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DISCUSS LOCAL ROADS AT COMMERCIAL CLUB

The Willamina Commercial club is beginning to function in a real way and indications are that before long the people of this vicinity will know that there is a force at work for the upbuilding of our town and community. Eighteen members turned out for the noon luncheon at the Willamina Cafe Monday and a very interesting meeting resulted.

President Newby started off the business meeting by appointing some standing committees, as follows: Membership committee, Carl Walker, L. N. Riggs, Frank Smelser; pep committee, W. E. Ellingsworth and K. E. Shetterly; refreshments committee, R. E. Ellingsworth and L. G. Weaver.

R. E. Ellingsworth then started a discussion of the condition of the county road along the Willamina river north of the brick plant, which discussion resulted in the president appointing a committee to work on this project. The committee were R. E. Ellingsworth, Carl Walker, Ellis Bryant and R. Y. Neely. The latter volunteered to contact County Commissioner Bockes and try and arrange to have the county court as a whole to visit this community and make a survey of road conditions.

Frank Fawk then drew attention to the dangerous curves on the coast highway at the corner near the steel bridge and the lack of warning signs for motorists. Mr. Newby appointed Otto W. Heider as a committee of one to write the state highway commissioner and ask that warning signs be placed to denote a crossroad and dangerous curves. A serious accident occurred on the curve on Sunday evening.

Mr. Fundman reported that a communication had been received from the state highway department stating that speed limit signs would be placed at the city limits in the near future. Then it will be a matter of enforcement of speed regulations to stop the use of our streets as speedways.

There are still a number of citizens of the town and community who should be members of the club as we feel that they need the club and the club needs them; so, when the membership committee calls give them a warm reception and place your name on the membership roll.

The next regular meeting of the club will be on Monday, November 1.

WILLAMINA TOWNSEND CLUB

More names were added to the membership roll at the club meeting Tuesday evening. Bulletins from National headquarters were read, which gave interesting developments in the Plan and told of the many petitions being sent in all over the country to various governors.

Further details on the coming Pie social, next Tuesday night, were completed and all members are requested to bring pie. Coffee, milk and sugar will be donated by Ellingsworth's store. A program of local talent is being arranged and the public is invited to come out and enjoy an evening of fun.

Various plans were discussed for contacting all former members and having them re-sign the roll for the coming year. An educational number of the Townsend Weekly is soon to be ready and the club voted to purchase a number of copies to be sent out to those who are friendly toward the Plan. So don't forget the entertainment and pie social and come out and help to put this great movement over.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

FROM THE SCHOOLS

Have you heard the good news? There is to be another carnival soon, so be sure to plan to be there.

The carnival this year is going to be conducted by a committee of three that consists of: Verna Schuerch, Dale Snow, and Lynn Greene. This committee has decided to elect a queen for the carnival. Five girls in the high school will be nominated. In order to get the girl you want for queen, it will be necessary to purchase tickets, one ticket counting one vote for the girl you want for queen. Come on, boys, do your stuff; have your best girl friend become queen.

At the beginning of the carnival there is to be a program, "The Swiss Yodelers". Real, "honest to goodness" Swiss Yodelers, not hillbillies. Yes, sir, no foolin'! Joe, Fritz, and Louie have come all the way from Switzerland to give us a program, showing us how they yodel from those high mountain peaks back home in their country.

Immediately following this, will come the carnival. There will be sandwiches, ice cream, drinks, and candy; hats, confetti, and streamers; beano, baseball throwing, and many other exciting things to do that are too numerous to mention. So friends, neighbors, gentlemen, ladies, children and little tots, don't forget Oct. 29, and bring a fat purse. Come and have a good time. Go away satisfied.

The students in Mr. Hiatt's room, are at present concentrating on pantomimes. I hope they have as much fun in them as we freshman did last year.

Mrs. Harry Valliere gave a talk on New York City to the fifth and sixth grade students.

The students and teachers are now busy with six-week tests.

Basketball practice started this week.

Breaks Arm

On Wednesday evening while playing with a group of boys on the sidewalk in front of his home, Junior Larkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Larkin, of the Willamina Garage, fell and broke his right arm just above the wrist. He was taken to Dr. Russell's office in Sheridan where the fracture was reduced. He will be handicapped without the use of his right arm for a while but otherwise is able to attend school.

Breaks Leg Roller-Skating

Little Miss Louise Perrin, seven years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Perrin, Willamina confectionery owners, fell while roller skating Sunday afternoon, breaking her leg. The little girl was rushed to McMinnville where X-rays of the injured limb were taken which showed a compound fracture above the ankle. Her parents took her on to Portland to a hospital where the leg was put in a cast. Mrs. Perrin remained with her little daughter until Tuesday when she was brought home, but it will be some time before she will be able to use the leg.

Badly Injured Hand

Leo Wilkerson, who is employed by Eston Wood, Logger on the Salmon River cutoff, running the donkey engine, had the misfortune to get his left hand caught in the machinery last Wednesday, tearing the nail from one finger and lacerating the other so that several stitches had to be taken. He and Mrs. Wilkerson drove to McMinnville on Monday of this week to have the hand dressed again, and it was improving as well as could be expected.

Received Word from China

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Drill received word from their nephew, Sylvan R. Sarff, who is radio chief on the U. S. battleship "Oklahoma" in the Shanghai harbor, stating that his ship had been bombed by the Chinese who had mistaken it for a Japanese ship. No serious damage was done. His family is living in Shanghai.

YAMHILL ELECTRIC ANNOUNCES RATE CUT

Savings of approximately \$12,000 annually will accrue to patrons of the Yamhill Electric company as a result of rate reductions announced this week by A. L. Strickland, vice president and manager. The new rates will become effective with meter readings billed after November 26 of this year and are to be made in commercial, residential and farm schedules. They are proportionate to those recently announced by the Portland General Electric company and the Northwestern Electric company.

Residential and farm rates are as follows:

Five cents per Kwh. for the first 40 Kwh. per month.

Three cents per Kwh. for the next 40 Kwh. per month.

One and eight-tenths cents per Kwh. for all Kwh. in excess of 80 per month.

The commercial lighting schedule carries a reduction of the top step from five and a half to five cents per kilowatt hour. This reduction and a simplification of the rate itself are the major changes in that rate. Savings will be about seven per cent, and the rate will be as follows:

First 100 hours' use of demand at the primary schedule. Excess at the secondary schedule.

Primary schedule:

Five cents per kilowatt-hour for the first 200 kilowatt-hours per month.

Four and twenty-five hundredths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 800 kilowatt-hours per month.

Three and seventy-five hundredths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 1000 kilowatt-hours per month.

Two and five-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for all in excess of 2,000 kilowatt-hours per month.

Secondary schedule:

Two and five-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for the first 400 kilowatt-hours per month.

One and nine-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 1200 kilowatt-hours per month.

One and four-tenths cents per kilowatt-hour for the next 2000 kilowatt-hours per month.

Nine-tenths cent per kilowatt-hour for all in excess of 3600 kilowatt-hours per month.

Mr. Strickland stated that the rate reductions following as they do the recent rate reduction of "Lighting Service for Public Authorities" that became effective September 25, 1937, is in line with a long established company policy of making rate reductions as often as it is possible. The combined savings of these new rates will result in an annual savings to the users of electrical service in this territory of approximately \$14,000, he said.

"Throughout the United States it is very unusual for the customers in a rural territory with a comparatively low number of users per mile to enjoy rates that are on the approximate level of those used in the larger cities, which in this case are among the very lowest in the nation. Of course, with the natural desire of everyone to live and enjoy the better things of life, these rates present a real opportunity to use all kinds of electrical equipment to the fullest extent." Mr. Strickland stated.

MRS. CLARISSA PETTYJOHN

Funeral services for Mrs. Clarissa Pettyjohn, 84, are being held this afternoon (Thursday) at 2:00 o'clock at the Sheridan Funeral home. Interment will be made in the Masonic cemetery. Rev. C. L. Darg of McMinnville will preside. Mrs. Pettyjohn died at her home in Sheridan early Tuesday morning after a long illness.

Two Cars Collide

Henry Pelsor of Sheridan and Donald Hantz of Willamina participated in an automobile collision on Main street Saturday. Neither man was injured, although Mr. Pelsor's car was tipped over.

Honor Son

Donald Drill celebrated his twentieth birthday at a turkey dinner given by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Drill, at their home on Sunday, October 17. Among those enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Drill and Dick and Miss Ruth Beach of Willamina, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Fast and daughter Karlita of Portland, the honor guest and the hosts. In the afternoon the Dan Whitesel family and Martin Whitesel drove up from Salem.

LEGION ACTIVITIES

Several Committee Chairmen of the American Legion Auxiliary, Sheridan Unit 75, met at the home of their president, Mrs. Sam Morris in Sheridan, on Monday evening to plan the year's work. The two most immediate projects discussed were a Halloween party for Legionnaire's children, and the Hope Chest Dance.

The Halloween party will be held in the Legion dining room Saturday October 30, between 2 and 4 o'clock. All children of eligible Legionnaires are invited regardless of age. A good time is promised all.

The seventh annual Hope Chest Dance will be held at the Legion Ballroom on Thanksgiving Eve, November 24. Mrs. Leo Cox, Hope Chest Dance Chairman, distributed the tickets among those present. Willamina people may purchase tickets from Mrs. Margaret Franklin or Mrs. James T. Young in the Times Office.

After the business meeting, Mrs. Morris served delicious pumpkin pie and whipped cream with coffee.

Camp Fire Girls Reorganize

Seven girls met at the M. E. church Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. Lucy Huddleston and Mrs. Weaver, to discuss plans for reorganizing a Campfire group. Much enthusiasm was shown by the girls and Miss Lena Reinhold will act as guardian. The committee will assist and call upon all those who promise to help. Meetings will be held every Tuesday afternoon in the Campfire room in the basement of the church. All girls ten years of age and older are eligible to join, this worth while organization should enter their names at once. Let's make this a community project and back the girls in their efforts.

ATTEND MISSIONARY MEETING

Six ladies—Mrs. Edith Bailey, Mrs. J. W. Anderson, Mrs. W. J. Grabenhorst, Mrs. Carl Surgeon, Mrs. J. Crook and Mrs. Schrag, members of the Missionary Society of the Free Methodist church of Willamina, drove to Portland Tuesday to attend a meeting of the Oregon Conference. The afternoon was spent in packing Christmas boxes to be sent to the missionaries in China and India.

The ladies found this very interesting work, and much care has to be used in packing these boxes. Those that are to be sent to India do not need the care in preparation as they are more lenient in their customs offices and believe what is written upon the package. After opening a few of the packages and finding them as marked, they let the rest go through. The boxes for China need much more work, and strategy, to get them by without paying unreasonable duty charges. All packages wrapped in pretty wrappings or decorated in any way are charged twice the duty, regardless of the contents. All new material is dipped in water and then dried; it is then classed as used material and gets by with a reasonable duty.

The Missionary Society of Willamina will hold meetings twice a month, on the first and third Thursdays of the month. The first meeting will be devoted to study, while at the second the time will be put in sewing. The meeting this week will be held at the parsonage.

The young people's group of the church will have a Halloween party on Friday night. Games and a good time is assured all who attend. It will be held at the parsonage also.

Health Lecture

There were 20 ladies present to hear Mrs. Velma Hoehnke at the free health lecture Monday at the Free Methodist parsonage. The lecture consisted of the nervous system and many of its ailments and their causes; also a cure for many ills. Each one present felt it was very much worth while. Mrs. Hoehnke will be in Willamina again November 10th and will be at the parsonage. Anyone, man or woman, is welcome to come and see her for a (free) private consultation.

ROOSEVELT SUGGESTS UNITING DEMOCRACIES

President Roosevelt's recent speech on world affairs, is perhaps the most important international event in many months. It charted a definite course which this country is apparently prepared to follow.

His suggestion is as simple as it is revolutionary. In effect, he said that it might be necessary to place a towering commercial wall around the nations which are responsible for today's war scares and war prospects. Peaceful nations would refuse to export to these countries and they would not import from them. Little by little, as supplies on hand dwindled, the belligerent powers would find themselves lacking in the raw materials which are essential to life both in peace and in war, and they would find it impossible to pursue their dreams of conquest.

The president did not mention any country by name, but it was obvious that he was referring to three powers: Japan, Italy and Germany. Italy has taken over Abyssinia, in disregard of all treaties, by armed force. Japan is attempting a similar victory in rich North China. And Germany, with Hitler as its spokesman, makes no secret of the fact that it regards colonial expansion as essential.

The world effect of such a declaration of potential policy would have been nowhere so great had it come from the head of any other country. We are remote from all other major powers. We are peacefully inclined. We are one of the two nations which are economically self-contained—that is, we possess within our borders the resources needed to provide every necessity and most of the luxuries of modern life. And, for the past few years, we have been the great question mark in international affairs.

The president's attitude, roughly described, is that we could not escape being involved in a major war; therefore we must cooperate to prevent war. He gave approval to American cooperation with the League of Nations—which is shunned by Germany, Italy and Japan. Out of this has come the belief that in the immediate future the world will be divided into two camps—the democracies and the dictatorships. On the side of the democracies there will also be the only dictatorship which is economically self-sufficient—Russia.

The strength of an alliance between the democracies and the U. S. S. R. is impossible to exaggerate. From either the economic or military standpoint, they are superior to dictatorships.

Japan, Italy and Germany must import tremendous quantities of the basic commodities in order to exist, and they must export their own specialties such as silk, olive oil and wine, in order to obtain foreign credits. Close the world markets to them, and at the same time forbid them to buy in the democracies, and they would be ruined. And, should they elect to fight, every recognized military expert is certain that they would be doomed to quick and crushing defeat. The U. S. and England have the greatest navies afloat. Russia has the largest and best equipped standing army in the world. The dictatorships have nothing to match these instruments of force.

The president's address has already achieved results. Japan has started a campaign to justify in this country its war in China. Mussolini is talking more softly than is his usual wont. Hitler speaks of peace. And the League of Nations, given new strength by Mr. Roosevelt's stand, is in a far better position to be a major influence than at any time in the past five years, and to resurrect some of its lost prestige.

Summing up, a union of democracies is designed to achieve two ends. One, to maintain peace. Second, if that fails, to make sure that the ensuing war will be swift and ruinous to dictatorships.

Entertained Friends

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Jarvis entertained a number of friends at a venison dinner Sunday evening in the private diningroom in their hotel. The tables were laid for eighteen and a delightful dinner and enjoyable time was had by all. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Belue, Mr. and Mrs. Donahue of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown, Tony Cinnamon, Dr. Wisecarver and a friend of McMinnville, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Leve Nelson, Mrs. Hinton Brown and C. Clark of Willamina, Jack Snyder and Peggy Jenner of Sheridan.