

Disabled Vets Slate Election March 14

A new junior vice-commander will be elected Tuesday, March 14, at a meeting of the Jackson county chapter of the Disabled American Veterans at the armory.

The new officer will finish the term of Kenneth W. Ambrose who resigned because of ill health, officers said. An executive committee will be named to fill the vacancy made

when Ira D. Compton moved to California.

Auxiliary members will also convene and sessions will commence at 8 p. m.

SOC President To Upstate Meetings

Ashland, Mar. 11 — Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, president of Southern Oregon college leaves Sunday for a three-day trip to Portland and Salem.

On Monday and Tuesday he will attend the Oregon state board of higher education meeting when final plans for the new SOC library-classroom building will be presented and discussed. He will also represent SOC at a meeting of the Oregon collegiate athletic conference Monday, and on Tuesday he will meet with the extension-institutional cooperation committee.

On Wednesday Dr. Stevenson will attend a meeting of the advisory committee on teacher education in Salem. He was recently appointed to this committee, which makes recommendations for policies of the state board of education.

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All Amateurs In Valley Welcome To Enter Auditions

All amateur entertainers in the Rogue valley are welcome to compete in talent auditions Monday afternoon, which will select winners for a second amateur hour broadcast Tuesday evening, it was announced yesterday by James Dunlevy, manager of radio station KYJC.

The auditions, conducted by KYJC at the Craterian theater, will begin at 4:30 p. m. The six best performers Monday afternoon will appear on a broadcast from the theater's stage at 8:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Popular vote, by ballots, will select the three best amateurs at the Tuesday broadcast. These three will appear on a final broadcast next week, together with three winners of last week's competition.

To Select Three
It will be at this last broadcast that the three top amateurs of the Rogue valley will be selected. The grand prize winner will receive a free trip to Portland and \$75 in cash. In addition, he or she will appear on radio station KEX in competition with other amateur entertainers from all over the state.

Those successful on this broadcast will appear on the nationwide program, the Original Amateur hour, in April.

Midnight last night was the deadline for mailing ballots for favorite performers in last week's competition. The three winners will be announced at the end of the Tuesday evening broadcast.

Subversive Activity Authority To Speak

William D. Browne, chief of Portland's police detectives and authority on the subversive activities of communists, will address a public meeting on Monday, March 13, at 8 p. m., in the girls' gymnasium at junior high school.

The lecture will be illustrated. Browne's appearance will be sponsored by Medford units of the armed forces organized reserve corps. Reservists will receive retirement credits for attendance.

Active Leader
A counter-intelligence corps reserve officer, Browne is considered one of the Pacific northwest's most active leaders in the fight against communist subversive efforts. He has been identified with anti-subversive activities in the United States for a number of years and is chairman of the American Legion anti-subversive committee in Oregon.

Browne engineered the means by which records of communists in the northwest were turned over to state and federal authorities.

Logging Permits May Be Obtained Locally

Applications for logging permits may be obtained from Daryl Farnham or Robert Stokes at the forest protection office of the state forest patrol at the Four Corners on Table Rock road, or by writing to the state forester at Salem, according to the two men.

They said that all logging or similar operations within Oregon forest areas, where any type of power equipment is used or where timber is harvested for commercial purposes, requires a permit.

Farnham and Stokes said many operators apparently are delinquent. They pointed out that closure of an operation for non-compliance may result in failure to secure a permit, and a fine as well. Permits are valid for only the year in which issued and for a specific area indicated.

Essay Contest To Be Sponsored By National Grange

R. A. James, master of Sams Valley Grange announced today appointment of a committee of five judges to select the local winner in the \$10,000 nationwide essay contest sponsored by the National Grange and the American Plant Food council on the subject of "Soil Fertility and the Nation's Future."

All young men and women 20 years of age or less are eligible to compete for awards in the contest which ends April 15. Local judges selected are as follows: Executive committee, George A. Loftin, Herbert Jirschele and Lester James; lecturer, Thelma Beers, and overseer, Elwood Abbott.

Deadline April 15
"All essays from this area must be sent to Sams Valley Subordinate Grange at Sams Valley, Oregon, for processing by April 15," James explained.

"Local winners will be announced prior to sending the entries to the State Grange May 10."

Under Secretary of Agriculture Albert J. Loveland is chairman of the board of national judges, and other members are Dr. Hugh H. Bennett, chief of soil conservation service, USDA; Miss Lois M. Clark, assistant director, division of rural service, National Education association; Dr. W. T. Spanton, chief, agricultural education service, United States office of education; and Dr. M. L. Wilson, director of extension work, USDA.

Interest Mounting
"Interest in the 1950 contest is mounting and we are pleased that so many young men and women are becoming concerned with the subject of soil fertility in relation to the nation's future," James said.

Certificates of award and attractive pins will be presented local winners, who will be eligible for the following prizes offered by the American Plant Food council: National—first prize, \$1,000; second prize, \$500; third prize, \$400; fourth, fifth and sixth prizes, each \$300; state—first prize, \$100; second, \$50, and third, \$25.

Entries must be limited to 800 words, and essays will be judged on the basis of effectiveness, originality, practical application of the subject matter and grammatical correctness.

Irrigation Water In Rogue Basin To Be Good In 1950

Rogue River basin irrigation water prospects are good for this season of the year except for possible late season shortages in the Talent district and Applegate valley. W. T. Frost, hydraulic engineer here for the federal-state cooperative snow survey, said yesterday.

The estimates, based on detailed snow surveys, were reported by the soil conservation service in cooperation with the Oregon agricultural experiment station and the state engineer. According to Frost, they assume normal weather conditions during the March-June period.

Final forecasts will be issued on April 7.

Supply Assured Here
According to the report, satisfactory water supply is assured for the Medford and Rogue River irrigation districts if weather continues normal.

Four-mile lake now holds 7,300 acre feet of water and probably will accumulate another 7,200 in the spring and summer period. Fish lake has 4,700 acre feet and additional inflow of 14,500 is anticipated. This will make about 34,000 acre feet available from the two sources.

Talent irrigation district prospects are only slightly less satisfactory, Frost said. Hiatt lake has 4,100 feet with expected inflow of 5,800 to come. Emigrant reservoir will fill to an estimated 8,200 and the two reservoirs will store a total of about 18,000, slightly less than the average requirement. June rains are important, Frost reported, since they determine when reserved water will have to be tapped.

Late Shortage Possible
Illinois and Applegate valleys are said to have good snowcover on watersheds and water supplies should be satisfactory except for late season shortage for late water rights on the Applegate river.

Frost stated that the Grants Pass irrigation district can expect a good water year about like that of 1948. There probably will be no need for canal alteration since the low flow of Rogue river at Grants Pass is not expected to drop below a minimum of 900 cubic feet per second.

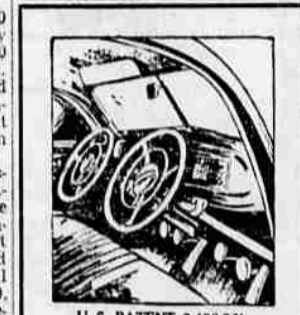
Fifty per cent of new houses are being bought by families with incomes of \$2,000 to \$4,000.

Art Workshop Set Here Next Week

The Binney and Smith company of New York, manufacturer of school art materials, will offer an art workshop program here for the teachers in Medford and nearby community schools, the school superintendent's office announced yesterday.

The 15-hour course is offered without college credit and without charge. Materials, equipment and exhibits are provided by the Binney and Smith company at no cost to the schools or the teachers. It will be held in the Washington school Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 and 6:30 to 9:30 p. m. and the school cafeteria will serve lunch for a nominal charge during the one-hour recess.

The instruction will be given by the art consultant, Miss Clio Heller, and will be followed immediately by participation with materials applied to specific teaching problems, the announcement said. Teachers attending will be required to continue



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