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MISS DOROTHY CHAUSSE SPEAKS TO WOMEN

Childrens Welfare Worker Talks At Grass Valley

TELLS OF CHILD AID WORK

Many Difficulties Encountered In Trying To Help Children

Miss Dorothy Chausse from the State Welfare Commission, whose headquarters are in Portland, spoke before several members of the Grass Valley and Moro Woman's Club Tuesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. C. L. Poley in Grass Valley.

Miss Chausse, who is one of three case workers representing the field staff of the commission enumerated the main functions of their work such as, investigating rumors and abuses; approval of private child caring agencies; supervision of child placing; investigating petitions for adoption courts; and determination concerning and reporting concerning these to the state aid, etc.

Miss Chausse gave some concrete examples in the case of rumors of abuses and deficiencies in child caring and brought out the helpless position of the Commission to do a great deal in such cases. As for instance, one elderly man and wife, with limited income, having in their care five babies all under the age of five. These babies were unkempt and were sleeping in two beds in one room with one window, nailed so it would open only a few inches. This elderly couple were running an ad for more babies to care for. These were some of the conditions found by the Commission when they were called upon to make investigation. As there is no legislation to prevent such people from taking babies for care the only thing the Commission could do was go in and keep cleaning it out.

Miss Chausse also brought to mind the many problems that arise in the cases of widows and widowers being left with several children to care for and the struggle always to keep the mothers and children together as much as possible. Multnomah county feels the burden in such cases as these, for many widows place their children in homes while they attempt to find work in the larger cities and therefore do not remain in the county in which they became a widow or their legal residence, from which they should draw their Mothers Pension. There is a struggle to get legislation covering this matter of equalizing the burden placed upon Multnomah county.

The matter of adoption alone gives the field workers of the Commission a big job. The child's situation must be given careful study and the ability, willingness and fitness of relatives to assume responsibility for the care of the child. Adoption is resorted to only in cases of orphanage or utter unfitness or unwillingness of parents to care for their child. No child is separated from a parent because of poverty alone. The family considering adoption must also be investigated to see that the child is being properly placed.

The private institutions licensed for the care of dependent children are: Albertina Kerr Nursery Home, Boys & Girls Aid Society, Children's Home, Jewish Shelter Home, Mothers and Children's Home, St. Agnes Baby Home, The Waverly Baby Home, Salvation Army White Shield Home, Florence Crittenton Home, all of Portland, and the St. Mary's Home for Boys, Beaverton; Christie Home for Girls, Oswego; and the Children's Farm Home at Corvallis.

In these twelve homes on September 30, 1930, there were 1,993 children, of this number there were 1,481 children who had both parents living, 243 with fathers only and 166 with mothers only, and 99 children, with both parents dead. There were 4 not reported.

Miss Chausse reported that at present Sherman county had no children in the Homes and at no time very many.

Moro School Faculty Will Give Local Institute Saturday

The faculty of the Moro school will give their local institute this Saturday at the school house. Each town school in the county is required to hold one such institute during the school year which is attended by all of the teachers.

The county school superintendent of Klickitat county Washington, Mr. C. R. Benet, will be present and will address the teachers using as his subject some of the problems common to all instructors.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 25

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
March 19	56	40	.07
" 20	65	35	0
" 21	57	46	.07
" 22	52	32	0
" 23	54	27	0
" 24	51	33	.09
" 25	46	29	0
Total precipitation for March	99 in.		
Normal	77		
Total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1930	6.02		
Normal precipitation Sept. to March inclusive, 8.70 inches.			
Deficiency since September 1, 2.68 inches.			

Moro School Notes

Typing award tests will be given Thursday for both divisions. Any students who have had two years typing may contest for typing II award. Typing I students have to make a rate of 45 words a minute and typing II a rate of 55 words per minute to win an award. The typewriter companies no longer give free awards and therefore the Junior Chamber of Commerce will buy the awards for the students who win them.

County School Superintendent, Mr. Lawrence W. Rakes, gave the typing students a speed test last Thursday. Some very good tests were made. There were nine tests with five or less errors and one perfect test. Eva Miller made a perfect test with a rate of 57 words a minute.

The Tewease Camp Fire Girls served a luncheon consisting of cake, sandwiches, perfection salad, and tea and coffee at the Masonic hall, Friday afternoon. It was guest day at the Woman's club and about sixty members and guests attended. Leora Peetz and Janet Stephens poured. About \$15.00 was realized from the sale.

Friday evening, Mrs. J. L. Searcy was hostess at a party given in honor of Katie Belshie, on the occasion of her birthday anniversary. All the members of the Tewease Camp Fire group were invited. The evening was spent in playing games, after which refreshments were served. They consisted of angel food cake, brick ice cream and chocolate.

Miss Thomas, Miss Scruggs, Miss Braunerger and Miss Grayliss attended the Woman's Club play, "Oh! Kay!" given at Grass Valley.

Patricia Pawell, Lavon Sayrs, Arnold Landry, Marjorie Nahouse, Doris Fortner and Lois Bryant were presented in piano recital along with others by Mrs. G. C. Akers at the Presbyterian church on Friday evening. Miss Margaret Scruggs, accompanied by Helen Searcy, sang a solo. Miss Julia Braunerger gave a reading.

A number of the alumni are home from college. We have seen around town, Lamer Sayrs, Emma Jean Stephens, Dorothy Foss, Gwendolyn Foss, Velma Powell, Ione Miller, and Evelyn Christianson.

The following students were on the honor roll for the past six weeks: Doris Amidon, Lois Bryant, Charles Burnet, Doris Fortner, Maxine Henrichs, Marjorie Nahouse, Patricia Powell, Bernard Rice, Janet Stephens and Flora Williams, Audrey Baker, Vera Jean Henrichs, Ardis Truitt, Isla Gene Brisbane, Clara Mersinger, Clifford Kenny, Dean Pinkerton, Robert Gillmor, Beth Mersinger, Howard Conlee, Mary Pinkerton, Lois Kenny, Melba Thorgerson, Evelyn McLachlan, Dorothy Fraser, Mildred Adams, Mildred Alley and Gordon Fraser.

County teachers institute will be held at Moro, Saturday, March 28. Superintendent C. R. Bennett of Goldendale will be the main speaker.

Moro high school glee clubs will present the opera "Jerry of Jerico Road" March 28, in the Legion hall, at 8 p. m. The story is about a girl, Geraldine, known as Jerry, who fearing arrest by the police whose station she has demolished with her aunt's automobile, hires out to Alan O'Day, a wealthy Easterner, who in an effort to forget his girl who will not marry him because her mother so shamelessly favors the match on account of Alan's money, converts his ranch in the west into a tourist camp.

The cast as they appear are: Uncle Pete, an old time westerner, Harold Thorgerson. Alan O'Day, young owner of Feudal Rock ranch, Ferrell Barr. Geraldine Bank, known as Jerry, Janet Stephens.

John Drayton, Alan's cousin, Keith McDonald. Mimi, a flapper, Grace Cothran. Dora, Mimi's cousin, Marjorie Kunsman.

Cornelius Bean, from Boston, Albert Pluemeke. Amos Bank, an easterner, Jonny Gentry.

Lettie Bank, his wife, Doris Fortner.

Sandy Bank, their daughter, Marjorie Nahouse. Hunter, a detective, Clair Adams. Chorus of Tourists, Cowboys, Ghosts, Magueraders, etc.

AUSTIN FOSS WINS BOY SCOUT CONTEST

First Aid Week Observed By Essay Writing Contest

RICHARD BARNES IS SECOND

Winning Essay Tells What To Do In Case Of Partial Drowning

First Aid Week was observed by the Moro troupe of boy scouts last week, March 13th to 20th, by an essay writing contest on either of the two subjects "Why is First Aid Week Necessary" and "What to do Till the Doctor Comes."

Austin Foss was winner of the first prize, a first aid kit of the regulation Boy Scout kind, and was given an additional prize of an official Boy Scout flash light. Richard Barnes won the second prize which was a Boy Scout pocket knife. The first and second prizes were donated by the Moro Pharmacy. Following is the winning essay, written by Austin Foss:

First Aid.

First Aid is a very useful thing to everybody. Most people have a first aid kit in their homes. There are some companies that require first aid kits in all their stores. First aid is used in emergencies for bandaging wounds. The boy scout handbook tells many useful things about the house. It tells one how to stop the flow of blood. One way is to tie a handkerchief around the limb affected above the wound. Then insert a stick and twist it until the blood stops flowing.

If there was a boy drowning in the Columbia river and if I was near, I would immediately dive in and take off in the water, shoes, socks and shirt, then swim to the boy. Approach very carefully from the rear if possible. Take the arm lock carry and pull the boy to shore. Take the forearm carry through shallow water. Then begin quickly with the artificial respiration. I would not wait to get to a quiet spot but would start immediately to save the boy's life. I would turn the boy face down and put his right hand under the side of his face. I would then place my hand just below his shoulder blades, palms turned forward. At the end of two seconds I would again place my hand in position and apply pressure for three seconds and two seconds quick release. I would use five seconds for one respiration and see if the boy would come out with that, if not, I would give twelve respirations in one minute. I would then put him to bed and give him a drink of hot water, tea or coffee. Have him well covered and I would not let the boy walk or get up before a doctor or some one would come to my assistance because he might exert himself too much.

Austin Foss.

A free employment bureau for its members has been established by the Central Presbyterian church at Eugene according to the pastor, Rev. Milton S. Weber. So many members of the church are out of employment at this time that it was deemed advisable to open this service for their benefit, said Rev. Mr. Weber.

Any one who is able to donate furniture, bed clothing, kitchen utensils, canned fruits or vegetables, or other provisions, or in any other way assist this family whose possessions have been destroyed may leave them at the office of the Cascade Tractor Company where they will be given to Mr. Eakin.

Moro Woman's Club Has Guest Day Program

On April 3rd the club will study Spanish influences in the new world, its effect on art, music, missions and legends. The director for the day is to be Mrs. E. R. Barzee.

Last Friday was club's annual guest day and needless to say the attendance was much larger than usual. The hall was very effectively decorated with several baskets of daffodils and pastel colored Spanish shawls. Floor lamps added to the lighting effect.

The business meeting was omitted for the day and after reading the club prayer in unison Mrs. Amidon extended a warm welcome to all guests present. She also thanked the Literary and Music Departments for the effort they had put forth to make the day a success.

Mrs. Sparling, director for the day, took charge and opened the program with those present singing "The Spanish Cavalier." Then came the two five minute talks on Oregon products. Mrs. Amidon gave the first on "The Haley Canning Co; they can chicken only and also they need to raise their own chickens, now they buy them almost entirely from Oregon producers. The plant is located in Portland, but the farm is in Forest Grove, Mr. Haley is chief owner and manager.

Mrs. Rags gave the second talk on "The Jantzen Woolen Mills," also located in Portland. They specialize in bathing and sun suits but knit various other garments as well. They have branches in other parts of the world and are noted for superior quality.

Helen Searcy played "Serenade" as a piano solo and immediately following a playlet called "Mid-nite Fantasy" was produced. Lois Barzee as "Miss 1750" and Mrs. Tucker as "Miss 1931" step out of their respective picture frames and carry on a mid-nite conversation. The contrast was striking especially in the two modes of dancing and the conversation.

Miss Thomas and Miss Scruggs sang a duet "Chalitta" and as an encore "Whip-or-will." Four of the high school girls gave a costume dance advertising the coming opera being directed and presented by Mrs. Tucker this week-end.

Miss Bronniger gave a reading, "The Proposal." It was indeed humorous and our only regret was that friend husband was not present.

At the conclusion of the program the camp fire girls served a most delicious luncheon. Mrs. Coppock, Mrs. Cope and Mrs. Howard Conlee were hostesses for the day.

Family With Children In Need In Our Midst

Owing to the fire which destroyed the home and all the household equipment of the S. E. Eakin family last Sunday that family is in need of new utensils and furniture to replace that which was destroyed.

Any one who is able to donate furniture, bed clothing, kitchen utensils, canned fruits or vegetables, or other provisions, or in any other way assist this family whose possessions have been destroyed may leave them at the office of the Cascade Tractor Company where they will be given to Mr. Eakin.

CENSUS BUREAU GIVES REPORT FOR OREGON

Disbursements And Revenues Compiled By Government

HIGHWAYS TAKE LARGE SUM

Taxes Have Increased 126.8 Percent Since 1917

The bureau of Census has compiled some of the financial statistics for the state of Oregon for the year ending September 30th 1929 and has included some of the figures for the year 1917 so that a comparison can be made between the present expenses and those of twelve years previous.

General maintenance and operation of state government cost \$12,702,571, which includes \$451,028.00 for education and \$13.55 in 1929 and \$5.99 in 1917.

Public service enterprises cost \$10,632,026.00 to make a total of \$23,334,607.00. Of this sum \$9,436,286.00 was spent on highways divided \$3,109,089.00 for maintenance and \$6,327,197.00 for new construction.

The revenues of the state are greater than the expenditures according to the report of the census bureau for it is stated that \$25,696,222 were taken in by different state departments which allows a per capita revenue of \$27.42. According to this summary property taxes, which include some forms of special taxes, represent 25.2 per cent of the total revenue for the year 1929 while in 1917 property taxes were 64.7 per cent of the total amount.

The receipts from business and non-business licenses accounted for a large part of the income of the states as they were 52.1 per cent of the total in 1929 compared to 11 per cent in 1917. This class of licenses include the taxes levied on insurance companies of different kinds and also include the gasoline tax which has risen to large dimensions in the last few years.

Property tax has increased from \$3.79 in 1917 to \$6.90 in 1929 for a percentage elevation of 126.8.

Under Indebtedness is listed some of the most startling statements of the census officials for therein is related that the state debt is over 61 million dollars of which about half is for highways. Against this amount the state has a sinking fund to counter balance approximately half of the total but it still is \$33.71 per capita which compares with the per capita debt of 1917 like an elephant to a flea. In 1917 the per capita debt was just 66 cents.

Our average taxes were 6.03 in 1929 against an average per capita tax of \$3.16 twelve years ago.

A loss of \$54 was admitted by the Coos-Curry Fair association on its 1930 fair of four days. The cost of the 1930 fair was \$8404.26. L. H. Pearce of Myrtle Point, manager and secretary for 1930, will hold the same office this year and the date set for the fair is the week previous to the state fair at Salem. Ellis Dement of Myrtle Point was elected president of the association and Henry Hess, sheriff of Coquille, vice-president.

OREGON NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

A large whale was washed ashore near Cannon Beach. It apparently had been dead for some time. No one knows how to remove it.

C. C. Elder of Prineville suffered several broken ribs when gored by a bull. He escaped death when a neighbor's child summoned help.

A white robin, first seen in the Seaside locality in several years, was observed three miles south of Seaside near the Jasper Hovgaard ranch.

For the first time this year there were no prisoners in the Pendleton city jail. Chief of Police Lemons took advantage of the condition and fumigated.

Four carloads of certified Burbank seed potatoes have been purchased from the Clackamas County Burbank Potato Growers' association by growers of southern California.

Work on the \$600,000 bridge across the Rogue river at Gold Beach, suspended during the winter months, was resumed recently. The bridge will be completed by next January.

Loggers and rigging crew of the Silver Falls Timber company of Silverton left for the "woods" last week and will begin work at once. The fallers and buckers went up the first of the month.

The federal farm board advises Senator Stelwer that the board will lend \$30,000 to the Interstate creamery, \$20,000 to the Pine Eagle creamery at Baker and \$20,000 to the Eugene creamery.

City back-yard apricot trees at The Dalles are blooming. Buds are just starting to burst in the orchard districts, promising a season three weeks earlier than normal, with a heavy crop indicated.

There are said to be good deposits of glass-sand in Baker county, and it is locally hoped that Baker may get a glass factory, as an eastern company interested in establishing a plant there is soliciting a survey.

Construction of the Detroit-White-water section of the North Santiam highway probably will get under way shortly after April 15, according to announcement by Frank Johnson, Marion county roadmaster.

Only one of the 954 persons in the Oregon state penitentiary has received a degree from an institution of higher learning. This was ascertained by a survey completed by Miss Dorothy Bosshard, student of sociology.

Hereafter the state motor vehicle department will not recognize requests for special license numbers. The announcement of this policy was made by Carl Gabrielson, in charge of the state motor vehicle division.

A group of Silverton business and professional men will appear before the state highway commission and request \$15,000 for the purchase of between 600 and 700 acres of land in the Silver Falls area as a park project.

Eastern Star Lodge Celebrates Homecoming

The Eastern Star Lodge of Grass Valley held a very pleasant homecoming party March 17th in which they honored seven past Worthy Matrons and a like number of Worthy Patrons. Among these were Mrs. Ernest Eslinger and Mrs. Herbert Holzappel, of The Dalles. Each of the past officers of the order were presented with flowers by the lodge in token of the esteem in which they were held.

A short entertainment was given which was composed of a reading by Mrs. C. L. Poley and numbers by some of the school children. At the banquet which followed the Worthy Patron, Wiley W. Knighten acted as toastmaster and he succeeded in drawing remarks from most of the members present.

Earl Eakin Loses Home By Fire Sunday Night

The farm home of Earl Eakin two and a half miles north of Moro on the Sherman highway was totally destroyed by fire last Sunday evening about eight o'clock or shortly after. Mrs. Eakin had retired and had been asleep when she was awakened by the smell of smoke. She found the entire house in flames and was unable to save anything but a radio that was sitting near the door and some of the bedding.

There has been no reason given as to the cause of the fire for all about the house was all right at the time Mrs. Eakin went to bed. There was some insurance on the house and the furniture.

CULTIVATION TRICK OF GROWING TREE

No Water Need Be Given Trees In Sherman County

SHADE WORTH MUCH TO FARM

Many Kinds Of Trees Are Now Growing In County

In most countries inhabited by man the planting of trees is one of the first acts of the home owner for there is nothing like trees and shrubs to make the house and out buildings look homelike. The practice is growing in Sherman county since farm buildings are growing better and more attention is given to the home and means to make it attractive.

It is comparatively easy to grow many kinds of trees here especially the ones indigenous to this climate which includes the familiar locust, the Western Yellow Pine, Juniper and many not well known in this country that will grow in this altitude and with our precipitation.

Trees obtained from the Oregon State College can be made to grow here by observing the simplest rules of handling them. They should be planted in rows far enough apart to allow easy cultivation between them. In case one has a large number of trees a distance of eight or nine feet is about the correct distance so that the ordinary farm implements can be run between the rows to cultivate the ground.

In the rows the trees can be spaced to about three or four feet to give them ample room to grow for the time that they are left there. Except for a few gallons of water to be put in the hole when the tree is planted it is not necessary to water trees, but it is essential that the weeds be kept from growing around the tree in order to preserve the moisture.

Several years ago the people of this county planted trees along the highway with the intention in mind of beautifying the road and providing shade in future years. While there was water given the trees at the time they were planted in the ground they received no further care. One can now observe some of these trees still growing although it is reasonable to believe that most of them would have been living yet if care had been given them.

There is a nursery just west of Grass Valley on the farm of Charles Lemley where trees of many different varieties are growing and thriving under the solicitous care of J. B. Adams. There is another nursery on the corner near the Lewis Olds place where more trees are being grown for future shade in this county.

During the last few years many trees have been planted in this county due to the action of the state college in sending trees to farmers who desire to have shade around their buildings and it is very likely that this activity will continue at greater speed after a few of the first tree planters achieve success with their venture.

City Mayor Appoints Committees For Year

While a quorum was not present at the scheduled council meeting last Tuesday night, Mayor Freeman announced his appointments to committees for the term and gave each member of the council his assignment. The following list shows the standing committees for the year and the men who will have the work in charge:

Standing Committees for the years 1931-32.
Streets and public property, Vernon Platt, A. M. Wright, J. C. McKean.

Fire and Water: Joe Truitt, A. M. Wright, W. A. May.

Ordinance: A. M. Wright, J. C. McKean, Vernon Platt.

Finance: Fred Pickett, A. M. Wright, J. C. McKean.

Board of Health: A. M. Wright, Vernon Platt, Geo. A. Williams, Joe Truitt.

Ways and Means: W. A. May, J. C. McKean, A. M. Wright.

Health and Police: A. M. Wright, Fred Pickett, Joe Truitt.

Buildings: J. C. McKean, Fred Pickett, Vernon Platt.

City Park: A. M. Wright, Vernon Platt, W. A. May.

Announcement of the incorporation of a \$2,000,000 company for the carbonizing and briquetting of coal in Coos bay was made at Marshfield recently by Charles Peter of Utah, who said his company has decided definitely to build a \$1,200,000 Lurgi carbonization process plant near Empire. Work, he said, will start within 30 days.

