

Monument News

By Martha Matteson
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Emry of Fossil were visiting with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Sweek and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Capon last week.
Lois Bleakman underwent surgery Thursday at the John Day clinic. She was able to go to her folks, the Dave Musgraves at Mt. Vernon Saturday.
Ralph Emery drove Doris Capon and Delsia Sweek to Bend Wednesday on business.
Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hinton, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Durst drove to Bend Saturday, Feb. 25 on business.

Dick Martin came home Thursday from Salem where he has been working.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kincaid, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barnard drove to Heppner Friday to take Henry Durst to Pioneer Memorial hospital for a checkup.

Mrs. Jim Crocker is a patient at Blue Mt. hospital in Prairie City She had surgery last week.

Members from Monument Post

and Unit No. 148 who went to Mt. Vernon to the district convention of the American Legion and Auxiliary March 1 were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mellor, commander and president; Mr. and Mrs. Carston Brandhagen, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Stubblefield, Mr. and Mrs. Mead Gilman and Jay Standifer.

Among the Masons of Monument who went to lodge at Long Creek Friday evening were Henry Martin, Ben Standifer, Clarence Holmes, Jim Wedgeworth, Steve Holmes, Wayne Leathers, Bob Holmes and Andy Beardsley.

Mary Du Bosch drove to Heppner Thursday for a dental appointment.

Arley Lessie and family of Fox were visiting Sunday at the home of her brother, Ray Bowman.

Mrs. Henry Durst went to Heppner Sunday to visit her husband who is in Pioneer Memorial hospital.

The Skeep-Teens served hot dogs, cake, pie and coffee Sunday afternoon and evening during the auction sale that was held at the grange hall. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin are leaders for the teen-agers.

Albert Emery returned to his home here. He has been a patient in the Heppner hospital for some time.

The better dress workshop will hold its first meeting in the grange hall March 7.

The M. M. M. club met at the home of Wave Jackson March 1 with Martha Matteson as co-hostess. Present were Olive Cox, May McWillis, Ann Erhardt, Goldie Rounds, Helen Brown, Grace Starrett, Doris Capon, Del-



Charles A. Sprague editor of the Oregon Statesman, Salem, wrote copy for his nationally-quoted daily column last week from Hawaii where he and Mrs. Sprague are sojourning. Reading this column it seems they have located a working model of a basic enigma that is slowing the pace of Christian progress toward unanimity, the master key to universal peace.

Let's have it from the former governor of Oregon who served several sessions in the United Nations assembly.

"We arrived at Kona, once the home of Hawaiian royalty, in the late afternoon. At the vesper hour came the sounds of chimes from the church, playing famil-

PONY KICKS

By Mary Stewart
Mrs. Blanche Boulden was absent from her seventh grade classes Monday. Mrs. W. W. Weatherford substituted for her.

The grade school speech festival was held at Lexington Tuesday, March 6. Winners will be announced at a later date.

Captains have been selected for boy's softball intramurals. They are Sam Green, Tom Howell, and Neal Penland.

The grade school band will attend the band contest in Pendleton March 24. Norman Peters, band teacher, reports that "The Little Scotch Suite," by Leroy Jackson, and "The Levee Song," by Merle J. Isaac, will be the bands entries. Mr. Peters says the band will start practicing their marching steps when the weather permits.

Ila Sweek, Eva Malene. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Elmer and Dale Matteson drove to Pendleton Feb. 26 for the funeral of Mrs. E. L. "Eva" Matteson, going by way of Heppner due to the bad roads the other way.

Mrs. Bob Kingman spent Thursday in Long Creek visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kelly were visiting Friday in Long Creek at the D. Settle home.

The American Legion Auxiliary is planning its annual birthday party for the Legion March 17. There will be speakers from other posts and units.

lar hymns. It was a touching experience to hear at this distant point the testimony of an old faith carried with devotion to the inhabitants of these islands over a century ago.

"I observe, however, that the earliest missionaries (1823) have been followed by the same varieties of sects as we have on the mainland. It must be difficult to explain to non-Christians why those who profess it are split into so many factions.

It must seem to them like religious liberty going to seed."

Mr. Sprague's column—never better than when he travels—posts a signal for the faith, alarmingly, when we recall the years it took us to decide to vary our idolatry and put "In God We Trust" on our real idol. Now the two-bit dollar.

PRIMARY CANDIDATES

No new names of political potency showed on the primary candidates state ticket blackboard this week. Unless the Friday, 5 p. m., deadline nets other big name candidates the winners of top positions at the May 18 primary election will be found in the following list:

For U. S. Senator—Dem., Wayne L. Morse, Eugene (incumbent); Republicans—Lamar Tooez, Portland; Elmer Deetz, Canby and Phillip Hitchcock, Portland.

For Governor—Rep., Elmo Smith, John Day (incumbent); Earl Dickson, Albany and Walter Norblad, Stayton. Dem.—Robert D. Holmes, Gearhart.

For Secretary of State—Rep., Mark Hatfield, Salem; Dem.—Monroe Sweetland, Milwaukie.

For State Treasurer—Rep., Sig Unander, Portland (incumbent), Dem.—Al Richardson, Salem.

For Attorney General—Dem., Robert Y. Thornton, Salem, (incumbent), Rep.—Carl Francis, Dayton.

LEGISLATIVE TRENDS

One of the radical changes of 1957 legislature will make will be to pass a sales tax. This is a

prediction of Governor Elmo Smith who has a record of making few wrong political prognostications.

The 1955 session established an all time record for boosting income and other taxes. The voting record of members of that body will be fine-combed before November.

We have seen a good many "early starts" for legislative sessions but never any as early as the present. Plans of the legislative council committee call for drafting all routine appropriation bills, ready for introduction before the convening of the 1957 legislature.

Candidates nominated by their parties at the May 18 primary election will have no assurance that they will not have other opponents than those nominated. Other candidates can be placed on the November ballot by the convention plan. It has seldom been resorted to, however. In 1934 Peret Zimmerman was nominated for governor by a convention held in the old Capitol. He got 8596 more votes than the Republican candidate but the GOP strategist saw to it that there were three other independent candidates running, who split Zimmerman's vote down to where Gen. Martin, Democrat, beat out Zimmerman by 5 per cent of the total vote.

Peter W. Welch will have his name on the Republican ticket in two places, for congress from the 3rd Dist., and for the National Republican convention. Welch said he would nominate Douglas McKay for vice presi-

dent. McKay talks of leaving Washington and his job as Sec-

retary of the Interior when his four-year term expires Jan. 20.

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