

# Midland Empire News

## FIREMEN PLAN BALL AT MALIN TO BUY TRUCK

MALIN—With the Malin voluntary fire department in need of a pickup truck upon which to mount chemical apparatus for expedient trips to fires, the department is hoping for a hearty response to the invitation to attend the annual Malin Firemen's ball to be held in the new Broadway hall here Saturday night, January 25.

In past years the department has been handicapped for lack of space to handle those who cared to attend, but with completion last fall of the big air-conditioned hall that will accommodate hundreds of dancers, that problem has been solved.

Jaxie Harney's orchestra which is proving popular with dance crowds in the basin, will furnish the music.

The department answered five alarms in 1940 and one alarm was answered a week ago, the first this year.

Officers of the department are Louis Kalina, chief; Mervyn Wilde assistant chief and vice president; Ivan Petrasek, president; Vaclav Kalina, secretary and treasurer.

The membership list includes Ed Petrasek, Irving Capek, A. F. Swigert, John Hershfeld, John Reber, Paul Petrasek, Dick Stevenson, A. Kalina, Jerry Rajnos, Charles Kenyon. Fred McDonald, Clayton Reber and James Ottoman were recently appointed.

## Shasta View

Mrs. R. E. Eitel and children returned Sunday from a week-end in Portland. They accompanied Mrs. Virgil Rexford, who took her son north for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Crouse returned last week from an extended trip to Arkansas and other points east. They spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and returned by way of Mexico and the southern route. They reported excellent weather and good travelling all the way.

Dorothy and Beryl Lund, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Lund, were absent from school several days on account of illness. They are improved now.

Donald Crouse suffered a badly cut head in a fall at the family home last week. Two stitches were required to close the wound.

## Sprague River

SPRAGUE RIVER — Holly Monroe, building contractor of Klamath Falls, made a combined business and pleasure trip to Sprague River Wednesday, while here he visited with his wife, who is the seventh and eighth grade teacher in the school here.

Miss Binnie Coleman of Klamath Falls is spending a few days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Mario Carnini and family.

Residents of Sprague River were shocked to hear of the death of Patsy Jean Vieira, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vieira, who have a ranch a few miles west of town. Several Sprague River people attended the funeral, which was held Thursday, January 16, at the Earl Whitlock Funeral home.

Miss Pauline Grene, assistant in the postoffice here, left Thursday, January 16, for a visit to San Francisco and other California cities. William Wolford, Leon George and Lomer Dittwiller accompanied Miss Grene to Klamath Falls, where she took the train. During her absence her place in the postoffice will be taken by Mrs. Benny Book.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lawler, Mrs. Clinton and Robert Gabbard left January 16 for Oklahoma to attend the funeral of Mrs. Lawler's young sister, who recently passed away in the middle western state.

The Sprague River sponsored the showing of four reels of old silent comedies last Thursday in

the gym. A large crowd enjoyed the pictures, which were filmed about 20 years ago and showed a queer contrast between the manners and clothing of the old era and the present.

Mrs. Jack Thrasher has recovered from her operation for appendicitis and is staying for a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson of Sprague River. She will leave soon for her home in La Grande, where she will rejoin her husband, who is employed there.

Citizens of Sprague River are pleased to hear that Art Fidler, manager and owner of the Doris and Bly theatres, will include Sprague River on his circuit for the coming year. The shows will be given every Thursday night in the old gymnasium.

## GILBERT RETURNS TO CRATER LAKE

CRATER LAKE—The vacancy that has existed in the ranger force at Crater Lake national park since last fall was filled last week by the transfer of Ranger Clyde E. Gilbert from Yellowstone national park.

Gilbert's former home was in Medford. He attended the University of Missouri for two years and was graduated from the University of Oregon, where he majored in geology.

Gilbert has had considerable experience in park service. He was first appointed ranger naturalist at Crater Lake in 1930. He worked at Crater Lake during 1930 and 1931. Through 1937 he worked as ranger at Lassen Volcanic national park. In 1938 he went to Yellowstone park where he stayed until his transfer to Crater park.

This vacancy was caused by the transfer of Brenton R. Finch to Rocky Mountain national park last fall.

Gilbert's wife and baby daughter are visiting relatives in Medford and will join him in their home here in a few days.

## SANITARIAN VISITS SPRAGUE RIVER

SPRAGUE RIVER — Mrs. Myrtle Caldwell, county health nurse for this district, was accompanied on her January 16 visit by Dr. William Davis, Klamath county's new sanitarian. Davis looked over the plumbing and sanitary units of the school and took samples of the drinking water, which will be tested for purity.

Several cases of measles were visited by Mrs. Caldwell, who reported that the number of cases is dwindling very rapidly. The expected invasion of mumps, which is prevalent throughout the state has not as yet arrived and it is hoped that the town will escape the epidemic.

## Cascade

CASCADE SUMMIT — Mrs. Roy Currier and son, Dale, and Mrs. John Folland and daughter, Joan, were in Eugene last week on business.

Robert Klumson, assistant signal maintainer here, has been promoted to signalman and is at present at Oregon City.

Mrs. R. L. Porter returned to Cascade Summit after spending several days in Portland on business.

Mrs. Clair Eastman is spending several days in Oakland with her parents on account of illness of her daughter, Sherry Anne. Sherry Anne is receiving medical attention.

## Tulelake

TULELAKE — Mrs. Clive Title, assisted by Mrs. J. C. Stevenson Jr., was hostess January 9 to members of the Winema club which made plans for the annual Winema club party, the date to be definitely decided upon at the next meeting, January 23. The meeting, a social afternoon, will get under way with a 1:30 luncheon at the home of Mrs. John Kandra Jr., with Mrs. Lee Dixon and Mrs. Robert Nebiker assisting. Bridge will be in play following a brief business session.

## MALIN GROUP MAY FORM SEWING UNIT

MALIN—A meeting of the Czech-American Alliance of Malin was called by a committee, composed of Victor Vasak, Jerry Rajnos and A. Kalina, to make plans for forming an American Red Cross sewing unit, also to assist the program of Bundles for Britain.

Mrs. Howard Boyd, executive secretary of the Klamath county chapter of the American Red Cross, and Mrs. M. J. Young, representing the Bundles for Britain group, both attended this meeting and gave talks outlining the programs of these two groups. A great deal of interest was shown in this work by the members. A committee was appointed to make plans for organizing these groups. Mrs. Agnes Vasak was appointed chairman and plans were made to complete organization.

The following representatives of the Czech-American Alliance were present at the meeting: Mrs. Marie Zumpfe, Mrs. Antonia Stejskal, Mrs. A. Kalina, Mrs. Mary Victorine, Mrs. Martha Victorine, Mrs. Martha Brothnek, Mrs. James Ottoman, Mrs. Mervyn Wilde, Mrs. Agnes Vasak, Mr. Victor Vasak, Mrs. Pauline Stuy.

Vasak, addressing the group, stated he knew they would want to participate in these programs, as the Malin community is known for its generosity in helping less fortunate people.

## MALIN RESIDENTS TO STUDY COURSE

MALIN — A parliamentary procedure night school, conducted by the Smith-Hughes agricultural department of the Malin high school, is to be conducted two nights a week for five weeks beginning Tuesday, January 21, it was announced by A. E. Street, superintendent. Classes will begin promptly at 8:00.

The school is being offered at no charge as a special community service for adults and it is hoped that everyone interested in parliamentary procedure will attend. Both men and women will be welcomed. It will be the privilege of all who attend to take part in as much or as little as the individual desires. Everyone will have the opportunity to learn correct procedure in making motions, presenting resolutions, conducting meetings and will get actual practice in doing those things.

## BLY TWIRLING SQUAD ADDS TO PROGRAMS

BLY—Under the direction of Janet Protsman, high school junior, the twirling squad has progressed until drills add materially to various entertainments. Friday evening between halves of the Bly-Gilchrist game they received an enthusiastic ovation following a military drill. Preceded by "Colors," played on the bugle by Dale Smith, and closing with "Taps," the performance was unusually impressive. In their blue and white satin uniforms and twirling their new silver batons through an intricate march to the drums, played by Gwen Ashbaugh, they thrilled the large crowd. The pep band also performed and the rooting section went wild as both Cats and Kittens carried the home team to victory.

Tusks Are Teeth  
Elephant tusks grow from the upper jaw. They are elongated and specialized upper incisor teeth, growing downward from a point in front of the eye-sockets.



The young airmen defending England, Canadians among them, seldom completely relax. Between raids they rest at Fighter Command stations, like the one pictured above. But, whether reading "living cards," or adjusting a cockpit machine gun (right background), they must be dressed up and ready at an instant's notice to take the air.

## Dorris Inscribes Year 1940 As Highlight in Achievement

DORRIS—The year 1940 was a banner year for Dorris in achievements, publicity, projects finished and projects started. According to Mrs. D. A. Ballard, secretary of the Dorris Improvement league, there have been more inquiries made in 1940 pertaining to possible investments in Dorris than in any previous year since the inception of the league and the new league folders have found much favor.

A \$20,000 water bond was voted whereby a new and larger water tank, tower and piping is being installed without additional taxation to the property owners. Dorris water has already been tested and found to be 100 per cent pure. There has also been recorded a decided increase in outgoing and incoming Southern Pacific Railway freight shipments.

The bank, the Butte Valley State bank and one of the few independent banks now existing, has a financial statement for November, 1940 which shows an increase of approximately three hundred thousand dollars over the same month in 1938. There have been twenty new homes built and approximately fifteen homes remodeled and improved in 1940. The post office has had to add another lock box section to handle the increased volume of mail.

One of the most favorable indications of this 1940 publicity has been the acquisition of the Mahlum-Aasgaard interests. W. N. Mahlum, who has a large contracting business in both Klamath Falls and Bly, learned of the assets of Dorris and came to investigate last September. This visit resulted in contracts for the Olin Evans home on Third street, the erection of twelve modern and attractive cabins grouping the Star tavern owned by Arden Fenwick, and the Sieman home on Butte street.

Mahlum bought four lots on Main street, three of which are now occupied by the Mahlum-Aasgaard, inc., complete home building service yards and office. The fourth will have an office building erected on it. The Mahlums also bought of Mrs. George Otto the brick building she erected in July, 1938 almost across from the bank. This has been remodeled and comfortably and attractively furnished for a high class hotel and rooming house. Mahlum is a former St. Paul man and his wife is a Seattle girl whose father is the well known Dr. Emerson Rogers of that city.

E. L. Aasgaard of the firm is also from St. Paul where for many years he was the corporation attorney for the Lampert Lumber company with its eight-year Minnesota plants. He will bring his family to Dorris to live as soon as the schools are out in the spring. He will have his California license to practice as attorney as soon as permissible by the law.

It is said neither persons, institutions nor communities stand still. They either progress or slide backward. So it seems as if Dorris is not content to slide backward but has started a healthy, steady movement forward; increasing in its stride its quota of civic-minded and financially solid citizenry.

## GARDEN CLUB TO MAP ACTIVITIES

MERRILL — The Lost River Garden club is scheduled to hold its first meeting of 1941 on January 28 at the home of Mrs. Hugh O'Conner with a potluck luncheon on noon.

At the initial session it is the custom of the club to formulate plans for the entire year's activities. If members or non-members who are interested in home yard improvement, or any phase of flower culture have any problems to discuss in the course of the year, it is necessary that mention be made at the first meeting in order to have the topic incorporated in the annual program.

Mrs. George Houck, reelected president, extends an invitation to anyone interested to attend the meeting, ready with suggestions for making this the most successful year in the history of the club.

Following the session the auxiliary joined the Legion also meeting on the same evening for refreshments.

Answering roll call were Mrs. Paul Lewis, Mrs. Lee Brown, Mrs. Murray Howard, Mrs. Clara Viken, Mrs. Elmer Stukel, Mrs. Andrew Voss, Mrs. E. A. McCollum, Mrs. E. E. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Warren Fruits, Mrs. Ernest Buck and Mrs. R. L. Dalton.

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## MERRILL REPORTS MANY SEALS SOLD

MERRILL—In a report made by the Merrill auxiliary to the Legion post it was revealed that 75 per cent of persons to whom tuberculosis stamps were mailed during the holidays responded with cash, with only 39 letters of 142 mailed being returned. The sale this year was sponsored by the auxiliary and a letter of appreciation has been received from Mrs. Burt Hawkins, Klamath Falls, county seal sales chairman.

The auxiliary met in a special social session last week, voting to postpone the dinner planned for this month and to sponsor a public card party on the evening of January 28 in the community hall. Both bridge and pinocle will be in play with prizes for both games.

Mrs. E. A. McCollum will direct play at the pinocle tables, Mrs. R. L. Dalton will supervise the bridge tables, Mrs. Warren Fruits and Mrs. Elmer Stukel will manage refreshments and publicity. Tickets are under the direction of Mrs. E. E. Kilpatrick.

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## HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment by June Michelson

School board members will attend a dinner in the cafeteria when Home Economics club girls honor the group the evening of February 10.

Important money-making plans were also discussed when the club met Monday. The money is being raised in order that \$10 might be presented to the outstanding senior girl in the club come spring. The presentation is an annual affair.

If 30 subscription to McCall's magazine can be sold before February 28, the group will receive \$15. A maple bar sale after school is also planned.

Almost 14,000,000 pennies were collected for the Children's Crusade for Children from U. S. school children last spring, stated the January 25 edition of Collier's.

KUHS students and teachers contributed \$36.57, or an average of three cents apiece, to the cause last spring.

Said Collier's: "To the children of the United States, congratulation on possibly the finest, most generous, most constructive single deed performed anywhere on the globe during the blazing year of 1940."

On the committee were: Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Eleanor Roosevelt, William Allen White, and several other well-known personalities.

Senior graduation announcements and calling cards may be ordered now, according to Miss Virginia West, senior class advisor, although it is not compulsory for seniors to have them.

Announcements sell for nine cents apiece. They are white pigskin with an engraving of the high school on the front and are being ordered from Crown company of Portland.

A huge variety of calling cards are available from the Master Engravers, Portland. All orders must be paid for before the orders sent.

Student council members met Monday, settled the important issue of electing substitutes to represent absent congressmen, recalled the motion, and began all over again.

After the motion had been voted "yes" in favor of the substitutes, it was mentioned that it had not been stated clearly, and was called.

After discussion followed and

when the meeting was over, no decision had been reached.

Plans for the junior class amateur show are complete, Keith Howell, president of the class, said Monday. Date for the show has been tentatively set for February 20.

Any club or organization interested in making \$15 by selling tickets to the Rubinfeld concert, was given the opportunity. Everett Vanderpool was in charge. Proceeds for the concert which will be sponsored by the Lion's club, go for glasses for Klamath school children who can't afford to buy them.

Any sophomore or junior who has been at least one semester in KUHS has an approximate grade average of two, and is a member of two clubs, is eligible to join the Honor society. Friday, Jan. 24, is the deadline for signing up.

Walter Eschebeck, social economics instructor, has come to the conclusion that his seniors can't read, concentrate, and are totally unable to study properly.

For the next week Eschebeck will conduct classes in personal adjustment for seniors, where the groups will learn to take notes, improve their reading ability, increase speed of reading, and even learn how to concentrate.

PRESIDENT'S BALL PLANNED AT BLY  
BLY — Mrs. Ethel Geisbeck was hostess to the Bly Women's club January 15. The afternoon was taken up with plans for the President's Birthday ball, set for February 1. The containers for dimes have been placed conspicuously about town and everyone is urged to contribute. Cake and coffee were served to the following guests: Mesdames Wallace, Detrick, Quackenbush, Campbell, Dixon, Moll, Cline, Robbin, Stump, Beck, Smith, Green and Geisbeck.

Beck, Smith were snow men made of marshmallows.

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