

COUNTY DRAMATIC CONTEST WINNERS FOR FINALS PICKED

Phoenix Grange, Central Point and Rogue River to Present Plays at Senior High School Monday

The preliminary judging of the one-act plays entered in the County Dramatic contest was completed Saturday evening and the three highest scoring plays were selected.

Phoenix Grange was the winner in District one with "The Valiant" directed by Katherine Denzer.

Central Point, presenting "Nancy Orr's Day," was winner of District two, directed by Edith Bohner.

Rogue River was winner of District three, directed by Mrs. Essie Birdseye in "Old Settlers Picnic."

These three plays will be presented Monday evening, February 4, at 8:30 P. M. at the Medford senior high school auditorium by the Jackson County Recreation club.

The program will start with selections by Whipple's Juvenile band including: Durrell Adams, Curtis Bachelder, Anita Davis, Betty Evans, Jimmy Elliott, Reginald Fifer, Eugene Hayes, Gordon Hayes, Jimmie Israel, Dorothy Laurent, Virginia Loomis, Gretchen McAllister, Janet Rush, Shirley Roseberry, Hugh Scovell, Harry Thurman, Lewis Thurman and Billy Townes.

Other numbers will include saxophone solo by Janet Rush and Hugh Scovell and a saxophone quartet by Hugh Scovell, Andy Dodson, Curtis Bachelder and Virginia Loomis, including two alto, a tenor and baritone.

The Jacksonville Grange chorus under the direction of Mrs. Mae Jordan MacDonough will give a number of selections between the one-act plays. Members of the chorus are: I. A. Dew, Roy Martin, Chester Wendt, Otto Niedermeyer, A. J. MacDonough, Henry Niedermeyer, T. J. Gifford, W. H. Arnold, Herbert Gifford, Mrs. T. J. Gifford, W. W. Hartley, Marian Niedermeyer, Roxana Frye, Katherine Wendt, Emma Niedermeyer, Anna Wendt, Myra Barrett, Faye Peters, Mrs. Frye, Leona Conger, Doris Conger, Eleonora Posemberger, Gertrude Martin, Mrs. O. W. Dunford, Reva Hensperger.

The three plays will be judged by Mrs. Angus Bower of Ashland, Miss Louise Howard of Grants Pass, W. R. Blair of Medford.

The highest scoring play will be awarded a trip to the Home Interest conference at Corvallis and will present the play at the State Play Festival at Oregon State college, February 12th.

LIGHTING OREGON CAVES UNDERWAY

George P. Whitworth, project superintendent of Camp Oregon Caves, was in Medford Saturday and announced work has been started on a new lighting system for the cave passageways.

A crew has been working on trails inside the caves during the last few days, and will soon be put to work installing lights and wires. Each globe and all wires are to be concealed, and the effect, with colored lights, is to be indirect. Beauty of the caves will be brought out with this system, and the passageways will be made easier to negotiate.

Whitworth said the camp has constructed its own snow plow and will hereafter keep the road into the caves open the year 'round. Besides construction of the snow plow, the camp has installed their own blue printing and photographic equipment within the last several days.

One hundred men are at work about the caves proper.

G. N. SLEEPERS FIRST WITH AIR CONDITION

Two air-conditioned sleeping cars, the first to go into transcontinental passenger service in the northwest, left Monday evening from Seattle Tacoma and Portland for Chicago on the Great Northern railway's Empire Builder.

These cars are forerunners of a hundred similarly equipped sleepers which the Great Northern and other northwest lines will use on their trains this year. Day coaches and tourist sleepers will also be equipped with this modern travel luxury which maintains a comfortable temperature winter and summer, regulates humidity, and seals the cars against noise and dust. Observation cars and diners were conditioned in 1934.

RAINY SIGNS ON GROUND HOG DAY

The Ground Hog, local hermit and recluse of undetermined age, yesterday morning received a severe shock when, upon emerging from his winter quarters into the open air he was confronted by the ghastly and unhealed specter of his own shadow, a sight so repellant to the Hog that he fell in a swoon and was revived only after prolonged effort on the part of his physician.

Hog is resting easily today, his friends will be glad to know, and his condition is not regarded as serious although he keeps mumbling "Six weeks more rain, six weeks more rain." In a monotone, his doctor stated. Special treatment in a darkened room, and the wearing of smoked glasses is expected to have him back on his feet by the middle of March.

In answer to Hog's charges of six weeks more rain, the Jackson County chamber of commerce, A. H. Banwell, manager, today charged that the terror of seeing his own shadow was assumed by Hog, and was not based upon any real danger to be feared from the weather. Banwell branded Hog a "radical."

C. BRENNER BUYS G. PASS BUILDING

One of the largest southern Oregon real estate transactions in recent months was consummated Friday, whereby Cleo Brenner, formerly of Cleo's News and Confectionery of this city, purchased the Helms building in Grants Pass. The building is occupied by the Safeway stores and several lodges.

This is the third building Mr. Brenner has purchased in the neighborhood, having purchased the Trumbull building and the State Theater building about two years ago. The Helms building is well located, having 50-foot frontage on the main street. Mr. Brenner will continue to make his home in Medford. The purchase price was announced as \$25,000. Both sales of buildings was negotiated by I. M. Gainer of the Gainer Realty Exchange here.

PHOENIX GRANGERS WIN PLAY CONTEST

Winning play for District No. 1, including Griffin Creek and Phoenix communities, was "The Valiant," played by a group of Phoenix Grangers. This play will be in the finals next Monday night, in Medford at the Senior high school. The winner in this event will represent the county at Corvallis in the state-wide contest held later this month.

Two years ago, Phoenix won the county and second in the state county Bellview Grange won first in the county and second in the state contest. Jackson county people are proud that so much talent has been uncovered among the residents of the rural districts.

Judges for district No. 1 were, Miss Doris Baier, H. W. Keese and Miss Kathryn Nordeen.

RICHBERG FLAYED, NEW DEAL SCORED BY UNION CHIEFS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Burly John L. Lewis today thrust the American Federation of Labor and the Roosevelt administration further apart with a bitter assertion that Donald R. Richberg, the president's recovery coordinator, was a "traitor to organized labor."

Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers, held Richberg directly responsible for Mr. Roosevelt's renewal of the automobile code without consulting any federation official.

"Mr. Richberg, springing from the folds of organized labor as he did, recommended to the president of the United States the imposition of a code on labor in the automobile industry for continuance of 48 hours a week," shouted Lewis before a senate judiciary subcommittee.

Lewis assailed the "Du Pont family" and General Motors as not entitled to the 48-hour week. He said it was "uneconomical and indefensible."

"For Mr. Richberg, who knows of these things of which I speak," Lewis said emphatically, "I express my personal contempt."

William Green, federation president, said Lewis' statement "reflected the federation's feelings very largely." Green also announced he would carry to the White House within a few days the cigarette workers union's protest against the delay in codification of their industry.

ECLIPSE OF SUN BY MOON VISIBLE THIS MORN, 7:30

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—(AP)—Approximately the best time to see tomorrow's eclipse of the sun, the time when the moon will most nearly cover the sun, will be 7:30 a. m. today. It will be visible in most places for about an hour before and after this time, however.

The best thing to look through is a piece of developed photographic film. Viewed from the earth, the eclipse will be only partial, with the moon coming only part of the way between the sun and earth. As seen from Helena, Montana, the sun will be 67 per cent covered by the moon, the nearest to totality in the United States.

The closest approach to totality as seen from anywhere on earth will be about 74 per cent near the Great Slave lake in northern Canada.

Astronomers are not especially excited about this eclipse, because there is little they can learn from it. The naval observatory, however, will use it, as it does all others, to see if the solar system is "running on schedule."

Tomorrow's eclipse will be the third of seven scheduled for this year—five of the sun and two of the moon. None of the eclipses of the sun will be total as seen from earth. A total eclipse of the moon on July 16, will be visible in this country.

EDUCATION CHIEF TO CONFER FEB. 8-9 WITH CCC HEADS

John B. Griffing, civic educational adviser for militia corps area, CCC, will be in Medford Friday and Saturday, February 8 and 9, to attend a meeting at district headquarters of all company commanders, educational advisers and project superintendents of the district. Several prominent forest service officials from the regional offices at Portland are also expected to attend.

Griffing will bring a resume of his findings in the Vancouver, Fort Lewis, Fort Wright, Boise and Fort Douglas, Utah districts. He is in charge of educational work in the CCC camps of eight western states.

George Griffith, public relations superintendent of forestry activities for the western area with headquarters at Portland, has been given a special invitation to attend, as have the Umpqua forest service and Siskiyou forest service personnel.

One session of the meeting will be given over to a detailed discussion of the educational activities of the district, as effecting the military and educational advisory. The second session will be a general discussion of regulations and carrying out of regulations, and on Saturday Major Clare H. Armstrong, district commander, will preside over a military organization meeting, followed by an educational advisers meeting over which Captain William C. Ryan, welfare officer, will preside.

On Saturday evening a dinner dance will be held at Hotel Medford.

BAKER TROPHY FOR 'BUY OREGON' AID TO MAIL TRIBUNE

(Continued from page one) active member of the Oregon Manufacturers' association, called upon Oregonians to "sell Oregon" to themselves, and others, as well as "Buy Oregon." in his well directed address at the banquet held in the Portland hotel.

E. B. MacNaughton, president of the First National bank, was another of the principal speakers. He declared that by the use of the right type of imagination Oregon could be made to fly with her own wings.

Following the entertainment program, Paul Hirsch, W. R. Lake, Charles H. Carter, Robert E. McKean and Jess Digman were unanimously chosen association directors.

Mr. Baker, manager of the association, introduced Aaron M. Frank, chairman of the Rose Festival finance committee, and James J. Richardson. They presented members of the football teams who will play in the Rose Festival benefit game in the stadium Sunday.

Girl Fight Dismissed EDMONTON, Alta., Feb. 2.—(AP)—Appeals of Vivian MacMillan, former government stenographer, and her father, A. D. MacMillan against a trial court dismissal of their seduction damage case against former Premier John E. Brownlie, were dismissed today by the supreme court appellate division.

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LOAN HEAD SEES EARLY BOOST IN HOME RENT HERE

With practically no homes of the better class for rent in Medford, rent prices are due for a rise within the next few months, according to R. F. Kyle, secretary of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Medford. With more applicants than vacancies and a waiting list for houses that are for sale, Kyle stated that the real estate situation in Medford was 100 per cent better than at this time last year. The association has sold all of their available homes, and have bettered their last year record impressively.

The same situation is reported by J. H. Fletcher of the Jackson County Building and Loan Association, they having sold 4 better-class houses in the past 10 days. There has been a particularly noticeable increase in inquiries regarding the purchasing of homes since the start of the good weather, he said. The association now has practically no homes of the better class for rent, and all of the larger farms properties have been sold or tenanted with option to buy.

A marked trend of interest in smaller acreages near town has been noticed, and building and plumbing men in the city are busy making estimates for spring building.

Both the Medford Federal Savings and Loan, and the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, of Medford are prepared to lend money for construction of new homes. It was learned and there is expected to be a flurry of building in the next few months to care for the demand for better homes.

COMMITTEES PREPARE FOR ANNUAL BANQUET LINCOLN CLUB, FEB. 12

The different committees of the Lincoln club are busy preparing for the twenty-first annual banquet to be held at the Litchia hotel, Ashland, Tuesday evening, February 12, at 6:30 P.M. The principal speaker will be announced early this week and the program printed later. The ticket committees will be out this week, and a good sale is anticipated.

The republican party was created in the dark hours of a previous depression with Lincoln as its great leader. The party has proven itself equal to all occasions in the past, when this country has called upon it to solve its problems and will do so in the future. The party is very much alive, cast thirteen million votes, 49 per cent in the last general election, and will be prepared to square meet the issues before the people in the 1936 campaign.

Republicans of this county, men and women, young and old, who believe in their party and its future, who possibly can, should attend the banquet at Ashland next week.

PRIZE OFFERED FOR FIRST LAMB TONGUES

Any day now the hardy lamb-tongues will be blooming in the Rogue River valley, Fred L. Johnston, local flower fancier, predicted in announcing his eighth annual contest for the first bouquet of these spring blossoms.

Mr. Johnston will half-sole and heel a pair of shoes free, at his West Main street repair shop, as a reward for the boy or girl who brings him the first lamb-tongues.

Last year the winner picked a number of these flowers February 12, and in 1933 the first one appeared about March 9. For more than ten years Mr. Johnston has kept fresh flowers in his shoe shop every day.

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Joan Crawford, Clark Gable at Roxy



In "Chained," which opens today at the Roxy theater, Joan Crawford and Clark Gable are co-starred in a story written especially for them.

They are cast in the kind of roles which each has made famous—Joan as a vivid young lady of Manhattan, and Clark as a young American rancher in Buenos Aires.

With Otto Kruger as the "other man," a rich, gentlemanly, middle-aged New Yorker, also in love with Joan, the story takes on dramatic power.

Following the new trend of fast moving locale, the background against which the action takes place is as swift changing as the drama itself.

"White Lies" on Rialto Program



Pay Wray and Victor Jory have featured roles in support of Walter Connolly in "White Lies," playing today and Monday at the Rialto theater. Leslie Penton and Irene Hervey are also featured.

The sensational yellow press, muck-raking the lives of unfortunates for their daily ration of glaring headlines, is stripped of its glamour and laid bare as the dramatic background of this vivid film play.

Connolly is shown as a ruthless publisher whose zealous search for sensational news makes his own daughter a victim of the unscrupulous news editing. The daughter, in an effort to help a victim of her father's yellow sensationalism, is involved in a murder and the story moves rapidly to a dramatic climax as the father discovers his tabloid methods have practically indicted the girl in the eyes of the world.

SOCIETY and Clubs Activities of Legion Auxiliary

The sewing club will meet Monday evening at 7:30 in the Welfare room, on the fourth floor of the Medford National Bank building. There is a considerable amount of sewing to be done.

If any member is ill, please notify Mrs. Jacobs, 349-X.

Y. O. J. Club Meets With Miss Betty Erfurth

An informal meeting of the Y. O. J. club was held Monday evening at the home of Miss Betty Erfurth, with Miss Phyllis Hedgpeth assisting the hostess. A buffet supper was served.

All Invited to Garden Club Meeting on Thursday

Medford Garden club will hold its regular monthly meeting in the court house auditorium, Thursday evening, February 7, at 7:30. All are invited to attend.

Wednesday Study Club Meets February 6

The regular meeting of the Wednesday Study club will be held February 6 at the Girls' Community club rooms, 229 North Bartlett. Two book reviews will be given, one by Mrs. Laura M. West, and one by Mrs. W. J. Warner. Current topics will be discussed by Mrs. T. W. Miles.

Creamery Employees Have Party, Pine Cone

The employees of the Gold Seal Creamery held an informal party at the Pine Cone Inn, Friday night. Chicken dinner was served to 18 guests. After the dinner a business meeting was held.

Meeting on Thursday For Sanish War Veterans

United Spanish War Veterans and Auxiliary will hold their regular meeting at the Armory, Wednesday, February 6. Supper will be served at 6:30. All members are urged to be present.

Circle Urges Members Attend Luncheon Tuesday

Sunny Sisters Circle of the Presbyterian church requests each member of the circle to be present at the combined luncheon of the association at 1 p. m., Tuesday, Feb. 6, and to bring the hot dish planned. Members are also asked to bring their own table service.

Mrs. Roberts Returns From San Francisco

Mrs. George M. Roberts, who has been in San Francisco since last Monday, returned Saturday morning on the Shasta. She was accompanied south by her daughter, Miss Dorothy Roberts, who left for the east to spend two or three months with her grandfather, H. Lee Early of Cincinnati.

GIRLS CIVIC ORCHESTRA WILL BE ORGANIZED AT CLUB MONDAY EVENING

On Monday evening at 7:30, a great opportunity for those interested in orchestral work will be offered to the girls of the community at the Girls' Community club on North Bartlett.

Mrs. E. E. Gore, whose ability both as a musician and as a director is so well known to southern Oregon, has volunteered to organize an instrumental ensemble and class in music appreciation. She will be assisted by her talented daughter, Miss Dorothy Gore, violinist.

There have been requests from various young women for a class of this type, and Mrs. Gore, whose civic generosity has become an acknowledged factor in Medford's educational life, has promised to confer with all those interested at this time, and formulate this class.

Any young woman interested is urged to come, bring their instrument and take advantage of this plan. No expense will be involved, but a good and regular attendance will be necessary for best results.

The first class will be Monday at 7:30 p. m., in the Girls' Community club on North Bartlett.

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