

1st Annual District 6 Speech Festival Held at Crater High

By MARY KELL
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Gold Hill—The first District 6 Elementary School Speech Festival was held at Crater High school May 7, supervised by Donald Lacy, speech instructor at Crater. The all-day program included debates, poetry reading, serious reading, humorous reading and oratorical declamation.

Awards were presented by Patsy Charley, president of the Crater High school speech squad, which directed the festival under Lacy's supervision. A committee from the squad, consisting of Dayle Nesheim, Ruth Ellis, Shirley McAllister and Julie Ashton, was in charge of arrangements for the festival.

Charles A. Meyer, superintendent of district 6, said the speech festival was the inauguration of an elementary speech program which would be continued and probably extended to the lower grade levels. This year the activity was limited to sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. School tryouts were held in each school to determine who would participate in the festival. Teaching staffs of the different elementary schools in the district acted as speech coaches for their respective students.

First in State
District officials and teach-

ers are enthusiastic about this type of program being a part of the general curriculum for elementary students. It is believed that this speech festival staged by district 6 is the first to have been instituted in the state of Oregon on a grade school level.

Each section of the speech festival was limited to two students from each school in the district. School officials said the festival was not held for the purpose of competition between schools, but for students to participate as individuals.

Mike Broomfield placed first in the humorous reading section, while Donald Gail and Vicki Cardwell tied for second.

Lorraine Hixon placed first in the serious reading section with Patsy Beacham second and Bill Walker third.

Janine Parrish placed first in the poetry reading section. Linda Parker was second and Joyce Anderson third.

Dave Force was first in the oratorical declamation section with Ogden Kellogg second and Frank Armstrong third.

"Should Capital Punishment Be Abolished?" was the question for debate. The debate section of the festival was limited to four pupils from each school. The affirmative debate team composed of Carol Foote and Tim

Groshong placed first. The affirmative team consisting of Ogden Kellogg and Dave Force, and the negative team composed of Penny Flemmer and Bob Turner tied for second place.

Honorable Mention
Participants who received honorable mention were Barbara Schatz, Alice DePew, and Susan McAllister, humorous reading; Toni Morrow, Carol Hansen, and Bill Ellis, serious reading; Barbara Beck, Anita Shope and Carol Jackly, poetry reading; James Rainey, and Stanley Shope, oratorical declamation; and a negative debate team composed of Gary Vincent and Carol Straus.

Judges from Gold Hill, Grants Pass, Medford, Ashland, and Central Point included professional speech coaches, college students, homemakers and civic leaders. Among the judges were Dr. Marshall E. Woodell, professor of social science and Dr. Dorothy Stolp, professor of speech and drama, at Southern Oregon college; Charles Brock, speech instructor, Grants Pass High school; and Jerry McDougall, former speech instructor at Crater.

Several former members of the Crater High school speech squad also were among the judges, including Linda Warren, Douglas Davis, Bill Laton, Marilyn Yarnell, Bob Licht and Marla Lance.

Mrs. Helen Broadbeck, librarian at Crater, analyzed and catalogued all data for the debate and made the material available to the various elementary schools in the district. She also was in charge of music provided the day of the festival.

Lacy said a freshman speech squad will be organized at Crater High school next fall as an extra curricular activities period and after school hours event. He said it has been suggested that the speech work program in the elementary schools and the festival be expanded to include more participants per school and to expand the program to include two different age divisions. He also has been suggested that the 1960-61 school year festival be held earlier in the year, probably between the winter and spring sports activities.

Meyer introduced speech improvement as a facet of his plans for a curriculum integration program among schools of district 6 last fall, with Lacy as consultant to advise principals and teachers and to be available for workshop conferences to discuss school speech problems and any individual pupil speech difficulties.

A treatise entitled "Speech Improvement Program" was compiled by Lacy and presented to elementary teachers in the district. He prepared the 31 page syllabus on the subject with the advice of Dr. Kirt E. Montgomery, professor of speech at the University of Oregon. It is set up so that teachers can easily locate resources to help correct problems and better develop

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Regional Calendar

Gold Hill—Preschool clinic for children who will enter school this fall will be held at Patrick Elementary school from 9 a.m. to noon this Wednesday.

Eagle Point—Cub Scout pack 48 will hold its last meeting before the summer program starts at the grade school gymnasium at 8 o'clock tomorrow night. Plans for the summer will be made.

Sams Valley—Preschool clinic will be held in the Sams Valley school auditorium from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. this Wednesday.

Butte Falls—"Windows of the Soul," a new science film by Moody Institute of Science, will be shown at 7:30 this evening at the Community Bible church. The public is invited.

Sams Valley—Preschool visitation day will be held Tuesday, May 24 at Sams Valley school at 1 p.m. Parents are asked to bring children who will enter school this fall to the auditorium. Parents will attend a brief program in the auditorium while youngsters are visiting the first grade class room.

Yreka—The advanced elementary school band and the third grade square dancers will entertain Yreka elementary PTA at 2:30 p.m. this Thursday in the multipurpose room at Jackson Street school. Child care and refreshments will be provided.

Gold Hill—Amethyst Rebekah lodge will meet at 8 o'clock Wednesday night at the IOOF hall on Fourth ave.

Gold Hill—Gold Hill public library will be open this Thursday between 2 and 5 p.m. and 7 and 9 p.m. instead of Friday because of the primary elections.

Butte Falls—A fly-up ceremony for Brownies ready to enter the Girl Scouts will be held at the final meeting of the school year at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon. Fly-ups are Janice Chambers, Susan Stewart, Tricia Walker, Sandra McConchie and Julie Morey. Connie Poulton will be invested in the Girl Scouts at the same meeting.

Gold Hill—The Woman's Society of the Gold Hill Community Methodist church will meet at the church at noon tomorrow for a potluck luncheon and business session.

Eagle Point—Visitation day will be held at Eagle Point grade school from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. this Friday. Parents will meet in the gymnasium while children are visiting the classes. A complimentary lunch will be served to parents and new students at 11 a.m. Parents are reminded they must furnish their own transportation as there is no bus service available.

Gold Hill—Gold Hill Garden club will meet at 1 p.m. Friday at the home of Mrs. [Name obscured]

Out on a Limb

By BOB WALTERS

All Us Cats

A while back we discussed felines, those one-paragraph bits of miscellany used to fill out columns where the news stories fall a bit short. They're amusing, we think, because usually they have absolutely nothing to do with the stories they follow.

In the same vein are some of the small "box" advertisements which appear in the paper several times during any given week.

They're incongruous too. If placed properly, they could add something to the factual reports of the news.

Take, for instance, a lengthy yarn about the promises, charges and counter-charges made by a politician or a group of politicians. After scanning several paragraphs of such a story (and they're certainly plentiful right about now), most readers probably would agree with the placement of this ad:

"Gassy?"

Or there might be a story, such as the UPI feature printed in the Tribune a week or so ago, about life in San Francisco's beatnik colony.

Like, it could go on and on about pads, the fuzz, squares and who needs people, man, and wind up with this:

"All Us Cats Love Dr. Ross's Cat Food."

Maybe an important story breaks and all the officials who know the real facts take refuge in "no comment" replies and then tuck their heads back into their respective shells. An ad like this one following the story might make them a little more talkative:

"Powerful New Plunger Clears Clogged . . ." Et cetera.

The above, we'd like the advertising department to know, has been merely an attempt at jest and in no way implies that the Mail Tribune will adopt the suggestions.

After all, we know where our bread is oleomargarined.

Saw a curious sight on one of the local used cars the other afternoon. A TV announcer was helping a car salesman move an auto into position for a photograph. But they weren't driving it, they were pushing.

After that, we thought the station might like to use this slogan to climax its daily program schedule:

"More people get their lemons from this channel than from any other single source in southern Oregon."

On the other hand, though, we liked the one pulled off by a Medford disc jockey one morning.

"I did a favor for a friend once," said the deejay, "and he promised me he'd never forget me as long as he lived. Sure enough, he meant it. Last night he called to tell me he was in trouble again."

Mrs. Nye to Speak At Talent Meeting

Talent—The Talent Women's club will hold its business and social meeting at 2 p.m. tomorrow in the Talent city hall.

Final plans will be made for guest day scheduled for June 7. Special speaker for the afternoon will be Mrs. Stephen G. (Eve) Nye, incumbent for state representative. She will speak on education. District chairman for the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs also will be present.

Cleanup Program Starts at Cemetery

Gold Hill—Cleanup week at the Rock Point cemetery north of Gold Hill will begin today and last through this Saturday.

Mrs. A. A. Walker, chairman of the cemetery improvement committee, said a general cleanup is planned to clear all debris in preparation for Memorial Day. Anyone interested is invited to participate.

Happy Camp—Word was received here this week that Happy Camp High school is the only school in Siskiyou Union High School district to be granted permission to open their cafeteria next school year.

BF Band, Chorus Hold Spring Concert

By MARY JO HARSIS
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Butte Falls—The Butte Falls High school band and chorus held their first annual spring music concert May 6 at the high school gymnasium. Butte Falls PTA sponsored the program.

A large crowd was on hand, despite generally bad weather.

The combined band presented 11 numbers, the beginners band two and the chorus five. Dean Boggan is band director. Mrs. William Hunter choral director and Mrs. Leth Meadows piano accompanist.

Members of the combined band are Joe Boyd, Billy Dalton, Jimmy Driskell, Patsy Fisher, Bobby Hardgrave, June Reddell, Daniel Remsen and Sharon Smith, clarinet; Martha Dalton, trombone; John Chambers and Doug Fisher, baritone; Alvin Thompson and LeRoy Thompson, mellophone; Dixie McConchie, Ira Rambo, Eugene Simmonds and Steve Stratton, trumpet; Neal Ellis, alto saxophone; Raymond Abbott and Danny Edmondson, tenor saxophone; Virginia Baker, Jeanette Capello, John Capello and Earlena Vasseur, percussion.

Beginning band members

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are Jerry Price and B. J. Rodgers, clarinet; Ralph Malloy, trombone; Sally Dyer, flute; Mike Lindley, trumpet; and Steve Tygart, saxophone. Members of the chorus are Raymond Abbott, Virginia Baker, Steve Deen, Darlene Edmondson, Linda Ellis, Neal Ellis, Patsy Facey, Doug Fisher, Kathy Olson, Daniel Remsen, Michael Stratton, Sue Strong, Earlena Vasseur and Linda Webster.



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