

Musings

By the Editor

It's no fun getting old folks. But in spite of anything we can do, old age creeps up on us and the first thing we know we find ourselves staggering around and falling all over ourselves like a horse with the blind staggers. And jobs that we used to do without a bit of trouble now seem almost impossible. Just the other day the boys in this shop asked for a new cabinet to hold type forms. Time was building such things was right down our alley and we have built literally hundreds of the darned things. So we got busy and soon found that we couldn't get down under tables and up again as easily as we used to and when we started to rip a board we had to stop and get our breath every few minutes. And the next day we had all sorts of aches and pains in various parts of our frame which seemed to say in no uncertain terms: "You blamed old phool, don't you know it's time to quit that sort of thing." All right, if we must, we must.

And then there's another thing. It would seem that about every time we open our mouth we get our foot in it. A couple of weeks ago we spoke of certain happenings in the old days when the railroad first came to this valley. We thought we had gotten the story straight as it had been told to us by certain old residents of this city. But at once we heard from a lady who was born here and who, as a girl remembered the coming of the S.P. (or the Oregon and California Railroad, as it was then called.) She stated that we had been misinformed regarding some of the things we had said. So last week we printed her letter and our apology so as to get the thing straightened out. Now here comes another old-timer with more about the affair.

So we are printing Mr. Beall's letter also in another column. R. Vinton Beall, or "Vintie" as he is known to his thousands of friends in this community, is too well known for his honesty and integrity for any of us later comers to doubt his word. His father was one of the very first settlers in this part of the county and it was after him and his brother that Beall Lane (pronounced "Bell") was named. We are mighty glad to have this story from "Vintie" and hope he will take time off very often to tell us of pioneer times. As a sidelight may we say that he still lives in the house his father built and where he was born. Not many men of his age can say as much.

You know, it's a mighty interesting thing to realize that we still have a few "connecting links" still living in our midst between the pioneer days and the present. Take Mr. Beall, for instance. How few of us know, or stop to think, that his father, R. V. Beall, Sr., together with a brother, Thomas R. Beall, came to this valley in 1852, 95 years ago, when the country was still infested with Indians. They took up land in partnership and built homes on adjoining tracts. They grubbed a living from the earth the hard way, as so many pioneer families did. Today, as we drive to Medford we thoughtlessly skip along passed the home of one of these brothers, which is the first house on the left, just across the tracks, on the first road which crosses the highway beyond the mill.

To this writer that date of settlement is especially interesting on account of the fact that it was just three years later (1855) that our own father and mother left Indiana for Minnesota, where they thought they were the farthest west of any white people, or nearly so. Yet they were almost 1500 miles almost straight east of the Bealls. It's a great country, folks.

Legion Sponsors St. Patrick's Day Dance

The Myers-Holland Post No. 129, American Legion, are sponsoring a St. Patrick's Dance in the Memorial Hall tonight, March 14, to which the public is invited.

They have obtained the best orchestra in the valley, which is composed of Roger Wolf, piano; Ally Maple, saxophone; Tomlinson, trumpet; and Billy Abbott, drums, so if you like to dance to real dance music, come to the dance tonight.

GRADE CHILDREN PUT ON SHOW AT P.T.A. MEETING

Two hundred and forty three school children participated in the grade school assembly given Friday afternoon in the high school gymnasium before a large audience of parents, teachers and friends.

At the close of the grade school program, Brownie Scouts, under the direction of Martha Parsons, presented a program. Barbara Bateman gave a talk on the history of Scouting in Central Point.

During the business session the following recommendations made by the executive committee were accepted: First, That Mrs. Floyd Lefler be appointed to work with Mrs. John Clark in the magazine committee. Skits a few minutes in length will be presented at following meetings to promote interest in the Parent-Teacher Magazine, and to make the public acquainted with the valuable material that they contain. Second, That Mrs. Dale Griffin be appointed as chairman of Character and Spiritual Education. This will be a new committee in this association, but one potent with a lot of possibilities. Mrs. Griffin is a former P.T.A. president in Grants Pass and will be a very efficient committee chairman.

Third, That an Easter party be given by those room mothers who as yet have not done anything special for their respective rooms. Fourth, That the regular P.T.A. meeting be postponed one week in April because of Good Friday. Fifth, That a White Elephant sale be held at the April meeting to help with the finances. Mrs. Quinette and Mrs. Dale Burns were appointed to handle the publicity.

A nominating committee including Mrs. Mae Curtis, Mrs. Ruth Hoyer, Mrs. Florence Pinkham, and Mrs. Thelma Dobrot, were elected.

A vote of thanks was voted to be extended to Mr. C. T. Meyer and the teachers who have contributed time and effort to present the splendid programs that have been enjoyed by the association this year. Those helping with the program for the Friday session were: Mrs. Francis Tona, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Jewett, Mrs. Gay, Mrs. Downing Miss Dodson, Mrs. Von Buskirk, and Mrs. Laird. Superintendent H. P. Jewett made an announcement in regard to the annual musical program which will be held March 21, with the high school chorus, band and orchestra taking part. A small charge will be made for admission, and reserve seats will be on sale.

Mrs. Gay's second grade room won the room count.

Tea and cake were served by the fourth grade mothers.

Plant Sale Brings Satisfactory Results

The plant and seed sale held by the Central Point Garden Club Friday at the Fire Hall proved very satisfactory from a financial standpoint netting a neat sum for the club.

The committees in charge deserve credit for success of the affair, as well as the many who donated their plants to the sale.

A SHOWER PARTY HELD

The Keystone class of the Church of Christ held a shower party Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Russell Wilson at the home of Mrs. Bud Adams.

The afternoon was spent in games led by Mrs. Carl Hoyer and refreshments were served by Mrs. Edward Jones and Mrs. Adams.

The gifts were presented to Mrs. Wilson in a large white basket and she received many lovely articles.

TO COACH

Mr. Charles Meyer, Supt. of Grammar school, has accepted the position of coach of the high school to take the place of Mr. Warren Nunn who handed in his resignation last week. Mr. Nunn will work with the Rupp Construction Company.

THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ellis wish to thank all the neighbors who so ably helped in fighting the fire of last week, also the girls at the telephone exchange who sent the pumper.

Miss Ruth Powell who attends Eagle Point school was unable to return Monday on account of illness.

City Dads Discuss Water Rate Problems

The Central Point City Council met in adjourned session last Tuesday night. There was much discussion in regard to the water rates for the Southern Oregon Sugar Pine Co., who have applied for a reduction in rates. It seems as the Sugar Pine Co. are paying over twice as much water as the mills in the Medford area. Robert Duff, manager of the Medford water department, was present, but no action was taken in the matter at the present time.

Councilman Don Faber recommended that as many of the local policemen as possible attend the Police school to be held in Medford.

The Nills Body and Fender Shop applied for a permit to erect a cupola at their place of business to heat and melt iron in connection with their regular work. The decision in this matter was left to the building committee.

Several other matters of minor importance were discussed among them a letter from Walter Leverette asking for permission to delay the removal of the old Theiss building until the 1st of July. Mr. Leverette explained that the delay was caused by the lack of storage space in the valley as a result of the big fire in Medford last year. The council allowed the delay with the warning that no more delays would be tolerated.

Republican Women to Meet Wednesday Noon

The Medford unit of the Council of Oregon Republican women will meet at the Holland Hotel Blue Room for their monthly luncheon at 12:30 P.M. Wednesday, March 19, 1947.

The program will include reports on the activities of Oregon Congressmen during the past month and a report on the Documented Study and Analysis of Communism in Operation in the Soviet Union prepared by the Legislative Reference Service Library of Congress.

All women of Central Point are invited to attend.

Motel Cafe Name To Be "Shamrock Inn"

The Motel Cafe has changed hands again. Now it is in the hands of Genevieve and Bonnie. One of these young ladies is from Philadelphia and the other, well it is rumored that she is from Erin. Anyway they are both Irish and the cafe will operate under the name of the Shamrock Inn. They state that they do have an Irish cook even if she is not imported from Ireland. A new sign is being painted this week with the new name and the picture of a large shamrock. The cafe will specialize on home made pies and chicken dinners on Sundays.

BE SURE AND TUNE IN

Every one be sure and tune in on the Central Point broadcast Friday night "Pointing the Way." This broadcast is sponsored by the Central Point businessmen's association as a public service. This broadcast will be pointing the way to a better life in Central Point and Southern Oregon. Anyone having contributions, comments or criticisms for this broadcast is invited to send them in. The sponsors of this program would like to hear from you. Send your communications to "Pointing the Way," Box 234, Central Point or to KMED, Medford. Programs, parties, or announcements for schools, lodges, public service groups, or any non-profit organizations will gladly be included in this broadcast. Comments and suggestions are especially invited.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Parson announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris Janette to Dan D. Sage, son of Mr. William Sage of Table Rock. Miss Parson is a senior in the local high school and Mr. Sage graduated here. He was in the navy fleet B5 during the war and is now attending the university in Eugene. No date has been set for the wedding.

CARDS OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for the kindness and sympathy shown us during the recent illness and death of our dear wife and mother. Also for the beautiful flowers.

Bennet B. Thomas
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lacey
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wheeler
Mr and Mrs. Ray Addington

Red Cross Drive To Reach Full Swing Soon

The Red Cross drive in Central Point will be in full swing next week according to Don Burleson, chairman of Lions club committee in charge of the drive. Generous support of the Red Cross by the citizens of Central Point is expected. Solicitors will canvas the town and rural areas. Mr. Burleson states that several contributions to the drive have come in already and that anyone wishing to leave contributions should make out checks to the American Red Cross, and leave them either at the Post office or at Burleson's Dry Goods store.

Women's Relief Corps Holds Regular Session

The Wm. H. Harris on Women's Relief Corps No. 27 met in regular session Tuesday evening, March 4, with President Helene McDowell presiding and twenty nine members present.

It was reported that the cooked food sale held March 1 was a great success and the amount reported on was not final, as some members had not yet contributed.

All those planning to attend the District Convention, being held in Ashland, March 15, be at the C.P. Postoffice at 9:00 A.M. if they desire transportation.

The Improvement Committee reported that the kitchen curtain rods, and castors on the alter were in need of repair or replacement. The committee will act upon these.

Refreshments of coffee and creamed chicken in pastry shells was served following the meeting. Serving on food committee was Mrs. Oscar Minnick, Catherine Allen, and Thelma Clark.

NOTICE

A meeting of the Central Point Business Men's association will be held next Tuesday night, March 18. All members and businessmen of Central Point are requested to attend as this is an important meeting.

APPRECIATION

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the Central Point Volunteer Fire Department and the friends and neighbors who assisted at the fire which partially destroyed our home recently. We want to especially thank those who took such pains in removing the furniture and household goods and caused so little damage. Also to Mr. and Mrs. Gregg for providing a place to store our things, besides rooms for ourselves.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Higginbotham

WIVES MEET WITH LIONS

The Central Point Lions club will meet Friday night at Rupp's dining room in their regular weekly meeting. All members are requested to bring their wives with them as this will be ladies night. Plans will be made to push the Red Cross drive and all members should be present.

NOTICE

Nevita Social Club will meet Friday at 1:30, March 14 at the Hall. Members, please bring rummage. Hostesses Edith Scott and Bety Day. Rummage Sale will be held at Ford Motor Building March 20, all day.

Uncle Sam Says



You have heard people say, "why save at a time when prices are going up?" We cannot all be economists; and it is perhaps just as well for they seem to differ a great deal among themselves about the future. But we all know this: A man who saved a dollar 10 years ago is better off today than the man who didn't; and other things being equal, the man who saves a dollar today will be better off in 1957 than the man who doesn't.

United States Savings Bonds offer you the opportunity to save at a profit. Thus every \$3 you lay away now will come back to you in 1957 with an extra dollar in interest. You don't have to be an economist to know a good thing when you see it.

Mary Pence & Harold Kilburn to Be Married

Mr. and Mrs. Minnie Pence announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Hester to Harold Kilburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kilburn last week. Both attended the Central Point schools, Miss Pence being a senior at this time. Mr. Kilburn was chief photographer in the navy at the time he received his discharge. He re-enlisted in the navy and is now in service. He left Tuesday morning for San Diego. No date has been set for the wedding.

Miss Pence and Mr. Kilburn were honored with a number of dinner parties. Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Jones entertained them at dinner; Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Junior Kilburn and Mr. and Mrs. Len Spencer took them to Mon Desir; Mr. and Mrs. Pence, Sr. entertained them Sunday night.

Lions Club Program Brings In \$1486.00

The Lions Club box social and high school benefit last week returned a total of \$1256.00 to the school benefit fund. \$386.00 from the sale of boxes Friday night and \$1100.00 from the benefit program, making a total of \$1486.00 gross. The expenses were \$230.00 leaving a balance of \$1256.00 which will be turned over to the high school athletic fund. Work on the athletic field project will start at once. The Central Point Lions club wish to thank all the merchants and the public of Central Point and Medford who were so generous in their support.

NOTICE

The Golden Link class will meet with Mrs. Lettie Gregory Friday, March 14. Mrs. Nora Hansen and Mrs. A. E. Powell will serve.

Churches

THE FEDERATED CHURCH

(Temporary Location: C.P. Grange Hall)
Rev. H. Hansen, Pastor
Friday, March 14—4:00 p.m. "Heavenly Sunshine" Club meeting at the Holiness Church.

7:45 p.m. Evangelistic Meeting. This is the last service of the Roy R. Baese Evangelistic Meetings. Rev. Baese preaching. "Heavenly Sunshine Club" providing the special music. Come—at the Holiness Church.

Sunday, March 16—At the Grange Hall.

"BUILDING FUND SUNDAY"
9:45 a.m. Sunday School. You'll enjoy it.

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship. Message by the pastor. A cordial welcome awaits you at this independent Bible church.

6:30 p.m. Young People's Services.
7:30 p.m. Quarter-Hour of Prayer.
7:45 p.m. Evangelistic Service. An Informal Gospel Service that will be a blessing to you.

Monday—7:45 p.m. Men's Prayer Meeting.
Wednesday—7:45 p.m. Cottage Prayer Service.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

L. H. Camp, Minister
9:45 Bible School
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon: "Christ The Destroyer"
6:15 Youth groups
7:30 Evening service. Sermon: "What Happened in the Garden"
7:30 Wednesday; Missionary meeting.
4:00 Tuesday and Thursday. Gospel Meditations KMED.

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. W. Lee Gray
Mr. Lacey, Jr. choir meets Monday, 7:00 P.M.
Mrs. Kilburn and choir Thursday 7:30 P.M.
Cub Scouts meet 3:45 Thursday
Prayer meeting Wed. 7:30 P.M.
Sunday worship hour 11:00 A.M.
Sermon: "Courage Wore Courage"
Sunday school 9:45 A.M.
"I Will Praise Thee, O Lord, Among the People."

PENTECOST CHURCH OF GOD

E. L. Bradhurst, Pastor
5th and Pine
Invites you to attend these services:
SUNDAY:
Sunday School—9:45 A.M.
Sermon—11:00 A.M.
Evangelistic Service—7:45 P.M.
MID-WEEK SERVICES:
Tuesday—7:45 P.M.
Friday—7:45 P.M.

PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH

H. L. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Service 7:30 P.M.
Wed. night—Prayer meeting 7:30.
Like all good things, admission's free to our Sunday School. So don't let us down!! Come to Sunday School. Sunday. It needs you and you need it.

ARNOLD BOHNERT WINS 1ST PRIZE AT GRANGE MEET

The Central Point Grange lecturer's program Friday night brought down the house when the men appeared in their style show featuring different types of feminine characters. Those contributing to the gaiety of the entertainment were John Bohnert, Cleo Young, Walter Jensen, Leo Potter, Arnold Bohnert, Edd Walters, Gaston Floux and A. T. Lathrop. Marian Farrell, county demonstration agent served as judge and added to the humor of the program with her analysis of and comments on the models. First prize was awarded Arnold Bohnert, as a strawberry blonde, and Gaston Floux as the latest Parisian stylist, won second.

During the business session the members balloted on Vera and Arline Colpits to become members. Visitors were present from Medford and Eagle Point.

The display for the home ec. table was furnished by Walter Jensen who ably demonstrated the making of the fisherman's fly hooks.

Substantial donations were made by members to help finance the completion of the Juvenile Hall. The lecture announced Sams Valley Grangers as guests for the next meeting, and would put on program for our lecturer.

Installation of Ladies Post Is Impressive

One of the most impressive ceremonies ever held in Central Point was the initiation and installation of the Rogue Valley Post No. 13—American Legion, which was held last Monday evening March 10 in the Legion Memorial Hall.

The Post is composed entirely of former army and navy nurses, WACS, WAVES, Lady Marines and Spars who saw service both in the U.S. and overseas.

Harry Pinkerton, district 4 vice commander of the Legion, acted as master of ceremonies, with district 4 Commander Paul Otterbein of Klamath Falls presenting the charter.

About 100 guests from Klamath Falls, Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass and Central Point witnessed his ceremony.

The Glen Morris Post, American Legion of Cave Junction, put on the initiatory work.

This degree team is composed entirely of past commanders of their post and are well versed in the degree work of the Legion.

Comrade Paul Otterbein presented to the new Post Commander Le Muriel Witt, a beautiful gavel which was a personal gift of Comrade Pinkerton.

After the ceremony refreshments were served by the new comrades of the ladies Post.

This is the only ladies Post south of Salem, and all legionaries take pride in their new comrades and wish them every success.

NILLS FAMILY LEAVES

Eugene Eugene Nill and family are leaving today by car and house trailer for Tulsa, Oklahoma. Eugene has sold his interest in Nills Body and Fender shop to his father, E. E. Nill. They plan to visit with Mrs. Nill's relatives in Oklahoma for about three months before returning to Central Point. The Nills are looking forward to the trip with pleasure as they have not seen any of Mrs. Nill's relatives for several years.

So what?—

A charming high school girl has to take her report cards home and have her husband sign them.

Mr. Camp knows now that dogs aren't allowed to run in Central Point. He seemed to be uncertain as to who he learned from, Pinkerton or Pinkham.

Mary and Doris both proudly displaying diamond rings.

Overheard: "No one ever seems to see the night policeman after nine o'clock."

If anyone wants to get their hair dyed, just call at the Motel Cafe. Expert work guaranteed.