

Valley News

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Boys Top Central Students



INDEPENDENCE—Boys took top scholastic honors at Central High School for the first time in the history of the school this spring when Ray Lewis (left) was named valedictorian and Jim Fratzke was named salutatorian of class of 1955. Central High serves Monmouth and surrounding rural districts as well as Independence.

Biggest Class Will Graduate At Central HS

INDEPENDENCE — Seventy-five students, the biggest graduating class in the five-year history of Central High School, will receive diplomas at commencement exercises for the class of 1955, Principal Howard B. Holt reported Friday.

There were 75 graduates last spring, Holt said. Sen. Mark Hatfield of Salem will deliver the commencement address at 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, at the high school gymnasium. Ray Lewis and Jim Fratzke, valedictorian and salutatorian respectively, also will speak.

Ranking third scholastically in the graduating class is another boy, Richard Loy.

Others in the top 10 students, the school reported are Anita Newland, Joann Mueller, Ralph Reynolds, Elsie Peterson, Leslie Peterson, Maureen Gibbons and Donna Fisher.

The valedictorian is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lewis, Monmouth. For the first seven semesters of high school, he maintained a grade average of 1.07 which is .07 short of perfect grades. He plans to major in science at college.

Salutatorian Fratzke is the son of Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Fratzke, Independence. His grade average was 1.14. He plans to become a dentist.

Baccalaureate services will be held Sunday, May 29, at the high school gymnasium under direction of the Monmouth-Independence Ministerial Association. The Rev. William F. Rademacher of Monmouth Evangelical United Brethren Church will speak.

Births

At Valley Hospitals

WILLAMINA — To Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Heagey, Willamina, a son, April 2 at McMinnville Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis McFerran, Portland, a son, April 4 at the McMinnville Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harper of Willamina are grandparents.

SHERIDAN—To Mr. and Mrs. William Woodall, Sheridan, a son, April 2 at McMinnville Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Papen, Sheridan, a son, April 2 at the McMinnville Hospital.

Sheridan Eagles Auxiliary Elects

SHERIDAN — The Phil Sheridan Eagles Auxiliary elected Es-sell Ritner as president at the April meeting.

Other new officers are Ruth Thompson, junior past president; Lois Tatom, vice-president; Peg Lash, chaplain; Lila Gift, conductress; Gladys Plummer, secretary; Pearl Hyder, treasurer; Florence Marrs, outside guard; Lulu Chapin, inside guard; Lily Bates, Rose Blanchard and Florence Fisher, trustee.

Florence Fisher was voted "queen mother for a day," and will be honored on Mothers Day by the Auxiliary.

UNDERGOES SURGERY

JEFFERSON — Mrs. Russell Daulton is expected to be home by Sunday from a Portland hospital where she underwent surgery Thursday.



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North Howell Unit Elects Mrs. Johnson

NORTH HOWELL — Officers elected Wednesday at the regular meeting of North Howell Home Extension Unit were: Chairman, Mrs. F. O. Johnson; vice-chairman, Mrs. George Mikkelson, and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Everett Milne.

The group voted to sponsor a 4-H scholarship, to contribute to the Azalea House fund and to study India as an ACWW project. Mrs. R. H. Wacken and Mrs. Everett Milne demonstrated the lesson on window treatment. They will also arrange the North Howell exhibit on the same subject at the Spring Festival on April 30 at Salem.

Recreation leaders were Mrs. Vernie Leighty and Mrs. Nellie Tuve. Luncheon hostesses were Mrs. Percy Dunn, Mrs. George Mikkelson, Mrs. Jack Bartlett and Mrs. Carl Westergaard.

Jefferson Lodge Elects Delegates

JEFFERSON — Members of Mt. Jefferson Rebekah Lodge Tuesday elected Ina DeVaney, first delegate, and Margie Gentry, second delegate to Rebekah Assembly of Oregon in LaGrande in May. Alternates chosen are Nettie Hawk and Ada Wells. Appointed to a committee to consider a float for the May Day parade April 29 were Ina DeVaney, Lizzie Mills, Geneva Meyers and Ilene Gurgurich.

Valley Obituaries

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Mrs. Ellen Hendricks SHERIDAN—Services for Mrs. Ellen V. Hendricks, 68, of Sheridan, were held at the Methodist Church April 6, the Rev. Earle Terry officiating. Burial was in Green Crest Memorial Park, Sheridan.

She is survived by her husband, John of Sheridan; five daughters, Lily, Suhs, Sheridan, Emma Belisle, Vancouver, Wash., Edna Krager, Tillamook, Rema DeJong of McMinnville, and Easter McKee, Pearydale; a son, Rudolph Pedranti, Newberg; stepchildren, Cebe Hendricks and Ralph Hendricks of Portland, and Jean Alver of Sunnyvale, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Hannah Swanberg, Chatta, Mich.; and a brother, Rudolph Schevenius, Bend.

Alfred J. Lewis WILLAMINA—Last rites for Alfred John Lewis, 73, Willamina, were held at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Grand Ronde, with Father Ignatius Behr officiating. Lewis died at his home this week.

Lewis was born Dec. 13, 1881, in California. He married Lydia A. Farley in Redding, Calif., on May 3, 1903, and the family moved to Hoquiam, Wash., in 1914 where they lived until coming to Willamina in 1947.

He is survived by his wife Lydia of Willamina; two sons, Lloyd A. of Willamina and Alfred J., Jr., of Bakersfield, Calif.; a daughter, Hildred White, Willamina; three brothers, W. A. of Redding, Calif., Harry of Stockton, Calif., and Homer of Galt, Calif.; also eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Froom Heads PTA At Woodburn

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WOODBURN — Mrs. Lloyd Froom was elected president of Woodburn PTA to succeed Philip Branson Thursday night. The new panel also includes Elmer Kotkas as vice president; Mrs. Melvin Bilyeu, secretary; and Mrs. Clifford Schrock, treasurer.

The association voted to amend the by-laws to provide for election of officers in April, so that new officers might attend the state PTA convention each year. Provision was made to pay the expenses of four delegates to the late April conclave in Portland. The president reported on the budget meeting of the school board with the citizens' committee and urged that all members vote for budget acceptance at the May 6 election. The treasurer reported that \$434 had been cleared during the annual carnival.

Following a report on the Lester Keller Scholarship fund by Mrs. Alf Nelson, members voted to have the executive board consider the question of contributing to the fund.

Rooms taught by Mrs. Harold Colgan and Mrs. Peter Zastoupil received the parent-attendance prizes.

Seventh grade room mothers, Mrs. J. C. Kelley, Mrs. Warren Bacon, Mrs. O. J. Thomas and Mrs. Ira Rich served refreshments.

Transportation Hinders Wheat Sales in Japan

PORTLAND (AP) — Until Japan improves transportation and gets more bakeries it will do no good to try to push increased sales of U.S. wheat and grain products in that country.

Dewey Termohlen, the new U.S. agricultural attache to Japan, made that statement in a conference with representatives of the Oregon Wheat Growers League and the Washington Assn. of Wheat Growers.

Termohlen is meeting with Northwest farm leaders to discuss means of disposing of surplus food commodities in Japan.

Sunrise Service Slated at Dallas

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DALLAS — A union Easter Sunrise service, planned and directed by the Dallas Ministerial Association, is scheduled for 6 a. m. Sunday from the bandstand corner of the courthouse lawn.

An inter-church choir will sing as well as the male quartet of the Christian and Missionary Alliance church. Dr. Lando Heibert, instructor at Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas, will deliver the address. The Rev. Arno Wiebe, pastor of the EMB Church, will act as service chairman.

In event of rain, the service will be held at the Christian Church.

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Four Corners—Larry B. Kyle has gone to Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., for radar and radio maintenance training following a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Kyle.

Salem Heights—Mrs. Nell Brannon, principal of Chemawa Indian School, will speak at Salem Heights Mothers Club at 1 p.m. Tuesday. Officers will be elected and attendance awards will be presented.

Liberty — The Liberty Mothers and Dads Club will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the school. Officers will be elected and three cancer films will be shown. Wade Patterson, director of education of Marion County Health Department, and Alberta Shoemaker will speak. A doctor will be present to answer questions about cancer.

Four Corners—Mrs. Willis Shipman, 4060 Durbin Ave., caught her left foot in a power mower while using it at her home Thursday. She was treated at Four Corners Clinic for cuts that nearly severed three of her toes.

Jefferson—Members of Jefferson 4-H clubs will present a program at the PTA meeting at 8 p.m. next Thursday at the high school.

Jefferson—The Jefferson Women's Club will elect officers next Wednesday. Miss Donna Wiederkehr will speak on her recent trip to Mexico City.

Joy Davis, OCE senior from Salem, has planned a round of activities for the 34 students expected to attend.

Monmouth—The St. Helens High School Future Teachers of America Chapter will visit Oregon College of Education Monday. Miss

Jefferson — Mrs. Karl Schweinfurth and daughter Karla will leave Saturday for New York. From there, they will fly to Germany to join SFC Karl Schweinfurth, who has been stationed in Augsburg, since January. Mrs. Schweinfurth and daughter have been staying with the Henry Hochspeiers.

Four Corners—New residents in Four Corners are Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Foreman, Sandra and Patricia who are located at 4395 Hager St. They moved here from Brooks. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mann and daughter, Susan, are at 4611 State St. Susan transferred here from Harding School at Corvallis.

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