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Washington Weekly Letter

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Competitive examinations for young men who might wish to enter the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis or the U. S. Military Academy at West Point will be held June 12th in the post office buildings in a number of cities in the Fourth Congressional District. On the basis of grades earned, I will make appointments to fill several vacancies, and will be glad to furnish complete details to anyone interested.

The competitive examinations referred to are not academy entrance tests, but are examinations conducted by the Civil Service Commission for the purpose of providing me with a rating of the scholastic ability of applicants for appointment. It is my policy to appoint boys making the highest grades in these examinations. Those who are appointed will enter the academies July 1, 1949.

The number of those applying for academy appointments has decreased considerably during the last two years. I mention this fact to give encouragement to those boys who would like to apply but hesitate to do so, fearing the field of competition is too crowded. There may be some tendency also to think that, because these appointments are made by congressmen and senators, some sort of influence is required. Every boy in my congressional district has equal opportunity to win an appointment. If he makes a good grade in the competitive examination referred to, can pass the physical examination, and has a good personal record, he will be appointed.

It seems to me the opportunity for receiving an education at one of the two academies is well worth working for. Although they are naval and military academies, the training given is of college standard. A career of honorable science awaits those who graduate.

A number of senators and representatives have recently sponsored legislation calling for a drastic revision of the United Nations organization. I shall not attempt to discuss the details of the proposal other than to say that, on the face of it, the idea would appear to pave the way for the division of the nations of the world into two opposing groups, one led by the United States and the other by Russia. It is true that such a division seems to exist now, but without the official sanction of the world organization.

It seems to me those who are sponsoring the revision idea overlooked one important fact. The UN was formed for the purpose of preventing future wars of aggression and was not actually set up to settle the differences arising out of World War II. In other words, UN is fundamentally an organization to keep peace after peace is established, but peace has not yet been won.

The proposal to revise the UN organization will not be acted upon by congress at this session. That is a good thing, because I feel that such a step should be taken with great caution after considerable deliberation.

BELT LODGE TO MEET SATURDAY

A special meeting has been called by Worshipful Master Scott Turner for Saturday night, May 15th, at which time the third degree will be exemplified.

All members urged to attend and visiting brethren welcome.

CAVES CHATEAU OPENED THIS WEEK

The Oregon Caves chateau and Coffee Shop opened for business this week according to James Christiansen, manager of the Oregon Caves resort.

The main dining room in the Chateau and the store will not open until the last of May or possibly about June 1st. However, Mr. Christiansen was glad to report that the former Chef is in charge, and excellent food will be served at this popular resort.

Girl Scouts Hold Court Of Awards

The first Court of Awards for Troop No. 1, Girl Scouts, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary was held Wednesday at the Legion hall. The Court consisted of Mrs. Emily Kellert, District Chairman for Illinois Valley; Harold Bowerman, Committee Chairman; Committee Members, Mrs. J. S. Whitehead and Mrs. J. W. Martin; Leader and Assistant Leader of Troop No. 1, Mrs. George Moroy and Mrs. Harold Bowerman. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cook of Medford were visitors. Mrs. Cook is Area Field Secretary for Rogue Valley area.

Brownie Troop No. 2 with Mrs. E. H. York, leader and Mrs. Geo. Duncan, assistant leader, participated in the ceremonies. Following the flag salute, Harold Bowerman gave a talk on Girl Scouting; the history of Troop No. 1 by Helen York; the Girl Scout welcome by Marilyn Masters and the Brownie song by the Brownies. Mrs. York was invested as intermediate leader and in turn, invested the following Fly-Ups as Girl Scouts, Roberta Duncan, Deanna Hembree, Donna Zimmerman, Bonnie Seranton.

The Tenderfoot Scouts of Troop No. 1 were invested at this time by their leaders. Those making the promise and receiving pins were, Bonnie Allen, Treva Allen, Mae Bowerman, Beverly Brillhart, Janice Burnette, Carol Burr, Louise Holly and Marian Wallace. One year stars were presented to Helen York, Phyllis Dick, Marilyn Masters, Marguerite Dillard and Barbara Clayton by Mrs. Bowerman. Badges earned during the year were presented Helen York, Phillips Dick, Marilyn Masters, Patricia Wright, Mary Cook, Marguerite Dillard, Barbara Clayton, Bonnie Salvage and Beverly Brillhart.

After the program a party celebrating the first birthday of Troop No. 1 was in order with the serving of cake, ice cream, punch and coffee, to all present. The cake was made and beautifully decorated by Mrs. Joy Badden.

Clean-Up Time

The City Council at its meeting last Monday designated Clean-up and Paint-up time from May 15 to June 1.

The Council also stated that any yard not cleaned up by that time, it will be done by the city and charged to the property owner.

Contracts Given Many Teachers

Eugene Dove resigned the principalship of Kerby high school to accept the vice-principalship of the Milwaukie Union high school. Mr. Dove leaves a large number of friends who regret that he is leaving Kerby high.

The new principal of Kerby high school to take Eugene Dove's place was elected Monday night at the board meeting. He is Clarence Hagen, principal at Langlois. He is 39 years old and has been at Langlois for the past 11 years and has been principal for the last nine years. He received his bachelor's degree from Oregon State and is studying with the University of Minnesota for his master's degree. He is married.

Other teachers who have been elected for next year are: Garland G. Bengé, Kathleen M. Clarke, Mrs. Sara Wertz and Mabel D. Ballard in the high school.

Mrs. Rose W. Bengé, Mrs. Lorna T. Byrne, Mrs. Hazel Ingham, Mrs. Julia Williams, Mrs. Irene Cribb, and Mrs. Margaret M. Love in the grade school.

Mr. and Mrs. David White made a business trip to Grants Pass on Tuesday. Mrs. White was also having an appointment with the dentist.

School Closing Events Calendar

The Kerby schools, in keeping with the Josephine county school unit calendar, will close Thursday, June 3, 1948.

The Senior Class at Kerby High school will attend last classes Friday, May 28th.

Guy Rucker, hot lunch manager, announces that Friday, May 28th, will be the last day hot lunches will be served at school for this school year and that regular customers will need to make other arrangements for the remaining days.

The final week of school events starts Sunday evening, May 30th, at 8 p.m. in the Community church at Cave Junction, when Frances H. Ball, rector of St. Luke's Episcopal church in Grants Pass will deliver the baccalaureate sermon.

Monday, May 31st, is a legal school holiday and all Kerby schools will be closed. Tuesday and Wednesday will be examination days for all high school classes except seniors; double period will be used, thereby causing Period 1-4 to occur Tuesday and Periods 5-7 to occur Wednesday.

Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium, the Senior Class of 1948 will stage its Class Night.

Wednesday evening, June 2, at 8 p.m. in the High School gymnasium, the eighth grade of 1948 will have its graduation exercises and Rev. Gordon A. Hypes of the Christian church in Grants Pass will deliver the address.

Thursday, the last day of school, is reserved for finishing any class work, giving out reports and

grades and any room parties or picnics. There is to be no all school picnic this year, and any picnics or parties will stem directly from each individual room and be held in the school room or on the school grounds. Buses will depart soon after noon for their last trip. More complete plans of this nature will be announced later.

High school commencement will occur Saturday night in the High School gymnasium at 8 p.m. The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. John Schulz, assistant professor of psychology at Southern Oregon College.

The senior class left in six cars Thursday evening, May 6th, for San Francisco; Friday was claimed as Senior Skip Day. The twenty-four participating Seniors drove all night and arrived at the bay city about 9 a.m. Friday morning.

Under supervision of Garland Bengé, class advisor, and in company of Jack Galland, Mrs. Rose Bengé and Jack Owens, the group utilized every precious minute of their three days seeing the highlights as planned by Mr. Bengé. The group returned to Kerby safe, tired and happy Sunday evening.

It is to be noted that an omission in the copy sent to the News office last week was responsible for the fact that two Senior Class Play characters were not mentioned. Bonnie Ward played the fine part of Mrs. Griew, a greedy little old lady who figured largely in the plot and Dorothy Brockmiller furnished the singing voice heard off stage. Our apologies, please.

Screwballs On The Loose Coming June 1

Perhaps the biggest vaudeville show ever to come to Cave Junction, will appear in the Ivy theatre, Tuesday, June 1st, sponsored by the American Legion's fun organization the 40 and 8 group.

Vaudeville that will put the old timers to shame will be on the program with a cast of 30 people, singers, dancers, beauties, two and a half hours of entertainment full of fun every minute.

There will be no standing room tickets sold. When all the seats are gone—that's it — you'll be too late to see this great show, so get your tickets early and be on hand to see the fun.

Art Kellert, Les Henry and C. Y. Arnold are the local committee to see that everything goes all right here. The big show is being organized in Medford and will play there three nights after leaving Cave Junction.

POPPY DAY TO BE SATURDAY, MAY 29th

Memorial poppies, which people of the Illinois valley will wear in honor of the war dead on Poppy Day, Saturday, May 29, were received by Glenn Morrison unit of the American Legion Auxiliary and came from the Roseburg hospital where the little red flowers were made by disabled veterans of both world wars.

Making these flowers provided employment for veterans at the hospital all during the winter and spring months. It has given these veterans the encouraging experience of being able to earn money again, often after months of idleness, and most of the money is sent home to help support their families, who often have difficulty during the veterans hospitalization and who are unable to work.

The flowers are replicas of the little wild poppies of France and Flanders, which grew on the battlefields and cemeteries of the two world wars.

NOTICE

Blue Sky Laws do not permit distribution of newspapers on election day so the News will go to press Wednesday afternoon and be in the mail for delivery Thursday morning. The News will appreciate it if all advertising and news copy be in the office not later than Tuesday afternoon.

Fireman's Ball Date Is Set Sat. June 19

To build up the fire department and keep it in good shape for every emergency, the firemen are giving their annual ball Saturday, June 19th in the American Legion hall.

All the proceeds will go to the fire department which is in need of much additional equipment and accessories.

The big event of the ball is the selection of the Firemen's Queen. This young lady will be selected to rule over the evenings entertainment, and the firemen hope that a large number of girls will give their time and talents towards the fire department. Al Zapf, of Al's Radio Shop is chairman of the queen contest and girls are asked to see him and get into the contest.

The queen will be selected from the list of candidates who sells the largest number of tickets to the ball. A real handsome prize goes with this honor and several other contestants will be her princesses and they also will receive something worth while.

The Fireman's ball is going to be the social event of the season, and the attendance will tax the capacity of the Legion hall. When the girls call on you, be ready to buy your tickets.

GARDEN CLUB TO HOLD PLANT SALE

The Illinois Valley Garden club will hold a plant sale in Cave Junction on Friday, May 21st on the sidewalk in front of Martin's Clothing store.

All members are requested to bring any plants they can spare from their own gardens, as contributions to the sale.

This sale is made possible through the courtesy and generosity of W. E. Moore of Grants Pass, who has grown the plants in his greenhouse. Many choice plants, both flower and vegetable will be offered at 25c per dozen.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Tabor of Kerby recently heard from their son Lawrence C. Tabor, 21st U. S. Air Service, stationed in Ashiya Air Base in Japan, and state that he likes the service immensely and is doing a fine job. He is payroll clerk of headquarters squadron, entering the service June 6th after his graduation and was raised to corporal on April 15th.

Kerby High Senior Skip Day Enjoyed

The Seniors decided to leave Kerby on the night of May 6, at 6 o'clock sharp. They drove all night and the next morning at 8 a.m., they found themselves in San Francisco. O-dear me-what a ride.

They checked in at the Cadillac hotel and were assigned rooms. After a general wash to remove the sleepy looks they were ready to see the sights of San Francisco.

Their sponsors took them to Golden Gate Park where a tour was conducted through the Museum of Natural History and from there they went to the Aquarium where they spent at least two enjoyable hours, seeing the fish. A tour thru the park brought them beautiful scenes such as trees, statues and flowers.

From the park they visited Playland where the slides, coasters, fun houses and other amusements really "took a beatin'—"

From here all returned to town to eat. After dining at Clinton's Cafeteria our party divided, some going to Sutro skating rink and others to Cliff House and Telegraph Hill. Wearily they fell into bed for a night's rest.

Then came Saturday. Some wanted to shop, some wanted to sleep. Some went to the Zoo. Others to Bay Meadows to see the races. There was so much to see in such a short time that different groups went to such places as Embarcadero, Fisherman's wharf, Nob Hill-Coit Tower, Top of the Mart, and China Town. A few went to the campus of the University of California at Berkeley.

There were 28 who made the trip and all wished the seniors had a week instead on the one day. Six cars composed the caravan. Mr. and Mrs. Garland Bengé and Jack Galland acted as sponsors. Sunday morning at 7:30 all bade good bye to 'Frisco, truly calling it a city of charm.

The trip home was delightful as many saw the beautiful Pitt river which harbors the Shasta Dam.

All arrived safely at home Sunday night, a well tired but happy gang. Oh, that Senior Sneak Day could come once a week.

Kerby Bethel Makes Visitation

Twenty members of the Kerby Bethel, Job's Daughters, with their guardian, Mrs. Clara Hammer, and associate guardian, Harold Bowerman, attended the meeting of Bethel 13 in the Masonic temple on Monday evening.

Miss Nellie Hershberger acted as queen in the absence of Queen Barbara Calvert. Oscar M. Shepherd served as associate guardian for Charles R. Cooley, now en route to South America.

The Kerby Bethel extended an invitation to members of Bethel 13 to attend the Charter Night at Kerby on May 20.

Lilacs and tulips were used for decoration on the refreshment table, the same two flowers being repeated in arrangements in the meeting room.

Impressive initiation ceremonies were held for Joan Hutchins, Anna Mae Meyer, Sharon Lee Sloan, Patricia Onyett, Kathleen McGregor, and Jo Ann Harmon.

During the initiation ceremonies the Misses Shirley Pederson and Ann Corthell sang a duet. Later, Miss Corthell presented a vocal solo. Miss Sara Archibald accompanied at the piano for the duet, and Mrs. Melvin Otis played the accompaniment for the solo.

A group of several parents of the Kerby Bethel members attended the meeting.

Friends will be glad to know that Dave Webb, who is in the St. Vincent hospital in Portland, is nicely recovering from a major operation, according to word received by George Webb from Dave's nurse. It is hoped he will have a very speedy recovery and be able to return to his home at O'Brien.

Did You Know?

Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce Activities

The Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce held its monthly meeting Wednesday evening at the Woodland Inn, and although the turnout was small due to illness and other unexpected distractions, the meeting was a huge success.

Under old business, one of the most important issues, the photographic folder of the Illinois Valley was discussed, and voted upon and passed unanimously. We hope to have one of the nicest folders on the coast, and we are going ahead with arrangements to have it printed as soon as possible.

The members voted to sponsor a child to the coming 4-H summer camp at Lake of the Woods. Plans were made to have a booth at the 4-H Madri Gras to be held in early June, for a really original idea—watch for it!

We had as our special guests L. C. Moffitt, county school superintendent, and Harold Bowerman, of the Redwood Ranger Station. Mr. Bowerman showed a short movie which was very interesting. The film was based on the tuberculosis Mobile X-Ray unit which will be in the Valley May 26. Every adult should avail themselves of this opportunity to have a free chest X-Ray.

It has been brought to the attention of many members that a number of the children in the Valley are walking on the highway on the wrong side of the road and they should be told of the danger of this practice. Let's all be alert and avoid a tragic accident.

Remember, money spent in the Valley makes the Valley grow.

LOCAL BAKERY NOW UNDER NEW MANAGER

Mrs. Ruth Tycer, well known former resident of the Valley returned to Cave Junction recently and has opened for business to the public, Ruth and Lola's bakery, where they will feature delicious cakes and pastries.

They will cater to clubs, organizations, or parties, in need of these pastries for special occasions. The display case hereafter will carry a variety of bakery goods where you always will be assured of something good to eat for that hungry family.

Mrs. Lola Petersen is now taking a course at the Ingalls Baking school in Portland and after June 1st will be connected with Ruth and Lola's Bakery.

Irrigation Meeting Held Tuesday Nite

The attendance at the irrigation meeting last Tuesday evening in the American Legion hall was disappointing to the local committee who had hoped the farmers and business people of the Valley would come out and learn what the advantages of irrigation meant to the Valley.

However, there were nearly 40 who wanted to learn more about the proposed development and heard Frank Hard, Reclamation Engineer give a clear and concise explanation of the project as it affects the Valley.

Jim Spencer, secretary of the Rogue Valley Irrigation association gave more information and explained some of the opposition that is being brought out in the light.

Victor Boehl, president of the association opened the meeting and after the talks many questions were asked and some points cleared up that the audience wanted to know.

The local committee is working hard to raise the Valley's quota to help put the project over. The big meeting is June 8th in Medford when the government will hold a meeting to determine whether the project is wanted by the people or not.