

FIREMEN AT MERRILL TO HOLD DANCE

MERRILL—The Merrill fire department will be host Saturday night, February 24 at the volunteer company's 38th annual ball to be held in the Merrill Community hall, it was announced this week by the officers, R. R. Walker, chief; Virgil Brown, president; Joe Bally, vice president and Riley DeLap, secretary-treasurer.

Dancing will be from 10 until 2 o'clock with music by the Tulelake Guardsmen. The department this year purchased a modern new fire truck, yet to be called out on a fire, at a cost of approximately \$5000. The truck is housed in a fireproof station which has only recently been completed. Returns from the dance are used each year for maintenance of the department.

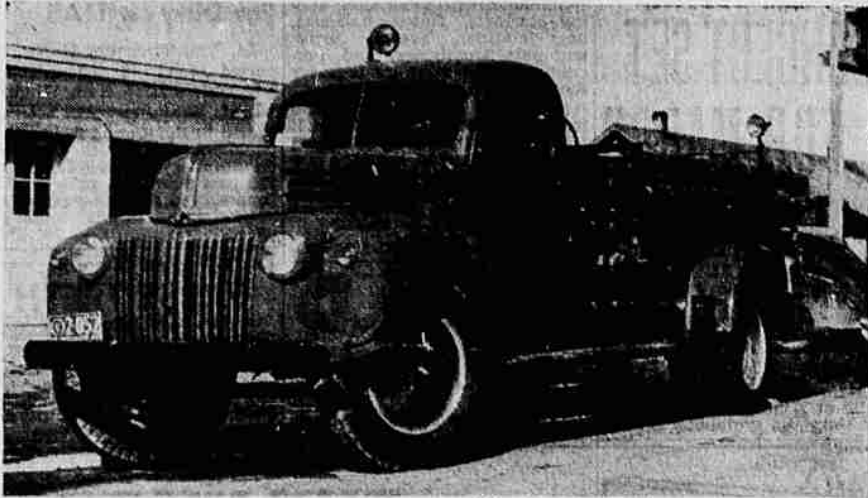
The local department was organized in January 1908 and since that time all calls have been answered by the volunteer crew. Ben Faus, who resigned last November 10, assisted with the organization and before his retirement was credited with being the oldest fire chief in point of service in Oregon. He left a few months ago to make his home in Denver.

Two teams headed by Bob Walker and Jim Merrilles sold tickets, the losers to entertain the winners at a later date. Ticket sales for the dance had passed the 600 mark last weekend. Joe Bally is general chairman and the department members promise a big dance and a big time.

Members of the department are Virgil Barron, Paul Lewis, Tom Barry, Joe Bally, Earl Edgmon, Lloyd Hughey, R. R. Walker, Riley DeLap, Jim Merrilles, Warren Fruits, Henry Cox, Louis Stewart, Don Palmer, Duncan Baird, M. A. Bowman, John McNeil, John O'Neill, R. E. Wilkerson, Lloyd Lick and Roy Wheeler.

Nine hundred eighty communities expended a total of \$38,518,194 for recreation in the United States and Canada in 1930.

New Merrill Fire Truck



Shown above is the fire truck recently purchased by the Merrill fire department and housed in a modern fireproof station. A dance is being held to pay for the maintenance of the fire department.

War Bonds Not Checking Account, Says McMullen

Farmers should consider their war bond investment a backlog of security and not a checking account to meet production costs, in the opinion of Lee S. McMullen, Klamath Falls farmer and secretary-treasurer of the Klamath Production Credit association, who urges continued investment in these gilt-edged securities.

Pointing to the fact that any number of credit institutions have 4 1/2 to 6 per cent money to loan for production purposes, Mr. McMullen believes farmers actually will make money by holding their bonds to maturity and borrowing short-term funds to pay seasonal operating expenses.

"A \$500 series E war bond, costing \$375, if held to maturity, will return \$125 in interest," says Mr. McMullen. "Although the interest piles up faster in the years just preceding maturity, it is an average earning of \$12.50 per year for the 10-year period. The average borrower of short-term farm production funds actually uses the money only 4 months out of the year. If he borrowed \$375 each year for 10 years and paid 5 per cent interest his annual

interest cost would be only \$6.25 and in 10 years only around \$62.50, or just about half of the interest return on the bonds. Therefore, he is definitely money ahead to leave his investment in bonds and borrow for seasonal production needs.

"Even if the cost of production funds was equal to or exceeded earnings from a war bond investment, it is sound business to build up and maintain a liquid reserve to meet emergencies and to help keep the financial house in order should agriculture run into a period of low yields and depressed prices."

Four-H News

BUZZING DINNER MAKERS
The Buzzing Dinner Makers at Fairhaven school made three different kinds of salad dressing, French, mayonnaise and boiled dressing. We divided up in groups to make our salad. When we finished preparing our salad we decided that the French dressing was best. Ann Egan and Richard Schieferstein were the ones on the group to make the French dressing.

Later it was suggested to the leaders, Mrs. Zinn and Mrs. Egan that we make a scrap book of what we do. We will keep news reports, pictures and recipes. It will probably be brought up definitely at the next meeting. We will study and make something at our next meeting. The starch cousins is our topic for discussion.

SIX SILLY SEWERS
The fifth meeting of the Keno 4-H club was held on February 9. President Mary Layton called the meeting to order and asked Joy Simmers and Velma Borrough to lead 4-H club pledge and flag salute.

Mrs. Martin, the leader, took the meeting over and this week's and next week's projects were discussed.

Joy Simmers and Velma Borrough led some popular 4-H yells. The meeting was then brought to a close with songs by June House and Dolores Heiderer.

News reporter, Patsy Ward.

AMBITIOUS SEWING CLUB
The "Ambitious Sewing club" held its meeting in the fifth

grade room at Henley grade school. Mrs. Kelly looked over some of the things the girls had made. A party will be held at Mrs. Kelly's February 25.

Wool Processing Plant Considered

MERRILL—In the interest of a wool processing plant which he hopes to finance by sale of stock to residents of the basin, Scott Shields met here with a few interested persons February 16.

Original plans called for a plant in the vicinity of Modoc Point for washing and handling the wool, to be later made into blankets, rugs and other articles. Those who met with him here were interested primarily in bringing the plant, if the plans are carried out, into the Merrill community.

POLES GET SUPPLIES
MOSCOW, Feb. 22 (AP)—An American Red Cross mission has departed with medical supplies for Poland, the first Red Cross representatives to go to that country.

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Weekly Market Trend

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LIVESTOCK MARKETS

Stable receipts of livestock at North Portland on Monday, February 19, were light and prices moved higher in all classes not already up to OPA ceilings. The 1750 head of cattle were in good demand with good steers selling up to \$16.25 and some held for higher prices. Good beef cows brought \$12.50 with some held higher.

Grading in the hog division was active but prices of slaughter hogs were steady at the ceiling of \$13.75. Good choice feeder pigs sold up to \$16.25. Offspring of sows were in demand, very light for Monday—only 130 head. Demand was strong with lambs advancing 25 cents and ewes 20 cents. Good to choice trucked in lambs sold as high as \$15.50 and ewes as high as \$8.

Other Pacific coast markets were likewise in a firm position. At San Francisco choice steers were held at \$17. Horn steers at the ceiling, and lambs firm at \$16 to \$18.50. In the Midwest hog markets continued firm, but cattle and lambs showed a weaker tendency.

LIVESTOCK NUMBERS DOWN
Livestock numbers in the United States declined rather sharply during 1944 after having increased steadily from 1930 to 1943 and having reached an all-time peak in 1944. The numbers of all species of livestock and also of chickens and turkeys on January 1, 1945, were below those of a year earlier. Thus 1944 was one of the few years on record to show such a general tendency for numbers to decline. The most marked decreases were in the numbers of hogs, sheep and calves.

In terms of animal units that allow for differences in size and feed requirements, the decline in 1944 and numbers declined nearly 1 per cent. In view of the record slaughter of cattle and calves in 1944, this decrease in numbers seems relatively small, since it was generally expected that numbers would be considerably below the 61,700,000 now estimated.

The decline in sheep numbers that started in 1943 was continued during 1944 at an increasing rate. The total

of all sheep and lambs, estimated at nearly 48 million head on January 1, 1945, was down 7 per cent from a year earlier. Since the estimated number of sheep and lambs on feed for market on January 1, 1945, was larger than a year earlier, all of the decrease is in stock animals which are at the lowest level since 1928.

Following the 20 per cent decrease in the 1944 pig crop and a record slaughter of hogs in 1944, the number of hogs on farms of the U. S. on January 1, 1945, estimated at 60,000,000 head, was down 26 per cent from the all-time record number of a year earlier.

Activity in domestic wool during the week ending February 17 was again limited to purchasing and taking delivery of lots on which options had been placed in the brisk buying wave during December. When this active buying and placing of options on domestic wool was going on, some buyers bought or committed themselves to buy only those lots which they were willing to purchase at appraised prices. Other buyers tied up through options as much wool as they could, and now are taking delivery.

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APPLES FOR CIVILIANS
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 - TruPak Cherry Preserves 2-lb. jar 88c
 - S & W Marmalade 2-lb. jar 38c
 - Red Diamond Matches carton 24c
 - Campbell's Cream of Spinach Soup 10 1/2-oz. tin 13c
 - Royal Club Grapefruit Juice, (20 pts.) 48-oz. tin 35c

- RATION POINT SPECIALS**
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 - Libby Garden Peas (20 pts.) tin 3 for 28c
 - Libby's Apricots (80 pts.) 2 1/2 gl. 32c
 - Peas, Sacramento (80 pts.) No. 2 1/2 tin 35c
 - Wesson Oil (3 pts.) Qt. gl. 52c
 - Standby Peaches (60 pts.) No. 2 1/2 tin 30c
 - Del Monte Peas, (20 pts.) No. 2 tin 15c
- HI-HO CRACKERS 1-lb. box 20c**
- Libby Tomato Juice (20 pts.) 18-oz. tin 11c
 - Pet Milk (1 1/4 pts.) tin 3 for 28c
 - Del Monte Whole Beans (10 pts.) No. 2 tin 18c
 - Shrimp, Tropical Broken (3 pts.) 7-oz. tin 31c
 - Tuna Fish, fancy Albacore (3 pts.) 7-oz. tin 42c
 - Swift Prem (3 pts.) 12-oz. tin 33c

- Boil Meat** 1 point Lb. 21c
 - Pork Roast** 3 points Lb. 31c
 - Pork Steak** 4 points Lb. 31c
 - Sausage** Pure Pork, 2 pts. Lb. 29c
 - Ground Beef** 4 Pts. Lb. 29c
- Potatoes** U. S. No. 1 Bakers' 10 Lb.
 - Grapefruit** Arizona Lb.
 - Grapefruit** Texas Pink Lb.
 - Oranges** Sunkist, Large Size Lb.
 - Fresh Tomatoes** 1 Pound

- Hills Bros. Coffee 2-lb. gl. 64c
- CHEESE**
- Melwest, Full Cream, 12 pts. Lb. 37c
- Swift Brookfield, 24 points 2 lbs. 83c
- OVEN BAKED BEANS** New England Style with Pork, No. 2 tin 15c
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