

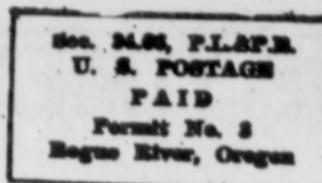
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DOWLESS RANCH HOME DESTROYED



The fine home of Carl Dowless, one mile north of Gold Hill, high above the river, is ashes. Flames completely destroyed it last week while neighbors and Mrs. Dowless stood helplessly by. There is no rural fire department in Gold Hill, no county fire department.

WATER SEASON ON IN GOLD HILL, RATES GO UP NOW

Gold Hill city water users have been reminded by Ferd W. Jones, recorder, that the irrigation season begins May 1 and extends through the months of May, June, July and August.

The extra charge for irrigation does not affect the 50 by 100 foot lot on which the users' residence is located.

A charge of \$1.00 per month is made for each other 50 by 100 foot lot that is irrigated and the city may check on water users to determine what land is being irrigated.

A discount of 10 per cent, normally allowed if water users pay their bills before the fifteenth, will be permitted.

Users are warned to turn off all water when the fire siren sounds so high pressure may be maintained in the mains.

SQUARE DANCERS

The Friday night square dance group met at the Lodge Hall in Gold Hill on April 18th with about 50 in attendance.

Warren Kimball of Eagle Point is still acting as instructor, and he was accompanied this time by his wife and daughter. The group danced quadrilles and two round dances.

Next dance night will be on Friday, May 1, and the refreshment chairmen will be Nora Bailey and Opal Baker.

Hereafter the square dances will be sponsored by the Rebekah Lodge with the public invited to attend.

PAST NOBLE GRANDS TO MEET

The regular meeting of the Past Noble Grands Club will be held this afternoon at 2 at the home of Mrs. Earl Moore on the highway, near Gold Hill.

REPAIRING HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE

Work has already started on the repairing of the Gold Hill home of the Ralph Bowdens after their recent fire. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bowden are recovering from burns received while attempting to put out the fire. They wish to thank all who have been so kind to them at this time.

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a Budget Committee Meeting tonight (Thurs.) at 8 p. m. at the City Hall. All members are asked to attend.

Members of the budget committee which will meet with the council are Ray Davis, Angus Todd, Paul Thompson, Wilbur Martin, Merritt Davis and Ralph Bell.

GOLD HILL V. F. W.

The Gold Hill V. F. W. Post # 7416 will hold joint installation of Officers at the Grange Hall at 2 p. m. April 27th, and the public is cordially invited. The officers to be installed are: Commander, Henry G. Albrecht; Sr. Vice-Commander, Roland Griffin; Jr. Vice-Commander, Thomas J. Short; Quartermaster, Reid McKay; Chaplain, Fred Goodwin; Judge Advocate, William Collier; and Surgeon, Dwight Davis. Appointed officers are Adjutant, Dwight Davis; and Officer of the Day, Peter Sangwin.

The Auxiliary will install Pres., Lena Laricks; Sr. Vice-Pres., Teresa Short; Jr. Vice-Pres., Helen Shoemaker; Chaplain, Lillie MacKay; Conductress, Mabel Goodwin; Sect., Ruby Whitmore; Treas., Nannie McKay; Guard, Veda Dahl; and Three year Trustee, Virginia Heagy. The installing officer for the post will be Past Commander William Bell, and the installing officer for the auxiliary will be the President of District # 7, Mrs. John Walker.

SCHOOLS TO ASK BUDGET INCREASE OF VOTERS MAY 19

An election to decide whether the voters will permit school districts to exceed the six per cent limitation has been called for May 19, three days after the primary election.

A proposed budget of \$1,081,652, highest in Jackson County's history has been proposed for second and third class school districts for the 1952-53 fiscal year. The figure exceeds last year's budget by \$140,000.

General blame for the budget increase was placed on the increase in teachers salaries which is not true in Rogue River district.

TOTAL LOSS IS SUFFERED IN HOME FIRE

When flames started in the attic of the Carl Dowless ranch on a mile north of Gold Hill last week, they spread quickly and prevented anything of value from being saved.

The home was said to be insured for \$5,000 which only partially covered the loss.

Only the chimney was left standing.

The fire was discovered in the morning and although no positive source could be traced, it was believed to have come from a flue.

Neighbors saw the smoke and flames but were successful in saving only the light plant and a few blankets.

R. R. Starr, one of the neighbors, hooked on to the plant which was in a small building beside the house. It was on fire but the plant was pulled far enough away to be saved.

The house was modern and sat high above the Rogue River, giving a view of the valley leading toward highway 99.

A large irrigation ditch runs only a few hundred yards below the home but there was no rural fire apparatus available to help with a pumper.

Mrs. Dowless drove to Gold Hill to ask assistance but the Gold Hill fire department is prohibited from leaving the city.

Mr. Dowless operates the Grants Pass auction yard.

SLIMSTERS VS BUSINESSMEN

Monday night, April 28, is the game between the Gold Hill businessmen and the Slimsters! Not only is this going to be a rip-snorting game jam-packed, not with action, but with comedy - but the fact that it is to be a PTA benefit game should bring out all civic minded citizens. Besides, where else can you have so much fun for so little? Don't forget the date - April 28!

HOME ON LEAVE



Darrell Andrews, Corporal, Air Force Training Command, has been visiting his parents at their home at Route 1 Box 13, Gold Hill. Darrell is stationed at Amarillo, Texas.

GIANT TREE FALLS, HALTS TRAFFIC



When a huge tree came down Friday across Highway 99 near Mullers Gulch, between Gold Hill and Rogue River, traffic had to be routed around the spot for many hours. The Big oak was rotten at the core but full of tons of good firewood. Electricity in the area was cut off for some time.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION SHOW

The Gold Hill grade school Physical Education is scheduled for tomorrow (Friday) night, and all students participating have been working diligently for weeks in preparation. Mr. Bill Hall has hinted at a "surprise" ending that might alone be well worth the price of admission. We're all counting on the kids for a good performance, and they are counting on us in the stands, so remembering on us in the stands, so remember the time - 8 p. m. - at the school gym.

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY ANNOUNCED

The candidates for Associated Student Body Officers for next fall have been announced and the campaigns are on.

Those in the running are: President - Lois Vanderpool, Wink Newham from Gold Hill, and Ronald Brood; Vice President - Jim Roberts, Don Johnson, and Nick Saimons; Secretary - Harriett Morris, Doreen Bohnert and Marion Smith of Gold Hill; Treasurer - Vera Abbott, Charlene Paull, and Jean Norum; Business Manager - Charlene Croucher and Mary Lou Kock.

GOLD HILL STUDENTS WINS

Seven students from Crater High School won the honorable mention of Gold Key awards in the regional art display at Meier and Frank, Portland. The seven whose art entries came out with awards are: Blossom Governor of Gold Hill, Wallace Johnston, Delores Reames, Jerry Young, Arthur McGonagle, Gail Skyman and Jimmy Roberts.

CHICKEN DINNER

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Community Methodist Church will serve a baked chicken dinner at the church on Saturday evening, Apr. 26. The community is cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Nora Wait will be in charge of all arrangements.

The Savage Brothers Lumber Company near Cave Junction was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. Loss was estimated at \$150,000.

REBEKAHS NOMINATE MRS. CECIL JOHNSON, NOBLE GRAND

The Amethyst Rebekah Lodge met in Gold Hill last Wednesday night with Noble Grand Maybelle Rains in the chair and nominated the following officers:

Noble Grand - Mrs. Cecil Johnson; Vice-grand - Mrs. J. Les Graffis; Recording Secretary - Mrs. Lester Parker; and Treasurer - Mrs. Daniel Stewart.

Mrs. Parker reported that she had taken the membership jewel given by the lodge to Medford to her sister-in-law, Mrs. Katherine Kellogg, who has been too ill to attend lodge for the presentation. She is a charter member.

In observance of the 133rd anniversary of the founding of the Odd Fellows Order, an entertainment program directed by Mrs. Paul Thompson was presented.

Those taking part were: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Paul Holmerness, Mrs. Frank Carter, Mrs. James Clement, Mrs. Cecil Johnson, Mrs. J. Les Graffis, Mrs. John Novak, Mrs. Daniel Stewart.

The refreshment committee was appointed with Mrs. Clement as chairman, assisted by Mrs. Hannah Routh, Mrs. Novak, and Mrs. Rains.

GOLD HILL HEU

Mrs. Lester Thompson and Mrs. Hannah Routh presented the lesson, "Making Buttons, Belts and Buckles" at the meeting of the Gold Hill HEU which met Friday at the Community Club room.

Officers were elected for the coming year: Pres., Mrs. Cecil Johnson; Vice-chairman, Mrs. Lester Parker; Sect., Mrs. George Dorman; Treas., Mrs. Lester Thompson. They will be installed at the May meeting.

Members voted on projects they would like to have included in next year's program.

The Homemakers Festival will be held May 7 at the Central Point Grange Hall.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 9 at the Hall. The project will be "Streamlining Your Household" with Miss Eula Wintermote, county extension agent, presiding.