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J. C. JOHNSON

JUNIOR UNION HIGH SCHOOL PROPOSED

Parke, Ore., Feb. 7, 1925.

Editor: The proposed establishment of a union high school in Lower Valley is of interest to the entire county. The unanimity with which the proposal has been received by the districts directly involved augurs well for the success of the project.

As an outsider I should hesitate before taking the liberty of making any suggestion relative to the matter. But strangers venture where residents fear to tread, so I will take the risk of being advised to mind my own business or to consult a psychiatrist. I am not going to discuss the merits of the proposed union of the seven districts. I take it for granted that the union will be consummated without noticeable opposition. I presume the new district will vote \$500,000 to erect and equip the new structure. I am heartily in sympathy with all this. My suggestion is that before proceeding further with the project the school board would be well advised to consider the feasibility of introducing a junior college course in connection with the new high school.

I am not going to ask space to explain fully the workings of the junior

college. I venture to assert that no recent innovation in our educational system has met with such general approval. It is no longer an experiment. California has 27 in operation, the oldest having been in existence seven years. Our state legislature now in session has before it a measure which will legalize their establishment in Oregon. Roseburg a few weeks ago voted bonds for the establishment of one in that city in connection with its new high school.

The purpose of the junior college is to give students two years of college in their home community. The same studies are carried on in the junior college as in the larger institutions. The students are given the proper training preparing them for advanced courses in commerce, arts and sciences. The credits gained during these two years are accepted at par at the state institutions.

I cannot go into details regarding the increased expense involved in adding this course but I am of the opinion the additional expense would not be of alarming proportions. Like all good things of life it would demand a reasonable outlay. Two or three additional rooms would have to be erected. Library and laboratory facilities would need increasing, as well as an augmented faculty. The junior college would receive tuition for all students taking the course who reside outside the union school district.

I anticipate opposition from some of our young people, who would feel grieved if deprived of the social activities which are an adjunct of a college career in a large institution. I am sorry, boys and girls, I have no alibi. But after all this is a minor defect. From the standpoint of the parent it is a decided advantage. For the additional two years in the home atmosphere, under parental guidance is an asset and not a liability.

Hood River county would benefit tremendously by the adoption of this new system. What an added appeal this would be to the prospective settler. Every home maker has to face the problem of his child's education. Proximity to such educational advantages as a junior college furnishes would "sell" the valley to scores of families. Ask the residents in the Willamette valley what lead them to locate in that section and my guess is that six out of ten will acknowledge that it was the proximity of the state colleges.

Robt. A. Hutchinson.

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR A BETTER HOSPITAL

Rev. L. H. Miller, chairman of the Hood River hospital, Tuesday asked for an expression from members of the Lunch club on the policy of the organization in launching campaigns for a new building. Mr. Miller praised the efficiency of the staff of the community institution which, he declared, has kept the hospital on a profitable and high standard basis despite the handicaps of an old, ill-equipped building.

Dr. J. W. Sifton, who discussed the matter from the standpoint of a physician and a business man, declared that a decided need exists for a well-equipped institution. He stated that people should be caused to consider the hospital from a dollar and cents standpoint, citing that the hospital, as a business institution with a payroll and the distribution of cash, leaves an approximate \$30,000 in the city annually.

Both men pointed to the stimulus that will accrue to the hospital from the construction of the Interstate bridge, which will enable residents of the mid-Columbia district of Washington to take advantage of the institution.

J. H. Fredrick appealed to members of the club to write to their representatives in support of the proposed bill of H. B. 56, which proposes increased taxes on motor trucks and buses engaged in freight and passenger business. Mr. Fredrick declared that the provision of the proposed bill will equalize the burden of taxation. He characterized the bus and truck lines, under existing conditions, as parasitic.

The O. W. R. & N. Co. during the past five years, Mr. Fredrick cited, has paid an approximate \$50,000 annually to Hood River county. The motor transportation concerns, he declared, pay but a small portion of the upkeep of roads or municipal, county or state institutions.

"The apple growers of this district," said Mr. Fredrick, "are seeking a reduction in the rate on their long haul freights. I doubt if such reductions will be available unless the rail lines are permitted to regain their short haul business."

Leslie Butler, chairman of the day, stated that he had expected Dorsey B. Smith here for a talk on Cloud Cap Inn, which, he declared, will be a paying proposition as soon as established. Mr. Smith has postponed his coming until February 24.

The names of Verne Horne and Allyn C. Button were proposed for membership.

LEGION NOTES

Veterans of the world war who have not submitted applications for their bonuses are urged by Lt. Col. C. F. Andrews, recruiting officer, U. S. A., Portland, to do so at once. The importance of applying at the earliest possible date is urged upon the veterans by Col. Andrews, who states:

"The War department is daily receiving cases in which veterans who have thought themselves in the best of health have died or have been killed by accident without having submitted their applications for adjusted compensation. Their widows and children, many of them in needy circumstances, receive in such cases cash to the amount of the adjusted credit, an amount equal to approximately one-third only of that he would have received in one payment in cash had the veteran made application prior to death. For instance, should a veteran who served overseas for a period entitling him to the maximum amount of adjusted service credit of \$625, die without filing his application, his widow, children, or other dependent within the restricted class, will receive that amount only in 10 quarterly installments while if he filed his application prior to his death the widow, children or dependent will receive approximately \$1850 in one payment in cash. Cash payments under the act become due March 1, 1925, and payment will be delayed unless the veteran applies a sufficient time in advance of that date to enable the War department to properly pass on applications and transmit it to the Veterans' Bureau.

The members of the Legion now have a den all their own. Comrade Frank Moore has arranged tables in the basement of the Hood River Drug Co. Cold days these tables will be made comfortable and warm. Warm days the den will form a cool retreat.

Each Friday the legionnaires will meet at the Hood River Drug Co. and Mr. Moore will serve them with lunch in their den. Here, far from the "maddening crowd" the members of the Post may eat, make merry and discuss various topics to their hearts' content. "The Den" bids fair to prove a popular Legion institution.

Hood River Pleases

(From the Enterprise Chieftain)
O. J. Roe writes from Hood River, where his son-in-law, E. T. Hunter, has been transferred from Portland by the Pacific Power & Light company, by which he is employed. Mr. Roe says:

"We are away upon the hill south of the highway. When I get the lay of the town I will tell you how you can find us. I think we shall like it here. We had a little snow the next day after we arrived, January 12, but it is all gone now and the thermometer last night registered 41. I see you are, or have been, having more winter. Well, I must say, I was getting more winter than I cared for. Remember me to everybody."

FINANCIAL REPORT OF H. B. CHAMBER

The following financial report, read by Treasurer Castner, of the Chamber of Commerce, at the meeting Monday night, showed the organization to be in the best financial condition in years:

Fiscal year ending February 1, 1925.
Receipts—Dues and service fund, \$7,619.03; Northwest Cooperative Marketing Committee, \$547.50; petty cash, \$9.05; pool and billiards, \$64.15; stenographic service, \$46.55; sale of hand tickets, \$106.80; Oregon-Washington Bridge Co., \$300; election returns, \$25.06; sale of dishes, \$15. Total receipts, \$8,739.60.

Expenditures—Dues slips returned N. S. F., \$44; quarters, \$1,832.31; secretarial services, \$3,325.75; postage, \$133.75; printing and stationery, \$147.50; Northwest Cooperative Marketing Committee, \$547.50; office supplies and equipment, \$112.23; pool and billiards, \$96.70; traveling expenses, \$356.83; telephone and telegraph, \$263.38; stenographic service, \$25.09; construction and equipment of information booth, \$316.30; bridge celebration (separate fund) \$300; paid Frank Branch Riley on old debt, \$450; miscellaneous, \$434.25. Total expenditures, \$8,925.59.

Balance in bank, February 1, 1925, \$470.37.

Cash on hand: In bank, general fund, \$470.37; bridge celebration fund, \$300; soldiers' memorial fund, \$474.59. Total, \$1,245.96.

Outstanding obligations: City of Hood River, new office, \$424.50.

MISS CARLOS MAKES O. A. C. DEBATE TEAM

Dorothy Bush, Portland, and Emma Berg, Canby, were placed on the O. A. C. affirmative women's debate team to meet the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, B. C. March 3. Kathleen Carlos, Hood River, and Georgia English, Eugene, make up the co-ed negative team meeting the British Columbia affirmative team at Corvallis. The debate is the first international contest for women.

O. A. C. women debaters will meet the University of Oregon and Willamette university in a triangular debate February 19. Two days after the Canadian meet, March 5, the affirmative team is scheduled to meet the Washington State Normal school at Bellingham, Wash. A dual debate with Washington State College is being arranged for March.

NEW THOR IRONER INTERESTS WOMEN

A new Thor Ironer, product of the Hurst-Washington Machine Co., is attracting a great attention at the office of the Pacific Power & Light Co. It is a practical ironer for household use. A demonstration was given Saturday afternoon by Mrs. Callahan, of the Thor shop in Portland, and about 80 women were present. Tea was served the visitors.

The new machine is attracting almost as much interest as the first real practical automobile over 15 years ago. It is predicted that it will be considered a household necessity within a few years. It can be folded to fit a small closet, its operation is inexpensive and all dangers have been eliminated. The machine has been endorsed by national fire insurance underwriters.

Filthy Still Taken

Saturday night Sheriff Edick and deputies Riley, Devin and Sloan, accompanied by Night Marshal Conover, Sunday night raided a dump still in the Upper Valley, capturing J. H. Crawford. The officers brought the apparatus, the dirtiest ever seen here, to town and destroyed 60 gallons of mash. The dump was six feet deep and eight feet square. The still was made from an all tin wash boiler. Tin kerosene cans were being used for storing the moonshine liquor. Officers expressed a wonder that no one had been poisoned from the filthy layout. The still was located just off the Upper Valley ranch of Henry Conners. The man arrested and another man, who officers said fled, had, without the knowledge of the owner, moved into a small house on Mr. Conner's ranch. Apparently they had been prospering in their illicit liquor operations, for a new range had just been placed in the house and the larder was well supplied.

Crawford was bound over to the grand jury at a hearing before Justice of the Peace Blagg Monday.

North Bank to Get \$700,000

Local folk expressed themselves as gratified by news of the recommendation of the Washington State Highway department for an appropriation of \$700,000 the coming season on the North Bank highway between Vancouver and Maryhill, Wash. A large portion of the fund, it is stated, will be expended in widening grades and surfacing the road in Skamania county.

The North Bank highway, with the new Interstate bridge here complete, is expected to form the part of a popular loop highway out of Portland. With the road on the Washington side of the river improved, local folk will alternate in their travel between here and Portland, utilizing the Washington road for a trip one way.

Teacher Gets First Bouquet

While other children of the community found the first isolated bluebell for the mid-Columbia, little Miss Louise Beauregard, aged 10 and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor C. Beauregard, of the East Side, picked the season's first bouquet of wildflowers. Louise searched the protected hillside along the Columbia River highway Sunday afternoon, and as a result her teacher Monday had a nice bouquet of the handsome little bluebells.

Auxiliary Filling Cookie Jar

Friends and members of the local Auxiliary of the American Legion are engaged in filling a cookie jar to be taken to the Portland Veterans' hospital. Cookies of many kinds are being made in scores of Hood River homes. The cookies will be assembled at the Coolidge jewelry store St. Valentine's day and will be forwarded to the hospital on general cookie jar day next Wednesday.

The Auxiliary members invite all to join in filling Hood River's jar.

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