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Speaking of SCHOOLS

SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATION IS NEEDED IN OREGON TO GAIN MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY IN SCHOOL OPERATION.



Oregon Education Association

Sunday School Convention Set At Table Rock

TABLE ROCK—Arthur Kelstrap, Eugene, American Sunday school Union missionary for southern Oregon district, was a dinner guest at the Robert Sage home Tuesday evening and overnight guest at the Emmett Nealon home. He will be here during the weekend of March 19 when Table Rock Sunday school will be hosts to a convention of all Union schools in southern Oregon.

The convention will be held from 9:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19. A potluck dinner will be served at noon. Everyone is welcome. There will be reports, guest speaker, music and special programs by each school represented.

Mrs. Pearl Brown, Paradise, Calif., is visiting at the home of her son, Everett, and family on Pumice Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Shope and children have moved to Sams Valley. They have lived here for the past seven years and have been active in school and community affairs. Their leaving will leave quite a hole in the ranks on the school bus as five of the six children were in

school.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Nealon were dinner guests Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Eva Ringo in Medford.

Mrs. Inice Pierce celebrated her birthday Saturday evening with chicken dinner prepared by Mrs. Don Wheeler for both families at the Wheeler home.

Mrs. Doris Nealon has collected \$81 for the Red Cross.

Teen-agers met Friday evening with David Doran as sponsor. The boys are starting hobbies and at this meeting model cars and planes were started. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Community club meeting will be postponed until 8 p.m. Friday, March 25.

The Robert Sages are the proud owners of a row boat which they have named "Uarka". It will be used on the slough.

Ladies Club met at the home of Mrs. Ray Bosworth Thursday.

Fred Croft, who passed away March 10 in Corvallis, lived in this district for many years where he was associated with his brother-in-law, Grover Nicewood, in the ranch next to the school house, owned by Ed Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Dooley are visiting her parents, Arthur Dotys, while Mr. Dooley attended the FFA convention. He is a vocational agriculture instructor in the Lakeview school.

Miss Lucile Smith took Glenna Brown, Carol Myers and Nancy Dillon to Grants Pass for skating Monday evening.

Mrs. Verlan Keival, Redwood, Calif., was a Sunday dinner guest at the Frank Myers home.

It isn't every day that a model plane lands in a local field, and much less likely that a big plane will visit us, but that is what happened here last week. A model plane was lost while at the meet on the desert and was spotted by a CAP plane in East Orchards on Modoc. The plane landed in the Tou Velle alfalfa field and retrieved the smaller model which was not seriously damaged. Maybe, when the "egg beater" type plane is more plentiful they will be a familiar sight in each backyard. But, as yet, a plane landing anywhere near is still an awe inspiring sight.

Carol Myers, Gold Hill, is spending Monday to Wednesday of her spring vacation with her grandparents, the Frank Myers.

Juvenile Grange To Meet Friday

A meeting for Central Point Juvenile Grange has been called for 8 p.m. Friday, March 18, at the Central Point Grange hall.

Matron Lucille Frink urges all to pay their dues as this is the last meeting of the quarter and a pennant for all dues paid is very much desired this year. Sales slips should also be turned in at this time.

Nelson Named Best Homemaker At Crater High

Janet Mae Nelson has been named the Homemaker of Tomorrow in Crater high school.

She received the highest score in a written examination which tested the homemaking aptitude of the senior girls in her graduating class. She will receive a gold award pin, cook books for herself and her school and she will be entered in competition to name this state's candidate for the title of Betty Crocker American Homemaker of Tomorrow.

The national winner in this search conducted among 187,463 young women in 8,040 of the nation's public, private and parochial high schools will be named April 21 at an American table fete in Philadelphia.

Oregon's representative in the national finals will be chosen from 97 school winners in the state. A total of 2393 Oregon girls participated in this program sponsored by General Mills to assist schools in building in young women a deeper appreciation and understanding of the American home and the personal qualities necessary to successful homemaking.

Local Sports Fans See Beavers Lose

A real "heart-breaker" were the words used by men in the eight-man party which traveled to Corvallis last weekend to see Oregon State play in the Western NCAA basketball playoff.

OSC lost by one point to the University of San Francisco team, which rated number one in the nation.

Included in the party, which saw Friday and Saturday games, were Claude Cooper and Oliver Gustafson, both of Medford; Harry Dunn, Bill Anhorn, Don E. Faber and Everett Faber, all of Central Point, and two men from Eugene.

LOSES TONSILS

Gary Nelson, six, had his tonsils removed at the Community hospital Tuesday.

Book Briefs

From Central Point Public Library

By Evelyn Graham

"The Desert Year"

Desert country casts a spell over the eyes and the minds of people who see it, as Joseph Wood Krutch discovered when he went to spend a year in the American Southwest. The landscape, the colors, the animals and plants were all strange and different from his familiar Connecticut countryside—even the stars were a little different.

"The Desert Year" is a report on the pattern of the desert world and its seasons. Mr. Krutch is curious about the things around him and writes with an unexpected combination of wisdom and simplicity. It is evident that the author is not only an expert naturalist but a philosopher besides. Because of his perception each page of the book becomes an adventure in the inner as well as the outer world.

Mr. Krutch admits that his thoughts of the desert were always tinged by a romantic notion that, for all its beauty, the desert was a place where nature and her children found it strenuous and difficult to live. However, after observing the prickly pear, with its lemon-colored flowers and purple fruit, myriads of other smaller cacti, the giant saguaros and the ocotillo shrubs, after becoming friends with the lizards, jack rabbits and horned toads, and after noting the ways of the scorpions, spiders and pinacate beetles, our author makes this observation. "For the jack rabbit and the ground squirrel, as well as for the dove and cactus wren, this is obviously a paradise."

In contemplating the lessons he has learned from the desert and her creatures the author notes that New York City has been turned far more absolute than any in the Southwest and he wonders that man can live well in a place where nothing else can live at all.

The reader, to whom the beauties and wonders of nature are continually whispering messages to the inner man, will find a kindred spirit in Joseph Krutch—revealed in this most charming book.

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