

Montague Club Hears Talk Against Siskiyou ARA Loan

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Montague - Members of the Montague Rotary club recently heard a presentation of the proposed federal ARA loan to Siskiyou Hardwood company at Yreka.

Gerhart Bendix, secretary of the Hi-Ridge Lumber company of Seiad Valley and Montague, addressed the club. Previously the club heard a talk by A. J. McMurry, chairman of the Siskiyou County Economic commission, speaking in favor of the proposed hardwood plant at Yreka.

If granted, the \$4,309,000 ARA loan would finance half of the cost of establishing a

hardwood plant at Yreka. Proponents of the project feel it would create numerous new jobs in the Yreka area.

Bendix, in his opposition, explained that although he is a sawmill operator, he is just as interested in the economic well being of the county and the soundness of its tax base as any other business man in the area.

He went on, "No one can argue the point that spending \$8,600,000 will be a powerful, one shot boost to the economy. But let us further see how this money will be spent."

"1. Part of it, to purchase an existing sawmill (the present Eastlick Mill, one mile east of Yreka). This will create not one single additional

job and merely transfers employment.

"2. The construction and operation of a plywood glue-up plant. As proposed, no use of local timber is foreseen, and we are told the applicant proposes the laying up of purchased hardwood veneers. There is no difference in the manufacture of hardwood or softwood plywood, and even hardwood plywood uses soft wood for all the layers except the outside facings. We contend that applicant would soon find it practical to also manufacture his own softwood veneer by establishing a green end veneer plant peeling local logs.

"3. Building of a particle board plant. No controversy here, as all the raw materials for this phase of the operation would readily be available from mills in this area. But such plants are highly automated and provide a minimum of employment.

Question Wisdom

"As a citizen and taxpayer I question the wisdom of investing millions of dollars in a venture such as proposed. A loan of public funds to finance 50 per cent of the proposed capitalization is foreseen.

"I am not alone in such concern, as people in the business of lending have refused to loan their money. Banks have refused to loan Siskiyou Hardwood Company the funds, or in other words the lending institutions have felt the use of their depositor's money in the proposed venture a risk they could not take.

"Only after the federal government does provide 50 per cent of the financing will banks come in and provide 35 per cent of the money. Under ARA regulations, for providing 35 per cent of the capital the participating banks will receive a first mortgage on the entire property, while Uncle Sam will take a second mortgage for his 50 per cent slice, without any personal guarantee of repayment by the borrowers.

No Pledge

"While this is completely within existing regulations of the ARA act, it still does not look good to me as a business procedure. When you and I loan money, we personally guarantee repayment. In the pending application, no personal pledge of repayment is made."

"This proposal does not provide the county with a more diversified base of employment, Bendix concluded. "Operation of the applicant, with exception of a particle board plant, will merely result in a shift of employment from current operations. It will not diversify the area's economy, as is the contention of the supporters of the proposed development, as it will compete and clash with existing industry."



NEW EQUIPMENT—Jacksonville volunteer firemen Frank Solomon, left, tries on one of the two smoke masks acquired this month by the Jacksonville Fire department with funds raised from the annual firemen's ball. Helping Solomon try on the mask is Wayne Cabler, another of the volunteer firemen.

Jacksonville Fire Department Gets Two Smoke Masks

Jacksonville - Jacksonville Volunteer Firemen took delivery this month on two fire-fighter Guardsman self-contained smoke masks, which carry their own air supply, and two extra air tanks, at a cost of \$530.

This equipment was purchased with proceeds from the annual firemen's ball held here each November and will enable local firemen to operate more efficiently and enter smoke filled buildings without having to wait for equipment from other fire departments.

The Jacksonville firemen expressed thanks to all residents, local and Medford businessmen who donated to the dance and helped make it a big success.

The fire department is now undergoing a 30-hour state-sponsored fire training course, with the state paying half the cost and the fire department here paying the other half amounting to \$80, also taken from the dance fund. The instructor of the course is Norman Nelson of the Medford Fire department. The course is broken up into three and one-half hour sessions, held at each regular firemen's meeting on Monday evenings.

The department also held its election of officers for the 1963 period recently. Elected were: president, Francis Roberts; vice - president, Dick Legg; secretary, Bob Gemlich; treasurer, Ronald Mc-

Intyre; and fire-baller, Andy Owens.

Lewis Applebaker was re-elected fire chief for the tenth year. He has been a member of the fire dept. for 30 years with the exception of 3 years during which he served in World War II.

There are at present 223 active volunteers with the department. There are openings for two more. Among other longtime volunteers are May or E. O. Graham, Police Chief Frank Carter, Floyd Wyatt, Charles Young and Russell McIntyre.

Regional News

Hornbrook Youngsters, Parents Hold Meeting To Organize Local 4-H Club

By KATHERINE CHAPMAN
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Hornbrook - A meeting of young people and their parents was held Thursday evening at the Grange hall for the purpose of organizing a local 4-H club.

The meeting was conducted by Bill Riddiman of the Farm Advisor's office in Yreka. He was assisted by Penny Barnum of Hornbrook, who, as a long-time member of the Willow Creek 4-H club, has attained the rank of gold star member, one of the highest honors given by the club.

Miss Barnum, a sophomore student at Southern Oregon college in Ashland, has agreed to assume the job of junior leader in the proposed new club, and as such, will have supervision over the entire club.

Matt Madison and Mrs. Marion (Elva) Grieb have been chosen heads of the community club.

Riddiman explained to the

assembled group the meaning of the 4-Hs—Head—Heart and Health, and led by him and Miss Barnum, all repeated the 4-H oath together.

The aims and purpose of the 4-H movement were explained, as well as the part the parents play in the success or failure of the venture.

A lively question and answer period followed in which the following points were brought out:

1. That for the youngsters first year in 4-H, only one project should be taken, and the member is expected to complete the project.
2. That each club is judged partly on the number of projects completed, so it is very important, not only to the individual, but also to the group, that every project undertaken be completed.
3. That the club and its activities are conducted by the members, with the community club leaders acting only in an advisory or counselling capacity.
4. That transportation to and from the meetings is the responsibility of the parents.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Grieb, and a time for the future meetings was agreed upon as the second Monday of each month at 7:30 at the Grange hall. A total of 26 youngsters signed up for a variety of projects.

Happy Camp Garage Gutted by Fire

Happy Camp - The garage at the back of a house being rented by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pasley was gutted by an early morning fire here recently.

According to Pasley, it was through the efforts of the Happy Camp Volunteer Fire department and the resident deputy sheriff that the house was saved. The back porch of the house is only about six feet from the end of the garage and without the well organized fire fighting unit here in Happy Camp, according to Pasley, they might have lost a lot more.

The two cars were in the garage but were moved from danger. Lost in the fire was a deep-freezer full of meat, tools and electrical supplies, a new cook stove, plus furniture of a spare bedroom that was at one end of the garage.

The house and garage are owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Weisinger of Hyampom. The cause of the fire or the amount of damage had not been determined, according to Pasley.

Works by Prospect Artists To Be Shown At Riverview Cafe

Prospect - The Prospect Art Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Halaver Garden, Jan. 8. The Art club has 12 members.

Mr. Wrigglesworth contacted the Riverview cafe in Shady Cove and arrangements were made to display the club's art pictures in the cafe. The pictures will be changed once a month.

As an added interest to the meetings, a member will give a five minute talk on art. The member can choose the topic they wish to talk about.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Emmet Tucker, Sr. in Prospect, Feb. 12, starting at 7:30 p.m.

N. California Television Log

Programs listed below are received from the television stations and the Mail Tribune assumes no responsibility except to make changes as supplied.

- KVIP-TV (Channel 7)**
- Monday
- 6:00—Newbeat Northstate
 - 6:15—Huntley-Brinkley
 - 6:30—Gallant Men
 - 7:30—The Dakotas
 - 8:30—Hiltman
 - 9:04—Stoney Burke
 - 10:00—Ben Casey
 - 11:00—ABC Late News
 - 11:10—Sportscast
 - 11:15—Tonight Show
 - 12:25—Late News
- Tuesday
- 9:30—Educational
 - 10:00—Price Is Right
 - 10:30—Concentration
 - 11:00—Jane Wyman
 - 11:20—Yours For a Song
 - 12:00—Ernie Ford Show
 - 12:30—Father Knows Best
 - 1:00—Loretta Young
 - 1:30—TV Bingo
 - 2:00—Day in Court
 - 2:24—Holiday Report
 - 2:30—Seven Keys
 - 3:00—Queen For a Day
 - 3:30—Who Do You Trust
 - 4:00—American Bandstand
 - 4:30—Discovery
 - 4:35—Bandstand News
 - 5:00—Cartoon Time
 - 5:30—Mickey Mouse Club
 - 6:00—Newbeat Northstate
 - 6:15—Huntley-Brinkley
 - 6:30—Laramie
 - 7:30—Combat
 - 8:30—Hawaitan Eye
 - 9:30—Untouchables
 - 10:30—Don't Call Me Charlie
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Prospect Cub Scouts Meet

Prospect - The monthly Cub Scout Pack 17 meeting was held Jan. 17 at the Community hall.

Mrs. Ray Maurer led the pack in two songs. Den 2 put on a short skit. Pack 4 sang a song.

Den 4 was presented a small gold cup that goes to the den with the best attendance.

Another highlight of the meeting was the presentation of awards. They went to Clifford Vinson and Ken Burrill, who received their bobcat pins.

Michael Denny, Robert Freeland and Raymond Ellis received their wolf badges.

Receiving another award was Randy Ellis who worked all summer for his arrow points. He received one gold arrow and six silver arrows.

Den 4 has nine Scouts and Mrs. John Freeland and Mrs. Earl Bliss are leaders. Den 3 has four Scouts, with Darlene Deany, leader. Den 2 has four members. Mrs. Dean Boyer is leader. Den 1 has 11 members and Mrs. William Barnes is leader.

SCHOOL NEWS

Kerby School

Illinois Valley - A Space mobile unit will be at the Kerby Grade school Tuesday at 2:15 p.m. This is a Space Aeronautics program sponsored by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Models of satellites are used to explain the U. S. space program.

On Wednesday there will be a fourth grade assembly and honor roll recognition at 8:30 a.m.

Mrs. Dave Wilson's fourth grade had an election of officers recently with Debbie Brown chosen as president, Gwen Madden as secretary, Kerry Lackey and Steven Martin as safety patrol, Evelyn Davis as hostess, Timmy Murff as host, Mark Lewis as librarian, Senius Elbertson as housekeeper, Sherri Chamberlain as blackboard attendant, and John Trefethen and Denise Tibbs, in charge of papers.

Mrs. Edna Thursh's 5A class officers for January and February are Bobby Meyer, vice president; Tom Oliver, vice president; Ronnie Slack, secretary; Loren Champlain, treasurer. Betty Millard won first place in poetry.

Mrs. Don Orton's 6-A class officers will take office Jan. 28, with David Atkins, vice president; Mike McKary, secretary; Denise Mayfield, secretary; and Randy Hansen, treasurer.

The Space mobile unit will also be at the Illinois Valley High school Tuesday at 9 a.m.

Mellbye Elected Vice President of Group

Eugene - Clarence Mellbye, former vice principal and baseball coach at Crater High school who is now principal of Central High school at Mouth-of-Independence, was elected vice president of the Oregon Association of Secondary School Principals Saturday, and will become the group's president next year.

Civil Defense Meeting Slated At Little Shasta

Montague - Parents and residents of Little Shasta School district are urged to attend a meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the school to learn about emergency preparedness for the school in the event of an attack. All residents of the community are urged to attend.

With the realization that the safety and welfare of the children is of utmost importance at all times, and that this safety and welfare will be greatly threatened in case of any emergency, national or natural, the board of trustees wish to inform all of the extremely important steps that will be taken in the event that there is an emergency during school hours.

Jerry Edwards of the County Civil Defense committee, plans to be there to present a very interesting explanation of the whole civil defense setup and the implications for the area.

Schools will receive the earliest notification of a national defense alert. Many parents will be involved in helping to inform other parents of the emergency.

All parents will be directly involved in carrying out the plans for the local school because there is no bus. As there are many important details to be explained, it is hoped there will be 100 per cent attendance to the meeting.

Baby sitting will be provided in the Multi-purpose room, with the seventh grade children acting as sitters. Refreshments will be served.

Central Point Jaycees Plan Meeting Thursday

Central Point - A dinner meeting is scheduled for the Central Point Junior Chamber of Commerce Thursday, to be held at the Round Table restaurant at 7:30 p.m.

Don Lacy conducted the most recent Jaycee meeting, in the absence of the president, Gay Hallett.

Reports were heard on the membership drive. Four new members were added to the Central Point club, Dennis Bateman, Jim Ross, Bob Clark and Jerry Anderson.

The group also discussed the membership dinner, at which time two members of the Grants Pass chapter of Jaycees were visitors: Gordon Burns, national director of the Oregon State Jaycees, and Clarence Norris, state membership chairman, who presented the program with colored slides.

Other items of interest were the state and local projects soon to be undertaken by the local club. The next major project to be conducted will be a clean-up campaign scheduled for the latter part of March.

Butte Falls High Hosts Days Creek

Butte Falls - Butte Falls High school recently entertained students from Prospect and Days Creek.

Games and dancing followed the regularly scheduled basketball game between Butte Falls and Days Creek. Live music was presented by local talent. Refreshments were served.

Faculty members from all three schools were present.

Days Creek students were overnight guests of Butte Falls. A second basketball game was played the following day at which time Days Creek students made the return trip home.

Water Problems in Hornbrook To Be Discussed Tuesday

Hornbrook - At a public meeting called for Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Grange hall, a group of men from the California Department of Water Resources in Sacramento will be on hand to discuss with local residents what can be done concerning the water situation in the Hornbrook area.

Some preliminary study has been made by local water resource men, but the state men will be in the community all day Tuesday making a further study, and considering the feasibility of constructing a dam probably in the Cottonwood creek watershed.

The results of this study will be presented at the evening meeting, also the terms of the Davis-Grunsky Water act will be explained.

In view of the potentially critical water situation facing this area, the public is urged to attend.

Tristan Represents Happy Camp Schools At Chico St. Clinic

Happy Camp - On Jan. 12, James Tristan traveled to a music clinic at Chico State college, where he represented the Happy Camp schools as a guest conductor of the Chico State College band.

The purpose of the music clinic was to perform and evaluate music ranging in difficulty from Class C to A. Tristan conducted a Norwegian composition of Class C to A. There were twenty-one band directors selected from schools throughout northern California to take part in the clinic.

Tristan feels that he was very fortunate to have been selected by the college music clinic committee to represent our schools in such an event. Tristan is the music director of Happy Camp schools.

Regional Roundup

by Cleve Twitchell
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The program of Dr. Max Rafferty, California's new state superintendent of public instruction, who assumed office at the beginning of this month, bears some watching. Shortly after officially taking over the reins of the job, Dr. Rafferty proposed an end to what he termed the "progressive education, John Dewey philosophy" which he said has been responsible for "pabulumized" learning.

Dr. Rafferty defeated Dr. Ralph Richardson last November after an election campaign which to many observers appeared to pit a liberal type of educator against a conservative type in a sort of classic battle. Actually neither candidate could really be labeled as one type or the other, but they did disagree on many points, and their numerous debates during the campaign attracted some national attention.

In an interview earlier this month during which Dr. Rafferty outlined some of his proposals, he said he was concerned with the content of courses rather than the method with which they were taught.

"Knowledge," he was quoted as saying in a recent New York Times story, "is the only thing that stands between national survival and destruction." He was especially critical of present teaching of reading in California's first, second and third grades.

"We need more glamor and suspense back in the readers," the Times article quoted him as saying. "The kids are tough little creatures. They learn to read not because their parents or teachers want them to but because they are interested enough to go on to the next page. They used to read excitedly about Hansel and Gretel pushing their grandpa into the oven but the kids didn't go around afterwards pushing their own grandmothers into the oven."

Dr. Rafferty was also critical of fifth grade American history as it is presently taught in California, commenting, "I can't recommend a single fifth grade American History text. They talk of the wives of pioneers making linen-woolsey dresses and men chopping down trees, but they omit trivial things like the Monroe Doctrine. They are not subversive but childish. A fifth-grader deserves something better."

"The publishing houses have been brainwashed for years by curriculum experts and state superintendents in the social studies field."

The Weather Again

Bertha Hanscom, our Phoenix correspondent, is just as glad she lives in Oregon, after seeing a newspaper clipping sent to her by friends in Maine. A photograph in the newspaper, from Belfast, Me., shows a man digging out from under a 12-foot snow drift. It snowed from Dec. 29 to Jan. 2, Bertha reports. Her friends had to stay up nights to keep their three stoves going in order to keep warm.

A Problem Is Solved

Priscilla Averill, our Grants Pass correspondent, informs us that she has reached a compromise agreement with the state police over whether Medford is south or east of Grants Pass. Hereafter an accident on Interstate 5 or Highway 99 between Grants Pass and Medford will occur "x miles EAST of Grants Pass and Highway 99 SOUTH."

Virgil Cade Honored With Retirement Dinner

Yreka - The Lamplighter restaurant in Mount Shasta was the scene of a recent retirement dinner for Virgil B. Cade, Division of Highways employee, MM2, who retired Jan. 1 of this year.

Master of ceremonies was P. O. Hughes, who spoke of Cade's life and years of service with the state.

The honoree was born in White Heath, Ill. and as a young man worked at well-drilling as a contractor. In 1928 he brought his family to California.

Before working for the Division of Highways in 1937, he worked as a locomotive fireman for the Yuba Construction company and for the Bureau of Public Roads. He worked first in Pulga, Butte county, and then Tahoe City and thence to Mount Shasta.

Virgil Cade was presented his retirement pin and a gift certificate from his fellow

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