

Outside County To Have Part In Big Shrine Convention

\$1,000,000

COMMITTEE EXPECTS THAT AMOUNT TO BE SPENT DURING CONVENTION

Not only Medford but most of the towns of Jackson County will have a part in the Pacific Northwest Shrine Association convention to be held in Medford May 14, 15, and 16.

This was revealed last week by A. A. Lausmann, general chairman of the convention who said too that undoubtedly Shrine parades would be held in most if not all of the outlying towns of the county.

Late in February, a delegation of prominent Portland business men, all members of Al Kader Temple, with their Potentate Len Fuller, visited in Medford in connection with their participation in the parade, pageant and colorful ceremonies of the convention.

The Al Kader Temple, it was said, is giving favorable consideration to the use of Hawthorne Park in Medford for their Arabian Tent City with all its color and Oriental splendor. It is their plan to establish their Arabian City in the north side of the park for the three day period.

While in conference with Potentate Len Fuller of Al Kader Temple, Mayor D. L. Flynn of Medford predicted there would be at least \$1,000,000 spent in Medford and surrounding areas during the time of the convention.

Flynn said Medford's biggest problem would be in handling the traffic. He said he would advise Medford workers during the period to leave their cars at home.

He said that during the convention traffic would be diverted by the State to other streets than those now in use.

To help handle all of the convention guests, it was expected that private homes in Medford would be used and that motels all along the Rogue as far as Rogue River would be used.

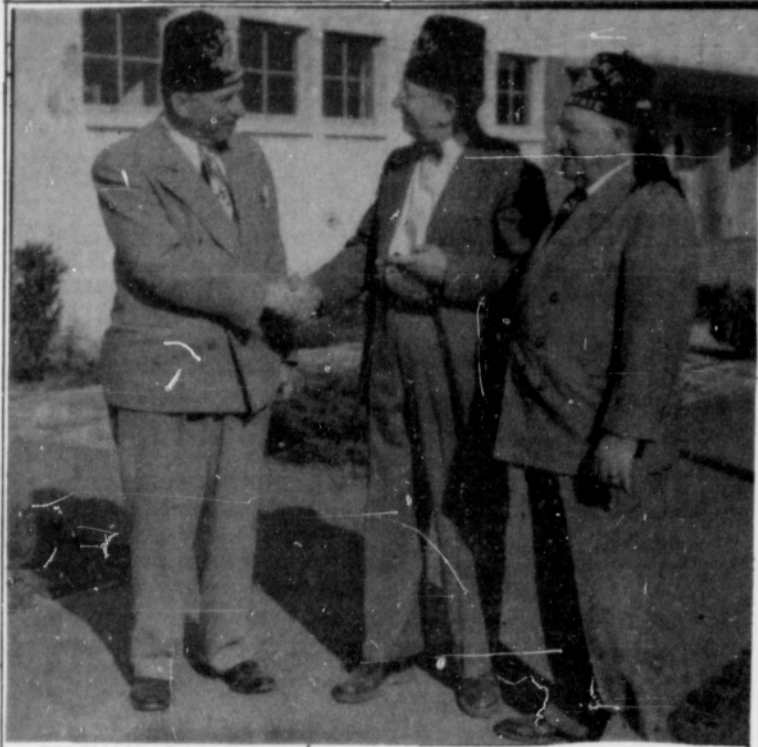
EVANS VALLEY HEU

Evans Valley HEU met Thursday March 5 in the Grange Hall in Wimer for a half-day meeting.

After a short business meeting a stork shower was given for Mrs. Roy Moore.

Hostesses were Mrs. Tom Mauchline, Mrs. Grace King, Mrs. Charles Moore and Mrs. Harry Winters.

The next meeting will be Thursday March 19th for a pot-luck lunch and all day meeting in the Grange Hall at Wimer.



DISCUSSING MAY SHRINE convention with all the problems it will bring to Medford and Jackson County are, left to right: Len Fuller, Potentate of Al Kader Temple, Portland; A. A. Lausmann, general chairman of the convention, Medford; and L. C. (Les) Taylor, Potentate of Hillah Temple.

STATE FUTURE FARMERS CONVENTION MARCH 16 to 19

Oregon's Future Farmers of America will hold their annual state convention on the Oregon State college campus March 16th to 19th.

More than 400 FFA boys from the state's 81 high school chapters will participate in the 1953 meeting, which marks the 25th anniversary of the national organization. FFA membership in Oregon this year is more than 3500.

During the four-day session, delegates will draft the program of work for the coming year, elect new officers, confer state farmer degrees on worthy candidates and determine state winners in parliamentary procedure and public speaking. A special livestock judging clinic, directed by OSC specialists, is planned.

FORMER RESIDENT VISITS

Mr. Fred Wentling and his younger brother from Calif. visited in Evans Valley recently. Mr. Wentling is a former resident of the Valley and is now living in Medford.

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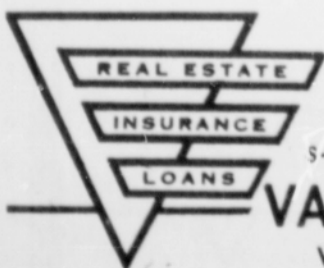
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