

Scouts to Observe Thirtieth Birthday

Scouting attains its thirtieth birthday today February 8. Cubs, Boy Scouts and Sea Scouts will observe the anniversary by attending church en masse next Sunday and the first two groups will further observe Scout Week, February 8 to 14, by wearing their uniforms throughout the anniversary week.

Cubs and Boy Scouts will attend services starting at 10:45 a. m. in the Christian church, Third and Baseline, and Sea Scouts will attend the All-Saints Episcopal church, Washington street between Second and Third avenues, with services scheduled to commence at 11 a. m.

Million in Society

At present there are over a million boys engaged in Scouting. During the year 1939, there were nearly 1500 new applicants each day, or approximately 500,000 new scouts during the year. Membership in the Hillsboro district has increased from 110 to nearly 300 scouts since 1938. There are many reasons for this great increase in membership. Of these we may credit community interest and untiring efforts of leaders as prime considerations. From the standpoint of the President, it realizes that not only is Scouting educational, but it is well-balanced, giving him a constructive leisure-time program, full of fun.

Tonight at 10:30 o'clock (Thursday) all stations of the national Broadcasting company's blue network, the Columbia Broadcasting system and the Mutual Broadcasting system will carry the President's message on Scouting. The radio program will first be heard from the General Motors auditorium in Detroit and will be concluded by Chief Scout Executive James E. West, speaking from Florida. Dr. West will lead Scouts and Scouters in their annual recommitment to the Scout oath.

Check Artist Pleads Guilty

T. J. Gorman, Vernonia, pleaded guilty to a check charge in circuit court here Monday and was returned into the custody of the sheriff with sentencing postponed until February 13. He was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Dick Busch on Saturday.

William Linder, 23, of Moro, was arrested Friday by Deputy Sheriff Hallie Ireland on a larceny count. Appearing in court, Linder pleaded guilty and sentencing was postponed by Judge R. Frank Peters until February 15.

Buster T. Langton, 23, arrested by Deputy Sheriff Ben Cornelius on an attempted larceny charge was given a preliminary court hearing and bound over to the grand jury.

Picked up here on a vagrancy charge and turned over to Clark county, Wash., authorities, Ray Malcolm Krause has been sentenced to 20 years in the Washington state prison, Sheriff J. W. Connell reported Wednesday.

\$1414.22 Total of Seal Collections

Last returns on the 1939 seal sale were received here this week by Zola Morgan, county drive chairman, and the total amount raised in the anti-tuberculosis campaign was announced as \$1414.22, over \$100 more than the 1939 figure.

Among outstanding contributors to the fund was the West Union school, which turned in \$14.50, the largest amount collected by any one-room school. Miss Hildan Hanes is the teacher.

Of the county's three large districts, Forest Grove turned in the largest amount, \$209.61. Hillsboro's contribution was \$182.58 and Beaverton's \$140.37.

Singing Puncher



Gene Autry in a scene from the new song-screen sensation, "South of the Border," coming to the Venetian Sunday for a three-day engagement. "Remember the Night," starring Barbara Stanwyck and Fred MacMurray, is slated on the same bill.

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Not Necessarily News

Ex-Mayor Jack Garrett and Mayor Joe Carson of Portland exchanging quips. B. E. Maling keeping out of politics. Ronald Vaughn reading a magazine. Charles Epler braving the rain. Doc Wiley getting too many panaches. Walt Barney having exceptional service. Ray Miller piling sacks of potatoes and Roy Woods watching. John Connell getting mixed up on the Busch twins. Ferd Greener telling about Finnish relief campaign. Ray Sigler unknowingly carrying an "out of order" sign on his back. Noel Bennett collecting soda pop caps.

Monty Montgomery reminiscing about the old days in France. M. Wick having difficulty solving his own puzzles. Al Jamisen being congratulated by Bill Enschel for his birthday the next day. W. G. Hare with a new cigarette holder. Lee Oakes fixing vegetables. Rene Meltsbeke getting tear sheets. Bob Coynier singing with a pipe in his mouth. Leon Davis attending a reunion of his old Battery A. M. Wick repairing his roof. Mrs. Dora Nelson scrubbing porch. Howard Hadley taking a hitch in his trousers. Sidney Elling re-living his exciting trip to and from Rio de Janeiro.

Retained



J. H. Garrett, proprietor of the C. C. store in Hillsboro and former mayor here, was re-elected president of the Associated Merchants, Inc., at the group's fourth annual meeting held last Tuesday night in the gold room of the Congress hotel. He was re-elected to the board of directors.

M. C. Larsen of Bethany Passes

M. C. Larsen, 80, of Bethany died February 6 at his home after an illness of several months. Funeral services will be held at the Miller and Tracy chapel.

Mr. Larsen was born November 20, 1859, in Brost, Denmark, and came to Oregon 35 years ago. He has been a resident of Washington county for the past 31 years. Deceased is survived by three daughters and four sons, Mrs. Edwin Hickey of Portland, Mrs. Fred Kirsch of Grays River, Mrs. Jacob Wase of Bethany, Carl Larsen of Bethany, James Larsen of Grays River, Wm. Thomas Larsen of Albany, Cal., and Martin Larsen of Lindsay, Cal.

Three Keys to a Deadlock

(By C. E. Barker)

In 1891 the general assembly of the Illinois legislature met to choose a United States senator. On the first rollcall the 100 republicans voted for Richard J. Oglesby, ex-governor of Illinois, 101 democrats voted for General John M. Palmer, and three Farmers' Alliance members voted for their candidate. As 103 was necessary for a choice, the two houses adjourned until noon the next day when the vote stood exactly the same. For four weeks this deadlock was enacted. There could be no organization, no committee appointments, and no legislation until a U. S. Senator was elected. Meanwhile this logrolling show was costing the state \$2,000 a day for an hour's entertainment. One morning a high school teacher, the wife of a state senator, circulated the secret around that the three Alliance members had met the night before at the Leland hotel and decided to break the deadlock. The report got out and the whole city was a-buzz with excitement. The writer of this found six inches of standing room on the top bannister of the rear gallery of the hall of representatives from whence he caught glimpses of the agitated forum below. Amid deathlike stillness the clerk began to drone off the names in alphabetical order. When he came to the name of the first Farmers' Alliance man the suspension was painful. "John M. Palmer!" he announced in a clear voice. The first rumble of the earthquake was felt on the democratic side. The clerk came to the next F. A. man everybody at first held his breath till he was in danger of bursting, and burst he eventually did from pent-up

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Modern Crusoe Lives on Isle To Escape Mad Civilization



Herbert Lester and family. . . Their "find" is a mine, relic of first World War, that washed ashore near their island home.

ON a tiny, wind-swept island in the Pacific, 45 miles off the coast of California, lives one of the few men in the world who has managed to get away from it all, to escape the mad civilization of this turbulent globe.

He is Herbert Lester, a veritable potentate of the Pacific, who, with his family, rules his own private kingdom on the island of San Miguel. No hermit or pioneer, he is a one-time New York clubman whose father was a member of the stock exchange.

He first became soured on civilization during World War I. A German shell explosion that came too close sent Lester to Veterans' Hospital in Washington for several years, where he heard about San Miguel. He went there with his bride in 1923.

HIGH winds, rough seas and expanses of desert land had made San Miguel somewhat inaccessible, not desirous to live on. But on the grassy plains of the west end of the island, near where sea lions basked on the coast, Herbert Lester planted his twin fig trees, set his sheep to grazing and outfitted his home. The house the Lesters lived in was built some 40 years ago, but San Miguel history dates from 1542, when the Portuguese explorer Cabrillo discovered the island and later died on it. More recently it was the scene of shooting for South Sea sequences of "Mutiny on the Bounty."

The two Lester children, Mary Ann, 8, and Elizabeth Edith, 5, were born on the mainland, but have rarely revisited it. They are schooled by their mother and keep informed by listening to battery radios. First movie they saw, on a recent mainland visit, was "Snow White."

SINCE his boat cracked up on the rocks a few years ago, Lester's chief method of contact with the mainland has been through a private airline service. This is run by a wealthy sportsman friend of his who flies over monthly with mail and provisions. Coast guard vessels on inspection tour stop by quarterly with supplies.

Why, nervous, demonstrative, Herbert Lester loves people, but he loves nature more. He says he would rather hear sheep bleat and chickens crow than listen to jittersburgs stomp and jazz blare.

But the satisfied solitude of the Lesters may soon be broken because of world worries about the weather. The U. S. government is considering establishing a meteorological station on San Miguel.

Alliance members. Though a large powerful man physically he rose supported by a member on either side. He courageously made a final plea for the candidate the faithful triumvirate had supported through thick and thin for four long weeks. Tears streamed down his cheeks (yes, they could be seen from the gallery) and he slumped down at the perfunctory heart-broken at the perfunctory of his comrades. Taubeneck was lionized by the newspapers and Senator Palmer afterward used his influence in securing an appointment to a fat government post. The other two independents faded into oblivion. Senator Palmer was among the first to advocate the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Hens So Prolific Egg Prices Skid; More Buying Urged

It is time to eat eggs, that vitamin filled, concentrated health food, say the OSC agricultural and home economics specialists, noting current market reports.

Producers need the help owing to record breaking egg output by the layers without a corresponding pick-up in egg consumption, despite the lowest January farm price level for eggs in 30 years. The situation offers consumers an opportunity, unequalled at this season of the year, to include more eggs in the diet.

Rich in Protein

The home economists point out that eggs are rich in protein, needed for the growth and repair of muscle bone and blood, and they say that for the younger members of the family, at least, an egg a day is desirable. Eggs are also rich in vitamins A, B and D. The combination of iron with vitamin D makes egg yolk one of the first foods to supplement milk in the diet of a very young child, say the nutrition specialists.

In the country as a whole, egg production at the first of 1940 was the largest on record—nearly 9 per cent greater than a year previous and 40 per cent above the average on January 1. Egg market quotations the middle of January

were low everywhere, being 5 to 6 cents a dozen cheaper at Portland than a year before.

Green Mountain

Mrs. Ed Smith was operated on for gallitis in a Portland hospital Monday.

Charles Wayne and Everette Hedricks entered school Monday after a three weeks' absence caused by sickness.

Checker Tournament Set

Kurath and Wismer's checker club members will match their skill against the "king rook geniuses" of the Hillsboro post office in a tournament scheduled for a check night (Thursday) in the clubroom back of Kurath and Wismer's office.

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RAISINS Choice Seedless Thompson's, 4-lb. pkg.	19c
PEANUT BUTTER 2-lb. glass jar	23c
COFFEE HILLS, (2-lb. can 45c)	1-lb. can 25c
TUNA FLAKES Mid Pacific, 1/2's, Can	10c
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