

Three Salem Schools Win Freedom Awards

Bush, Englewood and Richmond of the Salem public school system and Keizer were winners in the annual Freedom Foundation program during 1953.

Announcement of the awards were made during special George Washington's birthday ceremonies at the Foundation's Valley Forge headquarters by Dr. Kenneth D. Welis, president.

Two additional awards were announced concerning Oregon participation. Henry L. Slater of Burns was winner of \$50 and the George Washington honor medal for his second place essay "Freedom's Holy Light" and Rev. Howard Sweeney, C.S.C., University of Portland, received the same recognition for a public address at Sacred Heart Academy in Salem.

Englewood, earning its third consecutive recognition is entitled to the George Washington honor medal. Bush received the principal school award as did Keizer. Richmond earned the Freedom Library award.

Since Bush and Keizer received the "Principal School Award,"

principals of the two institutions and one pupil from each will be entitled to pilgrimage trips to Valley Forge next May. Walter A. Beck is principal at Bush, and Mrs. Carmelita Weddle fills a similar position at Keizer.

The Bush award was based on Mrs. Paul Robinson's 5th grade study entitled "What America Means to Me." "A Day in Life at Keizer School" was the subject of a compilation of tape recordings, scrap books and a series of slides. Recordings and slides compiled at Englewood, dealing with the subject "Our American Heritage" constituted that school's entry.

The object of the Foundation's annual awards is to honor those citizens, regardless of race, creed or economic status, for their outstanding efforts to improve public understanding and appreciation of the basic constitutional rights and freedoms inherent in the American Way of Life, through the things they write, do or say.

Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge was founded in March, 1949. It is non-profit, non-political and non-sectarian. Foundation's funds come from widest national sources—individual, corporate and foundation.

4-H Club News

NORTH HOWELL—The P-TA of North Howell held its regular meeting when 4-H awards were given to the different groups.

Those receiving pins for their first year work were Colleen Stevens, Alinda Westgaard, Danny Grvak, Allen Rezniesek, Steven Gilbertson, Richard Schmidt.

Second year awards went to Ernest Dunn, Christine Piekens, Dick Bartsch, Sharon Mayte, Mary Ann Dunn, Diana Bartsch, and Ronald Cole.

Third year awards went to Lynn Schaap, Jerry Fosholm, Gordon Stevens.

Fifth year awards went to Cathleen Howe, Georgia Schaap, Jean Dunn. Leaders for the groups were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bartsch, Mrs. Harvey Gilbertson, Mrs. Ernest Redding, Mrs. Ronald Stevens, Mrs. Harry Seism.

EAST SALEM—The fifth meeting of the Busy 4-H Livestockers club was held this week at the home of leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bressler. Mike Stone, vice-president, presided at the business meeting in the absence of the president, Jack Stone, who is on a trip into eastern Oregon to purchase his Hereford calf. After pledges, songs and yells the members looked over plans for the signs will have made for use at the fall show. Each member reported on their special animal project and leaders looked over record books. Present were Mike Stone, Maxine Bressler, Marilyn Good, Marguerite Good, Allen Bates, Jeanne Stone and the leaders.

BUTTEVILLE—Mothers of youngsters belonging to 4-H clubs in the Butteville grade school were entertained at luncheon at the home of Mrs. Walter Racette, leader of the Silvers, wood working club.

Other hostesses were Mrs. Beryl Briethaupt, leader of the Knit and Ravel club, Mrs. James Johnson also assisted. The leaders gave a report on their recent 3-day trip to Corvallis for the 4-H convention, and also told of other work being done in the clubs.

AURORA—The Aurora 4-H Garden club, under the leadership of Mrs. Ben Netter, received several awards recently for her group's outstanding work, from the Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

First prize winner was Eileen Pierson. She received a billfold with the 4-H emblem engraved on it.

Second place winners were Dianne Pierson and Bertha Netter receiving bandanas, with the 4-H emblem on them, and Frank Netter's award was a 4-H belt buckle. Jim Leith and Robert Netter were third place winners. Their awards were red, white and blue ribbons.

Valedictorian At Dayton High

DAYTON—Diane Flanigan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Flanigan of Lafayette, will be the valedictorian of the class of 1954 at Dayton Union High School. Diane achieved a grade average of 1.11 for three and one-half years of school.

Averages are computed on the basis of 1 being perfect so Diane's grades were lacking just .11 of being the best possible.

Salutatorian will be Suzanne Smith, daughter of James J. Smith of Rt. 1, Amity, whose grade average was just .05 behind Diane at 1.16. The two girls will deliver addresses at the annual commencement program.

There were in all eight students from the senior class who averaged better than "2" for their seven semesters in school. This is an unusually high number and follows a record set by the class this year of 15 placing on the honor roll on two different occasions.

The other high ranking seniors in their grade averages are LeRoy Rockhill, 1.22; Don Goodrich, 1.28; Marjory Blanchard, 1.41; Jim Mandico, 1.58; Gene Tompkins, 1.61, and Linda Benedict, 1.80.

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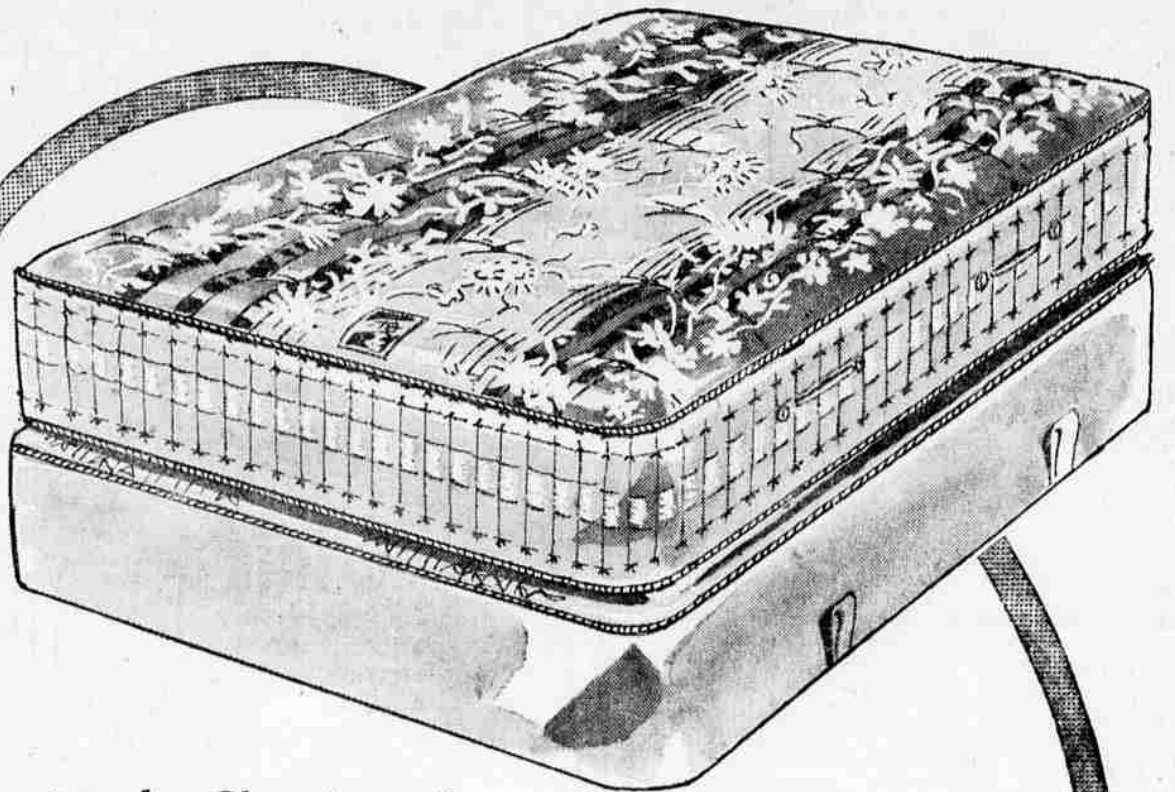
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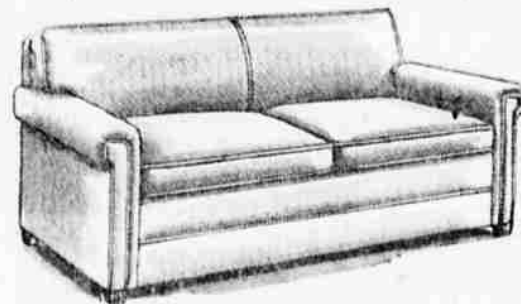
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