

Junction Man Top Farmer

Outstanding Citizens Picked

By PEPPER BERKELEY
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Three of Eugene's outstanding citizens — ranging in age from 17 to 58 — and Lane County's outstanding young farmer were honored Thursday night at the annual Eugene Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Awards Banquet.

• Richard E. Miller, 35, an attorney, of 195 W. 35th Place, Eugene, 1962's Junior First Citizen.

• Ward Beck Jr., 17, a senior at South Eugene High School and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward E. Beck, of 885 W. 37th Ave., Eugene, 1962 Future First Citizen.

• James Milo Lemert, 35, a fruit and vegetable grower, of 455 W. Beacon Dr., Junction City, Lane County's Outstanding Young Farmer of 1962.

• Mervin O. Dahl, 58, of 2455 Olive St., Eugene, vice president and manager of the Eugene main branch of First National Bank, Eugene's Senior First Citizen of 1962, as selected and announced previously by the Eugene Real Estate Board.

These four men, said John Amundson, the 1961 Junior First Citizen, have four qualities in common: loneliness, weariness, abandonment and vision.

In presenting Miller with his award, Amundson said the leaders find decision-making can make them feel alone. There is no "40 hour week" in civic leadership, he noted.

And Amundson said, the leaders must have two other qualities: the ability to abandon past prejudices so as "not to sacrifice the future for the past," and the vision to know that what the activities accomplished today will mean in the future.

Miller is chairman of the Eugene School Board, president of the Lane County School Boards Assn. and secretary-treasurer of the Oregon School Boards Assn. His other activities include civic, professional and church work.

Ward Beck Jr., Eugene's Future First Citizen, was selected for the honor by a panel of Eugene's former junior first citizens, who judged the four candidates on scholarship, leadership, personality, activities, future plans and ambitions and other criteria.

Beck is student body auditor, co-captain of the ski team and served as co-chairman of the school's homecoming parade, in addition to many other activities.

Lemert, who was sponsored in the competition for the title of Lane County's Outstanding Young Farmer of 1962 by the North Lane Farm Bureau, farms 186 acres near Junction City. He has been active in the farm bureau, serving as a county vice chairman, and is a member of

the Lane Irrigation Improvement Assn.

Mervin O. Dahl, the 1962 senior first citizen, described himself as "a fellow who just wanted to belong and handle the finances," not as a man who wanted to "be in the spotlight."

He traced his 25 years in the Eugene-Springfield area, and credited a number of civic leaders, and his wife, saying, "If it hadn't been for them, I am sure I would not be in the spotlight tonight."

He gave special tribute to the Eugene and Springfield Junior Chambers of Commerce members, whom he termed "key men" in the two communities. "It should be very evident,"

Dahl said, "that I have made only a small contribution to the city of Eugene."

In Han Paik, Korean consul-general in San Francisco, brought greetings to approximately 250 persons attending the banquet from Korea and from Chinju, Eugene's sister city. Thursday was the second anniversary of the Eugene-Chinju sister city program.

The evening's featured speaker, the Rev. Robert F. Behr, associate professor of speech at the University of Portland, told banquet guests that true success is happiness—not wealth, fame or health.

He listed three ways to achieve happiness: striving for excellence, striving for self-knowledge and striving for balance.

Park Commission Size Decreased

The Lane County Parks and Recreation Commission, normally an 11-member board, will have to get along with nine people for awhile.

The commission members Thursday night were resigned to the fact that the board will be permanently decreased in size, and went about reorganizing its committees on that basis.

But Lane County commissioners Friday morning denied they have come to any definite decision to reduce the size of the 11-member board.

Frank Elliott, chairman of the Board of Commissioners, affirmed, however, that for now two people will not be appointed to vacancies to bring the parks commission back up to its previous strength. He said that the size of the parks commission will be considered in the total context of reorganization of the county's administration under terms of the home rule charter that went into effect last week.

Thus, Elliott said, no official action has been taken to reduce the park board size.

But if there is hope that the parks commission will get back to an 11-member strength, it wasn't evident at its regular meeting Thursday night.

"It is quite clear that the (county) commissioners are firm in their feeling it is not necessary to appoint more members to the commission," Supt. Paul Beistler said. "I sense there is hardly much point in trying to persuade them further."

Commission chairman Lee Murphy agreed. "I feel they pretty well have made up their minds and we are not going to have more members."

Murphy suggested the parks commission go ahead with nine members. "If it proves too much, then we can go ask for more members," he said.

So the commission approved 13 committees, with each member appointed to head one or more of them. The chairman of each subcommittee will not have regular members, but ask for help as it is needed.

Fire Runs

(From noon Thursday until noon Friday.)

Eugene

2:07 p.m. Thursday — Fire fire, 1077 W. 30th Ave.

3:38 p.m. Thursday — Fire fire, 1178 Charnelton St.

7:15 p.m. Thursday — Fire fire, 2210 Lincoln St.

8:27 p.m. Thursday — Fire fire, 837 Lawrence St.

8:36 a.m. Friday — House fire, 2815 Whitbeck Blvd., Bruce Wicks residence.

Thawing water pipes with torch, house caught fire. Damage estimated at \$100.

Springfield

3 p.m. Thursday — Overheated oil stove at 525 F St., minor smoke damage.

3:44 p.m. Thursday — Fire fire at 1072 Main St., no damage.

12:41 a.m. Friday — Fire fire at 5975 Main St., minor wall damage.

7:21 a.m. Friday — Fire fire at 1116 K St., no damage.

9:33 a.m. Friday — Fire fire at 4303 Main St., no damage.



(Photo by Paul Peterson)

High Wire

A tree in downtown Eugene's park block is being braced with cable by Lane County Parks Department employees Bud Wolfe and Charles Osgood. Trees in the courthouse block are having wounds repaired, cavities filled, limbs braced and roots fed in a preventive maintenance program.

Pair Acquitted of Charges But Held to Answer Others

Visiting Judge Charles Foster allowed a motion for acquittal in Lane County Circuit Court Wednesday, but the Springfield man and woman acquitted of bad-check charges remained in custody.

Pedro R. Lopez, 18, and Patricia Ann Mead, 18, both of R. 1 Box 180, Springfield, face other bad-check charges in district court and circuit court.

Judge Foster of Lakeview, ruled that the charge of knowingly uttering and publishing a forged bank check against Lopez, and the charge of forgery against the Mead woman were faulty in that the check in question was drawn on an actual bank account and thus was not a forgery.

The pair now face a charge of insufficient funds in district court on the same incident and another indictment in circuit court for knowingly uttering and publishing a forged bank check.

The Mead woman, originally charged under the name Patricia Ann Lopez, pleaded innocent to the insufficient funds charge in district court Nov. 26.

Hulett Proposal May Cause Stir

By DAN SELLARD
Of the Register-Guard

If the success or failure of a legislator depends, as some say, on his mastering the fine art of human relations, Gene Hulett, a new representative from Eugene, should do well.

Hulett, a Democrat, will represent the new joint district of Lane and Benton counties in the 1963 session, which starts Monday.

His training in getting along with people includes 17 years as a state policeman and two years operating a small grocery store.

"If you can survive all of that and still like people," he said during an interview, "then you should get along anywhere."

Hulett, now 40 years old, joined the Oregon State Police as a rookie in 1943. His first duty was at the State Police office in Roseburg. He was later transferred to Bend, then returned to Roseburg and in 1945 came to the Eugene office.

In 1955, Hulett was made patrol sergeant at the Eugene office, replacing Vern Hill who became Eugene chief of police.

In 1960, he resigned the state police to buy a grocery store on Hilyard Street in Eugene. Later, he purchased the Welcome Market on Hilyard Street which he and his wife now manage.

The Hulett's have one son, Randy, 13. Hulett's decision to go into politics was his own idea, but to run for the newly-created joint district of Lane and Benton was brought about by a suggestion from the Democratic Party.

"I didn't like the idea of running at large as the others have to," he said. However, "the idea of representing counties with the two largest universities appeals to me. Hulett felt he was well-known in Benton County even though he lived in Eugene. His police work had taken him into the county to the north many times, especially in the rural areas.

In the general election, Hulett beat his Republican opponent, Vern Hawn, even though Hawn was considered popular with the rural Benton County voters and outspat Hulett considerably during the campaign.

If he gets his way on committee assignments in the Legislature, Hulett will be on the Highway, Judiciary and Fish and Game committees. These fields are his prime interests and he thinks his background qualifies him.

He already has a bill ready for presentation — and it probably will propel him into controversy.

Hulett's bill would abolish the position of county constable and give the constable's functions to the sheriff; give all civil processes of the justice, district and circuit courts to the sheriff; take tax collecting away from the sheriff and give it to the assessor; and—here is where the bill will make sparks—take all criminal duties away from the sheriff and give them to the state police.

Acknowledging that his proposal will run into opposition by the county sheriffs, Hulett believes:

• It will make law enforcement more efficient, and, • It will tend to lower property taxes at the county level, by more than \$6 million statewide, and would save further public money because of central training and purchasing.

Hulett would also place weights and measures (for instance, log truck load checking) into state police jurisdiction from where it now rests with the county; change the organization of state police for a general upgrading of rank and pay, and place more "rank" and personnel in fish and game law enforcement.

On the general topic of state expenses and taxes, Hulett reported that, after spending four days at the pre-legislative orientation session, he "just can't tell where we're going to get the money."

Which is a pretty good observation for a freshman legislator to make.

4-H'ers to Study Lane Government

Lane County 4-Hers will spend part of Saturday learning about county government and court procedure during the third annual "4-H Conference on County Government."

The club members, who must be 14 and older, will meet at Harris Hall at 9:30 a.m. for orientation on such subjects as the home rule charter, civil defense and medical self-help.

Meetings

Saturday

RUMMAGE SALE from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Rummage Center, 31 W. Seventh Ave., Eugene, sponsored by Bethel No. 28, Job's Daughters. To donate rummage, call DI 5-6616 Friday evening.

EUGENE CHAPTER No. 79, National Assn. of Retired Civil Service Employees, regular monthly meeting at Eugene Water and Electric Board cafeteria, 500 E. Fourth Ave., Eugene. Potluck dinner at 12:30 p.m. All retired civil service employees welcome. Business meeting after dinner.

(Jan. 11, 1963)

HUDOK — Mr. and Mrs. William Hudok, 1591 High St., Eugene, a son, MENEGHINI — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meneghini, 2139 W. 17th Ave., Eugene, a son.

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BATES — Mr. and Mrs. Elton Bates, Rt. 1 Box 82, Springfield, a daughter. (Correction)

(Jan. 10, 1963)

PORTER — Mr. and Mrs. Richard Porter, Box 216, Blue River, a daughter.

DEATHS

KURZREITER — Rupert Kurzreiter, of 1129 Pearl St., died Jan. 10. Arrangements are pending at Poole-Larsen Funeral Home.

MACHETTE — Frank Edward Machette, 87, of 1120 Bailey Hill Rd., died Jan. 10. Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Poole-Larsen Chapel with interment in West Lawn Memorial Park.

WALKER — Patrick Walker of Marcola, died about Jan. 7. Arrangements are pending at Buell Chapel.

HINKLE — Edward F. Hinkle, of 1118 N. Eighth St., Springfield, died Jan. 10. Arrangements are pending at Buell Chapel.

HOMOLKA — James C. Homolka Jr., 33, of 1415 66th St., Springfield, died Jan. 10. Reburial of the body will be Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in Buell Chapel. Requiem Mass will be Monday at 10 a.m. in St. John's Catholic Church with vault interment in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

THOMPSON — William Arthur Thompson, Fall Creek, died Jan. 10. Arrangements are pending at Burns-Frederickson Funeral Home.

PITTS — Gerald Eugene Pitts, of 1393 F St., Springfield, died Jan. 10. Arrangements are pending at Burns-Frederickson Funeral Home.

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(Jan. 8, 1963)
Robert Glenn Wickham, 27, 2073 Westwood Lane, Eugene, and Jerrie Lou Wilson, 20, Lyons.

Leroy Koffler, 22, 350 Sunview, Eugene, and Katie Sue Dayton, 20, 2425 Charnelton St., Eugene.

Gary Howard Hanson, 25, 940 M St., Springfield, and Carole Ann Hastings, 19, 4105 Oak St., Eugene.

Charles Lee Drilling, 21, Junction City, and Phyllis Lance, 25, 805 N. 28th St., Springfield.

BIRTHS

VALLEY LANE HOSPITAL (Eugene)

(Jan. 10, 1963)
RICHARDS — Mr. and Mrs. William

Richards, 365 N. 28th St., Springfield, a son.

(Jan. 11, 1963)
PEARSON — Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pearson, 401 Bushnell Lane, Eugene, a daughter.

SACRED HEART HOSPITAL (Eugene)

(Jan. 10, 1963)
GOULD — Mr. and Mrs. William Gould, 1208 Grant St., Eugene, a son.

LONG — Mr. and Mrs. Donald Long, Rt. 4 Box 181, Eugene, a son.

DUNLAP — Mr. and Mrs. Imon Dunlap, 2235 Ohio St., Eugene, a son.

GEORGE — Mr. and Mrs. Larry George, 520 Harlow Rd., Eugene, a son.

RYAN — Mr. and Mrs. Robin Ryan, 1645 Arthur St., Eugene, a daughter.

PEANUTS



WHAT AM I GOING TO DO, CHARLIE, BROWN?



MY 'BLANKET-HATING' GRANDMA IS COMING TO VISIT US. SHE'LL BE ON ME THE FIRST THING ABOUT THIS BLANKET. SHE'LL HOUND ME TO DEATH...

SHE SAYS SHE RAISED FIVE CHILDREN OF HER OWN AND THEY DIDN'T HAVE BLANKETS AND NO GRANDCHILD OF HERS IS GOING TO HAVE A BLANKET EITHER!



MAYBE SHE'S CALMED DOWN SINCE THE LAST TIME SHE WAS HERE...



MAYBE THE MOON WILL FALL OUT OF THE SKY!