

Funeral Services Held For M. Peck Monday

Miranda Peck, a resident of southern Oregon for almost 40 years, passed away at a local hospital Friday. Mr. Peck was born in Ohio, and would have been 96 years old on his next birthday.

He operated the concession at Lake O' Woods from 1915 to 1940. He loves the out of doors and was a great woodsman and hunter. When the facilities at the lake were very meager he always saw to it that visitors had a good time and a place to stay.

A life member of the local Redman lodge, he took a keen delight in attending the meetings, especially during recent years.

He is survived by one son, Bert Peck, of Central Point.

Funeral services were conducted from the Perl Funeral home Monday at 2 p.m., with the Rev. D. E. Millard officiating. The Redmen lodge officiated at the graveside in Central Point cemetery.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Peck.

Old Paper Tells of Early School History

(Editor's note: The following article is taken from the files of the Medford Mail Tribune of October 28, 1924, and is reprinted to show how the local school has grown since then. The new gymnasium mentioned is now the grade school gym.)

"CENTRAL POINT, DISTRICT 4

The date on which this district, known as Manzanita district, was organized was October 3, 1854 and it has remained true to number all through the years since. In that first year 1 quarter of school was taught in its first school house, with 12 pupils in attendance, though there were 33 reported as of school age. Martin Angel was clerk. By 1857, when W. T. Leever was clerk, two quarters were held for 38 scholars. W. H. Merriman was the next clerk, serving until 1871, when W. I. Stanley succeeded him, to be followed in turn by J. B. Wrisley who again turned matters over to W. T. Leever. Next R. F. Maury served until 1882.

"Just where the school house stood and who held sway in those first years we cannot report, nor when the district's name was changed. Central Point needs a historian to glean such facts before it is too late.

"At the present time the Central Point school is the third largest school in the county. The system consists of a grade school employing six teachers and a high school of five teachers. The enrollment is approximately 300 pupils.

"A new gymnasium with a standard size basketball floor has been completed and will be equipped and ready for use soon.

The high school is standard in every respect."

Gold Pins Given for Perfect Attendance

Rev. Rolf Hansen presented gold pins to the members of the Federated Sunday School, who had completed a year's attendance with sickness as the only excuse allowed. There were 31 to receive pins. The names are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Mead, Mrs. Trebesch, Bessie Williams, Irene Williams, Betty Sharp, Lauritta Lefler, Mr. and Mrs. Hansen, Arglee Walch, Dorothy Lawton Mr. and Mrs. Britton, Harold Lefler, Dottie Hansen, Karen Britton, David Hansen, Mrs. R. R. Lawton, R. B. Merritt and his mother had completed their year on March 2 but were presented their pins on March 3 with the rest of the faithful.

I have saved the really outstanding record till the last. This is really a record that God will reward for faithfulness. So many members of one family to have completed a whole year's attendance in this day when the world calls with such an insistent call which proves that Christ can be the All in All to any who will let Him. I'm new here so these names are put down without regard to each family unit. I just list them as one family. There are eleven of them and are as follows: Mrs. Higinbotham, Sue, Patricia, Clair, Lucille, Ruby, James, Bonnie, Laurel, Kathleen, Ila Mae. The pastor and the church should be proud of such faithful members.

—Contributed.

Central Pointers Buy Camp White Buildings

Central Point bought the following building from Camp White: Eldred F. Charley, messhall, \$500; Lloyd L. Hanscom, storehouse and administration building, \$326; Don E. Little, messhall, \$207; Thomas A. Dykes, messhall, \$50, and two storehouse and administration buildings, \$205 each; The Federal church, infirmary, \$567; D. D. Higinbotham, bus station, \$180; Paul E. Sutherland, messhall, \$250; P. I. Lawton, officers' quarters, \$1250.

Girl Scouts Invited To "Scouts Own" Vespers

All girl scouts and parents and friends are invited to attend the scout's own Vesper service at the armory Sunday afternoon from 2 to 3:30 which ends girl scouts week. One interesting feature of the program will be when each scout drops a penny for each year of her life in the jar for international friendship. Mrs. Martha Parson has the Brownie scout troop in Central Point; Mrs. Ruth Hover, the intermediates and Mrs. Beth Wheeler and Miss Betty Wilson, the older girls.

Mickey Camp enjoyed dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Jones Monday evening.

THE MAD MARCH HARE?

By COLLIER



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Dear Editor:

The Musings in the Central Point American are ever interesting to me. The one of Feb. 20, 1947 being more so as I too, knew many of those mentioned, having made my appearance in Central Point sixty years ago and lived there until July 1911.

As the public school contributes to the life of the community or city and the teachers have much to do with training young American to be able men and women; the names of the teachers here stand out in my memory.

I cherish the photographs of some and the autographs of others. Most of them lived with their parents who were early day residents of the community.

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in the school was later a West Point graduate; L. L. Freeman, a brother of J. W. Freeman; J. C. Barnard; A. O. Freil; Gus Samuels, Pat Daily, afterward county supt. schools; Lettie Magruder Gregory; Edna Gibson Robnett; Maude Downing Boswell; H. Anna Clements, sister of A. H. Clements; May Hall and Zuda Owens.

These taught in the two story frame building with four rooms of nearly equal size.

The time came when more space must be had and then—a new brick building was proposed. What a controversy there was. Election was held. Voters were challenged right and left but more registered for than against and Central Point built a new school house on the site of the former one, which was moved in 1906.

Very Respectfully,
Mamie Ford Clark

1941 GRID TEAM NEARLY WIPED OUT BY WAR

Butte, Montana—A record of war sacrifice believed to be without parallel among American colleges, is that of the 1941 Montana State College football team, according to The Mile-Hi Veteran, official publication of Silver Bow Post 1 of The American Legion here.

Here is the story from the current issue of The Mile-Hi Veteran:
"A lump must rise in every Ameri-

can's throat when he hears of the record of the Montana State College football team of 1941.

"The squad didn't win the Rocky Mountain Conference title but it will go down in Skyline Country history as one of the greatest ever to compete.

"Ends Dana Bradford and John Hall, Jr.; tackles John F. Burke and Newell Berg; guards Bernie Cluzen and Joe McGeever, and the entire four-man backfield of Al Zupan, Rick Roman, Johnny Phelan and Wendell Seabad, all were killed in the war. Of the 11-man first team, only the center survives."

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