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Firemen To Give T.V. Set As Door Prize

The Mill City Fire laddies are getting things in readiness for their ninth annual benefit which will be staged at the fire hall here Saturday evening, November 21.

The tickets have been printed this week and the house to house canvass of the city will be held on November 11, 12 and 13. The firemen have divided their numbers into groups, each assigned a given territory to work.

This year they are giving away a television set as the main door prize. Other prizes will be given, and those who have attended this event, know what to expect. They state good music will be furnished for the dance.

Funds raised will be used for the department.

Woman's Club Meet Here Tuesday Night

A typical meeting of the Mill City Toastmistress club was presented as the program for the Mill City Woman's club which met Tuesday evening at Fellowship hall.

Mrs. W. B. Hutcheson acted as chairman and Mrs. Vernon Todd was toastmistress. The three speakers, Mrs. Arthur LeCours, Mrs. Gale Lowery and Mrs. Floyd Jones gave speeches illustrative of the first three major speech assignments in the organization. Mrs. E. J. Yarnell gave the education talk on "Aims of Toastmistress." "Bells" was the theme followed by the topic-mistress, Mrs. Howard Means.

Mrs. Donald Sheythe and Mrs. Harry Dyhrman sang several numbers, accompanied by Mrs. Lee Ross. Hostesses for the evening included Mrs. Lee Knowles, Mrs. C. A. Bruder, Mrs. Leon Faust and Mrs. Lee Ross.

Mill City Man Has Narrow Escape from Burning Truck

DETROIT—Howard Morrison of Mill City, log truck driver for M. & M. Plywood Co. of Idanha, had a narrow experience last week when his loaded truck caught fire.

Mr. Morrison escaped injury by diving out the opposite window of the truck. The truck was a total loss. The incident occurred as the loaded truck was about to pull away from the landing. The side gas tank on the drivers side exploded. It is thought the explosion was caused by a spark from the battery. The trailer and logs were saved by the quick work of the "cat" drivers. Mr. Morrison is now driving a new truck.

Canned Fruit Shower Given Mrs. Bridges

Friends and neighbors of the Sam Bridges family honored them with a canned fruit shower Monday evening of this week. Mrs. Bridges received a considerable amount of fruit in this shower and wishes to thank them for their kindness. The Bridges lost all of their canned goods in the fire which wrecked their home earlier this year. The Bridges children are now all in school and Mr. Bridges is making satisfactory progress.

Explorer Scouts To Hold Second Meeting of Year

The second meeting of the Explorer Scout Post No. 49 will be held Monday evening at 7 p. m. in room four of the Mill City elementary school. This meeting is being held for the purpose of deciding on a program for the scouts.

The Explorers are an organization of boys 14 years of age or older who are interested in advanced scouting. Mr. Dierks is their leader.

Any boy interested in the Mill City area is urged to attend this meeting.

Bonneville Survey Crew Leaves for Camas Valley

The Bonneville survey crew which has been stationed here for some time, completed work here the forepart of the week and moved Tuesday to Camas Valley, where work is being done on a like project.

The crew had been surveying for the power line from Detroit dam to the substation at Lyons and also the Detroit to Chemawa power line.

Those who were stationed here were Mr. and Mrs. Wilson S. Jeffers, Mr. and Mrs. Mel McAlister, Mr. and Mrs. Harl Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Dotson, Raymond McCaskey, Harold Wanamaker and Dan Straub.

Many Halloween Activities In Area Keeps Vandalism At Minimum

By Marion Todd

The Halloween witches and goblins must be taking a well deserved rest this week after the round of activities which kept them hustling in Mill City for several days last week.

The local Boy Scout troop was among the "early birds" with Halloween celebrations, for they cut their meeting short Wednesday evening of last week and had a party, serving the traditional cider, cookies and candy. Games were played with prizes for the winners.

Mrs. Roy Kiersey's kindergarten group celebrated during their morning school session Friday. Many of the children wore costumes, and Mrs. Kiersey had a busy morning keeping a very realistic skeleton from frightening the other children. Clever Bozo masks were given to the children and popcorn was served during the regular morning lunch period.

A week of activity preceded the Halloween room parties in the elementary school. Many a paper jack-o-lantern and witch had been cut, colored and pasted in anticipation of the day. Pumpkins both large and small had been gathered. Daron Dierks fifth grade claims they had the "grandpappy" of all pumpkins for they had one that measured 38 inches in circumference.

The last half hour of the school day on Friday was devoted to room parties in all of the first five grades. (A party for the 6th, 7th and 8th grades had been held on the Friday evening before.) The teachers assisted by the room mothers had planned games and various forms of entertainment for the children. The first graders in Mrs. Lloyd Sletto's room were unusually jubilant over their entertainment, which was playing with six small puppies belonging to Claudia Budlong, a member of their group.

Refreshments, of course, were an important part of the program. The mothers had furnished food varying from dixie cups and cup cakes to doughnuts and cider. It was a big moment in the afternoon but perhaps not as "big" as one of Mrs. Jack Baldwin's first graders seemed to think. He had been served cider and when his mother came later, he announced, "Oh, mother, you missed the drinks. I don't know what it was, but I think it was beer."

Friday evening Daron Dierks' fifth grade room put on a short program concerning Halloween customs in Scotland, Ireland and the United States. Those taking part were Joellen Agee, Bert Bothwell, Sharon Bradshaw, Patsy Christensen, Robert Fleming, Ronald Foster, Bobby Hill, Doris Hutchinson, Judith Kay, Ronald Hutchins, Garland Maldie, Carol Pate, David Reid, Thomas Smith, William Sullivan, Marian Taylor, Sharon Whitsett, Vernal Wilcox, Delbert Williams and Darlene Woodcock.

The round of Halloween parties began on Friday evening when Sherry Hansen entertained a group of teenagers. A scavenger hunt was the main diversion of the evening.

Mrs. Al Yankus entertained her third grade Bluebird group at her home with a party from 7:30 until 10. The girls came in costume and entertainment was bingo. Mrs. Frank Merrill and Mrs. Carlson assisted Mrs. Yankus in serving hot dogs and cider to the group later in the evening. Horns, which were furnished each girl, helped to make it a very lively party.

One of the high lights of the party given for the senior division of the Presbyterian Sunday school was a fortune teller (Mrs. Verne Clark) who foresaw wondrous things. About 25 youngsters from the fourth grade up attended the party Friday evening in Fellowship hall. Those receiving prizes for costumes included: prettiest, Nancy Baldwin; most original, Ellen Hoeye; and funniest, Dick Dyhrman.

Chaperones were Mrs. Ralph Fough, Mrs. Clyde Rogers, and Rev. and Mrs. Noble Streeter.

The matinee set had a double Halloween celebration on Saturday. Bob Veness gave his usual Halloween party during the afternoon show. About 50 of the children who attended the show entered the costume contest and all received a small prize. The special prizes were awarded for the prettiest costumes to Judy Kadin of Gates, an Indian princess, in the older division and to Linda Anderson of Gates, a Chinese princess dressed in blue silk, in the younger division. The funniest costume awards were won by Dickie Hayward, a clown whose nose squeaked when it was pinched, and Susie Carlson, a well-padded grandma. Michael Warriner, a ghost, older division, and Allan Yankus, the devil, in the younger division, won the prizes for the most horrible costumes. Barbara Podrabsky and Norma Jean Downer acted as judges.

The zero hour, of course, was dusk on Saturday evening when the "Trick or Treaters" descended upon certain sections of town like a horde of locust. The people who live in the C.B.I. unit and Shepherd's addition regret the location of their homes on Halloween night for they seem to be the center of activity and reports indicate that you should have about 150 treats prepared if you live there.

Flash: a late reported champions are the Don Sheythe's who gave out over 200 treats!

The would-be pranksters ranged from tiny tots who went to a few neighboring houses, accompanied by their parents who hid behind the bushes, to those who roamed the entire town with a flour sack in which they deposited their loot. A suggestion for the Shepherd addition folk is that they furnish their offspring with flour sacks and start them out early, and then they can redistribute the plunder to those who appear at their door.

And then there is one pair of parents who report gleefully that they are having a big time chewing the gum and eating the candy collected by their toddlers.

The general atmosphere of both children and houseolders seemed very friendly Saturday night. Most houses had porch lights on, and many had lighted jack-o-lanterns to guide the way. It is true there are always a few who turn out their lights and lock the door, but most people would be disappointed if they did not have a few small visitors. Costumes for the children ranged from merely a gruesome mask to complete and clever costumes.

Many of the teenage group spent Saturday evening at parties. Both Harold Kiewer and Richard Thomas gave parties, and a group of senior girls had a slumber party at Frances Johnson's home.

The King's Teens, a non-denominational group of young people, met in the basement of the Christian church for their festivities. They played the traditional Halloween games, such as bobbing for apples, and had group singing, followed by the serving of doughnuts and cider. Miss Alice Smith and Glen Shelton, co-leaders of the group, acted as chaperones.

Monday morning only the unpleasant aspects of Halloween remained. There was the soap and wax to be scraped off of window and a few rocks to be picked up on the newly prepared elementary school lawn. The police report there was no destruction or rowdiness which had been brought to their attention. A record of which Mill City can well be proud.

Adults can now sit back and say "Thank goodness, that is over for another year," and already "kids" are saying, "Oh boy, only two months until Christmas!"

Doctor on Call 24 Hours A Day at Santiam Hospital

According to reports received here this week, there is a doctor on call at Santiam Memorial hospital at Stayton, 24 hours a day.

Arrangement has been made between the doctors of the area, so one of them can be reached at any time during the night. This does not mean there is a doctor at the hospital 24 hours a day, but that one is on call and can be secured immediately.

Nursing Conference Here Tuesday, November 10th

A nursing conference will be held at the elementary school in Mill City Tuesday, November 10 between the hours of 10 and 12 a. m.

Residents of the area are urged to have their children taken to their physician or to the nursing conference for immunization. Immunization should be started at about three months of age.

Many thousands of babies and young children are safe from certain communicable diseases such as diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and smallpox, because parents have had them immunized.

Public Meet To Be Held On U. H. S.

The school boards of Mill City and Gates have called a joint public meeting of all interested citizens of the two communities to be held Friday evening, November 20 at 8 p. m. in the Mill City High School auditorium to consider unionization of the high schools.

Present at this meeting will be William Dolmeyer, county superintendent of Linn county; Mrs. Agnes Booth, county superintendent of Marion county; and a representative from the Oregon Department of Education.

These school officials will be in a position to answer any questions that may be brought up by the public.

Many Out for Masonic Dinner

Many local Masons, 20 from Prineville and several from Stayton and Salem attended the annual buck dinner put on by the Masonic lodge here Saturday night.

Prineville lodge conferred the third degree on Walter Brisbin of Gates. The degree was put on in letter perfect form, which shows that the men from Prineville really put in some time on their work.

Floyd Volkel, also of Gates, took his proficiency test, and passed with flying colors. This is exceptional as he took his third degree work the preceding Monday.

About 70 were present to enjoy the buck steaks. On the committee preparing the dinner were George Huffman, Walter Kay, Floyd Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Hirte, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chance and Mrs. Russ Stanton of Prineville.

Rainbow Girls who helped serve were: Margaret Palmer, Anna Marie Hirte, Carol and Karen Andreassen.

Hathaways Still in Hospital at Bend

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hathaway who are confined in the St. Charles Memorial Hospital in Bend as a result of an automobile accident which occurred Sunday, October 25, are to be released from the hospital this week-end and will be returning home.

Mr. Hathaway is wearing a heavy back brace but has been able to walk since last Sunday. Mrs. Hathaway has been in the hospital since last Friday for observation, since there was danger that her head injury was more serious than first appeared. However, X-rays showed that she has recovered from any effect of the accident, but she is still in need of rest.

Chimney Fire at Davis Home Brings Out Firemen

A chimney fire Tuesday afternoon at the Ed Davis home brought out the Mill City fire department. No damage was done, and the firemen stood by until the blaze burned itself out.

North Santiam Sportsmen Club To Meet Nov. 9th

Monday, November 9th the North Santiam Sportsmen club will meet at their club house, formerly the Howell school halfway between Mehama and Stayton.

The program for the evening will be a pot luck supper at 7:30 followed by the awarding of the buck derby prizes and a 25 minute movie "making of a shooter."

Vernon James has been busy this week painting the inside of the building and work is progressing on the kitchen.

Bids Asked for Drainage In C. B. I. District Here

Bids have been invited by the Portland district, Corps of Engineers at the Pittcock Block in Portland, for drainage facilities in the C.B.I. housing development in Mill City. The work will consist of improving existing sanitary facilities in the area.

Bids will be opened at 2 p. m. November 16, and work must be completed in 40 calendar days.

District Round Table Scout Meet at Lebanon

There will be a meeting of the district Round Table, Thursday evening, November 12th at 7:30 p. m. at the Green Acres school at Lebanon.

All people connected with scouting are urged to attend.

Marshall Powell Takes Possession of Lyons Food Market This Week

Announcement is made this week by M. G. Brassfield that the Lyons Food Market has changed hands. Mr. Brassfield sold the business to Marshall Powell and Mr. Powell took active management of the firm Monday.

Mr. Brassfield, who has been in business there for the past 17 years states that poor health has prompted him to retire. The Powells will move to Lyons from Independence as soon as suitable housing can be found. He was manager of Penney's at Independence before coming to Lyons.

Industrial Arts Club Active At Mill City High

By Marion Todd

Each Wednesday evening there meets at the high school a small group of students, the Industrial Arts club, under the direction of W. D. Hoeye, industrial arts instructor of the high school, who are carrying on a program new to the local school system this year.

The purpose of the club is mass production of selected items for sale in order to give the students experience in business and industry. They receive work experience in book-keeping, management, corporate financing and sales as well as many phases of production.

At the first meeting the following officers were elected: general manager, Richard Verbeck; production foreman, Ralph Jull; sales manager, Donald Nesbitt; office manager, Karen Andreassen.

The club has been working on a wrought-iron book rack and now has the "bugs" worked out of its manufacture and are ready to go into production for general sales. Sales samples have been made and Don Nesbitt has been taking orders. The book rack will hold up to a dozen books and is a unique and worthwhile item, well made and attractive.

One half of the profits from the sales of items made by the club remains with the club to buy special equipment and the other half is apportioned to the class treasurers. Each member keeps a time card, and the "office manager" computes the hours worked by each "employee" and the total of each class. From these figures the apportionment to each class is made.

According to W. D. Hoeye, "The club has other items in mind for production for the Christmas trade. Items made of wood and sheet metal, as well as wrought iron. Watch for them and buy, confident that you are getting your money's worth both in product and America's future through youngsters familiar with the workings of business as carried on the democratic way."

Three Days Vacation First Of Week for M. C. Schools

Students in Mill City schools will receive a three day vacation the first of next week, according to Vernon S. Todd, superintendent of schools.

Monday and Tuesday, November 9 and 10, a workshop is to be held in Albany for all teachers of Linn County. This is a continuation of the workshop held the first week of school.

November 11, Armistice Day, is a legal holiday and therefore a school holiday.

Lyons Plumbing Asks for Toys on Appliance Tradein

Peter W. Rodich, owner of Lyons Plumbing of that town is offering an opportunity for the residents of the area to trade in toys on appliances.

Mr. Rodich stated last week that many children in this area could use toys this Christmas season, and he is willing to trade in toys instead of appliances on the purchases at his place of business. The toys will be repaired and repainted by Mr. Rodich.

High School To Hold Open House Friday Night

Parents of high school students and all other interested persons are invited to attend the "open-house" to be held at Mill City High School, Friday evening, November 6. A short assembly will be held at 8 p. m. in the auditorium and then the parents will attend the classes attended by their children, which will be held for 10 minute sessions.

Lyons Boy Is Stationed At Camp Stoneman, Calif.

CAMP STONEMAN, CALIF.—Army Pfc Billy J. Kinzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle C. Kinzer Sr., of Lyons, recently was assigned to the 6012th Area Service unit at Camp Stoneman, California.

Located only 40 miles from San Francisco, the camp is one of the largest processing centers on the west coast for soldiers going to and returning from the Far East Command.

Kinzer entered the army last February and completed basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif.

Lions Hear Withrow Tell Of Polio Need

"Much is left to be done, and more money is needed for research," said Vick Withrow, finance chairman of the Marion County Foundation for Infantile Paralysis in his talk to Lion members and their guests Monday evening.

He stated the canyon aid a splendid job in producing funds for polio last year, and that the Lions Club did a bangup job in the campaign, but more and more funds will be needed if polio is to be stamped out. He stated that \$20,000 had been raised last year, and that at least three times as much should be collected this year.

Withrow also stated that gamma globulin shots will immunize those who come in direct contact with polio, but immunization lasts only five or six weeks. What the Foundation is working on is a serum that can stop the disease in its tracks. The Lions club was asked to sponsor the March of Dimes again this year.

Mr. Withrow also said: "All the money raised in Marion county was spent by the first of June and that the National Foundation has been sending money back to help carry on polio work here. One check was for \$9,765."

Mr. Withrow introduced his son, Al, Withrow, who has been in the Air Force for the past five years. He was in the medical branch.

This was regular family night at Lions, and a large number of members and their families were present to enjoy the ham dinner.

A progressive auction was held to raise funds for the annual convention. Brian Moffatt was the lucky bidder.

Jay Mason, a new member received his certificate and pin in due ceremony, and again he was the lucky winner of the Lions jackpot, which he turned over to the polio fund.

Shields Remine, in charge of the program, showed colored pictures of one of the meetings held last year, and also a film of the state softball tournament played here and at Bend.

George Thomas Kills Big Lynx Monday

While returning from a hunting trip to eastern Oregon Monday night, George Thomas was lucky in getting a huge lynx cat on the highway between John Day and Mt. Vernon.

Mr. Thomas and Al Riddle, Gates, who had accompanied him on the trip were driving along the highway when the cat jumped into the middle of the road. "One more jump and it was clear up on the bank," said Mr. Thomas. He had to get into his shell box to get a shell, but evidently the lynx was confused by the lights of the car and "stayed put" until Thomas got the shot.

The cat measured 48 inches from tip to tip and weighed 75 pounds.

Ranchers of the area were pleased with the kill, as they say, "These female cats kill between 21 or 22 sheep each year. They also kill about that many deer."

Mr. Thomas will get a \$47 bounty for killing the lynx.

County Field Men Named For Multiple Crop Insurance

The names of Multiple Crop Insurance field representatives for Polk, Marion and Linn counties have been announced by Earl Johnson, sales manager of the above mentioned counties.

The following persons will contact interested farmers in the field before November 15: Marion County—James Bonner and Carl Booth; Linn County—Virgil Rogers. These persons will visit farmers and accept applications for 1954 crop coverage under the program. To date, Mr. Rogers has already made a number of contacts and has accepted 40 new applications. Signups are also being accepted in the County PMA offices.

Multiple Crop Insurance is a new Federal farm program that protects farmer's investments in the basic crops grown in the three counties, Johnson said. It provides a low-cost protection against virtually any kind of damage that may occur from time of planting through harvest.

Lions Club Auxiliary To Have Special Meet Tuesday

According to Mrs. Roger Nelson, president of the Lions Auxiliary, a special meeting of that group will be held November 10th at 2:30 in the afternoon at her home on N. E. Alder and 3rd streets.

This is an important meeting and she urges all to attend.