

Founders' Day Celebrated by Oak Grove PTA

Founders' day and the Oregon Centennial were observed recently at a meeting of the Oak Grove Parent-Teacher association.

Donald Lacy reported on what is being done during the Centennial year within the state and the Camp Fire girls presented the colors and led the singing of "Oregon My Oregon."

Mrs. C. D. Larson presented past presidents with corsages. They included Mrs. Mabel Thornton, first, Oak Grove PTA president after the group was reactivated in 1924; Mrs. Maude Snider, Mrs. Henry Padgham, Mrs. William Knips, Mrs. Martin Clogston, Mrs. M. O. Wright and Mrs. Charles Ward.

On behalf of the Boy Scout agency the charter for Troop 4 was accepted by the PTA. Also presented was the new historical book which is being made up by the boys in the troop.

A nominating committee was elected. The election of officers will be held at the March 23 meeting.

Pussy willows and spring flowers decorated the serving table. The Centennial theme was used throughout the decorations.

Member Gives Club Program On Wisconsin

Mrs. Edward C. Root gave a program on "Wisconsin" for the February meeting of the Travel Study club of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs last Tuesday with Mrs. Carrie Walters, 719 Newtown street, as hostess.

Mrs. Root states that as early as 1634, Jean Nicolle, a French trapper, visited the country now known as Wisconsin. The first settlement was by the French at Green Bay in the Seventeenth century. It was admitted as a state May 29, 1848. The constitution then adopted is still in force.

The state got its name from its principal river, the Wisconsin, which means "the wild, running water." It is likened to the Rogue river of Oregon, being treacherous and full of deep holes. It never freezes over solid in the winter.

Wisconsin is noted for its cheese factories; Wisconsin cheese is considered some of the finest.

Milwaukee, the largest city, is famous for its large breweries. Mrs. Root is a native of Waukesha, but has lived in Oregon since 1910. Waukesha has many parks, and in these parks are springs from which water is bottled and shipped. The White Rock water is familiar to many people in Oregon. These springs are tiled with marble, and the floor around them is marble.

Another feature of Wisconsin is the "Dells" along the Wisconsin river. These are beautiful rock formations, and in some places people can walk and even picnic. They are located at Dells City not far from Portage. Wisconsin is a land of many lakes.

Mrs. Root showed pictures which Mr. Root and she took of Waukesha, the springs, Dells and many lakes. One book of pictures was at least 125 years old.

Mrs. Clay M. Lee, president of the club, presided at a short business session, and introduced Mrs. Carl W. Peterson, Ashland, district president; Mrs. William A. White, past district president, and a director; Mrs. H. J. Stephens, past president of Rogue River Civic club, second vice president and chairman of conservation for District 1; Mrs. Ruth Drumm, president of the same club; and Mrs. Lynabel Deck, a member of the club.

Mrs. Peterson was given an honorary membership in Travel Study club, and Mrs. Beryl Lyon was welcomed back into the club after months of travel in many of the states.

Mrs. Walters had a miniature covered wagon, filled with small sacks of food products, which might have been used by the pioneers. Each member was given one of the sacks.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 31, with Mrs. Marvin Nelson, 225 Cottage street, as hostess.

Perennials Topic For Garden Club

Medford Garden club will meet Thursday, March 5, in the Girl's Community club instead of the usual meeting place.

Mrs. H. O. Smith, C a v e Junction, will be guest speaker and her topic will be "Beautifying Gardens with Perennials."

Mrs. E. M. Wallin will be tea chairman for the luncheon following the program.

Mrs. J. Edwin Harper, horticulture chairman invites all members to bring a display of early spring blossoms in their own containers.

Two Eagle Point Groups Observe PTA Anniversary

Eagle Point — Eagle Point Elementary Parent - Teacher association and Eagle Point High School Parent-Teacher association combined meetings February 24 to commemorate Founders' day.

Each organization held short, separate business meetings prior to the program, and elected nominating committees for next year's officers. For the PTA, Mrs. William C. Calloway, Mrs. M. H. Johnson, Mrs. Joseph Munshaw, and G. Lee Hayes, principal, were named; for the PTSA, Mrs. G. E. Elrod, Trail, Mrs. Lester West, White City, Mrs. Herman Higday, Eagle Point, and S. W. Callaghan, principal, were elected.

Past presidents of both associations took part in the program. Mrs. Sam Keim reported that during her term of office in 1934-35, the health "round-up" of preschool children was inaugurated, with Dr. A. Erin Merkel in attendance. Also, the McLaughlin Memorial fund was started, with each child bringing a penny to school every Friday to donate to the fund. The PTA served the school lunches at that time, with one hot dish each day prepared on an old four-burner wood stove.

Mrs. Paul Force, 1937-38, recalled that during her term a shed was built on the school grounds for the children to play in during rainy weather.

Mrs. Kermit Carroll, president for two terms from 1948 to 1948, recalled that twelve years ago there were only two small buildings serving grade and high school students; these are still in use as a small portion of the grade school. During that year a fire occurred which destroyed the school gymnasium, and plans were started for a new building. Foodstuffs were still in short supply following the war years, and members of the PTA canned hundreds of jars of pears, peaches, and tomatoes for the school cafeteria.

Michael Palm, EPHS sophomore, introduced his mother, Mrs. Raymond Palm, who headed the Elementary PTA in 1954-55, the year the get-acquainted dinners were started as well as the "Koffee-katches" which have become a tradition each spring to raise money to send delegates to the state PTA conventions.

Mrs. Dale Ackerman, president in 1955-56, reported that the Eagle Point Mothersingers and various study groups were organized that year. Mrs. John Huffman stated that one of the principal projects of her term last year was to acquaint parents with the curriculum of their children in school and engender a closer relationship between home and school.

Eagle Point High School association was formed in May, 1955, being unique in that it organized as a parent-teacher-student association. Mrs. Herbert Perdue was elected first president. Introduced at this meeting by her son, Thomas Perdue, sophomore at Eagle Point High school, Mrs. Perdue reported that during her first term four high school rooms were supplied with blackout curtains made by PTSA members, and that several pieces of furniture were recovered for the teachers' lounge. During her

term, she observed 50th anniversary, 1949, launched a full-scale campaign against undesirable comic books, films, and radio programs; 1951, participated in curbing illegal drug traffic; 1953, enlisted aid of local PTA's to help combat polio.

Ralph Humphrey, grade school music teacher, entertained with a piano solo. Mrs. Elsie Turner, program chairman, announced that the cafeteria staff, including Mrs. A. C. Uhrich, Mrs. Christine Linder and Mrs. Roy Knobel, had made the cakes served following the meeting, and that Mrs. Lester McFall had decorated them. Mrs. Clarence Davies made the past presidents' corsages, and Mrs. Sandy Clave made the name tags for the persons attending the meeting.

Martin Jorde, PTA president, and Mrs. Charles McClure, PTSA president, served as host and hostess at the silver tea following the meeting, and Mrs. McClure explained that the silver offerings given at Founders' day observances were used to encourage the growth of PTA and for material for the use of all parent-teacher units.

The next meeting of the Elementary PTA will be March 24, at which time Lawrence Tweedy, counsellor for Jackson County Juvenile depart-

ment, will give information to those interested in providing foster homes. The high school PTA meeting will be April 1, and members are asked to contribute items for a cooked food sale to be held in conjunction with the meeting.

European Unit Topic for AAUW

"Keystones of European Unity" is the title of the film-strip and discussion to be presented at the meeting of the Medford branch, American Association of University Women, Wednesday, March 4 at 8 p.m. It will be at the home of Mrs. Ray Casterline, 45 South Modoc avenue.

Mrs. Harry D. Poston, international relations chairman, is responsible for the program which is to be given by the International Relations study group. Those participating Wednesday evening will be Miss Elizabeth McGalliard,

Mrs. James S. Cummins, Mrs. Roy Elmgren, Mrs. William B. Johnston and Mrs. Hector Langdon. Mrs. Justin Smith is their study group leader.



If anyone has seen or knows the whereabouts of Richard (Dickie) Arnold Babcock (age 6, brown eyes, blond hair) please call

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Mrs. Maude Snider (at left) and Mrs. Mabel Thornton, two early-day presidents of Oak Grove Parent-Teacher association, were honored at a Founders' day observance of the unit held last week at the school. Mrs. Thornton was the first president of Oak Grove unit after it was reactivated in 1924, and Mrs. Snider took the presidency the following term. Pictured with the two former presidents is Mrs. Lois Stephenson, now serving as president of the unit.

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The committee in charge of refreshments include Mrs. John Henson, Mrs. Edward L. Olson, Mrs. B. L. Martin, and Mrs. A. P. Collins.

All wives and widows of Elks are invited to attend.

Lodge Makes Plans For Advance Night

Phoenix-Neighbor of Woodcraft lodge will meet at Phoenix Grange hall, Thursday, March 5, at 8 p.m. for advance night. The installing officer, Mrs. Chester Parker, asks that each officer elected at the last meeting have her ritualistic work memorized.

The serving committee is Mrs. W. M. Caldwell and Mrs. Chester Parker.

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