

Rural Schools Finish Work

Commencement Programs to Be Next Week for Many

PRATUM — The Pratum school year will close Thursday, May 18. The graduating class of seven members is the largest the school has had for several years, and includes Zelma Williams, Viola Hewitt, Gordon Allman, Clayton Wenger, Jerry Lynds, Vernon Lidtke and Wayne Cornu. Baccalaureate services will be Sunday at 7:30 at the Pratum Mennonite church.

Commencement exercises will be held Monday night at 8 o'clock at the schoolhouse, with Mrs. Carmelita Weddle, rural school supervisor, the speaker. A play, "Wild Cat Willie Buys a Bond," will be presented by the upper grades under the direction of Mrs. Mary Harrison, teacher and principal. Processional and recessional will be played by Miss Adeline Manning, lower grade teacher.

The school picnic is scheduled for Wednesday, with everyone in the community invited to attend. Games and contests for the children are planned for the morning, with a no-host dinner served at noon by the mothers. A ball game between the school team and the men of the community is set for the afternoon. A special treat of ice cream for everyone will conclude the day's activities.

BUENA CREST — Commencement exercises will be held at the schoolhouse at 8:15 Friday, May 19. The class includes three boys and three girls, Margaret Angel, Charles Asbury, Betty Diem, Glen Jones, Glenn Jones and Helen Ritchey.

Glen Jones will give the valedictory, and Charles Asbury the salutatory. The class history will be read by Betty Diem and Glenn Jones will read the class will. Helen Ritchey will read the class prophecy, which has been written by Buddy DeGeer, a seventh grade pupil. Margaret Angel will recite the class poem, "Give Your Best," by M. S. Bridges. For their speaker, they have chosen Rev. W. H. Cookale, pastor of the Evangelical churches at Clear Lake and Labish Center. "Upward Striving" has been selected as a motto, while the carnation is the class flower and their colors are blue and white.

Musical numbers will be presented by others of the 26 pupils. Mrs. W. H. Cookale will render a vocal solo. Pianist will be Frances deVries of Pratum. E. L. Rogers, chairman of the board, will present the diplomas.

A feature of the program will be the presentation of the citizenship award to Bobby DeGeer, who has been voted by his schoolmates the best school citizen during the last term.

Grace Klampe, teacher, is completing her third term here and has been rehired for the coming term at a substantial increase in salary.

School will close with a community picnic dinner at the schoolhouse Monday, May 22.

Jefferson Scout Committee Has Session

JEFFERSON — The Boy Scout committee met at the home of Mayor T. O. Kester Wednesday to plan a financial campaign for the Scouts. Lyle Leighton, Scout executive, met with the committee which includes Rev. Claude Stephens, C. J. Thurston, Herman Wilson, Leo Weddle, Frank Rehfeld, M. H. Beal and T. O. Kester. The committee will contact people in the community, asking for donations for this fund.

Valley Calendar

MONDAY, MAY 15 — Roberts grange Home Ec club, Mrs. Herbert Miller, 8 p.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 16 — Liberty Farmers Union, Union Hill Home Extension unit, Mrs. W. M. Tate, 1:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17 — Hubbard Women's club, Mrs. B. Paulson, 8 p.m.
THURSDAY, MAY 18 — Pringle Community club, Liberty Women's club, at school, 1 p.m.
FRIDAY, MAY 19 — Pratum election, Roberts Home Extension unit, Mrs. Roy Rice.

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Club Members Hear Music

Jefferson Women Have Program at Looney Home Wednesday

JEFFERSON — The country home of Mrs. Marion D. Looney, was the scene for a meeting of the Jefferson Woman's club, Wednesday afternoon when a musical program was presented by talent from Salem and Miss Betty Peetz, Turner music teacher, pianist.

Others taking part were Miss Betty Jean Merton, Salem high school senior, soloist; Miss Jewell Gueffroy, pianist; and Donna Jane Macklin, violinist.

During the business meeting, officers for the ensuing year were elected. They are: president, Mrs. C. M. Smith; Miss Myrtle Myers, vice president; secretary - treasurer, Mrs. R. O. Kiesel; assistant secretary-treasurer, Miss Helen Hinz. Installation of officers will take place at the next meeting. Mrs. William Walls is retiring president.

Delegates attending the county Federation gave interesting reports. It was also decided to hold a covered dish supper Monday night at 7:30 o'clock, for members and their husbands. This will be held in the library rooms of the city hall. Refreshments were served at the tea, hour by the hostesses, Mrs. Looney, Miss Eleanor Looney and Miss Marguerite Looney.

The last meeting of the year will be held May 24 in the library room with a no-host luncheon, in charge of hostesses, Mrs. L. L. Shields, Mrs. Hal Wiley and Mrs. Harold Wynd.

Mrs. J. G. Fontaine will lead a discussion of books read by members during the year.

Mrs. Ray Glatt Wins 1st Prize

WOODBURN — Mrs. Harold Ticknor, assisted by Mrs. Harold Ingram was hostess to the Woodburn Garden club at the Ticknor home May 9, with Mrs. John Ramagosa presiding. The roll call response was flowers that bloom in May. Eleven participated in the contest flower arrangement with figurines, first prize going to Mrs. Ray Glatt and second to Mrs. Harold Ingram.

J. J. Hall demonstrated grafting and budding lilacs and Mrs. Ray Glatt gave a talk on her recent trip to Victoria, B.C., telling especially of the beautiful gardens and flower arrangements seen there.

General discussion of the farm labor problem was held and the following representatives were chosen for the coming local planning program: Mrs. James Live-say, Mrs. Harold Ingram, Mrs. Ray Glatt and Mrs. Mary Tuss.

The last meeting of the club will be a picnic and no-host dinner at the home of Mrs. Roy Seely on June 13.


Swegle PTA Plans For Open House

SWEGLE — The PTA, in cooperation with the teachers and pupils will present a program at the school Tuesday, with pupils from all grades taking parts and all rooms open for inspection. A social hour, with refreshments, will follow. The 4-H health posters shown at the spring show will be on display, with the champion poster of Peggy Straw.

A few cases of three-day measles in some East Salem communities, are reported. Lynne Stanley was absent from Swegle school all last week, because of this.

Mrs. Irene Castle was a dinner guest of Miss Jeanne Dubuis at the Swingle home last Friday.

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TELLING DAD GOODBYE—Henry G. (Doble) Carey, a Navy corpsman, says goodbye to his father, Harry Carey, as he leaves New York to return to duty. The elder Carey is recuperating from an illness which forced him out of a Broadway play.

Making Old Furniture Look New Is Week's Study Theme

The home extension calendar for the coming week in Marion county starts with the regular radio broadcast by Frances Clinton, county home demonstration agent, Tuesday morning at 7:15 over KSLM Farm and Home program. Miss Clinton will discuss a few of the things in clothing and home furnishings that homemakers can look forward to having after the war, inventions and findings from chemical research that surpass many things in use today.

Tuesday, May 16, the Union Hill Home Extension unit will meet with Mrs. W. M. Tate at 1:30. Miss Clinton will present the demonstration on "Touch-ups on Wood Furniture." Mrs. W. F. Krenz is the local chairman.

Wednesday, May 17, the Hubbard Women's club will meet at the home of Mrs. B. Paulson at 2 o'clock, with Mrs. Edward Shoor, club president. "Why We Behave As We Do" will be discussed by Miss Clinton.

Thursday, May 18, the Liberty Women's club, with Mrs. S. B. Davidson, president, will meet at the schoolhouse at 1 p.m. "Touch-ups on Wood Furniture" will be the subject of demonstration.

Friday afternoon, May 19, the Roberts Home Extension unit will meet at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Roy Rice, with Miss Clinton presenting a demonstration on "Mending and Care of Clothing."

Furniture Aids Are Presented

EAST SALEM — The East Salem home extension unit meeting at Swegle school Friday was attended by 15 homemakers. Mrs. William McKinney, president, reported on the county meeting for leaders.

The school of instruction was conducted by Francis Clinton, Marion county home demonstration agent. The bulletin prepared by Lois A. Lutz, extension specialist in home management for the Oregon State college extension service on "Touch-ups for Wood Furniture" was explained by Miss Clinton and pieces of furniture were cleaned, scratches removed and some mended, to illustrate the lesson. The aim of the lessons is to help the homemakers preserve what furniture the family has and to make it last during this war period, when little new of any kind is available.

Lessons given at the unit meetings explain the simpler methods of retouching both waxed and varnished surfaces where it is not necessary to remove the original finish. In the demonstrations Miss Clinton removed scratches, cleaned by washing, explaining how to make soap jelly and other furniture washes. She removed both white and dark spots and dents, mended loose furniture pieces and explained different kinds of glues and home-made formulas for the care of all kinds, even how to take care of paint brushes.

The extension unit was sponsored by Swegle PTA last year, but will be a separate group next year.

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The Firemen's Retirement Fund proposed on the city ballot is to be administered by a board of seven members, of which the mayor will be chairman. The city recorder, city treasurer, chief of the fire department, and the chairman of the ways and means committee of the city council shall also be members of the board, and two more members (outside of the city council) will be elected by the members of the fire department.

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Tuesday we will tell you how the fund is to be disbursed — under what conditions, how much, and to whom.

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18 Graduated By 5 Schools

Many Attend Joint Commencement at Hopewell

HOPEWELL — More than 350 relatives and friends were at the United Brethren church for the annual eighth grade graduation of 18 from Fairview, Grand Island, Hopewell, Spring Valley and Wheatland rural schools.

Rev. Robert D. Bennett, pastor of Unionvale Evangelical church gave the address.

The program included: Processional, Miss Myrtle Rockhill; invocation, Rev. Merrill Fox, Hopewell pastor; music, Mrs. Ivan Gubser, violin, Richard Crannell, clarinet; reading, Mrs. Louis Will; vocal solo, Mrs. Stanley Sargeant; address, Rev. Robert D. Bennett; whistling solo, Miss Patty Stockhoff; music, Mrs. Ivan Gubser and Richard Crannell; Legion awards, Dewey Akers of Dayton; presentation of diplomas, Lynn Gubser, superintendent of Yamhill county schools; benediction, Rev. Fox; recessional, Miss Myrtle Rockhill. Legion awards by schools were: Fairview, Hazel Compton; Grand Island, Jules Hill; LaVell Stevens and Donald Wiley; Hopewell, Orla Deedon, Lenore Geisler; Wheatland, Verdella Fields and Randolph Scoggan; Spring Valley was not reported in the group in time to prepare for Legion awards.

The graduates were: Fairview—Hazel Compton. Grand Island—Jules Hill, LaVell Stevens and Donald Wiley. Hopewell—Orla Deedon, Lenore Geisler, Leroy Ketchum, Doris Martin, Walter Martin, Gloria Marr, Patricia Tartar.

Spring Valley—Patricia Evans, Doris Smith and Douglas Susslich. Wheatland—Verdella Fields, Opal Marr, Randolph Scoggan and Clarence Baker.

The girls wore similar corsages and the boys white boutonnieres.

Linn Club Fair Set for May 18

Spring Show to Be In Albany's Madison School Building

ALBANY — May 18, 19 and 20 have been set as the dates for the Linn county spring 4H club fair, which this year will be held in the Madison junior high school building in East Albany. Plans for the fair have been completed according to N. John Hansen, county club agent.

Judging of all home economics exhibits will be made by Miss Helen Covgill, assistant state 4H club leader; forestry and wood-working exhibits will be judged by William K. Farrell, the Benton county club agent. Local 4H leaders will serve as department superintendents. Hansen states.

These will include Joyce Carnegie, Albany, general superintendent of exhibits; Mrs. William Freerksen and Mrs. George Laubner, Albany, clothing 1; Mrs. Marion Goar and Darline Reiley of Scio, clothing 2; Mrs. H. K. Reiley, Scio, clothing 3, and bachelor sewing; Mrs. H. C. Logsdon, Jefferson, cookery; Mrs. Helen Bellinger, Lebanon, forestry and woodworking; Florence Shumaker, Scio, art and hobby; Mrs. Verda O. Torney, Albany, style revue; Mrs. Norma Wells, Scio, stitching and darning contests; Mrs. Violet Grossnicklaus, Shedd, demonstrations; and Mrs. LeRoy Harlow, Sweet Home, judging contests.

While exhibits may be brought to the club agent's office in the court house prior to May 18, they will also be received at Madison school that day between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5:30 p. m. Judging of exhibits is set for Friday, May 19. The exhibits will be open to the public Saturday, May 20.

The program for this day is as follows:
 9:30 a. m.—Home judging economics and forestry identification contests.
 10 a. m.—Demonstration team contest.
 11 a. m.—Stitching and darning contests.
 2 p. m.—Style revue.
 3 p. m.—Local leaders business meeting.
 5 p. m.—Exhibits released.

OCE Breakfast To Be May 21 At Hotel Marion

MONMOUTH — The OCE Alumni association will sponsor a breakfast to honor the senior class of graduates, Sunday morning, May 21, at the Marion hotel, Salem.

Buses carrying the 54 seniors and nine faculty women alumni members and a few guests will leave here at 7:45 a. m. Breakfast will be served at 8:45.

All alumni members of the school are cordially invited to attend. There will be room for a few local alumni members aboard the buses, if those wishing to go will promptly notify the school business office.

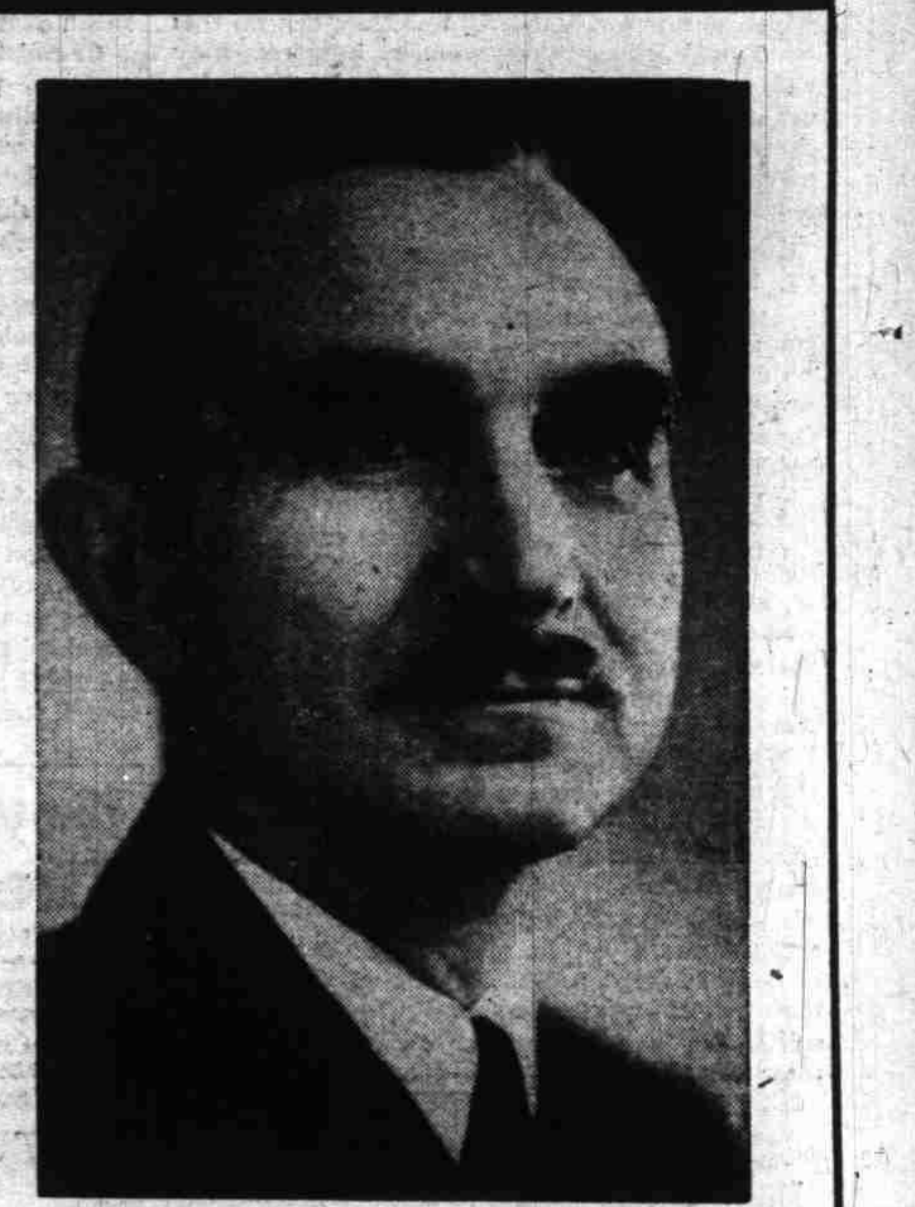
The occasion will precede the baccalaureate Sunday address, to be delivered by the Rev. J. M. Knight of Willamette university, in Campbell ball auditorium on the OCE campus.

Jefferson Band Gives Music Week Program

JEFFERSON — The Jefferson school band was in Albany Wednesday to present a program over KWIL, at 2:30 o'clock, in observance of music week.

Valley Births

JEFFERSON — Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Christenson of Toledo are the parents of a seven pound, 14 ounce daughter, born April 30, at the Toledo hospital. The child has two brothers and two sisters and her father is the son of Mrs. George Vail of Jefferson.



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