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PRICE 5 CENTS

Basketball Here Saturday Night

The Kerby High School Basketball team will meet the strong Talent quintet in a pre-league game Saturday evening, January 8th, at 8 o'clock.

The boys have been showing up well in practice and seem to have shown great improvement over the Christmas holiday. Talent has played two games and lost both, one to Rogue River high and the other by a small margin to Eagle Point high school.

Make it a date for next Saturday night!

Thursday evening, January 13, is the date set for a most interesting P. T. A. meeting at the Kerby high school science room. This is the meeting when Dr. Collman will be the guest speaker. His topic "Polio" is of vital importance to all parents and the information gained during the talk might aid many in preventing the spread of this dread disease.

Another feature of the evening will be the singing of a group of soprano solos by Mildred Prentice of the junior class. All those who have had the privilege of hearing this talented young lady sing Schubert's "Ave Maria" at the Christmas program, will realize that they have another great treat in store for them.

The meeting starts at 8 p. m. Everybody is welcome.

BENEFIT DINNER DANCE

Next Saturday, January 8th, at the Deer Creek Grange hall, will be held a benefit dinner dance, all proceeds to be contributed to Jim Brooks and family, whose home and all personal effects were completely destroyed by fire recently at Langlois, Oregon, where they were living. The Brooks family is well known in the Valley and in Selma where they formerly resided, Jim being a son-in-law of J. A. Buckles.

Dinner will be served at midnight and from all reports gathered, it will be some feed. Those wishing to dance must hold a separate ticket. Music will be furnished by local musicians under the direction of Edward Hennesberry of Kerby.

Remember the date, next Saturday night, at Deer Creek Grange hall. A capacity attendance is expected to help this worthy cause along. We'll be seeing you there for the dance and dinner, January 8th.

BELT LODGE MEETS

Belt Lodge No. 18, A. F. & A. M. will hold a special meeting Saturday, January 8, when degree work will be exemplified, and Claude Masters, Worshipful Master, requests that a good attendance turn out for this session. Other important matters may come up for discussion and it is urgent that you be present.

WEATHER REPORT FOR ILLINOIS VALLEY

The following weather information as recorded at the Redwood Ranger Station. Rainfall and temperature records for the six days ending January 2, 1949:

Date	Rainfall	Hi	T.	Low	T.
Dec. 27	.00	39			32
Dec. 28	.80	44			36
Dec. 29	.17	49			92
Dec. 30	.00	32			29
Dec. 31	.50	44			38
Jan. 1	.20	43			34
Jan. 2	.00	44			34
Total	1.67				

9 YEAR RAINFALL BY MONTHS, REDWOOD RANGER STATION RECORDS

	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948
January	5.27	15.35	7.67	13.26	5.07	3.97	7.11	2.99	10.01
February	3.62	6.27	6.48	4.55	2.76	9.77	5.69	4.55	5.91
March	3.28	3.46	2.50	4.77	3.39	7.39	3.71	5.12	3.89
April	5.10	4.08	3.77	4.32	3.03	5.20	1.71	1.02	9.48
May	2.34	4.20	6.89	1.26	1.43	3.62	1.71	.08	2.56
June	.85	1.76	.19	.54	1.12	.21	.27	3.80	1.15
July	.03	.11	.00	.34	.30	.00	.00	3.92	.41
August	.00	.02	.02	.44	.22	.02	.00	1.28	.05
September	8.33	.99	.05	.04	.68	.61	.56	.26	1.63
October	4.19	.72	1.09	7.52	2.10	1.46	3.56	9.82	1.61
November	4.10	5.92	18.79	4.75	12.75	14.41	12.57	.82	4.00
December	14.94	16.08	17.73	5.90	6.27	16.28	1.54	2.16	8.13
Totals	52.05	58.96	65.18	47.69	39.12	62.94	38.43	35.82	48.83

Average rainfall for the Illinois Valley is 48.89.

"OLD LOS ANGELES" DEPICTS GOLD RUSH DAYS AT IVY THEATER

The historical epic of bold gold rush days is booked for the Saturday matinee and evening showing at the Ivy theatre, with William Elliott and Catherine McLeod in "Old Los Angeles" a top notch film drama full of excitement and action. If you want suspense, smooth performance and an absorbing drama, this picture has it.

Laughs for everybody Sunday when Van Johnson and June Allyson are seen in the comedy-romance "The Bride Goes Wild". Johnson as the indolent and mischievous writer of animal stories and June the prim, puritanical New England teacher, assigned to illustrate his latest book. After many complications and hilarious situations, the story comes to a happy ending.

Paulette Goddard stars in her most sophisticated role in "An Ideal Husband" in color, is the bewitching blackmailer in high society at the turn of the century.

Feature No. 2, Cowboy Johnny Mack Brown portrays a detective in search of a missing pay-chest in "Triggerman" with Raymond Hatton again featured in the new western drama, and Virginia Carroll in the feminine lead.

"Kiss of Death" starring Victor Mature, a gripping drama of a gangster caught between three fires; the love for his wife and family, his battle to remain true

GEORGE COVEY, WELL KNOWN VALLEY RESIDENT PASSES

George Covey, aged 53 years, died at his home in Selma, Sunday, January 2, at 10:45 a. m., very suddenly from a heart attack while shaving. He has lived at Selma for 13 years. He was born June 1, 1895, in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was a member of Belt Lodge No. 18, A. F. & A. M. in Kerby, a veteran of World War 1, and a charter member of the VFW Post 4390.

Funeral services will be held Friday, January 7, at one o'clock at the Hull and Hull Chapel, Grants Pass, with Belt Lodge in charge. Graveside services will be conducted by the American Legion and VFW in Laurel cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Salona Fern Covey, of Selma; three sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Hoppe, Cincinnati; Mrs. Cora Voorhies, Albany, New York; Mrs. Leona Hambaugh, Sierra Madre, California, and one brother, Ed Covey, Cincinnati.

to gangland's code, and the temptations put before him to accept the brand of squalor in turning in his pals who betrayed his wife while in prison. Brian Donlevy has one of his finest roles as the assistant district attorney. Plenty of action and suspense.

Unemployment Compensation Office Here

Those workmen who are drawing unemployment compensation from the state, and have to go to Grants Pass to report, will be glad to know that in the future, starting next Tuesday, January 11, can transact all your unemployment compensation business in Cave Junction.

Messrs. Linkhart & McLean have generously offered their real estate and insurance office every Tuesday to clerks of the commission who will be in Cave Junction at their office, next door to the News office between the hours of 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Icy roads, drive carefully.

MASS MEETING CALLED FOR FRIDAY NIGHT

A general mass meeting will be held Friday, January 7, in the American Legion hall at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of forming an inter-organization committee. The inter-organization will be composed of delegates duly elected or appointed from every organization in the Valley, two or three and when this is done a permanent organization of all the delegates will be held and officers elected to get the idea functioning for the betterment of organizations and the Valley as a whole.

Members from all organizations are asked to attend this first meeting so the idea could be completely discussed and explained. Then you should take the idea back to your own lodge, club or organization, tell what it is for and try to get the delegates duly appointed.

Smith Home, Caves Highway Destroyed

The old Ora Smith ranch home just off the Caves highway about three miles from the junction, was completely destroyed by fire last Thursday about 10:30 a. m., from causes as yet not determined.

George Garland and family lived in the house, which is now the property of Mr. and Mrs. Harry O. Smith. Mr. Garland was at work at the Oregon Caves Lumber company. Mrs. Garland has not been well lately and neighbors recovered everything they could find, but Mr. Garland lost most of his clothes.

Other outbuildings were saved, but the residence was completely destroyed. Mr. and Mrs. Smith had the home insured.

OREN EDWARD PRITT FIRST BABY OF THE NEW YEAR IN COUNTY

On the front page of Monday's Grants Pass Courier appears the picture of Master 1949, shown on the arm of a nurse, and was heralded as the first baby born in Josephine county for the New Year. Named Oren Edward Pritt, the youngster is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lendle Pritt of Cave Junction, and grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nickerson.

The seven pound three ounce New Year arrival was born Saturday, January 1 at 9:07 a. m., to win the title of first baby of 1949, and thereby became eligible for an array of gifts from local Grants Pass merchants.

IOOF AND REBEKAHS WILL HOLD JOINT INSTALLATION JAN. 12

Installation of officers for Odd-fellows and Rebekahs will be held on Rebekahs regular meeting night, Wednesday, January 12, with the later holding their meeting at the regular opening house, followed by the IOOF installation.

Potluck will be served by the Rebekahs after the installations. Visiting brethren and sisters are welcome.

The Oddfellows will hold their regular meeting Tuesday, January 11, which will include examinations of newly elected officers. It is hoped that all brethren attend both these meetings states Arthur Kellert, N. G.

JAYCEES ELECT NEW OFFICERS

T. R. (Ted) Burnette was elected president of the Illinois Valley Junior Chamber of Commerce at their last meeting which was held Monday, December 20, at Vic and Bea's Bakery, their semi-monthly meeting place.

Other officers elected were Jack Edwards and Orville Meredith, first and second vice-presidents; Merle O'Dell, secretary and treasurer; Leon Smith, State Director. Members present voted for and carried out plans to buy and install a stove for the Kerby library, and now this organization will appreciate it if some one would donate wood for this project.

The Jaycees will hold their next meeting Monday, January 10th, when the newly elected officers will preside.

Auxiliary Sponsoring Series of Card Parties

At the Auxiliary meeting Wednesday night plans were made for initiating new members Wednesday, January 19th. Plans were also discussed for raising additional money for the Auxiliary.

Members are requested to attend the next sewing day, Tuesday, January 18. Potluck lunch at noon. The Auxiliary is sponsoring another series of pinocle card parties, the first one to be held next Saturday, January 8, price of card party and refreshments is only 50 cents.

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NEW OFFICERS FOR WESTERN STAR CHAPTER



Reading from left to right: First row: Thelma Blue, Electa, Arthur Kellert, Worthy Patron; Emily Kellert, Worthy Matron; Joy Badden, Associate Matron; James Garrison, Associate Patron; Henry Loyd, Treasurer.

Second row: Jess Martin, Sentinel; Lela Garrison, Warder; Barbara Robinson, Conductress; Ruth Ann Palmer, Organist; Dorothy Doran, Esther; Edith Hall, Adah.

Standing: Esther Martin, Chaplain; Ruth Masters, Associate Conductress; Edna Cooper, Ruth; Helen Yale, Marshal; Mary Loyd, Secretary.

The officers were installed December 27, after their St. John's Day banquet. A very large attendance witnessed the beautiful candle light ceremony.

KNOW YOUR TEACHERS

(By Sara Wertz)

The joy of Christmas and the new experience of sharing it with the teacher's two small grandchildren glowed in the happy faces of 32 third grade pupils in Mrs. Rosabelle Smith Oliver's room when I called there on the Thursday before the holiday. Little hosts and hostesses proudly displayed their handicraft, their visitors and their school spirit which makes of the room a large living center for them in the five days of every week.

Intuitively, it must be for I know no place of training, Mrs. Oliver carries over her fine homemaking experience into her school room. Mrs. Oliver exemplifies the modern mother. She began with a teaching career, kept up with educational trends while rearing her two daughters and one son and, after her family needed her less, returned to the school room. A native of Kentucky, Mrs. Oliver came early in her life to California where she went thru grade and high school. Later she moved to Oregon and graduated from Monmouth Normal, majoring in music and art. Her major interest is in the child who is different, those who have difficulty in reading or can not master a specific subject. She believes there are none who cannot learn and has a wide variety of techniques and devices to implement her teaching, often casting aside the text book for a short time in favor of other educational appeals.

Mrs. Oliver spent several years in specialized education dealing with remedial teaching. She has taught in the Siletz Indian schools. She has had teaching in Roseburg, Medford and in Eastern Oregon schools. She lived five years in Wolf Creek where the occupation was mining. Her three children went to school there and it was after this experience that the Oliverts decided they liked Southern Oregon best and Mrs. Oliver decided she liked to deal with minds rather than rocks, finding greater response from folks and larger satisfaction in the task.

Mrs. Oliver lives at Maple Court in Kerby at present and hopes to locate permanently in Cave Junction.

You would surely enjoy a visit to Lorna Tyce Byrne's 6th grade room of 35 pupils where students show a "business" unusual, an orderliness that could make a high school teacher envious and a gracious hospitality to all visitors. Nature study, especially birds and flowers, is obviously a teacher and pupil interest. Ever changing art work reflects this in lovely borders and wall panels done by the group.

Lorna Tyce first taught in the small one room schools of Holand, White and Payne districts. The fact that Lorna's first salary was \$115 a month shows the high regard for education, characteristic of the early residents of Illinois Valley. Twenty years ago this was an unusually high wage for a teacher.

Mrs. Byrne taught several years in the "Little Red School House" of our valley and still misses that atmosphere, singularly a part of the one room school—those qualities that seemed to contribute to the growth of character traits in small pupils that made for great contributions to democratic ways of living.

Mrs. Byrne left the rural school for very exacting work in Portland, Ore., as senior clerk in Navy Material Auditing Department of Willamette Iron and Steel Corporation, where Destroyers and Airplane carriers were made. Here she met people from every state in the union. She attended commissioning ceremonies of the U. S. S. Catskill and U. S. S. Ozark.

Mrs. Byrne made the most of her war work using every spare moment to keep up with educational trends and progress. She attended night classes in Psychology and Child Guidance, working toward her BA degree at the University of Oregon.

A course she especially enjoyed

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KERBY BETHEL INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



The above picture is depicting the new officers for the ensuing term of Jobs Daughters, Kerby Bethel, at the installation ceremonies held recently at the Masonic Temple in Kerby.

First row: Harold Bowerman, Associate Guardian; Phyllis Dick, Guide; Louis Merrill, Senior Princess; Diane Morey, Honored Queen; Ruth Smith, Junior Princess; Sharon Bengt, Marshal; Clara Hammer, Guardian.

Second row: Marguerite Dillard, 3rd Messenger; Bonnie Allen, Outer Guard; Patricia Wright, 4th Messenger; Claire Cooper, 1st Messenger; Darleen Cooper, Musician; Jonelle Bengt, 2nd Messenger; Mae Bowerman, 5th Messenger; Barbara Clayton, Inner Guard; Norma Buckles, Lady of the Lights; Marjorie McKinnon, Recorder.

Third row: Nina Jones, Librarian; Darlene Wilhelm, Treasurer; Marilyn Masters, Senior Custodian; Carol Burr, Junior Custodian. Charlene McDaniel, Chaplain, was unable to attend the installation.



MARGARET SMITH
Past Honored Queen



DIANE MOREY
Honored Queen