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Musings

By the Editor

B-r-r-r! What a change a few minutes can make in our weather. As this is written (Wednesday evening) there is a really cold wind blowing in through our front door. And at 3 o'clock this afternoon there wasn't a breath of wind and it was hotter than the "hinges of hades." But don't tell the Portland folks—they seem to believe that it never cools off in this neck of the woods.

Art Perry of the Smudge Pot has been taking a lay-off this week (if holding down the city desk can be called that) and called on several columnists about the state to pinch-hit for him. The chosen ones may be good writers in their home town but somehow when they came to try to fill Art's shoes their stuff sounded rather flat. They all took up most of their space telling how come they got the invitation, etc. At least all but Ben Lampman and even he forgot that this writer had the honor (?) of being the first to show Ben how a Rogue fisherman really casts a fly.

Away back in 1911, if our memory serves, Ben's brother, Rex, was publisher of the Gold Hill News and having purchased an electric motor from the Mall Tribune he asked us to come down and fix up the proper connections to put power on his old press. We went down several evenings and finally completed the job one Sunday morning. That day we took our fishing tackle with us with the intention of fishing up the river as far as Gold Ray. When we arrived at the Lampman home we were introduced to the visiting brother, Ben, who was seeing this country for the first time.

Ben was very much interested in the tales he had heard of the steel-head fishing in the Rogue and in the kind of tackle we used. So after we got the motor running satisfactorily he asked us to unlimber the old pole and make a few casts out in the street in front of the office just to prove we actually could throw so light a thing as a No. 4 fly more than twenty feet. We'd hate to be asked to do such a thing today, for we much fear we would make a very bum showing, after twenty years of staying off the river. Then Ben asked us if he might go along and watch us fish for a while. Of course he was made welcome, but only followed us for a mile or so, and of course, we never had a strike while he was with us.

Shortly after, Ben took over the Gold Hill paper from his brother, who went to Portland as a reporter on the Oregonian. Ben soon became one of the most enthusiastic fishermen in the country, but the work of a country newspaper didn't appeal to him and he soon welcomed the chance to take a job on the same paper as his brother, who later gave up his job and returned to North Dakota. Today, Ben Hur Lampman is well known as one of the grave and reverend editors of the great metropolitan daily. More power to him.

What changes the years have brought! Nearly every one of the old crowd who used to line the river when the fishing was really good, have gone to their reward. But the fight between the upper and lower fishermen seems to go on as merrily as ever. If it isn't the mud, it's the fish ladders or the irrigation screens. There's sure to be something to bring forward as an alibi for the poor catches. But to

Mrs. Lois Richardson

AND COMPANION
Are Invited To Be The
Guests of The

CENTRAL POINT AMERICAN
and the
CRATERIAN THEATRE, Medford
to see either of the two following
pictures

Ending Saturday Nite!

BOB BURNS in
"OUR LEADING CITIZEN"

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday

The Lane Sisters in
"DAUGHTERS COURAGEOUS"
with John Garfield

CENTRAL PT. IS CHOSEN FOR 1940 SOLDIERS' MEET

The forty-seventh reunion of Soldiers and Sailors of the Southern Oregon district, which includes Gold Hill, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Central Point, Medford and Ashland, was held at Gold Hill Saturday, August 19, in the park at city hall, beginning with a covered dish luncheon at noon.

After lunch a business session was held; singing of America; prayer by District Chaplain Mary Robbins; reading of minutes of the 1938 meeting, which was held at Riverside park at Grants Pass, and salute to the flag.

Officers presiding were Col. Commander Cyrenus Vroman, Lt.-Col. Commander Madge Dorman, Adj. Clinton Walker.

Central Point was chosen as meeting place for 1940. Officers elected were Col. Commander J. C. Woods, Central Point; Lt.-Col. Commander Edna Kilburn, Central Point; Major Cyrenus Vroman, Gold Hill; Chaplain Anna Steinbaugh, Grants Pass; Dora Jones, Central Point, adjutant; resolution committee, Anna Harmon, Elva Lough and Dora Jones.

After the business meeting there was an address by Mr. Canfield of Medford, representing the Veterans of Foreign Wars; duet, "The Only Flag for Me," by Maude Davis and Lorlie Minnick of Central Point. The song was dedicated to J. C. Woods and Cyrenus Vroman, Civil War veterans. An address was given by Walter Harmon, commander of Sons of Veterans of Grants Pass. Short talks were given by Mrs. J. C. Woods, Cyrenus Vroman and others. The program was interspersed throughout with selections by five girls of the accordion band.

Those attending from here were Mesdames Margaret Hubbard, J. C. Woods, Maude Davis, Lorlie Minnick, Delpha Cox, Clara Farra, Dora Jones, Edna Kilburn and Mr. J. C. Woods.

Red Cross Asks Help For Fire Sufferers

Jackson county chapter of the American Red Cross has been called on to raise \$500 to assist with food, shelter, bedding, and medical care of about 500 persons needing assistance as the result of the Pine Ridge fire disaster.

Representatives of the national organization from the Pacific coast regional headquarters were immediately on the job after the fire, said George T. Fdey, county chairman. "The Klamath county chapter is doing all it can and is raising funds and we are likewise called on to assist. These funds will be in addition to those contributed from our national headquarters. We are urged to raise this quota as soon as possible and anyone desiring to assist, even in a small way, may leave his contribution at any of the Medford banks, the bank of Ashland or Eagle Point or at Red Cross headquarters at the county courthouse."

Mrs. Damon's brother remains about the same. He is still at the hospital.

our mind the boys forget the real crux of the matter, which is that there are twenty-five fishermen today to one in the old days. And also, what with diverting thousands of "acre-feet" of water for irrigation, cutting timber from the water shed and the like, there just isn't river enough left to make a home for the fish in sufficient quantities to supply the demand.

We are glad to hear that there is still a strong prospect that our school will soon have a new gym. Goodness knows they need it and we like the idea of building it on the new athletic field east of the high school. That field can in time be made into a very good asset to the school and we hope to see the time we can have a lighted field of our own for softball and the like.

Speaking of school reminds us that it is only a little over two weeks until the kids will be back at their desks and will have to cover up that coat of summer tan. George has been busy all summer painting and renovating the buildings and getting ready for the new year. Soon we shall hear that old bell again.

Local Schools Open September 11; Supt. Tells of Changes

Central Point High School will open on Monday, September 11th with a faculty of eight teachers. For the benefit of students interested in planning their course or desiring to revise their pre-registration plans of last spring, Supt. Jewett is furnishing the following information.

Classes will be offered in the following subjects: English, II, III, IV, Speech, Latin, World History, American History and Civics, Social Problems, Home Economics I, Home Economics II, General Science, Biology, Chemistry, Shop I, Shop II, Typing I, Shorthand I, Bookkeeping I, Health, Physical Education, Algebra, Geometry, Glee Club, Orchestra.

Requirements for graduation are the satisfactory earning of sixteen credits. Of these sixteen the following are required: English, American History & Civics, Social Problems, Health and Physical Education.

There is sometimes some confusion in the mind of the student as to graduation requirements and college entrance requirements. They are not quite the same. The Oregon colleges require the presentation of sixteen credits for entrance and also require that eight of these sixteen be in certain subjects as follows: English, 3 credits; American Problems & Economics, 1 credit; Health & Physical Education, 1 credit. The other two of these eight credits must be from the following fields: mathematics, science, and languages.

The new plan in commercial work provides for one year of typing, two years of bookkeeping, two years of shorthand. Students will note that this leaves out the second year of typing. The most important work given in the second year of typing in past years will be combined with the second year of shorthand. However, for those students capable of rapid progress in typing provision will be made for doing extra work in typing and for making two credits in one year. Those students who registered last spring for second year typing should in most cases plan to take the first year of bookkeeping this year and the second year of bookkeeping next year.

All seniors must have a credit in physical education and health for graduation this year. Those who took the regular physical education work as Freshmen and Sophomores will have one-half credit already

and may make the other half by taking the semester Health class. Juniors who have taken regular physical education work as Freshmen and Sophomores may complete their graduation requirements this year by taking the same health course as the seniors are taking. This course will be repeated next semester for the benefit of those unable to take it this semester because of conflicts. Juniors and seniors will note that this plan does not call for any gym classes so it will not be necessary to have suits.

Rental books will be available in all subjects again this year. In order to simplify the handling of this plan all students who wish to take advantage of it will pay a uniform fee of two dollars when they register. This will cover the cost of all text-books for the year. Extra charge will of course be necessary for workbooks required in the various courses. Most of these workbooks cost about fifty cents each. A student should expect to spend about two dollars at the beginning of the year for workbooks, notebooks, laboratory manuals, etc. It should be remembered that workbooks usually mean a saving in notebook paper equal to their cost and are therefore a good investment. Shop students must also expect to pay a material charge of one dollar. Refunds on all fees will be made in proportion to the time spent in school in case a student moves or finds it necessary to drop out.

Mr. Harry Myers will again teach band and orchestra and glee club work. All that is required of the student in connection with this work is that he provide his own instrument. Drums, bass, and baritone horns are provided by the school. Mr. Myers gave six weeks free instruction during the summer for a class of fifteen in orchestra. These will form the nucleus of his orchestra this year.

Registration for the new year will begin at 8:30 Monday morning, September 11th. The morning of that day will be given over to registration, issuing of books, assignment of lockers, etc. During the afternoon short sessions of all classes will be held. Supt. Jewett will be at his office for conferences the week preceding the opening of school. Transfers from other schools will find it to their advantage to plan their registration before the opening day.

Vincent's Return from Carriers' Convention

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vincent returned home Sunday from the National Letter Carrier's convention in Portland. They report a very enjoyable trip. Mr. Vincent was on the registration board and it kept him rather busy for the first day, there being 3500 registered carriers from every state in the union except Utah and Nevada. Wednesday there was a caravan to Bonneville and Thursday to Timberline Lodge. They visited Joan Collins at the Shrine hospital and they also visited Odd Fellows home. Joan Collins is improving slowly.

Kansas Couple Visit Friends in Valley

Delmer S. Harris, accompanied by his wife and son Buddy, and daughter, Lavernadell, of Concordia, Kansas, are stopping at the Ross Hotel on a business and pleasure trip to the valley.

Mr. Harris is head of the Delmer S. Harris Company, makers of the famous Playmate line of playground equipment. While here he is spending several days with his agents, L. P. Mathes of this city and D. D. Davis of Medford, looking after prospective sales to school authorities throughout the valley.

Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Harris and children enjoyed dinner at the L. P. Mathes home.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Owens and Fred and Alberta Terrill of Harrisburg are visiting relatives here for a week. Mr. Owens is Mrs. Henry Head's brother. Alberta and Fred are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Terrill.

CIVIC CLUB TO SELL ICE CREAM

Through a misunderstanding it was published in this paper last week that the Civic club would hold their ice cream social at the school house last Friday. We are very sorry and hope it did not cause many to make the trip to the school house last Friday. Tomorrow, Friday, August 25, the club will serve ice cream, cake and punch at the high school. Every one is invited to come out and meet your next door neighbor and have a social chat. Entertainment is being planned. Proceeds will be used for civic improvement.

Funeral for Miss Hamrick Held Wed.

Funeral services were held in the Perl chapel at 10:30 a. m. Wednesday for Miss Mary Elizabeth Hamrick, who died at her home in the Central Point district Saturday morning. Dr. Sherman L. Divine, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiated. The body was cremated.

Miss Hamrick was a native of Jackson county. She was born in 1876 on the farm homestead by her parents, John W. and Susan Jane Hamrick. The place is now known as the "four corners" north of Medford.

Miss Hamrick and her brother, John S. Hamrick, made their home together on the farm for 38 years and until her brother's death last March separated them.

Miss Hamrick is survived by a brother, Jesse B. Hamrick, a sister, Mrs. Anna Howard of Arbuckle, Cal., and several nieces and nephews.

Many friends attended and the beautiful flowers showed the high esteem in which she was held.

Miss Dole Weds Wm. Gaines at Church Ceremony

At an attractive wedding in the Nazarene Church of Medford on Sunday, August 20th at 3 o'clock Miss Dolores Dole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Dole of Prospect became the bride of Mr. William F. Gaines of Medford. The Rev. Elmer Gandy performed the ring ceremony in the presence of members of the two families and friends.

Messrs Glen and Paul Dole, brothers of the bride played "I Love You Truly" a saxophone duet accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Ethel Kornstad who also played the wedding march and recessional.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her white satin gown was trimmed with lace and made with a long court train. She wore a full length white tulle veil held in place with a halo cap of orange blossoms and lilies of the valley. She carried tallman roses white asters and baby breath.

Miss Ruby Webster of Central Point, the maid of honor, wore a pink lace over pink taffetta. Her bouquet was white gladiolas and baby dillies.

Little Gloria Dunagan, the flower girl and cousin of the bride, was daintily gowned in a white dotted swiss trimmed in baby blue ribbon. She carried a basket of dainty flowers.

The bridesmaids, Miss Marjorie McKee of Medford wore a blue taffetta and Miss Mary Olson of Medford wore a rose taffetta. They carried pink and white gladiolas.

Mr. Floyd Dole, brother of the bride, was best man. Mr. Henry Knowles and Mr. Allen Bruer, both of Medford were the ushers.

The mother of the bride wore a blue lace dress.

Following the church ceremony a garden reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Webster in Central Point. Mrs. Webster assisted by Mrs. John Clark served refreshments to the bridal party.

The bride is well known in the valley having attended high school in Medford. The bridegroom is associated with the Rogue River Roof Company in Medford.

Following a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Gaines will make their home in Medford.

A congregational meeting is called by the committee of Southwest Oregon Presbytery of the Central Point Presbyterian church for a conference of the congregation of the said church upon matters pertaining to the welfare of the church and to transact any other matters connected therewith. Said meeting to be held Thursday, August 31st, at 7:30 p. m.

BROTHER OF LOCAL PEOPLE PASSES MONDAY

Funeral services for William H. Milton, 62, who died of heart failure suddenly Monday morning, was held at the Community hall in Rogue River Wednesday afternoon, August 23, at 2:30 with Rev. Herbert M. Shaw officiating. Interment was in Rogue River cemetery.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Florence; four sons, Elmer and Ray of Rogue River, Lloyd of Palmer, Alaska, and Wilbur of Los Angeles. Also two daughters, Lillie Nourse and Mable Guizetz of Rogue River and nine grandchildren, besides an aged mother, Belle Milton, and five sisters, Ollie Beck, Lillie Dennis and Ethel Milton, all of Rogue River; Anna Owings of Central Point; and two brothers, Albert Milton of Central Point and James Milton of Rogue River. Also many other relatives and friends.

Mr. Milton walked up to the top of a mountain on the middle fork of Sardine creek near his logging camp with two employes, Boyd McClung and Ken Lovell, to show them what trees to cut, it was stated by Coroner Frank Perl who was called to the scene. Just as he raised his hand to point to the trees, he collapsed. Mr. Perl said he was informed by the two men. Mr. Milton was to conclude his logging operations on Sardine creek Wednesday.

Freak Storm Does Little Fruit Damage

County Agent R. G. Fowler reports that no commercial damage was done to the pear crop by the wind and rain Wednesday afternoon. The storm was very streaked and the wind blew very hard in spots. At Oakleys it blew over a tree blocking the road into the field where John Obenchain was working and the tree had to be sawed up and moved before he could get his car out. He reports that it was a regular cloudburst. The rain came down so hard that the tractor stopped and it was also stuck in the mud. While going for help he got so wet that it even stopped his watch. Mrs. Tharp, Central Point telephone operator, says that the first electrical display came just like a shot from a gun, that it burnt out some expensive apparatus at Gold Ray and that the line was out all night and was still out late today. The storm seemed to follow the Rogue River. Hardly any rain fell at Medford. Part of the trim on the porch at the Harrison ranch was blown off and two big oak trees blown down. At the Oscar Blackford ranch the electricity went off and the milking had to be finished by hand.

The home extension unit met at the E. W. Brainard home Wednesday afternoon with about 25 present. After the business meeting a social time was enjoyed. Mesdames E. W. Brainard, Mae Richardson and Ethel Fleischer served ice cream and cookies.

The Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Clifton A. Phillips, Minister
Bible School 10:00 A.M. Roland Hoyer, Supt.

Communion and Preaching 11:00 A.M. Sermon Subject "The First Church Counsel" or "How Shall We Settle Our Difficulties?" Special music "Trio".

Christian Endeavor 7:00 P.M.
Evangelistic Service 8:00 P.M.
Sermon subject "Paul on Mar's Hill." Music by three boys.

Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday 8:00 P.M. Subject for Mrs. Foley's class, "How We Got Our Bible." Don Stanley will lead the study in "Christian Action."

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Stanley G. Parish, Pastor.
Bible School—9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship—11:00 a. m.
Christian Endeavor—7:00 p. m.
Evening Service—8:00 p. m.
Ladies' Bible Class—Tuesday at 2:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting—Wednesday at 8:00 p. m.
Choir, Recreative — Wednesday at 8:30 p. m.