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4-H Clubbers Sign Up For Various Projects

Tuesday, Mrs. Rutherford was at school receiving the names of boys and girls enrolling in 4-H club projects. New bulletins are being published this year. Club work offers an unusual variety of interesting and profitable projects. Members are hoping for another successful year, for Maupin has been a leader in 4-H work and they want to keep up the standard of former years.

Officers of Maupin Club Leaders association were elected:

Mrs. Rutherford, president; Mrs. Hedin, vice-president; Beth Rutherford, secretary; Mr. Renick, treasurer.

The following have signed up for these projects:

- Canning—Betty Slusher, Gretha Turner, Beth Rutherford.
- Home Cookery—Alliene Wilson, Edna Hughes, Ernest Kirsch, Bethel Snodgrass, Alta Chastain, Betty Slusher, Nova Hedin, Beth Rutherford, Lena Turner, Gertrude Kirsch.
- Camp Cookery—Bethel Snodgrass, Jean Renick, Dorothy Greene, Irene Woodcock, Jim Slusher, Gretha Turner, Ralph Kaiser, Glenn Alexander, Beth Rutherford, Harry Rutherford, Franklyn Renick.
- Sewing—Alma Fraley, Dorothy Greene, Irene Woodcock, Nova Hedin, Nina Matthews, Mary Greene, Alta Chastain.
- Bachelor Sewing—Jim Slusher, Leo Cunningham.
- Homemaking—Beth Rutherford, Bessie Starr, Alliene Wilson, Margaret Appling.
- Corn—Theodore Kirsch, Earl Addington, John Slu her, Harry Rutherford.
- Garden—Ralph Kaiser.
- Wheat—Harry Rutherford.
- Bee—Theodore Kirsch, Ivan Donaldson.
- Potatoes—Ernest Kirsch, Theodore Kirsch, Harry Rutherford.
- Rabbit—Jim Slusher.
- Goat—Jim Slusher.
- Pig—John and Jim Slusher.
- Sheep—Ernie Confer, Jim Slusher.
- Dairy Cattle—Jim Slusher.
- Poultry—Loyal Pratt, Leo Cunningham, Lena Turner, Ralph Kaiser, Betty Slusher, Henry Wilson, Bonny Duus, Franklyn Renick.

SCHOOL BOARD PRESENT AT TUESDAY ASSEMBLY

The regular assembly of the Hi and Seventh and Eighth grades, Tuesday morning, were surprised by having a visit from the school board, Mrs. Bothwell, Mrs. Hedin, Mr. Kaiser and later Mr. Slusher.

Mrs. Rutherford gave a talk on the 4-H club work for 1930 and asked the names of those members of last year who had not yet received their club pins.

Mr. Poling led the group in two of the Hi songs.

All were pleased with the new "warming-up sweater" that the Coach showed. Eight gold sweaters have just arrived; they have M-A-U-P-I-N in purple letters on the backs and a purple cub on the front. The boys to whom these will be assigned, will feel honored at the privilege of wearing them.

Students will be glad when we have more regularly planned assemblies which will include special music in their program. These will come a little later.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Eight "warm-ups" of solid "Old Gold" color with the word, "Maupin" stenciled in purple on the back, and with a purple "cub head" painted on the front, have been purchased by the Student Body. They are novel and attractive and will be used only at games by the first string men.

The team has been progressing nicely under Coach Poling. Four practices a week are held, two in the evenings and two in the afternoons.

Cubs Get Equipment

Equipment for basketball has been purchased are as follows:

Basketball	\$14.00
Nets	1.75
Score Book	1.00
Whistle	.35
Warm-ups	28.08
Total	\$45.18

THEY ARE FRIENDS OF MAUPIN HIGH SCHOOL

The Maupin Hi school are indebted to Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Ziegenhagen as sponsors of the Girl Scouts, who served the refreshments at the close of the minstrel. Girl Scouts also sold candy before the show. Mrs. Confer kindly assisted them by making coffee and helping with preparations for serving, as she did last year. This service contributed materially to the success of this school and community affair.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PLANNED

The first eight grades are making arrangements for a Christmas program to be given December 19 at the school auditorium. The First and Second grades are working up a Star drill. The Fifth and Sixth grades are practicing for a Wreath drill. Four songs have been chosen, one of which will be a solo. The Seventh and Eighth grades are staging a short play "Miss Christmas Acquitted." Seventeen characters will play their part in this drama. The grades are co-operating and are working diligently on this program. The Christmas atmosphere that night will be expressed by the elaborate stage decorations.

Expense of The M. M. Minstrel

Elden Allen, as student manager, shows the expense of the Minstrel show to be as follows:	
Costumes	\$15.78
Books	.90
O. P. Gesh & Co.	
Doughnuts, sugar, coffee, milk	7.07
Shattuck Bros., paint, tape, cloth, paint brush, tacks, nails, pins, fuse plugs	6.34
The Maupin Times, tickets and bills	6.00
The Maupin Drug Store, cold cream and paint	3.40
Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co., lumber and paper	2.95
Total	\$42.44
We may be able to deduct about \$10 for sale of costumes and merchandise returned unused.	

INTERESTING EVENTS OF THE MAUPIN SCHOOLS

The dance given by the Legion Thanksgiving night was well attended. Many of the High school students were present. The music was furnished by a negro orchestra, reported to be the best ever playing in Maupin.

After the "Maupin Hi Minstrel show" last Tuesday night Mr. Fulkerson, government trapper of this section, gave an exhibition of a day's catch, which consisted of one porcupine, one wild cat, three coyotes and one civet cat. Mr. Fulkerson is one of the most successful trappers in Oregon. His big catch of varmints was appreciated by the large audience.

Mr. Hampton spent the holidays visiting his parents at Cheney, Washington.

Mr. Poling journeyed to Corvallis last Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents. He reports that his father is still suffering injuries received in a recent auto accident. Mr. Poling, Sr. has many friends here who extend their sympathy and good wishes for an early recovery.

Mrs. Joynt and Mrs. Carr spent the holidays at Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. DeVoe were at the Rothwell ranch Thanksgiving.

Saturday Mr. DeVoe went forth with Pete Kirsch and his lusty rabbit gang to harvest Jack Rabbits. They brought in 59 bunnies. Mrs. Kirsch had a turkey supper ready with all the trimmings for the hungry hunters, who were as valiant with the knife and fork as with the weapons of chase.

The Public Speaking class has taken up outlining of topics. The first thing to do is to choose an appropriate subject, one in which you are interested and that you will be able to get across to the audience in a limited time. The students are started out by reading magazine articles and telling of them before the class.

All students look refreshed and seem ready for the short session between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Maupin School Boys Stage Regular Smoker

Leo Cunningham and Emory Crowfoot are fight promoters. The Saturday following the Legion smoker they squared the circle and stretched the ropes in an old tent house on the lot opposite Mr. Confer's.

A few of the leading numbers on the card were: Dick Shearer versus Billy Schilling; Jack Bothwell versus Albert Troutman; Buzz Benick versus Floyd Addington; Ralph Kaiser versus Herbert Kramer, who were scheduled as the main event. Herbert is taller and has a longer reach than Ralph but Ralph proved quicker, so the event was evenly matched. Richard Crabtree proved a capable referee. The crowd was chiefly made up of small boys but a few grown ups who like to witness this sport were also present.

The admission charged was five cents for ringside seats and one cent for reserved seats. The total gate receipts were 86 cents and this was divided among the fighters, who received seven cents, although it required a near scrap to divide the money.

Just to please the assembly who wanted to see the promoters mix, Leo and Emory put on the gloves. Early in the third round Emory was hit on the nose, and Leo won by a technical knockout. All the other bouts were termed draws. Some of the boys wore regular fighting trunks and the regular atmosphere of the ring prevailed throughout. Another smoker is under way and the promoters promise a real sensation to lovers of the sport.

BOXING GLOVES AT SCHOOL

The boxing gloves that were used at the Maupin Legion smoker were given to the Maupin schools. The gloves are used about every noon when some one tries out his skill in the art of boxing. Mr. Hampton is in charge of the gloves, and as he has had some experience at wrestling and boxing, he can supervise the bouts and prevent arguments from arising between the fighters.

COMETS APPEAR IN MAUPIN

The true meaning of the word "comet" connects it with the stars. Comets are objects of wonder, speed, and brilliance. In the sense of the High school it means something speedy and bright, which accounts for the fact that the Maupin Hi girls chose that name for their basketball team.

Intensive practice started Monday and it will not be long until games will be played with other schools. The Comets, as the team will be known hereafter, are determined to live up to their name by winning games this season, and finishing up at the zenith. Watch for the sparkle and dash of the Comets' basketball squad.

ENJOY THANKSGIVING

The High school students all returned Monday, and from reports everybody had a fine time during the vacation. It seems as though this vacation was a serious time for turkeys. The students were thankful that turkey was cheaper than chicken for once.

Among those attending the Legion dance from the High school were: Bob Shepflin, Elton Snodgrass, Richard Crabtree, Albert St. Dennis, Massie Ashley, Laco Greene, Mary Greene, Bonney Duus, Mabel Weberg, Lelah Weberg, Bethel Snodgrass, Bessie Starr and Elden Allen. All report having a good time to the music of the piano, drum and the mournful sax. The musical "coons" were clever and entertaining.

Bonney Duus spent Thanksgiving with his grandparents in Maupin.

Nova Hedin went to Portland where she spent Thanksgiving with her grandparents.

GRADE NOTES

Seventh and Eighth Grades. Those neither tardy nor absent in the Seventh and Eighth grades for the past month were: Henry Wilson, Betty Slusher, Irene Wood-

PLAINT OF ANCIENT MARINER HEARD ON THE FLAT

Building of Clear Lake Dam Now Looked Upon as Matter to Influence Court

In his tale of "The Ancient Mariner" Samuel Taylor Coleridge remarks in one stanza: "Water, water everywhere, but not a drop to drink." That poem was written in 1798 and in parts seems to border on the experience of Tantalus, who, in Greek legend, was, as a punishment for revealing the secrets of the gods, condemned to eternal thirst. He stood in a pool, his chin level with the water; yet whenever he stooped his head to drink the water fled away and left his lips and throat parched with thirst.

As comparison with the above two cases we might cite the plight of those men on Juniper Flat who have been praying and paying for water with which to assuage the thirst of their suffering acres.

Within the past decade settlers on the Flat have paid a total of \$124,800.00 on water contracts. In addition to that amount they also have paid \$17,775.00 as maintenance fees, making a grand total of \$142,575.05. According to their contracts they were to receive a minimum of one miner's inch of water for each acre contracted. But did they even get that small amount? We have been informed they did not. How much did they get? According to the testimony adduced at the hearing held in this city on

cock, Earl Addington, Douglas Bothwell, Russell Holt, Ralph Kaiser, Theodore Kirsch, Herbert Kramer, Dorothy Greene, Bernice Hollis, Frances Lindley and Jean Renick..

Fifth and Sixth Grades

Ernie Confer brought to school a few German and French coins which his father brought home from the war. He also had a knife as well as some American, Belgian, and French shells which were used in the war. Besides these articles there were several other interesting things.

Emory Crowfoot typed his part of a Christmas dialog. He used his sister's typewriter, doing very neat work.

Sunday, as Lena Turner and Alma Powell were out walking, they found bits of clay that had turned to rock. They brought these to school and are now studying them, keeping a sharp lookout for other specimens of this kind.

John Slusher, who has been absent for the past month, returned to school Monday. John, having been absent is the only one not included in the Christmas program. We'll have work enough for him later when we start decorating the stage.

Third and Fourth Grades

Louise Duus has returned to school after a spell of illness.

Alma Fraley is absent again on account of illness.

The children gave interesting accounts of the way they spent Thanksgiving holidays for opening exercises Monday morning. They seemed pleased to tell of their vacation.

Primary

The attendance Monday in the Primary room after the Thanksgiving vacation was 100 per cent.

Glen Chastain spent Thanksgiving at Walla Walla with his grandmother.

Jack Bothwell had his turkey feast at the Dufur home.

The First and Second graders are finding how Jumbo, the elephant lives.

Many attractive elephant pictures are to be seen on the bulletin boards.

Woven mats, made in art classes are now on display in the Primary room.

A very attractive Poinsetta border is on our blackboard for the Christmas month.

A Christmas sand table in under construction.

Billie Schilling and Glen Chastain are the newly elected inspectors for this week.

Don Stog dill came to school with a swollen jaw, resulting from a

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BARLOW GATE GRANGE WILL STAGE COMEDY

"The Adventures of Grandpa" to Be Put on Next Friday at Wamic

Barlow Gate Grange, ever at the front with matters of public interest, has rehearsed a three-act comedy—"The Adventures of Grandpa"—and will show same to the public on the evening of Friday, December 13, at the Wamic hall. Some of the best talent of this end of the county has been impressed into the cast, and each member thereof has faithfully applied himself to the part he is to represent. Admission has been placed at 50 cents. There will be a dance after the play. Following is the cast of characters:

- Monte Ray.....Jame Zumwalt.
- Tod Hunter.....Vernon Wing
- Otis Hammerhead.....Claude Roberts
- Officer McCormick.....Vernon Woodcock.
- Lucy Hunter.....Alice Gesh
- Dorothy May.....Hazel Johnson
- Mrs. Pansy Hopscotch.....
- Naomi Magill
- Marie Ribeau.....Carmel Woodcock
- Kloompny.....Ruth Wharton

Govt. Farmer C. E. Andres was in from Sinnasho on business today.

July 14, 1929, they get little. Why? State Engineer Luper, in his decree denying the application of the Wapinitia Irrigation Co. for a further extension of time in which to complete proposed work on the system, says that "in view of the evidence it does not appear to the state engineer that the company has exercised that degree of diligence which would entitle it to an extension of time."

The five years granted the company in which to perfect its plans for the supplying of water to its contract holders were apparently wasted in doing next to nothing toward ameliorating the water condition on the Flat. In 1924 a crew of five men was employed for a period of less than a week; in 1928 nine or 10 men were employed for a period of 33 days, entailing an expenditure of approximately \$3,000 to better the system.

Last spring, during the run-off from the mountains, the ditches were filled with snow. No member of the company thought to even make a slight trail through that snow which the water naturally would have followed to the Flat and hundreds of acres of land benefited thereby. No. The water was allowed to wend its way wherever it listed and the consequence was that the contract holders' irrigated alfalfa fields suffered from lack thereof. Of course the company felt real bad over this and promised to do better next year.

Now up bobs a new proposition: The Wapinitia Irrigation company was absorbed by a new concern—the Mt. Hood Land and Water company. That outfit constructed what purports to be a dam at the mouth of Clear Lake. Propaganda would try and make contract holders believe the new concern would be in a position to supply water next season. In the meantime it is supposed that such construction is but a gesture, being put up to influence the court in the appeal from the state engineer's decision, by showing that the company really means business. We have been told the new company is capitalized at \$5,000. Very good. With a construction program requiring at least 100,00 in view, it seems to us that the little old \$5,000 will not reach very far.

Tantalus suffered. The water contract holders suffer, and their sufferings are easy to measure. With even a modicum of water last season quite a chunk of alfalfa could have been grown—sufficient for home consumption and a little to sell to stockmen. With the dry condition of the range at this time hay promises to be in demand. Conservatively figuring the ranchers of Juniper Flat stand to lose approximately \$50,000 because of a lack of promised and paid for water last season.

Yes, the Ancient Mariner had a right to declaim about having plenty of water handy but none of it fit to drink, while the ranchers would only be too well pleased had many of them stock water for this winter.

We expect to have more to say about the water question on the Flat in our next week's issue. We're collecting data just now and will dish it out to our readers when compiled.

NAT. SCOUT OFFICERS WILL ATTEND THE DALLES MEETING

Interesting Program Arranged and Large Attendance Expected At the Meeting

Charles Miller, of the National Boy Scout headquarters, and John H. Piper, Regional Scout executive, will participate in the annual meeting of the Mid-Columbia Dechutes Area Council being held in The Dalles Hotel Saturday evening, of December 7th, at 7:00 p. m., according to an announcement from Scout Executive W. W. Belcher.

Plans for the meeting include a review of the past year's activities and progress and some proposed changes for the coming year. Entertainment is being taken care of by Marion Sexton, of The Dalles district.

George J. Childs, of Bend, president of the Area Council, will preside and a large attendance, from the nine counties served by this council is expected. Many of the men are bringing their wives to the meeting, as this one meeting a year is the only mixed one held in the Area.

Attendance is open to anyone interested in Scouting, it was announced, and all wishing to come are urged to notify Boy Scout Headquarters in The Dalles of their intention.

PHEASANTS FOUND TO BE AN AID TO FARMERS

Study of Birds' Stomachs Made at O. S. C. Shows Foods is Mostly Weed Seed

China pheasants have been largely cleared of charges of being more of a pest than a benefit to Oregon farmer; as the result of a study of the feeding habits of these game birds made by the Oregon State college experiment station at the request of the state game commission. Birds were captured by the game commission all over the state on July 1 and August 1 and sent to the college where the contents of the stomachs were analyzed by specialists in the departments of entomology, farm crops and veterinary medicine.

Weed and seed and insects were found to constitute by far the major food of the birds, with only small amounts of field crops. Animal food was mostly grasshoppers, sundry beetles, chitins and various small insects in adult or larval forms.

Small amounts of rye grass, wheat, vetch, barley, oats and blue grass were balanced by quantities of weed seeds such as buttercup, birdseed, bull thistle, bachelor button, wild blackberry, rat-tail fescue, dandelion, sorrel, snowberry, wild turnip, wild rose, sow thistle, wild mustard, buckthorn, knotweed, trefoil and sedge.

Display Hope Chest

The Ladies Auxiliary to the American Legion has on display at the Maupin State bank a well filled hope chest, containing many articles dear to the heart of any bride. The chest will be raffled off on Friday, December 20. Tickets only 50 cents and may be procured of any member of the Auxiliary.

Adding to Residence

Job and Earl Crabtree are at work building an addition to the residence of Julius Shepflin. The addition will be 12x24 feet in size and will be joined to the present house. When completed the Shepflins will have as nice a cottage as any in Maupin.

LADIES, ATTENTION

Mrs. M. E. Bickert of Portland, Oregon, will display the season's most attractive apparel for Ladies' and Misses' attire. For this assemblage you will find coats, hats, dresses, ensembles, wash frocks, colored jewelry to match costumes, real merchandise that is clever and new from San Francisco, Portland and New York, and at prices that will be very advantageous. Now is the time to buy absolutely new stock at one-half prices. The Maupin Hotel, Tuesday, December 10, for one day only.—Adv.