



MEETING IN WASHINGTON, Senator-elect Ernest Gruening (left), of Alaska, tells Felton M. Johnson, secretary of Senate, giant new state potentially is American equivalent of Scandinavian countries in resources.

Dr. Diebel to Take Part In Science Conference

Ashland - Dr. Clarence E. Diebel, Southern Oregon college science professor, has been invited to take part in the program of the 125th annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Dec. 26-31 in Washington, D.C.

"Study on the Use of Science Counselors" is the topic of the panel on which Dr. Diebel will serve. He was chosen as a participant because of his pioneering role as science consultant in the secondary schools of Oregon for the past two years while on leave from SOC.

Oregon, in common with Texas, Nebraska and Pennsylvania, served as a pilot state in the Science Teaching Improvement program which was directed by the AAAS with funds supplied by a Carnegie grant.

Aimed at increasing the number of trained scientists and engineers, particularly from the pressing need to counterbalance the emphasis being placed in these areas by the Russians and their allies, the program included the visiting of Oregon's secondary schools where actual assistance and consultive services

were given in teaching methods, problems and procedures.

On the staff at SOC since 1953, Dr. Diebel has had five students who have won Westinghouse talent search awards. In 1947, he was cited by the U.S. office of education as one of America's outstanding teachers.

Plans Complete For Eagle Point Holiday Program

Eagle Point - Plans have been completed by the service organizations of Eagle Point for a community Christmas program to be staged on the lawn before the city hall. It is here that the community tree has been set up. The program is to take place on Tuesday evening, Dec. 23, at 8 p.m.

The evening will be featured with community singing, and a choral group from the high school will be present under the direction of Charles Martin. The principal purpose of the gathering is to provide treats for the children of the Eagle Point area.

The program has grown out of the cooperation of the Eagle Point Lions club, the Jaycees, the Lady Lions, and the Jayettes.

Contributions toward the treats were made by a number of stores and organizations. These include the grade school PTA, the Home Extension unit, the Eagle Point Grange, the Eagle Market, Little Butte Grocery, Troop 48 of the Boy Scouts of America, the Lions, and the Jaycees.

Hayes and Harbison reported they have been able to contact Santa Claus, and that he has said he would be there.

Phoenix Schools Set Holiday Program

Phoenix - The Phoenix schools will present their annual Christmas program starting at 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 22, in the high school gymnasium.

About 200 students will participate in the program. Musical groups include the concert band, high school chorus, seventh and eighth grade chorus and fifth and sixth grade chorus.

Smaller ensembles also will participate. They include a woodwind quintet, eighth grade mixed ensemble and the high school girls nonette.

The fourth grade students will present "Christmas in Other Lands" as their part of the program.

The stage setting and other decorations are being handled by the high school art class.

Tax Collection Letters Sent

Ashland - About 25 warning letters will be sent to all businessmen who have failed to pay the city's new business license, City Recorder W. E. Bartelt said today.

A 10-day deadline was set for payment of the tax, Bartelt said. Mayor Richard L. Neill instructed the city recorder during this week's city council meeting to send the letters. The law was passed April 1, payment is due July 1, Bartelt said.

The mayor also instructed Bartelt to give Police Chief Herb Hays a list of businessmen outside Ashland who are serving customers within the city limits and have not paid the required fee.

The action followed receipts of an Ashland Chamber of Commerce letter which urged the law be enforced or repealed. The measure is now discriminatory since it is levied only against those persons who pay the tax, it was pointed out.

During the council meeting Bartelt suggested that a man be posted on each end of town to intercept out-of-town businessmen who do business here by delivery and check truck drivers to see if they have complied with the licensing law. Mayor Neill instructed the recorder and the police chief to work together on the matter.

Infant Jesus Theme Of School Program

The infant Jesus was the theme of the annual St. Mary's grade school Christmas program in the school gymnasium last week.

Pupils of the first four grades entertained families and friends with the story of Christmas, using the combined stage and "circle theater" type of presentation for the first time.

The first part of the program was a children's sharing of the fun of Christmas with the Christ child as the first grade recited "If Jesus Come to My House." The second grade rhythm band played and sang, "The March of the Christmas Toys," and the third grade chorus sang "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!" and "On the Night When Jesus Came."

The second part of the program surrounded Christ's birth and was enacted while second and third graders read the poem, "The Night Before Christmas." The fourth grade chorus illustrated the story with familiar carols.

Santa Claus distributed the gifts with the assistance of the local Knights of Columbus. Fred Burich was master of ceremonies.

Chevrolet Featurama On Display in City

The 1959 Chevrolet featurama, a traveling auto show which includes a full catabay automobile, is now on display at Courtesy Chevrolet, corner of Bartlett and Ninth sts., Medford.

The featurama shows the engine, transmission, suspension with level air and other features cut away to show the operation. The vehicle will be on display until Christmas.

Program Planned At Rogue River

Rogue River - The Rogue River School Christmas program will be held in the high school gymnasium starting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23.

The combined band will provide holiday music between 6:45 and 7 p.m. as a prelude to the program. Grades one through four will present "The Toy Maker's Dream" and the upper grades will present the tableau "Why the Chimes Rang." Selections by the high school chorus will complete the program.

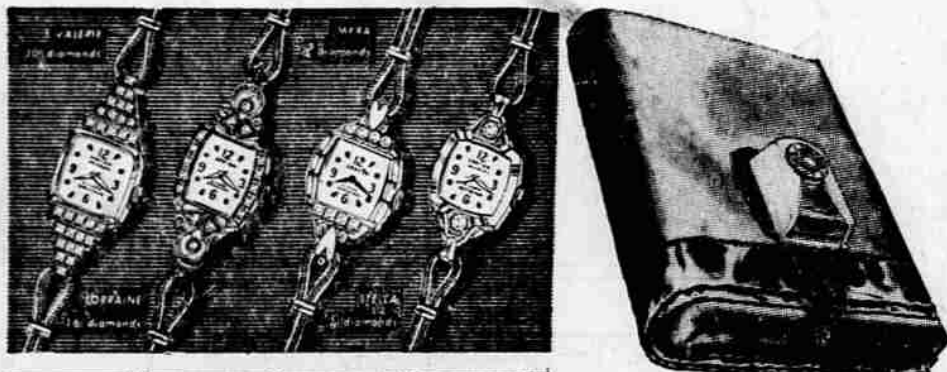
Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive during the program, according to Howard Norwood, president of the Parent Teacher association.

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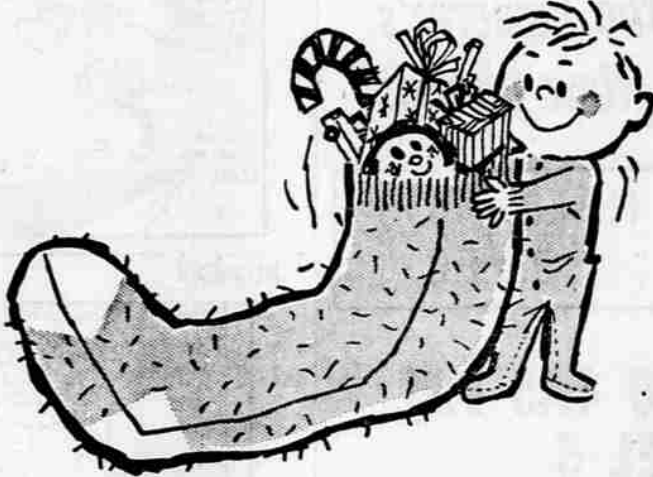
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