

Many Hear Speakers At Joint Meeting

Mrs. Mabel Gearhart, Portland, American Legion Auxiliary department president; Mrs. Violet Larsen, Springfield, department vice president; and Mrs. Pearl Funk, Athena, district 6 president were honored Tuesday night as they paid their official visit with a joint dinner and meeting of the Heppner Post 87 Legion and auxiliary.

Over 70 attended the potluck dinner and program followed by the business meetings.

Mrs. Gearhart spoke during the dinner program on the child welfare program and what the auxiliary does toward this goal. Gene Pierce, Bank of Eastern Oregon manager, spoke to the group on the possible bonuses for Korean veterans in the State of Oregon. A petition is being circulated for signatures to get this proposed plan on the November election ballot. Glen Ward, Delmer Buschke, and Bill Blake have the petitions which need 43,000 names before June 25.

The auxiliary held installation of officers with Mrs. Funk as installing officer. Mrs. Frank Hamlin was re-installed president; Mrs. C. J. D. Bauman, first vice president; Mrs. Bill Blake, second vice president; Mrs. Don Munkers, secretary; Mrs. Jack Flug, treasurer; Mrs. Earl Soward, chaplain; Mrs. Riley Munkers, historian; and Mrs. Bill Heath, sergeant-at-arms.

Mrs. Oma Cox, poppy sale chairman, says the poppies are here and being ready for the forthcoming annual poppy sale May 25-26.

Rebekahs Entertain Odd Fellows Families

San Souci Rebekah lodge members entertained Odd Fellows and their families Wednesday at the monthly recreation night.

Nearly 60 persons attended the potluck supper and enjoyed the musical entertainment furnished by students of Mrs. Ola Mae Benson. A sextet of boys, David Hall, Bill McLeod, Calvin, Malvin, and Alvin Ashbeck, and Mike Smith, entertained with several vocal numbers. Cindy and Melinda Leonnig sang, accompanied at the piano by their sister, Lorraine. Mary Shannon gave a reading during the program.

The Odd Fellows held their regularly scheduled lodge meeting following the dinner and program.



Unit Elects Officers, Studies Vegetables

Rhea Creek Extension unit elected Mrs. Walter Wright as chairman for the coming year at the meeting in April. Mrs. William Bergstrom will serve as vice-chairman; Mrs. David Bauer, secretary; and Mrs. Ray Wright, treasurer. These will be installed at the Homemaker Festival on May 15 in the Catholic Parish hall at 11:30.

Project leaders, Mrs. William Smethurst and Mrs. David Bauer, presented "Ways with Western Vegetables" at the May 2 meeting. Spring is a good time to get fresh vegetables into the diet and local markets are making an extra effort to supply unusual vegetables for use this month. Interesting ways of serving artichokes, egg-plant, parsnips, broccoli and asparagus were studied and dishes of the prepared vegetables were served during the luncheon.

Ruth, Ione Rainbow Assemblies Host Meet

Ruth and Ione assemblies of the Order of Rainbow for Girls met in Ione Tuesday evening for an official visit of the grand worthy advisor of the order, Donna Hodison, Newberg.

The Ione assembly gave an addendum in honor of Miss Hodison and presented her with a gift. During the program Cheryl Morrison and Linda Halvorsen sang a duet and Ginny Lou Turner, Ruth assembly, played a piano solo.

Distinguished guests of the International Rainbow for Girls were Mrs. Charles Graham, Tillamook, supreme deputy; Mrs. Harold Becket, Heppner, grand deputy; Ginger Springer, Heppner, grand choir member; and Mrs. Paul Webb, mother advisor of Ruth assembly.

Past worthy advisors present for the meeting were Shannon Mahoney, Heppner; Linda Halvorsen, Ione; and Mrs. Dick Sherer, Ione, formerly of Odessa, Wn. Also present was Mrs. Claude Graham, Heppner, past mother advisor of Ruth assembly.

The Ione Assembly elected officers at this time and they include Kathy Rea, worthy advisor; Cheryl Morrison, worthy assistant advisor; Sue Townsend, charity; Merrilee Morrison, hope; and Lee O'Connor, faith. The installation of officers is scheduled for May 13, 7:00 p. m., at the Masonic hall in Ione. The public is cordially invited to attend.

In charge of refreshments were Kathy Rea, Cheryl Morrison, and Lee O'Connor.

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Rockhound Corner

By BETTY WAGNER

The George Miller home near Cecil was alive with activity Saturday night as the rockhounds and their guests met surrounded by rocks, crystals, and Indian artifacts.

Before we started on our arm chair trip to Mexico, a letter from 7th-grader, Kathie Hampton, 221 Wilson Avenue, Placencia, Calif., was read revealing her deep heart's yearning for labeled specimens of rocks from all over the U. S. to begin her rock collection. Then off we went to McAllen Texas, with Mrs. Miller as our guide. The "Operation Rockhound" was first made known to the Millers at a rock shop in northern Texas. After they reached their destination, the rock show at McAllen, their interest in "Operation Rockhound" grew until they suddenly found themselves signing up for the tour which was scheduled to begin in another few days, with hotel accommodations at San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

With bus trips to remote rock-hunting areas, hiking up and down hills packing heavy bags of rocks, a lovely reception and an evening of serenading planned by the governor for the four of almost 200 rockhounds, our eastern Oregon "hounds" found themselves exhausted and overflowing with exciting memories. Beautiful rock and crystal specimens, and other mementoes, including a lovely red Santa Maria reboosa (scarf), especially selected by the governor's wife, which Mrs. Miller won at a drawing, were included in the treasures.

Colored slides were shown of the trip and then refreshments were served by the Millers. Among the rock specimens displayed were sharks teeth, Guadalucazite, jade, jasper, onyx, crystals of cinabar, calcite, pyrite, and quartz; and two door prizes were given away—a key chain with attached agate cabochon and a lovely pair of Mexican amethyst earrings.

Mrs. Hudson's Pupils Presented in Recital

Piano students of Mrs. D. E. Hudson were presented in recital Monday night in the Methodist church parlors. This was the fifth recital since December held monthly. Four of the students were awarded sheet music for perfect attendance at the five recitals by Mrs. Hudson. The four were Margaret Green, Georgeena McDaniel, Debra Bennett, and Deniece Matthews.

The pupils drew names in the order they played their numbers. Teresa Harshman and Debra Bennett, Barbara and Jennifer Blake, and Deniece and Deniece Matthews also played duets.

Other students were Sandra Harshman, Eddie Howard, Bonnie Akers, and Lora Lee Stotts.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blake and Mrs. Herman Howard were hosts and served 40 persons attending.

Soroptimists Attend Regional Conference

Mrs. E. E. Gonty, Miss Leta Humphreys and Mrs. Pearl Devine attended the 3-day regional Soroptimist conference in Lewiston, Idaho, which concluded Sunday noon.

Election of regional and district officers was held, and Mrs. June McManess, La Grande, was named director of District 2, which includes the Heppner club.

Mrs. Gonty visited with Mrs. Walt Depuy, Clarkston, Wn., during the gathering. The Depuys are former Heppner residents.

On their return trip they stopped in Joseph to see Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Cole. He worked in the Gazette-Times shop at the time the Crawfords owned the paper.

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