

MEDFORD LEGION SENDING SIX TO STATE CONCLAVE

Medford Post No. 15 of the American Legion, officially credited on July 10, 1944, with 385 members, has been allotted six representatives for the twenty-sixth annual department convention to be held in the Masonic temple in Portland August 10, 11 and 12. Each Legion post is entitled to two delegates, with an additional delegate for each 100 members, or major fraction thereof. Last year the Medford post, with a membership of 298, was credited with 5 delegates to the annual convention at Baker.

Representing the local post in Portland this week-end will be Harry A. Young, Charles D. Wiley, Walter J. Reinking, Fred L. Strang, J. E. Russell and Richard H. Baize. Alternates are Walter J. Looker, Fred W. Scheffel, John Avery, John H. McKenzie, Carl Y. Tengwald and Lester P. Mathes.

Fifth in State

Medford post has become the fifth largest post in Oregon in membership totals, the only posts in the state outranking Medford being Portland Post No. 1, with 3212 members; Salem, 720; Eugene, 489, and Rose City Post, Portland, 404. Total membership of the American Legion in Oregon is 16,309.

During the past ten years Medford has been in a close three-cornered membership contest with Klamath Falls and Roseburg posts for the largest membership in southern Oregon. Medford has led throughout the past year followed by Klamath Falls with an official membership of 282, and Roseburg, credited with 297.

This year's membership is the highest for Medford post since the state convention was held here in 1928.

According to membership data reported by Adjutant Fred L. Strang of Medford, the post has 87 World War II veterans in its ranks. To be eligible to the American Legion, veterans must have their honorable discharge from military service. Walter J. Reinking has been post commander during the past year, and the post commander-elect is Harry A. Young, Charles D. Wiley is adjutant-elect.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 7.—(U.P.)—The Oregon department of the American Legion, with a membership at all-time high, will hold its 26th annual convention here the latter part of this week, Dan McDade, department commander, announced.

J. O. Freck of Portland, general convention chairman, said more than 400 delegates representing the 123 posts in the state would attend. The American Legion auxiliary will hold its convention at the same time.

Maj. Gen. Lewis Hershey, national director of selective service; Stephen F. Chadwick of Seattle, past national commander, and Governor Earl Snell of Oregon head the list of speakers.

Sessions begin Thursday morning and will conclude with election and installation of new officers Saturday.

WEATHER

Northern California—Clear today, tonight and Tuesday, but with fog locally along coast Tuesday; little temperature change.

Daily Weather Report

Forecasts
Medford and vicinity: Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Tuesday with little change in temperature.
Oregon: Cloudy west of Cascades tonight, otherwise clear tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.

Local Data
Temperature a year ago today: Highest, 87; lowest, 48.
Total monthly precipitation, 11 inch. Excess for the month, .09 inch.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1943, 16.04 inches. Deficiency for the season, .68 inch.
Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, 29%; at 4:30 a. m. today, 71%.

Tomorrow	
Sunrise 6:11 a. m., sunset 8:22 p. m.	
Past 24 hours: High Low Prec.	
Boston	50 64
Boston	80 66
Chicago	79 66
Denver	63 60
Eureka	62 62
Havre	92 62
Los Angeles	98 57
Medford	77 54
New York	87 72
Omaha	80 68
Phoenix	108 80
Portland	70 57
Reno	88 43
Roseburg	71 57
Salt Lake	109 60
San Francisco	70 54
Seattle	66 56
Spokane	79 53
Washington, D. C.	84 73
Yakima	77 50

Dr. Robert Barrett New Exalted Ruler Of Order Of Elks

Dr. Robert S. Barrett, Alexandria, Va., philanthropist, who was elected this week as grand exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at the eightieth annual session of the grand lodge, in Chicago, has had a distinguished career in journalism, international trade,



Dr. Robert S. Barrett

American diplomacy, social welfare and fraternal activities. As head of the 650,000 members of the B. P. O. E. this coming year, he succeeds Frank J. Lonergan, Portland, Ore., attorney.

Dr. Barrett is president of the National Florence Crittenton Mission. He has also served as president of the Virginia Press association, treasurer of the Commission on Faith and Order of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and grand master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Virginia.

A member of Alexandria, Va., Lodge No. 758, of Elks, Dr. Barrett has held many high offices in the lodge and the grand lodge.

REPUBLICAN RALLY SLATED AUGUST 19

Portland, Aug. 5.—The Republican rally which will conclude an organization meeting of the state central committee and a gathering of affiliated party organizations here Saturday, Aug. 19, will be held in the sunken ballroom at Masonic temple at 8 p. m., with United States Representative Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois as principal speaker.

Committee appointments and plans for the convention-type session were made at a meeting of party officials last week.

The new state central committee will open its meeting at the Portland hotel at 10 a. m. and in the afternoon will conclude with election of officers.

No opposition to re-election of State Chairman Niel R. Allen of Grants Pass has yet appeared. Other officers are Mrs. John Y. Richardson of Portland, vice-chairman; Kenneth Nielsen of Eugene, secretary, and Howard M. Wall of Portland, treasurer. Carl Moser of Portland is executive secretary.

Oregon Republican club will also hold meeting of their state executive committee to make plans for membership campaign and their annual convention to be held in September.

Police Identify Girl Found Dead

Portland, Ore., Aug. 7.—(U.P.)—City detectives today believed they knew the identity of the young woman who was found dead in the bathroom of a hotel here July 21.

Tentative identification placed the girl as Rose May Kafahl, the detectives said. The name was supplied by the employees of a Portland restaurant where Rose May Kafahl had worked for a short time several months ago.

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PARK PROBLEMS TO BE TOPIC AT CRATER MEETING

Annual meeting of the advisory committee on educational problems of parks in Oregon will be held at Crater lake from August 7 to 10, with six members making the trip, accompanied by Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor of the state system of higher education. The announcement came from Dr. Ralph W. Leighton, dean of the school of physical education, University of Oregon, and chairman of the committee.

The committee will meet with park officials and promulgate an educational program for the park and get first-hand information about Crater lake. E. P. Leavitt, superintendent of Crater lake, will represent Dr. George C. Ruhle, park naturalist, who will be unable to attend.

Besides Dr. Hunter and Dr. Leighton, the following committee members are planning to go to Crater lake:

Dr. L. S. Cressman, head of the anthropology department, University of Oregon, and Dr. John C. Merriam, president emeritus of the Carnegie institution, Washington, D. C., and consultant on values of science and nature at the university; Dr. E.

L. Packard, head of the geology department, Oregon State college, and Dr. Ira S. Allison, professor of geology. Dr. Ralph Works Chaney, professor paleontology, University of California, plans to attend.

Social Security Enjoyed by Many In This Section

Klamath Falls.—Charles L. Maginnis, manager of the Klamath Falls field office of the Social Security board, today released the current figures on the social security program for this area. "These figures reveal," said Maginnis, "substantial employment, and a high degree of participation by the residents of this region in the benefits provided by the social security program."

In the past three months, the local office has issued almost 1500 security account number cards. Altogether 45,780 account number cards have been issued since this office was opened in May, 1937.

One-hundred and twenty-four residents of this community made claims for social security benefits in the last 90 days. Among these claims are payments to retired wage earners and their families and to survivors of wage earners who died. These added beneficiaries received \$7955.16 in payments made to them from the social security fund strictly for the ninety-days' period involved.

NIGHTMARE HAS GOOD ENDING FOR BOMBER'S CREW

By Robert Richards
United Press War Correspondent

American Bomber Base, England, Aug. 7.—(U.P.)—John Carlisle told it this way:

"I had a bad dream, see. It was like being a kid again and caught kicking between the covers after eating too much apple pie. It was my first mission and I dreamed I was sprawled on the Fortress catwalk with my head hanging down through open bomb bay doors and nothing between me and Germany but 22,000 feet of cold, windy air. That's what I dreamed, by golly."

Co-Pilot 2nd Lt. Norman Kimmel, St. Louis, laughed.

"Only he wasn't dreaming," he said, "not by a long shot. We couldn't get him to talk on the inner phone and when I went back to get him, there he lay just as he told you, with his head hanging toward Germany."

Machinery Damaged

Twenty-two-year-old Carlisle, from Houston, Texas, the flight engineer, had gone back to close the bomb bay doors manually. They couldn't be shut mechanically because the Fortress had

been damaged over the target. He had left his oxygen mask behind and before he realized it, he collapsed.

Kimmel took off his own mask, put it over Carlisle's face and dragged Carlisle into the pilot's compartment. Then he, too, collapsed from lack of oxygen and fell forward against the controls, sending the Fortress plunging from formation, narrowly missing her sister ships.

The pilot, 2nd Lt. Don Delisle, Bucoda, Wash., jammed an oxygen tube into Kimmel's mouth while he tried to maintain a level flight with the other hand.

Oxygen Cut

Meanwhile, the ball turret gunner, Sgt. Rene Chapuis, Chicago, Ill., was slowly losing consciousness. His oxygen lines had been shot away by flak. He managed to escape from the turret but collapsed on the runway. Seeing him just-in time, Tail Gunner John Smelser, McLouth, Kas., saved his life by grabbing an oxygen flask and attaching it to his mask.

Then, to add to the crew's troubles, the waistgunner, who had been wounded over the target, required urgent first aid.

One engine of the plane went completely dead and another started to sputter. Delisle was forced to "ditch" the plane in the Channel. Half an hour later the entire crew was picked up by an air-sea rescue crew and given brandy, food and clothing.

Carlisle called it, "One night mare with a happy ending."

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Operators of commercial motor vehicles are now required to keep records of the operation of all vehicles covered by their Certificates of War Necessity on simplified forms of their own, as Forms 17 and 17-A formerly supplied for this purpose by ODT have been discontinued, it was announced today by the Office of Defense Transportation here.

ODT officials declared that all operators must keep records with reference to mileage used and motor fuel consumed. In addition, every certificate holder who operates a property-

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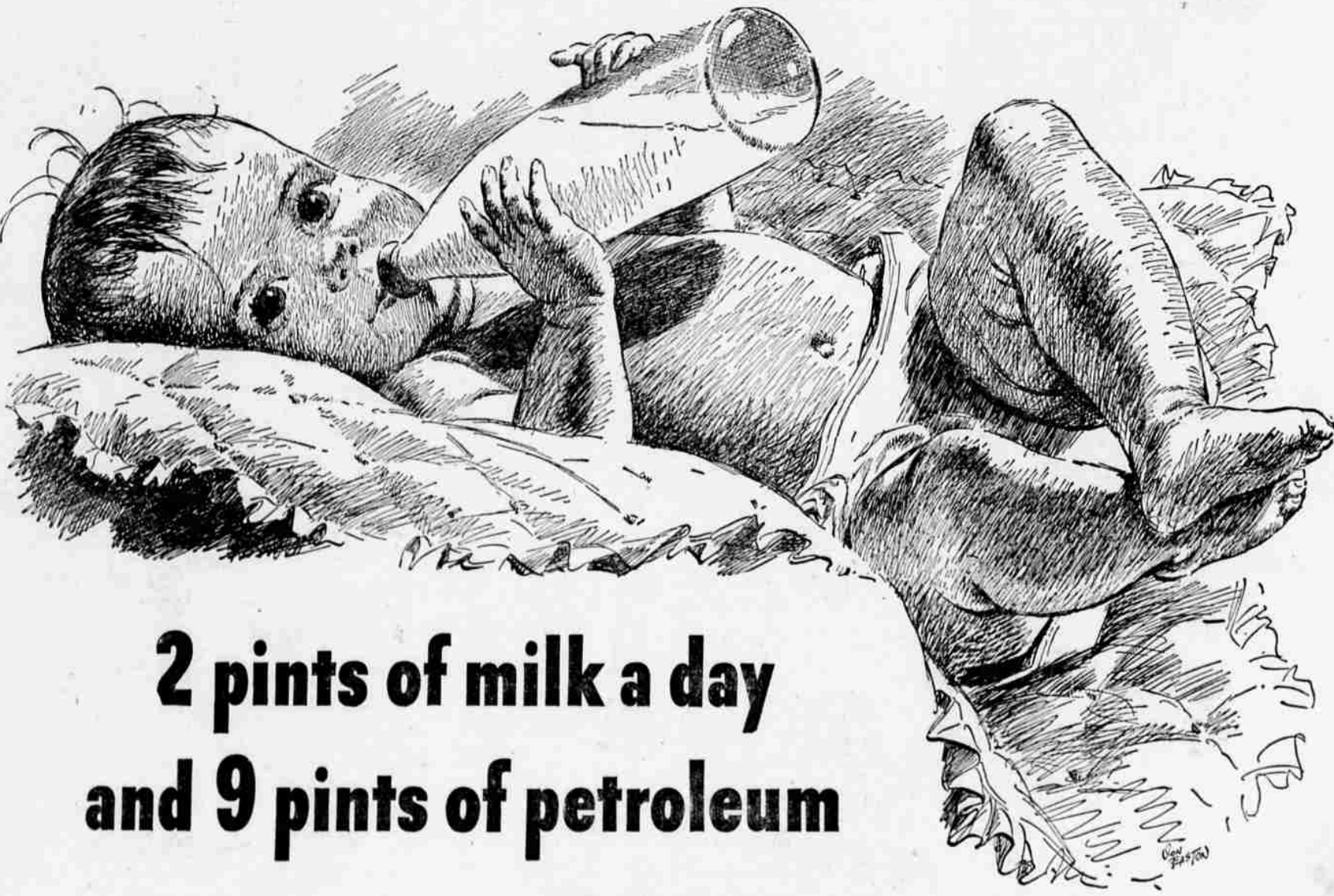
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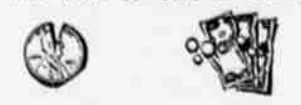


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