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AAA Program To Get Going In The Valley

The county War Board is now distributing to every farm home a copy of the preliminary farm-plan work sheet with which plans for the 1943 production program may be formulated.

This work sheet will be used to gather data on labor, credit, machinery and fertilizer needs on each farm. This work sheet will also be the basis on which the county War Board will certify the status of the farm with respect to war production and thus for the operation of Selective Service deferments, provision of needed labor, machinery, and materials.

Even more than last year, the AAA program for the coming crop year means more war production. 1943 crop payments will be conditional on the degree to which each cooperating farm family carries out its individual farm plan, which will represent each farm's share of the national production goals.

C. H. Brooks and Mrs. Mildred Norman of Selma are contacting the farms north of the Eight Dollar Road, Mrs. Harry O. Smith is visiting those farms north of the Dick George road and east of the Bridgeview road. The balance of the valley is being covered by Harold Bowerman.

Those farmers living within the above zones will help speed up the work by stopping at the home of the representative within their zone if passing by on other errands.

Hostesses Entertain Their Bridge Club

Mrs. Harry O. Smith and Mrs. John W. Smith, were hostesses last Saturday at a 1 o'clock dessert luncheon when they entertained their bridge club members and several invited guests at the home of the former on Caves highway. Each table was centered with a dainty flower arrangement of yellow jasmine found blooming in the Smith garden.

Defense stamps were prizes given for high scores held by Mrs. Sam Bunch, Mrs. John W. Smith, Mrs. J. J. Villair, and Mrs. Mattie Seyferth who also carried away the traveling prize.

New Barber Opens Local Shop Here

H. C. Leming, of Grants Pass, has taken the Cave Junction Barber shop and will operate the same until Mrs. Maude Hagerman returns from the hospital.

Mr. Leming will have the shop open from 8 a. m. until 8 p. m., except Saturday when he will remain open as long as necessary to take care of his trade.

The shop has been closed for some time on account of illness by Mrs. Hagerman, and the people of the valley are glad that it is open again, and Mr. Leming is an old barber with years of experience, and the work he has done has proved eminently satisfactory.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, Jan. 22—Illinois Valley Garden meeting at the home of Mrs. Robert Walton, near Holland.

The Missionary Society meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at the Community church, Cave Junction.

H. E. U. meets every second Tuesday of the month.

Ladies' Auxiliary meet the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce meets every Tuesday noon in Drews hotel cafe.

O'Brien Women's club meet on first Friday of each month.

DOUBLE FEATURE AT MOVIE THEATER THIS WEEK END

Featuring "Sons of the Pioneers" with Roy Rogers is the main feature of a double program at the Cave City theater Saturday and Sunday this week.

"Sons of the Pioneers" will be interesting to many folks in the valley for it has a lot to do with chrome ore on a ranch that unscrupulous men are trying to get the farmers to sell out at a small price without letting them know about the rich ore on their place.

This picture is full of action and Roy Rogers is cast in a new role, that of a city youngster, too timid to fight and would rather talk himself out of trouble than fight. This is a sham to stop suspicion, and it works to perfection, and in the end everything comes out all right, but not until after several fights between the ranchers and gangsters.

The second picture is "Girl From Alaska", and tells an Alaskan adventure story with Jean Parker and Ray Middleton playing the star roles. It is also rated top entertainment. With these two pictures the theater will be packed to capacity Saturday night, so you better try to get there early and get your favorite seat.

President's Birthday Ball At Grange Hall

As is the usual custom, the Illinois Valley Grange will hold their Annual President's Birthday ball, Saturday, January 30th in the Bridgeview Grange hall.

This annual affair draws dancers from all parts of the valley and the hall is always crowded to capacity, and the event is one of the enjoyable occasions given at the Grange hall.

This year it will be as large as ever, and when the news leaks out what the good ladies of the Grange have for their midnight dinner, it might surpass all other events. We received a little tip that this midnight dinner was going to be something worth going miles to get.

Popular prices will prevail as always and good music has been secured, so there is nothing left but to wait for this annual date that gives dimes to the sufferers of infantile paralysis. Don't forget the date, Saturday, January 30th.

Weitz Home in Selma Destroyed By Fire

The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Weitz near Selma was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning while both were away from the house getting wood. On their return to the house a half hour later their home and furnishings were totally destroyed with the exception of a bedstead and a few pieces of furniture taken from the burning structure by passersby.

The fire is believed to have been started by defective wiring in the attic. The attic floor was covered with heavy insulation paper and a small electric bulb hanging from a cord had been lighted a short time before the couple left the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Weitz own property in Grants Pass where they will make their home temporarily.

Caves Highway Home Scene of Dinner Party

A buffet dinner was enjoyed last Sunday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith entertained a group of friends at their home on Caves highway. The table was attractive with a lace covered cloth, centered with a large potted pink begonia.

Following the dinner four tables of bridge were played with score winning prizes going to Mrs. John W. Smith, Mrs. M. C. Athey, Harry R. Floyd and C. C. Babcock.

Commissioner Pete Fredricksen was in the valley today (Thursday) inspecting roads and bridges to see if any damage had been done during the storm. He does not believe that any real damage has been done to the roads or bridges in this locality, but says that several county bridges have been damaged in other sections of the county.

Chamber Of Commerce Meeting

Last Tuesday noon the chamber of commerce held their regular weekly luncheon at the Drews hotel cafe and a well attended meeting heard a very interesting talk from the county AAA chairman.

The chamber again brought up the question of a rationing board for Cave Junction to supply the needs of the Illinois valley. Dr. William A. Brown told of the meeting with the county board, M. C. Athey was asked what disposition was made when he gave the county board the chamber's request for a local board. He explained that the county board was willing and would be glad to add additional members to the county board to help take care of the valley situation, but the board was inclined to believe that the people of the valley were receiving as good service as they would get if they had a local board. He said the county board would not try to stop the chamber from getting a board here, but he was of the opinion that they would not recommend it, for the reason stated above, they believe the service is adequate for the valley needs.

Sam Miller asked if all county boards in all states were functioning under a national set-up, and Mr. Athey said he believed they were all the same. Mr. Miller then stated that in California rationing boards were created to give the best possible service to the people at a minimum of travel and time. If all the boards were functioning under this rule, he could not see why the county board would not be glad to see a local board in the valley, and he said the valley was entitled to this recognition.

After much discussion Mr. Athey was directed to go to the county board and put the matter up to them.

After this discussion, Dr. Brown handed President Freeman his resignation as executive secretary of the chamber. The matter was postponed for action.

The speaker of the day, Raymond Lathrop, county chairman of the AAA, gave the members of the chamber the talk he recently gave members of the Grants Pass chamber, which told of the need for agricultural increases to feed the nation, the soldiers and help feed those who have had their agricultural resources confiscated by the Nazis.

Some of the items Mr. Lathrop gave and the increases this county was expected to increase were: hogs, up 10 per cent; cattle and calves up 10 per cent; sheep and lambs marketed down to 10 per cent; milk cows up two per cent; all out milk production; hens and pullets, up 10 per cent; egg production up 7 per cent; chickens raised up 7 per cent; chicken production (meat), up 10 per cent; turkeys raised, up 20 per cent; all hay up 6 per cent. Those were the items that affected the farmers of the valley most.

Mr. Lathrop's talk was very educational and exceedingly interesting, and he was thanked very warmly for coming out.

It has come to the notice of the News that the government, in this county, will buy milk cows that are for sale, and will pay from 5 to 10 cents more per pound for the cows than the farmer can get by selling them for beef.

BELT LODGE TO PUT ON DEGREES

Belt Lodge No. 16, A. F. & A. M. will hold its regular meeting Saturday night, January 23rd, when the Master Mason degree will be exemplified.

All members are urged to attend, and any visiting brethren are cordially invited to this lodge at all times. Members of the craft who are now residing in the valley and belong to other jurisdictions are given a special invitation to attend Belt lodge meetings.

M. C. ATHEY, W. M.

Trout Season Will Open April 17

Oregon State Game Commission has designated the game fish season as follows for this territory. The trout season opens April 17 and closes December 31 for trout six inches or more in length.

For Rogue river and its tributaries: Steelhead are classified as trout in the Rogue river and all its tributaries and all laws regarding trout are there applied to steelheads.

Open season for trout not less than six inches in length in Rogue river and its tributaries is April 17 to December 31, both dates inclusive, except that in all tributaries of the Rogue river above Gold Hill, the open season is from April 17 to November 30, both dates inclusive.

Provided further, trout not less than 10 inches in length may be angled for in the Rogue river and the Illinois river, exclusive of their tributaries, during the month of January of each year, and in that part of the Illinois river, exclusive of its tributaries, from its confluence with the Rogue river to a point upstream known as the Illinois river falls; during the month of February of each year.

Bag limit for trout and salmon not less than six inches but under 20 inches in length is 15 pounds and 1 fish, but not to exceed 15 fish in any one day, or 30 pounds and two fish but not to exceed 30 fish in any seven consecutive days.

Bag limit for steelhead trout and salmon not less than 20 inches in length is five such fish in any one day or 10 such fish in possession, which bag limit may be counted separately from the bag limit for fish under 20 inches in length.

Special regulations for Josephine county are: Bolan lake—bag limit, 10 fish but not to exceed 15 pounds and one fish in any one day, or 20 fish but not to exceed 30 pounds and two fish in any seven consecutive days.

Closed to All Anglers

That portion of the Illinois river from the upstream side of the upper end of the portion of the river acting as a fish ladder passing around the Illinois falls, to the point where the downstream side of the lower end of said passage rejoins the main river. The upper and lower limits of this closure will be understood to be perpendicular to the trend of the main river.

That part of the Rogue river from Rainy Falls to a point 400 feet below the falls.

That part of the Rogue river from the Savage Rapids dam to a point 400 feet below said dam.

Fall creek (a tributary of Illinois river) and its tributaries. Tannen lake.

Wind Storm Strikes Valley Thursday Morn

Thursday morning a wind and rain storm that hit the valley was so strong that many residents of the valley were awakened from their sleep wondering what had happened.

The wind reached dangerous proportions, blowing down many trees and driving the rain through many roofs, but as far as known no material damage was done.

The rain again swelled streams but none were out of their banks, and it is believed the storm has subsided as far as the valley is concerned.

PRESS CONFERENCE

The 25th annual Oregon Press conference will open on the University of Oregon campus Friday, January 22, with representatives from most of the state's leading papers expected to be on hand for the two day session. Mary Conn Brown, Redmond, is president of the association.

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LAW CLAMPING DOWN ON ALL DELINQUENTS

SALEM — (Special) — Start of a campaign to locate for compliance or prosecution all Oregon registrants listed by local boards delinquents was announced by Colonel Elmer V. Wooton, state director of Selective Service, following a conference with United States District Attorney Carl C. Donagh and representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Willful violators of the Selective Training and Service Act can expect speedy prosecution and stringent penalties. United States District Attorney Donagh has assured the state director. Maximum penalty under the act is 5 years in prison or \$10,000 fine, or both.

Although willful violators of the act can expect no leniency, Colonel Wooton indicated that registrants who had become delinquent only through unintentional neglect to notify local boards of change of address or other unintentional minor infractions of the law would receive less stringent treatment.

"Any person who voluntarily reports to his local board during the month of January 1943 and whose delinquency was not willful is likely to be given a chance to comply with his obligations and not be prosecuted," Colonel Wooton said. "In the event such persons have been listed by the local board as delinquents but not yet reported to the United States district attorney, the decision will rest with the local board. Decision as to the prosecution of registrants reported to the United States district attorney as delinquents will rest with the United States district attorney although the local board is authorized to make recommendations.

Colonel Wooton stated that assistance of newspapers and radio had been enlisted in the hopes of locating many registrants now listed as delinquent but whose delinquency was probably unintentional and consisted chiefly of forgetting to report a change of address to local boards. Only by immediately contacting local boards can registrants suspected of delinquency hope to clear themselves, he pointed out.

Beginning February 1, 1943, delinquent registrants can expect law enforcement officers to "crack down hard", it was indicated by Colonel Wooton. "In time of war even unintentional shirking of a prime duty of citizenship is reprehensible, and a deliberate attempt to evade service for the nation cannot be condoned," Colonel Wooton declared.

In connection with the new requirement that registrant have notice of classification in his possession, Colonel Wooton urged registrants between 18 and 45 to obtain duplicate classification notices from local boards if the originals have been lost. All registrants have been classified with the exception of the 18-year-olds who registered during the latter part of December.

BUD SMITH IN NAVY

Charles Bud Smith, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Smith, Cave Junction, Rt. 1, Box 380 is studying to become a specialist in the Navy at the U. S. Naval Training School for diesel operators on the campus of Iowa State college here.

Selected upon the basis of a series of aptitude tests taken during his recruit training, the Bluejacket will take a 16-week course, including theoretical instruction and laboratory practice. Upon graduation, he will be eligible for a petty officer rating, and be assigned to duty with the fleet or at a Naval shore station, or be sent to an advanced school for further instruction.

LEGION ENTERTAINED AUXILIARY LADIES

Are the men of Post No. 70 good hosts? As the ladies of the auxiliary. The boys prepared for their surprise by arranging in advance to trade meetings rooms. During the evening their cooks were busy and had a complete and delightfully prepared dinner awaiting the arrival of the ladies following their meeting. The chefs were A. C. Hamrick, Art Kellert and Maurice Sauer while C. Y. Arnold assisted in serving. A toast was proposed by Commander and a speech to the ladies was made by Ted Athey, to which President Lida Miller responded and the ladies expressed their appreciation. Table talk took the form of quizzes on famous women and on current events. After the K. P.'s had cleared away, pinocle was played. It was a truly delightful evening, the ladies say.

CAPITAL PARADE

BY MURRAY WADE

NO GREMLINS

The uncolored facts about the holdup of the Oregon legislature over the election of a president of the Senate has never made the news. As it lacks the salty flavor of the blood of battle the legislative newshounds and political bird-dogs were not interested. From their knothole the story was there was no story. The simple facts are that 14 senators gave Senator Lee their word that they would stick with her through to the bitter end and the other 14 gave Senator Steiwer a similar promise. I took two days to disentangle without causing regrettable incidents that would have made for strife and costly delay through the rest of the session.

The two day tie-up was a tame affair to the audience and far from exciting for the participants. Though the galleries were always filled and the floors crowded there were no grandstand speeches, sharp retorts, loud debating or wrist-watch oratory. Everyone predicted battle scars that would mark fractional sides for the rest of the session. Contrary to this prediction it is now difficult to discern where the lines were. The Senate is in full-speed-ahead spirit.

MILK BOARD TEETERS

The abolition of the Milk Control Board and the execution of its work by the Department of Agriculture, as advocated by Governor Earl Snell in his inaugural address, is now up to the legislature. Milk inspection, it is reasoned, can be cared for economically along with livestock and other inspection now done by the Department of Agriculture. An act embodying these suggestions promises to be one of the interest stimulating features of the session. Committee discussions have brought out definite trends to combine producer and consumer benefits now being arrested by exploiting private groups.

SHRINKING FUNDS

Highway funds are shrinking, 12 per cent lower in 1942 than in 1941 and a 60 per cent decrease in 1943 is predicted by the Oregon State Highway Commission in its annual report just issued. This drastic loss of revenue, resulting from gasoline rationing and other wartime curbs on motor transportation, will leave only enough funds to meet the overhead and upkeep of the department.

FISH LEGISLATION

On fish legislation there are schools of schools of thought. They want to do so many things with the poor fish at this session that they are liable to bust the football of politics. "Fish is synonymous of 'fight' in Oregon's legislative halls. At this session the commercial fishing interests will be carrying the ball. They are on the ten yard line and threatening to

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