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Garden Club Elects New Officers

The June Garden club meeting was held at the home of Mrs. E. H. Messenger in Kerby, with Mrs. Lucius Robinson and Mrs. Clay Ramsey as assisting hostesses.

Decorations in the living room were unusual plants brought from the Coos bay region by Mrs. H. O. Smith and Mrs. Gladys King, who had recently returned from that district where they were on official business of the Federation.

Plans were discussed for the annual picnic which is to be held Friday, July 27th, at Grayback government camp. An invitation has been extended the Grants Pass Garden club to participate in the event.

In the State bird essay contest third prize was won by Mrs. Lida Miller. Mrs. J. J. Villair won the myrtlewood bowl donated by Mrs. Clay Ramsey, Mrs. Elizabeth Holland drawing the winning number for the prize.

The election of officers for the ensuing year were as follows: President, Mrs. C. G. Morris; vice president, Mrs. Chris Wendt; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. L. W. Monroe, and historian, Mrs. B. L. Miller. The new officers will be installed at the next meeting.

Mrs. Smith gave a short and interesting review of the 1945 Rose annual and Garden Calendar by Mrs. M. C. Athey was read by Mrs. Wendt.

Delicious raspberry shortcake and coffee were served by the hostesses at the conclusion of the meeting.

CAVE JUNCTION COMMUNITY CHURCH

Mrs. Ruby Nicholzen was in charge of Sunday school after an absence of several weeks. The Feltogram has been discontinued in the opening exercises and will be used by Naomi Seat and Gertrude Martin in the beginners and primary classes.

Mary England is pianist while Grace Iversen is visiting in Portland.

Visitors were Carlene Rust, Richard Green of Grants Pass, Leland Hansen, George Pepperdine and son, George, Jr., of Los Angeles, Mrs. Drake and Irene Drake and Bobby Welsh, and Roger Frantz, Donald Hostetler, Willard Krabill, Leonard Pauls, Ray Mast, Jr., Elon Eash, all of the Ranger Station, and Carolyn Rust of the Junior class.

Last Friday a worker's meeting and a special meeting Tuesday, was held at Mrs. Nicholzen's home for the purpose of planning a centralized worship service.

Next Sunday, July 15th, the community sing will be held from 2 to 4 p. m., and everyone is cordially invited to take part in this service.

Rev. Gray read Isaiah 55 and his text was from Romans 11:33. Two quartet numbers were "Jesus Is Mine" and "Love Divine" by Roger Frantz, Ray Mast, Jr., Elon Eash and Willard Krabill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thrasher returned this week from several days visit in Portland.

COMING EVENTS

Illinois Valley Garden club meets the fourth Friday of each month. Chamber of Commerce meets every fourth Tuesday of the month. Meeting place to be designated.

O'Brien Women's club meets on the second Friday of each month.

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

Marguerite Rebekah Lodge No. 111 meets the second Wednesday of each month at I. O. O. F. hall, Kerby.

I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 55 meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, I. O. O. F. hall, Kerby.

"SUNDAY DINNER FOR A SOLDIER"

"Sunday Dinner for a Soldier" is anything but a conventional "movie". Timely, escapist and earthy, this comedy drama, based on Martha Cheaven's recent Good Housekeeping magazine story, possesses a novel setting in a picturesque, tropical lagoon on the Florida gulf coast.

Here, on a weatherbeaten houseboat moored on a palm-dotted strand lives a family of five. Impoverished, but spiritually rich, they range from a well-meaning, but fumbling white-whiskered grandfather to a piping-voiced grandchild of seven years.

In explaining how this picture came about, the director said he believes firmly that there is a burning need and a ripe demand for pictures which, like "The Sulivans" and "Sunday Dinner for a Soldier" say plainly, though cheerfully and truthfully, "This is how America lives, this is how America thinks, this IS America."

Wednesday and Thursday Brings "Snowwhite and Seven Dwarfs"

The ever-popular "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs", the colorful, technicolor full length feature cartoon by Disney, perhaps his most famous, comes to the Cave City theater Wednesday and Thursday.

We are told of a place that is paved with good intentions and yet continually swept by fire. Many bare hills here in Oregon are constant reminders that we should be safe by being sure that the last spark is out before we leave any fire. Keep Oregon Green.

Bachelor Sewing Club Meeting At Selma

The Boy's Bachelor Sewing club held their third meeting Wednesday, July 11th in Mrs. Norman's residence, Selma.

The following boys were enrolled: Dick Kelley, Jim Kelley, Grant Cochran, Jim Hows, Douglas Plumlee, Victor Dougherty, Frank Jones, Jimmy Radcliff, Donald Warren and Henry Jones.

The project they are working on now is either a carpenter apron or a camp cookery apron. They meet every Wednesday afternoon. Last Friday they held a joint picnic with the girls sewing club at Mrs. Norman's picnic ground.

JIM KELLEY,
4-H Club News Reporter.

A fool and his money are soon parted. The forests of Oregon represent many millions of dollars to the Oregon taxpayer. Don't be foolish. Use extreme caution with fire. Keep Oregon Green.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to neighbors and friends for their many kindnesses during our recent bereavement, the loss of our beloved husband, father and brother, James E. Lewis, and for the beautiful floral offerings, especially to the mill and wood crew for their floral offering, and to the Masonic body who conducted the services.

KATE D. LEWIS,
GRAYCE HUDRON,
BLANCH CORY,
EILEEN WOODCOCK,
THELMA MAURER,
ELIZABETH HOLLAND,
MARY F. HIATT,
EVA WETHERBEE,
JOHN M. LEWIS.

A penny saved is a penny earned, but dollars are lost in forests burned. It may be your neighbor's property but every tree lost by fire is money out of your pocket. Protect payrolls. Keep Oregon Green.

HEALTH CLINIC

Immunizations were given at the clinic on Wednesday for two whooping coughs; one diphtheria; one smallpox vaccination; five medical patients treated; one conference and one Schick test. The next clinic will be on Wednesday, July 25th when various immunizations will be given.

Future Rosy For Redwood Empire Told

(From G. P. Courier)

"We can't be too optimistic about the future of the Redwood Empire if all nine member counties of the association work together and present a united front as they have in the past," George C. Hoberg, president of the Redwood Empire association, told almost 100 Josephine county residents who were at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon meeting held last Monday in the Redwood hotel dining room.

Here for the day to discuss the organization and talk over plans for the future, Mr. Hoberg and Miss Valerie Kuhn, manager; Miss Alice Taylor, assistant, and Richard Fleisher, real estate unit chairman of the association. The speakers were introduced by W. E. Newcombe, vice-president of the association for this county.

Mr. Hoberg told of the fine work done by C. H. Demaray, past president, who attended every meeting of his term of two years at his own expense. He complimented the past president for the effort he had given in "selling" the Redwood Empire as well as Josephine county, its only Oregon member.

The association is a non-profit group, he said, whose purpose is to sell to the tourist trade of the world the excellent vacation possibilities of this area. We can hold our own as long as the nine member counties stick together.

Miss Kuhn outlined policy talk of the day, explained that the association's leaders had come before Josephine county residents to tell them of the working of the nine-county unit and to find out just what Josephine county's problems are and what the county wished from the organization. She outlined briefly the early history of the organization, showing how it had come about when the counties involved found that they could get nowhere alone. Each, in its demands, was a competitor of every other, with the result that other areas presenting a united front were accomplishing what this area wanted.

The manager explained briefly the organization of the association's executive board, made up of the president, a vice-president from each of the nine counties, and all past presidents of the association. Each county selects its own directors, who in turn elect the vice-presidents to represent the county. The board serves entirely without remuneration, Miss Kuhn pointed out.

She told of what the past work of the association had been before the war, and how, when World War II began, the association was faced with a new problem. Continuing with only a skeleton crew, the staff went into the USO's, the Red Cross centers, the officers' clubs, and the GI's strongholds to sell the men and women on coming through the empire on their way to and from furloughs and leaves and to interest them in the possibilities of the area for postwar travel.

The San Francisco conference was a "prize thrown in the laps of the association," for it brought more than 3000 top flight newspaper men and women of the world into the city where the headquarters of the association is located. The publicity director of the association was a member of the Mayor's committee to take charge of the members of the press, Miss Kuhn said.

The manager stated that in 1940 the last year of normal tourist business, \$50,893,000 came to the counties of the Redwood Empire association in the form of tourist trade. She urged the same spirit of cooperation in the future that there has been in the past.

"It is the duty of the Redwood Empire association to bring the tourists in the member counties, and it is the duty of the chamber

Fed. Housing Expert To Visit Valley

Next Monday, July 18th, Mr. Maxwell of the Federal Housing Agency, will be in the valley to determine if there is a need for a housing project that will allow the construction of several modern houses by private individuals.

All lumber men who are interested in getting homes for their employes to live in and others, are requested to attend a luncheon at Clara's Bungalow Cafe, Wednesday noon and let Mr. Maxwell know what they would like.

The house shortage in the valley is very acute and we are trying to have this situation remedied. The Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce has been instrumental in getting this work done. If anyone wishes to attend this luncheon, it is necessary that tickets be purchased by Tuesday, so the lunch can be prepared. Tickets can be had from Wm. J. McLean, Kerby, Hal Moore, Kerby and M. C. Athey, Cave Junction.

AUTO JUMPS ROAD NEAR WONDER

An auto wreck that miraculously spared the lives of the occupants happened last Sunday morning just south of Wonder, as the young folks were returning from a dance in Grants Pass.

The auto was owned and driven by "Bud" Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, who is here on leave from the navy and his companions were Mrs. Claude Tucker, Miss Aileen Schneider and Lyle Fretias. None were hurt very badly. Francis Badden was following behind the Smith car, helped them out and took them to the hospital in Grants Pass. All returned to their homes Monday.

TRAVEL IS HEAVY AT CRATER LAKE

Travel to Crater Lake National Park on July 4th was the heaviest since the beginning of the war. There was a total of 375 cars and 1787 visitors.

The day was ideal and the reflections on the lake were beautiful. Many visitors were newcomers to Oregon. The road around the rim and out the north entrance is not yet cleared of snow, which is 30 feet deep in drifts. It will probably be open in a week.

Prospective visitors are reminded that there are no lodging, meals or gasoline service available in the park.

The road from Diamond lake from Crater lake rim will be opened to traffic today, Park Superintendent E. P. Levitt has reported.

The last snow drifts have been removed, he said, and predicted that the entire rim road circling the lake would be opened by July 19th.

Homer Hance, son of Jack Hance, spent last week end visiting his father. He is superintendent of the Pacific Olive company at Visalia, Calif.

of commerce to hold the tourist's interests," Miss Kuhn said in closing her talk.

C. H. Demaray, who held the presidency of the association for four years just before Mr. Hoberg was given a standing ovation by the visitors and by the Josephine county members. He spoke briefly of the Redwood Empire association's being the "finest group of people one could hope to work with."

The Grants Pass chamber president, spoke briefly at the close of the program to express his thanks to Mr. Hoberg and staff members for their trip to this county.

Local residents who attended the luncheon were, Wm. J. McLean, Jerry Medcalf, M. C. Athey, Jack Hance, Elwood Hussey and Sam Miller.

LAST DAY TO FILE FOR CLOVER SEED IS SATURDAY

Ladino clover seed growers have just this week in which to sign up for field inspection if they plan to certify any clover seed this season, advises Jens F. Svith, county agricultural agent. Saturday at noon, July 14th, is the last day applications may be submitted to the county agent's office.

Field inspection is the first step in the certification program and is necessary in order to determine the presence of white clover which is objectionable for top quality grade of seed. Seed of Ladino and white clover are identical in color, size and shape, which makes it all the more difficult to separate. The percentage of white clover found in the field determines to some extent the grade of seed, although purity and germination tests must also be considered in establishing the final grade.

Class 2 Slaughterers May Increase Quota

Any class 2 slaughterer who desires to kill more lambs than his present quota allows, may now secure additional quota upon application to the OPA district office in Portland. The only prerequisite is that such slaughterers be registered with OPA as required by OPA control order No. 1.

This action has been taken to permit increased kill of lambs during the western Oregon lamb marketing period, say agricultural leaders who have been urging relief from the congested lamb situation in western Oregon.

It is suggested that slaughterers limit their kill to available and known outlets to prevent pile up of meat. If lambs back up in producers' hands, OPA is expected to take further action to relieve the situation.

VETERANS TO GET FIRST CHANCE AT FARM MACHINERY

Veterans from this war returning to agriculture to purchase or operate a farm, are entitled to special consideration in obtaining new farm machinery under a "preference certificate" plan announced by R. B. Taylor, chairman of the state AAA committee.

AAA has been assigned responsibility for issuing preference certificates to veterans who are unable to obtain needed farm equipment otherwise, Taylor said. Certificates take precedence over all orders which dealers may have on file except those carrying a WPB priority rating for military use.

Under another arrangement veterans are to have preference in obtaining surplus war equipment that they can use in reestablishing themselves in the farming business.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Sherman and son of Los Angeles, arrived recently to visit the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Sherman for a few weeks.

Mrs. Susan Roettger of Los Angeles arrived in Cave Junction today (Thursday) to visit her daughter, Mrs. George J. Logan for several weeks.

A marriage license was issued Monday, July 9th in the county clerk's office at Grants Pass, to George Alton Duncan of Kerby, and Mabelle S. Jenkins of Wenatchee, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Corey of Redding, Calif., and Mrs. Mary Hiatt of Santa Rosa, left for their respective homes, having been called here by the recent death of James Lewis of Bridgeview. Also here for the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Houck of Ashland and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reynolds of Grants Pass.

When you are out in the wide open spaces, treat your campfire as you would a child. It craves attention and left to its own devices may become destructive. Keep Oregon Green.

News from Our Boys and Girls In the Service

Irvin Leming of Bakersfield Navy Air Ground crews spent his furlough last week with his father, H. C. Leming.

Jack Sowell is home on leave from the Pacific and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Sowell of Kerby.

Wesley Vahrenwald returned from Walla Walla, Wash., where he spent several days with his brother, Dale, who is confined in the Veterans hospital in that city. Dale was wounded last March while on active duty somewhere in Germany.

Danny Farlien Missing

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Farlien of Cave Junction, have received word that their son, Danny, is missing in action. He was with the 383rd Infantry, Co. B, 96th division.

Danny graduated from the Kerby high school in last year's class of 1944, and he entered the army after school was out. He trained at Camp Roberts, Calif., and left for the war the first of this year.

Danny was one of the most likeable boys in the valley, and his hundreds of friends are hoping that he comes out all right. Mr. and Mrs. Farlien have the sympathy of the entire valley and are praying he will show up after Okinawa is cleaned up.

Excerpt from a letter received by friends in the valley from Mr. and Mrs. Werner Huber in San Francisco, about their son Ralph, which will be of interest to our readers is as follows:

"I saw Carl Theuerkauf's letter in the News, so you know Ralph got hurt by shell fire on Mindanao. But altho it wasn't serious enough to cripple his foot, it was not as slight as Carl wrote about. Ralph's foot wasn't only bruised but his toes were cut up some and he spent quite a while in the hospital and was awarded the Purple Heart. He wrote us that it took a number of days by sea and land to get to a mainland hospital and I feel quite sure the army would not send a man that far for bruises only.

However, he was more than lucky at that. His wounds healed up nicely and he rejoined his combat unit and was put back in his old job as platoon runner. He wrote us that he had been given a .30 caliber carbine instead of the heavier garand he used to carry as he also packs a small radio and telephone. He is in his 5th campaign and has been in many tight spots he says. It also was his outfit that took back Corregidor with the paratroopers and I enclose a front page picture of Ralph taken by a "Yank" photographer from there. It was rather a shock for us to realize that this tough looking front line soldier was our Ralph and he says that the picture almost scared himself, but that after being shaved and cleaned up he really doesn't look that bad, and neither did he tell the photographer that he came from San Mateo, but as he was reading a scrap of a San Mateo paper which had blown into his foxhole, the man just wrote he came from there.

Ralph's unit was awarded a Presidential citation for their action on Leyte and a second one Corregidor. He also has the Combat Infantryman's badge. But all we hope and pray is, that his luck will hold out and he will get home whole and sane, some day."

Editor's Note: Photograph mailed us of Pfc. Ralph Huber, Company A, 34th Infantry, making front page copy, can be seen at The News office this week before being returned to Mr. and Mrs. Huber as they want to keep it, it being the only one they could obtain.

Corporal James E. Baldwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Baldwin, who is in training at Fort Sill, Ok-

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