



Arrives for Trial—Alger Hiss, former high State department official, arrives with Mrs. Hiss at federal court in New York, for the opening of his second trial on perjury charges. Hiss was indicted nearly a year ago by a spy-probing federal grand jury which accused him of lying when he denied passing pre-war secret government papers to Whitaker Chambers, confessed courier for a Soviet spy ring. The first trial jury was dismissed last July when it failed to reach a verdict. (AP Wirephoto)

Scouts Offer Club Program

Salem Heights — The Salem Heights Community club meeting was opened by the scouts by a flag ceremony. Junior Scout Assistant Frank ViTaris, Senior Patrol Leader Mark DeCew, Lee Peterson and Don Blankenship presented the colors.

The meeting was called to order by Lou Kurth, in the absence of the club officers. The club voted to have a teen-age dance. Mrs. Clark Lethin spoke of forming a square dance club in Salem Heights. Any couples living in the community that are interested in becoming members are asked to contact Mrs. Clark Lethin. Marion Miller, principal of the Salem Heights school, announced that December 20 is the date for the Christmas program. He said that the junior high boys, along with the Liberty Junior high boys will use the Liberty gym on Tuesday nights for basketball and the club voted to defray the expense.

The grade school boys will use the gym after school. The scouts will change their meeting night to Monday nights.

The scouts were in charge of the program which was dedicated to Kids Day, November 19. Leo Olson, cubmaster, spoke on the Cub Scout program and Den 1 performed the opening ceremony for their den meetings, giving their yell and living circle. Mrs. Clark Lethin, den mother, was in charge. Jonathon Graber, led the club in group singing.

Each patrol participated in the program, the Crane patrol with patrol leader Dick Volgan, gave musical numbers. Pioneer patrol, with Boyd Aydelott, patrol leader, did a skit "In the Graveyard." The Smoos patrol, with David Morgan patrol leader, did a skit, "Killing the Lion."

The Explorer troop held an investiture ceremony and Darrell Pomsford entered the troop. George Stroutz, Jr. of Troop 20, who is an Eagle Scout and a member of the Order of the Arrow, played numbers on the electric Hawaiian guitar, and Gordon Morris, Order of the Arrow, gave a selection on the trombone. The Order of the Ar-

Four Corners Brownie Troop Taking Holiday This Week

Four Corners, Nov. 21—Brownie troop 107 met after school in the Community hall. There were fifteen girls present. The present project is a "Progress Board." Mrs. Lawrence was a guest for the afternoon. Mrs. Robert Burns, Mrs. Raymond Hough and Mrs. Earl Thulin attended the work shop at the Methodist

and children Mary, Stephen and Paul who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Stewart on East State street are leaving Monday for California. They expect to sail Nov. 30th for the Hawaiian islands where they will establish the first mission in the islands of the United Lutheran church of America. On Saturday Paul Allport celebrated his birthday anniversary with a no host dinner at the Gold Arrow. Mrs. L. J. Stewart provided the individual birthday cakes and favors. Guests were his parents, brother and sister, L. J. Stewart and other relatives.

The Four Corners Baptist Missionary society held a special meeting. Officers elected for the coming year were president, Mrs. Victor Loucks; vice president, Mrs. S. H. Cable; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Eldon France; white cross chairman, Mrs. Roy Thayer. The meeting date has been changed to the second Tuesday of the month. Mrs. Loucks will be hostess to the Dec. 13 meeting at her home 140 North Elma avenue. This is an all day meeting for White Cross sewing. Bring a sack lunch.

Mrs. Cecil Snook welcomed the members of the North Elm Sewing club to her home on Thursday afternoon. Following the social hour refreshments were served to Mrs. John Emmons, Mrs. C. O. Gilming, Mrs. J. B. Harrelson, Mrs. Ervin Pankrat and Mrs. Henry Dillard.

Leaving for Ford Ord, Calif., was Jack William Cartright, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cartright, 4310 Durbin avenue, where he will take his basic training for a three year enlistment in the U.S. army.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Allport row is one of the highest of honors in scouting. There are two members in the Salem Heights Troop 19.

Troop committee members attended with Earl Ahlers, troop committee chairman and institutional representative, of American Legion post 136. He spoke on the scout program and the part the American Legion plays in sponsoring the troop. He said that Floyd McClellan has been added to the scout committee. Commissioner of Camping Activity Clark Lethin, Neighborhood Commissioner Lester Morris, and Commissioner George Stroutz were introduced by the scoutmaster, Harvey Peterson.

Harvey Peterson reported on the recent paper drive and said that \$32 was derived from it. He presented Marion Miller, principal of the school with \$16 which Miller said would be used toward the projector that the school is working toward purchasing.

Following the program the scoutmaster led in the benediction. Refreshments were served in the dining room with Mrs. James Bradshaw and Mrs. Lyle Bayne in charge.

Scholarships Given For Club Projects

Hopewell—June Ann Janzen has received a scholarship to 4-H summer school next June as the champion in clothing 1B of Yamhill county, and Jeanetta Applebury a scholarship for her secretary's book. Others who have received cards and ribbons for their work are Sharon McKenney, Beverly and

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People of Oregon Advised To Look Out for Meteorite

By J. HUGH PRUETT
 (Astronomer, Extension Division, Oregon Higher Education System)

The fall of the brilliant Hunters' Silver meteor at 2:30 p.m., Oct. 1, 1949, over a locality 25 or 30 miles west of Canyon City in Grant county, has renewed interest in attempting to discover a "fourth meteorite" for our state.

In various places in Oregon, even in a few museums, material is being displayed as "stones which fell from the sky" which are nothing more than ordinary earth rocks. It is regrettable that the owners of such terrestrial specimens do not have them examined by an authority on such matters before presenting them to the public as real meteorites.

During the past 17 years, well toward 1,000 "suspected" rock samples from the western parts of the United States and Canada have been sent to me for testing. Exactly four have been the "real thing." Large numbers were said to have been seen to fall. But the evidence was usually based on the sight of brilliant meteors, many of which "seemed" to strike the top of a nearby hill, when actually they were likely 100 or 200 miles beyond the hill. Flaming meteors usually cease to glow when from 10 to 40 miles above the earth, and any unburned fragments complete the fall as dark bodies.

Only three meteoritical falls are accredited in lists prepared by world authorities as ever having been recovered in Oregon: the Port Orford in 1859, the Sam's Valley in 1894, and the Willamette in 1902. None of these was seen to fall as far as is known. If anyone thinks he knows of another, he should arrange to have tests made to determine whether he is correct.

Fallen meteorites may remain on the surface of the ground or penetrate a few feet below the surface. They are always solid and heavy; never porous and full of holes as are clinkers and lava, the most common materials sent in for testing. When freshly fallen, they have a burned-appearing crust. The metallic type is almost entirely nickel and iron, and appears silvery when the thin crust is removed with a file. The stony type usually has nickel-iron grains of silvery hue embedded in the stony material.

It seems quite likely that the October 1 fireball, which fell almost straight down, reached the earth before being entirely consumed. If it was of the metallic type, it probably landed in one piece; if stony, it may have sprinkled a considerable area with "celestial shrapnel." It is hoped that everyone in the general region of fall will be on lookout for unusual rocks, and if found, will send specimens to me at once at Eugene. A piece the size of a prune is quite sufficient. Large muse-

Bank Puts on \$2 Million Party

Only 22 months after opening for business the Willamette Valley bank has reached the \$2,000,000 level in assets, and celebrated the event with a party for its employees Saturday night.

This is the bank's second million-dollar party, the first having been in September, 1948, upon reaching the first million in assets. The bank started in business December 1, 1947.

The two-million-dollar dinner was held Saturday night at Shattuck's Chateau. Prior to the dinner the officers, employees and their wives gathered at the home of Alfred Domogalla, assistant cashier.

Announcement was made by Carroll Meeks, president of the bank, that Assistant Cashier Henry Ewing had resigned and would give all his time to his accounting and tax service business.

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