

**H. S. CONFERENCE DATES AND PROGRAM GIVEN**

January 10 and 11 have been selected as the dates for the Tenth Annual High School Conference at the University of Oregon.

The conference this year will be divided into five sections, editors of school papers and yearbooks, presidents of girls' leagues, student body officers, and principals of high schools.

Earl M. Pallett, registrar, and Day Foster, student, are in charge of the program arrangements this year. Noted speakers from all parts of the northwest have been invited to be present at the conference to make addresses and to take active part in the round-table discussions, which form one of the important features of these meetings.

The officers who will preside at the various sections of the conference are Barney Cameron, Sajem, president of the student body officers association; Lucille Gable, Washington high school, Portland; president of the girls' league association; and Dudley McClure, Benson Polytechnic high school, Portland, president of the press conference.

The visiting delegates will be entertained by the University students at a reception and banquet, and will attend the opening basketball games of the year at McArthur Court Friday and Saturday nights when the Oregon teams meet a team from Washington state.

Springfield high school delegates to the conference have not yet been elected, but they will probably be selected next week, according to W. E. Buell, principal.

**LETTER SENT FROM CHINA CAUSES INTEREST HERE**

The war in China is more than a war on paper, if the scrapping in that country is responsible for the condition of a letter which the News has just received from a missionary in China. The letter was mailed in Shanghai on November 7, and was delivered on December 3.

The interesting thing in connection with the letter is that the envelope appears to have been opened and has been allowed to get very wet at some time before it reached the shores of the United States. It was marked in San Francisco to indicate that it had been received in bad condition.

The letter was written by Rev. H. G. C. Hallock, and tells of the effect the Americans have had on the customs and habits of the Chinese during our Christmas holiday period.

**SAFETY COMMITTEE NOT SPONSORING A CONTEST**

The announcement which was made last week of an essay contest to be sponsored by the 4-L organization was erroneous, and no such contest is being contemplated this year, according to members of the Safety committee.

An old copy of the rules and regulations for the contest which was held last year, was unintentionally circulated and gave rise to the story which appeared last week.

**Oakridge Resident Here**—Mrs. Clyde McPherson of Oakridge was transacting business in Springfield the first of the week.

**Injured Woman Recovering**—Mrs. Kelly Hood, of Marcola, who was shot recently by her husband, who later turned his gun on himself, is making fine progress in her recovery, according to her physician. It is believed that she will be able to leave the hospital in a few days.

**Visit at Marcola**—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stevens spent Sunday at Marcola visiting at the Charles Paris home.

**To Retire at 50**



Geraldine Farrar, noted opera star and concert singer, announced at Ridgefield, Conn., that she plans to retire from the stage on her fiftieth birthday, February 28, 1932.

**PUBLIC INVITED TO ANNUAL COUNTY MEET OF SCOUT LEADERS**

The annual meeting of all Lane county scoutmasters and those interested in their work will be held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in Eugene on Monday evening, December 16. The meeting will take the form of a banquet, which will be followed by a pageant put on by active Scouts to demonstrate and illustrate the reports of the year's work.

Springfield has been invited to select one Boy Scout to appear in the pageant in full uniform, equipped with pack, troop flag, and colors. The selection has not been made yet. The Scout selected and the Scoutmasters will be guests at the banquet. New officers for the ensuing year will be elected after the reports and the pageant.

The tickets for the dinner will be fifty cents each, and everybody interested in this work is invited to attend, including ladies, says R. C. Merrill, chairman of the Annual Meeting committee.

The local members of the Lions Scout committee which is sponsoring a troop is H. E. Maxey, chairman, and W. C. Rebhan and W. K. Barnell.

**MANY WORKING DAYS ARE LOST AT LUMBER MILL**

Eighty-seven and one-half working days were lost at the Booth-Kelly mill here during the month of November as the result of accidents to employees. The accidents which caused the loss of time ranged from a broken back to an infected finger.

Frank Holmes fell from a lumber pile on November 14, and fractured several vertebrae. He had lost 23 days from work at the end of the month. This was the most serious accident of the month. The other accidents included one in which Frank Worley injured his foot with a pickaroon slipped and struck him in the foot.

**FIRST MILL ACCIDENT OF MONTH IS ON DEC. 5**

Belvin Doane was the victim of the first accident to be reported at the December. He pinched a finger between a truck standard and the bed on December 5, and lost several days work.

**Cottage Grove Man Here**—D. M. Shaw, of Cottage Grove, was a visitor in the city the first of the week.

**Consults Physician**—Matt Smith of Marcolt was in town Monday to consult a local physician.

**Dexter Resident Shops**—G. M. Mathews of Dexter was purchasing supplies in the city Monday.

**Many Register at Springfield Hotel**—Two California people, F. C. Tailor and Fred Ralston, of Lodi, California, were registered at the Springfield hotel over the week-end. Other guests were F. C. Montgomery, Corvallis; R. E. O'Brien, Aberdeen, Washington; R. B. Larson, Wendling; Ray Manning, Portland; and M. L. Smith, Floyd Maye, W. B. Morland, James Thompson, H. A. Moody, F. A. Shepherd, and W. H. Glover, all of Albany.

**Hunt Ducks Sunday**—Frank Smitson, W. K. Barnell, and Riley Snodgrass went duck hunting on Sunday, but were not successful in bagging any. They went out near Brownsville and Albany.

**Register at Elite**—Among the guests at the Elite hotel during the week-end were Billy Percy, A. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Force, and Robert Castle, all of Portland; and R. Pollock, of Westfir.

**Discharged from Hospital**—J. C. Churchill was discharged from the Pacific Christian hospital in Eugene last Sunday following an illness which kept him in bed for many days.



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