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LOCALS

Mrs. John Townsend and little son John Jr., visited Miss Phyllis Porter in Grants Pass Wednesday.

Billy Leever of Ashland visited his grandmother Mrs. Isabel Leever last week. He was planning a trip to Eastern Oregon with a number of boy friends for this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Lawton and family moved into the Lowerman house. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Troutman and family moved into the C. L. Wilson house.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Long and Helen spent Sunday at Crescent City. Mrs. Long says it was freezing there compared to our weather here.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Gleason, Mervyn Jr. and Jimmy left this morning for Klamath Falls to make their home. It will be more centrally located for Mr. Gleason's work, enabling him to cover more territory.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gleason of Seattle are visiting their daughter Mrs. R. W. Church in Medford. They also visited Mr. Gleason's brother E. R. Gleason and family. They are on their way to California to make their home where they will be near another daughter at Concord.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lees visited Mrs. Linbeck at Klamath Falls Sunday.

Don Patterson has been on the sick list for the last week. He is improving and able to sit up part of the time. Ronald Gandee is helping in the station.

Mr. J. T. Fry returned last evening from a trip to Salem and Portland, where he visited his daughters. Mr. Fry today is proudly displaying a new cane and watch presented him by his family.

Mr. Stevenson of the Copeland Yard was a business caller here Wednesday.

Miss Frances Faber made a trip to Marshfield Monday returning home Tuesday.

Undergoing tonsilectomies at Osteopathic clinic Tuesday afternoon were John Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ross, and Wallace West, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. West.

Lathe for Shop Purchased by School

In keeping with their policy to add to the shop equipment each year the school board recently ordered the purchase of a Driver lathe. This lathe, which has a twelve inch head and thirty-nine inch body, is suitable for either wood or metal turning. Necessary chisels, face plates, and other accessories are provided with the lathe. It will be powered with a one-third horse power motor which will be usable for other power tools which may be added in future years. This equipment will be used by the second year students.

Outlook for New Gym Favorable

The outlook for a new gymnasium is very favorable according to reports from Supt. Jewett. Engineer Thompson of the WPA now has authority to receive applications for new projects and is of the opinion that favorable action will be taken. Under this plan the local school district furnishes all materials and the WPA furnishes the labor. The school board is working out a plan with a contractor, E. P. Power and with the WPA, through which it seems that a good gym can be built. Mr. Power built the Oak Grove gymnasium and has had many years of building experience. Plans and specifications have been drawn by Clark & Keeney, architects in Medford, and application forms to the WPA will be completed and filed this week. All applications have to be acted on in Portland, and then sent to Washington, D. C. for approval so it is probable that a month or six weeks will elapse before work can begin. The building planned will have a basketball court fifty by ninety feet and spectator space for from six to eight hundred. There will be a large stage on one end of the main building, and dressing rooms on the other end. Above the dressing rooms will be a band room and a storage and drying room for equipment. The building will be heated with a hot air furnace with fan circulation. The plan is to put the building across Fourth Street from the high school building on the new athletic field recently acquired from the city. The present football field will be changed to run north and south.

Chemistry to Be Taught in School

Acting under the advice and consent of Assistant State Superintendent D. A. Emerson the regular high school course in chemistry will be offered this year. With the addition of this course the list of subjects offered in science is complete and gives the Central Point High School a curriculum equal to that of most of the larger high schools of the state. Flamo gas was installed in the laboratory last year and with slight additions of equipment it is possible to give a good course in this subject which is so valuable in this modern scientific age where so much in industry, medicine, sanitation, foods, etc., is dependent on the chemist. A large enrollment in this course is expected.

Much Work Done Getting Buildings Ready for School

Bright new attractively painted classrooms will greet the grade school children on opening day, September 11th. Mr. March has been busy all summer painting the woodwork in each of the rooms. A varied color scheme has been used so that all the rooms are not alike. The first grade room is finished in apricot with a soft blue trim; the second and sixth grade are most cheerful with a seafoam green and deeper green trim. The third and fourth rooms are finished in a rich cream with canary yellow trim. In the fifth and eighth a soft gray with a green trim has been used and the seventh is enlivened with a peach tone and blue trim. All halls and stairways have been considerably lightened with a taupe color. Other work that is being done to add to the efficiency of the physical plant is additional nailing and bracing of the stairways to the upper rooms to eliminate noise, and the installation of a ventilating shaft from the boys' basement. Floor seal has been spread on the cement floor in the lunch room to lessen difficulties in keeping this

clean. All metal fixtures have been removed from the old rest-boards, repaired, and installed on new boards. Plans are being made to put the out-door basketball court in good shape and install a new volleyball outdoor court and also a handball court.

Rearrangement of storage space in the basement has been necessary to give more room for the high school shop classes. A finishing room will be partitioned off to give a dustproof space for painting and varnishing articles made in the shop class. Much of the work of fitting up this room will be done by the second year shop class.

In the high school building additional shelving has been put in the library; some remodeling is being done to provide for the chemistry

laboratory; floor preservative has been used on all the floors; woodwork in all toilet rooms has been repainted and when window washing and general clean-up work has been completed the building will be spick and span for the opening day.

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Jimmy Gleason cut his thumb quite badly while whittling, he is sure now that his knife is sharp.

Nancy Wilson getting her share of ice cream at the W.R.C. dinner Tuesday evening.

Ralph Stevenson saying his wife got up in the night Wednesday to bring some pillows in out of the rain and the rain stopped right then. He told her never to do such a trick again to let the pillow alone.

Mr. A. H. Banwell, who returned from a week's vacation spent at the Rogue River Lodge, where he did not have to wear a hat, coat or necktie, was irked by same when he returned to his home the 1st of the week.

Pat Patterson convalescing and Orville Castor taking Pat's place at the station—reluctantly, a little faithfully.

Leatha Heselgrave back from a Hollywood vacation—Leatha had a splendid time and wasn't tempted in the least to go Hollywood.

Dale Seymore surrounded by a bevy of pretty girls—all wanting to go places.

Dale Smith becoming a citizen of Medford and taking Mrs. Skip and little Melody along.

Have you heard the one about the Scotchman who threw away a ten dollar bill—and the Jew who gave it back? We didn't either!

Stoney, the town's leading druggist, locking his door whenever he hears there are gypsies in the neighborhood.

Tried and true Oregonians finding shelter from the recent electrical storm—in cloth closets, under beds, pianos and things—you see it never storms in Oregon—not REALLY, and brother if you're from the east, it really doesn't!

A Copeo employee expressing delight when valley folk had to turn their lights on hours early.


Pension Advocates To Stage Rally

Ashland, adherents to the Oregon National Pension Plan (\$30 per week for life for all over 50), will hold an outdoor rally scheduled for Sunday, August 27th at the upper picnic grounds in Lithia Park. The affair is to be a basket picnic, coffee, furnished free. Speaking will begin at 2 or 2:30 o'clock in afternoon by nationally known speakers from headquarters in Portland. This meeting presents a golden opportunity to all who believe in retirement on pension for our senior citizens. For then the scarcity and want problem (in our land of plenty) will be solved. The alarming feeling of insecurity and radical unrest in our beloved America will automatically change to one of happiness and patriotism.

Endeavor to Put Dry Law on Ballot

LOS ANGELES—Sponsored by the California Drys, Inc., petitions are to be placed in circulation at once calling for a bone-dry amendment to the State constitution. The form for the petition has already been titled by the Attorney-General. The proposition is to be voted upon at the election in November, 1940. The officers and directors of the California Drys, Inc., are J. Frank Burke, president; former Congressman Charles H. Randall, vice-president; E. E. Covert, Secretary; S. W. Odell, treasurer; Dr. F. G. H. Stevens, Milburn Clark, Percy Fenton Adams, Frederick W. Roman, Virgil G. Hinshaw, W. I. Hull, and Albert A. James.


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