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Musings

By The Editor

Funny, how small a world this is after all, folks. Every once in a while we run into someone we used to know many years ago. Take last week, for instance. About the time we had finished the last proof reading for the paper and were just sitting waiting for the boys to put the darned thing to bed, as the boys used to say, a tall, well-dressed middle-aged man came in. He stated that he was representing a friend who was in the newspaper brokerage business and who wanted to know if there were any papers for sale in this vicinity. There was something vaguely familiar about the gentleman but we couldn't place him at all.

After a brief chat about printing and the newspaper business in general we chanced to remark that we used to have quite a reputation as a Duplex pressman throughout the state. He again looked closely at us and then asked if we had ever worked in La Grande. On our saying yes, that we had worked there some 27 or 28 years ago, the fellow's face lighted up and he shouted—"I knew it! You worked for Bruce Dennis and quit him because you refused to wash his darned forms in lye!" We didn't think a soul on earth knew just why we quit, but it was true enough. We had gotten tired of being asked to do something we knew was useless and years out of date, so had just put on our coat one morning and flew the coop.

Well, it turned out that this man, one James A. Dement, had worked for us when we were foreman of the shop for a few days when he lost his former position in a job shop on account of a consolidation and had applied to us for work. He only worked a short time and then asked to get off on account of his father's illness in Portland. If our memory is correct we had left town when he returned and had learned the reason for our going from some of the boys who heard the argument. We had never seen him from that day to this and couldn't recall even his name.

Since that far-off day Mr. Dement has done a lot of things besides printing. He was at one time executive secretary to Governor C. A. Bottolfsen of Idaho, which is a far cry from a print shop, to say the least. He also ran various print shops about Union county at one time and another. It did our old heart good to talk about the old scenes and the former friends with whom we labored.

"Some are dead, and some are drowned. Some got choked on chicken pie," as an old-time song goes. Anyway we haven't seen a darned one of them since leaving Eastern Oregon.

But we are glad that the fellow has seen the error of his ways and left that blasted cold country and moved to the Rogue River valley. He is now a resident of Medford and his wife owns a beauty shop there. He didn't state whether he also works, or lets her support the family. Anyway, we were glad to see him and hope he will come again when he can stay longer.

We were pleased to note that at least some of the preaching done by the traffic officers and newspaper is bearing fruit. As we came down from Crater Lake Monday afternoon we ran into a whole line of cars traveling about twenty to twenty-five miles an hour, following a car and trailer loaded with iron pipe. For miles those fourteen cars just loafed along around those sharp curves between here and Prospect and not a single driver lost his temper and tried to pass. But they broke it up mighty quick when we came to an open straightaway about a half-mile long with no cars coming toward us. It's that sort of thing which saves many lives on the highways and byways of this country.

After all, what's all the hurry? There's isn't a thing on earth worth taking chances of killing yourself or the innocent people riding with you. The few seconds, or even minutes saved by speeding just aren't worth the risk. Better, far better, to just roll along peacefully and arrive at home, or wherever you are going, all in one piece and not in a box.

COUNCIL HOLDS REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

The city council met in regular session Tuesday evening. Principally routine business was transacted. The ordinance making the official tax levy for the years 1949-50 was unanimously adopted. The amount of the levy is set at \$20,681.00.

A communication from the school authorities stating that the new consolidated school district is in need of a downtown office until such time as the new high school building is completed and asking if the city would consider using a portion of the library building for that purpose. The school board to pay all expense of partitioning off the northwest corner of the main room for office use and build new shelves for library use in the rear of this office. The board also offered to either pay rent for the use of the room or pay the light and heating bills for the entire building. The council voted to allow the district to make the necessary changes in the building and to use the resulting office space in case no other office quarters can be secured.

After some discussion it was voted to change the regulations regarding the licensing of wholesalers who sell punch boards for use in the city. Heretofore the license fee of \$150 a year was payable in advance in full for the year. The new regulation permits such wholesalers to pay this fee quarterly instead of annually. No change was made in the amount of the total license fee required for one year. In the case of candy boards the full license fee of \$13 annually must be paid in advance. In addition to the annual fee each board must carry a special license stamp which must be attached by the wholesaler at the time of sale to any retailer. All establishments displaying punch boards were warned that the display of boards not carrying such stamps would result in closing the entire city to the use of all punch boards and like devices.

Some dissatisfaction was expressed at the failure of the residents along Freeman road to keep their agreement to build their sewer line along that road to join the new line just completed by the city at a cost of some \$2000. At the time the city agreed to build that portion of the proposed sewer a delegation of residents affected by such sewer told the council that if the city would construct the portion of such sewer line from 10th street to Freeman road along East Pine street at city expense, they would proceed with the rest of the job at their own expense. The city council took them at their word and have completed their part of the contract. However nothing further has been done by the residents affected.

The council agreed to hire another man to help Mr. Minnick for as long as needed to get things straightened out in the general work of the city. One of the jobs which has long been needed is the making of an inventory of city-owned material and equipment stored at the warehouse at the old pump house. No such inventory has been made for several years and no one is sure just what equipment is on hand. Mr. Minnick has also been handling the making of new water connections and the setting of meters, besides doing what work he can find time to do on the streets. Last month Recorder Pinkham was called upon to help read the water meters, which is not part of his regular duties. With the large increase in population and the added amount of water bills to make out each month, besides the increased amount of regular business in the recorder's office, it may become necessary to employ additional clerical help, at least part time, in that office.

The council will meet again next Monday evening at 7:30 to take up other matters now pending.

NAVY MOTHERS' CLUB TO MEET

The Central Point Navy Mothers' Club No. 466 will meet at the home of Mrs. Jake Myers on Upton Road for the all day social and business meeting combined Wednesday, July 13. Pot luck dinner.

Members are to bring in all tickets and stubs on the picture so the drawing can be held.

All Navy Mothers are cordially invited.

National Commander DAV Auxiliary Visits Posts in State

Josephine Jeths of Chicago, National Commander of the Women's Auxiliary to the Disabled American Veterans will arrive at the Portland airport at 2:15 p.m. Sunday, July 10th. Cars for the transportation of the National Commander and her party will be supplied by members of Portland Chapter No. 1. Points of beauty and of interest, particularly the Grotto, will be visited.

Monday, the Commander will visit the Portland Veterans Hospital, lunch with Dr. Paul I. Carter and his staff; speak over Kay West's program on station K.E.X. at 1:30 p.m. At 6:30 p.m. there will be a banquet at the Chamber of Commerce building, S.W. 5th and Taylor Streets and at 8:00 p.m. a special meeting at the Portland Post No. 1, American Legion Hall, 1139 S. W. 13th Avenue. Department of Oregon, Department of Washington and local Auxiliary officials will be in attendance at this meeting. The Commander will install the Unit officers of Units No. 1 (Portland), No. 4 (Oregon City), and Unit No. 6 (Salem) and any other Units that have not as yet reported.

Fred L. Larson, Commander of Portland Chapter No. 1 has said: "It has not been too long ago that it was common stuff to overhear 'I'll help you lug your gun, Mac and now, that same kid is in the hospital and he really needs someone to help him tote his pack, let's all disabled veterans attend this meeting and learn how we can aid and assist our hospitalized veteran. This will give us an insight of how we can help."

Josephine Jeths, the National Commander, being from the East has no idea of how her Western members might act, we are in hopes that she will be able to return to her home in Chicago with a feeling in her heart that the natives of the West are ones who really loves her for we DID turn out to hear her story and we in Portland hope that she would want to say to her friends in the East "I would want to say that I too am from the West."

Commander Jeths will leave for California points, via Western Air Lines on Tuesday, July 11th. Let's all hope that she wishes she was a gal from the far West is the wish of Central Point.

Central Point to Play Crescent City At Park Sunday

The Central Point baseball team, fresh from a successful invasion of Coos Bay during the holiday, will cross bats with the Crescent City nine at the ball park, Sunday at 2 p.m.

New strength in the infield and outfield and one new pitcher makes the Central Point nine one of the strongest in the Southern Oregon loop. Crescent City shellaced local team the first game of the season at Crescent City but Manager Hoose Hoffard is now leading a crew of ball hawks who can take any semi-pro team apart.

Joe Chez or Paul Gehrman and Hal Adams or George Gitzen will be the battery for Central Point.

Central Point Business Firms

KINCAID'S GARAGE

(This is No. 28th of a series of articles about the various concerns doing business in Central Point at the present time. These articles are arranged alphabetically and are presented as a public service to acquaint the people with the number and kind of business concerns in the city.)

W. B. (Bob) Kincaid, proprietor of the establishment on Pine street just off the highway, is too well known in this section of the county to need any introduction, as he has lived here most of his life. Before building his present garage building he was the owner of the Kincaid Implement company, with quarters in the old Freeman building on the corner of Pine and First streets, now occupied by the John Cupp Furniture store.

When Mr. Kincaid and his wife sold this building, which she had inherited from her father, W. J. Freeman, to John Cupp in the summer of 1947, he at once started building a new building on the lot next to the Pendleton service station. This building has a twenty-five foot frontage on Pine street and stands about sixty-five feet along

the alley, with a ten-foot set-in off the street. It has side doors off the alley side leading to the main room.

Bob Kincaid has had many years experience in automobile repairing, having worked some twelve years in that business in Medford before starting his own business. He was shop foreman for the Rogue River Chevrolet company for about nine years and before that worked for the Buick agency and other agencies. Assisting him in the shop is Al Korbol, who has also had many years experience in automobile work, especially welding.

Kincaid states that he finds it much more pleasant to operate his own shop and has about all he can do to keep up with the demand. He served for some time on the board of directors of the local schools and has always been interested in local affairs. He is a past commander of the Myers-Holland post of the American Legion and put in many hard hours in the building of the Memorial Hall. He is also much interested in sports and is active in supporting baseball in the city. At present he is helping in forming a new baseball team of local former high school stars and other purely local boys.

NEW HOME



Above is pictured the new home just completed by J. R. (Richard) Krupp, Jr., for his bride, the former Anne Bohner, on Taylor Road. The building represents the personal labor of the owner, who did practically all the work with his own hands.

Lady Lions Hold First Meeting With New Officers Seated

The Lady Lions of Central Point had their first meeting of the Month Tuesday, July 5, 1949 at Smitty's Ranch House. It was also the first meeting called to order by the new president and the new officers were in their places.

President, Vi Burelson appointed her various chairman and committees. The year book containing the names and duties of the officers, committees and members is in the making.

Mrs. Snook and Mrs. Childress were the guests of the evening. Mrs. Snook is Girl Scout Leader and Mrs. Childress is assistant Girl Scout leader of Troop No. 18 which the Lady Lions of Central Point are sponsoring. Mrs. Snook received a Scout Leaders pin in appreciation for a year of faithful service.

A picnic is being planned by the Ladies for the Lions and families to be held at Jackson Hot Springs Thursday, July 28—Leila Gilman and Ruth B. Rupp, chairmen.

The Lions invite community spirited folks of Central Point to come and join them, enjoy helping our little city and evenings of good fellowship.

Job's Daughters Install New Guardian Council

Installation of the guardian council marked the meeting of the Daughters of Job held in the Masonic temple Friday evening, July 1.

Mrs. C. D. Elhart, Ashland, grand guardian for the state of Oregon, acted as installing officer for the council assisted by Mr. Andy Stevens, Ashland, installing associate guardian. Mrs. Obara Dunn, Ashland, guide; Mrs. A. Z. Dean, Medford, marshal; Mrs. Yates, Ashland, chaplain and Mrs. Francis Russell, Central Point, installing secretary.

Mrs. Everett Faber was installed for a second term as guardian and H. P. Jewett for a second term as

associate guardian. Others taking office were Mrs. Lawrence Smith guardian secretary; Mrs. Wallace Freeland, treasurer; Mrs. Orville Hamilton, paraphernalia; Mrs. Oliver Obenchain, finance; Mrs. C. L. Chew, hospitality; Mrs. Ernest W. Jermark, publicity and Mrs. Chas. Meyer, musician, to be installed at the first meeting in September.

The beautiful corsages that were presented to the installing officers and guardian council members were made by Mrs. Wallace Freeland.

After closing ceremonies, bethel members and guardian council journeyed to the Twin Plunges in Ashland, where a swimming party and wiener roast was enjoyed.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our friends for the kindness and thoughtful help shown us during our bereavement.

Ewin P. Stone
Dorothy and Neil Stone

Churches

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

Rolf H. Hansen, Pastor
SUNDAY:
9:30 a.m. Preparatory Prayer.
9:45 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
6:45 p.m. Children's & Young People's Meetings.
7:45 p.m. Evening Service.
MONDAY:
7:45 p.m. Men's Prayer Meeting.
TUESDAY:
7:00 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal.
WEDNESDAY:
7:45 p.m. Mid-week Family Prayer Service.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

L. H. Camp, Minister
9:45 Bible School for all ages.
11:00 Morning Worship. Communion and Sermon.
7:00 Youth Groups.
8:00 Evening Service.
8:00 Wednesday, Mid-week Service.
9:00 A.M.—Sunday KWLN.

PENTECOST CHURCH OF GOD

5th and Pine
Albert M. Skelly, Pastor
SUNDAY:
9:45 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship Hour
7:30 P.M. Evangelistic meeting
TUESDAY:
7:30 P.M. Bible Study
THURSDAY:
7:30 P.M. Prayer and Preaching.
EVERYONE WELCOME!

PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH

6th & Pine Sts.
Harry Heck, Pastor
Sunday School—9:45 a.m. Classes for all ages. Boys and girls will love the Bible stories that live again when seen in figures.
Morning Worship—11:00 A.M.
Evangelistic Service—7:30 P.M.
Mid-week prayer service, Wednesday—7:30 P.M.
You are welcome to worship with us.

CENTRAL POINT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

J. K. Swank, Pastor
Box 166, Jacksonville phone 801
Sunday:
Sunday School and Morning Worship, with Nursery for kiddies, 10:00 a.m.

SUNSHINE GOSPEL MISSION

Temporarily located at Townsend Hall, Central Point, Oregon.
Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Morgan, Pastors
Sunday School—9:45 a.m. Surprise Contest for children.
Morning Worship—11:00 a.m.
Young People's Service—6:30 p.m.
Evangelistic Services—7:45 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service (Young People's)—7:45 p.m.
Holy Ghost Rally Saturday—7:45 p.m.
You are cordially invited to attend all these services.

ELECTION TO BE HELD TO VOTE ON SCHOOL SITE

A special election in the Central Point consolidated school district will be held July 29 to name a site for a proposed high school building and to decide whether the new district is to remain in the rural school district, County School Superintendent C. R. Bowman announced this week.

The consolidation of the Central Point, Gold Hill, Willow Springs and Table Rock districts, which was approved by the voters June 27, became effective July 5, Bowman said, but they will not be officially recognized as a first class district until June, 1950, under the Oregon school law. The law states that when districts reach first class status—at least 1000 children between the ages of four and twenty—they cannot be recognized until the following annual school elections, which are held the third Monday in June of each year. In the meantime, while the Central Point board is taking charge of the affairs of the new consolidated district, all of the school boards of the various districts composing the new consolidation are sitting in at each meeting of the Central Point board and are showing perfect co-operation in the work of making plans for the new status.

In addition to choosing a site for a new high school building, voters in the new district must decide whether they will remain under the jurisdiction of the county rural school board, with its provision for an equalized county school tax levy, or will operate as a separate unit independent of the rural board.

In the matter of the Table Rock district school it has been tentatively decided to furnish buses for the transportation of the smaller children to the Table Rock school, while the higher grades will be brought to the Central Point school. It is reported that another election may be called in the Tolo district to decide whether or not that district will also join the consolidated district.

Legion Groups Now Have New Officers

Joint installation of officers of the American Legion and Auxiliary was held on Wednesday, June 29. Officers from Medford and Ashland were also installed. Mrs. Emily Kellert was installing officer for the Auxiliary. The following officers were installed for the coming year.

President Mrs. W. B. Kincaid; 1st Vice President Mrs. Hester Culbertson; 2nd Vice President Mrs. Clarence Borah; Secretary Mrs. L. H. Seymour; Historian, Mrs. John McQuade; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mrs. Carl Christensen; chaplain, Mrs. Harvey Cassman and Treasurer, Mrs. Arden Pinkham were absent and will be installed later. Following installation a lunch was served and a social time followed. About eighty members were present. The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, July 14.

Henry Kilburn is quite ill at his home in this city.

So what?—

The more judgment a man has, the slower he will be to condemn—Maurice.

The state passes a law making it illegal to operate punch boards or slot machines, and then passes another law allowing cities to license them. Why not license a burglar—he takes a chance, but should pay a big license to help the city out.

Little Gary Kilburn taking one look at Stanley Jones' whiskers and letting out a whoop and after that keeping his head turned.

A fine baby buggy delivered at the Kincaid Garage Wednesday. So What?

Jack Tharp having to pay the penalty for being a fireman by not being able to leave town on a holiday for fear the town would burn down in his absence.