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School Committee Caucus Held Friday Night

Approximately 60 persons attended last Friday night's school committee caucus at IVHS, including five members of the high school faculty and one member of the grade school faculty. William McLean of Kerby consented to act as chairman.

Among the 23 persons present from Cave Junction precinct were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman, Robert Rausch, John Dillard, William Menozzi, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hagen, Bill Raines, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Knipple, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Salvage, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Cady, C. Y. Arnold, Mrs. Harold Crowl, Mrs. William Small, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Sherier and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Abernathy. People from the Holland, Selma, Kerby, Takilma and O'Brien districts also attended.

There was a protracted discussion regarding the present school committee sub-district system, under which the people of the Selma, Central and O'Brien sub-districts have no voice in the elementary school at Kerby, although their children attend the upper grades there. It was the consensus of opinion that this is a thoroughly inequitable set-up, and William McLean promised that he would consult with the county school board regarding a way to alleviate the situation, and that he would report his findings to the various sub-district groups.

Following a brief explanation by the chairman regarding the school election to be held on Monday, June 19, and the desirability of selecting one single candidate from the Cave Junction-Kerby area in order to spread out the representation from a geographical standpoint, slips of paper were passed out with the direction that each person should write the name of the person he felt best qualified for the office thereon. It was felt by the sponsors and the chairman that this method of selection would give a fairer cross section of opinion than nominations from the floor. After these ballots had been gathered and counted, (total 54), the chairman asked the assembly if it wished to hold the run-off among the top two or the top three candidates, as selected by the first ballot. A vote showed that the majority favored voting on the top three candidates, and slips of paper were again passed out. Tabulation of these ballots revealed that 28 votes, a majority of those cast, were for John Dillard of Cave Junction. This was taken to mean that a majority of the people in the Cave Junction-Kerby area wished Mr. Dillard as their candidate, and it was the expressed hope that this caucus would serve its purpose by uniting the voters behind one candidate to avoid a vote split.

The matter of representation for the high school was then broached. It was again pointed out that people of the out-lying sub-districts have never had a voice in the conduct of the high school their children attend, and since the recent ruling that the jurisdiction of the Kerby sub-district school committee is restricted to the Kerby elementary school, there is no local representation in high school. Recent discussion with members of the county school board had disclosed that the county board would recognize and endeavor to cooperate with an unofficial high school "advisory" committee, to be composed of one member from the Cave Junction, Holland, Selma, Kerby, Takilma, Central and O'Brien areas, each member to be selected by the people of that area. Since there is no provision in law for such a committee, it would function in an advisory capacity with no absolute powers under the statutes, but would still be completely legal.

The chairman suggested that the people from each of the districts above named retire to various corners and select their representatives to serve on such a committee. There was objection from

Notice To Belt Lodge Members

There will be no Belt Lodge meeting at the Kerby Masonic Hall this coming Saturday, June 10th.

Fred Varner Seeks Return To School Board

A nominating petition to put Fred Varner of Jerome Prairie on the ballot for reelection to the Josephine School board has been circulating throughout the county. Although the school board candidates this year must be selected from the Jerome Prairie district, they will be voted on by the entire county. Legal voters from anywhere in the county may sign the nominating petitions.

The Josephine County School board is composed of five members, one each from the Wolf Creek, Fruitdale, Jerome Prairie, Williams and Illinois Valley areas. The term is for a period of five years, and the term of one member expires each year. Candidates for the school board are nominated by petition, and voted on at the school elections held on the third Monday in June; this year the election date is June 19. Under the present system, voting is carried on from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. PST (from 3 to 9, daylight saving time, which we are on at present), at each of the elementary schools in the county. A member is elected to each sub-district school committee for a three year term in the same election.

Mr. Varner is a veteran on the school board, and considered eminently qualified for the position by all who are familiar with his work. Valley citizens will remember him as the board member who awarded the diplomas at our recent IVHS graduation ceremonies.

As mentioned before, the school election will take place Monday, June 19, from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. (daylight saving time) at each of the elementary schools in the county. County voters will elect one member to the county school board, and one member to their respective local sub-district committees. To be eligible to vote, a citizen must be a registered voter who has resided in his present sub-district at least six months. Both county school board members and local sub-district committee members serve without salary.

Plans Made For July 4th Celebration

The Rough and Ready Ramblers and Veterans of Foreign Wars are to sponsor the Second Annual 4th of July Celebration to be held at their grounds East of Caves Avenue in Cave Junction.

There will be two dances, a rodeo, two ball games, a horse gymkhana, parade and barbecue. Entertainment and games for young and old and every taste. Concessions and refreshments continuously.

Another "Miss Liberty" contest begins this week. Any unmarried girl sixteen years of age or older is invited to enter. Especially want at least one girl sponsored by every town in the Valley.

The winning contestant and her court will reign throughout the celebration and the balance of the year.

Girls, the contest is easy and the prizes very much worth while. Please drop a card to Mrs. C. G. Slack, Kerby, at once.

Eagles Lodge News

The new Oregon Caves Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles conducted their first meeting under the newly elected officers Friday June 2nd by initiating 16 more members and installing 2 officers. The membership drive is underway to obtain 37 more members. After which time the Charter will be closed.

W. P. Lester Tythcott urges all men 18 or over to come in now and be a charter member and a Patron Eagle.

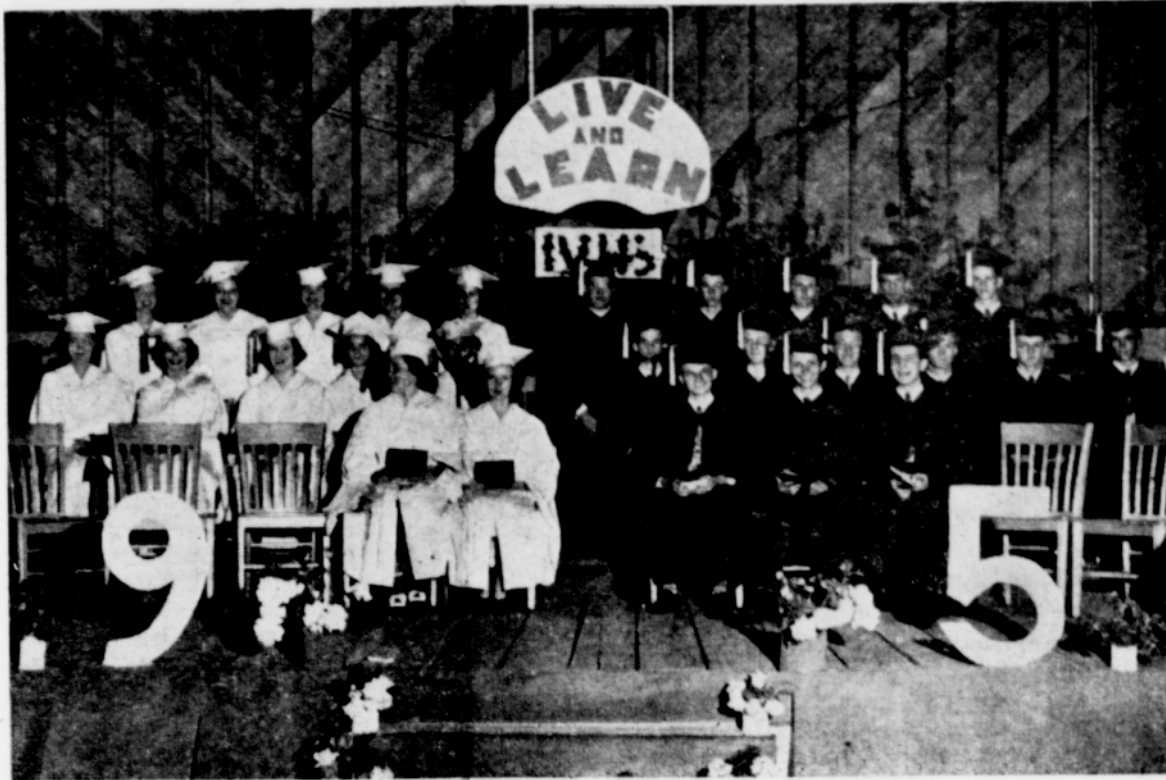
The Eagles Lodge is in general a workman's organization, which pays sick, accident and death benefits to its members in good standing.

High School Students Win Scholastic Awards

Glenn Overstreet, class of 1950, was presented with a medal upon his graduation, the American Legion award for scholastic achievement.

The American Legion Auxiliary awards, consisting of pen and pencil sets, were presented to Doris Hall and Marilyn Wurn.

CLASS OF 1950



Illinois Valley High School graduating class of 1950. Back row: Glenda Robinson, Dorothy Warren, Elsie Arnett, Virginia Breazeale, Geraldine Scholz, Ed Radcliffe, Myron Crowl, Douglas Holly, Gerald Miller, Guy Hunt. Middle row: Deete Mickey, Barbara Miller, Marlene Kaiser, Bernice Black, Louise Merrill, Clifford Sowell, George Burger, Buster Martin, John Lovejoy, Stanley Nations. First row: Doris Hall, Marilyn Wurn, Glenn Overstreet, Bill Rauber, Keith Haggard, Mildred Prentice, Roy Weaver and Fred Krauss were unable to attend the graduation ceremonies last Thursday night, June 1. Valedictorian was Glenda Robinson and Dorothy Warren was salutatorian.

Local Youth Wins Awards

(Special to The I V News)

One of one hundred and eighty-three seniors receiving degrees at the 87th annual commencement exercises at St. Mary's College this Sunday will be Donald F. Rauber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Rauber of Cave Junction.

Young Rauber will be graduated with honors, receiving a bachelor of arts in arts and letters degree, magna cum laude. He also will be the recipient of the B. P. Oliver Citizenship Award.

While a student at St. Mary's, the Cave Junction youth was active in drama and journalistic activities, having appeared in several student productions and having contributed regularly to student periodicals. He will do graduate work at the University of Oregon where he has been awarded a fellowship in English.

This year's graduating class is the largest in the history of this California college conducted by the B-ethers of the Christian Schools.

His Excellency, Bishop Hugh A. Donohoe, D.D., of San Francisco will confer the degrees. Commencement speaker will be the Honorable J. Howard McGrath, Attorney General of the United States, who will be the recipient of an honorary doctor of laws degree.

C of C Holds Meeting

At the dinner meeting held Friday, June 2, the Cave City Chamber of Commerce and the City Council discussed local fire protection.

A Ways and Means Committee of 18 was formed to check into the hose situation. Approximately 650 ft. of 2 1/2 ft. hose is needed.

Members of the WWC are: Mr. and Mrs. H. Crowl, Mr. and Mrs. Earlien, Mr. and Mrs. McCracken, Mr. and Mrs. Small, Mayor Hussey, Blake Miller, John Dillard, Jerry Tillery, Fred Salvage, Les Tythcott, Ken Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sherier and Wm. McLean, chairman.

Plans were made for a volunteer fire system.

Lions Club Elects Officers

The Illinois Valley Lions club elected officers at its dinner meeting at the House of Todelope last Monday, June 5. Clarence Hagen was selected for president; vice president, Al Zapf; secretary-treasurer, Charles Hubbard; directors, Bill Raines and Doyl Hamilton; lion tamer, Ed Knipple; and tail-twister, Jack O. Pope.

Inasmuch as President Hagen will be unable to represent the Valley club at the Lions state convention in Medford on June 11, 12 and 13, the vice president, Al Zapf, was designated to go in his place. Charles Hubbard will go as secretary-treasurer of the club, and Art Whitesell and Luther Sherier were selected from the membership to attend.

Ramblers, Legion, IV Chamber Meet

Les Milligan, president of the Ramblers, Tex Clifford, commander of the American Legion met with the Executive Board of the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce last night to talk over plans for the coming celebration for the opening of the Illinois Valley Bank, on July 15th.

Mr. Milligan reported that the Ramblers have tentative plans for a parade, gymkhana, barbecue and dance for that date. Mr. Clifford promised the support of the American Legion and the Executive Board voted to give their support to this project. Interesting plans were discussed for the festivities and it is hoped that all the organizations in the Valley will cooperate and make this, the opening of the Bank, the biggest event in the history of the Valley.

The participation and support of all the Valley organizations is invited. Just contact Les Milligan or phone him at 3603.

Long Gulch Fire Out

The Long Gulch fire, which raged for nearly five days and threatened thousands of acres of virgin timber is out. 200 acres of green timber and slash was burned. Five homes were threatened by the fire. Millions of feet of timber on the upper watershed were in the path of the fire before it was checked.

The fire was caused by some careless person who had no thought for his own welfare or that of others.

The logging crews and local men gave excellent response to the call for assistance. They dropped their work and furnished tractors and transportation as well as labor. This splendid cooperation was greatly appreciated by the Redwood Ranger station.

In addition to the destruction of valuable natural resources, control of this fire cost the labor of 75 men for four days. Four caterpillar tractors were in almost continuous use during this period.

Local Court News

June 1—

Jack Woods, no driver's license. Fined \$2.50 and costs. Glenn Rogers, truck speeding. Fined \$10 and \$4.50 costs. E. Raymond Harris, truck speeding. Fined \$10 and \$4.50 costs.

June 2—

Dave White, disorderly conduct. \$50 suspended fine, court costs \$4.50.

June 6—

Andrew Knipe, no operator's license. Fined \$2.50 and \$4.50 costs.

COME ALONG TO DAY CAMP

Beginning June 26 to June 30 Monday through Friday there will be five days of camping at the Rough and Ready Park. Hours will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost will be 75 cents with milk at noon or 50 cents without milk. Special activity will include excursions for the older girls.

WHAT IS DAY CAMP?

Day Camp is camping by the day! Girls from several troops meet together at the camp site with special leaders, to spend all day in the out-of-doors. They try to plan to come for the whole day camp session of five to ten days, depending on the district in which they live.

WHAT DO WE DO AT DAY CAMP?

The campers arrive at the Day Camp site sometime in the morning (check the hours of the camp nearest to you) and spend several hours there enjoying outdoor activities: hiking, outdoor cooking, resting under the trees, getting acquainted with birds and insects, really camping, except they don't sleep there.

WHO WILL BE THERE?

All girls between the ages of 7 and 17 are invited to attend Day Camp, whether they are Girl Scouts or not. The leaders and other staff members are well trained, and are interested in helping girls have a good time in the out-of-doors.

WHAT SHALL WE WEAR AND BRING?

Wear clothes you can have fun in: slacks, jeans shorts, play-clothes, and bring a sweater or jacket. If you wear a "sun-back" bring a blouse or shirt to wear part of the day. All campers wear shoes every day, because we find broken glass in our parks, and we want to prevent accidents. Each girl brings her own lunch, and her share of food for cookouts.

WHAT DOES THE FEE INCLUDE?

The fee includes all craft materials, and is for the whole camping session in each camp. A girl who does not sign up for the complete session, but wants to come for one or two days pays 25 cents a day in any day camp Camp she attends. Expenses for an "overnight" will be additional.

The fee is due at the time of registration, and is not refundable. Registration will be taken at the schools.

You may get your applications from the following people: Mrs. Les Henry and Mrs. Fred Harms, of Cave Junction, Mrs. George Duncan and Mrs. Ellsworth Cooke of Kerby.

Attention Gun Club Members!

On Sunday June 11, at 9 a.m., there will be gun practice at Proctor Hill. Be sure to bring your hammer, rifle or shotgun.

CAPITAL PARADE BY MURRAY WADE

LIVE LONG IN OREGON

Want to live a long time?

Then stick around Oregon. It is the healthiest state in the nation.

These are not just chamber of commerce blurbs. They are plain statements of facts from federal records.

For years Oregon has been at or near the top of the list of states for low birth rate morally, eradication of tuberculosis and venereal diseases.

Loa Howard, state welfare administrator, has reminded members of the state board of control that 10 per cent of Oregon's population consists of persons 65 years of age or older, as compared with the national average of 7.5.

A greater per cent of the people of Oregon live beyond the average life span and a greater number of them have provided for themselves in their old age. In Oregon, only one in six are old age recipients. In Louisiana, more than eight out of every ten receive state pensions.

Governor Douglas McKay quoted the U. S. Bureau of Labor statistics as anticipating that Oregon would continue to lead in the percentage of people 65 years old and older and that the ratio would advance to between 12 and 14 per cent by 1960.

Oregon's average monthly payments for old age assistance is \$52.92 or only five cents lower than that of New York. Only nine states provide higher pensions.

DOOR-TO-DOOR LICENSE

A Salem insurance agency has been receiving a flood of letters from firms in other states who employ doorbell-ringing solicitors. The writers want to know what will become of the case of an insurance solicitor working for the Salem agency who has been found guilty of soliciting without a permit from the city.

The solicitor is appealing the case to the supreme court and to higher courts if he loses. Municipal governments also are interested. If the Salem ordinance is upheld other cities will want to adopt it to replace untested laws they may now have.

PROSPECTIVE LAWS

While indicating some of the matters he will include in his message to the 1951 legislature, Governor Douglas McKay said Wednesday he would insist that "all budget items be placed on necessities rather than governmental frills." At a meeting of state department heads the governor admonished them to reduce rather than increase their expenditures.

The governor declared he would ask that legal status be given the state board of natural resources which is composed largely of department heads. This board, instituted by the governor, is a voluntary group.

Governor McKay believes a paid state patrol board will, by full time work, be able to save money for taxpayers and the public as well. He predicted that taxes again will be a paramount issue in the next legislature.

RECENT LEGAL OPINIONS

It is unlawful to use as a hotel part of a building in which there is also being operated a garage.

A general business corporation may not engage in the trust business without employing with the trust laws of the state.

A non-resident applicant for a real estate broker's license must maintain a definite place of business in this state unless duly licensed in another state under the laws of which similar recognition is granted to licensees of this state.

CAPITOL CALLOP

The late primary election cost \$200,000, spent by taxpayers, candidates, backers . . . Questionnaires have been sent to 1500 Oregon firms to list salaries of employees to enable state civil service commission to compare wages with those of private enterprise . . .

Secretary of State Earl Newberry will be the speaker at the annual Pioneer Mother banquet June 16 during the Phil Sheridan Days celebration at Sheridan . . . Could be six women members of the 1951 legislature; there is one holdover and five are up for election—the five are democrats.