

THE VALLEY NEWS COLUMNS

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Veteran School Teacher Feted By Former Pupils, Sweet Home

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SWEET HOME—Seventy-five former students and friends of Mrs. Callie Bigbee met here in the city park Sunday. A reunion of old classmates and friends was held, with a big picnic dinner at 1:30, honoring this veteran Linn county school teacher who spent more than 60 years in class rooms tutoring boys and girls in reading, 'ritin', 'rithmetic and music.

It was at 1:30, when, sitting at the head of the long table, where seventy-two were seated, Mrs. Bigbee rang the old school bell and called for order—with a twinkle in her eye, threatening to punish any unruly student, although the heads of many were whiter than that of their old school teacher, who in years has passed the four score mark by two, but who is still as spry as a cricket and bubbling over with wit and humor.

Taught 50 Years

Mrs. Bigbee started teaching school when she was just a little over 17 years old. She retired just a short time ago and has since been living with her sons in Portland.

P. W. Storey, a former student of Mrs. Bigbee, was in charge of the after dinner program in which more than 50 took part—some in eulogy, some in song and some in recital of old school-day poems. Many recalled incidents that took place 50 and 60 years ago while they were students of Mrs. Bigbee. She followed them with her side of the story which brought many laughs even from those old students she had corrected in their school days with her.

This Year Best

At this gathering were old schoolmates and friends from all over Oregon. Some had not seen one another for many years. In fact the occasion was just like one big family reunion with the kids all home. This, the 17th annual picnic, was conceded to be the best held yet. The first one was held at Peck's Grove on June 17, 1934.

It was past 4 o'clock when old schoolmates and friends shook hands and said goodbye, promising that they would all meet again next year.

Pringle Girl Scouts Win Badges, Awards

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PRINGLE—Girl Scout troop 53 and Brownie troop 56, with their leaders, Mrs. Del Binkley and Mrs. Joe Gray, enjoyed a picnic at Paradise Islands on Thursday. Assisting were Mrs. Charles Klingler, Mrs. L. E. Gaines, Mrs. George Crump and Mrs. Marion Wiley. First class badges and world

Deceased



STAYTON — J. B. Powell, 64, treasurer of the Paris Woolen mills at Stayton, who died at his home near Turner Tuesday.

Yamhill IOOF Has Picnic at Lafayette

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AMITY — The Yamhill County IOOF association held its annual picnic at Lafayette Locks Sunday. Various lodges of the county were present.

J. P. Watts, past grand master of Oregon, was guest speaker. Miss Madeline Rossner and Mrs. Vernishia Newby, past presidents of the Rebekah assembly and Mrs. Hazel Gibbs, outside guardian of the State assembly were among the group. In charge of arrangements were Oscar Dower, president; Ernest Gibbs, vice president; Clyde Beatty, secretary; Wendell Willard, treasurer.

Pins were awarded to Jean Adrienne Patton, Beverly Klingler and Janet Bohnstedt and second class badges and world pins were presented to Winona Lynch, Linda Kendrick and Judy Binkley.

Powell Rites Set for Friday At Portland

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STAYTON, July 19 — Funeral services for J. B. Powell, 64, treasurer of the Paris Woolen mills here since 1944 who died Tuesday, are tentatively set for Friday, July 21, at the Portland First Presbyterian church, at 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Paul S. Wright will officiate, and interment will be in Lincoln Memorial park at Portland. The Weddle Funeral home of Stayton is in charge.

Powell died at his home near Turner Tuesday evening following a heart attack. He was born Nov. 16, 1885, at Syracuse, Ohio, and came to Portland in 1916, becoming associated with the Portland Woolen mills.

He became vice president of the firm in 1947, and served in that capacity until 1944 when he came to Stayton, becoming owner of the Paris mill in partnership with his son, John B. Powell, jr.

In 1915, Powell was married to Florence Parker, who died in 1926. He was married in 1935 to Velda McAlpine, who survives. Also surviving are a sister, Mrs. P. V. Allen, Concord, Calif., and two grandchildren, Pamela and John Lee Powell, Stayton.

Valley Obituaries

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William Baxter Snyder
DALLAS — William Baxter Snyder, 77, resident of Dallas for 15 years and Turner for four years, died in a Dallas hospital July 17 following a short illness.

Funeral services will be held at the Henkle and Bollman chapel Thursday, July 20, at 1:30 p.m., the Rev. Kenneth Johnson officiating. Interment will be in the IOOF cemetery.

Snyder was born in Ogden, Iowa, Jan. 1, 1873, and came to Oregon 20 years ago. He was retired at the time of his death. Surviving are a foster sister, Sadie E. Brown of Turner, and a cousin, Evelyn Bevens of Dallas.



PALS—Kenneth Newnam, 6, enroute to Canada, sits on a New York pier with his Springer spaniel, Lassie, and her litter of puppies born aboard the motorship Batory crossing the Atlantic.

Extension Unit Picnic Hosts, Victor Point

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VICTOR POINT — The alumni of the Marion county extension committee were hosts to the acting committee and their families at the Floyd Fox farm Sunday at a picnic supper. Assisting the hosts were Mrs. V. D. Scott, Mrs. James Keys, Mrs. Harry Martin, Mrs. Glenn Briedwell and Mrs. Rex Hartley.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sager, Miss Frances Clinton, Mrs. Florence Lynds and Beverly, of Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kiuns, Woodburn; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hartley, Jefferson; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar White, Miss Eleanor Trindle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Way, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Chitenden, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Kelley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Lerman, Mr.

and Mrs. R. H. Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Martin, Mr. and Mrs. James Keys, all of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Eph Beugli, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Briedwell, Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Scott, Guy and Keith, Mrs. Carrie Townsend, Bill Hamblin, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fox, Frances and Floyd Fox, jr., all of Silverton.

Altar Society Schedules Sale At Mt. Angel

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MT. ANGEL — The quarterly meeting of the St. Ann Altar society was held in St. Mary's clubroom Sunday afternoon with 75 members present.

Father Damian Jentges talked on the Rural Leadership institute held at Oregon State college last week, giving interesting sidelights on the subjects covered.

The benefit food sale sponsored by the Altar society will be held Saturday, July 29, at the White Corner Grocery store. Each member is being asked to donate some article of food for the sale. Mrs. Fred Baumgartner, president, suggests donations of either baked food or farm products such as eggs, poultry, berries and vegetables. Proceeds from the sale will go towards purchasing church supplies. The members plan to hold the food sale each year on the Saturday nearest the feast of St. Anne July 26.

The following sick committee was appointed: Mrs. Philip Pien-net, chairman; Mrs. Henry J. An-nen, Mrs. Albert Bochsler and Mrs. Frank Weyers. The committee will visit those who are ill or convalescing; cards will also be sent. Those ill at the present date are Mrs. Jack Bean, Miss Katherine Kautz, Mrs. Henry Geck, Mrs. Mary Wun-der, Mrs. Frank Slaby, Mrs. Rose Bender, Miss Mary Stecklein, Mrs. Frank Hettwer, Mrs. Tony Hoff-man and Mrs. William Blem.

The parish card parties, discon-

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Woodburn Group Okehs Water Use Curb; Dixon Defense Head

WOODBURN — The city council Tuesday night passed a water conservation ordinance effecting alternate sprinkling days for lawns and gardens. The measure was passed to alleviate a water shortage which has hampered the city during summer months for several years.

Residents on the east side of the railroad tracks will be allowed to sprinkle on odd numbered days and those on the west side on even numbered days. The law also requires sprinkling to cease when the fire department is called to fires within the city.

Two blasts on the town whistle will notify residents when the department is called to a city fire. One short blast will signify the fire is over. Violations of the ordinance are punishable by fines up to \$25.

The council also approved appointment of Harlow C. Dixon as head of the Woodburn's civilian defense program. The appointment was made by Mayor Elmer Mattson.

Improvement of Stark street for two blocks from Ogle to Brown streets also passed the council. The group placed in the new city charter the driver's license portion of the state motor vehicle act which allows city police to arrest persons driving without an oper-

ated for the summer, will be re-sumed again late in September. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 15.

ators license. The council discussed financing of a proposed new sewer system for Woodburn, but no action was taken.

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