

Charter Presentation Held for New Auxiliary

Jacksonville—The Jacksonville Centennial unit 100, American Legion auxiliary, received its charter in ceremonies held February 12 in the Community hall.

Conducting the meeting was Mrs. William Friend, Grants Pass, district president. Fred Bennett, department commander, presented the charter to Mrs. C. L. McBeth, president of the new unit. Following the presentation he welcomed the unit into the American Legion auxiliary of the Department of Oregon.

Mrs. Jack George, Eugene, department president, presented the unit with a set of official flags, and Mrs. Earl Biglow, Medford, department

vice president, presented them a handbook.

Introduced were Mr. Friend, district commander; Mrs. Clark Walker, Medford, district vice president; Eugene Orr, Medford, national and department rehabilitation commissioner; Mrs. Guy Wilcox, Grants Pass, past department president and chairman of the past presidents' parley; Mrs. Dorothy Sutter, Medford, past department president of Panama and member of the department finance commission; Glenn Howe, department service officer; Mrs. Jack Simpkins, department rehabilitation chairman; Mrs. George Day, department hospital director; Mrs. Charles Gettling, Ashland, department child welfare chairman; Lester Watts, commander of Centennial post; and Arley Winchester, commander Glenn Morrison post, Cave Junction.

Mrs. Betty Fichtner, president of Medford unit, presented the new unit with membership pins; Mrs. Basil Craig, president of Ashland unit, presented them a gift; Mrs. Harold Crowell, Cave Junction, president of Glenn Morrison auxiliary, presented an American Legion auxiliary light, and Mrs. Friend presented the unit a gavel.

Cruise Slides To Be Shown Travel Group

Dr. and Mrs. Bert Elliott will show pictures of a Mediterranean cruise Monday, February 22, at 1 p.m. in the Senior Activity Center to the Arm Chair Travel group.

Trips to Spain, Portugal and Cuba are scheduled later for the group.

The newly re-organized art class has 15 men and women registered and are planning field trips for outdoor painting when the weather improves. The class meets each Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the center. A new hostess for this class, Mrs. Frank Robert Jr., is assisted by two members of the class each week in serving coffee and clearing up the room.

The Wednesday class in wood carving is taught by Glenn Van Winkle, Camp White. Hostess is Miss Gladys Eaton. Although the Spanish class has been meeting each week since last May, newcomers are welcome, it was announced, as constant reviews are made in conversational Spanish.

The orchestra now has 16 members, with four violins. Edward Root, conductor, states he will teach any one to play an instrument who wishes to join the group. He asks interested people to stop by Thursdays to get acquainted from 1 to 3 p.m.

The orchestra played for the First Christian church Men's Fellowship dinner Tuesday, February 16. Friday evening they played at the Chin Up club dinner at the Girls Community club.

Now that spring has arrived, the former group which played shuffleboard each Saturday is asked to contact Bill Jones, SPring 2-3733, to start practice.

Church Council Program Subject

The story of the Council of United Church Women will be told by Mrs. Everett Faber, president of the Medford Council, at a meeting of Episcopal Women of St. Mark's church February 26 at the parish house.

Holy communion will be celebrated at 11 a.m. and luncheon will follow at 12 o'clock. Child care will be provided for this meeting.

Hostess Night To Be Observed

Central Point—Nevita chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will hold a stated communication Tuesday, February 23, at 8 p.m. in the Masonic temple, Central Point.

This will be hostess night. Decorating chairman will be Mrs. Marshall Weidman; Mrs. J. E. Vincent and a committee will have charge of the refreshment hour following the meeting.



Mrs. Mary Coffin (right), who recently retired as a teacher in the Medford public school system, was honored at a meeting of Lincoln Parent-Teacher association held on Lincoln's birthday. Mrs. Max Weston, pictured with Mrs. Coffin, is president of Lincoln PTA and planned a "This is Your Life" skit during which former students, school officials and co-workers spoke concerning Mrs. Coffin's teaching career. The scrapbook, filled with pictures and other mementoes, and a life membership in Lincoln PTA were presented to the honored woman.

Lincoln PTA Unit Honors Former Faculty Member

Mrs. Mary Coffin, who taught in the Medford schools for 25 years before her recent retirement, was honored at a recent meeting of Lincoln Parent-Teacher association at the school. "This is Your Life, Mary Coffin" was presented while Mrs. Coffin sat in a chair designed as a replica of a Lincoln hat, since the event was held on Lincoln's birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Max Weston, president of Lincoln PTA unit, had planned the ceremony and presided for it. As Mrs. Coffin listened, various voices "from out of the past" were heard. First was that of Principal J. L. Holmes, who reminded Mrs. Coffin that he had been one of her pupils at Roosevelt school in 1936 and recalled a conference they had because of delinquent book reports. In 1957-58 Mr. Holmes became principal of the school where Mrs. Coffin taught, and he recalled their relationship as a pleasant one.

The second voice was that of Herbert Wing, principal of West Side school, and also a former pupil of the honored woman. Mr. Wing was at one time a co-teacher with Mrs. Coffin at Lincoln school.

Mrs. Ernest Hurt, manager of the Lincoln cafeteria, recalled that Mrs. Coffin often counted the calories in the hot lunches, and Mrs. J. A. Medley, librarian at Jackson school, spoke to Mrs. Coffin of their friendship as co-workers.

Official Speaks
Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent of Medford schools, said that he admired the honored woman for her philosophy of life, for her devotion as a mother, and for being an excellent teacher.

Other voices heard were those of Mrs. Mary Norvell, a former co-teacher who was on the staff at Lincoln school before her retirement in 1958,

and two former students, now both seniors at Medford High school. They were Gary Beach and Sharon Laing. Both spoke of the excellent training they had received from Mrs. Coffin.

In reply Mrs. Coffin said "the best part of teaching is the friends made."

At the conclusion of the program Mrs. Weston presented Mrs. Coffin with a life membership pin, a life membership certificate in Lincoln PTA and a scrapbook entitled "This is Your Life" which contained pictures and items from her teaching past.

Refreshments were served in the gymnasium by the cafeteria staff and mothers of children in the third grade.

A silver offering was taken as the annual Founders' day gift; this is used to extend and enrich PTA services for children and youth.

Founders' day was also observed at the meeting, and past presidents were honored. Mrs. Glenn L. Stewart presented a Founders' day narrative, and each past president received a corsage.

Introduced were Mrs. Florence Laing, who served 1925-26; Mrs. Ethel Florey, 1926-27; Mrs. Dee Newton, 1927-28; Mrs. S. J. Fagone, 1928-29; Mrs. Johnny Weber, who appeared on behalf of her husband.

Mrs. H. A. Mauck, chairman. Mrs. Dan F. Haas and Mrs. Eldon D. Nelson were elected to the nominating committee.

Miss Anna Laura Honts' fourth grade room was again awarded the money and trophy for having the largest percentage of parents in attendance. Miss Honts stated that the money, previously awarded to her room, had been used to send CARE packages to Hong Kong and to Italy.

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Mount Angel Teacher To Speak at Luncheon

Sister M. Anne, O.S.B., who as Alice M. Ryan received a fellowship from American Association of University Women, will speak at the annual AAUW fellowships luncheon Saturday, February 27, at Ping's Garden at 1:30 p.m.

"The Fruits of an AAUW Fellowship" will be Sister M. Anne's topic, and she will show slides from her journey in England as a fellow at the

British Museum. She received her bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees in comparative study of literature at Cornell university, later working on the book editorial staff of P. F. Collier's in New York City.

Her fellowship study was published while she was a tutor at Mills college and an instructor at University of California, Berkeley. During World War II, Miss Ryan was a U. S. Navy WAVE lieutenant in the radar section of the bureau of aeronautics, Washington, D.C. She then studied at Catholic university, Washington, D.C., beginning her present vocation in February, 1949.

Since 1951 Sister M. Anne has taught language and literature at Mount Angel college, Mount Angel, Ore.

Guests are invited to attend the luncheon. Any woman not a member of AAUW may call Mrs. Vernon Gebhard, TAibot 6-2095, for reservations. AAUW members will be contacted by the telephone committee. Members of the luncheon committee include Mrs. Gebhard, chairman, Mrs. Robert A. Boyer, Mrs. Jack W. Love, and Mrs. C. G. VanValzah.

A general meeting of Medford branch AAUW will be Wednesday, March 2, at the home of Mrs. A. J. Johanson, 2133 Dellwood avenue. Mrs. Nick A. Gerritsen will lead a panel discussion on the sub-

Fun Night Planned In Eagle Point

Eagle Point - Family Fun night will be held Friday, February 26, by the Eagle Point High School Parent-Teacher-Student association and the students, in the grade school gymnasium and cafeteria.

Chili will be served throughout the evening starting at 7 p.m. Milk and coffee will be furnished and members of the four high school classes will have booths to furnish pie, hot rolls, hot dogs, and cold drinks.

Canasta, pinocle, and cribbage will be played during the evening and table games will be available. Dancing of all types will also be held. Various acts from the recent senior antics will be presented and other entertainment provided at intervals during the evening. A roving photographer will also be on hand during the evening.

Persons planning to attend are asked to notify Mrs. John Huffman, Hillcrest 6-3793 or Mrs. Delbert Spain, TRinity 8-2471 if they have any items that would be suitable for a white elephant or swap table.

Members of families and interested persons in the area are invited to attend.

Apply floor wax that must be polished in a thin, even coat. Buff thoroughly by hand with a bristle brush or by an electric floor polisher. Too much wax and too little buffing can make a floor slippery.

ject "The Nonconformist Child Acquires Knowledge." Mrs. F. Wilson Wait will be hostess for an AAUW board meeting Thursday, February 25, at her home, 220 Vancouver avenue.

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Christmas Rose Topic for Club

Mrs. John Holst will speak on the Christmas rose at the Tuesday, February 23, meeting of the Rogue Valley Herb society at the home of Mrs. Arthur Kneass, 2535 Stewart avenue.

Roll call is to be answered with facts about the Christmas rose.

Mrs. Kneass and Mrs. Edgar Vanderlip will be hostesses. Coffee was the topic of the January meeting held at the Girls Community club. A film was shown and refreshments served included coffee, coffee cakes, and Jell-O made with Turkish coffee.

Guests were Mrs. Gretchen Wade, R. D. Abel, Medford; Mrs. Charley Davis, Ashland, and John Holst, Gold Hill.

Several kinds of herb candies were displayed. Mrs. Leslie Lingscheit and Mrs. Sidney Hansen were hostesses.

Juvenile Court is Subject Of Women's Club Meeting

In line with the current General Federation of Women's clubs emphasis on crime prevention, Judge Edward C. Kelly spoke on the local juvenile court to members of Medford Junior Women's club at the February meeting.

Judge Kelly explained that juvenile courts are set up to help youngsters to the age of 18 years. A "home rule" policy in Oregon gives counties a choice in methods of dealing with children's problems. Jackson county has made juvenile court a circuit court function and is one of four counties in the state meeting national standards in this field.

"While only three per cent of the population is guilty of delinquency, there has been a 250 per cent increase in crime as compared with a 30 per cent rise in population since World War II. The average age of all criminals now is 21 years," the judge said.

Reasons cited for the increase are automobile ownership, self-help type of merchandising, and the poor influence of many television programs, "including westerns."

Progress Reported
In 1958 more than 800 cases came to the attention of the Jackson county juvenile department, 400 of which had court hearings. Much progress is being made in finding ways to help, Judge Kelly said. The advisory committee is now state law and counseling help within the schools is being offered by sociology students from the colleges. Psychiatric helps are available and certified foster homes assist where home conditions are unsuitable for the child's welfare, he added.

Mrs. John L. Holmes, Medford, is state chairman for crime prevention for the Oregon Federation.

Mrs. Larry E. McConnell, club chairman for the clothing pool which members maintain for the Medford elementary schools, reported that the Parent-Teachers association city council had visited the clothing room at Lincoln school. Plans are underway by the school system to furnish a larger room and to remodel it for more convenient storing and distributing of the garments, it was announced.

Mrs. William H. Seibert was a guest. Mrs. Gene Chamberlain was hostess, assisted by Mrs. Eugene Ingram and Mrs. McConnell.

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