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Cave Junct. Postmaster Examination

The following article from the United States Civil Service Commission was received the first of the week. It is the official notice for calling examinations for the position of fourth class postmaster for Cave Junction, Oregon. The date of the examination will be announced later. Following is the bulletin received from the commission:

Fourth Class Postmaster Examination

Receipt of applications to close Oct. 21, 1938.

The date for assembling of competitors will be stated in the admission cards which will be mailed to applicants after the close of receipt of applications.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination, as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of fourth class postmaster at Cave Junction, Ore., and other vacancies as they may occur at that office, unless it shall be decided in the interest of the service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement. The examination will be held at Grants Pass, Ore. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$894 for the last fiscal year.

Applicants must have reached their twenty-first birthday but not their sixty-fifth birthday on the date of the close of receipt of applications.

Applicants must reside within the territory supplied by the post office for which the examination is announced.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements.

Application blanks, Form 9, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from the postmaster at the place of vacancy or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Applications must be properly executed and on file with the Commission at Washington, D. C., prior to the hour of closing business on the date specified at the head of this announcement.

Birthday Dinner for Bert Watkins

Last Saturday evening Mrs. Bert Watkins gave a dinner party in honor of her husband's birthday, and "oh, how she can cook."

Among the guests that enjoyed the evening were Mrs. William A. Brown, Miss Anna Hanzik of San Francisco, Mrs. E. L. Coovert, Roy C. Durdas, Ted Athey and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Watkins.

COMING EVENTS

Wednesday, October 19 — Business and social meeting of Legion and Auxiliary. Every World War Veteran and family invited. Women please bring covered dish or pie.

Thursday, October 20 — Booster night at Bridgeview Grange hall. Members are invited to bring a prospective member.

Friday, October 21 — Women's Civic club at the home of Mrs. Paul Hein.

Friday, October 21 — The Friday Evening Pinochle club at the I. O. O. F. hall, Kerby, instead of Friday, October 14.

Saturday, October 22 — Candidate's night at Bridgeview Grange hall. Dance after the meeting. All candidates and friends invited.

Tuesday, Nov. 8 — General election.

Friday, Nov. 11—Armistice day.

Student Activities At Kerby High

Myrtle Kretsinger was absent the past week because of a severe cold and ear ache. She returned to school Monday.

Mildred Norman and Edward Santos have returned from attending the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in Portland. They both report having a good time.

Girls Glee club has begun work on "Syncopeated Lullaby", a three-part song. First and second soprano and alto voices have been selected for this song.

Tuesday noon the Girls League officers and committee chairmen held a business meeting to discuss plans for this year. Socials and ways of earning money were discussed. Ice cream and cake was served for refreshments. Mrs. Wilson and Miss Connell are Girls League advisors.

Friday, October 7, was the first Girls League meeting of this year. The purpose of this meeting was to elect officers for this year. It was decided to have officers elected each term; so that more girls would have a chance to hold an office.

The girls elected to hold offices this semester are the following: President, Maxene Patrick; Vice-president, Phyllis Jones; Secretary-Treasurer, Dorothy Hogue; Student Council Representative, Jeanne Villair. There are to be four standing committees. Those elected as chairmen are: social committee, Adelaide McCrady; program committee, Charlotte Badden; finance committee, Dolie Branham; refreshment committee, Bernice Allen.

Girls League meetings will be held every two weeks on Friday afternoon.

I. V. CHAMBER MONDAY IN GRANTS PASS

Next Monday noon, the Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce is honoring the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce with Illinois Valley day, and the local chamber will have charge of the program.

The officers of the Chamber of Commerce here hopes that a large delegation will accompany the members to Grants Pass next Monday morning and attend the luncheon at the Del Rogue hotel at 12 noon, and help swell the attendance. All the Illinois Valley folks who are in town Monday are urged to attend this luncheon. All members of the chamber are urged to make special efforts to attend the luncheon.

President Drews will have a good program and we hope to have the Miners' Jubilee Minstrels, Buck, Sonny and Frank, to entertain the G. P. members with their string trio, and while the musicians have not as yet been contacted, we believe they will be on hand and also several singers as well. We are anxious to show Grants Pass some of our talent and this is an excellent opportunity.

The luncheon will not last long, so those who have to come right back home can do so. The lunch starts at 12 and is out a little after 1 p. m.

Meeting of Chamber of Commerce Tuesday

Last Tuesday President Drews called the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce to start their fall sessions or weekly luncheons. The call was not well advertised and only a handful were notified, so the attendance was not large.

Business transacted consisted of discussing some promising activities for the Chamber for the future—a new building, incorporation, and other matter of interest.

Next Tuesday noon, the Chamber will meet for noon lunch in

U. S. Reports Illinois Valley Eligible for Water Use Projects

Farmers of the Illinois river watershed southwest of Grants Pass now have an opportunity to improve their facilities for water utilization.

Designation of the watershed as an eligible area for a new water development service offered by the U. S. Department of Agriculture was announced today in a release by the soil conservation service at Spokane.

"Under the new program provided for by the last session of congress, loans bearing 3 per cent will be made for the purpose of constructing dams, installation of small pumping plants, wells, stock ponds, springs and other productive installations, with payments spread over five to 20 years," the release says.

"For the present the department in concentrating the program in areas where most can be accomplished for farm welfare, limiting assistance to farmers, limiting tenants, who otherwise are unable to finance such developments. Facilities constructed under the program must be instrumental in achieving wise land use and economic betterment, with

individual participating farmers committed to sound land-use agreements during the life of their loans.

"The program will be carried on by already established agencies within the department. The bureau of agricultural economics recommends areas in which the work is to be done. The soil conservation service is in charge of operations, including individual farm planning and construction, and the Farm Security administration supplies the necessary credit to eligible farmers."

Fred A. Mark of the soil conservation service has been named administrator with headquarters at Spokane. Joseph W. Deremiah, Josephine county supervisor for the FSA, is designated to receive applications from interested farmers for participation in the water development program.—Grants Pass Courier.

A committee from the Illinois Valley Grange will meet at the Grange hall, Friday, October 28th to gather information on the water situation. Anyone interested should let the committee know.

4-H Club Winners Home



Josephine county's outstanding 4-H club boy and girl, Edward Santos and Mildred Norman, both of Selma, returned home last week from a three-day visit to the Pacific International exposition as guests of the First National Bank of Portland in the annual achievement and leadership contest sponsored by the Portland bank.

Portland proved a hospitable city, the two reported, and the entire group of 74 winners, representing every county in Oregon, received every courtesy.

In addition to daily Pacific International visits, high points of the program were a group dinner on the exposition grounds, follow-

ed by attendance at the horse show; a sightseeing tour of Portland, including visits to the Jantzen Knitting Mills, residential sections of the city, and luncheon at the Coon Chicken Inn; a banquet and dance at the Heathman hotel, the visitors' headquarters, Thursday evening; and a trip to the Swan Island Airport. Of special interest, also, was a conducted tour over the Dutch Motor ship "M. S. Marken," newest type refrigerated motorship from Holland.

After luncheon Friday at the Columbia-Edgewater Country club the winners set out for the return trip home.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The Ladies Missionary Society of Cave Junction met all day last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Yarbrough. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a kitchen shower. Many useful gifts were left with them.

A luncheon was served at noon and topped off with a beautiful cake, appropriate for the occasion.

An interesting guessing game helped pass the afternoon and time to leave soon came, each guest wishing them many more happy years.

Kerby News Notes of General Interest

Miss Dorothy McCrady who is employed at Arcata, California, spent part of last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. A. Hoskins in Kerby.

Doris Jones spent the week end with her class mate, Lois Kunkle at the home of Lois' grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walton near Holland.

Lt. and Mrs. Scobey have moved into the Maple Court auto camp for the winter. Lt. Scobey is connected with the Greyback CCC camp which is to have new recruits for the winter.

Mrs. A. C. Barnes took the place of Mrs. John Banta as cook on the Pomeroy ranch last week while Mrs. Banta did some painting on her house north of Kerby.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Anderson of San Francisco, are living in the small Jim Hogue house near the highway. Mr. Anderson is mining with Bill Stramka on the Illinois river north of Kerby.

Miss Alvenia Connell of the high school English department spent the week end at her home in McMinnville, also enjoying the home coming at Linfield college.

Mr. and Mrs. Early of Medford were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Wilson on Sunday. Mrs. Early is English instructor in the Medford high school and taught with Mrs. Wilson at McMinnville high school a few years ago.

Miss LaVerne Roberson, intermediate teacher in the Kerby grade school, returned to Kerby Tuesday after several days illness at her home in Ashland. Mrs. Besie Watts of Holland had charge of Miss Roberson's work Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Lucius Robinson spent the week end at Medford, where she visited with her mother and other relatives. She was accompanied by her son, Ken Robinson who visited at Ashland and also made a trip to Diamond Lake, where he caught some fine fish.

Miss Bertha Houck and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Houck and three children of Rogue River, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bigelow on Monday. Miss Bertha has been employed in Grants Pass, but will make her home with her brother, Wm. Houck at Rogue River. Mrs. Bigelow is an aunt of Wm. and Bertha Houck.

Eldon and Owen Mobley of Gates, Oregon, and their sister, Mrs. Morna Repetto of Palo Alto, were guests over the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Jones. Saturday the visitors and Phyllis Jones visited the Oregon Caves. Mrs. Repetto and brothers were on their way to Palo Alto, to move her household effects to Gates, where she will spend the winter with her father.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Badden entertained last Saturday evening at their home in Kerby. The following couples being present, Mr. and Mrs. Martindale, Emily Kellert and Millie Trefethen, Mr. and Mrs. Stallcup, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hoskins, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Watts. Pinochle was played and high score was won by Pearl Martindale and Carl Stallcup with low score going to Emily Kellert and Bud Hoskins.

Mrs. Lucius Robinson, Mrs. W. A. Hoskins and Mrs. Ferd Jones attended the Home Economics extension meeting held at Bridgeview Grange hall Tuesday afternoon. Although a small crowd of women were in attendance the interest was intense. Mrs. Harry Smith led an interesting discus-

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School Bus Election Decisive

Last Saturday, Union High School District No. 1, comprising most of the Illinois Valley, held an election to vote on the new school budget for the year and whether the district should provide transportation for the pupils or not.

It was perhaps the largest school election ever held in the district as 241 people voted at the election. The results on the ballot were as follows:

For budget, 144.
Against budget, 88.
For bus, 84.
Against budget, 88.

The election was the result of technical complications in former ones and had to be voted again on account of school bonds. The people of the district were asked to come out and let the school board know what they wanted. The board can now understand.

Townsendites Going Strong for Mahoney

Straw poll taken at the last meeting of the Reedsport Townsend club on the United States senatorial race gave Willis Mahoney, Democratic nominee, 33 out of 39 votes, L. B. Judy, president, reported this week. The club members donated \$25 to Mahoney's campaign fund.

WHAT THE LEGION AUXILIARY IS DOING

The following business was transacted at the October 7th meeting of the Auxiliary:

Marie White was appointed to serve the dance supper Saturday October 15th. Amy Hussey was appointed to take the check room. The check room is maintained for your convenience, you may check your wraps for the entire evening for one dime.

They voted to pay the following:

Check-a-month club at \$1.00 a month \$12.00
Dimes for Disabled 3.20
Christmas Cheer 5.00

Each unit in the state contributes what it can afford each month to the Check-a-month club. This money is all sent to department headquarters at Marshfield, where it is divided equally between hospital and child welfare work. The department finance office reported that approximately two-thirds of the hospital allowance was used for family-contact work. That is, when a veteran is enrolled, at either Roseburg or Portland, the hospital chairman immediately inquires and finds out whether his family is in need. If so they are cared for. This phase of the Auxiliary work is growing heavier each year as more veterans are hospitalized.

Each unit also pays 10c per member each year as "Dimes for the Disabled." This money is spent to help disabled veterans get claims adjusted and various matters which arise through improper government records.

The Christmas cheer money is used the same as the Check-a-month, but is used at Christmas. The money is sent now so the hospital and child welfare chairman will know just how much they can do for each person they have. The hospital and child welfare chairman also ask the units for clothing favors or refreshments for parties, etc.

Glenn Morrison Unit planned a sewing day, twice each month, on the second and fourth Wednesday to do that work.

The first meeting of this year was held Wednesday, October 12 in the Auxiliary's meeting room. A chicken dinner with all the trimmings, was served at noon and the afternoon was spent in quilting.