

# AMERICANISM STRESSED BY JUNIOR C OF C

Hinging upon the birthdays of two renowned Americans in February, an "Americanism Week" has been instituted in Klamath county by the junior chamber of commerce and proclaimed by the mayor of Klamath Falls.

Programs dealing with Americanism will be under way throughout the period between Lincoln's birthday, February 12, and Washington's birthday, February 22, although the period is designated as a "week."

Among the activities planned to call public attention to the privileges and duties of Americans will be a sticker campaign on letters and on windows, and radio broadcasts on patriotic themes.

Following is Mayor Houston's proclamation:

**PROCLAMATION**  
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:  
WHEREAS, the Klamath Falls junior chamber of commerce, in accord with the program of the United States junior chamber of commerce in the interests of developing a greater appreciation of the benefits of the American form of government, has undertaken sponsorship of an observance in this city of National Americanism Week; and WHEREAS, the people of this city, proud of the heritage of our forefathers who established this nation as a sterling example of the principles of democratic government by, for, and of the people, are desirous of exalting the spirit of true Americanism;  
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Houston, Mayor of the City of Klamath Falls, believing the aim to be a worthy one, do hereby proclaim the interim between the dates of Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, February 12 to 22, 1941, as "AMERICANISM WEEK" and urge that every citizen, young and old, give due consideration to his duties and privileges as such and renew his pledge of allegiance to the principles set forth in the Constitution of the United States of America.  
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my



**FRESH START**—Taken to an Auxilio Social home in Spain, the Spanish youngster gets clothes (above), encouragement. The Auxilio Social is befriending youths made homeless by the Spanish civil war, often locates and reunites families.

hand and caused to be affixed hereto the Seal of the City in the office of the mayor this day.

JOHN H. HOUSTON,  
Mayor.

## Wind Takes Barn, Leaves Horse

SANGER, Calif., Feb. 13 (AP)—The barn was blown clean away from over the head of Fred Hazelton's old horse at the Hazelton ranch northeast of here.

Mrs. Hazelton, looking from a window of the ranch home during the storm Tuesday, saw the barn, a water tank house and a pigeon loft disintegrate under the force of a tornadic gust.

The whirling mass of wreckage was carried nearly 100 yards and piled in a shattered heap. Old Dobbin was so astonished he forgot his age and skittered around like a colt.

### SAME DAY

PORTLAND, Feb. 13 (AP)—Oregon and Mrs. Ida Nesbald, Portland, will observe their 82nd birthday anniversaries tomorrow. She was born Feb. 14, 1859, the day Oregon became a state.

## HIGH SCHOOL

News Notes and Comment

By June Michelson

Twenty-five new members were to be initiated into the Chess club Thursday evening, February 13, in the cafeteria.

Ben Kerns is president of the group and Ted Russell is faculty advisor.



There will be everything on the junior class amateur hour from Brenda and Cobina to "Chuck" Currier.

Fifteen students have signed up so far and more local merchants are adding daily to the list of prizes offered to each contestant.

When traditions committee members locate the 1908 and 1909 copies of El Rodeo, the files will be complete.

However the 1922 edition is not in first class condition and may have to be replaced.

Anyone having one of these numbers or knowing where one can be located is asked to contact Mrs. Rachel Good at the high school, in order that the files might be brought up to date.

The committee is willing to pay a reasonable sum for the books.

Committees were appointed recently by Virginia Ellen Smith, president of the Li Lo club, to furnish and clean the Girls' room and to keep the three mending baskets around school supplied.

On the first committee are Bettie Cramer, Marjorie Buller, Betty Wertz, Anita Gwyn and June Van. Mending basket groups include Martha Uhrine, Valdine Heath, Peggy Bishop (girls' locker room); Marjorie Peterson, Frances Morris, Arlene Kerfoot, (women teacher's room); Edna Kahl, Anna Lee Zell, Mary Landry (girls' room).

Monday after school the intramural basketball tournament will begin. The seniors, with Faye Zirkle captain, will meet Dorothy Arnett's sophomore team the first day.

On Tuesday the Junior team, Marjorie Botens, captain, will

play the freshmen with June Zirkle captain. From then out it is any team's championship.

Here's a note on the Medford and Klamath smoker scheduled for Friday night. There will be no smoking allowed at the smoker. Reason: It is a school function.

Mrs. Rachel Good has completed her book, "The History of Klamath County," and the entire manuscript is now in the hands of the publishers.

## PTA Notes

### BLY

The regular meeting of Bly high school PTA met at the auditorium on February 10. Mr. Smith presided, with Mrs. Oscar Herring recording secretary. During the business meeting, plans were perfected for the forum to be held on February 28 under the auspices of the University of Oregon.

A group of students from Eugene will present a discussion of "The American Way." A motion to allow money for traveling expenses for the group was passed.

Further discussion of the county council members terminated in the decision to leave the matter until next year, as it is so late in the present term to consider joining.

The organization decided not to send a delegate to the home interests convention at Corvallis, but considered it probable that one would be sent to the PTA convention in Eugene in April.

After the business meeting a spelling bee was conducted by Mrs. Betty Deering, program chairman. Mrs. Helen Hoffman won first prize.

Cake and coffee were served by the refreshment committee, Mrs. Dishno and Mrs. Huston.

A PTA pinocle party will take place on Saturday night in the high school gym. All members are urged to come and bring their friends. Attractive prizes will be given the winners. The next meeting of the PTA will be at 7:30 Friday, February 28, preceding the program on "The American Way."

### MILLS

The February meeting of the Mills PTA was called to order by the president, Mrs. S. H. Herbert.

The following program was presented: Mrs. Burt Hawkins spoke on early PTA work. Two numbers were played by Mills school orchestra. The fifth and

sixth grade glee club sang three numbers. Mrs. F. W. E. Thompson was to sing but was ill. Mrs. Dorothy Johnson won the door prize and Mrs. Elliott's second grade room won the traveling prize.

A benefit program will be presented in the school auditorium on February 28.

## PARK MEN HOLD SAFETY MEETING

The February safety meeting of the national park service officials was held Wednesday in Medford. Representing this section were Don C. Fisher, custodian of Lava Beds national monument, and C. A. Failing, project superintendent of the Lava Beds CCC camp.

Thomas Parker, assistant superintendent of the park service and chairman of the safety committee, and John Ulrich, project superintendent of Oregon Caves, represented that section, as did Superintendent E. P. Leavitt, Naturalist M. V. Walker, and Harold Haynes, general foreman of the park service, represented the Crater Lake area.

Various matters pertaining to safety were discussed by the group relative to the coming tourist season at Crater Lake, Oregon Caves and Lava Beds. The March meeting will be held at Oregon Caves.

## Ex-Klamath Man Caught at Coast

SALEM, Feb. 13 (AP)—Prison Warden George Alexander said that John T. Benner, trusty at the prison annex who escaped last Friday, was captured at Reedsport Wednesday by Reedsport police.

Deputy Warden E. C. Halley went to Reedsport, made the

identification, and then returned to Salem with Benner. Benner entered prison May 30, 1939, from Klamath county to serve five years for larceny.

A new federal bill provides for the expenditure of \$327,000,000 for improving highways during the next two years for defense purposes.

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## OREGON ASKED TO AID GREEK DRIVE

SALEM, Feb. 13 (AP)—Gov. Charles A. Sprague urged Oregon citizens yesterday to contribute to the national Greek War Relief association.

"The battle Greece is successfully maintaining in defense of its freedom is reminiscent of Marathon and Salamis. This little country should be assisted by people like ourselves who are strong and free and thus spared the havoc of war," the governor's prepared statement said.

### DOCTOR DIES

PORTLAND, Feb. 13 (AP)—A member of the state board of health, Dr. Roy Alpha Payne, 55, died here yesterday after a long illness.

Tests reveal that while a car can stop in 43 feet on dry concrete while traveling at 20 miles an hour, on glare ice with no chains or sand, a distance of 191 feet is required.

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