

DR. BAXTER TELLS SENIORS AMERICA DEMOCRACY'S HOPE

Duty to Stay Out of Current War — Awards Are Announced.

"Our function as a nation is to remain out of the present European conflict and at the end of the second world war save democracy for the world."

This was the opening message Dr. Bruce Baxter, president of Willamette university, gave to 199 graduating seniors at the 47th annual commencement exercises in the Medford senior high school auditorium Friday night.

After sounding that statement that the United States should refrain from becoming belligerently involved in the old world slaughter, Dr. Baxter told the graduating students they would soon be faced with the decision of making one of four choices for the form of government this nation should embrace.

He listed fascism, nazism, communism and democracy as the types of government now prevalent in the world, and he pleaded with the students to "think carefully, definitely and deeply" before making their choice.

Dr. Baxter bitterly condemned the three "ism" forms of government. Of fascism, he declared that "Italy won the first world war but lost peace; the rights of the individual have been trampled underfoot and religion has been subordinated under the dictatorship of one man."

He said of nazism: "Germany lost the first world war, and out of that defeat came nazism with its primacy of blood and hate. True, there has been little or no unemployment in Germany, but those men have been laboring in munitions factories."

Communism, Dr. Baxter stated, changed its emphasis and basis so often that it was hard to define. However, he said, there was little or nothing to praise about this form of government.

Dr. Baxter said that he hoped the thinking person would choose the democratic form of government, but he warned of the definite cost entailed in democracy. He asked that the students make a choice of intelligent citizenship and be willing to pay the price for it, and that unless it be very wise and very good all else goes for naught.

Senior awards were announced by Principal Leonard Mayfield. These included outstanding senior girl, Jaelyn Flynn; outstanding senior boy, John Saulberry; D. A. R. good citizenship award, Alpha Whillock; S. A. R. good citizenship award, Mary Holloway; trumpet trio, national first prize, Reginald Fifer, Douglas Pickell, Ross Webb; drums, national first prize, Burton Isaac; music award, Dorothy Wilder; honor-

ary science award, Stanley Gustin; P. E. O. award, Jean Peters; outstanding athlete, Bob Newland; William Gates athletic scholarship, Ted Gleason; Rotary forensic award, Harry Thurman.

The torch honor roll was announced as including Eugene Ash, Charles Boyden, Lloyd Colbaugh, Walter Enders, Dick Finch, Roberta Hamlin, Ned Lyman, Gretchen McAllister, Lillian Newton, Alpha Whillock and Al Wimer. Lloyd Colbaugh was valedictorian and Gretchen McAllister was salutatorian.

SOUTHERN OREGON OPTOMETRISTS IN SPECIAL MEETING

"When the public realizes that it earns its living through its eyesight and that any limitation of this faculty closes opportunity and narrows chances for holding a job or getting advancement, modern optometry will be put to it to handle all the work needed."

This message was conveyed to southern Oregon members of the Oregon Optometric association by Ralph Barstow of Los Angeles, director of economics of the optometric extension program, at a special meeting in the Hotel Medford Friday night. The extension program is an international study organization with more than 250 branches or study groups in the United States, Canada, Alaska and Australia.

Mr. Barstow noted advancements made in optometry, mentioning particularly help to children in doing their school work successfully, many times, he said, without the need of lenses.

The following optometrists, their wives and assistants were present: Dr. and Mrs. Frank A. Freeburger, Dr. and Mrs. August W. Glutsch and Miss Deline Thompson, Dr. and Mrs. George S. Jennings and Mrs. D. D. Davis, Dr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee, Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Perkins and E. W. Winkle, all of Medford.

Also Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Hermann and Dr. and Mrs. Orville Scheetz of Grants Pass; Dr. and Mrs. Lloyd G. Goble and Miss Geraldine Stansell, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Simmons and Miss Marie Benson and Miss Alice Reed, of Klamath Falls; Dr. R. W. Lake, Dr. R. M. Stewart and Miss Mary Legg of Yreka, Cal.; and Dr. Dean Bubar of Roseburg.

Dr. Goble is president of the Oregon Optometric association and Dr. Perkins, who arranged Friday night's meeting, is chairman of education.

Delinquencies Drop Salem, May 25.—(P)—A reduction in state land board loan delinquencies from 27.1 per cent to 8.6 per cent during a four-year period ended June 30, 1939, was reported today by the state division of audits.

New Home Of Kay-Marshall, Inc.



Attractive new home of Kay-Marshall, Inc., Medford lithographing and printing firm, just completed on south Fir street in this city. The two story structure of brick and reinforced concrete, together with equipment, represents an investment of approximately \$150,000. Dick Kay is president and sales manager of the firm and Joe Marshall, vice-president and general manager. Kay-Marshall, Inc., especially feature lithographing, label making and general printing. Latest type photo-engraving facilities have been installed, and equipment has been added for manufacture of paper fruit box supplies and paper boxes. The company operates throughout the northwest. Kay-Marshall's new building, 100 feet square, and faced in glistening white with black base and Oriental red trimming, is one of Medford's most attractive business structures.

LOCAL and PERSONAL

Return Home—Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Pyle returned recently from LaGrande where they went to attend the funeral of Mr. Pyle's brother.

Date Set—Real estate examinations will be held here May 31, Claude H. Murphy, real estate commissioner, announced at Salem yesterday.

Prize Winner—Mrs. J. C. Tucker of 315 North Holly street won \$50 in the recent Crisco contest conducted by the Proctor & Gamble company.

Club To Meet—Rogue Valley Navy Mothers club will assemble at Ivy and Main streets Thursday morning at 9 to march in the Decoration Day parade. Members are also asked to stay for exercises in the park.

Enjoy Visit—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hollenbeck have been enjoying a few days' visit from their sons, Willard of Pendleton and Clyde of La Grande. Lynn Peiper of La Grande spent the week-end with Bobby Hollenbeck.

Owen Due—James Owen is expected to return this morning by train from Portland where he has transacted business since Wednesday. Mr. Owen resides on Siskiyou heights and is general manager of the Medford Corporation.

High Rating—Company A, 188th infantry of the Oregon national guard received a rating of "very satisfactory" for the year ending with the annual armory inspection in February. Capt. Carl V. Tengwald, commanding, was notified officially yesterday.

Sinnott Here—Philip J. Sinnott of San Francisco, Pacific coast manager of NEA Service, Inc., newspaper syndicate, transacted business here Friday. He had been in the north and was en route back to San Francisco. He left here Friday evening for San Francisco by mailiner.

Joins Husband—Mrs. Glenna M. Early, teacher in the Medford high school for a number of years, left Friday evening by motorcar for Sheridan to join her husband, Loda A. Early in making their home. Mr. Early has been in Sheridan for some time. Mrs. Early does not intend to teach here next year.

Flying Cadet—A press release from Hamilton field, San Rafael, Cal., yesterday announced the appointment of Lucien M. Smith to the rank of flying cadet, in the U. S. army air corps and his selection for the army's course in flying training. Smith is the son of Mrs. Olga D. Smith, 37 Summit avenue. He was graduated from Ashland high school in 1937 and attended the Southern Oregon College of Education for two years and Washington State college for one year. When appointed flying cadet, he was employed by the California Oregon Power company with its Medford survey crew. The flying training leads to a commission as second lieutenant in the air corps reserve.

False Alarm—The fire department's chemical crew went out on a false alarm yesterday afternoon. Some one reported smoke and the smoke was traced to 53 North Orange street where grass was being burned under control of an attendant, Chief Roy Elliott reported.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 1:30 p. m.

DEATH OF IRWIN HELD UNAVOIDABLE BY CORONER'S JURY

At the inquest into the death of Lester Willis Irwin, 28, Friday evening in Peril's funeral parlor, a coroner's jury returned the verdict of an unavoidable automobile accident.

The jury, composed of H. N. Butler, Russell D. Davis, Maynard Bush, Guy Crosby, A. F. Adams and E. H. Sleight, first visited the scene of the accident three miles north of Gold Hill, where Irwin's automobile was found wrecked on the edge of Rogue river a few days after his lifeless body was discovered in the river near Savage Rapids dam. The inquest followed at 7:30 p. m.

A detailed report from Dr. Joseph Beeman, director of crime detection laboratory department of State Police in Portland, who performed an autopsy on the body, was read to the jury by Dr. O. J. Halboth, Medford physician. Other witnesses appearing for questioning by district attorney Frank J. Newman at the inquest were Harold W. Dawson, state policeman; Elizabeth Ann Irwin, widow of the accident victim and Frank Perl, county coroner.

Artists' Widow Dies Pasadena, Cal., May 25.—(P)—Mrs. Nancy C. Russell, 61, widow of Charles M. Russell, famous Montana cowboy artist, died in a hospital here today after three weeks' illness.

CHAMBER'S OFFER OF AIRPORT TOLD WAR DEPARTMENT

U. S. Senators Charles L. McNary and Rufus Holman yesterday presented to the war department and Maj. Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the air corps, Jackson County Chamber of Commerce's offer of airport facilities in the nation's expanded defense program. This word was received in telegrams from the senators.

The chamber of commerce had sent telegrams to the Oregon senators and James W. Mott, representative from this district, calling their attention to the facilities at Medford municipal airport for the training of pilots, part of President Roosevelt's program of building up the country's defenses. Attention was also called to the facilities of the Southern Oregon College of Education in Ashland for handling the educational or "ground" work in any pilot-training program.

"We are in position to handle any reasonable number from a technical and subsistence standpoint," the chamber of commerce informed the three legislators. Senator Holman wired that he was presenting the offer to the civil aeronautics authority as well as the chief of the army air corps.

The chamber of commerce has long contended that the airport here has the facilities and the space for a much greater

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