

Silverton City Managership Keeps Civic Interest

Petitions are In Circulation For May Ballot

Silverton—The most discussed question here is to have or not to have city managership.

Most people are definitely set in their minds for or against the plan. A few will say they are not fully informed and others declare they have wended their way faithfully through page after page of the proposed charter that would be effective under the new regime and they are all for it or they want nothing to do with it.

The appearance of an informal petition being thoroughly circulated about town and in the residence section this week is attracting attention and is reminding the general public to ask the city council's permission to put the question to a vote of the people on the May ballot.

The origin of the study of city managership for Silverton is traced to the Silverton community planning council, of which Dr. P. A. Loar was recently re-elected as president. The planning council had its origin some two years ago in a meeting of the Lutheran Brotherhood after a called meeting at the home of Attorney Alf. O. Nelson, and is considered only as advisory in nature. It is made up of from one to three representatives from every organization of town.

When the Silverton community planning councilmen want something, they talk it over, study the different phases of the subject and ask the permission of the city council for approval, or any other body that has the legal power to grant or refuse the request.

Some weeks ago, Dr. Loar, Ernest Starr, Reber Allen and Lowell Brown appeared as a representation from the planning council before the city councilmen and the mayor, Mrs. Zetta Schlader, asking that the city council permit the question to go before the people on the May ballot for a vote. This request was not granted for the reason that the aldermen felt they were not well enough informed on the plan to pass judgment and that with the permission of the council, the mayor would appoint a committee to make a study of the charter proposed under the new plan and report their findings back to the city council and according to their report, the forum would take action as to permitting the question to go on the May ballot.

This committee is made up of prominent business men of town. They report that they are meeting regularly, studying the charter, keeping carefully written reports of their findings, and that they are personally visiting towns that are operating city affairs under the city manager plan. Chairman of the committee is Norris Ames and his assistants are Hugh B. Latham, Frank Wray, Reber Allen, W. L. McGinnis, L. M. Larson and E. W. Garver.

The cause of circulating the present petition is given by the advocates of the managership plan as a move to hurry the aldermen in their decision in order to have the question on the ballot in the legally allotted time. The mayor's committee feels that it should have more time to look into the plan before taking the advisory steps. The managership advocates are suggesting the use of the initiative and referendum in a petition should the committee disapprove the plan and advise the city council not to permit the vote. However, this would defer the question of a vote until the fall election, it was stated by both sides of the move Tuesday.

Dallas Past Noble Grand Club Elects

Dallas—During a short business meeting of the Past Noble Grand club which was held at the home of Mrs. N. L. Guy Monday evening, officers were elected. Elected were: Mrs. Charles Gregory, president; Mrs. J. R. Allgood, vice-president; Mrs. Louis Hadley, secretary.

Sewing and social conversation were enjoyed during the evening which was brought to a close when refreshments were served by Mrs. Guy and Mrs. Frank Hobson, who was co-hostess.

Mrs. Ann Turner of McCoy, Mrs. Emerson Murphy and Mrs. L. H. Rowell were guests and members present were Mrs. G. L. Hawkins, Mrs. H. A. Petersen, Mrs. Roy Alderson, Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Hadley, Mrs. Fred Holman, Mrs. Jessie Witt, Mrs. Charles Cochrane, Mrs. C. B. Teats and the hostesses.

Stayton PTA Plans Second Card Series

Stayton—The Parent-Teacher association is sponsoring the second of card and games parties Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Women's community club house. Contract and "500" will be played and to those not interested in cards, games will be furnished. The committee in charge of the arrangements is Mrs. Gladys John, chairman, Mrs. Kathryn Weddle, Miss Edna Perry, Miss Maxine Henrichs, Frank Stupka and Grant Murphy. Everyone is extended an invitation to attend this benefit. The proceeds will go into the organization fund.

Lodge Offers Musical
Falls City—Magnolia Rebekah lodge is giving a benefit musical at the IOOF hall Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Annual Brotherhood Day is Observed

Falls City—The Annual Brotherhood day was held at the Christian church Sunday, Rev. K. E. Burke, president of Northwestern Christian college of Eugene gave the morning message and the college male quartet sang several numbers.

After dinner the quartet gave an hour's entertainment. Out of town visitors for dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Burk, Miss Fern Nothing, all of Eugene, Miss Marv Ward of Independence, Mr. and Mrs. James Ross and son of Oak Grove.

Campfire Girls' Leader to Visit

Oregon College of Education, Monmouth—Miss Eldora DeMotte, national field secretary for the Campfire Girls' organization, will be on the Oregon College of Education campus January 25 and 27 to hold meetings for all persons interested in the Campfire program. The purpose of her visit is to acquaint the students with the program and philosophy of the Campfire Girls' organization with the thought in mind that many teachers become Campfire guardians.

Miss DeMotte directs the Campfire activities in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Because of the size of her territory, she is constantly moving from one place to another. The Campfire organization here feels very fortunate to obtain her services for two days.

According to the local Campfire head, anyone interested in the Campfire program is welcome to attend the general meetings, the schedule of which will be posted as soon as possible.

Farmer Union Names Workers

Fairfield—The Fairfield Farmer's Union met last week, with S. B. Holt, manager of the state warehouse and state secretary, speaking on the management of the present warehouse and plans for a new one. The following committees were appointed:

Legislative, O. C. Ronge, W. H. Kraber and Julian DeJardin; agriculture, A. L. Collins, A. L. Grod and J. J. Romer; educational, Mrs. W. H. Kraber, Mrs. M. B. Lucas and Mrs. Pearl Patterson; membership, E. B. Smith, George Rush and E. Andres; marketing and livestock, M. B. Lucas, C. S. Marks and J. H. Kirkwood; good of order, Mrs. Julian DeJardin, Mrs. Allyn Huson and Mrs. E. B. Smith; musician, Mrs. W. I. Kern; song leader, Mrs. A. L. Grod; rural electrification, P. P. Ruben, George Rostkyus, Theo. Ruben and Joe Ruben; relief, Mrs. P. P. Runcorn, Mrs. George Rush, Mrs. C. S. Marks, Allyn Huson.

Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Holt of Salem, Mr. and Mrs. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Blerly, Mrs. Jorgensen and Mr. Keppinger of Gervais.

The junior reserves held their meeting with a good attendance. Mrs. Williams, state junior leader, and Miss Davenport of Liberty were visitors. Gene Marks and Buddy Rush were awarded prizes for rodent control given by the local.

Magee is President Of Unionvale Club

Unionvale—Louis Magee was chosen president of the Unionvale Community club at the annual election held Friday evening. Merle Church was elected vice-president; Mrs. Ari Lawner, secretary, and Miss Ida Hobson, treasurer.

The club recently had an electric range installed and it was used for heating the free coffee and hot-dogs served. A pie social to raise money to pay for the range is planned for February, when a special program will be given.

A community sing was held with Mrs. Elnor Gubser accompanying at the piano. Mrs. Gubser also had charge of an interesting quiz program between the men and women which resulted in a tie. A fair sized gathering of patrons attended.

Catholic Forester Stockholders Elect

Sublimity—The 32nd annual meeting of the stockholders of the C. O. P. Hall association was held at Sublimity Monday. The following officers were elected:

George Sushauer, president; Art Van Handel, vice-president; E. A. Dittier, secretary-treasurer; directors, Edward J. Bell, Herman Hassler and L. M. Doerfler.

Among the major improvements reported for the year was painting of the hall. Improvements scheduled for this year will be refinishing of the meeting room on the upper floor.

Scout Masters Gather
Oregon College of Education, Monmouth—Dr. L. E. Forbes, associate professor of psychology at the Oregon College of Education, will be guest speaker at the annual Scoutmaster's dinner, which will be held in McMinnville January 24. Scoutmasters and their wives for the Portland area will be present. The program will further consist of installation of officers for the new year and committee appointments will be made.

Arnold Chosen Big Boss Over Berry Festival

Lebanon—L. E. Arnold was named general manager of Lebanon's 31st annual strawberry festival by the festival board of directors at its initial meeting of the year Monday night. Arnold served in the same capacity last year.

Walter Scott was re-elected president of the board, which is composed of representatives from the Lebanon Commercial club, sponsors of the fête.

The board also decided that once again a mammoth strawberry shortcake will be a feature of the event, and it set Tuesday evening, May 30, as the date and the high school auditorium as the place of the queen coronation ceremonies.

Chairmen of the various committees in charge of the fair's several departments will be named shortly. It was announced.

Cold Slows Project
Lebanon—The cold weather has slowed progress on the local WPA sidewalk and curb construction project, and it is possible the project may be partially suspended for a time and some of the men transferred to the Lacombe irrigation program. Walk and curb construction will soon give way to start of paving of a number of streets, members of the city council report.

Choral Union Planned
Lebanon—Members of the Lebanon Lutheran choir are joining with those of similar groups of the Albany and Corvallis churches to form a choral union which will appear en masse at the conference scheduled for February 25 and 26 at Albany. The choir meets regularly each Monday evening for rehearsal at the Albany church.

Young Demos to Meet
Lebanon—Mr. Earl Calahan, program chairman, has announced that the Linn county Young Democratic club will meet in Albany February 25. The place of meeting and more definite information as to program and entertainment will be announced in the next few days.

Peace Plan Voiced
Lebanon—Some type of international machinery for government is imperative if the world is able to attain lasting peace is the opinion of Wayne Altree expressed before members of the Fellowship guild at a meeting last week at the home of Mrs. Hiram Groves. America must take its place in the structure of such a fusion of nations, continued the speaker, Mrs. Paul Middlebrook introduced the speaker.

Grand Parents Stage Lookout for Stork
Silverton—With the birth of a son, their third, at 3 o'clock Monday morning, to Mr. and Mrs. Merle By (Vernice McClung) one grandparent lost a bet by three hours, and the other gained by just that length of time.

S. M. McClung, father of Mrs. By, celebrated his birthday anniversary, January 21, and By's father, R. H. By, his Monday, January 22. Mrs. McClung gave a Sunday night dinner in honor of the two men and prolonged the social hour until near midnight, hoping her husband might be the honored one, but not so. At a few minutes past 3 a.m. the McClungs were awakened with the telling of the news that the anniversary child had arrived to the paternal grandfather's glory and that all were doing fine.

Present at the birthday dinner and watch party were Mr. and Mrs. R. H. By, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. McClung, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Stewart and Mrs. Roscoe Oliphant of Portland.

Stayton Switchboard Association Elects

Stayton—The Stayton Co-Operative switchboard association held its annual meeting Monday in the city hall, at which time the following officers were re-elected: President, George A. Sandner, Scio; secretary-treasurer, Grant Murphy, Stayton; Edward J. Bell, Stayton. Directors re-elected for a two-year term were: P. C. Preres, Stayton, and F. A. Zimmerman, Stayton. R. F. D. Holdover directors are: George A. Sandner, Scio; Grant Murphy, Stayton, and E. A. Dittier, Sublimity.

Mrs. Hattie Ficklin, local switchboard operator, was present at the meeting and reported that an average of 750 local calls go through the board, with about 50 long distance calls, outgoing and incoming, in one day during the winter months. In July Mrs. Ficklin will have been with the association 23 years, and during this time related many changes. They have approximately 444 phones operating through the switchboard, a gain of 18 over last year.

Deavers Are Hosts

Amity—Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Deaver entertained with a dinner at their home Thursday for Mrs. Henry Jones of McMinnville, Anson McGowan and sister, Miss Mary McGowan of Salem, Mr. and Mrs. Brant Masters, Miss Clara McKee and Miss Bertha Munkers of Amity.

Prayer Meeting Arranged

Salem Heights—Cottage prayer meeting will be held Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stever.

Polk Courthouse Occupants Anxious

Dallas—With every official berth in the courthouse a matter of the voters' choice this year the political pot is showing signs of coming to the boiling point and the names of prospective candidates are being coined by the members of the two major parties.

The only definite indication of a contest has developed in the democratic party with William Boydston, present county treasurer, and A. P. Black of Independence, gunning for the office of sheriff. Both men are veterans and while it is still too early to pass judgment there is every possibility that the race between the two for the party nomination is likely to hold the center of the stage. T. B. Hooker, republican incumbent, is a certain starter to succeed himself and so far there is no sign of any opposition from his side of the fence.

Ed C. Dunn, county assessor, has given notice that he will again be a candidate to succeed himself in the office. To date there has been no indication that anyone else has any inclination to fill Dunn's shoes, but there is ample time for someone with a yen for figures to throw his hat into the ring.

Carl S. Graves, county clerk, may seek a third term on the republican ticket. Prominent members of the democratic party are advancing the name of William Blackley as a probable opponent for this office.

Harrison H. Brant of Independence, county commissioner whose term rounds out in 1940, will in all probability be his party's choice to seek the nomination again.

There are no advance notices on a possible candidate for the treasurer'ship due to be vacated by William Boydston.

C. W. Henkle, county coroner, is a candidate to succeed himself. Lyle Thomas, state representative, whose intentions about running for the post again are not known, should he decide to do so will find an opponent already in the field. Mrs. J. Rogers of Greenwood is reported to have filed on the republican ticket.

Joel Willis, dean of county officers, is a likely candidate to succeed himself for the position of county school superintendent. The office is non-partisan.

P. B. Simpson and J. O. Farr spoke upon legislative matters, the latter upon the bill U. S. Senator Rufus Holman is introducing covering the new labor law in Oregon, making it a national one.

Mr. and Mrs. Rickett and Mr. and Mrs. Bowen from Chemawa Grange were visitors. No lecture's program was given. Lunch was served by the committee, Mr. and Mrs. Putman and Mr. and Mrs. George Henderson. The committee for February consists of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Al. Cole.

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Harold Davis, principal of the junior high department of the local schools; Mrs. Davis and their two sons, Jimmy and Larry, left Sunday evening for Burlington, Wash., called there by the death of Mrs. Davis' mother, Mrs. Butler, Sunday afternoon. They plan to return later in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Ragsdale and their son and daughter, Orville Jay and Sylvia, have purchased an acreage over East Hill, having recently come here from Buffalo, S. D. The young people are attending the local high school.

Visiting Frank Nagell for ten days are his daughter, Mrs. Burdette Beveridge and her son and daughter, Bobbie and Jennet, of Portland.

Roy McKinley of the Kelley cafe sustained severe burns on both forearms when a silex broke, Saturday, spilling coffee over his arms.

Sublimity Council Cases to Initiate

Stayton—Plans are being completed for a large joint initiation of new members into the second and third degrees of the Catholic Order of Foresters at Sublimity, Sunday, January 28, starting at 1 o'clock. This will be a joint degree between the Stayton and Sublimity courts. The exemplification of the degrees will be conducted by the degree team of St. Boniface court of Sublimity. Following the degrees a banquet will be served by the Women's Catholic Foresters of Sublimity. It is expected that many visiting members of the order will attend.

Tigard Boy Scouts Visit State Park

Silver Falls State Park—Twelve of the Boy Scout troop from Tigard made their first visit to Silver Falls park Saturday, January 20. After making inquiries as to the hikes to be made, they took the six mile hike around the falls.

A new group of recruits for Mill City CCC camp have arrived within the last two weeks. Now about half of them are down with the flu. They are all from Georgia.

Edgar Dodge Injured

Woodburn—Edgar Dodge is confined to his home with a broken collar bone and Mrs. Dodge is recovering from minor injuries received when their car collided with another machine at an intersection in Corvallis. The accident happened Friday morning. The fenders and radiator of the car were damaged and they were forced to make the trip home on the stage.

Farm Home Burned

Riverview—The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie burned to the ground early Sunday morning. They had almost completed the remodeling of the house. It is not known if there was any insurance.

Dallas Forum Presents Plaque For Third Time

Monmouth—The Monmouth grange has tendered a formal invitation to the Dallas Chamber of Commerce to be present at the next meeting of the grange, on February 10, for the purpose of making the third presentation of their plaque to Monmouth grange.

The Monmouth grange won the plaque which the Dallas Chamber of Commerce sponsors for the grange of the county making the best showing during the year along certain lines of agricultural and community service.

The agricultural achievements this year on which the contest was based consisted of weed control and rodent control. Ed Rogers for the committee reported on the results of the rodent contest with Rickreall grange. Forty-four grange

members turned in evidence of their work. Their contest for points exceeded Rickreall grange members by 27,690 points. In addition 24 ounces of stricnline were used and 28 sacks of poisoned barley. In weed control, 2,400 pounds of chemicals were used in destroying Canadian thistles and morning glory. In rodent control Walter Smith led in points with 21,135, followed by Ed Rogers with 9,825, and William Hiddell with 6,665. A tabulated statement for the forty-four participants of the Monmouth grange reveals rodents killed in the contest total 664 greydiggers, 1,072 soppers, 772 mice, 133 moles, 90 rabbits, 343 rats, 18 skunks, 12 jays and 2 hawks.

This is the seventh year the award has been made by the Dallas Chamber. The first plaque was won by Rickreall grange three years in succession and became their property. Another plaque was then offered by the Dallas forum and this too, was won by Rickreall grange in the following year.

As this is the third successive year the Monmouth grange exercises its right to the trophy, which now becomes the property of the local grange.

Memory Slips Cog But Auto Accepted

Woodburn—An unusual accident happened at Woodburn high school Monday when Sheldon Elwood, a representative of the Curtis Publishing company, was about to be introduced

to the students at assembly by Superintendent Graisap, Elwood suddenly fell to the floor and rolled off the platform. He was taken to the first aid room but when, after treatment, he regained consciousness he seemed to be a victim of amnesia and failed to remember who he was or from whence he came.

He was kept at the school building until noon when a brother-in-law, who had been notified, came to take him home. He did not recognize his brother-in-law and when shown his car said "It's a nice looking car and if you say it's mine I'll take it but I never saw it before."

He suffered no injury from the fall and was apparently all right except for the fact that he was unable to remember anything that had happened previous to his attack.

The purpose for which Elwood had come to Woodburn was to explain to the students the plan of the publishing company whereby students may raise funds by taking new subscriptions or renewals for magazines. The school plans to adopt the system and another representative is to be sent up to explain the plan by which the students hope to raise enough money for the purchase of a sound system.

Sheridan Methodist Men Serve Dinner

Sheridan—The big attraction in church circles in Sheridan the past week was the dinner that the men of the Methodist church prepared for the women.

About 100 sat down to a regular feast which showed how well the men could cook and the kind of food they liked. It was a fine meal, and the men are still talking about it. Committees were as follows:

Advertising, selling the tickets, greeting the guests, Roy B. Skinner, Fred Zeigle, Louis Smith, William Mayfield and Milo Elliott. Cooks, Amos Henton, Lynn Birks, John Hendricks and Rev. W. A. Briggs. Waiters, William McGhie, Wayne Flynn, Beach Patton, Clarence Hulse, Deane Elmes, Ted Martin and Otto Heider. Dish washers, Leland Sackett, Floyd Campion, Joe Brown, Roy Dale, Henry Sundberg, Handy men, Mr. Morton, Mr. Davis, Mr. Mendenhall and Mr. Morris.

Valley Firefighters Hear About Districts

Sublimity—The Central Willamette Valley Fire Fighters association met at C.O.F. hall, Sublimity, Over 75 were present. Departments represented were Aumsville, Harrisburg, Philomath, Scio, Stayton, Turner, Mill City, Albany, Lebanon, Brownsville and Sweet Home.

O. M. Gilett, president, called the meeting to order. Other speakers for the evening were Representative George R. Duncan of Stayton, whose subject was "Rural Fire Protective Districts." Jack Hays from the state fire marshal's office, explained how much easier it is to organize fire districts under the new law. Chief Fleetwood from the Mill City fire district joined the association and reported on the progress the Mill City fire district has made toward purchasing new equipment. The Aumsville department extended an invitation to the association to meet at Aumsville February 21.

Fairfield First Aid Meeting Scheduled

Fairfield—The next meeting of Fairfield First Aid class will be held Thursday at the D. B. DuRette home. There are now 13 members. Mrs. W. Lundy, Mrs. M. J. Mahony and Mrs. J. B. Brown registered at the last meeting. Classes will be held each Thursday unless otherwise arranged.

Circle Meets Friday

Amity—The Baptist Mission Circle will meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. B. Watt near McCoy at 2 o'clock.

New Citizens Given Advice About Future

Albany—People living today are obligated to society to consider posterity in effecting public improvements and therefore should consider the future as well as the present in mapping out their present day programs.

This admonition was applied to the public highway program by the Rev. C. W. Reynolds, Corvallis, vice-president of the Oregon Roadside council, in an address before the local American Legion post and auxiliary and a group of new American citizens, naturalized within the last year, who were guests of the Legion, Monday night at the Veterans' Memorial hall.

Nature's beauties are a heritage to which posterity is entitled, Rev. Reynolds declared. The speaker made particular reference to the timbered roadides and public parks, and made a plea for backing of a movement which the Roadside council has undertaken with the objective of keeping Oregon's highway as free as possible from offending advertising signs, billboards and unsightly buildings.

These problems should be faced now, Rev. Reynolds suggested, for the future may prove too late.

Hockema Demands Hearing

Albany—Darrell M. Hockema, Alsea, will demand a preliminary hearing on the charge of assault and battery which was filed Monday in justice court, it was stated Tuesday by his attorney, Orval Thompson. The charge was filed as the outgrowth of an injury of Albert Prindle, Corvallis, Saturday, it was stated.

Prindle, it is alleged, was injured in an altercation between the two. Prindle suffered a fractured skull when he allegedly fell against a curb at Third and Broadbain streets. He was reported at the Albany General hospital Tuesday to still be in a critical condition.

Should the charge be dismissed after the hearing, which will probably be held Wednesday, the court explained, Hockema will be held no longer on this charge, but should the damage be affirmed, Hockema will be bound over to the circuit court grand jury.

Essay Contest Rules Listed

Silverton—A number of requirements have been made known for contestants in the Veterans of Foreign Wars' Americanism essay, "The Benefits of Democracy."

The length of the essay is to be from 500 to 1000 words. The contest will close locally February 22. Local prizes are \$5, \$2 and \$1. Awards in the state tryout are first and second medals. Contestants must be registered pupils in any of the last four grades of high school.

The essays are to be judged on literary construction, 50 per cent; interpretative views, 25 per cent; and patriotic inspiration, 25 per cent.

The manuscript must be typed, double spaced. There must be one original and two additional copies on regulation size typing paper.

Written in the upper right hand corner of each page must be the contestant's name, age, mailing address and name of school represented.

Final cash awards, nationally, are: First, \$1000; second, \$500; third, \$250; fourth, \$100; ten awards of \$10 each and ten other awards of \$5 each.

Second prize, nationally, was won by an Oregon girl.

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Scout Investiture Service Conducted

Jefferson—Investiture services for the Boy Scout troop No. 25, of Jefferson, were conducted Sunday evening by members of the Albany Boy Scout troop No. 21, and Master Conductor Ferris White.

James E. Monroe, chairman of the state troop committee, presented the troop charter to the chairman of the Jefferson troop committee, R. S. Wetherell, pastor of the local Christian church, received his commission as Scout master for the new troop of 15 members. Five members were absent owing to illness.

The services were conducted by candle light. Carl Connet, Linn county Scout commissioner, Ray Talbott and Asa Eastburn accompanied the Albany boys.

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