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Grangers Install Officers

Joint installation ceremonies for Illinois Valley and Deer Creek officers were held last Thursday evening at the Illinois Valley grange hall in Bridgeview, with Mildred Norman, county grange deputy, acting as installing officer, assisted by Peggy Hogue, Jessie Elmore and Dolores Brooks. Past Pomona Master Freeing L. Sawyer, introduced Mrs. Norman.

Officers installed for Illinois Valley grange were, George Wells, Master; Loren George, overseer; Ruth Wendt, lecturer; Bessie Watts, secretary; May Sawyer, treasurer; Phil Sawyer, steward; Joyce Payne, lady assistant; Pearl Barrett, chaplain; Helen Halm, Ceres; Yvonne Payne, Pomona; Barbara Byrne, Flora; Harry Mills, gatekeeper; Oris Seat, Chris Wendt, and Ben George are members of the executive committee.

Officers installed for Deer Creek grange were, C. H. Brooks, master; Wilbur Stire, overseer; Lona Covey, steward; Marion Brooks, lecturer; Marian Dietrich, secretary; Warren Tuttle, treasurer; John Bruchler, assistant steward; May Buckles, lady assistant; Jennie Tuttle, chaplain; Anton Spinas, gatekeeper; Laura Hogue, Ceres; Emma Stire, Pomona; Maud Hogue, Flora; Ed Norman, member of the executive committee.

Balloting for state officers selected the following: Morton Thompkins, master; L'Rena Slack, lecturer; Bertha Beck, secretary; Ray W. Gill, Judge W. A. Johnson and Pete Zimmerman, members of the executive committee.

Obligations in the third and fourth degrees were given Bob Smith and Wendell Lee. Several candidates will take this degree at the Deer Creek grange next Saturday evening.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served.

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S. O. S.!

Announcement from Red Cross headquarters that a call came to Josephine county Tuesday to contribute \$2500 to the American Red Cross for the relief to the armed forces and distressed civilians. Those late in getting their membership in or wanting to make contributions may do so by sending to the Red Cross headquarters, Luncburg building, Grants Pass or leave at News office.

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BLESSED EVENT

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Alton Sowell at the Freitag Maternity home in Grants Pass, Thursday, December 11, at 6:48 a. m., a baby boy, named Norman Earl. His weight was 8 pounds, one-half ounce.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, December 12. — Garden club annual Christmas party and gift exchange, Lone Mt. Valley Resort.
Tuesday, December 16 — Eastern Star election of officers, Christmas gift exchange.
Wed.-Thurs., Dec. 17-18 — Kerby P.-T. A. benefit show at Cave City theater.
Friday, December 19—Box Social, Takilma school, 7:30 p. m. Everyone invited.
Every second Tuesday H. E. U. meeting. Mrs. Lena Payne chairman.
Every Tuesday—10 a. m. Garden talks over KUIN.
Illinois Valley Development league meets second Monday each month, room, open from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m.
Tuesday and Saturdays, Cave Junction Library at Auxiliary Kerby Lodge, A. F. & A. M. meets fourth Saturday each month.
Ladies' Auxiliary meet the first and third Wednesday of each month.

KERBY HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

By Elva Messenger

The Girls' Volley Ball team played an exciting game at Grants Pass last Monday evening. This being the first game of the season for Kerby, Grants Pass defeated them by a score of 30 to 37. Doris Jones was high point girl. Kerby challenged Grants Pass for a return game here Thursday night, Dec. 11.

Kerby attended the first annual basketball jamboree held at Medford on Friday, December 5. The Jamboree consisted of six games of eight minutes each, played by 12 basketball teams of southern Oregon. Kerby's opponent was Prospect. The game was an exciting eight minutes. The score was tied until the opponent sunk the ball into the basket just as the bell was ringing to end the game, thus making the score 5 to 3 in their favor. An unlucky break for Kerby. This was not a conference game.

Grants Pass visited Kerby Tuesday night in another basketball battle. Again Kerby was defeated 24 to 37, Lawrence Looer being high point man with 10 points. This was only a practice game with Grants Pass.

Last Monday morning Mr. Jones brought his radio to school so that all the students could hear President Roosevelt's message to congress asking for a Declaration of War. All the students gathered in the Science room to listen.

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Dinner Party Honors California Matron

The Waldo Motel at O'Brien last week was the scene of a very delightful gathering when Mr. and Mrs. Robert Balzke were gracious hosts, entertaining 18 guests at a dinner party honoring Mrs. Grace of San Francisco, and the birthday anniversary of Cliff Johnson.

The large room was made attractive for the occasion with bouquets of fall flowers. The long table was beautifully decorated, centered with a lovely flower arrangement of small yellow chrysanthemums and tall yellow tapers in bronze holders.

The evening was spent playing games and pinocle.

Mrs. Grace who visited Mr. and Mrs. Balzke for about two weeks left last week for her home in San Francisco.

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December Birthdays Celebrated at Cooke Home Last Saturday

Last Saturday evening a party celebrating birthdays occurring the first week of December was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Cooke in O'Brien. Games were played, dancing enjoyed and at midnight a sumptuous supper was served to the following guests: the birthday celebrants, Mrs. E. N. Cooke, Wanda Brown, Mrs. Hattie Evitt, Bertha Cornow, Audrey Renert, Mrs. Esther Quinn and James Cornow; guests, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brown, Jay Evitt, Mr. and Mrs. Rinerson, Mr. and Mrs. Coogan, Mae and Richard Webb, Mrs. Blackie Strong, Mrs. Pat Strong, Ronald Strong, Merlin Bush, Mrs. Bright, Clifford Morris, Mrs. H. J. Woodbury and Billie, Mike Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Conner, Lou Webb, Lionel Quinn, Jimmy Quinn, Mrs. Cornow with Hallie and Earl, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Patrick, Joseph Cooke of Seattle, Guilford and James Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Cooke and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Cooke.

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Announcement

"Our Part in the Present Emergency" will be the theme for discussion at the Illinois Valley Men's Sunday Morning Forum which meets in American Legion hall from 10 to 10:45 a. m., Sunday, December 14. All men invited.

Emergency Hospitals Planned

Establishment of two emergency hospitals in Josephine county and several first aid stations were planned by the Medical Disaster Relief Division of the Josephine County Defense Council Monday night.

Directed by Dr. S. B. Osgood, chairman of this division, the first aid committee, medical care committee and sanitation committee made arrangements for location and supplying first aid stations and emergency hospitals.

The committee also issued a call for nurses in Josephine county, graduate nurses or those with any practical nursing training, to telephone the County Health Unit, 156, or Mrs. Martin Sachse at Kerby for the valley, and leave name, address and telephone number.

Henry J. Soderberg donated the use of the army building on North Sixth street for use as an emergency hospital in Grants Pass, and the American Legion hall in Cave Junction was offered for the Illinois Valley emergency hospital.

First aid stations are already established at Cave Junction, Selma and Mount Sexton, and the disaster relief division planned similar stations for the Holland store.

J. E. Moore, superintendent of the Josephine General hospital, was named in charge of the emergency hospitals and Miss Ruth

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Airplane Lookouts Manned

Last Monday night, men were stationed at Tennessee Pass lookout station for airplane observation. The lookout will be manned from now on, and beginning Thursday, (today) the Waldo lookout station will be manned for the same purpose.

It is hoped, by men who are in position to know, that the county authorities will make these two stations the official lookouts. This will facilitate matters in finding men to man the stations, which is going to be no small task. These two stations will be sufficient to observe any airplanes coming in this direction.

Last Monday, Murphy Hicks and Broby McLean were at Tennessee Pass. It was difficult to find anyone to go up Tuesday, so George Hicks thought the situation serious enough for him to close his Texaco Service station and garage and with Mr. Foster kept the post manned for any emergency. Wednesday night E. N. and Joe Cook were on the job. Today's crew has not as yet been named.

At the Waldo lookout, under the direction of Harry Floyd, a crew will be on the job every day and night beginning today. Harold Bowerman, ranger of the Redwood Ranger station is in charge of the lookouts, they being Forest Service stations. Waldo is operated

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Proclamation

WHEREAS, a state of war has been declared to exist between the United States of America and the Japanese Empire; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon National Guard is in active Federal service; and

WHEREAS, it therefore becomes my duty as Chief Executive and Commander-in-Chief of the military forces of the State of Oregon to take such steps as may be necessary to safeguard the lives and property of the citizens of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, provisions must be made for fixing responsibility for the coordination and the direction of the efforts of the military establishment, law enforcement machinery, and volunteer civilian defense organizations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHARLES A. SPRAGUE, under the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Oregon and Director of Civilian Defense, declare an unlimited emergency to exist and

(1) Authorize and direct the voluntary enrollment of a State Guard pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 91, Oregon Laws 1941, and hereby appoint Brigadier General Alvin C. Baker commander thereof;

(2) Designate the Superintendent of State Police to coordinate, supervise and direct the activities of all regular peace and other law enforcement officers of this state in all matters and respects touching the needs and measures for state and civilian defense in cooperation with the armed forces of the United States;

(3) Authorize the State Defense Coordinator to direct and complete the voluntary civilian defense organizations of this state and to expedite the enrollment and training of personnel for civilian protection services.

(4) I hereby enjoin the people to comply promptly with directions of duly constituted military and civil authorities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed.

Done in the City of Salem this eighth day of December, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-one.

CHARLES A. SPRAGUE,

Governor.

Attest:

EARL SNELL, Secretary of State.

Kerby News Notes of General Interest

(By Ed Dailey)

Mr. and Mrs. "Dad" Clark of Roseburg were visiting at the Hurley Wilson home for a few days.

Martin Sachse and two daughters, accompanied by Mrs. Dessinger and Ed Dailey were shopping in Grants Pass last Saturday.

Frank Floyd was visiting relatives and friends in Holland last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lackey, Sr., returned to their home last Friday in Kerby. Mr. Lackey has been confined in the Lavin Lindin hospital in California for several months, where he underwent a minor operation and is improving gradually and feeling better.

W. J. McLean and son, Bud, were on a fishing trip over the week end and as usual the big ones got away. Therefore no fish story.

Mrs. Mabel Ramsey left last week for Portland where she will visit relatives indefinitely.

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LOCAL BOYS ON ISLAND SAFE S OFAR

Word has been received from a few of the local boys who are working on Wake and Midway islands, that they are all safe and everything was all right.

Mrs. George Martin received a cablegram for her son John Abernathy, radio operator at Midway, that everything was all right, or words to that effect. Mrs. Dollie Duncan received word from her son, Alton Duncan Wednesday that everything was all right there.

Several others have heard from the boys in Grants Pass, and it seems certain that up until now they are all right. If the islands are taken, it will make the boys prisoners of war, if they are not taken away from the islands.

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REGISTER FOR CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Anyone desiring to register for civilian defense can do so in the valley. Blanks for this purpose are at the News office and Postmaster McLean at Kerby also has blanks.

Women and men both can register and let the county defense committee know what you would be able to do in case of emergency. You will not be called unless the emergency demands your help. Register so you can be classified and the committee knows what place you can best be of service.

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KERBY ROD AND GUN CLUB TO ELECT OFFICERS

Friday night at 8 p. m. in the I. O. O. F. hall in Kerby, the Kerby Rod and Gun club will hold their regular annual meeting and election of officers.

There has been a splendid program arranged and some refreshments at the end of the meeting. All members of the club are asked to attend this meeting, as there will be some matters pertaining to the national emergency that need the attention of the club members.

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IMPORTANT

In order to limit the use of highways at night by theater patrons, schedules for the Cave City theatre are being rearranged as follows:

Saturday night: Feature at 7 p. m. and 9 p. m. News and short subjects will be shown once only between feature showings.

Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday: News at 7 p. m. followed by the feature, the news and short subjects will be shown again at 9, with no second feature showing.

First Aid Class Starts Tuesday

Red Cross first aid classes will start next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the American Legion hall, and Harold Bowerman, instructor hopes that he will have a large class to graduate.

It had been planned to start the classes next Monday night, but important business compels Mr. Bowerman to postpone the opening until Tuesday night. Our readers are asked to spread this information along, so that all will start Tuesday night. It is planned to hold classes every week day night for the first week and to recess during Christmas week. The course consists of ten 2-hour classes.

First aid is going to be one of the most important factors during our national emergency on account of the war. You may never have cause to use it in the valley, and you may have reason to use it any time in our own midst. But you may be in another locality any time, and it would be a God-send to have the information given at these Red Cross first aid lessons.

First Aid is vital in the prevention of accidents as well as treating the wounded when accidents occur. First aid, important at all times, is highly emphasized as a national defense activity. It is of the utmost importance now in protecting our national health and defense production in all branches of work.

Those holding unexpired cards may be called upon to act as assistants. No matter how recently your card was issued, the work should be reviewed so that all injuries may be efficiently handled.

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District Commander Visits Local Post

District Commander Victor Macelli and three comrades from Roseburg, visited Glenn Morrison Post No. 70, American Legion, on December 3rd. Commander Macelli had great praise for the Post on both membership and activities. Comrade Don Morrison identified a headstone that was recovered in Grants Pass by J. D. South who found it while tearing up his floor for repairs. The headstone was that of O. W. Purdy, Co. D, Wisconsin Inf., Civil war veteran. Comrade Morrison packed this man out of the Chetco hills some 30 years ago. Purdy died on the way out and was buried in the Kerby cemetery. The stone will be placed in its proper place after 30 years under someone's floor.

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Ladies Auxiliary Have Hope Chest

One of the novel features of the year under the auspices of the American Legion Auxiliary, is a hope chest which they are going to give to some lucky person at the Christmas dance, which will be given due publicity as to time and other features.

The hope chest is full of blankets, bed spread, towels, hand work and other pieces that any young matron would give a great deal to own. The chest is on display at Martin's Hardware and can be inspected there.

Contact any auxiliary member for further details.

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Box Social at Takilma School

Friday evening, December 19th, the Takilma school will hold a program and box social at 7:30 p. m.

The program will be a pre-Christmas one and will take on the spirit of the year for the occasion. All are cordially invited.

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Look out for pedestrians.