

Committee for Auxiliary Named

SUBLIMITY (Special) — The executive board of the Marian Home Auxiliary met last week, with the president, Mrs. Lee Higberger naming her committees for the year. The committees are: Visiting, Mrs. William Duchan...

WOODBURN (Special) — A group of members of the Woodburn Women's Rural club gave a surprise housewarming for Mrs. H. L. Beyer last week at her home here and presented her with a money tree. Arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Jay Weber and 17 club members participated.

RAINBOWS Install — WOODBURN (Special) — Open installation of the new officers of Rainbow assembly No. 12, Order of the Rainbow for Girls, will be Wednesday evening, January 23, at the Masonic temple when Miss Carole Foster will be installed as worthy adviser. Miss Foster is the daughter of Mrs. Fern Foster who is mother adviser of Evergreen assembly.

LEBANON (Special) — Various types of corsages suitable for all occasions were demonstrated by Mrs. Mirl Yawter at a Business and Professional Women's meeting last week. Mrs. Yawter accompanied her demonstration with a humorous commentary on problems of the corsage maker.

PLEASANTDALE (Special) — There will be a community meeting the evening of February 9 in the Pleasantdale community center, according to Aloha club president, Mrs. William Mills, at which home the club met last week. Guests were Mrs. Dorothy Jackson and Mrs. John Michael. The co-hostess was Mrs. Sam Whitney.

MOLALLA (Special) — New officers for Molalla FL club were installed when the club met recently at the home of Miss Joanne Breen with Mrs. Dorothy Jackson assisting. Officers installed were: Mrs. Betty Wynn, president; Mrs. Bettye Larsen, vice-president; Mrs. Colleen Wyland, secretary; Mrs. Eileen Warrick, retiring president, was presented a past president's pin from the club.

AMITY (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Robertson recently celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary with their sons and families and many friends calling to extend good wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson were married January 14, 1899, in Granger County, Tenn., coming to Oregon in 1902 and establishing a farm in the Amity area in 1910. They operated the farm until 1942, when their son, Ernest, took over its management. The Robertsons have two sons, Ernest and Herbert, both of Amity, four grandchildren and one great grandchild.

MOLALLA (Special) — Zakoni Camp Fire girls elected new officers when they recently met in the primary school building. Gayle Ogburn was elected president; Barbara Crawford, vice-president; Susie McEwen, secretary; Laure Norquist, treasurer; Linda Jolley, scribe; Jeanne Bunke, keeper of the memory book. Mrs. Jim Jolley is guardian and Mrs. Chan Bunke is assistant.

AMITY (Special) — A recent family reunion celebrated January birthdays and anniversary. Those honored on the occasion were Mrs. Donna Bruczyński and Mrs. Alice Sutherland for birthdays and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ellenberger for their wedding anniversary. A special dinner in honor of the occasion was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Talmadge in McMinnville. Those present for the reunion were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ellenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sutherland and Dale, and Mr. and Mrs. Auer Bruczyński and Jeff, all of Amity; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bickford and family of Sweet Home; and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bickford and Roger of Eureka, Calif.

LYONS (Special) — Donna Amussen with her assistant, Jackie Sturdivant entertained the Girl Scouts at their regular meeting last week at the Amussen home. Playing of games and working on their scrapbook made the entertainment for the afternoon. Scouts present were Merry Jo Cruson, May Agnes Morgan, Judy Anderson, Sue Davenport, Joyce Fritchard, Evelyn Smith, Mildred Amussen, Vivian Wilson, Ginger Lantz, Betty Mierose, and Charlette Lantz.

Havens Honored At Farewell Event

TALBOT (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Haven were honored Sunday afternoon with a farewell open house from 2 to 4 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Turnidge. The Havens have lived in the Talbot area for 23 years but have sold their home and are moving to property south of Salem.

DONALD (Special) — Members of the Social club of Venus chapter, order of the Eastern Star, will meet at the Union Hill club house on Friday, February 1, beginning at 10 o'clock with members bringing lunches. The members plan to sort and pack rummage items preparatory for their sale scheduled for February 2 at the American Legion hall in Oregon City, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Anyone having rummage material should get it to the club house by Friday, or if they are unable to take it, they should call Mrs. Robert Colvin about picking it up.

LYONS (Special) — The Wednesday afternoon Card club met at the home of Mrs. Leola Jordan recently. A dessert was served followed by several tables of 500. High score was held by Bertha Allen; second high by Alma Olmstead; and low by Margaret Kunkle. Others present were Mabel Downing, Juanita Wright, Donna Amussen, Eulalia Lyons, Lottie Grosse, Ethel Huffman, Bernice Bridges, Golda Brassfield, Ruth Lyons, Thelma Nydegger, all of Lyons, and Phyllis Leirman from Stayton, a guest of the afternoon.

LYONS (Special) — A special meeting of the Garden club place last week at the Catholic community hall after a recess of one year. Plans were made to continue the meetings with the next one to be on the second Wednesday in February at the Catholic hall, with Martha Cruson and Gertrude Weidman as hostesses. At that time election of officers will take place.

MACLEAY AREA BARN USED

Pro-Slavery Hideouts in 1860 Prevented Senate From Meeting

By BEN MAXWELL, Capital Journal Writer

Incapacity of Oregon's legislature to organize and function is an old story. Back in 1860 there was a "hold-up" session already discussed by The Capital Journal (Dec. 27, 1956) wherein personal enmity and the gold standard issue prevented organization of the house. That year the legislature was unable to elect an United States senator.

There was also a "hide-out" session in 1860 when slavery was a hot political issue. Party alignments of 97 years ago do not much matter now and slavery has long been a dead issue. But the hide-out session may still have points of interest to Oregon's desecrated senate and senators who would like to hide in a barn.

Gist of the business in 1860 was that the pro-slavery element in the Democratic party knew it could not elect its own candidates to the United States senate and did not want the other parties to elect their hopefuls.

Six Missing — So, shortly after the legislature convened on September 11, in the Holman block, Oregon's rented capital at the northwest corner of Commercial and Ferry streets in Salem, only seven members of Lane and Senator A. M. Berry revealed that six pro-slavery Democrats were absent. There was no quorum, hence no business.

Obviously enough two United States senators could not be elected with these six willful recalcitrants absent. Where were these absentee supporters of Old Joe Lane and Delazon Smith (Editor Asahel Bush called him "Delusion Smith")? Oregon's press clamored to know and the public felt that way about it, too. Democrats, certainly, and most Democrats, too, were loyal to the union and wanted to get along with election of United States senators who would be also loyal.

Some September 13, and the absentees had not taken their seats and there was no reason to suppose that they intended to do so. Faithful senators were getting irate. They instructed the president of the body to issue a warrant of arrest for the delinquent members and haul them before the bar of the senate to answer for their contempt of it. R. A. Barker, sergeant-at-arms, was instructed to accomplish this purpose by "using due diligence and with as little delay and force as possible."

One Senator Located — Somehow news had leaked that WILLAMINA (Special) — Mrs. Ira Green was surprised Saturday on her birthday, when her children, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Green and sons of Yachats, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hadley and daughter, Lorene of Tigard, surprised her with a visit. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fondrich of Ladoc, Canada.

WILLAMINA (Special) — Mrs. Roy Durham was hostess to the members of the Friendship club last week for luncheon at her home. Those attending included Mrs. Earl Richardson, Mrs. Frank Smelser, Mrs. Cliff Rugg, Mrs. Guy Call, Mrs. Karl Lentz, Mrs. Roy Webber and Mrs. Orley Brock.

Senator J. S. McTeeney, a Benton county physician, might be found in his home at Corvallis. Barker sent his assistant there and, sure enough, Senator McTeeney was at home. He submitted to arrest and invited his captor in for supper and lodging. The assistant-at-arms had a disposition to take the Senator into custody but no, said the Doctor, it would be just as easy to keep him under house arrest as in custody elsewhere. So, they settled for a pledge of honor and no escape.

Then they lighted up their pipes and relaxed. Presently Senator McTeeney arose and went into another room. His captor did not follow because, after all, honor was involved. Next Dr. McTeeney went into the kitchen. Thereafter he was seen no more. A report from Corvallis said that he left home without either a hat or coat.

So much for Senator McTeeney. Where were the other absentees—men memorialized in the nomenclature of Oregon: Senator H. L. Brown of Linn for whom Brownsville was named, Senator A. B. Florence who bestowed his name upon the port of Florence, Senator Solomon Fitzhugh who was Gen. Robert E. Lee's brother-in-law, Senator James Monroe of Lane and Senator A. M. Berry of Jackson county? Where were they?

"Out in the brush" Editor Asahel Bush facetiously suggested. Hidden in Barn — Research by a Portland physician interested in historical lore has lately shown that "out in the brush" was Nick Shrum's barn four miles east of Salem on the Macleay road. This 100 year old barn is now property of R. M. Livesley at box 476. Nick Shrum's barn still remains substantial on its trap rock foundation that defies politics and, seemingly, time, too.

In Nick's barn (Shrum, a Tennessean, was a pioneer of 1847 and Marion county delegate to the constitutional convention in 1857) the absconding senators slept in the straw, ate what their partisan's provided, puffed their pipes and chuckled in their whiskers over the success of their tactics. The fact that the sergeant-at-arms collected \$160 in his futile attempt to apprehend them and that their fellow senators had collected \$2500 in pay for doing nothing at all during their absence only added to their merriment.

Senate Adjourns — Finally news reached the hide-outs that the senate had adjourned sine die. They had accomplished their purpose. They had thwarted the election of two United States senators by the 1860 legislature and they gloated over the victory. Now they were pleased to return to Salem. True, the senate had adjourned sine die because there had been no quorum. But on the very day the absentees returned to Salem, Sept. 22, 1860, Gov. John Whiteaker had published an appeal to "your self respect, your state pride and your duties as officers and citizens of Oregon to return to your seats and the service of your country". With the absentees at hand the senate resumed its sessions. First of its acts was to censure the absentees who, of

Hide-out Session Rendezvous in 1860



In this 100-year-old barn on the R. M. Livesley place on Macleay road four miles east of Salem six pro-slavery Democrats took refuge as absentee senators during the legislative session of 1860. Their purpose was to avoid a senate quorum and thwart election of United States senators by the Oregon legislature.

YMCA Seeks 1000 Members

A target of 1,000 members has been fixed for the annual enrollment effort of the Salem YMCA which will get under way at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22. The 1,000 members, if secured, would mean a financial value of approximately \$21,600.

The drive will extend through Thursday, Feb. 7 when a "victory dinner" will be held at 6:30 p.m. Larry Rich has been named general chairman for the campaign. Division leaders will include James Carnes, Business Men; Lee Shinn and Dr. Wiley Young, Senior Men; Dean Pfouts, Adult Program.

Plan Typing Class — WOODBURN (Special) Possibility of offering evening typing and shorthand classes for adults is being considered by the Woodburn school district officials. Mrs. Alf Nelson who teaches commercial subjects at Woodburn high school would teach classes if enough persons are interested. Those desiring more information or who wish to indicate interest may telephone the high school.

CHILD CHRISTENED

SILVERTON (Special) — Christened at the Sunday morning service of St. Paul's Silvertown Catholic church, the Rev. Father Thomas Gadbos officiating, was Debra Louise, baby daughter, born Jan. 11, at Silvertown Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kottre. Godparents were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kottre of Sublimity.

INDEPENDENCE FIRE-FREE

INDEPENDENCE (Special) — Fire Chief Wayne Scantton reports there have been no fires in the city limits since the middle of November.

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