

Junior Red Cross Elects New Officers

The Junior Red Cross County Council of High School representatives elected the following officers at their first meeting of the year, October 18 at the Phoenix High School. Ronnie Robbins, Phoenix High School, and last year's president, was reelected unanimously. Ronnie has been honored by being selected to represent this county at a Junior Red Cross Conference at Longview, Washington, Nov. 4, and has been on the program of all the high school conferences in this district. Other officers chosen were Vice President, Nadine Daves, Eagle Point High School; Secretary, Don Cattanch, Eagle Point High School; and Correspondent Secretary, Louise Kincheloe, Medford High School. Representatives were present from Ashland, Medford, Central Point, Eagle Point, and the Junior High School of Medford to which the Phoenix High School played host.

Plans were made for the next High School entertainment and party at Camp White which will take place Nov. 8 at 7:00 p.m., and for the next meeting which will be held at Eagle Point High School on the 8th of November. Ronnie will report on the Longview conference at that meeting. Plans for the enrollment drive of Junior Red Cross members which takes place in November were made at the meeting of which Miss Humphrey, director of Junior Red Cross, attended as sponsor.

A report on work done to date was given showing decorations made for both Roseburg and Camp

White hospitals for Labor Day, Halloween and United Nations Day. Four UN flags were made by the Medford High School Art department, and were used in the defense day parade at Medford and for the Veterans Administration program Tuesday, October 24. A musical Bingo party was given on October 11, and a November party was arranged at the meeting.

Because of the increased membership at Camp White, Junior Red Cross will have a full and active program this year, it was stated by Mrs. Reese Braley, Junior Red Cross chairman.

School Lunches in Oregon Allocated Increased Funds

Oregon schools participating in the national school lunch program have been allocated \$608,130 for local food purchases during the 1950-51 school year, it has been announced by the U. S. department of agriculture's production and marketing administration.

The allocation represents an increase of \$37,402 over the amount received for the last school year when 519 out of the state's 1,543 secondary and elementary schools participated. About 68,000 out of a total 247,000 Oregon children enrolled in the schools received lunches under the program.

In addition to federal funds allocated to repay participating schools in part for their local food purchases, schools receive the bulk of surplus foods delivered by the USDA to state distributing agencies. During the 1949-50 school year, Oregon schools received more than 5,296,000 pounds of surplus foods valued at \$858,361.

Potatoes and butter made up the bulk of the surplus food, but large quantities of cheese, dried milk and dried eggs were also distributed.

One of the more recent surplus

food allocations for Oregon schools is 52,703 pounds of turkey acquired by the USDA's commodity credit corporation in carrying out the final phase of the 1949 turkey price support program. Turkey was also distributed to schools last spring.

Congress appropriated \$83,500,000 for the national school lunch program this year of which \$17,250,000 is available to the USDA for purchase and distribution to states of foods needed to meet specific nutritional requirements of school children.

Oregon's allotment is part of the \$5,751,000 ear-marked by the USDA for the nine western states and Alaska. Funds are apportioned on the basis of a formula which takes into account the number of children of school age and the per capita income of each state.

Change in Dining Space Liked By Most Families

Almost every room in the house has become a popular eating spot, states Mrs. Margaret H. Tuller, OSC rural housing specialist.

Opinion polls conducted by several magazines show that few families want to eat in the same room every day. They don't mind so much if the living-dining combination is L-shaped, with the dining area next to the kitchen.

Eating in the kitchen is popular, although folks want the area separated from the kitchen mull, explains Mrs. Tuller. They do not favor snack bars, dining nooks or alcoves because they are not roomy enough for comfort.

Many families want dining rooms, especially if the dining room can take care of other activities. Careful planning can give the dining room many reasons for its existence. Among them are sewing, ironing,

reading, child study room, accounting, resting, playing games and date-entertaining while mother and dad use the living room.

With trays or bridge tables, almost any room in the house or any spot outdoors can be turned into a dining room on occasion. Outdoor eating in Oregon is popular in the summer, particularly if there is a terrace or porch area screened by shrubbery to afford privacy.

Odd Pieces of Venison Make Fine Mince Meat

No Thanksgiving is quite festive without the traditional venison mince pie, observes Miss Agnes M.

Kolshorn, OSC extension nutritionist.

A homemaker from Klamath county is responsible for the following recipe for five quarts of venison mince meat: 5 cups cooked beef or venison, chopped (salt when cooking it); 2½ cups suet, chopped; 7½ cups apple, chopped; 3 cups cider; ½ cup vinegar; 1 cup molasses; 5 cups sugar; 1 pound mixed chopped fruit; 2½ cups whole raisins; 1½ cups currants; juice of 2 lemons; juice of two oranges; 1 tablespoon each of mace, cloves, nutmeg; 2 tablespoons each of cinnamon, allspice, lemon extract; 1 teaspoon al-

mond extract; 3 cups meat liquor. Mix ingredients in order given and let simmer 1½ hours.

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