

BOY SCOUTS OF CITY AND VALLEY RECEIVED BADGES

The awarding of Eagle badges to Robert Mason of Troop 5, and to Duane Malone of Troop 12 of Ashland, as well as the Silver Palm award for Alan Carley of Troop 5, marked the climax of one of the largest and most successful Courts of Honor ever held in Medford.

One unusual feature of the session was the appearance before the Court of seven of the eight members of Troop 14, of the Ashland school at Beagle, for their second class badges. This troop includes all of the boys in the Ashland school, who are old enough to be scouts, and is under the leadership of H. S. Nedry and E. E. Lucas of Beagle.

The two new Eagles complied with all of the requirements for that rank, some time ago, and were very proud to receive them, both stating that they intend to continue to advance in the ranks of scouting.

Maurice Peters of Troop 3, Lawrence Meyers and Newell Elliott of Troop 12 of Ashland, Leo and Loring Martin, Lawrence and Milton Sanderson, Harold, Jack and Cleo Sims of Troop 14 of Ashland advanced from Tenderfoot to Second Class, passing a very creditable examination.

Alan Carley received the Silver Palm award for passing 15 merit badge examinations, after reaching the rank of Eagle. He has all of the craftsmanship badges except pottery, having passed the requirements in basketry, leather, metal, cement, bookbinding, wood and woodcarving, being the only scout in the council who has done this.

Ronald Krings, who is the only other Eagle Silver Palm scout in the Crater Lake Council, acted as sergeant at arms and bugler for the court which was in charge of Col. W. H. Paine.

Don E. Newbury presided as judge, with a jury composed of council members, scoutmasters and troop committees, including M. N. Hogan, Larry Schade, R. H. Cadwallader, E. E. Carter, W. H. Paine, Roy Elliott, Walter H. Jones, Rev. E. P. Lawrence of the Medford council, C. A. Boles and J. E. Weaver of Central Point and Oscar Lewis of Jacksonville.

They passed on the applications for honors, and shared the responsibility of this branch of the character building program of Scouting.

First Class Scouts coming before the Court for merit badges were as follows:

John Conner of Troop 1 for cycling, swimming and life saving.

Robert Lewis of Troop 1 for good health, scholarship and first aid to animals.

Albert Gaddis of Troop 2 for civics and camping.

Homer Platt of Troop 3 for agriculture, surveying and farm mechanics.

Allen Rogers of Troop 3 for first aid.

Lucas Rogers of Troop 3 for basketry and woodcarving.

Alan Carley of Troop 5 for basketry, cement and cycling.

Bernad Henry of Troop 5 for basketry and path finding.

Earl Little of Troop 5 for cycling and painting.

Ray Lewis of Troop 25 for fireman'ship, personal and public health.

Robert Lewis of Troop 25 for carpentry, handicraft and electricity.

Andy Smith of Troop 25 for bird study, woodcarving and marksmanship.

Macum Smith of Troop 25 for woodcarving.

Robert Lewis of Troop 26 for art and bookkeeping.

Earl Love of Troop 26 for scholarship, personal and public health.

Second class Scouts taking merit badges were as follows:

Robert Cobbleich of Troop 1 for painting and personal health.

Lewell Dupax of Troop 1 for art, handicraft and woodcarving.

Gordon Williams of Troop 2 for fireman'ship and personal health.

Albert Moly of Troop 5 for fireman'ship.

Earl Carlin of Troop 6 for carpentry and handicraft.

Donald Moyd of Troop 8 for craftsmanship in leather.

Alvin Maple of Troop 46 for carpentry and woodcarving.

CHICAGO, March 31.—(P)—Reported deviations of several large planets from their normal orbits and belief of some astronomers that a mysterious celestial stranger was responsible, are being investigated by the University of Chicago's Yerkes Observatory at Williams Bay, Wis.

News of Medford Schools

JUNIOR HIGH

Reporters: La Donna Cadden, Betty Cullen, Cora, Ruth Hanson, Madge Kuzman, Dorothy Paley, Carvel Reames, Allen Rogers, and Leila Van Dermark.

Students Hear Private Peat

Students of the Medford Senior and Junior high schools were very much honored by having the opportunity to hear Private Peat Tuesday afternoon at the last week.

He pictured the war to us as he actually saw it and not as historians have often painted it to be. Private Peat went on to say that none of the soldiers knew why they were fighting. No one had told them during the first years of the war.

In April 1917, soldiers were on the point of saying, "What's the use?" when President Wilson said that it was a "war to end wars and to make the world safe for democracy." "This," said Private Peat, "is what won the war. The soldiers who had been in the trenches for so long took on fresh life and said that they could win the war for us."

Private Peat used to think that the only way of becoming a hero was to be a soldier. He had always noticed that monuments were erected to heroes in war and not to heroes in peace. Private Peat believes it is far more important to reward bravery in time of peace than in times of war. "Fighters are needed as much as ever, but not killers," said Private Peat.

Monday afternoon, Helen Rogers, a student from the Senior high was kind enough to give the students a book review on the book "Private Peat." Other pupils read this book in the library, so most of those who heard the talk had the background to enjoy it.

No Music Classes Held

The music classes have not been meeting this past week due to the absence of Miss Williams, our music teacher, who is ill in the hospital in Eugene. We have certainly missed her and hope she will be able to be with us on Monday.

Students in the girls' and boys' glee clubs are especially anxious for Miss Williams to get back, so they can practice again.

Marshfield Superintendent Visits

Max S. Haman, superintendent of the Marshfield schools, was a visitor in the local Junior high Thursday. Mr. Haman was formerly superintendent of the Roseburg schools.

Nine Students on Honor Roll

The following nine students are on the honor roll for the first six weeks period of the new semester: Carol Dodge, Billy Cummings, Ruth Cummings, Dorothy Paley, Velma Smith, Harriet Spangrow, Elizabeth Stennett, Doris Crawford and Sibyl Jean Young. A student must receive nothing less than a B on his report card to be considered an honor student. We are very proud of our 78 class, which had four students on the honor roll. There ought to be more pupils next six weeks who will have only A's and B's on their cards.

Basketry Class Popular

A basketry class of twenty-five pupils is being taught under Mr. Fitch. The first division has completed their third basket, the second division is working on their third, while the third group has not yet finished the second basket.

The first basket made was a small one for ordinary uses, the second, a fruit basket; and the third, a sewing basket. Baskets in shaped forms will soon be made and later, students will weave baskets with wooden bottoms. The pupils are very much interested in the work.

"Daddies' Night" Held

Last Friday, March 23rd, "Daddies' Night" was held for the Junior high daddies. The program was opened with two harmonica selections, "O Susanna" and "Swanee River," played by Tingley Champie, Woodrow Shaw, Bob Dietrick and Bob Schreengost.

Edith Brown gave a humorous reading, entitled "Betty at the Baseball Game," followed by a piano solo by Billy Prentice. A paper on the Humane Society was read by Mrs. Glen Fabrick, after which Mr. Hoedrick talked on "School Organization." After the solo by Miss Cecil Coss, Miss Van Camp took the daddies on a picnic many told them the building, telling them what goes on in each room. The fern went to the assembly room for having the most fathers out. An informal time followed the program, when light refreshments were served.

7A1 Class Has High Spelling Average

The 7A1 class is again at the top of the list for the highest spelling average for the past week. Their average is 99.1 per cent, while the 7B1 group has an average of 29 per cent. The eighth grade has not been at the head of the list yet this year, but they are beginning to work harder now.

Shipment of New Books Arrives

A shipment of new library books has arrived in the library as part of next year's order. Miss Andrews, librarian, hopes to get them cataloged this spring, so they will be ready for use when school opens in the fall. A few of the new books are: "We," by Lindbergh; "Egypt and the Suez Canal" by Susan Wilbur; "Story of Our Country" by West and West; "Boys of '61," by Coffin; "Doric with the Indians," by Nussbaum. There are books for the history, science, and reading classes besides quite a number of story books.

Mr. Rice Visits School

Mr. Rice of the Rice Penman-ship System in Medford Tuesday. While on his short stay in the city, he visited the writing classes in the Junior high. A special assembly was held Tuesday morning in order that all students might hear him. Mr. Rice illustrated his talk on the blackboard showing many characters which could be made out of some of the letters of the alphabet. In addition to his remarks about writing, he urged us to be inquisitive and find out about things as we go along. Mr. Rice believes that if one is to get a full view of life, one must see it from all sides. He gave this as the best definition he has found for happiness: Happiness is a way

side flower that grows along the highway of usefulness. He closed his talk, which was full of interesting and witty stories, with the poem "The Hard-Work Plan."

After school Tuesday, the writing teachers of the grade schools held a teachers' meeting at the Junior High in order to hear Mr. Rice. He will return to his home in Bellingham, Wash., where he is supervisor of writing in the state normal school.

School Savings Report Shows Increase

The Junior high has been coming up in the percentage in school banking. The percentage this week was 4 per cent. Following is the report in detail: Room 2, Mrs. Clark, 100 per cent; room 3, Miss Ford, 71.8 per cent; room 5, Miss Simons, 100 per cent; room 7, Miss Matheny, 100 per cent; room 8, Miss Wise, 2.3 per cent; room 10, Mr. Keese, 24 per cent; assembly, Mr. Church and Mr. Fitch, 100 per cent. We are very glad to say that there were five 100 per cent rooms, Friday afternoon, Mr. Hanby presented to room 2 a lovely framed picture of George Washington for having 100 per cent in banking every week except once during the past year. This room is to be heartily congratulated. Mrs. Clark is the teacher.

Mrs. Church Speaks at Assembly

Mrs. Maybelle Church, who has just recently become one of our faculty, gave a most interesting talk at Friday's assembly on the interesting things she had seen in Washington, D. C. She described everything so vividly that we almost thought we were in Washington ourselves. She told us about the Washington monument, the tomb of Woodrow Wilson, Mr. Vernon, Arlington cemetery, the grave of the Unknown Soldier, the capitol building, and the White House. American history will mean more to us, now that we have heard about these famous landmarks in our nation's life from one who has seen them first hand. The hearty applause which Mrs. Church received showed that we all enjoyed her talk.

Before Mrs. Church's talk, readings were given in two girls in the reading classes. Doris Patton, an eighth grade student, read "Seeing Things," by Eugene Field, while Miriam Watson, a seventh grade pupil, gave "O Captain, My Captain," by Walt Whitman.

ROOSEVELT SCHOOL Health Inspection

71.7 per cent of the Roosevelt pupils were perfect in health checks last week. Miss Allen's room won the health banner.

Spelling

There were 55 per cent of the pupils of the grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 who spelled correctly in the weekly assignment of words last week.

Banking

On Tuesday 87.5 per cent of the Roosevelt school banked in the school savings. The hundred per cent rooms were Mrs. Hyde's 2A and Mrs. Maxwell's 1A.

Teacher Absence

On account of the death of her mother, Miss Abbott has been absent from school the entire week. Miss Eileen Lamphar has been acting as substitute teacher. Miss Abbott will be back Monday. Miss Gregory was absent Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Henson substituting.

Baseball

On Saturday, March 24, the Roosevelt sixth grade team won from the Lincoln boys by a score of 14 to 11.

Last week the Roosevelt fourth grade team won from the Jackson boys by a score of 11 to 9.

On Thursday afternoon the Roosevelt sixth grade girls won from the Lincoln team by a score of 21 to 29.

We have 13 baseball teams in the Roosevelt school and can furnish one for any grade. But we do need more bats.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL

A program was given by the 6A and 2B classes for assembly last Friday afternoon for the last twenty minutes of school. The first number was a violin selection by Georgia Wells, accompanied by Patricia Carlson. This was followed by a piano solo by Patricia Carlson. Harmonica solo by Harry Morrison. Then the next was a number of chalk drawings by Floyd Smith, former Washington school boy. The final number was a piano solo by Lois Nichols. There are to be two more assemblies this year. The programs will be furnished by the 5A-1A, classes and the 4B-1B classes.

The following students are recording temperature on the regulation chairs provided by the superintendent of schools: Pauline Rogers, 2B Catherine Chaney, 6A, Granger Kenly, 4A, Fred Beck, 4A, Helen Benson, 5A, and Elma Eiler, 6B. These students were selected by their roll room teacher because of their proven dependability. These students record the temperature of the room in which they are at the four periods, 8:30, 10:30, 2:30 and 1:00. These charts are proving a great help in the room as many teachers had heretofore been having their rooms too hot, sometimes going to 80 degrees. In the lower grades, the teachers are recording their own room temperatures.

The teachers of Washington school, as well as throughout the system, are rewriting their courses of geography for their classes. The new course of study is expected to be in operation next September. The revision consists of giving new emphasis to old parts, inserting of some new subject matter, changing the emphasis of the objectives, and the addition of new plans, tests, and new equipment which will mean a much richer content than formerly. The teachers are not only doing this course revision in geography, but are reviewing language, writing, health program, and other improvement work besides the regular classes.

The superintendent of schools visited Washington school the past week. The children in the 2A report that no one in their 2A section one class was caught by

HEALTH UNIT TO LAUNCH DRIVE

The Medford committee of the County Health association met on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. James Owen. This committee, with Mrs. E. G. Burgess as chairman for the present year, is composed of the active workers of the local unit, and as such, is available at all times for assistance at clinics or other services that the county physician or nurses may desire.

Also, one day a month is regularly given to the making of supplies to replenish the loan closet, and to meet the many other demands made upon the organization by the needs of those who come under its jurisdiction, particularly the mothers and babies who would otherwise have nothing.

The money needed for this phase of the organized community health work is obtained only through the annual membership drive, and upon the response of the many donors, or for more formal needs, who feel that this effort is the

concern of the community, does the success and continuance of the work depend.

The small membership fee of 50 cents puts the donor under no further obligation unless so desired, to which event, the services offered will be gratefully accepted. The drive, held this year from April 1 to 15, is in the hands of the local committee, who expect to reach a majority of those interested, but donations may be left also at the Medford Pharmacy or sent direct to Mrs. J. C. S. Wells, East Main street.

Making Mealtime a Pleasant Event

The dining room should be a pleasant place, restful and inviting. It should not be crowded with unnecessary furniture and pictures.

If the table is clean, and taste fully laid, the meal will be more inviting. Flowers on the table add an attractive note, but they should be low enough not to obstruct the view across the table.

A colored cloth is cheerful at breakfast time, or at lunch, but at dinner, or for more formal meals, nothing is so attractive as snowy

Chocolate Cake

1 cup butter, 2 cups sugar, 3 cups flour (sift, then measure), 2 1/2 teaspoons of baking powder, 1 cup of milk, 1 tablespoonful of cocoa dissolved in boiling water, 4 egg yolks and whites and beaten separately. Cream butter and sugar well together, then beat hard. Bake in either a layer or solid cake.

Even though the family likes a wide variety of foods, and if every one has an enormous appetite, it is not necessary to let the table look over-crowded. The most pleasing can also hold the potatoes, baked beets or carrots or other vegetables, and smaller dishes can be used, and be certified with hot vegetables from the kitchen.

Conversation at the table should be of the most friendly and pleasant sort. Unhappy family problems or grievances should be left outside the dining room door, and not taken up until after the meal. Children should never be scolded at the table. If it is necessary to correct them for some mistake in table manners it should be done very quietly. Quarreling or nagging among children should never be allowed at the table.

In order that meals may be of the most benefit they should be eaten in a pleasant, comfortable, unharsh manner, under conventional, restful surroundings.

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