

# NEWS NOTES from Crater High School

Scholastic Roto magazine section has been secured for the school paper, after continued "knocking at the door of the University of Minnesota for the past two years" by Miss Geraldine White, publications adviser. The Roto section, put out by the National Scholastic Press, is like the magazine section in most Sunday papers, and is inserted in the middle of the regular Comments sections. The Roto magazine contains news of interest to high school students, presented in pictorial form.

Milo Ross, president of George Fox college, a Quaker school at Newberg, Ore., was guest speaker at the Crater High Bible club last Monday. Ross spoke briefly on the value of an active Bible club in the high school, and told of the inspiration such an organization could provide to the young Christian. After the Bible club meeting, Ross spoke to students who were interested in attending George Fox college.

The Bible club is the newest organization at Crater High, and one of the most active clubs. Richard Evans is president, and Carol Harris, commercial teacher, is adviser of the group. The club meets during the noon hour with devotions, songs, and the scripture of the week, and a special speaker. A group of members is in the process of writing a constitution for the new organization, which has approximately 50 members.

A movie on the subject of civil defense was shown to students last Wednesday. The movie was presented by Lee Gossett, a Crater student and member of the Civil Air Patrol. The movie told of the work done by the CAP, and encouraged young people to become interested in the organization.

Willamette university's band presented a concert at Crater last Thursday afternoon. The group, under the direction of Maurice Brennen, played a number by Bach, the score from "My Fair Lady," several selections of different musical types, as well as a novelty ballet, which included "Daydreaming" as applied to students in study hall on a spring day, and "First Driving Lesson" complete with sound effects.

The newly formed dance band played at a noon-hour sock hop for Crater and Willamette university students. The university students praised members of the dance group, telling them that they had a fine, smooth sound. The dance band players, all boys, have new outfits, with a smart look. They wear charcoal slacks, topped off with black charcoal, and white plaid wool jackets, white shirts and red ties. The group has been invited to play at a number of social functions, booking them well up for some time.

Karen Johnson, general chairman of the Girls' League spring formal, has begun plans for the event, to be held in March. The theme has been chosen, and all committee heads are becoming active. The Spring Formal is one of the three formal events held during the year, and is the last formal dance which underclassmen may attend.

Student Government Day elections were held last Monday. Results of the elections were county judge, Bob Elden; engineer-surveyor, John Greb; county coroner, Larry Smith; county sanitarian, Sharon Lilly; watermaster, Irma Penwell; and constable, Danny Nolte. Students appointed to offices were

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# High School Students Take Various Government Offices

High school student in Jackson county assume elective and appointive offices of the county and Medford city government bodies Monday and Tuesday in the Medford Elks club annual student government day program.

Holding offices from Crater High school will be Bob Elden, county judge; Larry Smith, county coroner; John Greb, engineer; Danny Nolte, constable; Nancy Barnes, home demonstration agent; David Mack, boys

4-H agent; Erma Penwell, water master; Sharon Lilly, sanitarian; Sarah Richards, elections clerk; Don Hubbard, custodian; Dennis Kottke, secretary of the county court; and Carl Koellner, city observer in the fire department.

From Phoenix High school, student officers will be Marva Sult, county clerk; Neil Gearin, county commissioner; Lester Schweigh, sheriff; Charles Swingle, chief deputy sheriff; Ronald Dougherty, assistant ju-

venile officer; Donald Wallace, jailer; Dorothy Bean, public health nurse; Charlotte Stovall, public welfare commissioner; and Jim James, city observer in public works office.

**Eagle Point Students**  
Eagle Point High school students holding offices will be David Woolfolk, circuit judge; Diana Gardner, county commissioner; Howard Tridell, district court judge; Sally Mongold, health officer; Jim Bunker, agriculture and home demonstration agent; Joanne Dickenson, chief deputy clerk; Carol Sheppard, court reporter; and Leonard Winslow, city observer in police department.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JEKINS

Let's take a look at the stock market today.

Its recent gyrations have been interesting, to say the least. There have been times when they were FRIGTENING. Monday, for example, when the market dipped more than eight points and shrank the value of listed securities some four billion dollars.

That nose dive came at the end of a period during which the values of all listed issues had dropped some 20 billion dollars since the second day of last August.

That gave us the shivers—and well it might, for in the epochal debacle of the autumn of 1929 the shrinkage in total stock issue values was only about 15 billion dollars.

BY MONDAY night, it was hard to escape this thought: IS IT—AGAIN?

APPARENTLY IT ISN'T. At any rate, the stock market rose sharply Wednesday. It rose again Thursday morning, in active trading. Gains extended to nearly two points over a broad list. Steels, oils, chemicals, rails and aircraft shared in the rise. Trades included large blocks ranging up to ten thousand shares.

Buying was so active that the tickers ran behind again — as they did yesterday.

WHAT happened? Apparently, buyers came to the conclusion by Wednesday

that prices had dropped below VALUES. So there was a rush to BUY. That belief carried over into Thursday. So again there was a rush to buy, which gain lifted prices.

What does that mean? It must mean that there is plenty of CONFIDENCE in the future of America's economy. That spirit of confidence in the future was lacking in the black autumn of 1929.

LET'S jump to no conclusions: It isn't safe. The present horizon isn't clear of clouds. The clouds, perhaps, are no bigger than a man's hand. But they still are clouds. The boom has lasted a long time. It has been riding pretty high. Measures designed to hold it under control are distinctly not popular. There are plenty of people who want to KEEP it riding high, wide and handsome—regardless.

That being true, the boom could get out of control. In that event, it would almost certainly be followed by a bust. But at least there are recognizable differences between 1929 and now. The wild boom of the late 20's was based largely on speculation—the desire to get rich quick without doing too much work.

The present boom is based upon an expanding economy and a swiftly rising population. The economy is expanding because of technological advancement in industry. This technological advancement gives us confidence in the future. Because of confidence in the future, families are growing in size. More family units mean more markets for a wide range of products. And so on.

IF WE keep our shirts on, if we don't try to get rich TOO quick, if we stay willing to work for what we get, if we spend a little less each year than we earn—thus providing a background of saved-up capital with which to finance the expansion we anticipate—the future should remain bright.

That is apparently the thinking that brought buyers back into the stock market as soon as it was felt that prices had dropped below values.

### Portland Taxi Driver Says He Was Harassed

Portland—(U.P.)—A taxi driver testified Friday he had been "harassed" because of his testimony before a vice-probing grand jury here last summer.

The testimony came in Municipal Court from Harold Bengé, 36, who was found innocent of a charge of bringing two persons together for immoral purposes. The jury was out only 15 minutes.

Bengé claimed the arrest was "harassment" by the vice squad because he had testified before the grand jury. Police Lt. Carl Crisp denied this.

A modern voting machine has about 28,000 parts.

### Klamath Millworker Killed Under Car

Klamath Falls—(U.P.)—A 28-year-old Klamath Falls mill worker was killed Friday night when he was crushed under his car when a jack gave way.

Police identified the victim as Norman Sabin. They said he had been dead about an hour when the accident was discovered.

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# School News

## PHOENIX HIGH SCHOOL

The Future Homemakers of America, PHS chapter, held the annual Sweetheart's Ball Friday, Feb. 8, in the school library. Music was by Johnny Lusk and his band.

Theme of the dance was "Young Love." Janice Grove, a junior, was elected queen by majority vote.

Several PHS boys have organized a car club, the Rogue Rods. Meeting at Boy Taylor's house on Feb. 13, the group formed the club and elected officers, set dues and approved a car identification plaque.

Bob Taylor was elected president; Jim Heath, vice president; Jim James, secretary, and treasurer are Dennis James and Gary Simmonds. A car identification plaque containing the words "Rogue Rods" was approved and a design is to be submitted at a future meeting.

Objective of the club is safe driving habits for young car owners. Meetings will feature state police or other qualified adults as speakers and guidance counselors.

The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 20.

According to a letter from Mrs. Tums, president of Southern Oregon college FTA, members of the SOC have accepted an invitation to attend a meeting of the PHS FTA chapter, Tuesday, Feb. 19.

Members of the SOC chapter will discuss possibilities of FTA chapters as well as other questions which the PHS chapter may ask.

Twenty four PHS students will compete in the district vocational agriculture contest at Roseburg according to John Dube, ag instructor. The group made up students from all four classes left Saturday, Feb. 16.

Contestants will vie for superiority in seed identification, rope work, welding of farm machinery and in a spelling contest featuring words common to agricultural activities.

Delmar Broad, All-Star Football player at PHS last year, received a football award at an award assembly at Shasta Junior college, Redding, Calif., Jan. 18. Delmar attended PHS four years and was active in almost every kind of sport activity. As his

## Pay Increase Granted Phone Company

Portland—(U.P.)—An agreement granting pay increases ranging from \$3 to \$5 per week was announced here late Friday by the Pacific Telephone Telegraph company and Local 1011, Order of Repeaters and Toll Testboardmen.

The pay increases would be effective Feb. 17, provided the union membership ratifies the agreement by midnight March 4.

Negotiations had been conducted since December and Commissioner Leroy Smith of the federal mediation and conciliation service was called in on Feb. 5.

## Fishing Boat Burns Off Washington Coast

Seattle—(U.P.)—The fish boat Thoreen burned to the waterline off the Washington coast near Neah Bay early Saturday, Coast Guard officials here reported.

No injuries were reported. The Coast Guard said. Members of the Thoreen's crew abandoned ship and rowed to safety. They were picked up later by another fishing vessel, the Torbenskjold.

The fire broke out when the galley stove exploded, the Coast Guard said.

The Torbenskjold radioed it would tow the hull of the Thoreen into Neah Bay as soon as possible.

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