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## WEATHER CONTROL TO DRAW THROUNGS TO HEARING MAR. 1

Scores of farmers from all parts of the Rogue River valley are planning to attend the Legislative Interim Committee hearing at the courthouse on March 1 where the pros and cons of weather control will be thrashed out.

Ben Day of Gold Hill is chairman of the legislative committee which will gather the information and suggestions and prepare recommendations for the next session of the legislature.

In a letter to Dave Blair of the Evans Valley Farm Bureau this week, Day explained:

"The tentative plans are to have an open hearing, starting at 10 a. m. with an explanation by operators of the weather modification activity conducted locally.

"This will be followed by information and suggestions from those groups favorable to the local weather modification activity.

"At 1:30 p. m., we will start hearing suggestions and information from those groups who oppose the local weather modification activity. Following this will be testimony from those who do not fall into either of the above categories."

The cattlemen's association has opposed weather control on the basis that driving away rain during summer months made the forests tinder dry and liable to great fire damage.

Dry land farmers are also opposed to weather control.

## MEMBERS AT MEET

Wednesday night, the members of the Rebecca Lodge had a potluck dinner at the lodge hall in Gold Hill.

This was followed by their regular meeting which was Anniversary night, honoring their charter members.

The members honored include: Mrs. Carrie Puhl, Gold Hill; Mrs. Katherine Kellogg, Medford and William Carter of Portland.

## PTA NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHOSEN

The regular monthly meeting of the Gold Hill PTA was held in the gym on Valentine's Day.

There was a larger turnout than usual due to the added interest of a play entitled "Fresh Variable Winds", dealing in child psychology in the grade school age group.

The play was directed by the program chairman, Mrs. Audree Beman, and included in the cast Mrs. Evelyn Thompson, Ernest Balcomb, Mrs. Beman, Ricky Cooper and Helen Hood.

As next month is again election time, a nominating committee was chosen which includes: Mrs. Dora Burnett, Mrs. Katherine Lance and Mrs. Irene Johnson, who in turn will help select the names to be voted on for the ensuing year.

An appeal was made at the meeting in behalf of the Bloodmobile, which will be in Rogue River on Feb. 27th.

Anyone wishing further details or information concerning transportation may obtain it by calling Mrs. Thompson at Gold Hill 5-9005.

The Valentine Day theme was carried out in the refreshments which were served in the gym by the fourth and fifth grade mothers.

## METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETINGS SET

On Wednesday night, the Gold Hill Community Methodist Church Sunday school officers and teachers held their first in a series of monthly meetings under the direction of the new superintendent Wendell Applen.

The meeting was held at the home of E.S. Baker and was attended by Rev. and Mrs. Dierdorff, Mrs. Dora Burnett, Mrs. Nora Wait, Mr. Luetke, Mrs. Ethel Mays, Mrs. Dorothy Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Applen.

The procedure for the coming year was outlined and discussed, followed by refreshments served by Mr. Baker.

Teachers unable to attend the meeting were Mrs. Ferd Jones and Mrs. Evelyn Jones.

## 110 ATTEND GOLD HILL MEETING OF SOFLA



(Top Picture) Show officials at the speaker's table when the Southern Oregon Farm Loan Association held their annual meeting in Gold Hill Grange Hall last Wednesday. At table right to left are Ben Hilton, Grants Pass; J.W. Bigham of Eagle Point, directors; Fred Richards of Williams, director; A.E. Stevens, Medford, president of the Board; Earl A. Lintz of Medford, secretary-treasurer; and Lester Adams, Applegate director. Bottom photo shows part of the throng that attended. (Bob Routh Photo) (Story on P. 4)

## GOLD HILL GRANGE PLANS SAUSAGE FEED, PUBLIC AUCTION FOR AREA IN MARCH

Gold Hill Grange No. 534 scheduled two events for the month of March at its last meeting, by adopting a resolution of the H. E.C. to have their 3rd annual sausage dinner on Saturday evening, March 1.

Serving will be from 5 p. m. on.

This is the annual family dinner of strictly homemade whole pig sausage, made in the Grange kitchen, and served with all the trimmings.

The second event to be scheduled was a proposition by the Ways and Means Committee to hold a public auction in the hall and on the grounds of the Grange, of farm equipment, garden tools, clothing, household and miscellaneous articles all day Saturday, Mar. 29, starting at 10 a. m.

The services of a professional auctioneer and

his staff, C.A. Morrison of Pacific Auction Co., has been secured and all members and their friends and neighbors are asked to start gathering up things they no longer need, notify any Ways and Means Committee member and their trucks will do the hauling.

Hot sandwiches and chili will be served in the Grange dining room from noon on.

## SEVENTH STREET GRADED: TO BE GRAVELLED SOON

George Turner, city superintendent of Gold Hill, is about through grading Seventh street between Fourth and Fifth Avenues.

As soon as the weather permits, the city plans to gravel the stretch.

This is the first in a long line of street repairs

## FIREMEN DISCUSS RURAL DISTRICT FORMATION

One of the main topics under discussion at the Gold Hill Volunteer Fire Department meeting held at the fire hall on Wednesday night, was the hoped-for establishment of a Rural Volunteer Fire Group which would prevent such disasters as the Cook fire and others of a similar nature.

This group would have to be formed by residents outside the city limits and their equipment furnished by them, but housed at the City Fire Department, and the calls handled through there.

In this way, the city would still have equipment and men to man it in town in case of local fires.

## CHURCH SUPPER ATTRACTS 150, ADDS \$180

The chicken dinner on Saturday evening at the Gold Hill Community Methodist church - Attracted over 150

persons, and Added \$180 to the finances of the church.

The table decorations were largely due to the work of Mrs. Ethel Mays and Mrs. Roy Cameron and included as themes our three February holidays -- Lincoln's birthday, Valentine's Day, and Washington's birthday.

After the dinner, movies were shown upstairs by Conger-Morris of Medford.

## IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR GOLD HILL DISPOSAL PLANT

Councilman M. Steinmetz has prepared plans for work to be done on the Gold Hill disposal plant which, when completed, will represent one of the finest plants of its kind for our community.

## NEWS WANTED!!!!!!

It would be appreciated if anyone having a news item for The Times would Phone Gold Hill 5-9021 or get in touch with Mrs. Dorothy Turner.