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ELEVEN WILL GRADUATE HERE

Last Three Weeks Busy for Members of Class of '32

Three eventful weeks are all that are left of twelve years of school life for eleven young people who will graduate from Gold Hill high school this spring.

These eleven graduates are Opal Hayes, Minnie Harrison, Wilna Poe, Zelda Smith, William Conner, Virgil Edington, John Fleming, Wallace Iverson, Willard Croft, Roberta Braden, and Velma St. Claire, and are members of one of the largest classes ever to leave the local school.

Commencement exercises will be held at the school gymnasium Thursday, May 26, with Prof. Vining of Ashland, delivering the address of the evening. Also, Miss Minnie Harrison, valedictorian, and Miss Zelda Mae Smith, salutatorian, will, according to a time-honored custom, give speeches they have prepared for the occasion.

Baccalaureate Sunday is May 22, the service beginning at 8:00, in the Methodist church, where the Reverend Baird of Ashland, will address the graduates.

Music for both occasions will be furnished by the school glee clubs and orchestras.

A banquet and a class play will also be crowded into the last busy weeks, the date set for the play being May 19 and 20, while plans for the banquet are still incomplete, and will be announced later. On this occasion, the Juniors will be hosts to the Seniors and the high school faculty in courtesy to the class which has achieved that to which the Juniors aspire.

The class play, titled, "At the Sign of the Pewter Jug," will be presented in the high school gymnasium Thursday and Friday of next week, and as funds raised will help defray the many expenses of the graduation season, it is hoped that the auditorium will be filled to capacity both evenings.

The graduates have chosen "The higher we rise the broader the view," for their motto; the white rosebud is the class flower and blue and silver are their colors. Principal George E. Meisinger acts as class advisor.

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

In the Gold Hill Girl Scout Troop there are two patrols. The name of the troop is "Wild Rose." The patrol of upper grade girls chose for their name, "Whip o' Will." They will use this bird whistle as their call. Girls in this patrol who have passed their tenderfoot test are: Margaret Braden, Dorothy Smith, Barbara Skelton, Hazel Stager, Roberta Mullen, Marjorie Cameron and Helen Dorman. This patrol went for an all day hike Saturday, May 7. They were accompanied by their captain, Mrs. Marjorie Pena.

The second patrol, composed of girls of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, is known as the "Quail" patrol. The girls in this group who have passed their tenderfoot test are Sylvia Croft, Phyllis Miller, Mildred Smith, Virginia Grimes, Maxine Holafield, Jean Skelton, Sybil Walker and Laura Mae Ross. This patrol is going for an all day hike Saturday, May 14.

CORRECTION

The editor of The News wishes to correct a statement made in the analysis of the names on the petition as stated in its columns last week.

The statement read: A very few signers were not parents, guardians or taxpayers, but all were qualified voters in Gold Hill School District.

It should have read: A very few signers were not parents, guardians or taxpayers, and all but a few were qualified voters in Gold Hill School District.

Extra copies of the News on sale at Jim's Confectionery, each week.

Central Pointe Cashier Admits Bank Theft

Alvin Tollefson, 25, cashier of the Central Point State Bank of Central Point, confessed to Sheriff Ralph G. Jennings this afternoon that the reported holdup of the bank yesterday was a ruse to cover up defalcations in his accounts. Tollefson signed a statement that he had lost \$500 in gambling games and that he took the money from the bank, according to Wednesday's Medford Mail-Tribune.

Tollefson reported a loss of \$1390 in the purported robbery which he claimed happened shortly after noon Tuesday, and \$690 of this amount was found in a coffee pot at his home in Central Point this afternoon.

After signing the statement, Tollefson is quoted as saying "a load is off my chest."

In his statement, Tollefson declared that his wife or other members of his family knew nothing of his acts. He hid the \$690 in the coffee pot while his wife was asleep last night.

Suspicion was attached to Tollefson shortly after he reported the robbery, when the sheriff and state police were unable to find any resident of Central Point, near the bank at the reported time of the robbery, who had seen the bandit leave or enter the building.

Tollefson was taken to the courthouse to identify two suspects. It was at this point that he admitted his guilt.

The statement sets forth that Tollefson hoped to cover up his defalcations, lost in gambling, and that he feared an unexpected arrival of a bank examiner.

Odd Fellows Meet; More About Cemetery Clean-Up

Gold Hill Odd Fellows at their meeting this week nominated officers for the incoming term, and voted to contribute a number to the musical program sponsored for the Sparrow Memorial fund.

Don't forget May 15 at the cemetery, and bring your tools to work with. The ladies bring lunch and the lodge will furnish coffee, milk and sugar.

The community is especially invited to partake in this cleanup.

(Omitted Last Week)

The I. O. O. F. lodge No. 129 met in regular session Tuesday evening, May 5 and after transacting the business, conferred the First degree on Brother J. L. Ford of Central Point Lodge No. 193. After the degree was conferred everyone adjourned to the dining room for the repast, and every one had a fine time.

L. J. Robinson Dies of Pneumonia Tuesday

Lilbert Jasper Robinson, known to his many friends as "Lib," son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Robinson of this city, died in the Southern Pacific hospital at Hill Tuesday morning at nine o'clock, due to pneumonia.

Mr. Robinson, who was 29 years old, had gone to Hill only three weeks ago to work on the Espee, and although his parents knew he was not in the best of health, word that he was confined to the hospital with pneumonia, and in a serious condition, was a shock to them. They left for Hill about 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, but death came before they reached him.

Funeral services were held this (Thursday) afternoon at Rock Point cemetery, services being read at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Robinson, who was born in Missouri in January, 1902, came to Gold Hill two years ago, and was employed in local orchards during the fruit season. He is survived by his wife and two children, his parents, mentioned above, two sisters and one brother.

BREAKS LEG AT DREDGE

H. D. Norton, employed at the Rogue River Gold Company's dredge on Footh Creek received a broken leg when a shaft fell from the machinery and struck him while he was working overtime Wednesday night.

SCHOOL BOARD MUSICALS WILL HIRE TEACHERS BE HELD FRIDAY

Other Transactions of Last Week's Meeting Are Reported

In addition to business transacted in the school board meeting of May 5, as reported by this paper last week, several other matters were disposed of.

Miss Hazel Bynum of Ashland was elected as English teacher for the ensuing year, succeeding Miss Edith Fenwick, who will teach at Jacksonville, and Will M. Kidwell of Pilot Rock was hired as athletic coach and mathematics instructor. He takes the position held for the last three years by Paul D. Angstead.

Contracts of other teachers, not previously signed, were also signed. They were for Miss Albertina Hanky, commercial instructor; Mrs. Minnie Guy, music supervisor; R. A. Botts, orchestra leader; and Maude Robinson, Mabel Moore, Marjorie Penna, Minnie Sargent, Madeline Pendleton, Alice Harper, grade teachers.

The matter of hiring W. H. Ferguson, janitor, by contract, was discussed, but no action taken, as cussed, but as this position has not been contracted for in years previous, it was decided to make no change in policy at this time.

A communication from County Superintendent Susanne Homes Carter stated that in order to comply with the school laws of Oregon, teachers and the janitor would be required to pass a health examination, and all but the janitor must file the doctors health certificate in the county superintendents office at the time they file their contracts.

A proposed course of study for the high school as prepared by Principal George E. Meisinger and following lines suggested by State Superintendent C. A. Howard was accepted by the board.

The First National Bank of Grants Pass was designated as depository for school district No. 57.

Bids on school bus routes were submitted by Howard Kell and Charles Kell. The former's bid was \$45, school board to furnish gas, or \$64 if he furnished gas, with the reservation that gas should not go over 20c a gallon. Chas. Kell's was the same, except that he would furnish gas and drive the busses for \$63 a month. The board tabled the bus proposition.

At this time the clerk reported that it was necessary for bus drivers take drivers' examinations, and that the insurance rate charged the district on its busses was in direct proportion to the safety equipment on the busses, their general good condition, the experience and dependability of the drivers, and the discipline maintained by the drivers among the children.

QUILTING PARTY AT MRS. JACK SMITH HOME

A number of women gathered at the home of Mrs. Jack Smith Friday, where they worked on a "friendship" quilt which they are making for Mrs. Bessie Vroman.

Those present were Mesdames Wm. Wright, Carl Routh, Sam Routh, Nina Dusenberry, Cyrenus Vroman, George Sbmth, T. A. Robinson, L. J. Robinson, Jim Clements, Wilmer Bailey, Bessie Vroman and Jack Smith.

Parents-Citizens Council Urges Interest In Schools

A meeting of the Parent-Citizens Council was held at the Jacobs residence May 6. Many families were represented and all were deeply interested in the discussion concerning the condition of our schools.

The feeling prevails that from now on it is the duty of all concerned to take a greater interest in the public schools and work for its betterment.

It was urged that members of the council take active interest in elections and all other school affairs and encourage others to do so.

MUSICALS WILL BE HELD FRIDAY

Program Given As Memorial Benefit; Has Many Fine Features

The musicale planned by the service organizations of Gold Hill under the leadership of the County Health Unit, with Mrs. Lola Reed as local chairman, will be held Friday evening, this week at the Gold Hill high school gymnasium. Admission is 10c and 15c, and funds raised will be used in financing the Judge Sparrow Memorial child health clinic in the new courthouse at Medford.

The program will include several numbers by the high school orchestra under the leadership of R. A. Botts. The orchestra has not made a public appearance previously this year, and many people will be glad of this opportunity to hear it.

Bud Snider, proprietor of the Ace of Spades cafe, and noted for his tap dancing ability, will give several dancing selections.

Music pupils of Mrs. Minnie Guy, instructor in the local schools, will repeat their May festival numbers. Also, Raynor Guy, her son, and his partner, who over radio station KMED, are known as Ray 'n Andy, are scheduled for the program.

The Odd Fellow lodge plans to present their Punch and Judy stunt, and other organizations will assist in stunts as well as in selling tickets for the affair.

An additional feature will be educational films shown through the courtesy of the California-Oregon Power company which will include pictures of the school children's health parade sponsored by the Medford schools, and others of equal interest.

The very small admission should encourage the entire community to attend the event, or, if it is impossible for you to do so, the health unit will appreciate any contribution to the fund you care to make.

Brother and Sister Disagree; Constable and Judge Needed

The case of George Horn vs. Julia Rucker was heard in Judge Reed's court, Wednesday May 5, the former claiming that Mrs. Ruck, who is his sister, refused to vacate property to which he had a warranty deed, and on which she would not pay rent.

No attorneys appeared in the case, the parties choosing to represent themselves, and as several conflicting remarks were made, their argument got quite heated until it finally ended in a hand to hand fight between the brother and sister. Judge Reed and Constable Chas. Barge finally quieted them, and the decision handed down was that Mrs. Rucker should have seven days to leave the property claimed by Horn. On Monday, Pedro Yaranon, Filipino driver of an improperly licensed bus, paid \$10 and costs at Judge Reed's request.

Local Commercial Club

Endorses L. M. Sweet

Gold Hill Commercial club at its meeting Wednesday, endorsed L. M. Sweet candidate for county commissioner. Mr. Sweet lives near Beagle and he is interested in this end of the county. One project he particularly endorses is the improvement of the Crater Lake cut-off through Sams Valley, which leaves the Pacific highway at Gold Hill.

POINTERS BEAT HIGH SCHOOL

Eagle Point high school baseball team beat Gold Hill on the Gold Hill field last Friday afternoon. The final count was 11 to 7. The Pointers held the lead throughout but a rally by the local team late in the game threatened to overtake the Eagle Point nine.

Wednesday afternoon the Sams Valley baseball team defeated the Gold Hill team on the local diamond by a score of 10 to 8.

Four Accidents in or Near Gold Hill

Two accidents happened in Gold Hill this week, and two Footh Creek cars figured in crashes in that vicinity.

Wednesday evening of last week a speeding bus took to the ditch in front of the A. A. Walker residence about 8 o'clock, injuring a lady passenger, but not seriously. The bus a light stock car used as a bus, attempted to leave a line of cars to pass L. L. Smith's car as they proceeded into town. Traffic from the east, however, prevented the bus passing, and as the driver realized this, he slammed on his brakes, pulled back in behind Mr. Smith's car, and then, to avoid hitting it, swerved into the ditch. Mr. Smith states that the bus was traveling too fast, considering the amount of traffic.

The second local accident happened about 11:00 Sunday, when a car driven by D. Brogan of Lakeview hit a car driven by Ira Nichols of Glendale at the Kell garage corner on Main street. This time, also traffic was partially to blame. Mr. Nichols turned left to take the Sams Valley road, having approached the intersection from the west. Mr. Brogan was meeting him from the east, and the cars would have cleared, could Mr. Brogan have swerved to his left to let the Nichols car pass in front of him. A third car behind Mr. Nichols, however, did not allow this, and Mr. Brogan had no choice, but to hit the car which was turning in front of him.

The Footh Creek accidents were as follows:

Ted Dole, his mother and two passengers met with what might have been a very serious accident late Sunday afternoon, when passing a car on a narrow piece of road just above what is known as the Carle place. He and his mother, Mrs. John Dole, his niece, Margaret Bates and Virginia Rose, were going to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Griggs for a dinner in honor of Mother's Day. When the cars attempted to pass Dole's car left the grade and turned over twice. Mrs. Dole was quite badly cut and all of the glass in the car was broken.

Edward Guetzlaff and son, Frederick, of Footh Creek, and his brother Ted of Ashland were on their way to Savage Rapids dam one day last week, when the car driven by Mr. Guetzlaff of Ashland was crowded off the highway and turned over. Edward Guetzlaff received severe injuries to his back and one leg and was confined to his bed for several days.

Norton Twins Win Prize In Medford Baby Contest

Irene and Aileen, two year old twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Norton, won second prize for twins in the recent Medford Daily News contest. The babies were judged by their pictures according to their attractiveness. In a similar contest last summer the older Norton twins, Frances and Wayne, won third prize. Wayne McCoski of Sams Valley was judged the most attractive boy in the contest.

CREIGHTON THOMPSON HAS PARTY ON NINTH BIRTHDAY

Creighton Thompson was guest of honor at a party on his ninth birthday at his home May 5. The boys played baseball and roasted weiners over a bonfire in the evening.

Guests were Lyle and Roland Thompson, Billy Lee Reed, Kelly Clements, Lavern Walker, Billy Force, Billy Pendleton, Carl Stanwood, Leland Ritter and Creighton Thompson.

INFORMAL CARD PARTY AT RAY THOMPSON HOME

A number of friends gathered Friday evening, April 29, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thompson. They played cards and spent the evening visiting, after which dainty refreshments were served.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Force, Mr. and Mrs. George Meisinger, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moore, Mr. and Mrs. George Haff, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thompson, Mrs. Frank Carter and Mrs. Aletha Robbins. o.gGeo

CLEAN-UP TO GET RESULTS

Contest Among Pupils With Movie Tickets As Prizes Arouses Interest

Beautification and clean-up day plans and activities are approaching successful completion, if progress already made is any indication, according to Chairman Toney Ross of the highway beautification program, and others interested in the annual city cleanup.

It has been noticed that many have already begun cutting grass on their own premises, and are even going into the vacant lots adjoining their scythes. Neighbors have also noticed that the R. E. Blankenburg home, where the grass has been let grow rank since the spring rains, now can be seen, at least, since the mowing of the lawn by porch light Saturday evening and the cutting of grass outside the fence that afternoon by some good neighbor boys. The activity, we understand, was because the highway beautification committee was to meet there Monday evening!

Other signs that the cleanup program is taking effect is that dead trees on the S. P. right-of-way have been cut; Mr. Drake has contracted to have the ash pile which stands across the highway from his store, and which is used by the postoffice and Kell's garage, also, hauled away; paint has been applied to the front of the Hi-Way inn building, and to the Coy Service station, and numerous other jobs have been done.

Friday and Saturday the annual city clean-up will be featured by a contest for school children who assist either at home or in the general undertaking. For the home work, anything done since last week's paper was issued counts. Written reports of this work must be turned in to Toney Ross or to Mrs. Blankenburg, and must be signed by the parents. To the grade pupil who does the most, a free ticket to a Medford theatre will be his reward. The same applies to the high school pupil whose report shows the most improvements during the last week.

Pupils helping over the city will be judged by observers of the work this Friday and Saturday. Free movie tickets will be the awards for this, too, one for the best grade pupil, and one for the best high school student.

Get busy, now and think of all the ways you can help, either at home or all over the city.

Also, remember that a truck will call for your rubbish if it is in a container in the alley or in front of your home.

For the highway beautification, work, boxes have been placed in the various business houses to receive donations of flower seeds; or if you have plants, write your name on a slip and they will be called for Friday morning of this week. Also reserve some, if you have very many, to be used Friday of next week when the four S. P. right-of-way blocks will be beautified.

MRS. DAVIS, MRS. CARTER SHARE HONORS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ferguson was the scene of a surprise party, May 3, in honor of the birthday of Mrs. Lela Davis and Mrs. Charles Carter. It was the occasion of Mrs. Davis' 73rd birthday. Efforts to learn the age of Mrs. Carter were useless as she refused to tell!

The guests played cards and dainty refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Toney Ross, Mr. and Mrs. George Haff, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kelsoe, and son Warren of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. Eber Davis and daughter Frances, Mrs. Roy Cameron, Mrs. Daisy Gilchrist, Miss Olive Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ferguson, Mrs. Frank Carter, Mrs. George Dorman, Mrs. Chas. Carter and Mrs. Lela Davis.

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