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Musings

By the Editor

How did that old song go?
"Is the struggle and strife
We find in this life,
Really worth while, after all?
I've been wishing today
I could just run away,
Out where the West winds call."

So far as we are concerned we don't care a hang whether it's a West wind or a Nor'easter, but it's mighty hard to stay indoors these wonderful spring days and listen more or less patiently to someone's tale of woe. But such is life, and we've just got to play the game till the "Master of all good workmen" calls time.

Do you know, we have a hunch that it won't be amiss for those who have a bit of garden ground which they didn't think worth while to plant this year, perhaps on account of the cost of water for irrigation, to stick some seeds in and take a chance. Unless our hunch is wrong this valley is going to need all the garden "sass" we can rake and scrape before the year ends. And with the cost of living on the rise, it may pay big dividends to raise as much as you can for yourselves.

Do you remember that for a time we printed a series of letters from an English lady in Chester, England? And how her cheerfulness used to bring a choke and a prayer that she and hers might escape the horror of war? Well, along about New Years we couldn't stand the temptation to drop her a line and say "thumbs up". And here the other days came a foreign-looking letter with a big paper over the end showing it had been opened by some censor. Bless his heart, he couldn't find anything to blot out in such a brave, heart-warming letter. She said in closing: "We over here are still cheerful and confident . . . and we shall stick it out even if, as the Daily Express said in its leading article one day, we are 'reduced to chewing our shoe leather.'" Murray for the British spirit!

It is our fervent hope that America can see to it that those brave people never reach that extremity. We keep that "bridge of ships" going straight through to their destination in spite of all the Hun may do.

We note that Col. (excuse it please), Mr. Lindbergh had the intestinal fortitude to tell his Nibs to go hang with his army commission, if holding such a position was going to cramp his style in expressing his honest views. After all, this is still America, and the lowliest citizen still has a right to say what he thinks, whether it agrees with the Administration or not. And they have kicked "Crack-down" Hugh Johnson out of the army, too. Afraid he'd sass the Commander-in-Chief, probably.

Had you noticed, by the way, how hard it is for Oregon to get even a few crumb from the national defense table? Do you suppose the fact that we elected a Republican governor, a Republican senator and a couple of Republican congressmen last fall has anything to do with it? Na, nay, brethren, you mustn't even THINK they ever play politics in the national capital. Naughty, naughty!

Piano Students to Give Program Fri.

In observance of National Music Week piano students of Nettle B. Shiley have arranged a program to be given Friday evening, May 2 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Skinner, 1964 East Main street, Medford.

Taking part in the program will be Betty Lou Anseth, Joan Harrison, Carol Coulter, Audrey Clark, Marylene Gebhard, Nancy King, Phillip Phipps, Harold Skinner and Charles White of Rogue River.

As a special number Maxine Boswick will play a selection on the flute accompanied by Mrs. Shiley. Relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend.

CARD OF THANKS

Expressing our deepest gratitude to all the neighbors and friends for their kindness, sympathy, and lovely flowers extended to us in our recent bereavement.

Also to the Oddfellows lodge No. 193, Mt. Pitt Rebecca lodge, No. 167, Ladies of the Relief Corp. Central Point, W.R.C. No. 34 Medford, and Berean Class of Federated Church of Central Point.

MR. & MRS. FRED D. FARRA

DISTRICT MEETING OF COUNTY COURTS IS HELD FRIDAY

A meeting of county judges and commissioners from the five counties comprising the 4th district of the Association of Oregon Counties was held at the courthouse in Medford Friday, April 25th. The five counties comprising this district are Coos, Curry, Douglas, Josephine and Jackson.

The Association of Oregon Counties is composed of all county judges and commissioners in the state. The annual convention is held in December in Portland. Several years ago it was decided to divide the state into several districts and to hold at least two meetings in each district during the year. These meetings enable the officials to compare notes on various county problems.

Attending the meeting Friday were Judge Guy Boyington of Astoria, president, and former County Judge F. L. Phipps of The Dalles, executive secretary, of the state association. Judge Phipps gave a careful resume of the work of the recent legislature and an analysis of the bills passed which affect the counties. A number of other matters of interest to county officials in this district were discussed.

The visiting officials were entertained at luncheon at the Hotel Medford as guests of the Jackson county court.

The next meeting of this district will be held sometime in the late summer at the Coos county courthouse in Coquille.

Governor Urges Observance of Nat'l Music Week

The following proclamation has been issued by Governor Charles A. Spague of Oregon:

"I have long taken a friendly interest in National Music Week, an annual event set this year for May 4 to 10. It comes as a climax for the winter of study and training in music, of concerts and musical events. Thus it gives students and artists an opportunity of performance and gives the public the privilege of enjoying their presentations. Oregon has fostered Music Week under the able chairmanship of Mrs. Walter Denton who with energy and spirit has labored through this means to popularize music. I enlist public support and interest in the event which this year is dedicated to the spirit of cooperation in the Western Hemisphere. All the countries of this hemisphere are invited to join in its celebration. Other lands respond to the clangor of war. Let us honor during the week stated the harmonies framed out of music which offer the true survival values of civilization."

Christian Endeavor Holds State Meet

The Christian Endeavorers of Oregon held their 51st annual state convention in Klamath Falls, April 24 to 27. More than 1,300 persons were registered for the convention, which was one of the best conventions ever to be held in Oregon.

Outstanding speakers for the convention were Dr. Luther E. Stein, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Glendale, California; Dr. Jesse H. Baird, President San Francisco Theological Seminary; Rev. Chester P. Gates, Superintendent of Evangelical Churches, Washington and part of Oregon, as well as many other pastors and leaders of Christian Endeavor.

The three days of convention were filled with many activities, among which were conference periods, assemblies, luncheons, the convention parade and banquet.

Each Union was identified with its particular uniform. Each group was judged in the parade for its appearance. Marian Union won the parade cup for the most attractive uniform and best marching.

The theme used throughout the convention was "Trust and Do".

Plans for the convention were largely in hands of the host Union, Klamath-Lake, who did a splendid job of planning.

The 52nd annual convention is to be held in Eugene.

The new planing mill shipped their first car load of lumber Tuesday evening and expect to be running steady now on. Mr. Armond Tabor states.

Defense Bonds and Saving Stamps are Now on Sale Here

The United States Defense Savings Bonds and Postal Savings Stamps will be placed on sale in the main Post Office at the opening of business today as part of the national effort to make America impregnable.

Postmaster Tom Pankey announced today that plans are completed for this community, along with thousands of others from coast to coast, to do its full part at the opening of the savings program. Many citizens have expressed their desire to purchase some of these stamps and bonds as soon as they are available and it is expected that the public will purchase stamps and bonds quite generously.

Postmaster General Frank C. Walker, in a letter to Postmasters throughout the country, said that the help of local postmasters would be "a real service to the country". He transmitted the thanks of Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau for the help that local postmasters had already given in the sale of United States securities, and also Mr. Morgenthau's thanks in advance "for the co-operation which he knows you will give to this new effort".

The new Defense Savings Bond is similar to the familiar "Baby Bond", of which more than five billion dollars worth have been bought by more than two and a half million Americans since 1935.

A Defense Bond may be purchased today, or thereafter, for \$18.75. In ten years, this bond will be worth \$25.00. This is an increase of 33 1/3 per cent, equal to an annual interest return of 2.9 per cent, compounded semi-annually. Any time after sixty days from the date of purchase, the bond may be redeemed for cash, in accordance with a table of redemption values printed on the face of the bond.

Seniors Now Hold Daily Rehearsals On 3-Act Play

Romances, mystery, suspense, and laughs, laughs, laughs! These are the ingredients you will find all mixed together when you see "What Happened to Smith", which is the title of the three-act comedy to be presented by the seniors in the gymnasium on Friday, May 9.

This play was chosen because it will hold the interest of the audience right up to the final hilarious climax.

Those taking part are Juanita Elliott, Jeannette Metternich, Bernice White, Shirley Kincaid, Jane Mann, Verna May Strayer, Bob Burns, Bob Vincent, Dick Wyatt, Art Miller, Dale Seymour, Chester Grimes, and Ward Blaine. The production is being directed by Mrs. Fleischner.

If the audience gets half as much fun out of the play as the players have, then "What Happened to Smith" is bound to be one of the most successful productions ever undertaken locally.

To be sure of getting good seats, reserved seats should be purchased at Stone's drug store at the earliest possible date. Business manager Dale Seymour reports a lively sale of tickets indicating that a large number plan to be present to see "What Happened to Smith."

P. T. A. NOTES

An enjoyable program will be presented and important business will be discussed when P.T.A. holds its last meeting of the year Friday, May 2 at 2:00 o'clock.

Miss Foster will present her dancing class in entertaining numbers. Delegates to the biennial convention will report briefly on P.T.A. activities at Eugene. Mrs. J. K. Hoey, state vice president, will install the new P.T.A. officers.

During the business meeting final plans for serving the Junior-Senior banquet will be discussed and routine business for the year will be completed.

A meeting of the executive committee was held Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Walter Gebhard.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cooley a girl weighing seven pounds and two ounces in Community hospital Tuesday. Mrs. Cooley is the former Ruth Heath.

To spread investments widely among all the people in America, a limit of \$5,000 has been set on the amount of these bonds to be bought by any one person in one year. The bonds are in denominations of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000, all of which are sold for 75 per cent of their maturity value and all of which mature in ten years.

For larger investors who can afford to purchase up to \$50,000 worth of bonds a year, the Treasury Department has issued two additional kinds of Defense Savings Bonds, but these will be sold only through banks and by direct mail from Washington, D.C. They are intended for associations, trustees and corporations, as well as individual purchasers.

For the smaller investor who wants to buy a Government Bond on an easy payment plan, the post office will have a new series of Postal Savings Stamps, at 10c, 25c, 50c, \$1, and \$5. Each purchaser of any Savings Stamp higher than 10c will be given, free of charge, an attractive pocket album in which to paste his stamps until he has enough to buy a \$25 bond or one of higher denomination. Thirty million of these albums are now being prepared.

The cover design of the album is in color, featuring a United States battleship and an eagle bearing the American flag. On the back cover is a painting of the Minute Man statue by Daniel Chester French, which symbolizes the American citizen ever alert in defense of his country. The inscription is "America on Guard".

Secretary Morgenthau said that even a boy or girl who saved 10c to buy a Savings Stamp would help the country. He added that "you can safeguard your own money and your own future, while helping the national defense, by buying United States Savings Bonds now".

Mrs. Harrison Honored At Faculty Luncheon

Mrs. James Harrison was honored recently with a luncheon given at the country home of Mrs. J. S. Richardson in Table Rock. Mrs. H. P. Jewett, Mrs. H. J. Fleischer and Mrs. Richardson acting as hostesses. Table decorations consisted of white tapers, pink stocks and blue forget-me-nots, with tiny pink and blue baby shoes for favors. Mrs. Harrison was presented with a lovely gift, from the group of invited guests. The afternoon was spent sewing for British babies.

Invited guests were Mrs. James Harrison, Mrs. Kenneth Hulbert, Mrs. Robert Webb, Mrs. Don Patterson, Mrs. Harry Meyers, Mrs. Ronald Hammon and Misses Ruth Ottman, Helen Wilson, Lee Etta Evans, Ruth Foster, Mabel Dodson, Charlotte Eyre, Martha Boshears and Irene Beamer.

Scouts to Camp At Picnic Grounds

Crater Lake Council of the boy scouts will hold a campfire Saturday starting at 11 o'clock and lasting until Sunday afternoon. This will be at the Elk picnic grounds. Each troop will have their home camp. Competitive chariot races, knot tying, etc., will be held between the different troops.

Richardsons at "Ham" Convention

Mrs. Kenneth Powell received a letter from Mrs. Lois Richardson at Eugene saying they were getting partly settled and that they attended a ham convention at Corvallis over the week end. They left Saturday evening and were able to take in most of the convention. There were a number of hams from Medford at the convention so they had a grand time.

RECEIVES SAD NEWS—

Mr. N. C. St. Arnold was saddened by the news of the passing of his brother William A. St. Arnold, 69 years at the Warroll hospital (formerly Mayo) at Rochester, Minnesota on April 24 of heart failure. Mr. St. Arnold and wife visited his brother here in September 1938. He was buried Sunday, 27th at Becker, Minn. in the family plot with the services conducted in the Methodist Church.

\$28.70 Raised for Greek War Relief

The following note of thanks was issued this week by Mayor Bonney to the ladies who solicited funds for the relief of the Greeks:

"I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all who donated to the Greek Fund, and especially to the four ladies who gave so freely of their effort and time soliciting for same.

The \$28.70 collected will be forwarded to the Portland Office today. P. A. Bonney, Mayor".

Yesterday the following letter from the Portland office of the Greek War Relief association was received by Mrs. Henry C. Kilburn of this city:

Portland, Oregon
April 28, 1941

Mrs. Henry C. Kilburn
Central Point, Oregon.

Dear Mrs. Kilburn:

We have this morning received a letter from Mayor P. A. Bonney accompanied by a check in the amount of \$28.70, covering contributions toward the Greek War Relief fund from residents of Central Point.

On behalf of the Greek War Relief Association I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the members of your committee for your very fine work, and to thank all those people in Central Point who participated in your local drive for War Relief funds.

Your cooperation and promptness of action are so very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
James Faturous

Perry Elected Vice President of Wonderland Assn.

William Perry of Eagle Point, Jackson county commissioner, was elected vice president of the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association at the annual board meeting in Redding, Cal., Saturday and Sunday. He and Karl L. Janouch, supervisor of the Rogue River national forest, attended the meeting.

Arthur H. Fickert of Red Bluff, Cal., was elected president. Tom Stanley was re-elected secretary and manager and A. H. Gronwaldt of Redding was chosen treasurer.

The board was told that the association on April 1 had more members than ever before. The enormous number of inquiries being received about Wonderland attractions indicated a record travel year, the directors were informed. Many of the inquiries, Mr. Janouch said, are coming from the east.

Mr. and Mrs. DeHaas celebrated their 54 wedding anniversary Saturday.

The Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Clifton A. Phillips, Minister
Bible School 10:00 A.M. Roland Hoover, Supt. Miss Lysie Gregory, Primary Supt.

Communion and Preaching 11:00 A.M. Sermon subject "How A Christian Makes Decisions". Special music Chorus by Choir.

Young Peoples' Service 7:00 P.M. Leader Florence Blasing.

Evangelistic Service 8:00 P.M. The orchestra will play and Gertrude Hammond will bring an "Accordion Solo".

Mr. Phillips will preach from a chart on the question of "The Sabbath and The Lord's Day." We will present the Bible's position on "The Days" and will show what how to recognize "The Work of The Beast".

Orchestra rehearsal Tuesday 7:30 P.M.

Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday 7:45 P.M. Leader J. N. Cornutt. Mr. Phillips will meet the class in "Bible Outline".

FEDERATED CHURCH

Rev. C. R. Luther, Pastor
Telephone 53
9:45 A.M. Bible School Wm. Kamberg, Supt.

11:00 A.M. Morning Worship. Message by the pastor.

5:00 P.M. Junior C. E.

7:00 P.M. Senior C. E.

8:00 P.M. Evening Service. Message by the pastor

Monday 7:30 P.M. Men's Prayer Meeting.

Monday 8:00 P.M. Church Board Meeting.

Tuesday 2:30 P.M. Ladies Bible Class.

Tuesday 7:30 P.M. Choir Practice.

Wednesday 8:00 P.M. Mid-week Prayer Service.

Thursday 2:00 P.M. Berean Class Meeting.

Come worship with us!

CELEBRATION TO BE STAGED BY MASONS TUESDAY

Plans are now about complete for the celebration of the local Masonic Lodge on Tuesday evening, May 6th when the mortgage on the building will be burned, signifying that all indebtedness is clear. A musical program under the direction of Harry Meyers, music instructor of the schools, will be given; Mrs. Roberta Andren will sing; an address will be given by District Deputy R. W. MacNeal of Ashland. E. M. Wilson, past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon will be an honored guest. Other honored guests will be H. T. Pankey, Warren Norcross, and L. Hatfield, charter members and among the first masters of the Lodge.

Members of the Masons and Eastern Star and their families are especially invited. There will be a covered dish dinner at six-thirty and the suggestion is made that any families coming bring any two of the following dishes: meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, jello or fruit salad, and cake. Bring your own service. Coffee, dessert, and rolls will be furnished by the Lodge.

The Masonic Hall was purchased from W. G. Mayfield in 1920 and was originally built for a Y.M.C.A. building. It has been remodelled with an attractive lodge room, kitchen, and dining room and has been used by the Masons and Eastern Star for the past twenty years.

BEREAN CLASS TO MEET—

The Ladies Berean Bible Class of the Federated Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Paul Martin Thursday May 8th. This meeting will be in honor of Mother Day. An invitation and welcome are extended to every one. Those wishing transportation meet at the church at 1:30 P.M.

So what?—

Men are often capable of greater things than they perform. They are sent into the world with bills of credit, and seldom draw to their full extent.—Walpole.

Girls—In the So Whats last week Hal Jewett was just talking to his little sister.

Oscar Minnick having a window replaced that he threw a piece of iron thru.

Supposed to be a true story: A fisherman going up to another fisherman and asking if he heard the rattlesnake. Second fisherman saying, "Yes but I can't see him," and glancing down saw he had one foot on the snake's neck and the other just above the rattles on his tail. Isn't it enough to have fishermen telling fish stories without starting on snakes.

Subscribe to the American, read the American, send your news to the American.

Grandpa Guy Tex building a beautiful new fence for Linda Kay who celebrated her first birthday Tuesday.

Who is the great lady who receives gift from two Sunday School Pals?

Homer Brown threatening all kinds of things if he doesn't receive the Central Point newspaper.

L. A. Williams

And Companion
Are Invited to Be Guests of
The American
and
Craterian Theatre
To See Their Choice of
The Following
CRATERIAN THEATRE
PROGRAMS:
Ends Saturday Nite!

Barbara Stanwyck—Henry Fonda
"THE LADY EVE"
Prevue Sat. Nite!

—or—
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday
George Murphy—Lucille Ball
Edmond O'Brien in
Harold Lloyd's
"A GIRL, A GUY AND A GOR"

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