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WINS FROM GRANTS PASS

In a one-sided though hard-fought game here Monday night, Central Point won the basketball game from Grants Pass.

Scores by quarters were: 1st quarter, 3 to 1. Grants Pass making 1 score on a free with Central Point finishing with one field basket and one free.

Second quarter: 12 to 1. Central Point came back with 5 field baskets and Grants Pass not scoring.

Third quarter: 16 to 4. Central Point 1 field basket and 2 free; Grants Pass getting 3 free baskets.

Fourth quarter: 22 to 4. Central Point 3 field baskets, Grants Pass nothing.

Faber was high man with eight points. Pickett and Shores each made three field baskets and one free totaling each 7 points.

Hamilton and Benson both displayed wonderful ability as guards.

Grants Pass rallied in the last quarter and tried to stage a come-back but it was useless against the fine team work of the Central Point boys.

The next game for the boys and girls will be at Phoenix on Friday night of this week.

BIBLE CLASS DINNER

Plans for the Men's Bible class dinner are about the same as published last week.

The one outstanding error in the last issue was in regard to when it is to be. Since it is almost necessary to know "when" we wish to state that it will be the evening of February 2, instead of Feb. 9 as previously stated.

Another equally important item is that each person is to bring his own cup, knife, fork and spoon, the plates to be furnished by the class. If you do not bring the four articles mentioned you may find yourself "out of luck." You see there will be so many people present that everybody will just about have to look out for himself.

Well, there will be about 12 or 14 long tables, so you won't have to eat by yourself or even with two or three, but everything will be spread on a table and everyone will have plenty of company.

Truly we want everyone who comes to have a real good time and while it will not be possible to serve a banquet like a kings, yet we believe we will be just as happy and enjoy it just as well as if it were in a palace and served with pomp and ceremony.

Don't forget to bring a hot dish of beans or somethin', be there on time, 7 o'clock, and don't forget those utensils.

Also decide on what else you may bring such as sandwiches, meat, cake, pie, pickles, jelly; not all these things but a part.

OLD FRIENDS MEET

On last Sunday, January 24, a community dinner was held at the home of the Honorable Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dietrich, at Agate, Oregon.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Cook and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Whiteside and son, Mrs. Cy Hamilton and son, also Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Peart.

After a most delicious spread the day was spent in music and games. The party of friends stayed until midnight before departing for their homes.

ENTERTAIN IN INTEREST OF P. T. A.

Several ladies of our vicinity are entertaining according to the plan of the chain parties for the purpose of helping finance the P. T. A. Among those who have thus helped this week are Mesdames Eva Smith, C. E. Bolds, and Merle Kindle, while others are planning similarly for later in the week.

The O. N. G. Infantry brigade will train at Camp Jackson again this year with a larger force than ever. There will also be a force of regular troops from Washington.

THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR OIL INDUSTRY

Sixty-five thousand miles of oil pipe lines, all laid during the last 30 years, cover the country from ocean to ocean, releasing 1,000,000 tank cars and 10,000 locomotives for other purposes.

Oil, starting eastward from Oklahoma fields, will in two weeks be propelling flivvers, furnishing electric light and power, and performing its thousand and one other tasks.

Products of the petroleum industry last year, totaled more than ten per cent of our domestic exports in value. Gasoline, naphtha, and other light oil products ranked third in value in a list of fifty chief exports.

WILL ORGANIZE

On next Tuesday, February the second, and order to be known as the "Provisional Department of the Imperial Service of the World," will be organized in Central Point under Christian leadership. It is for boys of the ages of ten to twelve years and is non-denominational. Ten boys have given in their names as prospective members.

LECTURE FOR BOY SCOUTS

On Tuesday evening, February the ninth, at the gymnasium, the Rev. I. G. Shaw will give a lecture entitled "Under Three Flags". The address will be given for the benefit of the boy scout organization of Central Point, a small admittance being charged.

The Rev. Johnson attended the Josephine-Jackson County Ministerial Association at Eagle Point Monday. The association members plan to meet in Central Point early in February.

BIBLE CLASS TO MEDFORD

The Community Men's Bible class voted last Sunday to accept the invitation to attend the Baptist Sunday school at Medford in a body next Sunday morning.

The invitation came through the Baptist church at Medford, acting through the Men's Bible class of that church.

The "Biggest Thing" is asked to put on their regular program and the boys are lining up in a way that promises 150 to 200 men to start from here Sunday morning.

Captains of the opposing sides are very quiet and non-communicative as to their plans but each side is certain that it will take more men than the other.

The Reds will park their cars on Main street here at 9 a. m. on the north side of the street and the Blues on the south side of the same street.

We were unable to get a definite statement, but learned that there will be access to at least 40 cars to leave Central Point at 9:20 next Sunday.

We would like to suggest that every fellow in and around Central Point lay aside every excuse and get down on Main street at 9 a. m. next Sunday morning. Let's not only put this thing over "together" but let us all "work and boost and hustle" and make this trip in such strength and spirit as to advertize to the world the real "size" of Central Point Men's Bible class.

Medford Baptist men want us to "show them," and we have accepted the invitation; it is up to us to show them something worth looking at.

The train of autos will leave Main

MISSIONARY MEETING HELD THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The Missionary Society of the Federated church met this afternoon in the basement of the church.

Miss Carlton, the president, presided, and after a short business meeting a very interesting lesson was conducted by Mrs. Frances Wyatt assisted by Miss Florence Hamrick. Mrs. Wyatt spoke on the current topic concerning the return of the Jews to Palestine. Miss Hamrick read a touching poem, entitled "The Master's Question."

GO ON EXTENDED TRIP

Mrs. Ellen Eads and Mrs. Bert Hall with her two children were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fox Wednesday night. Mrs. Eads is a sister of Mrs. Fox. The ladies had driven down from Oregon City and left today for a trip through California. They will visit at San Jose, Santa Barbara, Mountain View and Los Angeles, and will probably be gone about a month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watt, of Medford, entertained a number of old-time friends at their home on Tuesday evening of this week. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. Hatfield, of our city.

The Royal Neighbors have recently held their meetings at the homes of Mrs. Etta Lacy and Mrs. Levina Hathaway, where they were pleasantly entertained.

street promptly at 9:20. The blues will lead, and parking instructions for Medford will be given the drivers Sunday morning.

"The Biggest Thing in the Rogue River Valley," is the spirit of our men.

450 ATTEND BIBLE SCHOOLS

Central Point points with pleasure and pride to the fact that on last Sunday morning at the Bible School hour there were at our three schools an enrollment of four hundred fifty-two persons. Of this number two hundred twenty were enrolled at the Federated Church, one hundred twenty-nine at the Mens' Bible Class and one hundred three at the Christian Church.

It is hoped that this increase in interest in worth-while things will continue and that splendid results may follow. May seed be sown that will bear fruit.

MAY LOCATE IN THIS SECTION

Mr. and Mrs. Hoisington, formerly of Aberdeen, South Dakota, are here visiting relatives, the Lampman and Atkinson families.

Mr. Hoisington has recently sold out a mercantile business in Aberdeen and is considering putting in a similar business in this section of Oregon.

MRS. L. E. SMITH ILL

Mrs. L. E. Smith is very ill at her home here. She has been suffering from pneumonia for the past nine days and at present her condition is critical. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, of Butte Falls, are here with Mrs. Smith and the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Berlin and son were recent guests of Guy Tex and family. These people formerly lived here and were on their way home from Los Angeles to their home in Tacoma.

To the Taxpayers and Citizens of School District Number 6

The following facts and statements regarding the proposed new high school building are presented for the purpose of giving every one as much information as possible regarding the present school situation and the need for a building. The Board feels most sincerely that there is need for a new building. The conditions have been studied carefully and investigations, meetings with architects, and consultations with school authorities, have been going on for over two months. We have attempted to consider carefully every side of his question and not to arrive at any hasty conclusions. We believe that the proposed bond issue is the best way to meet the situation. We submit it therefore to the people for their consideration and we are ready to abide by their decision and to serve as best we can in the interest of the whole district.

Respectfully submitted,

SCHOOL BOARD OF DISTRICT 6—

H. T. PANKEY, Chairman
J. E. WEAVER
KENNETH BEEBE

THE PROPOSED BUILDING AND BOND ISSUE

The Need—

The following facts point out the need for a new building.

1. The old frame building is now used for the first three grades having an average attendance of ninety. The Labor Commissioner has instructed the School Board not to use this building another year. These children must be provided for elsewhere.
2. The brick building which has eight main rooms is now holding five grades in the four rooms downstairs. The high school is occupying the upstairs with 92 pupils in five rooms, (one room is divided into two smaller rooms). The High School is also using a basement room for Domestic Science.
3. The High School is attempting to carry on its work with one less room this year than it used last year. This cannot go on without lowering the standard of the work.
4. The best results are obtainable only when the high school and grades are in separate buildings.

The Proposed Plan—

In view of the fact that the ninety children in the old building must be provided for another year, and because of the crowded conditions in the high school, the board proposes the following:

1. A new high school building.
2. The placing of the eight grades in the brick building. This building was originally built and planned for the eight grades.
3. Because of the difference in the work of the grades and the high school it will be possible to place the three grades where the high school now is and handle the work satisfactorily.

The New Building—

In planning a new building the following important points must be considered:

1. Financial condition of the district.—The district is in good financial condition. The present bonded indebtedness of \$2800 will be paid off this year. The district valuation is \$979,249.35. This permits a legal bond issue of over \$48,000. However, the board feels it wise to keep well under this amount.
2. Size and cost of building.—The plans of the building provide for a study hall to seat 150 and for nine classrooms. The detailed plans will be on display where all may see them. The size and number of class rooms which are needed was decided after considering a large number of plans, investigating other schools, and considering our present conditions. The total cost of building and equipment not to exceed \$40,000. The building to be of concrete.
3. Provide for future growths.—No one can estimate accurately what our future growth will be. However, it is poor economy to build for the present only, so the building is planned to take care of the growth for eight or ten years. It will also be of the unit type so that future additions can be made.
4. Location.—The board proposes locating the building on the present

grounds in such a way that a central heating plant will be built to heat the old building and the new. The cost of this heating plant is figured in the estimate. This central heating plant will be a valuable feature in itself. It will remove the fire hazard from the buildings, be more economical in fuel, and save in janitor service.

5. Selection of plans and architects.—The board has given careful consideration to the selection of an architect. Plans have been submitted by three reliable firms, all of whom have been building school buildings in the state and now have buildings under construction. The reputation and reliability of these men have been investigated. Their estimates on costs have been checked against each other and the architect has been selected which the board believes will give the best service to the district.

THE BOND ISSUE

The board proposes issuing bonds for a twenty year term. Bonds to bear 5 percent interest. Bonds redeemable serially one year after issue. This is the plan being followed by most school districts at the present time.

School bonds of this type have been sold at a premium by many school districts lately. This has been the experience of Medford, Roseburg, Ashland, and Cottage Grove.

There is every reason to believe that this bond issue will sell above par.

QUALIFICATIONS OF A VOTER

Any citizen of this State, male or female, who is 21 years of age and has resided in the district 30 days immediately preceding the meeting or election and has property in the district, as shown by the last county assessment, and not assessed by the sheriff, on which he or she is liable or subject to pay a tax, shall be entitled to vote at any school meeting or election in said district:—

NOTE: (a) Ownership of property assessed to another does not qualify a voter.

(b) Heirs of an estate, where the property belonging to said estate has been assessed and taxed in the name of the deceased, such heirs are not qualified voters.

(c) A person who holds stock or shares in a corporation, firm or copartnership, where the name of such corporation, copartnership or firm appears on the assessment roll, any one who presents to the directors or judges of election satisfactory evidence that he has stock, shares or ownership in such copartnership, is entitled to vote.

STUDENTS FROM OUTSIDE DISTRICTS

We are now receiving over \$3000 per year as tuition from students who are coming to our high school from outside districts such as Willow Springs, Table Rock, Tolo, etc. (This tuition is paid by a county tax on the districts not maintaining high schools.) If we can keep up a high school here which will continue to attract these students, the revenue from this source will be more than enough to pay for the proposed building. In other words, AT THE PRESENT RATE, THE TUITION STUDENTS FROM OUTLYING DISTRICTS WILL PAY OVER \$60,000 TO THIS DISTRICT IN 20 YEARS! THIS WILL BE MORE THAN ENOUGH TO RETIRE THE PROPOSED BOND ISSUE WITH ACCRUED INTEREST IN THAT TIME!

We must maintain a standard high school to give our own pupils the necessary training. Unless we do we will not only lose the tuition derived from pupils from outlying districts but we will also lose pupils from our own district who will go elsewhere, where such training may be obtained.

Furthermore the past records show that it costs practically as much to maintain a high school for 65 students as it does for 90 or 100. It requires the same number of instructors and classes, therefore when the new building is put up careful consideration should be given not to build it too small and so that it will provide for the future needs of a few years at least.

VOTE FOR A NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

Because, more room is absolutely necessary.
Because, good schools mean better citizens.
Because, a good high school will attract people to our community.
Because, the high school enrollment has increased 45 per cent in the last five years while the space available has decreased 20 per cent.
Because, high school and grades must be separate for the best work in both.
Because, we have been "getting along one more year," for several years now, and the efficiency of the school is threatened by a continuation of this policy.

The bond election takes place February 11, 1926 at the school building.