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Residents of Gates and M.C. Hear Unionization Talks Here Friday Night

Over 100 residents of Gates and Mill City attended a public meeting in the Mill City high school auditorium, Friday evening, to discuss the possibility of unionization of the two high schools.

The respective merits of unionization and consolidation of the school districts were presented in talks by Mrs. Agnes C. Booth, Marion county school superintendent and William Dolmyer, Linn county school superintendent. Mrs. Booth spoke of unionization as entering consolidation by the "back door," but said that she would welcome even this move toward consolidation.

The meeting which was called by

the school boards of both the Mill City and Gates school districts was presided over by Don Miley, Gates superintendent of schools. Following the talks by Mrs. Booth and Mr. Dolmyer, the meeting was thrown open to questions.

The fact was presented that the two districts could raise only \$201,618.93 by bonds as a union high school district. This sum is insufficient to purchase a new site and build an adequate plant.

Don Miley, superintendent of Gates schools, and Howard Means, principal of Mill City high school, reviewed the educational set-up in each of their schools and pointed out the ways in which each are lacking because of the size of the schools. Present enrollment in Gates is 26, with a faculty of four, and 111 in Mill City with six full time and one half-time teachers.

The only time in the past when the combining of the school districts has been brought to the vote of the people was in June of 1952. At that time the voters of Mill City passed by a large majority an attempt to consolidate the two districts, while it was defeated by the Gates and Detroit districts.

1953-54 School Census Completed

The 1953-54 school census which was recently completed shows 610 on the school census rolls for the Mill City school district, according to Vernon S. Todd, superintendent of schools.

The census which includes the names of all children between their fourth birthday and 20th birthday, falls 22 below the figure for last year which was 632. The school population has increased on the Marion county side of the district with 179 this year, compared with 171 a year ago, while the figures have fallen from 461 to 431 in Linn county.

Wedding Vows Exchanged For Former Detroit Girl

DETROIT—On Thursday evening, Nov. 19 at 7 o'clock, Miss Marjorie Ellen Brooker, daughter of Willard Brooker, of Bates Park, became the bride of Pvt. Wallace James, of the Marine Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray James of Holley, in a ceremony performed at the home of Rev. Kimball at Sweet Home.

Attendants were the bride's father, Willard Brooker and her sister, Mrs. Bernard Hackney.

The bride wore a waltz length gown of blue silk taffeta with rhinestone trim. Her corsage was white carnations.

Following the ceremony a reception for friends and relatives was held at the Willard Brooker home at Bates Park, near Lebanon. White Chrysanthemums decorated the rooms.

Serving at the reception were the bride's sisters, Mrs. Ray Spawna, of Holley, Mrs. Benard Hackney of Randle, Wash., Miss Joan Brooker of Bates Park and her aunt, Mrs. John Estey of Detroit.

Following the reception a dance was held at Holley in honor of the young couple.

On Friday, Mr. and Mrs. James left for San Diego, where he is stationed at a nearby Marine base.

The Willard Bookers were former residents of Detroit and Mrs. James attended the Detroit school. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stahlman.

Lyons Extension Unit Meets November 20

The Lyons Extension Unit held their meeting Friday, November 20, at the Rebekah hall with an all day meeting, beginning at 10:30 and a planned luncheon served at the noon hour. Project leaders were Mrs. Leo Cruson and Mrs. Donald McWhir, who demonstrated "Holiday Decorations From Nature" making wreaths, door swags and table centerpieces. Plans were made to have the Christmas party Friday, December 11th with Mrs. Donald Huber, Mrs. William Hargin and Mrs. Earl Thayer the luncheon committee. Attending Friday's meeting were: Mesdames Charles Cruson, Earl Thayer, William Hargin, Donald Huber, Glen Julian, Percy Hiatt, John Kunkle, Otto Weidman, Bob Carleton, Orville Downing, John Prideaux, Jim Phelps, Ivan Smith, Floyd Bassett, Orin Morgan, Marvin Edwards, Howard Baldwin, Frank Sexton, Clem Deister, Ralph Downer, Fred Stienfelt, Leo Cruson, Donald McWhir, Mrs. Cora Jenner and Mrs. Leota Worden.

Masons To Entertain Wives, Star Members Monday Night

Masonic lodge No. 180 of Mill City will entertain their wives and members of the Eastern Star lodge at a party to be held in the lodge hall here Monday evening, November 30. The entertainment is somewhat a secret, but the committee has promised something good.

Refreshments will be served and all Masons and Stars are invited.

Sign to Draw Attention To Canyon Sights

President Ken Golliet of Mehama presided at the meeting of the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce held at the Firemen's Hall in Mill City, Wednesday evening of last week.

Circuit Judge Joseph Felton spoke on community responsibility for delinquent children to the 35 members present.

The chamber voted to have a sign erected south of Bend in an effort to divert tourist traffic down the canyon to the coast. The sign will be located on property owned by Allison Deisel and will be illustrated to interest tourists in visiting the Detroit Dam and the North Santiam Canyon.

The sign will be painted with fluorescent colors and will cost the Chamber about \$200 plus expense of keeping it in repair.

The group voted to give \$25 to the soil conservation service to be used as prize money in the scheduled essay contest on soil conservation. Sophomores in Sublimity, Stayton, Cascade, and Jefferson will compete in the contest.

The next Chamber meeting will be held at the fire hall in Sublimity, December 16.

Mrs. Leonard Cruson Entertains Womens Society

LYONS—Mrs. Leonard Cruson was hostess for the meeting of the Womens Society of Christian Service held at her home Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. George Huffman, president, presiding over the meeting. Devotions were led by Mrs. E. L. Roye, and Mrs. Alice Huber was in charge of the program of the day on "Stewardship."

Plans were completed for the annual bazaar which will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 1 at the Mari-Linn school house. Serving of the supper will be from 5 to 8 p.m. There will be fancywork, home made candy, Christmas cards, fish pond etc.

Attending the meeting were Mesdames Chester Roy, Alex Bodeker, E. L. Roye, Wilson Stevens, Wood Oliver, Ivan Smith, Russell Thiel, John Neal, Albert Remmenga, Ed Cruson, Loren Chamberlin, Oscar Nae, Glen Julian, George Huffman, Willard Hartnell, Viola Zander, Inez Ring, Alice Hudson and Mrs. Frank Stead, who was a guest of the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Julian were Portland visitors Wednesday. Her mother, Mrs. White, who had been visiting at the Julian home, returned to her home in Portland.

Garden Club To Have Work Day December 1

The Mill City Garden club held its last meeting at the home of Mrs. Herb Schroeder Thursday evening. A large crowd was present.

During the program the scrap books, made by members were put on display. These will be added to the club library. The selection of ribbons and gift wrapping articles were also on display. The sale of these articles will be in charge of Mrs. Curtis Cline.

The club will, in the near future, place two garbage collection cans in Mill City in an endeavor to keep the streets free from debris. One will be placed in front of the Post Office and the other in front of the Mill City Pharmacy.

December 1st will be work day, and all club members are asked to meet at the home of Mrs. Curtis Cline, where Christmas corsages will be made. Members are asked to bring sack lunches. Glow candles will be made on order for Christmas.

Mrs. Herb Schroeder, Mrs. Ed Cooke and Mrs. Grace Misner were on the refreshment committee.

"Jitney" Dinner Raises Funds for Detroit School

The "Jitney" dinner held Thursday evening, Nov. 19 at the Detroit school netted \$27.25 which was added to the school landscaping fund.

The "dinner" was sponsored by the Deanha PTA and members of the association donated the food. Following the dinner William Fryer showed picture slides of his work at a mission in New Zealand.

The next meeting of the Deanha PTA will be a Christmas party at the Detroit school Wednesday, December 16 at 7:30.

Special music and entertainment is on the agenda. Refreshments will be served by the grade school mothers.

Den Mothers Training Class To Be in Stayton

Ken Jury, scout executive, states there will be a Den Mothers training and handicraft course, Monday, November 30 and Tuesday, December 1, held at the Womens club house at Stayton.

The course will begin at 9 a. m. and there will be no afternoon sessions.

Students Enjoy Big Thanksgiving Feed

Students at Mill City school enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at the cafeteria Wednesday noon with a real Thanksgiving dinner. Nearly 400 students were served, which is quite a task for the crew of cooks at the school.

Mrs. Bert Morris and her helpers, Mrs. Ed Cooke, and Mrs. Ernest Podrabsky really worked hard to prepare the 175 pounds of turkey, to feed the hungry kids. It took 15 loaves of bread for the dressing and 100 pounds of potatoes were prepared.

On the menu that day was: roast turkey, dressing, potatoes and gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, bread, butter, carrot and celery sticks, milk, fruit jello and ice cream.

This is an annual event at the school.

Grange Elects Officers for 1954

LYONS—Election of officers was the main order of business at the meeting of the Santiam Valley Grange Friday night.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Master, Giles Wagner; Overseer, Gilbert Myers; Lecturer, Jerry Coffman; Steward, Albert Stevens; Assistant Steward, Frank Basl; Treasurer, Bob Draper; Secretary, Fern Sletto; Gate Keeper, Casper Gerath; Ceres, Blanche Wagner; Pomona, Dorothy Draper; Flora, Melvina Franklin; Lady Assistant Steward, Bertha Basl; Chaplain Mrs. Albert Bass; Executive committee, Lloyd Sletto, Elmer Taylor, Wilson Stevens and musician, Lorena Stevens.

The regular routine of business was carried out. Lloyd Sletto gave an interesting agricultural report. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Morris and Mrs. Rachael Olmstead of Mill City were elected to become members and will receive the first and second degrees the first meeting night in December.

Plans were made to have the annual Christmas party on the social evening, December 18.

The display table arranged by Leora Stevens, Home Ec chairman, carried out the Thanksgiving theme with the Pilgrims giving thanks. Immediately following the meeting a short business meeting of the Home Ec club was held with Blanche Wagner elected as chairman. She will appoint her committees later.

There were about 25 members present to enjoy the potluck dinner after the meeting. A motion was made to raise grange dues \$1.00 but will be voted on later so more members will have an opportunity to vote.

Jerry Coffman was appointed as chairman of the Christmas party. He will be assisted by Bob Draper and Lorena Stevens.

The lecture program consisted of a history of the turkey by Jerry Coffman and a poem about the never-ending work on a farm by Wilson Stevens. There was also a humorous reading about a grandfather feeding his granddaughter.

Details on the Christmas program will appear in the next issue of The Enterprise.

Art Course Joins Adult Shop Class at Mill City High

An evening class in general art is now being offered at the high school as part of the new adult education program. The class, under the direction of Arthur LeCours, will meet every Monday night for a period of 12 weeks. A fee of \$5.00 will be charged.

The course, primarily designed for beginners, will include instruction in art fundamentals as well as a general survey of art techniques used in the application of art to the commercial field. These techniques include: textile painting, silk-screen and block printing, sho-card writing, paper sculpture, the use of the airbrush, and some clay modeling.

Anyone interested in a course of this type may register Monday, November 30 at 6:45 p.m.

A Billion More in '54 New Savings Bond Goal

Series E and H savings bonds is the Treasury department's objective for next year, according to Bruce W. Williams, county chairman.

"This goal was given to all state chairmen and state directors at a national conference in Washington, D. C., last week," Williams stated. "It is based upon this year's series E and H sales, which in the first ten months of the year have been at an annual rate of around \$4 billion 300 million. Before January, state quotas will be assigned and from these quotas the various county goals for 1954 will be allocated."

Bond purchases in Marion county for October were \$134,443 and Linn county \$56,358.

Heavy Rains Cause Damage in Mill City

Lions Club To Sponsor March of Dimes; Will Put on Minstrel in Feb.

At a board of directors meeting of the Lions club held Monday evening, the group went on record as being in favor of sponsoring the March of Dimes again this year. They also voted to sponsor a minstrel show, with the proceeds going for civic improvement projects. The show will be put on some time the forepart of February.

Chairmen for three committees were appointed as follows: Attendance, Charles Kelly and Howard Means; membership, Don Moffatt; sight conservation, Vernon Todd.

The county health department asked the club to pay for eye examinations for two Mill City children. This was okayed by the group.

Following the dinner, Hugh Walkup told some interesting experiences in dealing with the Indians in the middle west. He had on display a Indian peace pipe, made from pipestone, which comes Pipestone, Minnesota.

Oscar Been Breaks Right Leg At Work Saturday

Oscar Been, who was injured Saturday while working with a crew tearing down the old power house located at the bridge across the Santiam River in Mill City is reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

He received a compound fracture of the right leg when he fell into the flume under the building with a 400 pound wheel landing on top of him.

He was taken to a Salem hospital by Mill City ambulance. Mr. Been was employed by William H. Harris of Salem, who has the contract for razing the building for Mt. States Power Co.

Senator Wayne Morse To Speak at Lebanon Nov. 27

Senator Wayne Morse will speak at the Lebanon High School on Tuesday, November 24th at 8:00 P. M. on the subject of "Economic problems of farmers and workers in the Willamette Valley."

Arrangements for the meeting have been completed by members of the Linn County Farmers Union, the Linn County Pomona Grange, the CIO, the AFL and the Railway Workers.

A dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Morse will be served at the Lebanon High School Cafeteria beginning at 6:30 the same evening. Those interested in tickets for the dinner should call 2775R1 in Albany.

EXAMINATION FOR SUBSTITUTE POSTOFFICE CLERK FOR MILL CITY ANNOUNCED THIS WEEK

Federal Civil Service announces an examination for substitute clerk, \$1,615 an hour, to fill vacancies in the Post Office service at Mill City. Applicants must actually reside within the delivery of the Mill City postoffice or be bonafide patrons. Persons employed in the Mill City post office will be considered bonafide patrons. The registers from this examination will be used to fill both permanent and non-permanent appointments.

Apply at post office for application form. Applications should be filed with the Director, 11th U. S. Civil Service Region, 302 Fed. Office Bldg., Seattle 4, Wash., immediately.

Firemen Have Good Crowd At Benefit Here Saturday

In spite of heavy rains Saturday the firemen drew their usual large crowd for the benefit staged that night. At the time of going to press it was not learned how much money was cleared.

Albert Toman won the TV set, Hicks Sundry Co., Salem, won the clock radio and Mrs. Leland Kaplinger won the portable radio.

Former School Teacher Dies at Roseburg Home

Dick Turpin received word that his brother, Jon Turpin, had passed away at his home in Roseburg. He was 77 years old.

Mr. Turpin was a retired school teacher and at one time taught in Fox Valley. Among his students were Gladys Mason, Ben Bodeker, Harry Hobson and Curley Trask. He was a Spanish American war veteran.

Mill City Man Among Those Seeking Citizenship Papers

Among those to appear before Circuit Judge George E. Duncan shortly before Christmas in their quest for citizenship papers will be William L. Frederick of Mill City.

Mr. Frederick was among those who passed their preliminary examinations, according to Ronald L. Johnson, of Portland, acting naturalization examiner.

Rains which dumped 5.46 inches of rain in the Detroit dam area in the 32 hours ending at 4 p.m. Sunday caused considerable damage in Mill City and other towns along the line.

At Mill City heavy runoff coming down from the hills to the north caused the water to overflow the road flooding the C. E. Mason basement. About \$200 worth of damage was caused at this residence when the water ran through the basement like a river, damaging the furnace and other items.

The apartment under Les's Tavern which was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kesterson also received a soaking. About eight inches of water went through this place. They report losing some books and other articles which were washed out of doors when the front door was opened to let the water flow through the building. It came in beside the culvert which comes under the highway at that point.

It was reported that the Little Northfork also went on a rampage sending about four feet of water over the road this side of the Elkhorn guest ranch.

High winds caused some damage in the Detroit area. A large plate glass window in the Detroit Market was shattered, and some damage was done to roofs in the area. The rains washed all snow from the mountains in this vicinity.

Dam engineers estimated over 14,000 cubic feet per second was pouring into the reservoir from the Breitenbush and Santiam rivers.

The reservoir level was rising at the rate of half a foot an hour as engineers stopped back most of the North Santiam's flow to prevent added flooding downstream. Only 2,000 second feet of water was allowed through the dam, cutting electrical output for the dam by an estimated 60 per cent.

Mill City Wins 1, Loses 1 at Stayton

The Mill City grade school basketball squad went to Stayton Tuesday night to take part in the jamboree played on the Stayton floor. The team defeated Aumsville, but lost to Jefferson.

The Stayton quint took two games, one from Jefferson and one from Scio. The Stayton rooting section won a cup in a close contest with Scio.

Members of the Mill City squad going to Stayton were: Kyrion Child, Larry Urban, Dale Smith, Larry Large and Mike Thomas all eighth graders; Gary Bevier, Larry Kanoff, Bill Longnecker, Brian Moffatt and David Jones of the seventh grade.

Coach Jim Hale states the boys are lacking in height, but are shaping up into a pretty fair team.

Others out for practice are Herschell Clark, Lahny Podrabsky, James Williams, Bob Boroughs, Donald Cree, Tom Fencil, Billy Hedge, Leon McCall, Art Stevenson, Harvey Bodda, Albert Nichols, Eugene Skaug, Clark Stevenson, Alan Tuers, Louis Morgan and Terry Harrington.

Lions Auxiliary Hears Talk on Blind School

The Lions Club Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Carl Kelly Tuesday evening with 10 members and one guest, Mrs. H. E. Smith, present. During the meeting Mrs. Smith talked about the State School for the Blind in Salem. Although the school is state supported, the children always need more toys, as the damage to toys is greater there than among youngsters who can see. As a result of Mrs. Smith's talk, the Auxiliary voted to place a large box at the Nu-Method Cleaners, in which toys of suitable kind may be left. These toys will be sent to the school before Christmas.

Soft, woolley or stuffed dolls and animals; skates, toy cars, pull toys and musical toys are best. Mill City residents are asked to cooperate.

The Auxiliary also voted to change meeting night to the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Chairman for the December 7th pot luck is Mrs. Howard Means with Mrs. Al Nesbitt and Mrs. Don Moffatt assisting.

Considerable money has been raised by the club when it sponsored a chain of coffee parties, the funds being turned over to the polio fund. A report on the amount will be given at a later date.

This Saturday the Red & White store will serve coffee all day, with the proceeds going into the fund.

Other organizations of the city are asked to join in raising funds to combat polio.