

THE VALLEY NEWS COLUMNS

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Liberty School Reunion Draws 100 Persons

LIBERTY — The Liberty Old Timers School reunion was held last Sunday at Liberty hall. One hundred persons attended. It was a reunion of those who attended school in the old Liberty school. A short business meeting was held. Officers elected were president, Emma Dorman Dence; secretary-treasurer, Mae E. Cleveland, and social secretary, Mrs. E. O. Free. A basket dinner was served at the noon hour and the afternoon was spent informally. Guests came from as far as Seattle and San Francisco.

Terry Family Reunion Has Pioneer Folk

PIONEER — The Terry family held a reunion at Dayton with Mrs. Emily Terry. Those present for a picnic dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Parshol Terry and family of California, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Terry and family and Thelma Terry, all of Portland. Verl, Emmett and Mrs. Emily, all of Dayton, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Terry and family of Dallas. Mrs. John Calavan accompanied her daughter-in-law and grandson, Mrs. Truman Robbins and Danny, to Indiana to visit her son, the Rev. Truman Robbins. He is to come to Oregon this fall as minister of the Christian church in Milton. Those from here helping as hostesses for chest X-ray retakes were Mrs. Frank Holmes, Mrs. LeRoy Isaac, Mrs. George Van Goethem, Mrs. Sydney Hanson, Mrs. Roy Woodman, Mrs. J. Eldon Johnson and Mrs. Frank Dornhecker. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Woodman honored their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woodman, with an anniversary dinner at their country home. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Hanson and Alvin, and Bobby and Connie Woodman.

Loggers Move To The Dalles

SILVERTON — The Lamb & Hedges Logging company which has been working in the Bridge Creek area for the past several months has finished operations there and is moving its equipment to The Dalles. Most of the logging crew plans to accompany the equipment to The Dalles and be employed there. During the past few weeks of dry weather and low humidity the crew has been working the "Hoot Owl" shift. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lamb and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hedges, now live at Salem, although they made Silverton their home for many years. Mrs. Hedges is a sister of Lamb.

Vandals Enter Pioneer School

PIONEER — The Pioneer school was visited late Saturday night by vandals who smashed windows, overturned desks and broke beer bottles around the premises. Nothing was taken, but this was the second time this had happened within a year. Tony Neufeldt, Polk county deputy sheriff, was called about midnight to investigate. With state police and Frank Dornhecker of the school district he questioned two youths who were believed to have been in the area at the time of the vandalism. Dornhecker had seen a car coming down the road from the school as he had gone to it after hearing noises. No complaint has been filed.

Survey Takes X-rays Of 1,103 in Willamina

WILLAMINA — A total of 1,103 chest X-rays were taken by the mobile units in town last week, as part of the eight-county chest survey, according to Mrs. Doris Felton, local chairman, who estimated that this was approximately 90 per cent of the persons eligible for the service. Mrs. Felton said her committees contacted 553 families in a door-to-door canvass of the Willamina area, representing approximately 1,250 persons 15 years of age or more.

X-ray Shoots 224 In Jefferson Area

JEFFERSON — Two hundred twenty-four persons visited the chest X-ray unit here Wednesday on its first day in this community. One hundred forty-eight turned out for X-rays at Talbot Tuesday. Jefferson was the first community in the county to top its quota of \$218.88. During the past week, enough has been added to make the amount \$225.81.

Assessed Valuation Climbs For Yamhill; Millages Given

SHERIDAN — The assessed valuation in Yamhill county increased from \$29,291,505 last year to \$30,979,480, up 2.6 per cent, according to County Assessor Fred Muhs. Taxes for the city of Sheridan show an increase from 17.8 to 18.2 mills. Millage rate for Willamina rural fire district will be reduced from 1.4 to 1.2 mills. The city of Willamina is joint with Yamhill and Polk counties and the latter's valuation is not yet complete. The county's general road fund was raised from 2.7 mills to 5.8, making a total county millage of 15.4, compared to 11.6 last year. The increase is due primarily to 3.1 mills which has come from surplus state funds the past three years.

Valley Obituaries

Bena M. Mollett — STAYTON — Bena M. Mollett, 77, of Sublimity, died Saturday at a Salem nursing home. Funeral services will be Tuesday, August 14, at 2 p.m. in Weddie chapel here, with burial in Union Hill cemetery. The Rev. Kenneth Abbott of Stayton Methodist church will officiate. Mrs. Mollett was born March 25, 1874, at Buchanan, Iowa. Her husband, William Henry Mollett, died last March 27. Survivors are two sons, Art of Gates and Ralph E. of Sublimity; one daughter, Mrs. David Bennett of Corvallis; 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Hubbard Grade School Opens September 10

HUBBARD — The Hubbard grade school will open September 10, according to Principal Charles Byers. Instructors will be, first grade, Mrs. Dora Firth of Salem; second, Mrs. Marjorie Nelson of Salem; third, Mrs. Fern Foster; fourth, Mrs. Marie Axtell, both of Woodburn; fifth, Mrs. Elizabeth King of Hubbard; sixth, Mrs. Elizabeth King of Aurora; seventh, Ruby Kennedy of Salem, and eighth, Byers. Band instruction will again be under direction of Harold Beyers. A fire escape has been completed on the south side of the school building. A cafeteria will be in operation at the grade school for the first time, under the direction of Mrs. Albert Barendse and Mrs. Arthur Zehner. Lee Bower has received word of the death of his father, C. W. Bower, in Kimberly, Idaho. He left at once for the services with his son, Walter, who has been visiting here. Mr. and Mrs. Verl Cochran and Carmen are on a trip to California.

Sprinkling Ban Eased by City Of Willamina

WILLAMINA — Construction is underway on a new wing for the local VFW building, to be occupied by the I.W.A. office. The city council has placed an order for a new patrol car, to be used by the police department. Delivery will be in about 30 days. O. K. Brock, sr., Willamina water commissioner, has announced that sprinkling or watering is now allowed for three hours a day, any time of the day, on either side of the river. He stressed, however, that no continuous sprinkling should be done over three hours a day. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Thompson and Debra are visiting here from Rupert, Idaho, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Thompson. Jack Bryant will leave soon to attend the Oregon Technical institute at Klamath Falls for the coming year. He will specialize in radiology and electronics. Seivert Strom is visiting this week with his parents, while home on furlough from the army.

Thief Choosy In \$100 Haul

INDEPENDENCE — A particular burglar who stole \$100 from the J. C. Penney store but didn't touch other money available there was still being sought by police Saturday. The burglar, Manager Marshall Powell said, entered the store last Thursday night through a basement window in the back of the building. Powell said the thief took four \$5 bills off one stack, leaving the balance of a \$100 bundle intact. About \$5 was taken from the change machine and the rest in \$1 bills. **EGGERT COMMISSIONED** — WILLAMINA — Sgt. George E. Eggert, son of George W. Eggert of Willamina, has been promoted to captain. He was sent to Travis air force base, Calif., where he will serve as aircraft maintenance officer for the 5th strategic reconnaissance wing. Capt. Eggert is in his 10th year with the air force, and won his wings at Spence Field, Ga. He served overseas in Okinawa and in Germany during the Berlin airlift. Capt. Eggert, his wife and two sons have been living in Perry, Kansas, while he was stationed at Forbes air force base.

Former Manager Visits Silverton

SILVERTON — Harry McCrea, former Silverton city manager, and Mrs. McCrea, stopped in Silverton Thursday to greet former fellow employees and other friends. The McCreas, who now live at Coos Bay, were on their way to Government Camp to dinner and to greet James Stewart, movie actor who is there for filming scenes for "Bend of the River." At one time Stewart worked for McCrea. McCrea now owns an auto court and is in real estate in Coos Bay.

Hampton Honored On 81st Birthday

SALEM HEIGHTS — Joseph Hampton of Kingman, Ariz., was honored on his 81st birthday Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kurth on West Browning avenue. Present were William Hampton, Bill, Alice and Rachel Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Kurth, Wilbert, Jr., and Gerald, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kurth, Lou, Jr., Bonnie Jean and Cheryl Lee, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hampton of Kingman, Ariz.

TAXES DECLINE — THE DALLES, Aug. 10 — (AP) — Property owners here will pay the lowest tax rate this year since 1946 Assessor Harry Greene said today. The decline to 30.09 mills was brought about mainly by rejection by voters of a special school district tax levy \$164,000 above the six per cent limitation, Greene said. Russia's major jar eastern oil field is on Sakhalin island.

Discussion of New High School Set for Tuesday at Jefferson

JEFFERSON — The Jefferson school board met Thursday evening with a representative group of taxpayers interested in building a new high school here. About 20 of the 40 invited attended. The board presented figures on costs of land and building, telling of an option on the Kester place at the north city limits at \$350 an acre for 50 acres, and another option of \$9,000 for the Parrish 7 1/2 acres and the cement block hatchery building adjoining the Kester acreage. Architect's plans for the new building were displayed. The board proposes a \$370,000 bond issue with \$350,000 of this for the building, grounds, equipment, water system, stating that a 10-mill increase in present taxes will cover the above costs. Board members decided to call a general meeting Tuesday night, August 14, at 8 o'clock at the school house for further discussion of plans. All taxpayers, residents and school patrons were urged to attend this meeting, ask questions and make suggestions. All residents of the former Conner, Sidney, Talbot and DeVaney districts, that part of Ankeny transferred to Jefferson district and Jefferson are now a part of Jefferson school district 14CJ and entitled to a voice.

Rosedale Folk Attend Church Conferences

ROSEDALE — Mr. and Mrs. Merle Green and family have returned from Twin Rocks, Ore., where they attended the Friends church C. E. conference. Mrs. Albert Brownlee and son Daryl are at Neskowin this week assisting with a youth conference sponsored by the Court Street Christian church. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cole and sons are on a three-weeks vacation. They are planning to spend most of the time at Mt. Rainier national park in Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Brownlee and children Margaret and Robert from Griedly, Calif., visited his brother, Albert Brownlee and family last week.

Congrats For What?

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 12 — (AP) — Police Chief Orville Hamilton is trying to figure out this puzzle: He got a telegram from Albert Day, manager of the Mission, Tex., Chamber of Commerce which said: "Congratulations, send picture and full details immediately." Hamilton doesn't know what he's being congratulated about. He wired Day for an explanation.

Hubbard Firemen's Auxiliary Helps X-ray, Sets Ballot

HUBBARD — A donation was voted by the Firemen's auxiliary for the chest X-ray unit, which will be here Wednesday, August 15, 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., near the Red and White store. Mrs. Clarence Friend was appointed on the condolence committee. The next meeting will be September 10, and election of officers will be held at that time. The firemen spent the evening burning grass at the cemetery. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lucht, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wells and Les Barrett.

Lyons Sailor Home on Leave

LYONS — Bill Stryker of the U. S. navy is on a 30-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Stryker. He will then fly back to Japan to board the U.S.S. Tacoma for two years' patrol duty. He has been in Japan since the war started, returning stateside last March. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson of Mehama have bought the Leland Manning house. Mr. and Mrs. Manning expect to move this fall to the home being built west of town. Jack Beagle left Saturday for Michigan, where he will make an extended visit with his daughter and family. Beagle has not seen his daughter since she was two years old. Mrs. Thelma Surry and sons, Billie and Hy, of Portland, visited friends in Lyons Tuesday. Mr. Surry was postmaster here for several years.

Berle Claims Soviet Poised To Attack Slavs

STOCKBRIDGE, Mass., Aug. 12 (AP) — Former assistant secretary of state A. A. Berle, jr., said Saturday world war III could start this fall with a Soviet invasion of Yugoslavia. And he had this to say of world affairs in a speech here: "Russia is planning a three-pronged drive for world domination through the Balkans, Iran and southeast Asia. "We are in the shadow of a diplomatic crisis more dangerous than we have been willing to recognize. This crisis is moving faster and more violently even than the headlines indicate. It could mean world war III this autumn, though I think the climax will not come for another year." The chances of war are about 50-50 according to intelligence experts; Korea is "secondary" in comparison with the powder barrels in the Balkans, near east and southeast Asia. He concluded that the intervention in Korea was "absolutely essential."

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