

# SCHOOL NEWS

## Medford High School

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"Brigadoon," this year's musical comedy, opened Thursday night to a capacity crowd. Sue Baker, John Frohnmayer, Rosemary Doolen, and George Koch played major roles in the well-received performances presented Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

The juniors led the first honor roll, issued Nov. 3, with a total of 76 students listed. The sophomores had 71 on the coveted list; the seniors, 57. Semester grades will be issued Jan. 30, 1959.

The band displayed a repeat performance of half-time activities at the state playoffs

in Multnomah stadium in Portland. The show included various maneuvers and routines. Band members wore toe and cap lights making a colorful sight.

The band and pep club went to and from the game by bus, leaving early Friday morning and arriving home early Saturday morning.

Interested seniors lined up in the cafeteria during the various noon hours Dec. 4 as measurements for the graduation caps and gowns were begun.

The rental fee for the gown is \$2.50 and the tassel on the cap may be purchased for 35 cents. The measuring procedure will probably continue several days.

A four-year scholarship, a trip to Chicago, or a beautiful gold pin, are the rewards for highest marks in the annual Betty Crocker examination. Thirty-two of Medford's senior girls took this extremely comprehensive and difficult test Dec. 2.

Some of the subjects the girls were tested on are finance, insurance, family and commercial relations, child care and welfare, nutrition, clothing, and textiles.

The local winners will receive gold Betty Crocker pins, the state winner a paid trip to Chicago to help choose, by means of a convention, the national winner. The lucky person will receive a four-year scholarship estimated to be worth \$5,000.

The school intercom system is now in full working order. Teachers can pick up the receiver, and speak to the office, or to another room. All occupied rooms are thus equipped, and students have been asked to not disturb the phones.

Interviews were held Dec. 1 for students interested in the American Field Service program.

Several of Medford's citizens including Mrs. H. D. Christenson, Russ Jamison, Mrs. Kathleen Bash and Deans Alex McDonald and Mrs. Grace Berg, interviewed the candidates.

Roberta Sleiter, last year's exchange student to Norway, and Dale Foresee, MHS student body president also quizzed the hopefuls.

Questions asked were "Which country would you prefer to go to?" "If you were in a country where communism was trying to get a foothold what would your attitude be?" "How could you benefit foreign relations living with a family?" and "What do you think the goal of the American Field Service is?"

Finalists are Lucille Lowry, Carolyn Mencke, John Frohnmayer, and Elaine Jennings. The final choice will be made by the New York office.

Life and the problems in the Middle East became more

realistic Monday morning when students in William Ruck's American Problems classes were shown slides by the Rev. John Reynolds. The slides were taken while Mr. Reynolds was on a visit to the Holy Lands.

Twenty-two debate and speech squad members were participating Thursday and Friday night in the 13th annual forensic tournament at the Pacific university.

The various events are debate, oratory, extemporaneous speaking, and serious and humorous interpretive readings. The events were divided into men's and women's divisions and the winners received trophies.

As a sort of reminder of the tragic mishap in a Chicago school, students participated in a fire drill Thursday. A hurried but orderly evacuation was achieved.

**Jackson School**  
By Patricia Warren and Mike Barker  
The bulletin board in the main hall had a mural of the First Thanksgiving. Mrs. Myra Dean's second grade pupils made it in honor of Thanksgiving Day. The picture caught the eye of many of the children as they went through the hall. The drawings were excellent. The pictures certainly told the story of the First Thanksgiving in pictures.

The safety patrol members are making a bulletin board. It has pictures of all the members in the center. The boys and girls on safety patrol are making posters to put around the edge.

Last week is the end of the second sixth week period and all the children are studying much harder than usual, because it is six weeks test time.

Nov. 19, the Jackson school student body had a meeting. During the meeting the 6Ma group put on a skit called the "Trial of the Litterbug." The members of the cast were Larry Halme, Victor Snyder, Mike Stephenson, Michael McDonald, Mike Rodgers, Sherry Dwight, Dean Hanson, Bill Bratrain, David Williams, Carolyn Cole, and Narrator Karyn Fixen.

Cathy Watson and Linda Graham demonstrated and told how to set and remove table settings. They discussed good table manners. This is one of the projects developed in health class.

We are all working hard on the Christmas play. The play will be presented to the parents on Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m.

In 1859, when crude oil was first produced in the U.S., output totalled 2,000 barrels. In 1957, the figure was 2,618,840,000 barrels.

## Crater High School

By Darlene Tomlinson

The "Gay Twentines" comes to life Dec. 12 and 13 when Crater High's Curtain Callers present "Cheaper by the Dozen."

Changes have been made in the cast and it now stands as Mr. Gilbreth, John Caster; Mrs. Gilbreth, Sandra Smith; Ernestine, Betty Jones; Frank, Richard Hammersly; Jackie, Robert Allen; Dan, Emmitt Glass; Bill, Byron von Buskirk; Fred, Gary Meade; Anne, Sharlette Hale; Lillian, Wanda Davis; Martha, Dayle Neshiem; Mr. s. Fitzgerald, Margaret Pendleton; Dr. Burton, Bill Manasco; Joe Scales, Gay Dean Jones; Miss Brill, Arvela Prom; and Larry, Kent Randahl. Janet Scalburg and Mrs. Hanson are assistant directors and Margaret Pendleton is the technical director.

Tickets may be purchased from members of the production staff or at the door.

Sophomore biology classes, donating \$7.73, raised the most money of any one else at Crater. The money will be donated to the Red Cross. The drive concluded Dec. 1. Albert Piche's freshman homeroom led the homerooms with a total of \$2.60.

A Red Cross committee composed of Laine Donker, Julie Ashton, Linda Doran, Carol Meyers, and Geraldine White, dean of girls, collected the money.

Freshmen agriculture students were initiated Dec. 1 and officially admitted to FFA when the annual "Green Hand" initiation was held. There were a few initiates who were not freshmen, however. The initiation was opened by FFA president, Allan Barnes, and Carl Simmons gave a summary of the freshmen projects.

Fifty-one "Green Hands" were presented with bronze FFA pins and membership pins. The FFA talent team, five guitar players, provided entertainment. The talent team is made up of Tom Samples, Leon Sherman, Dennis Samples, Floyd Sherman, Dennis Fisher with Don Denning acting as master of ceremonies.

Girls League is sponsoring "Bundle Days" from Dec. 1 to Dec. 10. Clothes students do not need or want but are in good condition they bring to school during this period will be sent to needy children.

To raise money to send the yell leaders to basketball games, a talent show was held Dec. 3. A total of \$61 was made.

Participating in the talent show were Nancie Hopper, an Hawaiian dance; Dayle Neshiem, a ballet dance; the majorettes and Nicki Hammond, a soldier march; Carol and Barbara Brophy; Nancie Hopper, and Sharla Blake sang "Devoted To You"; James Hays played two pieces on the piano; Carol Meyers, Mona Schoeder, Lea Tuburna, Judy Kimmey, Lynn Malot, Dolores Newell, Barbara Walters and Sharon Anderson, master of ceremonies, put on a modeling show; Lea Padgett played two pieces on the accordion; Tom Samples, Dennis Samples, Floyd Sherman, Leon Sherman, and Dennis Fisher played their guitars; Sharla Blake, Marilyn Jones, Sylvia Yell, Donna Burnett, Richard Jones, Richard Hammersly, Miller Bishop, and Lorenzo Amos sang "April Love."

Sophomores team 3 won first place in the volleyball intramurals held recently. Juniors took second and freshmen team 2 took third place. Alice Thompson, GAA head of sports, is in charge of all intramurals.

At the meeting Dec. 2, the Medical Minded Maids visited the office of Dr. C. E. Lewis, a Central Point dentist. They were shown around the office and shown how equipment works. Mrs. Betty Neidermeyer, Dr. Lewis' assistant, explained what the job of a dental assistant is. Refreshments were served at the home of Elaine Kroon.

## Hedrick Junior High

By NANCY DUNCAN

Ninth, eighth, and seventh grade basketball teams saw their first action Thursday, Dec. 4, against Central Point's teams. Hedrick ninth-graders beat the Comets, 28 to 24, while the eighth-graders were on the small end of a 40 to 30 score. The seventh-graders lost, 28 to 23.

Making up the roster for the eighth grade basketball team are Jim Bandy, Dan Miles, Gibb Mitchell, Roy Ross, Don Anderson, Roy Shaw, Darrel Stockton, Garner Hauptert, Greg Taylor, Mike Raitlon, John Gilbertson, Todd Jones, Tom Barker, Mike Miller, and Harold Reid. Jerry Olson and Jerry Stratton are managers.

Seventh grade team members are Larry Vowell, Rich-

ard Knight, Chris Rasmussen, Nick Rasmussen, Steve Moore, Lee Wimberly, Steve Root, George Dames, Jim Wise, James Rowan, and Dave Collins. Managers are Jim Bell and Stan Delgado.

Because of wintry weather moon dances have been organized. They are held in the balcony of the gymnasium where De Etta Lawson, ninth grade secretary, directs the activity. Mike McCullough is in charge of the welcoming committee, whose duty is to help students feel at home on the dance floor. Members of the Hive, Hedrick's service organization, oversee student conduct and are charged with maintaining proper social behavior.

Hedrick students received their school pictures last week and only a few would admit that they were pleased with their likenesses. Colored school pictures remind the students of the sun tans at the time the pictures were taken. Picture bartering and exchange undertook the efforts of most students last week as everyone tried to get pictures of his pals or gals.

A sunny morning last week prompted a fire drill which cleared the building in an orderly manner and in near-record time.

Mike McCullough is heading the toy drive started last week. Points will be awarded to competing home rooms for the quality and quantity of the toys which they gather. The toys are destined for the firehall for repair and distribution.

A debate against Eagle Point by Hedrick's debaters is planned Saturday, Dec. 13.

Future Homemakers are looking toward Dec. 18, the date of their Christmas party, during which unneeded articles, gaily wrapped, will be auctioned. Party arrangements are in the hands of Jill Barnes.

## C. P. Junior High

By JUDY PATTERSON

We started our basketball season Thursday, and we defeated Hedrick in two games. The eighth grade won, 40 to 30, and Louie Alvarez was the captain. The seventh grade won, 28 to 23, and Vern Swanson was captain.

This year the paper staff is putting out a one page paper each week. It goes to every junior high student with the

weekly news. The paper staff had a contest to see who could pick the best title for the paper. Carolyn Barnes' selection was chosen. Her selection is "Have News, Will Spread."

This year the Journalism club tried something new by selling Pointer pens. They are green and gold and "Pointers" "Central Point Junior High" was printed on them.

On Dec. 15, the junior high is going on a Christmas skating party. They will go to the Grants Pass skating rink. About 170 tickets have been sold so far and they are expecting about 200 or more.

The seventh and eighth grade girls and boys intramurals basketball started last Monday. Some of the team names are the Huckleberry Hounds, the Yogi Bears, the Boo Boos, and the Maverickettes.

The National Geographic Magazine says that Hawaii's Mound Waialeale is probably the world's rainiest spot with an annual average rainfall of 489 inches.

## Fire Underwriters List 12 Safety Points for Tree

The National Board of Fire Underwriters has issued a list of 12 safety tips for Christmas trees. The points are:

1. Choose a small tree instead of a large one. A small tree can be just as pretty, less hazardous.
2. Keep the tree outdoors until you're ready to install it.
3. Do not set up the tree until just before Christmas.
4. Set up the tree in the coolest part of the house, away from radiators, heaters, fireplaces. Stand it in water to retard drying.
5. Use fireproof decorations of glass or metal, never cotton or paper decorations unless flame proof.
6. Do not set up electric trains around or near the tree.
7. Use electric lights—never candles. Inspect every electric socket and wire to make sure set is in good condition. Discard lighting sets with frayed wiring. When buying new sets, look for UL label of Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc.
8. Provide a switch at some distance from the tree for turning tree lights on and off.
9. Do not leave lights burning when away from home.
10. From time to time inspect the tree to see whether any of the needles near the lights have started to turn brown. If so, change the position of the lights.
11. When needles start falling, take the tree down and discard it outdoors.
12. Gift wrappings, of course, should be discarded promptly and safely after presents are opened.

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## Virtuoso to make Medford Appearance



RAFAEL MENDEZ, World's Leading TRUMPET VIRTUOSO,

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