

SIAC Enjoys Annual Dance

Members of the SIAC chapter, State Employees Association, last week held their spring dance at the VFW hall with music furnished by the Top Hatters orchestra.

Special entertainment during the evening was two skits, one presented by the SIAC Athletic and Glee club and the other by the women of the chapter. The latter was a mock wedding.

Participating in the skit by the Athletic and Glee club were Ronald Craven, Bud Melin, George Baker and F. I. Brown, who composed a quartet, and Claude Mathis, R. W. Southwick, Carl Huston, Jim Kirklin, Bill Franzwa, Larry Gooley, Don Parker, Lynn Hill, S. G. Hinkle, Ted Lenhart, S. B. McAlpine, Dud Bullock, Kenneth Conover and Bob Ashby.

Taking part in the mock wedding were Ivel Haley, Mae Wilder, Ruth Cater, Maud Olson, Mamie Phipps, Helen Frad, Gertrude Beal, Maude Mauk, Mary Becker and Joyce Kunke.

Special guests at the dance were David Cameron, director of district No. 2, State Employees Association; Forrest Stewart, executive secretary; Eugene F. Schmidt, assistant to Stewart; and Floyd Query, state legislative chairman.

During the evening a birthday cake was presented by Mrs. Hetty Kreikenbaum, who has been with the accident commission for 30 years. The prize for the evening was won by David Ashby, son of Bob Ashby.

In charge of serving refreshments during the evening was a committee composed of Frank Gerdon, Ardis Fredericksen, Hazel Marks, Joyce Kunke, Catherine Starr, Stein Tonseth, Alvina Warren and Charlotte McWain.



Leroy J. Stewart, elected director of the Salem school district in Monday's annual election.

Stewart Wins School Race

LeRoy J. Stewart, office manager for the Valley Motor company, was elected to a position on the Salem school board as the result of a three-cornered race which terminated Monday afternoon. Stewart received 229 votes to 40 for William (Bill) Hall and 29 for H. H. Harris. None of the men made a campaign for the position which is being relinquished by Donald Young after 10 years of service.

Although Stewart approved the annexation of the Eola district by a 216-71 majority, the voters of Eola rejected the proposal 59-18.

Reorganization of the Salem board will take place the night of June 28 when Harry Scott will become chairman. Each member of the board automatically takes over the chairmanship in his fifth and final year of his term of office.

Bongo Rates as a Hero

Flint, Mich. (AP)—Bongo, a ringtailed monkey, is a hero in town here.

When a second floor fire broke out in the Joseph Potvin home, Bongo was rescued by his master. But he wouldn't stay rescued, Potvin said.

As soon as he was free outside, Bongo dashed back into the house.

Potvin, though clearly outdistanced, re-entered in pursuit. He met Bongo sliding down the banister, in his arms his prized possession, a black cloth lamb.

Doctor Has Odd Patient

The doctor took a hasty look at the patient, sought for a pulse.

Quickly he adjusted the stethoscope to his ears, and applied its belled end to the bare chest. He moved the instrument a bit to another spot in the same region, moved it again. He looked frightenedly serious, as doctors always do when using a stethoscope.

"Hear anything, doctor?" the other man in the room asked in tense, subdued voice.

The doctor didn't answer the question. "When did this lapse occur?" he inquired.

"She didn't wake up at the usual time this morning, and I couldn't arouse her." "More than a functional disturbance, I'm afraid," the doctor said. "And yet—well, it's hardly like the usual organic case." "Then she isn't—you could hear something, doctor?" "Faintly, yes. It's very faint." "Could you give her a shot, doctor?"

"As I say, I'm a bit puzzled. However, there are symptoms of an overdose of something. Has she been taking anything? Sleeping pills maybe?"

The other man snapped his fingers. "Maybe I have the answer," he said.

In the office at Willamette university Monday morning Business Manager Robert Fenix couldn't get the safe open. The



Taylor Promoted—Warren Taylor, who since September, 1947, has been a member of the instructor-inspector group of the Salem Naval and Marine Corps training center, who this month received word of his promotion to a chief storekeeper from a storekeeper, first class. (Bishop-Moderne photo.)

safe has a time lock. Fenix called his friend, Dr. Ralph Purvine, and the doctor used his stethoscope on the safe door. He could, he said, hear a very faint sound. He thought it was okay.

Then Fenix had an idea. He inquired around, and found that the last person who had closed the safe had given it too much time. It opened at noon.

School Budgets Approved Directors Elected Monday

Independence, June 21—The budget of \$259,731 for the Independence-Monmouth school district 13-C, effective July 1, was approved at a light vote here Monday with the school election voters approving \$59,416 outside the six percent limitation. The vote was 193 to 73.

New members elected to the board were Eldon Riddell, three year term; Donald Searing, four-year term and Mrs. Jack Stump, five-year term. Holdover members are Dr. C. A. Fratzke, chairman and Bev Walker. Dr. Lewis Briss is the retiring chairman. New officers will take over July 1 with the board to complete its organization in ten days.

First plans for the new school, to be located on the former Kelley farm between Independence and Monmouth, are expected to be available in the near future.

Dr. Reed Named
Woodburn—Dr. Delbert Reed was elected school director for five years, defeating W. Earl Dunn, for re-election, 278 to 75.

Funds Approved
Kelser—A \$5500 sinking fund and a final \$1000 payment on a new school site adjacent to the present building, were approved here Monday. Ray Laszy was named director for three years, succeeding Andrew Beardley.

Lincoln Approves Tax
Newport—Voters of Lincoln county approved a bond issue of \$1,350,000 at the Monday school election after the proposal had been defeated last April. The vote was 2276 to 878. Also approved was a special levy of \$898,049 by a vote of 1947 to 786. The bond issue was needed to bring county schools up to state standard. The result lacked reports from three small precincts with an estimated 150 ballots.

Merger Discussed
Hayesville—Possibility of a merger with the Salem schools, defeated a few years ago, was discussed in connection with the school election which re-elected Everett Brown for a three year term. The voters also approved \$4000 to be used in the purchase of a new school site and \$2000 for improvements at the present school.

Five Positions Filled
Silverton—Dr. E. L. Henkel was named director for the five year term at the school election Monday. R. G. Smith was named to the board for one year.

Dr. Ebner Named
Mt. Angel—C. J. Ebner was named school director for three years Monday. Fred J. Schwab, who has served nearly 30 years, had declined a nomination. John Pfaf was named to the non-union board and Fred J. Schwab

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to the rural board. Other members of the school board are Joseph Wavra, chairman, Joseph Wachter and C. J. Butsch, clerk.

Bollman Keeps Place
Dallas—J. Paul Bollman, chairman of the school board, was re-elected director for the five year term Monday with Frank L. Guy named for two years. The budget of \$137,899 was approved. This represented an increase of \$37,231 over the estimate for last year. Of the total \$39,834.07 are inside the six percent limitation and the \$98,064.93 remaining outside the limitation.

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Rites Today for Judge's Mother

Funeral services were held at the Mt. Scott Mortuary in Portland Tuesday morning for Mrs. Nellie Belt, 90, mother of Supreme Court Justice Harry Belt, who died at a Portland convalescent home Sunday afternoon after an illness of two years. Graveside services followed in the family plot in the Odd Fellows cemetery Salem.

Mrs. Belt, the former Nellie Heckleman of Albany, was a member of an Oregon pioneer family, which was among the original white residents of Albany. Her father was the first white child born in Albany. Mrs. Belt, herself, was born in Albany March 31, 1859.

Her great-grandfather, Abner Heckleman, crossed the plains in 1845 and took up a donation land claim on the site of the present city of Albany. The family later donated land to the city and helped establish the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain military road. Her mother was Elizabeth Cowan, who also crossed the plains with her parents in 1845.

Mrs. Belt was the eldest of nine children and attended the old Albany college. Her father was an assistant state treasurer and moved his family to Salem where she attended Sacred Heart Academy. She married John D. Belt, a druggist, Jan. 15, 1879, and after some time in Salem the family moved to Dallas where she lived for 20 years until illness forced her to move

to Portland. Belt died in 1927. His father, a doctor, crossed the plains in 1850 and located in Salem. He taught medicine at Willamette university and was the first grand master of the Masonic grand lodge in Oregon.

Surviving are two sons and three daughters, Justice Harry H. Belt, of the state supreme court; Paul C. Belt, Portland; Mrs. W. H. Ormsby and Mrs. Merle G. Campbell, both of Portland and Mrs. Richard Fendall, Forest Grove.

Starr Elected Legion Head

Sephus W. Starr was Monday night named commander of Capital Post No. 9, American Legion, succeeding Charles Huggins. Other officers are John Kerrick, first vice commander; James Turnbull, second vice commander; John Crockett, adjutant; Ted Brabec, finance officer; Rev. George H. Swift, chaplain; A. G. Worthington, sergeant-at-arms; Lloyd Hockett, quartermaster; Irl McSherry, historian; Orval Lama, building committee; Walter Nystrom and Lawrence Osterman, cemetery committee; Huggins, Conrad Paulson, Dave Hoss, James Garvin and Chet Zumwalt, executive committeemen.

Delegates to the state convention here August 4 to 6 are Huggins, Starr, Ira Pilcher, Paul Gemuel, Crockett, Harlan Anderson, Luther Jensen, Claude Martin, Al Fellen, Hoss, Osterman, Frank Grimm, Marion

Lamb; Don Dill, Don Apperson, Douglas McKay, Walter Kirk, Turnbull and H. E. Saalfeld.

Approval was given a plan to replace the present building committee with a board of trustees and specifying the duties of the executive committee. The Merlain school of dancing and representatives of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars of Sweet Home appeared during the program. The 16-man post drum corps made its first appearance.

Wins Poster Contest
Corvallis, Ore., June 21 (AP)—Shirley Ebner, 12, of Mt. Angel won the 4-H club health poster contest at the annual club summer school here, club officials announced today. Runner-up was Linda De Lap of Henley. Both received scholarships to the 4-H club summer session next year.

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