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Rebekah Lodge Holds Meeting at Central Point

About 200 Rebekah lodge members were present at the District 12 meeting of the lodge at Central Point Thursday. About fifty members attended from Ashland. The lodges at Central Point and Jacksonville were the host lodges for the event.

State Assembly officers attending included Mrs. Ethel Bailey of Roseburg, president of the state Assembly, Suda Comstock, Baker, Warden; Alma Cofer, Klamath Falls, conductor and Louise Perozzi, Ashland, past state president.

District officers were elected during the business session. Celia Burningham, Ashland, was elected district president. Julia Gregory, Medford, was named vice president and Alta Nichols, Ashland, secretary and treasurer. Other officers named were Willa McLean, Gold Hill, warden; Clara Vincent, Central Point; conductor; Grace Brownlie, Jacksonville, outside guardian; Leah Ivie, Medford, inside guardian; Evelyn Saures, Kirby, musician; Nellie Madden, Ashland, assistant musician; Marion Wilson, right supporter to president; Louise Perozzi, Ashland, left supporter to president; Carrie Morand, Portland, right supporter to vice-president; Bertha Bateman, Grants Pass, left supporter to vice-president; Mary Ferns, Grants Pass, chaplain; Mrs. Esther Sullivan and Mrs. Mae E. Lindner, press correspondents.

The new convention officers were seated by the Ashland lodge. Inez Ferguson of Central Point served as convention chairman and Celia Burningham, Ashland, as vice chairman. Lillian Wiedman of Central Point served as secretary and treasurer. Assisting with the convention were Noble Grand Bessie Fredenberg of the Central Point lodge and Noble Grand Zola Fick of the Jacksonville lodge.

A paper was read on member interest by the Glendale Lodge and a memorial service was conducted by the Medford lodge. Mary Ferns of Grants Pass, assisted by 12 members, gave a drill in tribute to the flag and Anna Myer of Ashland gave the tribute to past chairman, Mrs. Alice Ulrich of Jacksonville, gave a brief history of the Jacksonville lodge. She has been a member of the Rebekah lodge for the past 64 years.

Ashland was selected as the place for the convention next year.

Corsages were presented to the grand officers by members of the two hostess lodges. Music during the meeting was presented by Bessie Hubler of Medford who sang, her accompanist was Mrs. Marguerite Conrade and by Ella Mae Gail of Gold Hill who gave whistling solos.

Auxiliary Met At Blackmer Home

American Legion Auxiliary met at home of Mrs. Wm. Blackmer 124 Oak St. Nov. 20th at a 6:30 P. M. with a covered dish dinner. Twenty members were in attendance, with Pres. Betty Adams Presiding.

Business matters pertaining to the unit work were discussed and decided upon and the chairman reported on their activities. Rehabilitation chairman, Pauline Fennell reported she received a letter of thanks for the Christmas Box sent to Roseburg Veterans Hospital.

Next years work for gifts was started. Towels were given out among the members to be embroidered. It was announced that funds for magazine subscriptions to be sent to Major Frias Marine Base, Klamath Falls. The Auxiliary plans to start the Traveling Baskets as soon as is possible.

There will be a card party sponsored by the Auxiliary, on Nov. 30th. It will be held at the Legion Hall. Further particulars will be given later. The Auxiliary will assist with the 6th Bond Drive.

Mrs. Blackmer, with cohostess, Mrs. Shirley Barnes served the dinner, assisted by Mrs. Pauline Fennell. Mrs. Chas. Rector was a guest for the evening.

Mrs. Neva Wood, Sec. and Tres. was ill and could not attend the meeting. Ann Kroeger acted as the assistant secretary.

MEDFORD WINS DISTRICT FOOTBALL TITLE SATURDAY

In an exciting football game last Saturday night, Medford won from Coquille to the tune of 31 to 14 to win the district 2 title. Numerous football fans from Ashland went to Medford to see the game.

For the Thanksgiving day play offs, Medford will play Gresham and the Roosevelt high school of Portland will go to LaGrande for the finals.

DR DAVIES WILL PREACH AT NEIGHBORHOOD CHURCH

Dr. Davies, state superintendent of Congregational Churches has announced that he will be in Ashland Sunday morning, and will preach the regular sermon Sunday morning at the Congregational Neighborhood church. The church has been without a regular pastor since the resignation of the Rev. Howard Rees, several weeks ago. Following the regular worship hour, a business meeting will be held with the church members.

Dorothy Moore Has Picture in Daily Paper

In the Sunday, November 12 issue of the Portland Journal was a picture of Miss Dorothy Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Moore of Ashland. Miss Moore is the physical education instructor at the Roseburg high school. Miss Moore is a native of Ashland, attended the schools here and then went on to the Willamette University. Local people have been interested in her activities as she has attained considerable fame in soft ball circles in a career lasting for eight years. While she was at Willamette she was a member of Paddy Berg's team. She has played the last year with the Lind-Pomeroy team, a national champion, and hopes to play with them for two more years. She has signed with the Lind-Pomeroy team for 1945. She has turned down a number of flattering offers to go into professional soft ball, to stay in Oregon.

Don't forget it is soon Dec. 1. Those wishing to give a Christmas gift box for "Yanks who gave their all". Please contact Mrs. Ann Kroeger, Dial 8961.

TALENT NEWS

TALENT, November 21—Two new members were added to the Talent Grange at the last meeting November 16. L. H. Gallatin reports \$80 had been added to the war fund which makes a total of \$889.86 collected through the Talent Grange. H. E. C. will meet at the home of Mrs. Nora Walters north of Central Point. The program was under direction of Lecturer Margaret Hamilton and carried out the Thanksgiving theme and opened with the Grange joining in singing "All Hail the Power", followed by reading of the 23rd Psalm by Elton Petri. Marie Furrier entertained with two accordion numbers and Loyal Bates gave a reading. Carl Borg Jr. followed with harmonica numbers. The program concluded with awarding a prize to Herman Cannon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hamilton of near Medford spent Saturday visiting relatives and friends. Mr. Hamilton is employed at Tiller's mill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Frost of Ashland moved into the Negles Camp ground at the Richfield Station north of town.

The football game played on the Talent ground Friday afternoon between Talent and Central Point was won by Talent 25 to 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawrence of Medford, were business callers here Monday evening.

Mrs. Loyal Bates and daughter Barbara and son, Bobbie spent the week end in Klamath Falls visiting relatives.

Mrs. Cal Harper spent last Friday in Medford transacting business and shopping.

Mrs. Will Maxwell who lived in Talent for several years, passed away in Medford last Friday. Her funeral took place in Medford Monday and interment was made in Roseburg. Mr. Maxwell was Talent Marshal for a couple years before moving to the Applegate area.

The community deeply sympathizes with the Clarence Mathews family for the death of their son, Clarence W. Mathews who was killed in India, also for Mrs. Abbie Shafer whose husband Elton (Spud) Shafer was recently killed in action.

Mrs. Everett Beeson returned home last week from the East where she attended the wedding of their son Lt. Emmett W. Beeson and Miss Joyce Birkmeier of Millwaukie, Oregon. The wedding took place in Camp Robinson, Little Rock Arkansas on Oct. 31. Mrs. Beeson spent three weeks in Chicago visiting relatives.

Reverend George Bates pastor of the Friends Church spent part of last week in Portland and returned home Friday evening.

Lysle Tame of the Dead Indian country was a Talent caller Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hart left last Tuesday evening by train for Texas and plans on being gone for a month.

Mrs. Chase Gardener passed away at her home Saturday. Funeral services were held at 1:30 Tuesday at the Litwiller Funeral home. She leaves her husband and daughter to mourn her death.



This week we again observe the traditional Thanksgiving day. Thursday, November 23 and again this country has much, a great deal, to be thankful for and this nation should give a united thanks for what we have.

While our young men and women are scattered around the world, on the fighting fronts and in the army camps and hospitals in this nation, and we cannot observe the day in the sense of freedom that we have known in former years, yet we have much more to be thankful for than the majority of the countries in the world. We are still the best fed nation in the world; war has not seared our land, as it has in so many of the foreign nations of the world; the same freedoms which our forefathers wrote into the Constitution—the freedom of speech, the freedom of religion, life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, are still ours, unabridged and unfettered. Yes, we have much to be thankful for and on this day, instead of making it a day of revelry, make it one of real Thanksgiving.

THANKSGIVING DAY

(Contributed)

Thanksgiving day had its inception with the Pilgrims, who had landed at Plymouth, Mass., in the midst of winter, 1620. It is recorded that the rigors of that winter and disease, took a fearful toll of the little band. Scarce half of the hundred or so members who had landed there so full of hope saw the coming of spring.

Yet, when the Mayflower sailed back to England, in 1621, not one member of the band went with her. The remnants of the little colony stayed on and planted their meager crops and tended them; and so the summer passed. Harvest time came, and there were crops of a sort, for we are told that they planted about 20 acres of corn (probably Indian maize), together with about six acres of barley and peas. There was abundance of game in the woods, and better quarters for the coming winter were provided.

So, Governor William Bradford proclaimed that December 13, 1621, must be set aside as a 'day of prayer, praise and thanksgiving.' Great preparations were made for this celebration. It is here that the turkey was first definitely connected with Thanksgiving. Governor Bradford's own account relates how the men went into the woods and came back laden with wild turkeys and other game. For several days beforehand the women were busy with their boiling, baking and roasting before the open fires.

On the day appointed the little band, led by Elder Brewster, marched to the hut that served as a church. There hymns were sung and prayers of thanksgiving and praise were offered. Shortly after the services were concluded nearly 100 Indians, led by Massasoit and bearing gifts of wild fruit and game, appeared as guests of the Pilgrims.

Thanksgiving day then became a matter of regular observance in Massachusetts. Other colonies in New England followed the example. Through a special proclamation President Washington designated Thursday, November 26, 1789 as a day when all

the people should prostrate themselves before God in humility and prayer. This is generally accepted as the first official Thanks giving Day.

By 1858 similar proclamations were being issued, on different dates, by practically all the Governors of the States and Territories.

In 1864 President Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November as a national Thanksgiving day. Since that time presidents have followed his example setting aside a day for Thanksgiving.

Perhaps a little of the old meaning and significance of Thanksgiving is gone—only a little—but we still cling to this festival as the first tradition established by the men and women who laid the foundation of our nation. No holiday in all the year is more distinctively American than Thanksgiving.

City Officials Asked to Attend Civic Meet

Eugene, November 20. Special City officials of Ashland have received invitations to attend a meeting of all city officials of Jackson and Josephine counties, and of civic leaders interested in municipal postwar programs. The meeting, which will be held in Medford on Thursday, November 30, at the Chamber of Commerce is one of a series of 22 regional meetings sponsored by the League of Oregon Cities being held throughout the state this fall.

Featured topics on the program will be a discussion of proposed federal and state legislation of particular interest to cities, post-war planning, and the exchange of information on local municipal programs.

Presiding at the informal round-table meeting will be Fred C. Inkster, president of the League; Mayor Geo. P. Stadelman, The Dalles; Mayor O. L. Wood, Coquille; Herman Kehrl, executive secretary of the League and director of the Bureau of Municipal Research and Service at the University of Oregon; and Mayor C. A. Meeker of Medford.

ATTENDS CHIROPRACTIC MEETING AT GRANTS PASS

Dr. E. N. Terrill of Ashland attended the Southern Oregon Society of Chiropractic Physicians last Saturday night at Grants Pass. The meeting began with supper at the Redwoods hotel, with the business session at the office of Dr. A. H. Stephens. Members from Grants Pass, Medford, Klamath Falls and Ashland were present. Dr. Terrill is secretary-treasurer of the society.

Air Medal Given Posthumously

S/Sgt. John D. DeMille, who died in action in the Sicilian campaign, was awarded the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters posthumously this week, the medal being presented to Mr. and Mrs. Roy DeMille, parents. Captain O. M. Smith, commander of the Medford Air Base presented the medal and stated that the three Oak Leaf Clusters indicated that the airman had taken part in at least three heroic combat duties before he was killed. Sgt. DeMille was an aerial gunner and took part in several actions in the Italian campaign.

Sgt. Lynn DeMille, a brother is in the Seventh Army Air Force and is now stationed in India. He is a welder and skilled mechanic.

Growth Record Set

MEDFORD. This year's growing season—203 days between the last killing frost of spring and the first killing frost of fall—was the longest ever recorded in the Rogue River valley, the weather bureau reports. The first autumn killing frost came November 15. The average growing period is 166 days, and the average date for the first killing frost is October 15.

This 'n That

(By OLD TIMER)

This is the time for taking an inventory of our blessings. Not just for turkey, cranberry sauce and mince pie.

An old-timer, says an observer is a fellow who can remember when the only isolationists were flag-pole sitters.

Characters in the comic strips never grow up. The Captains Kids should be wearing long pants and whiskers by this time.

The nation's farm population slumped 4,748,000 in the last four years, according to the Department of Agriculture.

By custom, we celebrate Thanksgiving day once a year. But we have no more blessings on Thanksgiving day than on the day before or the day after. The difference is that we have more realization.

Uncle Zeke recalls the days of opening voting. Each party printed the party ticket. At the polling place party workers parked in front of the ballot box and handed to the approaching voter his party ballot. Thus the party checker could see and record what ballot each voter cast. Free booze was on tap and blackened eyes and bloody noses were souvenirs of old-time election day.

German militarists are anxious for the war to end. Every day's delay now inevitably postpones the start of the next one.

Man's work is to labor and leave—
As best he may—earth here with heaven.
—Robert Browning

We don't know who is calling the signals for that Nazi team on the Western front but the outfit seems to have plenty of fallbacks.

Maybe it was only natural for those Japs with their oversize molars to try to bite off more than they can chew.

The problem nowadays is getting your auto to give you a run for your money.

Economy is no disgrace, but it is mighty inconvenient.

East Side Meat Market Again Sold

The sale of the East Side Meat Market was announced this week the new owners Leslie Lusk and Wayne Heard, taking over the past week end from the former owner Worth E. Hardesty, who came here a couple of months ago from Turlock, California, to buy the market. The Hardestys plan to return to California, after final details of the sale are completed.

The new owners are well known in Ashland, as Mr. Lusk has been associated with the market since 1930 and Mr. Heard formerly operated the Lithia City Dairy.

Brazilian Scientist Talks Here Mon.

Dr. Hernane Tavares de Sa, Brazilian scientist and lecturer on Inter-American affairs was guest speaker, along with Dr. Victor P. Morris, of the University of Oregon at a dinner, sponsored by the Ashland Lions club Monday noon at the Linnia Hotel Coffee Shop. Dr. Tavares spoke on the subject of "Is the United States Losing its Best Friend in Latin America", stating that the war had brought actual hardships to many districts of Brazil, as well as other South American countries. Because of a lack of new machinery, brought on by the war forcing manufactures to go into war manufacture the transportation systems of Brazil were facing a lack of the necessities of life because of it. Dr. Tavares urged a closer relationship between the two countries, pointing out that business firms and individuals could make a closer relationship than to have such relationships handled thru the numerous agencies set up by the two governments.

Dr. Morris, who has spoken in Ashland on previous occasions, spoke Monday on the subject of "Post War Economic Policy". He stated that only through a just peace based on a sound economic policy, could the world expect to have a lasting period of peace to build up the living standards of the world. Because of the last communication by plane today, geographical boundaries have ceased, and in settling up affairs when peace returns, care must be taken to settle it justly and on a world wide basis so that commerce between nations can be maintained and all nations share in the manufactured products of those nations which produce for export.

Afternoon Meeting

A Forum Meeting was held at the auditorium at Southern Oregon College of Education at 3:30 at which Theo Norby of Ashland was chairman. This discussion was sponsored by Southern Oregon College of Education, Ashland Public Schools and the Ashland Churches. Speaking during the afternoon were Dr. Warren D. Smith, on the subject of "Personal Impressions of South America"; Dr. Morris on "Joint Tasks in the Western Hemisphere"; Dr. Guido Jorquera on "Youth Movement in Chile"; Dr. John T. Gano on "Some Observations on Dollar Diplomacy, Past and Present." Dr. Tavares was consultant during these discussions. Following the program a period of round table discussion was held. In the evening an open meeting was held at Medford, under auspices of the Medford League of Women Voters, with Mrs. Justin Smith as chairman. A picture "The Bridge" was presented, followed by a talk by Dr. Tavares on the subject "Is the Good Neighbor Policy a Failure?" This talk was followed by a round table discussion.

These meetings were arranged under the auspices of the Federal Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs and the Oregon State System of Higher Education. The meeting in Ashland and Medford was the fourth in Oregon in this series. A similar meeting was held in Lakeview Friday.

New Plumbing Shop Opens the Past Week

Announcement was made this week of the opening of a new enterprise in Ashland commercial circles, the XL Plumbing and Heating Company, and operated by F. S. L'Hommedieu and W. F. Speege, two well known Ashland men, who have been following the plumbing trade here for some time, but not as a company. They have taken up their headquarters at 137 North Pioneer Avenue in the same building as the XL Electric, one of Ashland's well known business houses. However, they are not a part of the electric company and only using part of the building to house their equipment.

The new company will feature all types of plumbing work, service on oil burners, and furnaces and general tin smith work. The need for such service was reflected in the announcement this week that they are rushed to the limit already.

Army Buys Apples

MEDFORD. — The Crystal Springs Packing company of this city has sold 20 cars of Newtown apples to the army. Maurice Spatz, manager, announces. The apples are now being shipped, presumably to the Pacific area. The same shipment contained apples from the Reter Fruit company. It was the largest shipment of apples from this section in several years, as growers have been concentrating on pear production