

School News

PHOENIX HIGH
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"Beat Glendale" will be the main theme of this year Homecoming events. A queen a noise parade, an alumni dance, and halftime activities are planned for Nov. 2.

Queen candidates were chosen by each class and will be crowned during halftime at the Phoenix-Glendale game. The senior class chose Reba Hensley as their candidate; juniors, Wanda Oetken; sophomore, Linda Medford, and Sandra Edwards will represent the freshmen. The queen will be selected by the football players.

A noise parade will be held Friday afternoon. This year for the first time, floats are included in the parade. Each club and class will sponsor a float. The floats will be judged during halftime along with the coronation and activities from the Pep club.

After the game, a dance is being held in the High School gym for the Glendale and Phoenix students and as tradition, all alumni of Phoenix High are invited.

Music director, Harry Kanasto, selected nine girls to represent the Triple Trio. The girls are Beverly Keene, Mary Daniels, Bonnie Mullineaux, Reba

Hensley, Wava Glasscock, Alma Stovall, Pat Kidwell, Alicia Abbott and Charlotte Keene.

The long awaited yearbook, The Pirate Log, arrived at Phoenix Oct. 23. With pen and annual in hand, students rushed around getting their friends and teachers to sign their annuals. Everyone has been in the dark since last Tuesday when ballots were cast for President of the United States. The results will be visible with the distribution of the school paper today.

According to election returns 50 per cent of the students and faculty voted Republican, 31 per cent Democratic, and 18 per cent didn't vote.

Members of the Future Farmers of America are easily distinguished from the rest of the student body since October, when they acquired their FFA jackets. The new jackets are blue and gold with the emblem and chapter name on the back and the members name on the front.

This year, as has been one in the past, girls who have taken business courses are working in the school office under the supervision of Mrs. Lillian Quackebush. The girls receive a full credit while acquiring experience. Those who are working in the office this year are Alicia Abbott, Charlotte Keene, Betty Medford, Pat Lowrey, Barbara Blankenship, Carol Clark and Carol Anderson.

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JOINS STAFF — Ken Connell, formerly of Portland, has joined the staff at Leon's as assistant manager and shoe buyer. Connell, who was affiliated with Admoff Shoe company in Dallas, Tex., and Armistaw Shoes in Portland, has been in the shoe business since his high school days. He is married and has a nine months old son.

Vessel in Distress Off Newfoundland

New York—(U.P.)—Rescue vessels and aircraft rushed to aid a German freighter in distress off the Newfoundland coast. The Coast Guard reported today.

The freighter Helga sent out an SOS for immediate aid Monday night because of damage caused by heavy seas. It gave its position about 400 miles east-southeast of Cape Race, Newfoundland.

A Coast Guard plane based at Argentia, Nfld., reported it was circling the area and had asked the Helga to fire flares to spot its position.

BOY SCOUTS

Cub Scout pack 44 will hold the monthly pack meeting on Thursday, Nov. 1, in the school gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. Boys having uniforms are asked to wear them, as there will be uniform inspection.

Soprano Wrests Triumph at First Night Showing of Metropolitan

New York—(U.P.)—Manhattan-born soprano Maria Meneghini Callas wrested a third act triumph Monday night from a hard-to-win opening night audience of international celebrities who paid a record \$75,510 to witness her long-anticipated debut at the Metropolitan Opera.

10-Minute Ovation
For the first two acts of Bellini's grueling opera "Norma" the statuesquely beautiful prima donna of La Scala of Milan managed to elicit only polite applause from her audience. Then, after a technically thrilling third act duet with contralto Fedora Barbieri, she shared a 10-minute ovation studded with coveted shouts of "bravissima."

As Mme. Callas took repeated curtain calls with Miss Barbieri, she won the hearts of Met fans by bestowing a kiss on Miss Barbieri's cheek. Thus she laid to rest the legend of the temperamental, two-listed Callas who had a sharp elbow when it came to sharing acclaim with a sister singer.

The reputation of Mme. Callas, the daughter of Greek immigrants, made for herself abroad and at the Chicago Opera last year was responsible for the biggest demand for 3,612 opening night seats in the Met's 72-year history. For the first time, the house was sold out to regular subscribers, who have first crack at first night seats, before any tickets could be offered for public sale.

Traffic Jam on Saturday
Of all the celebrities in attendance, Marlene Dietrich caused the greatest traffic jam on the grand stairway as glamorous women swathed in the season's fur sensation, chinchilla, and bedecked with diamonds,

Survey Shows County Has 2nd Highest Tooth Decay

(Editorial Note: This is the first in a series of articles on fluoridation, being published in cooperation with the American Dental Association and the Jackson County Dental Association. Residents of Medford will vote next Tuesday on fluoridation of city water.)

The average 16-year-old child in Jackson County has 14.5 teeth which are decayed, missing or filled, according to a survey taken here in January, 1955, by Dr. D. M. Hadjmarkos of the University of Oregon dental school.

A recent state-wide survey showed that Jackson County has the second-highest rate of tooth decay of any county in the state. The decay rate here is only .1 per cent less than in Clatsop County—the county in which the highest decay rate was noted. Springfield, Ore., with an estimated population of 10,807, has the highest rate of decay of any town in the whole United States.

Survey Taken
In Portland, a survey among 13-year-old children indicated 3 per cent were free of tooth decay; 17 per cent had complete dental care; 30 per cent had never been to dentists; and 50 per cent had been to dentists but were still in need of dental work.

The high rate of tooth decay among Medford children indicated a great need for a fluoridated water supply, according to Dr. J. P. Dickson, Medford dentist. "In fact," he said, "if all persons needing dental care were to seek it, dentists could care for only one-fifth of the needs. Also, if decay were to stop at this moment, it would take the present manpower of dentists 30 years to completely catch up."

Dental Expense
The average yearly dental expense for each child in Medford under 15 years of age is \$38.96, according to a recent survey of five Medford dentists by the Jackson County Public Health Association. This can be contrasted with the estimated fluoridation cost of 47 cents a year for each person in Medford.

Several leading dental experts began experimenting with fluoridation in 1945 in two communities of New York.

In Newburgh, N. Y., an ounce of fluoride was added to every 3,125 gallons of drinking water. In Kingston, N. Y., no fluoride was added. Before the experiment, thousands of children in each community who drank fluoridated water had dental decay.

Decay Reduction
Ten years later, the children in Newburgh were found to have an overall reduction in tooth-decay of 58 per cent as compared with children in Kingston. There was no evidence that fluoridation had any effect on internal organs, kidneys, arteries, bones, thyroid, hearing or acne.

The experiments have since spread over the nation. Through the studies, the experts have determined fluoridation can protect an individual against tooth decay for his entire lifetime.

Though it will not treat decay that has already started, it will affect the enamel of the teeth, making them resistant to decay. Children who drink fluoride-bearing water from birth will receive the greatest benefit.

Demos Scientific At Double Talk, Dewey Declares

Johnson City, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Thomas E. Dewey told some 5,500 Republicans Monday night the Democratic party has "made a science of the slick art of double talk."

The two-time presidential candidate and former governor of New York told an East Tennessee GOP rally that Stevenson "is talking badly on both sides of every issue."

Stevenson "at least made sense four years ago," he said. **Proposals Criticized**
Dewey criticized the Democratic candidates' proposals to end H-bomb tests and the draft. He said Stevenson "does not explain what would prevent the whole world from falling to the Reds if we had neither trained military manpower nor the best nuclear weapons, and he never can explain it."

"Both America and Russia have the hydrogen bomb but our country is way ahead. Our survival depends on our growing mastery of its new techniques," Dewey told the enthusiastic crowd.

"It is important that we defeat the candidate making these proposals by the biggest vote in history," he declared. "It is equally important that we give the President a Congress that wants to work with him and not against him."

Suspected Abductor Of Woman Arrested
Vancouver, Wash.—(U.P.)—Douglas A. McElhannon, 40, formerly of Pendleton, who was wanted in connection with a reported abduction Sunday of a young woman in Portland, was apprehended here early today, police reported.

McElhannon was picked up in a local hotel and held for Multnomah county authorities.

The young woman, Mildred Faye Macomb, 22, was released unharmed yesterday. William H. Young, 47, her stepfather, reported he was wounded slightly in the left side when a gun McElhannon was carrying discharged. The incident occurred at Young's home.

The young woman said that she had known McElhannon in Alaska.

Jack Webb's Wife In Court for Divorce
Hollywood—(U.P.)—Actress Dorothy Towne, 27, went to court Monday to get a divorce and approval of a \$135,000 property settlement from Actor Jack Webb, 37.

Miss Towne charged mental cruelty in her divorce action against the hero of the television "Dragnet" series. She said Webb has agreed to the divorce and property settlement.

The couple was married in Chicago Jan. 11, 1955, and separated for the final time last Oct. 5. Webb's first wife, singer Julie London, was awarded an estimated \$1 million three years ago when she divorced the Sgt. Joe Friday of television.

Morse Favors UN Probe in Hungary

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), a member of the Senate Foreign Relations committee, believes the United Nations should investigate the Hungarian revolt.

Morse said Monday the United Nations should send a team to Hungary to determine whether Russia violated that country's rights of self-determination. He suggests the United States should propose sending such a team in the General Assembly.

Such a proposal, he said, would do much to keep Russia on the defensive "in the 100 year cold war."

Morse also criticized the Republican administration for trying "in every crisis to go around the United Nations, instead of through it." Morse is a candidate for reelection.

"The last thing Russia wants now is a hot war," he said, "but we must do everything possible to keep Russia on the defensive and off-balance."

Europeans View Oregon Politics

Portland—(U.P.)—Oregon's political scene is being viewed this week by 12 European journalists who are touring the country to witness the American method of electing its leaders.

The group arrived in Portland yesterday and will spend five days in the state. The tour is being sponsored by the governmental Affairs Institute and the State Department.

The journalists today were scheduled to visit the University of Oregon campus, a Cottage Grove newspaper and take in an

Oakridge address by Sen. Wayne Morse.

Yesterday they listened to Douglas McKay, former interior secretary who is trying to unseat Morse, speak in Portland.

The journalists represent France, Italy, Greece, Denmark, Germany, Norway, Iceland and The Netherlands.

Bridgeport, Conn.—(U.P.)—Trying to destroy a hornets' nest with a candle, Frank W. Dunn set fire to an awning and shrubbery and scorched his house but finally accomplished his mission—the pests were destroyed.

NO LION

Wolf Lake, Mich.—(U.P.)—Residents here gave a collective sigh of relief when the lion reported in the area turned out to be a shaved St. Bernard dog. The dog's back was shaved by a veterinarian before performing an operation on the pet.

TITANIC WIDOW

Lexington, Mass.—(U.P.)—The oldest "Titanic widow" still living is Mrs. Mary E. Newell, who will be 103 next birthday. Her husband, Arthur W. Newell, was one of the 1,517 who perished April 15, 1912 when the liner Titanic struck an iceberg and sank in the North Atlantic.



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