

Tablets

By R. E. NEALON

Tablet Rock—We note that the Jackson County Farm Bureau is opposed to federal aid to schools due to restrictions and government control which they say it would entail. We wonder why some of their members who use jobs of federal money to fix up their farms are not afraid of Uncle Sam controlling their farms.

One of our Democratic friends from the tall timber in the Trail area says he likes Kennedy, but is afraid he can't beat Nixon and, according to him, if Nixon is elected we had just as well turn the country over to the communists. Another friend from the same region is going to vote for Wayne Morse. He says no one will be telling him what to do.

Among recent visitors here were Mrs. Emma Houston, of Trail, and Mrs. Josephine Cornutt, of Kanes Creek, who visited relatives at the R. E. Nealon home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Robinson were week end visitors with relatives in Vallejo, Calif.

"Happy," the collie dog on the Guy Nelson farm, it seems is fond of doing things to make people happy, such as going to the paper box and getting the M.T. when the box is fixed so he can get hold of the paper. He takes small tools to Mr. Nelson in the field, and one of his latest feats was the finding of Mrs. Nelson's glasses that were lost in the yard, and carefully bringing them to her. We wish he would put on glasses and find our watch, which we lost in a 40-acre field. We are proclaiming "Happy" the dog of the month for our area, and since our hog story is still hanging fire, this true dog story will have to suffice.

Pear orchards here are in full bloom and the rows of trees on the side hill at Modoc with the different varieties, showing their separate color of bloom and the heavy carpet of green grass between the rows making beautiful scenery for travelers crossing the Bybee bridge from the south.

In a recent talk with J. M. Shirley, an ex-school teacher who taught 15 years from Missouri to Oregon, flattered us by telling how he enjoyed our columns of scribbling, because we sweetened it, which made for better reading. The sweetening process requires the use of adjectives, and if we remember right, we were cautioned about using too many by the man higher up. Shirley tells us that the way school affairs are handled now, from the state,

teachers are not allowed to teach the way they know it should be done, owing to restrictions by the state board. Also, the buildings must meet specifications put out by the state, regardless of expense, or that the taxpayers who furnished the money may be living in tents.

We quite agree with Shirley that there is much money spent on buildings and the changing of books that might be saved and there is something the students are missing in that they show little initiative, and common everyday problems are hard for them to solve. During a hay sale, we asked a high school student to figure out the bill. There were a number of bales with an average weight per bale, and the price was \$22 a ton. After using a sheet of paper, he still didn't have the answer, while the buyer, a man from Oklahoma, without a pencil, had the answer in a few seconds.

The following story is not a recollection on the students of today, but we just remembered the incident.

We were working with a grain header crew of six men, and eight or 10 horses, about 55 years ago, in the Willow Springs district. The outfit had stopped to make adjustments. The son of the farm owner had taken part in the conversation that usually goes on in a harvest crew. He was a rather awkward looking fellow, and talked through his nose. We don't know why, as his mouth looked big enough to answer the purpose. When he started for the house, one of the crew that knew him said he had gone to business college, and he wished he had his education.

Of Shields, the header puncher, turned and looked as he ambled toward the house, and said, "I wouldn't mind having his education, but I would hate to have to get along with his intelligence."

To be honored at the meeting of the Sams Valley Grange tomorrow night are charter members and past masters.

Several local people attended the funeral of James Cornutt in Medford on Monday. Jim had been a resident of the Rogue River valley since birth, and was known as a diligent, hard-working man and a good citizen, who in his time supported many activities that were for the welfare of the country. Although never endowed with an excess of worldly goods, he was always ready to give of his time, and what he had, to help others.

Thought for the day: a pig in a poke is worth two on the loose.

CP Council Okays Paving of Streets

By DORIS HUGHES
Mail Tribune Correspondent
Central Point - A public hearing on the paving of several streets was combined with the regular meeting of the Central Point city council meeting Tuesday night at the Central Point city hall.

Tiller-Drew PTA Officers Elected By Acclamation

By VIOLA ROGERS
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Tiller-Drew - Four persons whose names were submitted by the nominating committee were elected to office by acclamation at the meeting of the Tiller-Drew PTA at the school Tuesday night.

Elected were Mrs. Roy Jackson, President; Mrs. John Lyttell, vice president; Mrs. Gianni Rogers, secretary and Mrs. Hillard Lillgren, treasurer. They will be installed at the next PTA meeting, set for May 3.

Mrs. Lillgren asked the PTA if it would sponsor the Girl Scouts. She explained it was not essential that Girl Scouts have a sponsor and that there would be no financial obligation on the part of the PTA, but added that it would benefit both the Girl Scouts and the PTA if the PTA would sponsor them. Members voted to sponsor the Girl Scouts.

Money for Little League - Mrs. Rogers, in the absence of Mrs. Wayne Peterman, asked the PTA if they would like to donate to the Little League ball club, if one can be organized in the Days Creek-Tiller-Drew area. Three hundred dollars must be raised for equipment, insurance and registration fees before May 1 in order to have a club. The PTA voted to donate \$10.

A boy must be between the ages of 12-15 to be in the Little League and between the ages of 9-12 to be in the Pee Wee League. Registration fees will be \$1.25 per boy. Wednesday and Saturday will be game days. One of the practice days will be Sunday when the boys will compete against their dads. The other practice has not been decided upon as yet. Practice and home games will be played at Bensens near Days Creek.

PTA members elected voting delegates to the PTA convention in Medford April 26-28. Named were Mrs. Lillgren, Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. Rogers, and Mrs. Jim L. Jenks.

Mrs. Jenks appointed Mrs. Joe Zimmerman, Mrs. Harvey Moore, and Mrs. Howard McKiff to be on the auditing committee.

At the close of the business meeting Phillip J. Meagher, professional Scouter from Roseburg, talked about the Boy Scout program. He spoke at length on the benefits of Scouting to the boys and to the community.

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The council approved the paving of Second st. from Pine st. to Bush; Hazel st. from Third st. to Tenth st.; and Oak st. from Front st. to Seventh. Work will begin at once on the first two projects. The work on Oak st. will be delayed until after July due to lack of funds.

The council approved using remaining funds to pave two short sections, each one block long. These are First st. from Pine to Oak and Third st. from Pine to Oak. Officials announced no work is to be done on Fifth st. or Eighth st. until after July. However, the Eighth st. paving will be done before that on Fifth st.

Tom Whittle, building contractor, presented building plans to the council and received approval on the construction and position of the building, which will be built on Whittle's lots on First and Alder streets. Whittle announced that he will begin work immediately on the \$25,000 project, which will be a home for the aged.

It will be owned by Mrs. Pearl Watson. The building will contain eight wards for couples plus living quarters for the family. The building will face First st. with an ambulance ramp at the alley. The floor of the new city hall is now completely poured and the sidewalk blocks are going up. Street grading is underway with much of it having to be redone because of the recent rains.

Regional Calendar

Shady Cove - Shady Cove PTA is sponsoring a family fun night at the Shady Cove school tomorrow evening. A potluck dinner will be served in the cafeteria at 6:30 p.m., followed by pictures and a program in the gymnasium. Guests will be members of the Shady Cove Grange.

Tiller-Drew - Club 227 will sponsor a teen-age dance in the club building tonight.

Applegate Valley - Buttons the clown, The Shadows and other entertainers will appear at Ruch PTA's fried chicken benefit dinner in the Ruch school gymnasium tomorrow evening. Serving will be from 6 to 8 p.m. The public is invited.

Shady Cove - Officers will be elected at the Shady Cove PTA meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday. Convention delegates will be appointed and there will be a library program.

Census Taker Has Lots of Territory

Hornbrook - One of the thousands of census takers now combing the country is Mrs. Henley Clawson.

Her territory extends from Hawkinsville to the Oregon line and includes the Humboldt mountain area, all the creek roads in that vicinity, Beaver creek to Hills and including Hills and Hornbrook, the Jennie creek area, the Anderson grade rd. from the Lucas ranch to Yreka, both sides of highway 99 from the Oregon line to the Shasta river over the Flock rd. over Butcher hill, and from the Shasta river back to highway 99.

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Engineers Hired by EP Council To Install City Sewage System

By DOTTIE HARBISON
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Eagle Point - Clark and Groff Engineers of Salem were hired Tuesday evening by the Eagle Point city council for the sewage lagoon system being installed for the city.

Clark met with the council at its meeting Tuesday and laid out his proposal, stating the items that his firm would cover and handle and giving the councilmen a sample of the drawings that would have to be made and the necessary surveying that would have to be done before the actual construction work could be started.

Clark answered several questions from the councilmen. Estimated time for the completion of the sewer, he said, would be approximately 4 to 6 months after the sale of the bonds and construction actually started.

Clark told the councilmen they could get federal aid for the sewer project. The bill to increase this aid was defeated but the previous assistance was still available. Clark said his firm would help compile a brochure which would help in the sale of the bonds and also help in the development of the city. With more construction and more homes built within the city, he said, the sewer will pay for itself much faster and distribute the load over a larger percentage of the people. Clark also gave assurance that the bonds could be sold.

Loan Application

The city council has applied for an \$11,000 loan from the federal agency which will be paid back without interest for the purpose of enabling the engineering to start immediately prior to sale of the bonds.

Mrs. Joseph Munshaw appeared at the meeting to inquire about the status of the new pool hall opened in the city. The majority of the councilmen felt it better to have the youngsters under a supervised recreation program than out parking in cars and it was voted to allow 16-year-old youths to play with a written consent. No one under 16 will be permitted on the premises.

Youths 17 and over may play without permission and the owner will be responsible to see that the age limit is enforced. There is to be no gambling or hard drinks and Deputy Sheriff Chastain will help keep it patrolled. Representatives from the Scout Community Center building were present to report that work was started on the building and the poison oak removed from the premises. Permission was granted to use the fire truck with a fireman to wet down the bricks Saturday afternoon before the crew starts laying the basement. Don Kimmel in-

quired as to the location of the water pipe line and the pipe itself, also the improving and enlarging of the entrance road to the park site.

A lengthy discussion was held in regards to the new fire alarm system and all of the false fire alarms that have been turned in. City Attorney Hornecker agreed to write to the public utilities commission for further information and suggestions.

New Building Code

A proposed new building code was presented and given to Don Kimmel, a former building inspector, to read and submit his opinion since the one now used is too complicated for the layman to understand.

Attorney Hornecker reported that a city ordinance permits signs to be erected within the city limits, subject to certain conditions and authorization by the council.

A report on the 11 trees ordered for the city streets was given and the council voted to pay for the three trees not being sponsored by businessmen at this time. These trees cost the city about \$8 each and any individual or organization wishing to sponsor one of them may do so by contacting either the recorder or one of the councilmen.

Croucher Installed As President of Teachers' Group

Eagle Point - Bill Croucher was installed as president of the Eagle Point Classroom Teachers association for the 1960-61 school year at a banquet Tuesday night in Shady Cove at the Riverview cafe.

Croucher lives with his wife and family in Medford and has taught the sixth grade and been a part-time coach at the Shady Cove school for six of his 10 years as a teacher. He has been a member of the organization the past two years since the combining of the school districts and is a member of both the Oregon and National Education associations.

Ralph Humphries was installed as vice president. He lives with his wife and family in their new home in White City. He has taught for six years, including the past two years in the Eagle Point Elementary school. He has been an active member of the association, was a representative to both the state and the regional conventions, and went to the national convention in St. Louis last summer. He also is a member of the Oregon and National Education associations.

Miss Nancy Rinnabarger, who lives in Eagle Point, has spent all her nine years of teaching in the Eagle Point schools. A charter member of the organization, she was installed as secretary Tuesday night. She also is a member of the OEA and NEA.

Mrs. Niles (Doris) Smith, installed as treasurer, lives in Medford and came to Eagle Point six years ago from Kansas where she taught nine years. At present she is teaching American problems and U.S. History in high school. She also is a charter member of the organization.

Mrs. Zelma Foote, president elect of the Jackson County Classroom Teachers Assn., installed the new officers, charging them with the responsibilities of their duties to their respective offices and presenting a reading on the "types of teachers."

Fifty teachers and guests attended the banquet from the Shady Cove, Eagle Point, and Elk-Trail schools, all in District 9. James Collier was chairman for the banquet and Keith Krumbrel provided stereo tapes for dinner music.

Following installation of officers, Past President David Harbison presented the president's gavel to Bill Croucher. Mrs. Vera Selby presented a set of gold cufflinks and matching tie bar to Harbison in recognition of his two years in office.

Body, Paint Shop To Open at Ruch

Applegate Valley - A body and paint shop is under construction at the Christean service station at Ruch, which is expected to be ready for use in two weeks, according to Robert Christean, owner of the station.

The shop will be leased to George Jackson, formerly with Daily Auto Paint shop in Medford. Jackson, who has worked with Fisher Body plant in Detroit, resides on Jacksonville - Ruch highway. Larry Christean, son of the service station owner, also will be employed at the paint shop.

Christean is making preparations for a trailer court at the south end of the station grounds, where water has been piped and one septic tank installed. Young shade trees were planted some time ago, including silver and red leaf maples, white birch, tulip trees, and walnuts. Concrete slabs and a driveway will be laid out for each trailer, and an underground wiring system will be installed.

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IV Scouts Get Awards

Illinois Valley - Several awards were presented last Thursday night during Boy Scout troop 70's court of honor at the Episcopal church.

Second-year pins were presented to Paul Starks, DeWaine Madden, George and Jimmy Winland and Bob McMurtrey. Danny Starks received a first-year pin, and tenderfoot badges went to Johnny Deaton and Johnny McPherson.

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