

SPECIAL DAY AT HATFIELD'S

On Friday, January 15, Mrs. L. Hatfield will have on display at her store a very large and fine line of ladies' wearing apparel, ready made. The wholesale house from which Mrs. Hatfield buys is making it possible for the people to buy direct from the wholesale stock of goods and at wholesale prices. This gives the ladies of the community an opportunity to see a nice line of goods and to choose just what they want in dresses, hats or coats. They are making a specialty on giving close prices. See Mrs. Hatfield's ad on another page of this issue.

BOY SCOUTS INITIATE

Last Tuesday evening was a big day for the Boy Scouts and their friends in our city. Thirteen boys who had previously passed the Tenderfoot test were initiated into the membership of that great American organization.

The local troop had made careful preparations to entertain the parents of all the boys in the troop, and those of the new candidates. Scout Executive Cook of Medford, brought with him a patrol of the Medford scouts who were given charge of the ceremonies. After the badges were awarded by the local scout committee, the boys demonstrated the art of making fire with friction, signaling and other things necessary to scout lore and training.

A patrol of Girl Scouts under the leadership of Mrs. C. A. Boles and one of our school teachers, Lieut. Miss Benson, prepared and served a fine lunch of hot chocolate, sandwiches and cake. It is not necessary to say that the scouts enjoyed it.

As the last item in the program of the evening all scouts gathered about a very realistic "Camp Fire" in the center of quarters, formed the Scout Circle and sang, accompanied by the bugle "taps" and, so standing, Scout Executive Cook dismissed them with a prayer to the "Great Chief of all Scouts," for leadership and blessing.

It was formally announced by Scoutmaster Henderson that on the second Tuesday of February I. G. Shaw, minister for the local Christian church, would give his lecture "Under Three Flags," as a Scout Benefit, giving the total of the proceeds to the local boys.

The new tenderfoots were: Leo Alchair, Francis Wold, Arnold Wold, George Clark, George Cline, Lloyd Cline, Eddie Martin, Jack Atkinson, Jack Sanderson, Alvin Maple, Elton Miller, Ray Love, and Delbert Denton.

GIRLS' CLASS ENTERTAIN BOYS

The Sunday school class of which Mrs. J. P. Jewett is teacher treated A. H. Webster's class of boys to a social evening at Mrs. Jewett's home last Monday evening.

These classes include boys and girls of the eighth grade and first year high school age. The evening was spent in playing games, into which the young people entered with much gaiety.

They stayed until a late hour and before leaving they were seated at the table and partook of a delicious lunch, consisting of sandwiches, pie and hot cocoa.

Mrs. Webster assisted Mrs. Jewett in serving and in entertaining, neither should Mr. Webster's presence and assistance be unmentioned. All enjoyed the time very much, there being about twenty-five present.

Master Robert Lamb made this office an interesting call today, to acquaint himself with the printing trade. Robert tells us he is now 9 years old and in the third grade.

Roy Jones and family visited last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gleim, of Talent. Mrs. Gleim was formerly Miss Cora Cliff, of near Central Point.

Among our townfolk who have been somewhat under the weather for several days, we note E. W. Clark, W. C. Leever and J. E. Weaver.

The Ladies' Circle of the Christian church will meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. D. McAllister.

Lawrence Cochran, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cochran, has returned to his work at Ventura, California, after spending the holiday season with his parents.

LOCAL WOMAN DOES US CREDIT

Last Saturday afternoon the College Club ladies of the Rogue River valley met at Ashland for their regular meeting and luncheon which they hold annually.

The banquet was held in the beautiful and spacious dining hall of the new Lathrop hotel. Central Point was represented by Mrs. A. T. Lathrop.

After the lunch the members met in a business and social session. At this session Mrs. A. T. Lathrop gave a book review of what is now considered one of the outstanding pieces of world literature. This edition is arranged in four volumes and the name of the series is "The Peasant." The author is Ladislav Reymont, a man from Poland. Mr. Reymont has this wonderful publication divided into four subjects, namely: Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter. In these books he describes the cycle of a year's life of the peasant in Russian Poland.

Mr. Reymont was the recipient of the Nobel Prize in 1924, it being awarded for the most remarkable idealistic literary work. This was the second time that a person from Poland has received the Nobel Prize, it having been awarded to persons in various countries throughout the world, our own two Americans, Roosevelt and Root, receiving it at different times. The Nobel Prize is not given alone for literary attainment, but it is the income from \$9,000,000 to be divided once annually to the person making the most important discovery in physics, chemistry, physiology and medicine and for the greatest services rendered to the cause of peace during the year.

The fact that Mr. Reymont received this prize speaks of the value of his writings.

The manner in which Mrs. Lathrop presented these thoughts to the club ladies, necessarily in an abbreviated form, proves her ability in thought-getting and giving and Central Point people are truly proud to claim as a resident a lady having this ability in appreciating and handling such masterpieces.

Mr. Reymont has recently passed to his eternal reward.

BOY BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McIntyre, whose home is in Jacksonville, are the parents of a baby boy born since our last issue. Mr. McIntyre is an employee of the Theiss Mercantile company of Central Point.

CENTRAL POINT VS. GRANTS PASS

On Friday evening both our boys' and girls' basketball teams expect to meet the Grants Pass teams at the gymnasium of the high school building in Grants Pass for games.

Miss Roberts, the Red Cross Secretary and nurse for the Medford society in which Central Point is included, was a business visitor in our city Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. J. L. Robertson, of Eagle Point, is here this week with her daughter, Mrs. L. O. Davidson. Roy Kelley, who was injured last week, is still confined to his home, but is improving.

Miss Helen Webber, who has been spending about a month here and near Grants Pass with old time friends, has now returned to her home in Klamath Falls. Miss Webber was formerly an employee of the Paxson Drug company.

Dr. W. C. Schaefer, Dentist, Extraction Specialist, Local and Gas anaesthesia. Phone 1117. 426 Medford Bldg., Medford, Ore. 18tf

Dr. Conroy, the World War Veteran's physician, at Medford, was called to Central Point the last of last week to see F. M. Jones, who is ill. Mr. Jones has not been well since his service in the World War, but his many friends are hoping that he will improve soon.

Mrs. Edith Duell, who teaches the Tolo school, was one of several persons whose cars skidded from the highway Wednesday morning because of the sleet. Many motorists are now complaining of the roads and the dense fog, the condition making driving quite dangerous.

Mr. DeHaas and Mr. Weaver were Medford business visitors Wednesday afternoon of this week.

Mrs. Paul Scherer of our city, has returned from a first of the week business trip to Pasadena, California.

BIRTH OF TWINS

On Saturday morning, January 9, the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Davidson was visited by the stork, which left a fine baby boy and girl. The little lady outweighed her brother, her weight being 7 1/2 pounds and the brother's, 5 1/2 pounds. The names given them are Vera May and Vernon Ray. Here's to their health and happiness.

M. W. A. INSTALLATION

The local M. W. A. met last Tuesday night and besides serving a lunch to the members installed the following officers for the New Year: Consul, Geo. A. March; Advisor, Harry E. Dubbe; Banker, E. H. Strohmeier; Clerk, W. E. Alexander; Escort, Ray E. Kelley; Watchman, Otto Bohmert; Sentry, M. F. Long; Trustee, Geo. E. Fox.

C. P. ST. BANK IN EXCELLENT CONDITION

On Tuesday evening of this week the directors of the Central Point State Bank met for the purpose of examining the condition of the bank and found it in first class condition in every respect.

On Thursday night the annual stockholders' meeting was held and the following stockholders elected: W. J. Freeman, W. C. Leever, V. Bursell, J. O. Isaacson. This meeting adjourned and reconvened for the purpose of electing officers, who are J. O. Isaacson, president; W. J. Freeman, W. C. Leever, and V. Bursell, vice-presidents; H. O. Hagadorn, cashier; Edith Jacobs, bookkeeper.

The officers of the bank state that during the year just past it has enjoyed an increasing business, and probably has done the best year's work since its establishment, which will be twenty years next August.

On December 31, 1925, this bank declared and paid a dividend to its stockholders and to its depositors having a savings account.

With efficient officers and the present capable management we expect our bank to see a growing business for the year 1926, which will be in advance of all previous years. We truly appreciate the service.

PITHY PARAGRAPHS FROM THE P. T. A.

The regular meeting of the Central Point Congress of Parents and Teachers was held last Friday afternoon, January 9th, in the gymnasium. The President, Mrs. A. T. Lathrop, was in the chair. The Fourth grade won the right to have the Fern in their room until the next regular meeting, by having the largest percentage of parents present. Prof. Jewett reported that it had proved impossible to get locally the pictures that had been voted for the first grade room at the previous meeting, and that they had been sent for from the East and will be here soon. It was voted to hold a series of Chain Parties to raise funds for the local association.

Mrs. Snyder, chairman of the Program Committee, presented the following splendid program: Song by Girls' Glee Club under the direction of Mrs. Watson. Reading by Rev. J. M. Johnson—"The Boy and the Flag."

Talk by Mr. Cook of Medford, Scoutmaster, on "Directing the Gang Spirit."

Musical Reading by Mrs. Shely, accompanied by Miss Wilma Shely. Talk by Mr. Jewett on "What the School Does to Promote Citizenship."

The theme was "Citizenship," and every item was enjoyed to the full. The association is indeed fortunate in having such a capable Program chairman, who arranges such interesting and profitable sessions.

The second meeting of the Pre-School Circle was held at 2:30 p. m., before the regular meeting of the P. T. A., under the direction of Mrs. Eva Smith, chairman of the committee. Miss Mildred Beeson gave a very fine resume of Mrs. Fisher's book "A Montessori Mother" under the title of "Kindergarten in the Home." Miss Beeson showed very clearly how by using the every day things of the home the mother can develop the characteristics in her child, which are so necessary for success in the school life which follows. A short Round Table conference followed the most helpful talk. On February 5th the subject will be "Thrift."

Every mother in Central Point, with children under school age, would find points of interest and help in these discussions.

The 4-H Sewing Club will meet at the home of Miss Olga Hesselgrave at 1:30 p. m. on Saturday, January 16th.

For several weeks the Reception committee have been planning a series of Vanishing Chain Parties for the benefit of the local P. T. A. Due to the fact that everyone is so busy just before Christmas, it was deemed advisable not to start the series until early in 1926. The first of the parties will be given on Friday afternoon, January 15th, when Mrs. Lathrop, the president, will entertain the officers and lady chairmen of committees, together with the ex-President, Mrs. C. E. Bolds.

At these parties each guest is asked to give 25 cents to the P. T. A. fund and in turn to entertain a specified number of guests. In this manner it is hoped to raise a substantial sum for the treasury.

The county meeting of 4-H Club leaders and workers will be held at Ashland during Farmers' Week, 23rd to 29th of this month. Further particulars will be given next week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Preikshot, who recently moved here from California, and whose home is on the Gill place, were shopping here today.

M. B. Evedenbury has taken charge of the Norcross Dairy and Mr. Hederetski will complete his home building on his acreage across Bear Creek.

MINING NEWS

Edited by Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau)

The Next Great Gold Mining Camp Mining interests in the United States are now seeking the next great gold camp, and the eyes of a large number of prominent mining men are turned toward the Southwestern Oregon empire as the scene of such activity. In the older mining districts the industry has been slowly but surely corroded by the large operators, and owing to the lack of new discoveries, the opportunities for the mining man of medium means are passing rapidly away.

Southwestern Oregon bids fair to become the next gold camp. Rich in placer and surface quartz gold, it has long been known as a great potential gold field, but through local prejudice its development has been held back until recent years. Now, however, the development necessary to prove its right to become known as the next great gold district is well under way, and mining engineers, operators and investors are entering the field and determining for themselves its worth. That its ores go to great depth has been demonstrated to a great degree and the work now being done on Mount Reuben by Engineer Bailey in driving the 6000 foot tunnel is proving that question beyond all doubt. Predominantly Southwestern Oregon is a gold district, although copper, chrome, manganese, cinnabar, and other metals abound in commercial form.

The district is still in the development stage where the individual has an opportunity to make good on his individual effort in carrying on such development. It is of sufficient size to accommodate any number of mining men, being twice the size of Massachusetts, containing 17,247 acres. Here the prospector can find much virgin ground; here the developer can step in and bring a property from the prospect stage to the developed stage; and here the large operator has an excellent opportunity to acquire, consolidate and operate properties on a huge scale that promise to provide large tonnage of ore for a great many years to come.

The time is ripe and already many prominent mining men have decided that Southwestern Oregon is to be the scene of the next activity to make a great gold camp; individuals are coming into the district and acquiring properties for development and operation; and the time is here when the large operators will begin to become interested and active. 1926 promises much toward the ultimate goal, and with the eyes of the mining world on Southwestern Oregon this district is bound to become that which it is entitled to be—the next great gold camp.

Local Mining News Charles Derwachter of Seattle has returned to Southwestern Oregon and it is rumored that he has closed a deal on the Wedge mine near Rogue River for outside mining capital.

J. M. Meeker of the Mace Smelter company, Denver, Colo., is visiting in Southwestern Oregon this week in the interest of his company.

A. Walker spent several days in Northern California the first of the week.

J. C. Edwards has let contract for 100 feet of new tunnel work on the Ida mine in the Louse creek section.

The Bureau needs the support of every man interested in mining in Southwestern Oregon. It is doing the things necessary to bring about the full development of our wonderful resources and is entitled to such support. New mining men are cordially invited to become members of the Bureau and to join in the work the Bureau is carrying on.

The Registry of Mines is still functioning. Has your property been entered? Now is the time, as this year promises to be the banner year.

\$100,000.00 Ore Body Found Santa's Christmas gift to South Central Idaho was a sensational discovery of lead-silver ore in the Livingston mine in Custer county, where engineers estimate that the ore in sight is valued at \$100,000.00. The property was discovered by the Livingston brothers forty years ago, and is now owned by the Walker-McGinnis interests of New York.

Mineral Production of Alaska The mineral production of Alaska for 1925 showed a slight increase over the production for the previous year, the figures being \$17,850,000 for 1925 as against \$17,457,333 for 1924.

J. N. Cornett has our thanks for a renewal of the American this week. The only thing we hold against J. N. is the fact that he is on the opposite side in the Men's Bible class.

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Sam Poague, of Medford was in town last Monday night attending the I. O. O. F. lodge and took time to call and advance his subscription for another year. Sam is just beginning the erection of a residence here and expects to be a resident again of Central Point in the near future.

W. J. Freeman, of the old reliable firm of Freeman, Wiley & Co., is a new reader of the American this week.

A good many of the school children are absent from school because of heavy colds.

A much needed precipitation in the form of rain is falling today, Thursday.

Why take your cars to Medford when you can get a better job for less money at the Independent Garage at Central Point. adv

Will Wright, who lives just north of town, was a pleasant visitor today to enroll his name to the American subscription list.

Our friend J. B. Stevens, has renewed his faith in the American this week by advancing his subscription.

It is pleasure in taking a good group photo this week and is incidentally looking after mining interests.

Miss Elva Adams spent several days in Gold Hill this week with acquaintances there.

Mrs. W. Warner, who was among the list of sick folk, is again able to be at her usual duties.

Central Point Lodge No. 193, I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Visiting brethren welcome.

WM. MUSTY, N. G. J. E. VINCENT, Rec. Secy. Central Point Lodge No. 135, A. F. & A. M. Regular Meeting Nights—Thursdays on or before the Full Moon of Each Month. M. A. ADAMS, W. M. L. HATFIELD, Secy. The Federated (Union) Church

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