which patrons will be offered all they can eat, will be something very special as it will be prepared under the direction of Gary Wimberly, who has had a great deal of experience in staging similar mass feeds in his native Louisiana. He is getting condiments shipped up, especially prepared for this kind of savoring.

Under the direction of Mrs. Homer Brown, the Auxiliary ladies will have another Jumble

Sale, the last week in March. Popularly, and also known as a Rummage Sale, this is planned to extend for three or four days and will better the assortments the ladies have, in past, offered the public. Anyone having any discard yet usable material they wish to enter in this sale should contact any Auxiliary member as soon as they conveniently can. Materials should be whole and clean.

The ladies work their sales on

the formula that because the merchandise is given them, they mark their prices lower than is ordinarily found at such offerings. Proceeds from their sales is mostly expended in the community, one of their immediate projects being the improvement of kitchen facilities at the hall and connecting to the newly installed sewer. A recent expenditure has been a replacement of eating utensils destroyed or packed off by hall users.

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