

Lost River Garden Club Plans Meet

MERRILL, July 26—Members of the Lost River Garden club held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. T. O. Wheeler on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. J. Degnan, vice president, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. J. T. Deiter, and roll call was answered by naming a new perennial and describing it.

Plans for the annual garden meet and food sale to be held the early part of September, and the Gladiola Tea, to be held at the home of Mrs. W. C. Bailey, were discussed. The dates for both of these events will be announced later. After the regular meeting the club flower show was held, with Mrs. Scott McKendree receiving honors. Members then adjourned to the yard at the Wheeler home to study plans and offer suggestions for landscaping the grounds.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Wheeler to the following members, Mrs. W. C. Bailey, Mrs. L. A. Taber, Mrs. Walter Fotheringham, Mrs. Virgil Rexford, Mrs. O. T. McKendree, Mrs. Jack Degnan, Mrs. Scott McKendree, Mrs. T. O. Wheeler, Mrs. Hugh O'Connor, Mrs. C. E. Sharp, Mrs. Hilary Winebarger and one guest, Mrs. Raymond Vestal.

Preparing Jap Battleship For Atom Bomb Test



Seaman W. H. Brown (left), Gastonia, N. C., and Machinist's Mate H. L. Robinson of Rockport, Mass., batten down hatches of Jap battleship Nagato in Bikini lagoon in preparation for underwater atom bomb test. Joint army-navy task force one photo via navy radio to San Francisco. —AP wirephoto.

Merrill Opens Play Program

MERRILL, July 26—The recreational program opening was held Wednesday evening, July 24, with about 25 young people attending. Games which have been provided by the Merrill Service club include a pool table, which has been moved to the community hall, ping pong, badminton, shuffleboard and volleyball. A phonograph has also been provided for those who wish to dance. Soft drinks are also available for a small charge.

This temporary play program is being sponsored by the Merrill Service club, in an effort to provide entertainment for the young people of the community until a new building can be erected on the grounds of the Merrill city park. The Women of the Moose will supervise the play, which will be held every Wednesday and Friday afternoons and evenings, and the American Legion is donating the use of the community hall.

Around Oregon

By The Associated Press
The heaviest flour shipment to leave Astoria in recent years—5800 tons—will be loaded aboard the Whitman Victory this weekend for delivery to UNRRA in the Orient. . . . State highway engineers will complete within three months a study of the proposed \$9,000,000 Sullivan gulch entry into east Portland, whose construction was proposed in a city initiative. . . . The Oregon State Council of Carpenters (AFL) opened a three-day convention in Portland Friday. . . . Portland's chamber of commerce urged appointment of one westerner on the decontrol board to be set up by the new OPA. . . . The deadline for completing the \$7,900,000 sale of Portland Traction company was set ahead to Aug. 29 in order to give the securities and exchange commission time to clear the purchase. . . . Sweden's first important postwar shipment to Portland—fish, stoves, steel, spirits, copper goods—will arrive Aug. 4. . . . J. L. Daulton, about 50, drowned at Astoria in a tumble from a ladder at a dock near his deep sea fishing boat, the Washington.

Flashes Of Life

RIGHT AT HOME
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., July 26 (AP)—Four baby wrens accompany Farmer Mortie Kronk every time he drives his car to town. Their nest is under the running board.

Mama wren flies from the nest when Kronk starts the car and lets her children take the trip alone.

CAR PRODUCTION
ARKANSAS CITY, Kas., July 26 (AP)—L. M. Taylor, 79-year-old retired minister, tired of waiting for a new car, so decided to create his own 1946 model. He installed a new 60-horsepower engine in a 1926 model T Ford and says the jalopy "runs like a dream."

To prove it, he plans to drive his dream-model to California, starting tomorrow.

QUENCH HOT ARGUMENT
DECATUR, Ill., July 26 (AP)—A Decatur bartender successfully used a handy fire extinguisher to cool the fiery tempers of two quarreling customers.

Police said the fight ended promptly when one of the unruly participants was squirted squarely in the face and knocked unconscious.

Australia was named "Australiia del Espiritu Santo" in honor of Austrian-born Philip III of Spain, and in translation the name was misspelled Australia.

Clearing Agency To Keep Vets Informed

SALEM, July 26 (AP)—Oregon institutions of higher learning, the state education department and the state veterans department will cooperate in establishing a central clearing agency to keep veterans informed about educational and housing facilities, it was announced today. Information about housing facilities and courses available at colleges and universities will be compiled by the new agency.

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Mexican Jailed On Guilty Plea

TULELAKE, July 26 — Guadalupe Perez, Mexican domestic employed in the beet fields here, is in the Siskiyou county jail at Yreka after pleading guilty to a charge of larceny before Justice of the Peace E. L. Booth, this week.

Perez found a bicycle belonging to the young daughter of James O. McCune in Tulelake, which he appropriated for a trip south on the Alturas highway. When he arrived at Seiler's inn he found a car in which was a lady's purse containing \$50 in cash, some jewelry and a picture. He took all of the contents and again rode south. Four miles further on he was apprehended by local officers. He had lost part of the cash which belonged to Peggy Paulk, Merrill, who had been a passenger in the parked car owned by Elizabeth Orvin, Tulelake.

Perez, who came here from the Sacramento area, was given six months in jail and a \$100 fine. He has been on probation from a three-year sentence in the Los Angeles county jail where he will be returned at the end of his sentence in this county.

Coffee Check Claimed Legal

PORTLAND, July 26 (AP)—A denial of any illegality in Rep. Coffey's (D-Wash.) receipt of a \$2500 check from Eivind Anderson, war contractor, was made today by Dick Rushlight.

Rushlight, head of a plumbing company who said he worked on a war contract which Anderson obtained, declared that the check was a campaign contribution unrelated to the contract.

Saying he would like to testify before the Mead committee, Rushlight asserted that Anderson was low bidder on a \$1,000,000 contract for the Fort Lewis hospital, but that there was an attempt to award it to a higher bidder.

Rushlight said that after he and others worked on Anderson's behalf, Anderson got the contract. The check, he said, was sent much later.

Modoc Council Plans Meeting

Modoc county council of natural resources will meet August 31 at Canby, with the Ralph L. Smith Lumber company acting as host, according to R. S. Bacon, secretary of the council, who was in town from Alturas last night.

Malcolm Epley, managing editor of The Herald and News, will give reminiscences of a recent cross-country auto trip as a feature of the evening session. A number of important items of business will be considered under the direction of Bristow Hood, chairman of the council.

Bacon said that arrangements have also been completed for the annual ride of the "Modoc Tribesmen," a horseback jaunt into the Warner mountains east of Alturas. This trip will be taken on August 2, 3 and 4, and is sponsored by Modoc national forest officials.

Bacon is natural resources manager for the forest office.

In the earliest days of the church it was considered irreverent to appear gloved before a member of the clergy.

Salmon Fishermen Take Strike Vote

ASTORIA, Ore., July 26 (AP)—Columbia river fishermen began voting today on whether to call a strike if the price of river chinook salmon is not increased above the 19 cents a pound set earlier this year.

The Fishermen's Protective union said ballots from the locals would be counted Tuesday. Fishermen, anticipating the late July run next week, declared that 19 cents was no longer sufficient in view of rising living costs. Higher prices are being paid at Seattle, they said.

The move was initiated after OPA controls were removed.

Young Democrat Club Protests Negro Ban

PORTLAND, July 26 (AP)—Multnomah county Young Democrats, three of whose members were denied admission to a picnic site because they were negroes, placed protests before civic and church groups today.

The organization walked out of Blue Lake park, where it was scheduled to picnic, after the three negroes were told they couldn't enter. Hugh Platt, president of the Young Democrats, said he would start a "general drive against racial discrimination."

Nick B. Welsh, manager of the park, said that "we figure the park is not big enough to mix colors. We feel that it would put us out of business."

Schools Plan Job Surveys

PORTLAND, July 26 (AP)—An occupational survey which will determine what to teach in Portland high schools was initiated today by educators, businessmen and employment officials.

A 100-man committee will ask Portland industries what type of jobs they are likely to have in coming years, and what training youngsters need to fill them.

The data will guide educators in planning a curriculum for those preppers who do not plan to continue to college. "This is the most important step yet taken in Portland to make education useful," commented Dr. Willard B. Spalding, school superintendent.

It is the first such survey taken in a major city, he said.

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