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GOLD HILL CITY SPECIAL ELECTION SET FOR MAY 15th

V.F.W. INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS



New VFW officers installed at the Gold Hill Grange on Sunday, included the following, picture above, front row, left to right: Thomas Short, O.K. Dahl, and Reed McKay; back row, left to right: Vaughn Whitmore, R.R. Griffin, Commander Henry G. Albrecht, Ethmer Boen, Peter Sangwin and Fred Goodwin.

The Gold Hill V.F.W. Post # 7416 and Auxiliary held joint installation of Officers at the Grange Hall April 27th.

William Bell, Past Commander, of Medford, aided by Merle Beneka of Medford and Col. Ted Hopkins of Rogue River installed; Henry G. Albrecht as commander, succeeding Clyde Beck; Rolland

Griffin, Sr. Vice-Pres.; Thomas J. Short, Jr. Vice-Pres.; Reid McKay, Quartermaster; Fred Goodwin, Chaplain; Orel K. Dahl, Judge Advocate; and Dwight Davis, Surgeon. Appointed officers are Adjutant, Dwight Davis, Officer of the Day, Peter Sangwin, and Trustees, Ethmer Boen, Vaughn Whitmore, and Peter Sangwin.

Auxiliary Officers installed were Lena Laricks, Pres.; Teresa Short, Sr. Vice-Pres.; Helen Shoemaker, Jr. Vice-Pres.; Lillie MacKay, Chaplain; Mabel Goodwin, Conductress; Ruby Whitmore, Sect.; Nannie McKay, Treas.; Veda Dahl, Guard; and Virginia Heagy, Three year trustee.

Installing officer was the President of District # 7, Mrs. John Walker. Her installing team was composed of Conductress, Augusta Hall of Medford; Sr. Vice-Pres. Beryl Watson of Rogue River, Jr. Vice-Pres. Bertha Smith of Rogue River; Musician Mabel Drinkwater of Grants Pass; Sec. Patte Hopkins of Rogue River; Treas. Helen Lusk of Medford; Chaplain Bessie Powers of Grants Pass; Guard Pat Close of Shady Cove; Patriotic instructor, Nora Walker of Medford, and the four color-bearers, Lucille O' Toole, Marie Roach, Mary Schultz and Mary DeBerry, all of Medford.

Other distinguished guests at the installations were: District Chaplain Minna Stewart of Grants Pass; Grants Pass Pres. Ruth Johnson; Ashland Pres. -Elect Edna Lafferty; District Commander, Charles Smith of Grants Pass; Medford Commander Ed Smith; Ashland Commander Cornelius Rost; Past District Commander, Jack Stewart of Grants Pass; District Hospital Chairman Clyde Jessup of Grants Pass; V. A. V. S., Inez Jessup of Grants Pass; Comm-

VOTERS ASKED TO CHANGE CHARTER

Voters in Gold Hill will go to the polls twice in one week, May 15 and May 16.

On May 15, voters will be asked to approve five changes in the city charter as well as the city budget and on May 16th, the State primary election will be held.

At the first election, these charter changes are proposed:

1. The mayor shall be elected at the regular biennial election held in November, 1952, and on each biennial election thereafter to serve a term of two years, beginning on January 1, following election. At the regular biennial election in November, 1952, there shall be elected 3 councilmen to serve a term of two years beginning Jan. 1, 1952, and 3 councilmen to serve a term of four years, beginning Jan. 1, 1953; at the biennial election held in November 1954 and on each following biennial November election there shall be elected three councilmen to serve a term of four years.

(The present provision calls for election of all council members each two years.)

2. There shall be elected biennially, on the same date and at the same time as the State biennial election is held, a recorder who shall also serve as city treasurer.

3. All regular elections of the city of Gold Hill shall be held on the first Tuesday in November of the years and at the same time as the State Biennial elections.

4. The judges and clerks of election shall be paid for their services and the amount of such compensation shall be determined by the council and set forth in the resolution of the council.

(The proposed amendment to Sec. 8 of Chapter III of the charter would remove that provision of the present charter setting the pay of election officials at \$2.50. The amendment would place the determining of election officials pay in the hands of the council and the amount of pay would be set forth in the resolution calling the election. For a number of years the election officials have been paid \$5.00 which exceeded the charter provision.)

5. The recorder shall perform the function of city treasurer and be custodian of the moneys and funds of the city.

PARENT-SON BANQUET

The Future Farmers of America held a Parent-Son Banquet at the Crater High School Cafetorium Thursday evening with 230 in attendance. Mr. Heigh Ohlong, State past president, gave an interesting talk on the 7000 miles he had traveled and the things he had experienced.

Two honorary members were chosen, Don Faber and Otto Bohmert, Chairman of the School Board.

V.F.W. AUXILIARY INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS



New VFW Auxiliary officers installed into office Sunday in Gold Hill include: standing, left to right, Mable Goodwin, Vada Dahl, Ruby Whitmore, Lillie MacKay, Tressa Short, Helen Shoemaker, and seated; Lena Laricks, president; and Nannie McKay, treasurer.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 6 TO OPEN BOND BIDS MAY 5th

The school board of district 6, which includes Gold Hill and Central Point, will open bids at 8 p.m. on May 5th for the sale of \$195,000 in bonds for school construction.

COL. HOPKINS STRICKEN

Col. Ted Hopkins, realtor of Rogue River and Gold Hill, is in the Josephine General Hospital following a heart attack in his Rogue River office on Monday.

HEALTH UNIT

The Gold Hill Health Unit will meet May 6th at the home of Mrs. Arthur Boye on Highway 99. There will be an election of officers, and it will be the last meeting until September.

AMETHYST REBEKAH LODGE

The Past Noble Grands Club of the Amethyst Rebekah Lodge held their Thursday meeting at the home of Mrs. Earl Moore on Second Avenue. New officers were installed: Mrs. Lester Parker, pres. succeeding Mrs. Wilbur Martin; Mrs. Lester Parker, vice-pres.; and Mrs. Earl Moore, treasurer. The new secretary, Mrs. Darwell Hendrickson, was unable to attend and was installed by proxy. Mrs. Paul Thompson, past president, acted as installing officer. The incoming and outgoing presidents were presented with corsages of spring flowers, the gift of Mrs. G. Dorman.

During a short business session conducted by Mrs. Martin, plans were discussed for holding some money-raising event. The members voted to make a contribution of fifty cents each, in lieu of holding a cooked food sale.

The next meeting was scheduled to be held Thursday May 22, at 3 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Frank Carter on the Old Stage Road.

A large group attended the reception for new members and the sermon by Rev. Charles Brown of Portland at Gold Hill Community Methodist Church.

CITY BUDGET IS UP FOR APPROVAL

Gold Hill voters on May 15th will be asked to approve a city budget of \$14,085, approximately \$3,000 of which will be for fire equipment and personnel.

The reason for the election is that this year's budget exceeds that of last year by more than 6 per cent the lid fixed by the State.

Most of this increase is due to improvement of fire protection facilities; \$1,000 for assistance to the voluntary fire department; \$1,000 for additional fire hose and \$1,500 payment on fire truck bonds.

A salary raise totaling \$900 is proposed for the recorder and water collector, so that if the treasurers office is combined with that of recorder, the total salary would be \$2400.

The establishing of a city office which would be open regularly for the service of the citizens is planned if the change is made, it was understood.

Last year's budget was \$11,285. A budget of slightly less than \$13,300 was proposed by the council budget committee but when the citizens budget committee sat down to study the figures, they added nearly \$800 to bring the total to \$14,085.

GOLD HILL V.F.W. AUXILIARY

The V.F.W. Auxiliary to V.F.W. Post # 7416 met Friday April 25th with Pres. Lena Laricks in the chair. Final arrangements were made for installation of officers for the ensuing year. Relief chairman, Lillie MacKay reported Ruby Whitmore and Laurene Kell ill, and cards were sent. It was decided that the auxiliary would present the Juvenile Grange of Gold Hill with a flag.

Lena Laricks, Pres. appointed the following committees for the ensuing year: Publicity and National Home, Nannie McKay; Membership, Helen Shoemaker; Hospital, Lena Laricks; Relief, Lillie MacKay; Poppy chairman, Ruby Whitmore.

Following the meeting the ladies served coffee and cake to the Post.

ander Arthur Smith of Redwing, Minn.; Noble Grand Pres. -Elect Irene Johnson; Grange HEC chairman, Ethel Askin; Juvenile Grange Advisor, Grace Bruce and Pres. of Gold Hill BPW, Vera Stewart, the last four all being from Gold Hill.

A Past Pres. pin was given to Lena Laricks, and a past chaplain pin to Lillie MacKay. Ruby Whitmore received a gift for serving as secretary for the past three years. The Auxiliary presented gifts to Mrs. John Walker and her installing team. The Post presented potted plants to the Aux. Pres. Lena Laricks and to the installing officer, William Bell.

The Hall was decorated in purple and white lilacs, and refreshments were served to over a hundred.

SLIMSTER VS. BUSINESSMEN

At the Gold Hill benefit game between the Slimsters and the Businessmen, the electric scoreboard gave up, so what the final score was depends upon whom you ask.

Members of the Slimster's team included: Grace Caldwell, Teresa Short, Lorraine Hall, Doris Knapp, Betty Molloy, Rose Schmidt, Joan Dusenberry, Pearl Walker, Nora Bailey and Dorothy Turner.

On the Businessmen's team: Delos Walker, Don Morrow, Fred Lester, George Turner, Bill Hall, Wilmer Bailey and Angus Todd.

FOOTS CREEK PIONEER DIES

Albert W. Mattis, 75, a pioneer resident of Jackson county and until a short time before his death residing in Rogue River, died Sunday in Medford. Funeral services were to be held in Rogue River Wednesday with burial in Woodville cemetery there.

Mattis resided from 1879 to 1929 on a ranch at the now defunct town of Draper on Foots Creek. He engaged in mining and farming and reportedly once made a fortune in gold.

Another square dance Friday night, 8 p.m.