

### Gateway to The Oregon Caves

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## Political Pot Simmers as April 1 Nears

It won't be long now. The first of April is the dead line for filing for office in the May primaries, and that is only next Monday, so if there are any in the valley with the urge to get into the scramble, time is short.

The latest news of much consequence to the valley voters, was the entry of John W. Smith, a long time resident of the valley, into the race for county commissioner. This gives the valley two candidates, as John Valen is up for reelection.

Harold Pruitt, who had intended to file as candidate for representative, withdrew from the race.

Following is the complete filings as of last Tuesday:

**For Circuit Judge, non-partisan**  
H. K. Hanna.  
W. T. Miller.

**School Superintendent, non-partisan**  
Dale Ginn.  
Mrs. Minnie Marcy.  
H. H. Wardrip.

**District Attorney**  
Orval J. Millard, Republican, incumbent.

**State Senator**  
W. H. Miller, Democrat.  
L. W. Wipperfurth, Republican, incumbent.

**State Representative**  
J. D. Creech, Republican.  
Kenneth Martin, Republican.  
W. A. Moser, Democrat.

**County Commissioner**  
T. H. Dawson, Republican.  
W. C. Lucore, Democrat.  
John W. Smith, Democrat.  
John Valen, Republican, incumbent.

**County Clerk**  
D. C. Bell, Democrat.  
Ben W. Coutant, Republican, incumbent.

**County Assessor**  
Merle Griffin, Republican.  
Stephen Jewell, Democrat.  
Ernest C. Kelso, Republican.  
Marion Loughridge, Democrat.  
Jas. J. McFadden, Republican, incumbent.

**County Treasurer**  
Lincoln Savage, Republican, incumbent.

**County Surveyor**  
John R. White, Democrat, incumbent.

**County Coroner**  
Virgil Hull, Democrat, incumbent.

### BLESSED EVENTS

To Mr. and Mrs. W. A. (Bud) Hoskins of Kerby, Monday, Mar. 25, at 4:10 a. m., was born a baby daughter, weighing nine pounds, four ounces, in the hospital at Grants Pass. The young Miss has been named Mary Ellen Hoskins. She was the 600th baby in which Mrs. Boad S. L. Freitag has assisted in delivery and to each 100th baby she presents a silver spoon. Therefore, it might be stated here and now, Miss Mary Ellen Hoskins was practically born "with a silver spoon in her mouth."

### COMING EVENTS

Illinois Valley Juvenile Grange meets first and third Saturdays of each month at 2 p. m.  
Regular Legion and Auxiliary meeting the first and third Wednesday of every month.  
Auxiliary sewing days every second and fourth Wednesday. Pot luck dinner at noon. Everyone is welcome.  
Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce meeting, every Monday evening, 8 p. m. Noon luncheon second Tuesday of every month.

## AWARD 200 STUDY CERTIFICATES TO CAVES CCC BOYS

The award of more than 200 Educational Certificates at Camp Oregon Caves on the night of Mar. 20, marked a new high for Company 5483. The total included two proficiency certificates, three 144-hour certificates, 177 unit certificates, 14 correspondence certificates and 15 First Aid cards. A count showed that more than half the members of the Company received one or more certificates for educational work done during the last quarter. James H. Eaton, assistant tool clerk, was top man with nine unit certificates and a "CCC Diploma." Eaton who was returning home, planned to use his certificates for credit toward high school graduation.

The certificates were awarded at an all-camp night program held on the eve of the departure of 61 members of the company for the East. Group singing, instrumental numbers and farewell talks by members of the staff were features of the program. District Chaplain Pond also spoke briefly. "Safe Driver" insignia were awarded to three truck drivers who had driven for six months without accident.

## Local Boys Make Good on Fight Card

Last Friday night two local boys showed a near capacity crowd at the Grants Pass fights, that they must be reckoned with in the future. There was a great attendance from the valley, all one sex, being filled with valley folks and many sat elsewhere.

Claude Tucker, not Claude Pepper, as the papers and programs had his name spelled, was master of his situation from the start. He was opposed by Gerald Smith, 153 pounds, Claude weighing 146. Bert Williams, the referee, stopped the fight in the second round, saving Smith from unnecessary punishment, and Claude won a technical knockout. His showing last Friday gives him a chance to meet Willie Richie of the Williams CCC camp, one of the top notchers in his division, and this should be a great fight.

Bobby Stanfield weighing 108 pounds was pitted against Virgil Schammel, 105 pounds, and this third round fight was declared a draw. This was so interesting that the boys have been rematched at the next fight.

Friday night, April 15th, Claude and Bobby with a few other valley boys will appear on the fight card, and all the fans who enjoy this sport will be there to help the local boys win.

Harold C. Hill and son Don spent Easter Sunday with Mrs. Hill in Grants Pass. Don spent his spring vacation with his father on their ranch on the Waldo road and returned to his school duties on Monday.

## ALMANAC



"Heaven's help is better than early rising."

- APRIL
- 2—U. S. Mint established, 1792.
- 3—Bruno Hauptmann, kidnapper, executed, 1936.
- 4—House passed bill releasing \$1,500,000,000 for business loans, 1938.
- 5—Pocahontas married John Rolfe, 1614.
- 6—A Soviet republic proclaimed at Munich, 1919.
- 7—First Ohio settlement founded at Marietta, 1788.
- 8—Battle of Appomattox fought, 1865.

## Redbud Fete Scheduled For Sunday

People who thrill at the spectacular beauty of nature during early Spring days will welcome announcement of the Luke County Chamber of Commerce that the annual Redbud Festival will be held in the Nice-Lucerne district on Sunday, March 31.

The event annually attracts hundreds of motorists from all parts of the state to the eastern shores of clear lake where appropriate ceremonies and musical program pay homage to the Redbud, frequently referred to as "the Judas Tree of the Holy-land," and to the many wild flowers of the region.

The western redbud is a gorgeous flowering tree-like bush frequently reaching a height of 25 to 30 feet and is found in great profusion along streams and hill sides of Lake county, although many blossoms may be also seen in Mendocino, Napa and certain portions of Humboldt counties.

Each year prior to the full leafing, the redbud appears in Napa and Lake counties and transforms the hills and countryside into a spectacular wine-hued paradise of natural beauty.

During the redbud season all highways lead into Lake and Napa counties and particularly on the occasion of the Redbud Festival when communities and famed recreational resorts of the region hold open house in true Redwood Empire hospitality style.

Redbud days extend for several weeks and are one of the most alluring times to visit Lake county, a region replete with scenic beauties and frequently called "The Switzerland of America."

## Kerby News Notes of General Interest

Mr. and Mrs. John McCune were hosts to a number of the school mates of their son, John, on Saturday afternoon at their ranch home on the west side road, the affair celebrating John's tenth birthday.

Games, contests, horse back riding and numerous other things kept the lively guests and their hosts busy. Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon, all leaving with the hopes of another invitation to John's place again in the future. Present were Wendall and Dena Jones, Evelyn and Earl Horn, Barbetta Farlien, Edna and Earl Thompson, Max Morrison, Shirley Martindale, and John, Robert and Paul McCune.

Heide Sachse was the honored guest at a surprise party on Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Ghilieri. The affair was planned by Betty Lyman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ghilieri, and was the occasion of Heide's 14th birthday. Games and dancing furnished the entertainment. Delicious refreshments with a large birthday cake finished the evening. Present were Norma McCrady, Muriel Inman, Virginia Thrasher, Betty Lyman, Dorothy Stewart, Winnie Hassler, Rosemary Sachse, Carol Anderton, Louise Hammer, Doris Jones, Heide Sachse, Martin Sachse and Mr. and Mrs. Ghilieri.

Mabel Wittrock left for Corvallis Sunday morning where she attends OSC. Registration for the spring term took place on Monday. Bob Pomeroy also spent his Easter vacation on the Pomeroy ranch. Bob is taking an engineering course at OSC at Corvallis.

Announcements were received by many of the friends of "Shorty" Ralph Phillips of his marriage on March 17 to Mrs. Amelia Dodd at Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips returned to Kerby on Sunday, March 24 and were heartily welcomed by many friends on Tuesday evening at the Ritz Tavern.

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## MORE BOOKS ADDED TO O'BRIEN LIBRARY

More books have been received at the O'Brien branch library, for the demand is enthusiastic and many are reading and enjoying the privilege of having books so convenient. The last volumes received include a number of the later and most popular books, such as "And the Rains Came" from which the recent picture has been taken; "A Peculiar Treasure" being the life of Edna Ferber, and written in a fascinating style; the little classic, "Log Cabin Lady" which can be read in less than two hours; "And Tell of Time" which is a story of early Texas history and has had a big run; and the delightful story, "The Yearling" which one cannot lay down when one starts it, and a number of others, which are available at the Waldo Motel, in O'Brien.

## Club Visits Beautiful Flower Beds

The March meeting of the Illinois Valley Garden club was held in the spacious gardens of Mrs. Harry O. Smith on Caves highway last Friday afternoon and was the perfect setting of a delightful affair when she expended her hospitality to a very large number of members and guests of the club at a daffodil tea.

Everyone was given an opportunity to make a tour of the gardens and enjoy the beauty of the many different varieties of choice daffodils, narcissus and spring blossoms of pastel shades.

In the absence of Mrs. C. C. Babcock, president, the meeting and program were in charge of Mrs. A. A. Johnson.

Mrs. C. G. Morris, who recently attended a meeting of the Medford Garden club, gave an interesting discourse on what she had learned and heard at this gathering.

Concluding the afternoon guests were served hotcross buns, tea and coffee. Presiding over the tea tables were Mrs. Harry O. Smith, Mrs. Sam Bunch, Mrs. Raphael Leonard, and Mrs. Mattie E. Seyferth.

## Three C Boys Construct Shop Addition

The woodworking shop at Camp Oregon Caves has been enlarged by the recent construction of a 30-foot addition, 20 feet wide and of standard construction. Much of the material needed for the new part was furnished by the sawmill, which is operated by Company 5483 as a work project. The expanded shop, now 20x60 feet in size, provides more adequate space for the equipment and stocks of material.

The shop is equipped and operated jointly by the Park Service and the Educational Department. The equipment includes three lathes, two band saws, jig saw, circular saw, jointer, drill press, and a god supply of hand tools. The Camp is supplied with commercial power and the machines are operated by individual motors.

Leader J. H. Hance who is in charge of the shop for the Technical Service is also instructor in woodworking. Mr. Hance has had a great deal of experience not only in carpenter work but also in furniture building and cabinet making.

The work handled by the shop includes the making and carving of road signs and the production of furniture to be used in the buildings at Crater Lake National Park. White cedar, cut at the Company mill, is used for sign

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## Gov. Sprague Sets April 6 As Army Day

The Congress of United States has by concurrent resolution, and the President of the United States has by appropriate proclamation, designated the 6th day of April as ARMY DAY. Accordingly, I request that the citizens of Oregon give suitable recognition to this date and consider its significance for the welfare of the Nation.

Past history shows that seasons of peace are painfully interrupted by periods of warfare. It reveals also that lack of preparation for military action is always costly and sometimes fatal to national existence. Therefore, while we as a people love peace and abhor war, we must not neglect the training and equipment of armed forces adequate for the proper protection of our Country's vital interests.

Recent months have seen a considerable expansion of our military units, including our own National Guard, and an intensified training of personnel. Army Day will give citizens the opportunity to observe the progress made for the strengthening of our military effectiveness; and I invite the people of Oregon on Army Day to study the present condition and needs of our defense establishment.

CHARLES A. SPRAGUE,  
Governor of the State of Oregon

## Redwood Empire Men To Meet on April 15th

San Francisco, March 22 — The semi-annual Directors' meeting of the Redwood Empire Association was today set for April 5 in Larkspur, Marin county, by Paul E. Mudgett of Fortuna, president of the Association.

In issuing the notice of the meeting, President Mudgett, stated a number of important and timely matters requiring careful consideration and action should result in 100 per cent Director attendance.

Executive board members Gail D. Apperson of Ross, Harry Ridgway and Harry Jutgens. San Rafael, Mark J. Fenton, Garage and Service Station Unit president will join with vice-president W. D. Fuseselman, San Anselmo and other Marin county directorate in completing arrangements for the meeting.

In accordance with annual custom newspapermen, civic, farm, and other leaders of the host county of Marin will be invited to sit in with the directors in business sessions beginning at noon, to hear summary reports on activities submitted by various Association officials, unit presidents and committee chairmen, together with general recommendations for Association activities during ensuing months.

## SELMA CHILDREN ENJOY EGG HUNT

The Selma school children had their Easter egg hunt and party Friday afternoon. After hunting eggs, they sang awhile, then enjoyed a marshmallow roast, a treat from their teachers. Visitors were Joyce and Virginia Smith, Gerald and Jean Chappel, Kohath and Kenneth Krauss, Donald Warren, Douglas Plumlee, Annabelle Brewer, Jimmy Radcliffe, Mrs. Dean Warren, Mrs. Abbie Tolin, Mrs. Erma Barnes, Mrs. H. Hemingson, Mrs. Helen Krauss and Mrs. Susan Kraus.

## OLD TIME DANCE SATURDAY NIGHT

Illinois Valley Grange will give one of their famous old time dances Saturday night, March 30, in the Grange hall, Bridgeview.

Good music and a fine supper at midnight. Come out and enjoy one of these good old times with fine music that everyone likes.

## SONJA HENIE'S NEW HIT PACKED WITH SURPRISES

Sonja Henie is full of surprises these days, thanks to her co-starring role with Tyrone Power in Irving Berlin's "Second Fiddle." This picture, Wednesday and Thursday at the Cave City Theatre offers one of the greatest combinations of talent ever gathered for a single show, featuring Rudy Vallee and Edna May Oliver, including new-star Mary Healy, Llye Talbot and Alan Dinehart, and introducing six new Berlin song hits.

In the film Sonja performs on the ice with her first screen skating partner, presents spectacular tropical dances—the rhumba and tango—on the ice, and introduces, with Rudy Vallee, the new ballroom dance sensation, the "Back to Back."

In addition Sonja hangs up her skating shoes and dons a streamlined swim suit for a sequence in the film, proving herself as much at home gracing the border of a pool, or disporting in the water, as she is on the ice.

The ice queen has a real dramatic role, allowing her to demonstrate a genuine acting talent that Darryl F. Zanuck has accorded some careful grooming. The screen play is a realistic tale of what happens to the girl selected by Hollywood after a long, almost interminable, search to fill the role of the heroine of a great best-selling novel.

## Three C Camp May Remain Intact Here

The following Associated Press dispatch from Washington, D. C., was in the Grants Pass Courier of Wednesday, March 27, and is good news to all of the CCC camps. If the proposed legislation carries and is signed by President Roosevelt, all CCC camps will remain intact, which would give us our own Camp Oregon Caves. Following is the dispatch:

WASHINGTON, March 27 — The house, refusing to curtail the civilian conservation corps program, tentatively approved today a \$280,000,000 appropriation to assure continuation of 1,500 CCC camps next year.

By a teller vote of 134 to 109, Republicans and Democrats voted to overrule President Roosevelt's budget request for an appropriation of only \$230,000,000, with a subsequent reduction of 273 camps.

The house appropriations committee had approved the budget figure but had shifted funds so that only 212 camps would be eliminated.

Rep. Boren (D.-Okla.) proposed that the CCC appropriation be increased to \$300,000,000 but he was shouted down.

The house tacked \$17,000,000 on to his request for \$85,000,000 for the NYA, restoring next year's fund to the total available for this year.

## CCC Boys Transfer Changes Personnel

Sixty-one members of Company 5483, left Camp Oregon Caves on March 20, to return East for transfer to other camps or for discharge. Changes have been made in several camp jobs as a result of the loss of these men.

Among those leaving was supply-steward Deedie C. Cooper, whose place is being taken by Frank Holliman. James English has been selected as Ambulance driver in place of Arnold Ward.

William Bailey, who had had two years service with the Company, was reclassified as a Project Assistant.

Coleman Newel, first cook, went East with one of the trains, and will return with the replacements next month.