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M. B. C. BREAKS ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS

Last Sunday was a big day in Central Point when there gathered for the Community Mens Bible class meeting the largest assemblage of men that has ever been seen in the Rogue River valley; it is doubtful if there has been seen even a mixed gathering of such proportions in Southern Oregon.

At 10 a. m. the mass of men began ascending the stair into Cowley hall and at 10:20 they were still coming. This continued until every available seat, bench and table, was filled, some sitting on the speakers' platform and some 20 or 25 standing.

When the count was taken it was found that there were 130 Reds and 215 Blues—a neat trimming of Only 85; this caused a great deal of amusement for all. Counting I. G. Shaw, teacher of the class who is neutral the total attendance in the class room was just 346, but as there were seven men who had sacrificed the meeting to arrange the staging for the big picture the number who came for the class was just 353.

Up to and including the previous Sunday, March 7th, the average attendance was about 115 per Sunday while the gathering of last Sunday brought it up to about 128.

Never in its 16 years of existence had Cowley hall held such a crowd and the spirit of that crowd was most inspiring; the good natured banter and jokes which passed back and forth helped to keep up the interest of the men until the lesson begun, which, taken from Acts, 4: 1-22 was presented by the teacher as few men have ever presented any subject to any kind of an audience. Complete silence reigned over that sea of interested faces and at the close of the lesson the speaker was freely applauded.

Mr. Mulligan, photographer, of the Hotel Central who had made preparations for photographing the class and as soon as the lesson was finished all passed into the street to be "shot"; however the crowd was much larger than had been expected and it was found to be impossible to hold the mass of men until proper arrangements had been made. Mr. Mulligan took two exposures but was forced to go to the top of the post office in order to get the whole crowd into the range of the camera and this proved to be too far away for good results, and the crowd disbanded before he could set up his camera at a closer range. As a result of this the picture will have to be retaken.

It has been stated that the Copco and also the Universal News Service are interested in obtaining pictures of this class; if this be a fact there will be a really big time in town at some future time.

The class office and employment bureau is now open for business and has attended to some few cases of unemployment and a good deal of class business.

Watch us do real things for Central Point and the Rogue River valley.

Last Sunday there were in the different classes including all men, woman and children of both churches and the Men's class, just 712 who attended Sunday school in our little city of some 1,000 population.

Does any other town of the world hold such a record considering population?—Contributed.

Mrs. T. M. Jones of Corning, Cal., is visiting her sister Mrs. J. P. Hoagland, of Ashland, also other relatives and friends in the valley. Mr. and Mrs. Jones lived in Central Point several years where they owned a store, and Mr. Jones preached here in the Christian church.

C. B. Stephens, F. W. Jordan, G. W. Brooks, S. S. Tule, and W. F. and C. P. Webb are new readers of the American this week.

Miss Myers has returned to Gold Hill after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. John Welch.

WORK PROGRESSING AT CITY WELL

Central Point water users will be assured a bountiful water supply for the coming summer if the extension of the tunnel in the city well uncovers the expected amount of water.

Work of extending the tunnel in the well westward was started Monday morning under the direction of Tom Olsen, contractor for the job. After too minor breakdowns in the Machinery Monday, the work on the project has continued rapidly by the three eight hour shifts daily. Five men are employed on each shift, two men work under ground digging in the tunnel, two on the surface loading and operating the dirt car, and the fifth man hired by the city operates the pumps.

To keep the water from the men digging in the tunnel, two centrifugal pumps each capable of pumping 400 gallons a minute are kept in constant use. One pump a 3 1/2 inch pump being used is the old one already installed in the second tank house, the other a 4-inch cenw centrifugal pump, was installed temporarily in the well at the entrance of the tunnel.

The tunnel now 50 feet long extending east from the well, is being extended fifty feet on the west end, when completed it will give a reservoir space in the well capable of holding 26,150 gallons.

It is reported that several good veins of water have been uncovered already. These veins flow from the westward and come in the tunnel a foot from the bottom.

The city well is the scene of in-

SPECIAL MEETINGS AT THE F. CHURCH

Those who have not been in the meetings right from the beginning, have missed some unusually fine things. It will be impossible for me to give you anything like a full report of what was said, of course; but I can, and ought to give you just a few of the many best points made by the speakers.

Mr. Mergler, on Sunday night emphasized the fact that if we have crowned Jesus King in our hearts, we are anxious to help crown him King in other lives; and help hasten the fullness of the kingdom in the world. One very pointed statement was this: "If you cannot speak to others about their need of Christ, it is more than likely that the reason for your indifference is sin in your own life." He showed the need of being clean in heart and life.

On Monday evening a fine congregation greeted Mr. Nelson, and entered with a hearty good will into the service. Mr. Nelson was pleased with the devout, enthusiastic spirit of the people. He spoke with power, on the need of the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. He showed that while we are living at a time when there is needed, and manifested, power in so many ways; the

dusty recalling to the minds of old timers the days when mining was the only industry around here. With no mishaps the project is expected to be completed within a week.

BIG PICTURE AT THE GATEWAY THEATRE

F. W. Sebrean of the Gateway Theatre has secured for Saturday and Sunday one of the best pictures on the market. The picture will show "Peter" the Great in "Wild Justice." This dog is a relative of the famous Rin-Tin-Tin. Mr. and Mrs. Sebrean are giving the public the best pictures that can be secured and should be well patronized.

greatest need of power is in living holy, consecrated lives, and that the only way to this end is in the fullness of the spirit life. "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses." Any Christian can have this power if he is willing to pay the price.

We were all delighted with the Tuesday evening service. Having the two speakers made the service too long, but there was no way out of that. Mr. Woodworth's message on the "Crucified Christ," based on the seven sayings of Jesus, while on the cross, was a stirring, enlightening sermon. We all feel more like doing our best for the Master's cause. Mr. Woodworth will preach again Sunday evening. Mr. Strachan, who spoke of his mission work in South America has had years of experience in that place. His message was a revelation to all who are not posted on what the real trouble is down there. We were impressed with the thought of what the world would be like if it was all under the dominancy of the same powers which rule there. Mr. Shaw on Wednesday evening

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GIRL SCOUT ORGANIZATION GROWING

Our Girl Scout organization, the only one of its kind in southern Oregon, was organized last November, but owing to many other activities of the young people, its work was not crowded.

In January, Mrs. C. E. Bolds accepted the captainship, with Miss Mildred Beeson, a Lieutenant. These two ladies have given a great deal of time and attention to developing the Girl Scout spirit and in making worth while meetings.

The meetings are held regularly at the Christian Science church building, and some improvements in the inside of the room have been sponsored by Mrs. Bolds, making a beautiful and pleasant place in which to meet.

At the meeting Wednesday of this week Miss Beeson presented some folk-games and Mrs. Bolds gave to the girls a "History of the American Flag," in brief form. She also brought out for what the American flag stands, that is, "A symbol of oneness of a nation." The Morse Code of signalling, the 16 points of the compass, and an oral sewing test were given. These are only a few of the lessons that are being taught. Some of the activities of the organization are cooking, sewing, darning, first aid, home nursing, folk-dancing, the study of social customs, customs in polite society and many others.

On last Friday evening the girls held an initiation at which time a number of guests were present and an interesting program given.

Mrs. Bolds gave "greetings," I. G. Shaw talked on the "Benefits of Girl Scouts to the Community," Chief Executive of Boy Scouts, Mr. Cecil Cook, of Medford, talked on "Ideals and Aims of Girl Scouts," and Wilma Sheley played several piano numbers. The ceremony in initiation was impressive, three lighted candles representing their motto, "Be Prepared," their slogan, "Do a Good Turn Daily," and their promise, "On my honor I will try to do my duty to God, my country, to help other people at all times, to obey the Scout laws."

Mrs. Chas. H. Taylor, Mrs. Sid Richardson, members of the council, served refreshments. A committee of Boy Scouts lent their service of helpfulness.

Lieutenant Mildred Beeson assisted with the program which was carried out with great success.

The following girls were initiated: May Eicher, leader of Pheasant patrol, Gloria Bolds, leader of Meadowlark patrol, Audrey Martin, Louise Bohnert, Fern Clark, Artes Casad, Julia Casady, Loomis Davis, Vernan DeHass, Marine Fields, Merle Hedgpeth, Elma Hood, Audrey Martin, Dona Morton, Eunice Musty, Elizabeth Scott, Ruth Sutherland, Elizabeth Southwell, Lucille Wold, Edith Wright.

Miss Harriet Snider has the honor of being a 1st class scout from the east. Each of the girls were presented with a pin, their emblem. "Every Scout," a play, was well rendered by the members.

Mrs. Bolds has selected the following council: I. G. Shaw, church interests, Mrs. Sheley, press, Mrs. Chas. V. Taylor, Mrs. Snyder and Mrs. Sid Richardson, civic interests, D. F. Amich, school interests.

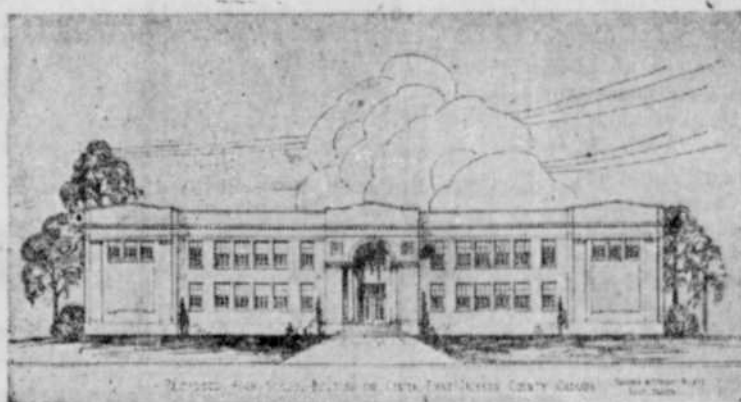
Mrs. Bolds spoke of the book, "Scouting For Girls," and recommended that each girl have one as it contains much practical knowledge for the use of every home maker, as well as for the girls.

Mrs. Bolds will be glad to meet any girl who wishes to join.

Miss Brewster will have a millinery class at the home of Mrs. R. H. Paxson Tuesday, March 23. Ladies interested in making hats are invited to come for the whole day, each one contributing something to the covered dish luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Lewis and their son Artie, are moving to Ashland this week where Mr. Lewis will be employed at the Chapman Meat Market.

Modern School Structure to House 350



PROPOSED HIGH SCHOOL AT CENTRAL POINT, OR.

Plans are well under way for the erection of this splendid new high school building. It will be ready for use at the beginning of the fall term in September. The building which is of classic design will be modern in every respect and will be fully equipped.

The building will be of reenforced concrete with a stucco exterior, finished with Medusa white. The entrance is especially attractive with a Gothic design and with Corinthian pillars. Art stone emblems representing an open book are an added feature while the words "High School" will be placed above the entrance in a gold leaf finish.

The building will be located on the present grounds facing the Pacific highway and will be so placed that a central heating plant between the new building and the old building will care for the heating of both.

No effort has been spared in planning the building to make it modern in every way with the greatest possible economy and convenience. The architects are both experienced school men and have had considerable experience in planning school buildings, working together with the local superintendent of school and the school board they have a building which meets the needs of the community in a splendid way.

The building has a front of 148 feet with provisions for future class-rooms to the number of 14 or 18, at the rear. The present unit to be erected contains a large study hall and nine class-rooms. Consistent with the recommendations of the National Educational association the

building is planned on the department basis. The commercial department consists of two rooms separated by glass partition, one room to be used for typing, the other for bookkeeping and shorthand. The typing room has a maximum capacity of 20 and the bookkeeping of 30. The science department consists of two rooms, one to be equipped for laboratory and one for lecture work. These rooms will accommodate from 30 to 35.

The domestic science department consists of two rooms, one the cooking laboratory, the other the sewing and art room. Both of these rooms are large and well lighted and will be thoroughly equipped. Provisions are also made for classes in English, languages and mathematics. A teachers' rest room, superintendent's office and library are all carefully planned and placed to produce an efficient administration of the schools.

A bell system with program clock; modern heating plant; electric lighting, in all rooms; an adequate ventilating system, light and airy toilets with magnesite floors; magnesite tread on stairs; firebolts on all outside doors; light finish on wood work, are several other features which will put this building in a class by itself.

The bonds have been advertised and bids will be opened on March 30. Present indications are that a very favorable bid will be received. Complete blue print, plans and specifications are now in the hands of contractors and construction bids will be opened on March 31. The clerk is receiving calls from contractors almost daily.