

PIONEERS NAME CLARENCE LANE NEW PRESIDENT

Mrs. M. Kinney of Ashland is Made Vice President in 66th Annual Meeting.

By A. F. Stennett

The Pioneer Society of Southern Oregon held its 66th annual meeting yesterday in the old court house at Jacksonville with attendance of about 100 pioneers. President J. B. Coleman called the assemblage to order at 10:45 and the audience sang "America" with Elsie Carlton Strang presiding at the piano and Harry Young acting as song leader. This was followed by the invocation which was delivered by Rev. L. F. Belknap.

Next on the program was a solo, "The Little Old Church in the Valley," sung by Harry Young with Elsie Carlton Strang presiding at the piano. As an encore Mr. Young sang "In the Garden of Tomorrow."

Story Challenged
Mrs. Atlanta Naffziger read a paper which she had compiled from recorded historical facts which refuted recent magazine articles asserting Marcus Whitman organized the first pioneer settlement expedition to the Oregon country. She alleges that a diary of that period shows that the credit belongs to her father, Judge W. G. Parker, and his brothers-in-law, Jessie and Lindsey Applegate.

The president introduced James T. Chinnock of Grants Pass who gave the principal address of the day, a very interesting talk. He admitted he was not a pioneer but had devoted considerable time to Oregon history and described it as romantic and picturesque, containing the names of many heroic men and women.

Vining Elloquent
Irving Vining of Ashland made an eloquent talk in behalf of the unknown characters of pioneer days who faced privation and danger but whose names are not recorded in history.

At noon the meeting was adjourned until 1:30 to enjoy a

bountiful dinner in the dining hall prepared by the ladies of the grange. It was a sumptuous repast, perfect in every detail, and the way the boys and girls went after it, indicated that the president knew his onions when he adjourned the business meeting for an hour and a half.

At the afternoon session the business started with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which was followed by a report that twenty-one members of the society had passed away during the fiscal year just ended.

Lane Elected

Next came the nomination of officers for the ensuing year. Clarence Lane of Ashland was named president; Mrs. Mabel Kinney of Ashland, vice-president; Clara Hanley of Jacksonville, was re-elected secretary; Mrs. Elda Farlow, of Ashland, treasurer for that district; Mrs. Mollie Britt, of Jacksonville, treasurer for northern district. All the new officers were elected by acclamation.

The meeting of the society next year will be held at Ashland.

A vote of thanks was extended to Harry Young and Elsie Carlton Strang for the beautiful music they provided.

A motion prevailed that the American Legion of Ashland be requested to secure markers for the unmarked graves of 17 men who lost their lives near Ashland in 1853 and 1855 in battles with the Indians. Their graves are in the Hill cemetery, near the highway south of Ashland.

Oldest Members

The meeting then adjourned, after which the Mail Tribune representative went gum-shoeing around the hall looking for the oldest male and female pioneers. The girls were reluctant to state their ages and for a while it looked like the reporter would have to return to Medford with no nominees for the honors, but before the canvass was quite completed Mrs. Alice Ulrich came to our rescue and acknowledged that she would be 87 years young on the 26th day of the present month. She also stated that she had been a continuous member of the Rebekahs for 64 years and was the oldest in Oregon.

Real old men are rather proud of their longevity and are not reluctant like women, so I soon dug up a candidate for the honor of being the oldest pioneer. The candidate is L. F. Belknap of Medford who confesses he was born at Monroe, Oregon, in 1852 and is now 91 years of age, and

from his physique and youthful appearance,—and without any bad luck,—ought to celebrate about twenty-five more birthdays. His parents came across the plains to Oregon from Iowa in 1847.

NAZARENE CHURCH IN MEMBER DRIVE

The Church of the Nazarene, as a denomination, is sponsoring what is termed a church advance program during October. The slogan for this month is "One Million Contacts." The Church of the Nazarene, according to Fred M. Weatherford, local pastor, is approximating the 200,000 mark in membership.

Special days designated by the general church are: Sunday, October 10, Church Appreciation day; October 17, Family Sunday; 24, Home-Coming Sunday; and 31, Church Victory day.

All of the local churches throughout the entire connection are making the current week a week of prayer with public and cottage prayer meetings, chains of prayer, et cetera, every day during the week.

The "Million Contacts" is broken down and assigned to various churches throughout the movement. October 31, the final Sunday of the series, is to culminate in a victory rally with the reception of new members.

FAREWELL DINNER FOR KNOX TONIGHT

A farewell fellowship dinner will be given by the congregation of the Central Avenue Church of Christ this evening to honor the pastor, the Rev. Kenneth Knox and Mrs. Knox, who are leaving next week. The Rev. Knox is to be pastor of the Church of Christ at Stayton, Ore. The farewell dinner will be at the church at 8 p. m.

The committee in charge states that all members and friends of the church are invited to attend the farewell dinner. The Rev. and Mrs. Knox and their daughter, Carol Ann, will leave Tuesday for Stayton. It is understood that the pastor's successor has not been named.

THREE INDUCTED BY MARINE CORPS

Induction of three men from Jackson county has been announced by the Klamath Falls office of the Marine Corps. They are Richard Dean Chamberlain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer D. Chamberlain of Shady Cove; Robert Bernard Sutton, 18, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jackson Sutton of Rt. 1, Medford; and Robert Bradley Slagle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tillery Slagle of Prospect.

Chamberlain attended Eagle Point high school for two years, winning a football letter, and for the past six months has been employed by Bob Chamberlain, Prospect logging contractor. Young Sutton attended Medford high school and has since been doing farm work. Slagle attended Talent high school, winning letters in football and basketball and has been working for his father as a truck driver.

All three will report for training at San Diego, Calif., after 14-day furloughs.

News Behind The News

by Paul Mallon

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cant void is evident in the communiques from the Italian front. Mention of any German air force activity can seldom be found.

Similarly, American bombers over the Rhineland claimed to have shot down around 75 Nazi planes in a single recent night. Plainly through these facts can be seen Hitler's concentration of his last air strength at home, and the fact that it is taking a terrific mauling there.

LAST acceptable figures here count Hitler's present plane production at about 1200 a month (somewhat over the 1000 figure generally used). But his losses have been more than that for the past two or three months. Not since spring has he been able to maintain appreciable bal-

ance in aircraft production over losses.

Flying Fortresses accounted for 200 ships in September. Thunderbolts and Marauders for 200 more. British and Russian figures are not available, but they no doubt got a somewhat smaller amount. The rest of his losses are attributable to increased accidents in internal use. From this unreported front comes trustworthy word that his air force is unable to get spare parts for replacement in sufficient quantity to maintain former efficiency.

These matters have caused air officers to become more enthusiastic in expectation of an early German breakdown. Their data show Hitler has been unable to move his most important war industries from the vulnerable Ruhr and Rhine valleys. Heavy industries have had to remain there in spite of the bombings because of the proximity of coal and the availability of labor.

To move that area back into temporary safety in Czechoslovakia for instance would take time and require continuous long haul of coal, with railroad facilities already disrupted by bombing.

THE theme of a postwar peace based on American self-interest and neighborly negotiation without too much trust in utopian formulas is developing fast. Another globe-trotter, President Johnston of the United States Chamber of Commerce, has returned with a speech today advocating just such a course.

Mr. Johnston wants recognition of "our immense stake in law and order, in decency and prosperity all over the planet" but not on the basis of disarming alliances, or tailor-made plans for new world orders. He says a strong, prosperous self-reliant America can serve as a mighty bulwark of world peace and progress—and he could have said the mightiest.

The plan which will be adopted he rightly predicts will come slowly, painfully, and on a basis of evolution in collaboration among the nations. My own guess is the main inspiration of such an evolution will be a gigantic Hull trade program.

QUAKERS HOLDING TALENT SERVICES

The Friends church is now conducting Sunday evening services in Talent at the Baptist church. As the building is not in use otherwise on Sunday evenings, the pastor and trustees of the building have rented it to the Quakers.

Milo C. Ross, pastor of the Medford congregation, is leading the services, assisted by Friends and others of the Talent community. Last Sunday a sizable crowd attended the opening meeting.

The Christian Endeavor society meets at 7 p. m. and voted last week to ask the pastor to conduct a book-by-book study of the Bible. The evangelistic meeting for the general public follows at 7:30.

By mutual agreement of the two denominations, the building is being cleaned, the grass cut on the grounds, and the property otherwise improved.

There are no other Sunday evening public meetings of any kind in Talent.

THREE WEEKS

Sacramento, Oct. 8 — (U.P.) — California pre-Pearl Harbor fathers in non-deferrable occupations looked forward today to less than three more weeks of their present exemption from the draft.

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TOMATO THROWER HITS WRONG CAR

Ashland, Oct. 8 — (Sp.) — Two youths, aged 16 and 18, were hauled into justice of the peace court Wednesday to answer charges made by Deputy Sheriff Verne Smith, against Gene Gresham for reckless driving and Roy Wilson as accomplice in the act.

The youths confessed in court that, as they drove toward Ashland near Jackson Hot Springs, Gresham flung tomatoes at oncoming traffic. A direct hit was made on the windshield of Smith's car as he approached the vehicle. Smith gave chase, following the youths on the Valley View road and onto Mountain avenue where they abandoned the car, but were soon overtaken by Smith and a companion.

Gresham was fined \$25 and costs and given a 30-day jail sentence. Sentence was suspended on payment of fine and costs and promise of good behavior in the future. His driver's license was suspended for one year.

Wilson paid \$10 fine and costs, and was given a 20-day jail sentence, suspended on promise of future good behavior.

NIBLEY SUED

Los Angeles, Oct. 8 — (U.P.) — Carlyle Nibley, son of Charles W. Nibley, formerly presiding bishop of the Latter Day Saints Church, was sued for divorce today on a charge of extreme cruelty.

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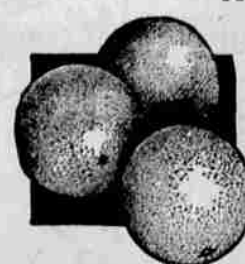
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