

## Boardman FFA Has Parent-Son Annual Banquet

By MARY LEE MARLOW  
About 85 people were present at the annual parent and son FFA banquet Thursday night in

the school cafeteria. Kurt Gantenbein, chapter president, was master of ceremonies. Merrill E Shaw, Missionary pastor of Com-

munity church, gave the invocation. Opening ceremonies were by the chapter officers, and address of welcome was given by Alan Taylor. Dean King introduced the guests and the speaker of the evening, who was Roger Rothrock, state FFA treasurer from Pendleton. Bill Getz and Jim Miller gave reports on their trip to the national FFA convention in Kansas City, Mo. Douglas Shattuck, Keith Gronquist and Larry West presented a trumpet trio, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot."

Ronald Black, FFA instructor, presented the following awards: Kurt Gantenbein, awards for dairy farming and water control on the farm; Dean King, farm mechanics; Bill Getz, first Safeway Greenhand award, and Jim Miller, second.

Honorary memberships were presented to Mrs Ronald Black, who has assisted the chapter with the annual banquet for the past 15 years; Sigvald Aase, school superintendent, who has aided the chapter in many projects the past two years; and Roy Partlow, who was the first FFA state farmer from Boardman, and who also has aided the chapter in many ways.

Special guests other than parents included Clay Ballance, FFA instructor from Pendleton; Kem Tellefson, instructor, and Ernie Dumont, chapter president from Hermiston; Wally Wedin, instructor from Milton-Freewater, and Mrs Wedin; Lew Robbins, instructor, Mrs Robbins, and Ned Clark, chapter president, from Heppner; Dan Moore and Gary Goss from Athena; Mr and Mrs Warren McCoy, Irrigon. McCoy is chairman of the new county unit school board. Other guests were, Mrs Merrill E Shaw, Mrs Ronald Black, Mr and Mrs Roy Partlow, Mr and Mrs Willard Baker, Mr and Mrs Harold Kress, Mr and Mrs John Partlow, Mr and Mrs Harold Baker, Mr and Mrs Sigvald Aase, Mr and Mrs Harold Gauger, Mr and Mrs Marion Morlan, Mr and Mrs Richard Waymire, Mr and Mrs Robert Harwood, Mrs Zoe Billings and Mayor and Mrs Joe Tatone.

The dinner was prepared by Mrs Charles Graham and Mrs Roy Ball, Sr. High school girls

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serving were, Carolyn Baker, Barbara Anderegg, Susan Partlow, Shirley Earwood, Minnie Hodges and Evangelina Pedraza. The menu included fruit cocktail, roast turkey and dressing, green beans, potatoes and gravy, jello salad and pumpkin pie.

T/Sgt James Kissire of Pendleton, sector sergeant of the Ground Observer Corps for this area, called a meeting of the GOC at the home of Mrs Sigvald Aase Thursday afternoon to explain why the GOC will be inactivated Jan 31, 1959. Kissire explained that the decision to relieve the corps members from active participation on the air defense team is based on three considerations: 1. The present radar network and its further expansion and improvement that will be accomplished by January gives assurance that an enemy bomber can be detected and identified before it reaches the borders of the United States. Kissire said this had all been explained in a letter from Lt Gen J M Atkinson, USAF commander, and referred to the Distant Early Warning Line stretching across the Arctic and its extensions by radar equipped planes and ships out in the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans, a secondary early warning radar chain across mid-Canada known as the Mid-Canada Radar Line, and the installation of more and better radar within the U S plus the radar equipped planes and ships which extend our coverage off our coasts several hundred miles. 2. The increasing speeds of potential enemy bombers and our own fighter interceptors make it necessary that we develop an automatic means for processing air defense data within the continually reducing time limits. 3. Air Force recognition of its responsibility to relieve the volunteers of a heavy burden of duties when the effectiveness of the electronic air surveillance system will permit.

The last meeting of the GOC here will be held Jan 7, at which time Sgt Kissire will present all awards to members in this area.

Mrs Rollin Bishop was hostess for the County extension Unit at her home Tuesday for an all day meeting. Mrs Walter Hayes was co-hostess. Mrs Harold Gauger and Mrs Wayne Kuhn were leaders, subject of the meeting being "Holiday Happiness". The ladies were instructed in making colored candles from bees wax, and each one present made a corsage from duck and pheasant feathers.

State patrolman Ralph Pope from Arlington was present to answer questions on the legal procedure of the unit getting Christmas trees for sale.

Mrs Bishop won the door prize. The next meeting will be a Christmas party with exchange of gifts at the home of Mrs Claud Worden, Dec 2 at 2 p m.

The Ladies Aid Society of Community church met Wednesday at the home of Mrs Bob Miller, with Mrs Russell Miller as co-hostess. In the absence of the president, Mrs Arnin Hug, vice-president, presided. Final plans were made for the annual bazaar, to be held in the grange hall Thursday evening, Dec 4. In charge of the dinner is Mrs

Nate Macomber, assisted by Mrs Clyde Tannehill, Mrs Arnin Hug, Mrs Emery Lyons and Mrs Seth Russell.

The Rev George Nichols, pastor of the Nazarene church at Hermiston, was guest speaker at the meeting of the P-TA. Thursday afternoon at the school. He spoke on the three phases of a child's life, the spiritual, physical and educational. Other members on the program included a solo by Patty Miller and a reading by Karen Gronquist. Mrs Elvin Ely read a scripture portion.

Gary Petteys of Pendleton visited at the home of his grandparents, Mr and Mrs Nate Macomber, Thursday on his way to Oklahoma City, Okla, where he will attend C A A school for six weeks. At the end of this time, he will be employed in Seattle, Wash.

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