

Freshmen Take Course To Build Reading Skill

A reading improvement program is being presented to the freshman English class, the course to continue for the next three weeks.

The work began Monday morning when the freshmen were given a diagnostic reading test, the results of which will show just what each student's reading level is.

Experience shows that a large percentage of high school students are deficient in reading ability. Such students cannot read their textbooks and reference books.

Reading experts say that even the best students can improve their reading 100 per cent with the right kind of materials.

The skills that will be developed are five in number: (1) Understanding ideas; (2) Interpreting ideas; (3) Organizing ideas; (4) Understanding words; and (5) Word analysis and dictionary skills.

The text used is "Modern Reading," a book published by Charles E. Merrill Co.

There are 50 in the Freshman Class. At the end of the course a check-up test will be given to determine what improvement has been made.

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"The Mad Hatters" Seniors Rehearse

In almost daily rehearsals the seniors are at work on their annual class play, "The Mad Hatters," a three-act farce-comedy scheduled to be given on Friday, November 22.

The story revolves about a family, the Hatters and what a family! They are mad as March hares, crazy as loons, dizzy as pin-wheels, dipper than the Big Dipper and nuttier than a Christmas fruit cake. In fact they are all nuts!

But the story must wait until the night of November 22, when everyone will have a chance to see for himself how goofy the Hatters are.

Ticket sales will be launched next week, according to Lucius Lull, stage and business manager.

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Carnival Nets Substantial Sum

Approximately six hundred dollars was the net profit of the evening of October 18 when the high school students, directed by the Order of the C, put on their sixth annual Carnival.

About five hundred people crowded the gymnasium, took part in the carnival events, and joined in the vote getting contest, swelling the profits of the evening.

Highlight of the evening was the crowning of Queen Dorothy Thumler, freshman candidate, who, with her attendant princesses was conducted to the throne and crowned.

Queen Dorothy was escorted by Milton Gordon, and the three princesses Thais Gordon, Jean Kincaid and Gwen Goin were escorted by Berkeley Pinkham, Melvin Kelly and Hap Thumler.

After the coronation ceremony, which was conducted by Ernest Hamilton, Queen Dorothy was presented with a silver compact, and the three princesses with cosmetic sets, gifts of the Student Body.

Music furnished by Harry Meyers and his band added to the pleasures of the evening.

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School Will Buy Movie Projector

A new movie projector, costing approximately three hundred and fifty dollars, will be purchased in the near future by the Central Point Schools. The expense and the cost of the projector, according to H. P. Jewett, principal, will be divided between the grade school and the high school.

Mr. Jewett said that in the past the school has had to borrow a movie projector, and it will be a big help to the school to purchase a new one. Mr. Jewett also states that more and better film can now be released, so it will be possible for the school to show many educational pictures after the projector is purchased.

Another business matter taken up at this meeting was the reading of the resignation of Mary Pence, editor of the Central Pointer. Nominations were then open for a new editor. Hargus Colley was unanimously elected to fill the position.

Mary's resignation was made necessary because of the work she does outside of school hours. She works in a grocery store every school day from three to seven o'clock and all day on Saturdays.

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Eastern Star Holds A Number of Very Interesting Meetings

Nevita Chapter No. 93, O.E.S. of Central Point has had a series of very interesting meetings this fall. The first meeting of the season held early in September was highlighted by a surprise visit of the Worthy Grand Matron of Oregon, Mrs. Lorena McNair of Ashland.

Mrs. McNair chose that occasion to present Mrs. Beulah Faber a commission as the Grand Representative of the Province of Manitoba. This was the first commission that the Worthy Grand Matron had presented in the State. The commission expires in June 1949. W. H. Bishop, Past Patron responded, thanking Mrs. McNair for the honor conferred upon Mrs. Faber and the Chapter.

The Courtesy Girls of the Chapter gave the Worthy Grand Matron a 'Harvest Time' degree and Mrs. Donna Brenner, Assoc. Matron, presented her with a large bouquet of gladiolus.

Miss Edna Daugherty, Grand Organist of the Grand Chapter and Worthy Matron of Alpha Chapter No. 1 of Ashland was also an honored guest.

Obligation night was observed by Nevita Chapter September 24. The Officers and Courtesy Girls gave the Obligation Degree, carrying out a very beautiful Indian Ceremony, culminating with the members renewing their Obligation around the Altar led by the Worthy Patron, C. W. Abbott. Mrs. Edwin Andren, accompanied by Mrs. Harold Head, sang "Indian Love Call" preceding the ceremony.

At the last meeting of the Chapter October 22, the Thirty-Eighth Anniversary of the founding of the Chapter was observed and the Past Matrons and the Past Patrons were honored. As each honor guest entered the Chapter Room corsages and boutonnières were presented them.

A group of officers, in a candle lighting ceremony, paid tribute to the work done by the past officers and Mrs. Violet Hamilton, Worthy Matron, made appropriate remarks about the pioneers. At the conclusion Mrs. Andren sang while the conductresses presented each honor guest with a gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Bursell, first candidates of the Chapter, who took their degrees in December 1908, made the responses. Mrs. Lloyd Stinson, Junior Past Matron, also thanked the Worthy Matron and the Worthy Patron and officers for the honors conferred upon the 'Pastis.'

A negro dialect play was given by Mrs. Brenner, Mrs. Theresa Morton, Mrs. Jessie Hamlin, and Mrs. Mary Langston.

The refreshment tables were attractively decorated with fall flowers and each place was marked by a special emblematic place card. The birthday cake was cut by Mrs. Bursell.

Mrs. Bertha Morse, Worthy Matron of Reames Chapter of Medford, was a special guest for the evening.

The next meeting of Nevita Chapter will be Men's Night, Tuesday, November 12, at 8 P.M. The program committee for the evening is C. W. Abbott and Marshall Day. The refreshment committee is headed by Merritt Swain, assisted by Hensley Holt, Truman Brenner, Orville Hamilton. The chapter room decorations are under the supervision of Ed Vincent.

A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the Order to attend the meetings of the Chapter.

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Rebekahs Enjoy Hard Time Party

A "Hard Time Party" was given by Mt. Pitt Rebekah Lodge No. 167 Monday evening in the L.O.O.F. hall. The Brother Odd Fellows were invited guests.

The hall was decorated with Halloween pumpkins, skeletons and fall flowers.

By the appearance of the guests "Hard Times" really are here. There were patch upon patch with safety pins and string holding garments together.

Prizes were given to Brother Hugh Glenn and Sister Clara Vincent for having the best costumes. Those who did not come dressed in old clothes were made to give a forfeit by doing some stunt.

A lively time was had with stunts, recitations and music.

Lovely refreshments of gingerbread with whipped cream, sandwiches, olives, cider and coffee.

All reported a jolly time.

Swains to Return From Brazil for Christmas

Mrs. E. E. Scott received word this week from her daughter, Mrs. Mildred Swain, in Cuba, saying that she and her husband Mr. Joe Swain, and three other couples left Belim, Brazil, Oct. 14 on their way home. They traveled in a large ship and hardly felt the seas at all. They were having a grand time and expected to stay in Cuba five or six days. They also stopped in Trinidad.

The party expects to dock in either New York or Philadelphia about Nov. 1st or 2nd. The Swains will visit Mrs. Bernice McCue and family and then go to Washington. They plan to be home with Mr. and Mrs. Scott for Christmas.

Navy Mothers Plan For Armistice Day

The Central Point Navy Mothers' Club, No. 466 met at the home of Rena Curtiss Wednesday, October 23, for the regular afternoon meeting to plan for Armistice Day. Eight members and two guests were present. (Misses Peggie Robison and Ila Collins.)

A letter was read from the National Adjutant stating all mothers whose sons have been discharged will still be active members in the clubs next year.

Ina Adams was appointed on the flower committee.

Next meeting will be an all day session November 13 at the home of Susie Myers, and three stork showers will be given. Pot luck dinner at noon.

All Navy Mother Club members are asked to be at the American Legion Memorial Hall Sunday Nov. 10 for the dedication services.

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Brownie Girls Enjoy Birthday Celebration

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Then the girls that had birthdays in August, September and October went in the back room and played a quiet game. When the other girls were ready for us they came and called us in again. They sang "Happy Birthday" to us. Seven of us girls had birthdays.

Then we had doughnuts and apple cider. We all had a good time.

Signed: Deanna Lowry, 4th grade

MRS BRITTON ILL—

Friends will be sorry to hear that Mrs. Raymond Britton underwent a major operation last Tuesday at an Oklahoma City hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Britton left several weeks ago for Manitou, Oklahoma, to visit both their families. On the way there Mrs. Britton was taken sick in New Mexico and had to go to a hospital. Later she recovered sufficiently for them to go on, but on reaching Oklahoma City it became necessary for her to again go to a hospital, this time for an operation.

POOR NIMROD—

A local nimrod says the ducks are either hard to kill or else there is no shot in the two boxes of shells he bought from Wilson's Hardware, and Mrs. Kincaid says it's hardly worthwhile to roast just one duck. COULD BE.

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MORE SQUABLES—

Looks as though prospects are good for local hot dog dispenser to win \$2.00 bet. The hot dog dispenser also thinks it may be possible for the printer of the American to have a lesson from Uncle Charley. Uncle Charley says the hot dog dispenser has graduated.

SON BORN—

A baby son, Daniel, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grimes Friday morning at the Klamath Falls hospital. The young man weighed 8 pounds 4 ounce. He has a small brother, David, 3 years old. Mrs. Grimes returned to her home in Klamath Falls Tuesday. Her mother, Mrs. A. W. Ayres, left Sunday to be with them.

HALLOWEEN PARTY—

The Blue Bird Patrol of Girl Scout troop No. 12 furnished games and decorations for a Halloween party Tuesday evening at the Church of Christ. The Singing Star patrol

served delightful refreshments.

Twenty-two girls, and the assistant leader, Alberta Kihn, and two committee members Mrs. Paul and Mrs. Obenchain were present.

PARTY ENJOYED—

The Keystone Bible school class, of the Church of Christ, enjoyed a party last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Davis, with 24 present. Mrs. Davis and Carl Hoyer had charge of the games. Donna Brenner served doughnuts, cookies and coffee.

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