

Regional News

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Murphy PTA Executive Board Slates Events

Murphy — The executive board of the Murphy PTA met Dec. 6 at the Murphy school with the president, Mrs. Mary White, conducting the meeting.

There were 15 members present and a good deal of business was discussed due to the fact that the general meeting of the PTA will be omitted for December. Plans for the special "Lights on for Education" meeting on Jan. 5 were completed. The chairman for this legislative program is Mrs. Carl Haynes, vice president of the unit, and she is to contact a group of people to serve on a panel which will discuss various legislative measures under consideration by the state legislature this year.

Some of the panel members will be William Gilmore county school board chairman from Murphy, Dave Branson, principal of Murphy school, Mrs. R. J. Millemann, legislative chairman of the Murphy PTA, and it is planned to include a representative from

the local radio station, a newspaper man, and a member of the Grants Pass city police department to speak on various aspects of the legislative picture.

The date of Dec. 20 was set as a time for the board members to meet and become "Santa's helpers" as they sack the Christmas trees for the school children provided each year with PTA funds.

Mrs. Clarence Rosa, ways and means chairman, spoke of progress being made in collecting favorite recipes from people in the area and announced that she had placed envelopes in five local stores where recipes might be dropped. Compilation of a cookbook containing these recipes and its sale will be a major fund-raising project of the unit this year.

The eighth grade, working toward its goal of a trip to Salem to visit the legislature during the school spring vacation, has, according to Branson, raised about \$300 and is expecting to add to its fund with the sale of the Christmas door decorations and table centerpieces which are being sold on special order in and around the area.

Mrs. Rosa and Mrs. Dorothy Williams, her co-chairman of ways and means, made brief mention of a Mexican dinner to be held at the school Jan. 27, which will be discussed and planned more completely at the January executive meeting of the unit.

It was explained by Mrs. White, president, that in accordance with the state planning of the "Lights on for Education" program, the date of Jan. 5 will be substituted for the regular meeting of the PTA in Murphy. By preceding the panel discussion with a very brief business meeting, it will not be necessary to hold another meeting that month. State level planning of the legislative program discussions indicated that if all meetings throughout the state were held on the same night, Jan. 5, with a few exceptions, there would be more attention focused on the action and more interest aroused.

Cub Scout Parent Review Party Set

Eagle Point—The parent review party for all Cub Scouts and their parents will be held Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock in the Eagle Point Grade school gymnasium.

All Cub Scouts and their parents, and anyone 7 through 10-years old and their parents are invited.

Attendance is a requirement for all boys working for their 50th anniversary award. Both parents are required to attend in order for the boy to qualify.

Don Wilcox, district Boy Scout commissioner, will be guest speaker. A short film explaining Cub Scouting will be shown. An achievement and 50th anniversary award ceremony will be held. Refreshments and a parent question and visitation period will follow the meeting.

This is the last opportunity for Eagle Point Cub Scouts to fulfill the requirements for the anniversary award.

Eagle Point Girl FFA Sweetheart

Eagle Point—Miss Dorreen Christian, Eagle Point High school junior, was crowned Future Farmer of America Chapter sweetheart at their recent second annual coronation dance.

Miss Georgia Hubbard, a junior, and Miss Cathy Houston, a senior, were selected princesses. Escorts for the royal court were Ray Peterson escorting Queen Dorreen, Ron Anderson for Princess Georgia and Don Peska for Princess Cathy.

Entertainment for the evening was furnished by the "Tempest," a group from Southern Oregon college. Ron Greb reported that the Christmas cards and ribbon were ordered and that members of the chapter have been out selling them two evenings a week.

Members of the FFA have been cutting yew wood posts and anyone wanting them may contact the chapter through the school.

Ron Greb and Dale Vaughn reported that the Beef and Dairy Chains were ready to be given back to another member in the chapter.

The public speaking contest and Green Hand initiation will be held this week. Steve Geren, Elvin Hawkins and Victor Halsey are participants in the contest.

Marking and Branding Of Cattle Underway

Applegate — The annual marking and branding of cattle has started among Applegate cattlemen.

Those having worked their animals are LeRoy Offenbacher, John Horner and Francis Krouse and as weather and time permit Leon Offenbacher and Fritz Offenbacher will work their cattle. The cattle are also sprayed at the time of marking and branding for grubs, lice and ticks. The cattlemen report that this will have to be done several times a year, instead of once as formerly, due to greater infestation.

Happy Camp PTA Revises Annual Activity Budget

Happy Camp—The monthly meeting of the Happy Camp PTA was held Dec. 6 with a revised budget presented to the membership and approved. The original budget of \$1,446.50 was cut by approximately \$500.

The proposed expenditures to be cut were the Well-Baby clinic, hospitality, elementary school transportation and music program which was to be the project for the year. Mrs. Bill Clapson, auditor, explained that the executive board decided at their last meeting that if this new budget could be met without too much difficulty any surplus could be used for the music project.

Herbert Sonneborn, principal of the elementary school, reported that the schools enrollment is 336 at the present with an average daily attendance of approximately 320 students. This enrollment figure, Sonneborn explained, is three students less than the highest figure recorded last year. Sonneborn explained that the average daily attendance figure is very important because it is the figure the state uses in paying the school.

James Foote, principal of the high school, said that the high school enrollment figure stands at 122 and average daily attendance is approximately 116. According to Foote, about nine students are skipping school each month which is costly to the school because the state will not pay the school for these nine students who are not attending classes. Both principals urged parents to make sure their children attend classes unless they are ill.

Music Concert — Sonneborn also announced that the elementary school program would be held at the high school Dec. 15 at 8 p.m. Foote announced that the music department concert will be Dec. 13 at 8 p.m. also at the high school.

Mrs. Leona Westby, president, explained that the PTA has made arrangements with Santa Claus to make appointments with Mrs. Westby for Santa Claus to call on their home any time between now and Christmas to visit the children and find out what

they would really like for Christmas. According to Mrs. Westby there will be a \$1 fee for each visit.

In the room count of the parents present there was a tie for the lower elementary grades between the morning kindergarten class and Mrs. Ready's third grade. The upper grades award went to Mrs. Duesenberrys sixth grade with each winning class getting a one dollar award from the PTA for attendance at the meetings.

Membership Chairman — Mrs. Westby introduced the new membership chairman to take the place of Mrs. Earl Cooley, Mrs. Howard Nevins, who has already taken over her duties.

Mrs. Westby turned the meeting over to the program chairman, Mrs. LaVonne Walters, who had a Christmas program scheduled for entertainment. David Maxon, fifth grade teacher, narrated "Night Before Christmas" while a cast of Merry Titus, John Reagan Jr., Larry Westby, Barbara Nevins, Beth Walters, and Roy Rowden acted scenes told in the old favorite of all Christmas stories. Stage hands included John Kanig, Willie Kasner, Bill Driver and Jeff Walters.

Refreshments were served in the Home-Economics room by the sophomore and sixth grade mothers and the hospitality chairman, Mrs. Clifford Gould and Mrs. Floyd Cantrell.

CRASH KILLS THIRTY — Buenos Aires — (UPI) — Thirty persons were killed when an Argentine air force plane crashed in nearby San Andres de Giles Sunday.

Personally Speaking

By JOHN STAFFORD

Practically all American governmental and private organizations are operated by a system known as "democracy."

Democracy offers the opportunity for all members of society to voice their beliefs and take part in public and private group affairs.

Most national, state and local governmental meetings are open to the public. Only some high level governmental and certain judicial proceedings are closed. Americans are invited to participate in public affairs and make their opinions known. Public officials welcome their interest.

Private groups function in much the same manner. Member interest is necessary if the group is to be successful. Solid criticism is welcomed. If everybody is happy all the time, chances are the organization isn't functioning as well as it could. Democracy is necessary for progress.

However, democracy is also subject to abuse at times. Its principles can be followed, but chaos can result. This is occurring presently in the Eagle Point Irrigation district.

At its meeting last Tuesday, principles of democracy were invoked. The district's board of directors' meeting was open to the public. Those present were free to question the board on its decisions and policies.

In most cases the board members attempted to offer reasonable answers. Many times the chairman was interrupted before any answer could be given. At times comments directed to board members and attorney Ben Day bordered on the ridiculous. Yet the right to question the board was without dispute. Principles of democracy dictate this right.

Mrs. Ann Todd is a landowner in the Eagle Point Irrigation district. In the last three years she has been involved in three court suits involving the district. She is well versed in parliamentary procedure and legal terms.

We have nothing against Mrs. Todd. Certain irregularities were said to exist and were subjects of the legal action. Whether Mrs. Todd has succeeded in correcting possible great wrongs existing in district practices is a matter of opinion. We aren't in a position to render any opinion. But we are in a position to comment on how group action is accomplished.

Mrs. Todd may have been an asset in seeing that procedures are followed according to rules.

However, many of her activities at the Tuesday meeting had the appearance of being calculated to complicate the functioning of the board.

This is not to say that she didn't bring up important points. She did. However, many things she said sounded as though they were aimed at making the district officials look ridiculous and incite them to anger. Nothing is accomplished when people become antagonized.

In the past few months a district manager, chairman and secretary have resigned. No reasons were given for the resignations. Obviously something is wrong somewhere. It might even be that they all got tired of incurring Mrs. Todd's wrath at the board meetings.

Mrs. Todd has a keen mind and could be capable of being of great assistance to the district. There are other means of accomplishing progress than the methods she invoked at the meeting. There are means for remedying disputes other than lawsuits.

Mrs. Todd could perhaps investigate this possibility a little further. District officials might be a little more willing to talk with her if she adopted a more compromising manner.

Shady Cove — The meeting of Job's Daughters of Shady Cove has been changed from Thursday to Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. hall. A Christmas gift exchange will be held and members may bring gifts for secret dads.

Associated Country Women of World Topic

O'Brien—This month most of the members of the Home Economic Units of the county will be studying Associated Country Women of the World, which is an organization of women here and in foreign lands working together to know and understand one another and to promote peace through their mutual efforts.

Last year at the A.C.W.W. meeting of the Lone Mountain H.E.U. of O'Brien, the members sent their names to a country of two weeks ago Mrs. Gordon Anderson received an answer to her request from Hilda Hastie of 42, Nookside, Grindon, Sunderland, Co. Durham, England. Mrs. Hastie stated that her husband was in the Fleet Air Arm during the war and spent 10 months in the U.S., nine of which were in Portland, Oregon, standing by his ship the A.M.S. "Ravager" built by the Willamette Iron and Steel Co.

N. California Television Log

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Monday:
4:00 American Bandstand
5:00 Popeye and Friends
5:30 Captain Gallant
6:00 Newsbeat Northstate
6:15 NBC News
6:30 The Rebel
7:00 Lock Up
7:30 Cheyenne Show
8:30 Surfside 6
9:30 Adventures in Paradise
10:30 Peter Gunn
11:00 11th Hour News
11:15 Jack Paar
12:30 Late News and Sign Off
Tuesday:
5:00 Popeye and Friends
5:30 Rin Tin Tin
6:00 Newsbeat Northstate
6:15 NBC News
6:30 Civil War
7:00 Leave It to Beaver
7:30 My 3 Sons
8:00 Rifleman
8:30 Wyatt Earp
9:00 Stagecoach West
10:00 Thriller
11:00 11th Hour News
11:15 Jack Paar
12:30 Late News and Sign Off

Gold Hill Nuggets

By MARY KELL
Gold Hill—We have been informed that Santa Claus will pay a visit to Gold Hill again this year following the annual community Christmas program which is slated for Friday, Dec. 23 at 8 p.m. at the IOOF hall on Fourth ave.

The event is sponsored by Odd Fellows lodge No. 129 for all children in this area. All youngsters who would like to participate in the program are asked to contact Mrs. A. A. Walker, by telephone UL 5-1125. Mrs. Walker was named chairman for the program and party by Amethyst Rebekah lodge No. 97, the assisting group.

She stressed that this event is not just for the children of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs but for all youngsters who desire to sing a song, speak a piece, provide an instrumental number, skits, etc. The program is an unrehearsed affair.

Santa will dash in immediately following the program to distribute treats and listen to the little folks who wish to whisper in his ear.

Regional Calendar

Gold Hill—The Gold Hill Volunteer Fire Department will meet Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 8 p.m. at the fire hall on Fourth ave.

Applegate—The Applegate H.E.U. will meet at the home of Mrs. LeRoy Offenbacher on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 10:30 a.m. A gift exchange will be held and those having Secret Pals will reveal them during the gift exchange. All women of the community are invited to attend and requested to bring their own table service. Baby sitting will be available at the Applegate church.

Central Point—The District 8C Mothersingers will meet Tuesday, December 13, at the home of Mrs. W. F. Saxbury, 283 S. Second st., Central Point.

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FLAG PRESENTED—The Rogue River V.F.W. Ladies auxiliary presented an American flag to the city for placement in the city council chambers recently. Participating in the ceremony are from left to right: J. A. Gelding, councilman, Mrs. Orva Jean Cruise, city recorder, Fred J. Dengler, councilman, Judge Raymond Greenhill, H. J. Stephens, councilman, Mayor John B. H. Leyen, and auxiliary members Mrs. Patte Hopkins, Mrs. Gladys Stephens, Mrs. Pearl Martin, Mrs. Mary Williamson, Mrs. Dorothy Leyen, Mrs. Dottie Burkett and Mrs. Hilda Racine.

Lights On for Education Discussed at Meeting

Tiller-Drew — "Lights on for Education" and whose responsibility it is to get boys home from basketball practice were main topics of discussion at the Tiller-Drew PTA meeting Tuesday, Dec. 6 in the school auditorium.

Mrs. Jim L. Jenks is in charge of the "Lights on for Education" program, which will probably be a panel discussion, followed by a refreshment hour. Mrs. Argyle Matthews is refreshment chairman.

The problem of getting boys home from basketball practice after school arises from the fact that half of the Days Creek basketball team live 20 miles or more from the school. Whose responsibility is it to see that the boys have a ride home after practice, the school's, the parents', the athletic association's, or the PTA's? Argyle Matthews, Tiller principal, said that the Days Creek PTA had donated some money to help defray transportation expenses but that there was still a \$58 deficit. The Tiller-Drew PTA voted to make up the deficit. And to later have a money making project to raise the money.

Christmas treats will be sacked Dec. 21 at which time the tree in the auditorium will be decorated. Those offering to help the executive committee with the sacking and decorating are Mrs. Argyle Matthews, Mrs. Jack Lenherr, and Mrs. Clifford Marshall. The

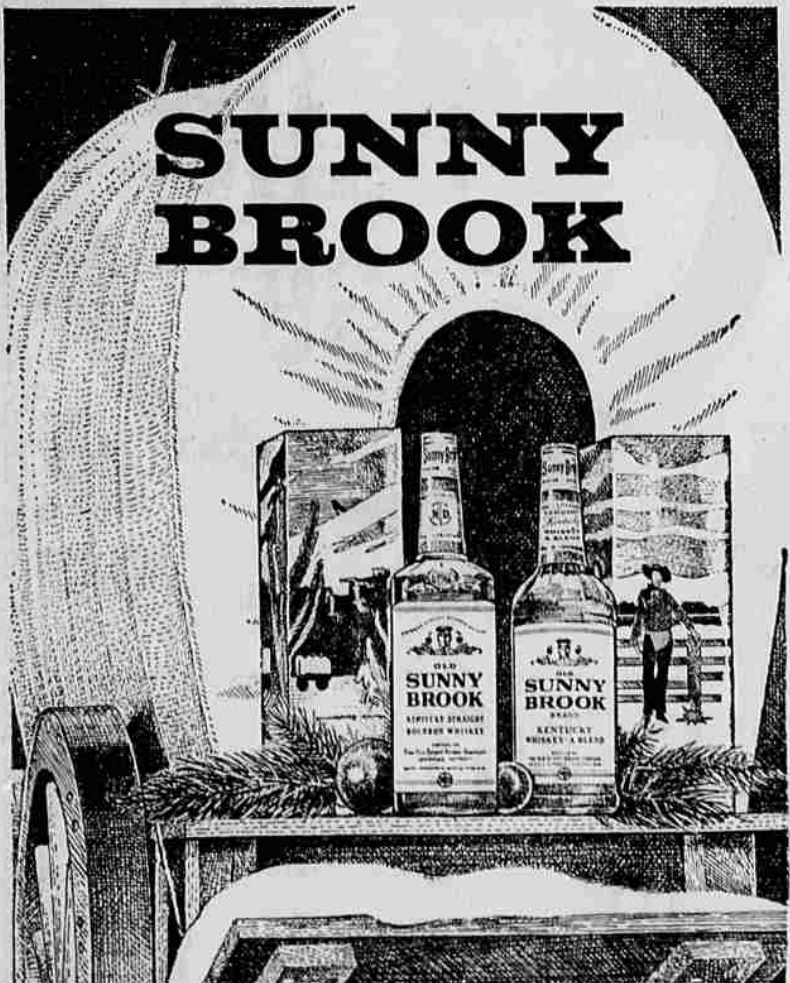
Force Named VP of Editor's Association

Gold Hill-Bill Force, former southern Oregon resident was recently elected vice-president of the British Industrial Editors' association at Vancouver, British Columbia.

Force is with the public relations of the British Columbia Telephone company and edits the company's newspaper.

Prior to his position with the British Columbia Telephone company, Force was with the United Press International at Portland for six and a half years. Most of that time he was radio news editor. He is a former Medford Mail Tribune reporter.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Force, well known Gold Hill couple.



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