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Musings

By an Innocent Bystander

In the words of the poet, (or somebody), "we told you so". We have a strong recollection of saying in this column that when the time came for the collection of the new water rates in this man's town there was going to be a holler. And to hear the remarks of our citizens who at this time are compelled to pay \$1.50 a month for the same old minimum of 400 cubic feet of water, instead of the old price of \$1.00, is a first-class lesson in the intricacies of modern profanity.

The consensus of opinion seems to be that if the rate just had to be raised, the minimum should have been raised at the same time. It appears that there are a lot of folks in this town who regularly paid under the old rate from \$1.05 to \$1.20 for their water during the winter months. Which means that they regularly used from 3500 to 5000 gallons per month. Now for that amount of water they have to pay from \$1.55 to \$1.70 per month. And are they tickled? You may have one guess. And mind you, it's the same old lime-saturated water, too.

And it's our guess that the city isn't going to pay off an awful lot of bonds with the income they get from the new ordinance regarding the payment of the minimum water rate in the case of business buildings occupied by more than one concern. While the language of the ordinance is somewhat ambiguous in this particular item, we understand that it is not supposed to apply to apartments in private houses. And as it happens that there are at this time very few buildings along our main street housing more than one concern, the outlook for much income from this source appears from this neck of the woods rather slim. In fact, we believe that only one building along the streets is so occupied. As this shop has gone "dry", it appears to be up to Messrs. Stone, Hatfield and the Safeway to carry the ball.

As you will note in the paragraph above, this print shop is listed as a "dry" concern. Someway, we just couldn't see ourselves paying about 5¢ a gallon for water with which to wash our hands a few times a day, so we had the water shut off. So if we get too "dirty" in our fight for a better water system, you will know where the blame lies. But, as the feller said, "it's a long worm that has no turnin'."

The waters in the political puddle in this county have begun to stir. Several candidates for office have already filed for various offices and others are expected to file within the next day or two. There are one state senator, two representatives in the legislature, one county commissioner, a sheriff, justice of the peace and constable to be elected locally. It is doubtful if Senator Dunn, who is recognized as one of the ablest men in the legislature, will have any opposition again this year. For the lower house, only one candidate, Wm. McAllister, Republican, has so far definitely thrown his hat in the ring. Wm. Perry, of Eagle Point, is in the race for county commissioner. W. W. Allen of Medford, may file for this office.

Study Continued of Theory of Evolution

Church of God continues the study of the theory of evolution. Since a mere Hypothesis (wild guess) has shaken the world and affected the Church, the School, the Home and the Nation, it is time for us to be thinking about it. Superstition and ignorance swept Europe off its feet in the Dark Ages and relics of it are still in the world today. It was nothing in itself but since believed it surely affected the whole course of humanity. Evolution was reshaped in a joke by Darwin in 1859 and to his consternation it swept the world off its feet, was the most potential force producing the World War and has wrought havoc to morals in home, church and school. We are giving next Sunday evening to a careful study of this foolishness in the light of Biblical Revelation.

Service opens at 7:30 P.M. Ardis Hansen will read a selection for McGuffey's Third Reader and the choir will bring a special chorus. You will enjoy this service. Come!—C. A. Phillips, pastor.

C. M. BREWER, 56, COPCO PRESIDENT, CALLED BY DEATH

Chauncey Marble Brewer, 56, president of The California Oregon Power company, died at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at his residence at 1811 West Main street, in Medford, after a lingering illness.

At his bedside were his wife, his son, Chauncey M. Jr., and his daughter, Barbara Ann.

Mr. Brewer was born at Marshall, Mich., August 5, 1881. He received his education in the public schools there, the Michigan State Military academy and the University of Michigan.

He started his career in the public utilities field prior to 1909, with the Commonwealth Power Company at Jackson, Mich. In 1909 he transferred to the Muskogee Gas and Electric company, and in 1910 he became sales manager of the Northern States Power company in Minnesota. In 1911 he accepted a position as manager of the Northern Idaho and Montana Power company, where he remained for one year before moving to Richmond, Cal., where he was manager of the Western States Gas and Electric company from 1912 to 1919.

In January, 1919, he was appointed vice-president and general manager of the Mountain States Power company, living in Albany, Ore., and in 1931 he was elected president of the company. He served in that capacity until December, 1937, when he resigned to devote all his time to the California Oregon Power company.

His first position with Copco was that of vice-president and general manager in 1929, when he and his family first made their home in Medford. In 1931, he was elected president, a position he held until his death.

The body will lie in state at the Perl Funeral Home from 4 p.m. until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Anyone wishing may call at the parlors during these hours.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Sacred Heart Catholic church at 10:00 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) morning. Interment will be in the Siskiyou Memorial Park.

GRANGE NOTES

March 4th is next regular meeting date of the Central Point Grange.

The Lecturer J. E. Vincent has arranged an interesting program consisting of the following numbers: The Grange paper edited by Edythe Bohnert, Piano duet by Lola Blackford and Freda Young, reading by Mrs. Paul Martin, surprise number by the Lecturer and a few minutes of recreation led by the recreation leaders.

The second play in the contest to be presented by the group "Married less than 15 years" is to be presented March 19th. Edythe Bohnert, the director, has selected a very fine play entitled "Early Ohio & Rhode Island Reds."

The cast is a popular one in Central Point circles. Those taking part are Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Foley, Mr. and Mrs. John Blackford and Mrs. Faye Ritzinger. The Grange is fortunate to have this play. The director and the cast on the same program and one of the best entertainments ever presented in the Central Point hall, is expected.

A dance will follow the play with Frank Hammond in charge. The third and last play will be by the unmarried group. They held a meeting Wednesday night and selected their play director and cast.

The shrub and plant sale planned by the Ways and Means committee will be held March 18th. And all members are asked to bring all they can spare to this meeting. All plants and shrubs must be labeled. Any further information can be secured from Mr. E. Brainard, Mr. Frank Hammond, Paul Smith, Mrs. Warren Patterson or Mrs. O. C. Maust.

C. L. Wilson received the sad news of the death of his brother James Wilson in Parson, Kansas.

Mrs. Ward Davis arrived last night for a visit with her mother Mrs. Mary Richardson and brother Sanford Richardson and family.

Copco Head Dies



C. M. Brewer

P. N. G. Club Meets At Purkeypile Home

The P.N.G. club met at the home of Mrs. C. Purkeypile Tuesday Mar. 1 with the following members present: Mrs. C. Merritt, Mrs. E. Vincent, Mrs. T. Pankey, Mrs. E. Farra, Mrs. A. Buckles, Mrs. A. Henderson, Mrs. H. Copinger, Mrs. Nellie Simmonds, Mrs. Mary Richardson and Emma Gleason; two visitors, Mrs. Sarah Vincent and Mrs. Moore, also little Carol.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess Mrs. Purkeypile. The next meeting will be April 5 in the I.O.O.F. hall. A no hostess party.

P. T. A. NOTES

On account of the basketball tournament being held this week end, the next meeting of C. P. P. T.A., which will be a Dad's Night program, has been postponed until Friday March 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Professor H. P. Jewett will present an educational feature in motion pictures.

Mrs. Prentiss and her accordion band from Medford has promised to furnish some delightful music.

A brief business session will precede the entertainment. Plans are being made for recreation and refreshments to round out an enjoyable evening.

A P.T.A. executive meeting will be held March 9 in the afternoon at the E. C. Faber home.

"Reminiscence" a playlet seen at a Central Point P.T.A. meeting recently was presented by the same cast at Oak Grove P.T.A. February 25 for their Founder's Day program.

An interview with Mrs. Arlie Thompson in charge of hot lunches disclosed these facts: because so few are availing themselves of the privilege of a hot dish at noon. This project is no longer self supporting, but, in view of the fact that there will probably be more cold weather and some need the hot dish so much most of the teachers think it should be continued, they should know and the teachers are a vital part of the P.T.A.

46,000 Dealers in Used Car Drive

46,000 used car dealers in every part of the United States are uniting this coming week, March 5 to 12, in the National Used Car Week. They are backed by the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers. This drive is made to relieve the industry of the burden of used cars that it is now carrying. There will be some wonderful bargains offered in used cars that should not be overlooked by anyone who is contemplating the buying of a used car.

Mr. W. G. Trill, Medford attorney, is leaving this week for Portland where he will go thru the clinic.

Mrs. Minnick received a letter from her son Herbert Crowder saying that he was at the Post hospital in Vancouver and had just had a wisdom tooth taken out which necessitated having his jaw cut open, and would be there until they took out the stitches. This is the third time he has been in the hospital since he enlisted which has been less than a year.

Local Miss In Symphony At Portland

On the front page of the News Telegram for February 28 appears the picture of the Portland Symphony Orchestra which with a chorus of 200 voices is rehearsing for its last appearance.

The picture shows very plainly, Miss Roberta Pankey as one of the chorus group. We, of Central Point, are proud of this young lady who went up there last fall and with no acquaintance or pull of any kind, made good in this organization.

Conductor William Van Hoogstraaten is shown in the picture leading the group. This will be the last appearance of the orchestra in Portland for an indefinite time as the present plans call for its discontinuance. The Portland symphony has been giving concerts for the past 27 years.

Big Wind Does Much Damage to Wires and Windows

Did March come in like a lion? We'll say she did, and she has been growing ever since with several roars thrown in. Tuesday night March 1 shortly after midnight she announced her presence with a wind little short of a hurricane. During her brief stay she has tangled telephone and electric light wires, blown in many windows, among them being one at the grammar school, which fortunately hurt no one. A window at the E. C. Faber home was blown out. The wood shed at the Faber woodyard was blown down, the big sign on the roof of the Nip & Sip was blown over and hit the chimney cutting the brick off at the roof, making a terrific noise which made Mrs. Moore think that the entire building was coming down. This was early Tuesday morning about one o'clock.

Civil War Soldier Heeds Last Call

The fast-thinking ranks of living Civil War veterans were further decreased this week with the passing of Harry C. Applegate, a lieutenant in the northern army, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward White, in Medford. Mr. Applegate was 95 years old at the time of his death and had been ill for some time.

Christian Science funeral services were held at the Perl funeral home Wednesday afternoon, with interment in the Medford L.O.O.F. cemetery. The American Legion had charge of the services at the grave, with members of that organization acting as pallbearers. A firing squad from Company A, 186th Infantry, gave the soldier's final salute at the graveside.

Mr. Applegate is survived by one daughter and one son, both of Medford, and by four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The death of Mr. Applegate decreases to five the living veterans of the Civil War in Jackson county. He was the last of Medford residents who saw service in the war between the states.

River Pilot Ponders Running For Office

ASTORIA—A captain Clarence E. Ash, Columbia river bar pilot, said yesterday he was "considering" filing for state representative to succeed Walter Norblad, who said he would not seek re-election.

A Republican, Ash may oppose Irving Allen, Seaside city attorney, who has announced his candidacy.

Mr. Ash is a cousin of city treasurer Edward Jones. Mr. Ash's mother and Mr. Jones' mother were sisters.

The Civic Club enjoyed a very pleasant meeting at the Library Wednesday afternoon. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Duncan.

W. N. Basham of Oakland, Calif. will represent the W. J. Rawleigh Co. at a district sales meeting which will be held at the Edw. Jones home Saturday evening March 5th.

Mrs. J. Fry who has been very poorly all winter is able to be out again this fine weather.

Pointers Win Over Lapine 26 to 15 to Reach Semi-Finals

Central Point high school entered the semi-final by the virtue of a 26-15 victory over Lapine high school, at the S.O.N.S. tournament tonight. Chiloquin crushed Eagle Point by the score of 42 to 18 to enter the semi-final event tomorrow night.

Central Point High school will play the winner of Merrill and Wilbur game and Chiloquin will meet winner of Coos River and Keno game.

Ashland Tournament Gets Under Way

Getting off to a slow start the Pointers eked out a narrow victory over a hard fighting team from Douglas county by a score of 30 to 26. Accurate shooting by Murray, Camas Valley forward kept his team in the lead the first quarter. The Pointers pulled up and lead 18 to 17 at half time and from then on kept a small lead to the finish.

Pointers (30) Camas Valley (26)
Scott (2)
Meyers (9) F Murray (14)
Webster (2) F Johnson (8)
P. O'Connor (10) C Lockwood (4)
B. O'Connor (3) G Stanley Copinger (4) G Kelly

The tournament this year will be in two divisions—the championship division and the "President's Cup" division. Central Point, Jackson county champs, will enter the championship division made up of the 16 strongest teams in the district.

The tournament this year is exclusively for class "B" high schools. The winner of the "championship division" will be eligible to represent the district in state tournament at Salem with the goal of State "B" League Championship and a possible State High School Championship.

No team will have to play more than four games during the 3-day tournament. Trophies will be awarded for first, second, third, fourth and fifth places in the championship division.

Prof. Hoskins to Stage Electric Wonders

The Modern Wonders of Electricity will be presented by Prof. Hoskins, assisted by his technical staff, in the high school auditorium, March 10 at 3:00 P. M. Among many the demonstrations will be, Light you can hear, Sound you can see, Thundering heart beats, and Electrical Eye. Ten cents admission will be charged at the door.

So what? -

Every man should keep a fair-sized cemetery in which to bury the faults of his friends.—Henry Ward Beecher.

A group of boys debating as to which would be most worth while—to save Roger's foot or the chair?

Everett Faber wondering why Marshall was so anxious that he go to Albany to attend the tournament, until it dawned on him that there was to be a tournament in Ashland soon.

Walter Abbey demonstrating to a carpenter on South Central Monday morning that he could saw a board straight, while the c. stood by and whistled.

Rev. Phillips saying that the typewriter doesn't spell any better than he does.

Mrs. Lindley has bought herself a bicycle.

We found someone in Medford reading the Central Point "Astonisher", as he called it.

Ask Mr. Gifford what the March lion did for him.

Wednesday was the last cash night at the Medford theatres. District Attorney Newman declaring them illegal.

Mr. Bendickson asking Mr. Wiley about fixing a shelf and being told to just hold it that way would be the best way to do it.

Winners This A.M.

FIRST BRACKET

Central Point 30, Camas Valley 26; Lapine 24, Bandon 19; Wilbur 33, Prospect 25; Paisley 13, Merrill 23.

SECOND BRACKET

Chiloquin 42, Kerby 26; Eagle Point 26, Riddle 21; Coos River 27, Rogue River 15; Keno 30, Langlois 12.

Many Die in Floods

In Southern Calif.

Latest reports from the flood district show that there are 56 known deaths with over 100 persons unaccounted for. Communication with Los Angeles is still cut off, the only contact with the outside being short wave radio and plane. There is one landing field that is not under water. The sky is clearing though and it is expected that the water will abate rapidly.

Fascinating card game, Cross Word Lexicon 50¢ at Stone's Drug Store.

If you desire information relative to good exclusive territory for Raleigh Salesmen please consult Edw. Jones or phone 611, Central Point.

The Rebekah Lodge met Wednesday evening with a good attendance. After the business session, a social hour was enjoyed, dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. Ernie Case, wife, son and daughter, arrived Monday from Medford, Ohio, for an extended visit with Mr. Case's brother, C. F. Case, of Central Point, and his sisters, Mrs. Theodore Glass of this city and Mrs. Ray Schuman of Eureka, Calif. Mr. Case is a former resident here and we will have an interesting story of his trip from the East in a house trailer next week.

The Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Clifton A. Phillips, Pastor

Bible School 10:00 A.M. Roland Hover, Supt.

Communion and Preaching 11:00 A.M. Subject "The Gospel On The Street." Special music: Duet by Mr. Darby and Mrs. Elde.

Christian Endeavor 6:30 P. M. Classes for all ages. Carl Hover, Director.

Evangelistic Service 7:30 P. M. We continue the study of "The Theory of Evolution and Its Relation to Education, The Church and World Problems." See notice of this service elsewhere in this issue of American.

Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Devotional Leader, Laurabelle Caldwell, and Study Leader, Scott Darby.

THE FEDERATED CHURCH

Rev. R. C. Lewis, Pastor.

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Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

Worship 11:00 A.M.

A.M.

Junior and Senior League 6:30 P.M.

Evening Services 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday Evening Prayer 7:30 P.M.

Tuesday afternoon Bible Study 2:30 P.M.

ADD TO FEDERATED CHURCH—

Mrs. Bessie Williams will be hostess to the Berean class at the home of Mrs. Floyd Lefler Thursday March 10, 1938.