

NEWS NOTES from Medford High School

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Evaluation will be completed Nov. 26 to 29 with the visitation at Medford High by 40 to 50 outstanding educators. The pre-evaluation process has been going on since early 1955.

First, a set of standard criteria was sent to the school where each department evaluated its field of study. Next, the faculty met and double-checked the first evaluation. Now comes the true test: The men and women who have been invited to help in this process will visit the school for four days and check procedures a third time.

In an interview, Leonard B. Mayfield, superintendent of city schools, stated, "I feel that out of these evaluations have come our best ideas." He further commented that the school is to be "evaluated on its entire program," not just one phase of instruction.

Mayfield pointed out that evaluation is voluntary and that the findings are for the schools use, not to rate one school against another. The exchange of ideas is the important thing. Perhaps

some of the evaluators will take home new ideas learned at Medford High as well as contribute them, he said.

It was explained that evaluators are exchanged among schools. Last year Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent of schools; Mrs. Grace Berg, dean of girls; Ryder Berg, chairman of the science department; and Miss Dorothy Wilson, head of the foreign languages department, helped in the Cleveland high evaluation in Portland. Mayfield also commented that he was a member of the team which re-evaluated Medford in 1938.

Students at Medford high have something to look forward to: vacations! There will be no school tomorrow in observance of Veteran's Day. Just previous to the Thanksgiving holidays, teachers in Jackson county will hold a meeting which means another day of liberty. This day, plus the regular Thanksgiving holidays, means there will be no school between Nov. 21 and 25. No complaints have been heard.

The seniors and senioritas of MHS gathered Friday night for a potluck dinner given by the

Achievement Night Held at Evans Valley

Sixty Evans Valley 4-H club members, parents and friends attended a potluck dinner and achievement night program Thursday evening at Weimer school.

In charge of the program were Joanne Wood, Penny Ann Buck and Margaret Stone.

Achievement pins and cards for project completion were presented by Gene McCurley and Richard Payne, both of the First National Bank. Miss Marjorie Hattian, county 4-H agent, presented a county awards medal for home improvement to Rita Rae Miller.

Miss Beth Buck received a 10-year member award. Others receiving awards were:

First year pins, Dale Damon, Steve Howell, Lorraine Tracer, Penny Anderson, Leigh Chamberlain, Richard Johnson, Marilyn Deckleman, Buddy Olympus, Tim J. Gold, Linda Stone, David Machado and Kathleen Badcock; second year pins, Christine Penn, Kathleen Johnson, Barbara DeRobaun, Bobbie Machado and Keith Johnston; third year pins, Barbara Wood, Marilyn Deckard, Reta Rae Miller, Sharon Martin, Jean DeRobaun and Maryeda Frost; fourth year pins, Rose Machado and John Machado; fifth year pins, Charles Badcock, Margaret Stone and Joanne Wood; and seventh year pin, Penny Ann Buck.

Spanish club, Red, green and white streamers, colorful tables and an air of "old Mexico" predominated.

The dinner was planned by Linda White, club president; John Reeder, entertainment chairman; Kay Nicodemus, refreshments chairman; and James Boyd, decorations chairman.

The Medford high library has brightened its shelves this year by using plastic covers over the book jackets on many of the new books. The library also has an assortment of new light fiction, science fiction and adventure stories, as well as several new books for the race car enthusiasts.

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TABLE ROCK Demos Make Clean Sweep

By R. E. NEALON

Table Rock—At last Tuesday's election in this precinct, 73-A, the Democrats lowered the boom on the Republicans, when, along with local voters, a long line of Democrats poured over from the area south of the river.

The election boards were kept busy the entire day with the counting board working until 3:30 a.m. Wednesday, when the last of the 503 votes were counted. There are some 560 registered voters in the precinct.

At the conclusion of the counting, the tally showed that the Democrats had won, from president down, in every contested partisan office. Several Democrats got 300 or more votes.

In this bracket were: Senator Morse, with 310 to 185 for his opponent, Sweetland with 301, Duncan, 300, and Schumacher and James with 315 each.

Commencing about 6 p.m., Abe Halfhill, precinct committeeman had helpers making telephone calls to get any lagging Democrats to the polls.

In spite of this, many Democrats listed on the poll books failed to vote, some had moved away, others had been detained in other parts, some hesitated to make the trip in the dense fog that drifted in after sundown, and one had died since registering. We failed to contact the Republican committeeman, so we don't know how many Republicans failed to get to the polls.

Ralph James, newly-elected county commissioner, of Sams Valley, was a caller here Friday. He said he listened to the election returns until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and then to bed, but didn't sleep too well as he was still behind in the vote count.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Timm, former residents, but now of Chiloquin, Ore., were callers here Friday. They have a larger dwelling in their new location, but, according to Mrs. Timm, it doesn't seem like home as yet, and the temperature is several degrees lower than here.

The Timms during their residence here, made many friends, who miss them a great deal. Mr. Timm, caretaker of LouVelle Park, went beyond the line of duty in keeping up the park, and making it pleasant to visitors. Mrs. Timm attended the local Sunday school, was a member of the Ladies club, and operated an observation post at the park.

John Deaver, of Medford, owner of the Deaver Tractor company was a caller here Thursday.

as was Otto Tresham of Sams Valley.

Mrs. Pearl Brown, returned Wednesday to the Everett Brown home, after a month's visit with friends and relatives in Paradise, Calif.

According to Mrs. Everett Brown, secretary of the Table Rock community club, the Thanksgiving program and dinner will be held at the school house, Saturday evening, Nov. 24.

The public is cordially invited, and those intending to be present can get other details from Mrs. Brown, or the arrangement committee, Mrs. Ernest Smith, and Miss Lucile Smith.

The Table Rock Ladies club has scheduled its November meeting, to be held Wednesday, Nov. 14, at the home of Mrs. Aubrey Taylor, according to Mrs. Robert Dunn, newly-elected president.

While attending the Rogue River flood control hearing in Medford, we learned many things we did not know about the river, although we grew up along its banks.

We learned that it cost the fisherman \$50 each, for every salmon or steelhead they catch. This may be true, as we haven't fished for years, and we know that years ago, there were about a hundred fish to every one in the river now.

We also learned, that instead of using flood control methods that it would be more economical for the game commission to purchase all the farm land along the river that might be flooded, and put it into a game reserve for hunting and fishing.

When asked by Senator Dick Neuberger what effect this would have on the country's economic situation, he said, he hadn't figured that out.

And according to a witness from the upper Rogue area, if it was found that a complete control could only be had by a high dam, it would be far better to let the down river folks flood out every few years, than to force people above Lewis creek, to give up their homes.

Several from here attended the funeral of Ellsworth Halfhill, father of Abe Halfhill, who died recently after a long illness. We extend sincere sympathy to the family.

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Grange Notes

Phoenix Grange
The Phoenix Grange will meet Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 8 p.m. at the Grange hall for the election of officers. All Grange members are asked to attend.

Cross-Cascade Road Said 'Not Desirable'

Portland—(U.P.)—State Highway Engineer W. C. Williams said Thursday that a proposed cross-Cascade highway via the Clackamas river canyon was "not desirable at this time."

Williams said the route would cost \$11 million and would be seven miles longer than the Warm Springs route via Mt. Hood. Groups in Prineville, Redmond, Madras and Estacada backed the route.

The State Highway Commission also asked an Astoria group to get the opinion of bond experts on salability of bonds for a proposed \$33 million bridge over the Columbia river at Astoria.

"WE'RE GONNA MISS YOU"

Danbury, Conn.—(U.P.)—The cook is gone but the flavors linger on. The food at the federal correctional institution here was so good 314 convicts signed a petition begging the steward, Claude O. Lerche, 51, to forego his planned retirement. Lerche retired despite the plea.

Strike in Bolivia

La Paz, Bolivia—(U.P.)—A strike by printing and radio communications workers Saturday threatened President Juan Siles Suro's economic stabilization plans.

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Patton Conviction Affirmed by Court

Salem—(U.P.)—The state Supreme Court Thursday affirmed the armed robbery conviction of James A. Patton, one of four inmates who broke out of Linn county jail and remained at large for some time.

Patton's appeal contended that Judge Victor Olliver did not properly instruct the jury and therefore prejudiced the case.

The high court decided that the jury had been correctly instructed. However, Justice George Rossman wrote a dissenting opinion holding that the jury had not been specifically informed that the defendant was not required to testify on his own behalf.

District Advisory Board to Convene

The Medford district advisory board for the bureau of land management will meet at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, at the city hall in Medford.

Among items of business will be nomination and election of a chairman and vice-chairman, review of organization and functions of the board, discussion of the 1957 timber sale plan, consideration of plans for future access road projects and adjustment in fire protection boundaries as a result of the O and C Forest Service exchange.

Michigan Prophet Says It Will Be Warm Winter

Athens, Mich.—(U.P.)—Southern Michigan's weather prophet, Mary Mandoka, says it's going to be a warm winter.

Mary, a Potawatomi Indian who claims to be close to 100 years old, says she bases her prediction on the sun, trees, bugs and the behavior of muskrats.

Other weather prophets predict a cold winter, but persons who know Mary say her annual predictions are right "a startling number of times."

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