

Fichtner Reelected By Footprinters At Annual Meeting

Medford Police Sergeant Clyde Fichtner was reelected to the presidency of Medford Chapter 16, International Footprinter association, at the annual meeting held in the Jackson hotel Thursday.

Other officers named were C. Lyall Fidler, first vice-president; Paul Haviland, second vice-president; Harold H. Brown, reelected secretary; Richard Payne, reelected treasurer, and Warren Lesseg, Howard D. McClure, Howard Gault, A. A. (Tony) Laumann and Larry Barnes, directors.

Laumann was named delegate to the national convention, and Barnes was elected delegate at large. Alternates named were L. P. Older and Al Leighton.

President Speaks
Lt. R. S. Morrison of the Tacoma, Wash., detective force, grand president of the international organization, spoke at the meeting, and was presented with a \$300 check from local members for the "Boysville" youth education project of the association.

There was also discussion of plans for a forthcoming "soap box derby" for youngsters of Medford, which will be jointly sponsored by the Footprinters, Barnes Chevrolet company and The Mail Tribune.

The association is composed of peace officers and others interested in law enforcement, and undertakes a variety of projects of a civic nature.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Elect Officers

Ed Smith was elected commander of Crater Lake Post 1833, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at a recent meeting. It was announced today. He succeeds Floyd Courtwright in the post.

Other new officers are Art Schatz, senior vice-commander; Russell Roach, junior vice-commander; Floyd Courtwright, quartermaster; Richard Schultz, surgeon; Louis Kula, chaplain; Al Cowan, post advocate, and Victor David, trustee.

The joint installation of officers of the post and auxiliary will be held at the VFW hall, 42 North Front street, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 15. Merrill Beneka will be installing officer.

Several Teen-Age Persons, Working Without Permits, Suffer Injuries on Job

Salem—(U.P.)—Teen-agers employed by Oregon industry are frequently injured in accidents on their jobs, State Labor Commissioner W. E. Kimsey said Thursday.

McLeod

McLEOD — Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hume and family, spent the week end of March 22 at Roseburg visiting relatives.

Mrs. Thelma Soloym is visiting relatives in Santa Monica, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harding Sr., were dinner guests March 23 of Mr. and Mrs. John Shearer of Prospect.

Miss Lynda Steacy of San Francisco is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Home of Trail.

Carpenters are enlarging the kitchen and storeroom at the Elk-Trail school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ditsworth of Ashland were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richardson on March 20.

Richard Barber who is attending college at Corvallis is spending the spring vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barber here.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Anderton were dinner guests March 20 of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Alworth, the occasion being the birthday of Mr. Anderton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Axtell were hosts at a buffet supper at their home "Folding Hills" ranch March 21 honoring Lieutenant and Mrs. Norman Smedes who are leaving for Japan where the lieutenant will be stationed.

The evening was devoted to moving pictures put on by Albert Estlin showing scenes of his recent travels including Alaska, Yosemite and Los Angeles. Present were Mrs. Carl Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughn, Bob Conger, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nelson and daughter, Glenda and Mrs. Harry Harding Sr., Mrs. Audrey Collier, Monte Axtell, Albert Estis, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Axtell and the honored guests.

There was a basketball game March 21 at the Elk-Trail school gymnasium between mothers and daughters after that game the fathers challenged the mothers and the fathers won. At the recent PTA meeting Eve Prentice and 25 of her students entertained with accordion selections and vocal solos.

Oregon Farmers Warned Against 'Subtle Poverty'

Corvallis—(U.P.)—Oregon farmers should be constantly alert against the "subtle encroachment of poverty" into farm life, Paul V. Maris, former director of the farm ownership division of the Farmers Home administration told some 1000 farmers, their wives and extension service leaders here for a statewide agricultural conference.

Advantage Enjoyed

Maris said Oregon farmers enjoyed the advantage of being able to plan the future of the state's agricultural program. Oregon is the only state having a farm planning conference on a statewide basis, he said.

The agricultural conference which opened at Oregon State college Thursday is the first statewide meeting since 1923.

"Poverty in agriculture is an evil thing and once it fastens itself upon an economy in a widespread way it is a veritable millstone around the neck of civilization," said Maris, a former extension service director at the college.

He warned that small, unprofitable farms may be the side door through which poverty may enter Oregon.

The conference will continue through Saturday noon. Principal speaker at Friday's session will be Dr. Tyrus R. Timm, agricultural economist at Texas A & M college.

Late Snow Retards Lumber Recovery

Salem—(U.P.)—Late snows retarded spring recovery in Oregon logging and sawmill operations, the State Unemployment Compensation commission said Thursday.

Recovery from seasonal layoffs continued through February and early March but received a setback in mid-March when snow and cold weather halted operations in the higher regions.

Late snows also cut down gains in construction, the commission said.

Non-agricultural employment, as reported by some 1,200 employers, increased by 4,400 last month and nearly as much early in March but still lagged slightly behind 1951 figures.

Illinois' representative in Statuary hall in the Capitol at Washington is a woman, Frances E. Willard.

Amendments Vote Set By Footlighters Group

Footlighters civic theater members will vote on two proposed constitutional amendments at a meeting in the new little theater at the fairgrounds Tuesday, April 1, at 7:30 p.m. The proposals concern appointments to the group's building board of trustees, and fees, privileges and membership cards for sponsoring members, officers said yesterday.

Mrs. Jerry Smith will be in charge of theatrical entertainment or the evening and plans for theater workshops, to be conducted at future meetings, will be made. Interested persons are invited to attend and participate in the workshops, which will include theatrical make-up, set design, stage construction and other phases of theater work. Members are requested to attend and bring an interested friend.

No Name or Address But—Postcard Received Promptly

Mr. and Mrs. Curt Gerhardt, Applegate, have new regard for the United States postal service.

Recently they received a postcard from friends vacationing in Texas. The card, which arrived five days after mailing, bore no sign of address other than the Del Rio, Tex., postmark. It did bear their first names and the first names of the friends.

The Gerhardts were amazed at such quick delivery, since there was no indication of an Oregon destination on the card. Also, they have been informed, the card had to pass through the hands of seven department employees and be emptied from a sack seven times before it could reach its intended destination.

The card arrived at the home of the son of the friends who brought it to the Gerhardts.

Explanation of the postal service's success in delivery probably lay in the fact that two other cards were mailed, probably at the same time, to other Applegate residents and were fully addressed. The Gerhardt's surmise that postal people recognized the handwriting on all cards as the same.

Boy Scout News

Roosevelt Cub Scouts

A program has been planned for the regular meeting of Roosevelt school Cub Pack when they meet Friday, March 28, at 7 p.m. in the Roosevelt school gymnasium. The following are some of the new cubs to be inducted into the pack and others mentioned will receive awards and achievement recognition:

Gary Milne, Paul Bauer, Rex Howe, Byron Dixon, Bruce Bray, James Aitken, James Hackett, Vaughan Bigelow, Kenny Morse, Robert McIntyre, Danny Sieg, Lanny Jennings, John Crawford, Jeffrey Heatherington, Dean Goddard, Bobby Linders and Danny Campbell.

MOUSE STALLS ENGINE

Falls City, Neb.—(U.P.)—When Harvey Fritz' tractor engine locked he was unable to find the trouble. Mechanics removed the engine head and found finely pulverized corn above the piston. A mouse had climbed in through the manifold and hidden his corn.

Air Force Seeking Qualified Officers

Hamilton, Calif.—The 4th Air Force has immediate need for lieutenants and captains with ratings of radar bombardier, bombardier, and navigator.

Volunteers desiring to return to active military service and take advantage of both refresher courses and special training should contact the headquarters of the 4th Air Force, Hamilton Air Force base, Hamilton, Calif.

Refresher courses will be provided. Volunteers may choose classes with reporting dates any month from April through September.

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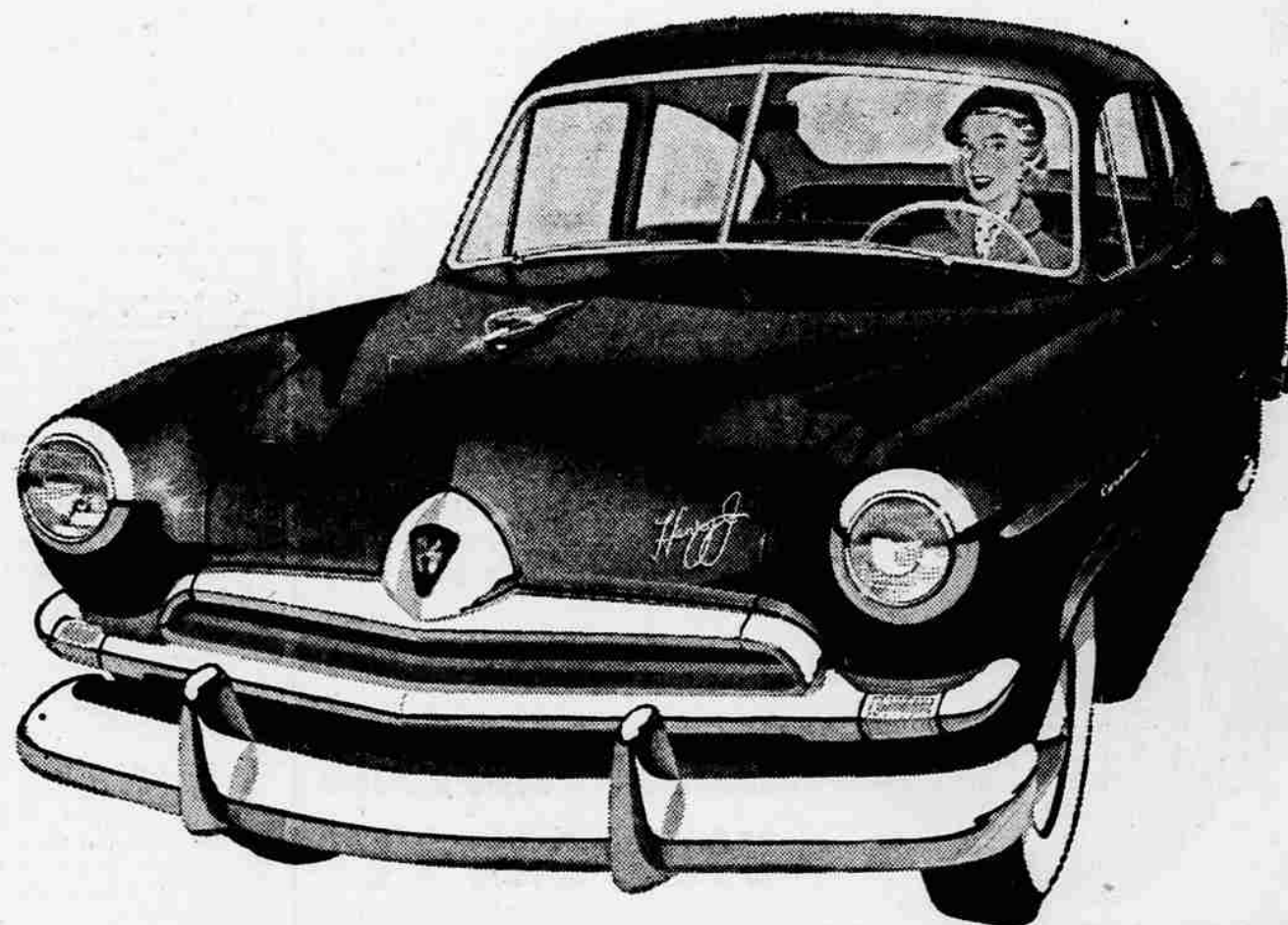
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