

Homestead Drawing Colorful

By RUTH KING

Some of the glamor of a Mardi Gras was captured in the Klamath Union high school band. Music stirred the emotions.

A girl in a blue sweater, in one of the front rows bit her lips and as the first capsule was drawn hid her face against the shoulder of her escort. A few moments later her husband's name was plucked from the little container.

Andy Naylor, Tulelake, who was the only known local man to have served in both World War I and II, seventy-second name on the list was at last achieved a long-time ambition. Naylor's name was entered in the 1938 drawing and he drew a blank.

He had served overseas for several months in the first conflict and after coming home worked on farms that were never his own. After Pearl Harbor he was one of the first Tulelake men to enlist and with him went his young son, Andy Jr., whom he had raised following the death of the boy's mother.

Andy Sr. served as an army M.P. and young Andy went into the navy. He wants to get a plow into the ground as soon as spring permits.

Frederick B. Lehman, 22, Beaverton, Ore., who has never seen the Tulelake country but who was being treated to his first view this afternoon by representatives of Life magazine, was "as weak as water" when his name came up. He felt lucky "all the time with his number 1946." His brother, Ernest Jr., here also, took a number among the alternates. Fred was an ensign in the navy during the war.

The mother of a boy who didn't come back smiled when a neighbor's son walked off with his share of "mother earth."

Bill Barks, one of the lucky nine boys from Tulelake came back home to this country after seeing Alaska and the South Pacific. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Barks, Tulelake pioneers. When the big news broke over a local broadcasting station Bill was sorting potatoes and his mother had as yet not learned of his reaction.

Dele Sprout, Tulelake, who is 23 said "he felt great." He flew 52 missions as a pilot in the army air corps over Italy.

Kenneth Duncan, Malin, one of twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duncan who got into the air in the army as soon as he was old enough to get on the ground to hear his good news. His brother Charles Jr. also filed but didn't win.

A dad slapped his lucky son on the back and the boy's eyes filled with tears. He brushed them away with the back of his hand.

Harvey Lester Stanley, 23, Surprise Valley, Calif., who was on an LST in the Pacific for two years and say things he wanted to forget, sat on after the last capsule came from the jar. He had been a farm boy all his life, having lived in Klamath Falls for some time when he was young. He was deeply disappointed. "I've always wanted a farm of my own," he said. He goes back home tonight.

The winners present were all jubilant, the losers believed the drawing had been fair and above board and many of them will try for their bit of land when the time comes for the next homestead drawing.

Truck-School Bus Wreck Kills One

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 19 (AP)—One man was killed, another badly injured and three school children slightly hurt in the collision of a lumber truck and a school bus near White Rock, a village 18 miles northwest of here today.

The dead man was Sam Rowe, an occupant of the truck, J. Earl Wessinger, the bus driver, was brought to a hospital here where his condition was reported as serious. Eight other men on the truck were unhurt.

Wincoff Victims Leave Hospital

PORTLAND, Dec. 19 (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Gilbert of Portland, injured in the Wincoff hotel fire in Atlanta December 7, were to be released from the hospital today, he advised his sister, Mrs. Lorraine Vaughn, in a letter.

He said they stuffed water-soaked mattresses and towels around the door and windows to keep out smoke and heat and went into the bathroom where they lost consciousness.

Tension Grips Crowds At Tule Homestead Drawing

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tain of the 86 who will receive the rich Tule lake farm land, those qualified will be called in and in order of their drawing the winners will have their choice of the homesteads. They will then certify to the land office, according to the examining board.

In the meantime, the Tulelake chamber of commerce is planning a celebration that will do justice to her own sons as well as to the other successful applicants. After all, of the 86 homesteads available, 11 went to Tulelake residents. Three of the winners are sons of original homesteaders.

Those outside the charmed circle of 86 winners of homesteads were more—no less—excited today. Before the drawing they were only a bunch of numbers in the bowl. Now they know that if the winners fail to qualify, they will move up into the Christmas present bracket.

First alternate is Wesley N. Anderson of Tulelake. If any of the 86 decide that life on a farm created from drainage of Tule lake doesn't appeal to him, Anderson will be on the list. The second alternate is also a Tulelake youth, George A. Douglas.

Folks that followed the drawing yesterday learned that Robert L. Smith, 32, of Banks, Ore., near Portland, was No. 1 on the list. Smith is farming with his father on land his grandfather homesteaded in 1885.

Tulelake residents expressed satisfaction at the 11 to 86 ratio which gave homesteads to 11 of their men.

Bob Lillard, who gave his address as Klamath Falls, is really a Tulelake boy. He is the nephew of Postmaster Wanda Stark of Tulelake and another aunt, Suzanne McCulley, is also a member of the post office staff. Bob had to stay on the job in

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had, sooner or later, to MAKE BACK THE LOST ELEVATION. Otherwise you could never get to the mountain's top.

In sliding along the easy way, first footing prices and then booting ways, or vice versa, we are simply losing elevation that will have to be made back sooner or later.

It will come hard when we start making it back. Every mountain climber knows that.

Long Time Basin Resident Dies

Henry Miles Bagby, 92, of Klamath Falls, died early Wednesday morning, following a lengthy illness.

When he first came to this vicinity he operated a ranch in the Merrill district, later going into the hotel business. He managed the old Washington hotel and a number of others. Until his retirement about 10 years ago he managed the Hart hotel, and resided there until his death.

Funeral services will be held Monday, December 23 at 1:30 p. m., under the direction of Ward's Klamath Funeral home.

National Forest Timber Sells High

PORTLAND, Dec. 19 (AP)—Timber tracts in national forests drew record prices from south-Oregon mills in the first offering since lifting of OPA price controls.

Forest officials reported the highest price ever offered for Umpqua National forest timber was submitted by the Klamath Lake Moulding company, which bid \$390,446 on 49,525,000 feet, including a Douglas fir price of \$8.08 per 1000 feet.

The Hudspeith Sawmill company, bid \$204,800 for 38,000,000 of timber in the Ochoco National forest. The Tite Knot pine mills, Redmond, offered \$107,330 on 8,650,000 feet of timber in the Deschutes forest. The forest service said the company's offer of \$13.21 a thousand feet for ponderosa was a record for the northwest.

Mississippi Solon Denies Cash Gift

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for "Doxey, but that he had made a 'hot speech'." Ferguson wanted to know how long after this the group went back to the hotel room where "he got the \$25,000."

"I do not allow them to cool off did you?" Ferguson asked.

"They don't cool off when I talk to 'em," Bilbo came back. Bilbo declared it is an "old southern custom" to give presents to public servants.

OBITUARY

LLOYD ASKINS

Lloyd Askins, for years a resident of Klamath Falls, Ore., passed away at the Delta Hotel, on Wednesday, December 18, 1946, following an extended illness. He was born in Kansas at the time of his death was aged 46 years 11 months and 21 days. He is survived by a son, Lloyd L. Askins of this city. He was a member of the Klamath Falls Aerie No. 2090 of the International Order of Odd Fellows. The remains will rest in the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home, until a date upon arrival from The Dalles. Notice of funeral to be announced at a later date.

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Homestead Alternates

No. 87, Wesley N. Anderson, Tulelake, Calif.
No. 88, George A. Douglas, Tulelake, Calif.
No. 89, Walter D. Buchanan, Halfway, Ore.
No. 90, Amos Bierly, Hubbard, Ore.
No. 91, Gerald L. Johnson, Merrill, Ore.
No. 92, Charles W. Stiles, Lakeview, Oregon.
No. 93, Gerald E. Corcoran, Rt. 2 Box 520, Medford, Ore.
No. 94, Harold T. Barrett, O'Donnell, Tex.
No. 95, Leland L. Cheyne, Klamath Falls, Ore.
No. 96, Geo. A. Reed, Marysville, Calif.
No. 97, Eldred F. Charley, 115 Genesee, Medford, Ore.
No. 98, John Patrick Arnold, Madera, Calif.
No. 99, Brooke Johnson, Cave Junction, Calif.
No. 100, Alfred H. Townsend, Martinez, Calif.
No. 101, John Hubbard Jr., Tulelake, Calif.
No. 102, Ben Mulkey, Willow Ranch, Calif.
No. 103, Gordon R. Leonard, Cave Junction, Ore.
No. 104, John Kollen, Nyssa, Ore.
No. 105, Darrel W. Jensen, Alsea, Ore.
No. 106, Florin Pezzoni, Patterson, Calif.
No. 107, Chas. F. Teers, Merrill, Ore.
No. 108, Clyde V. Brummell, Klamath Falls, Ore.
No. 109, Frederick Blythe, Williamsburg, Ia.
No. 110, Fred H. Beymer, Klamath Falls, Ore.
No. 111, Ernest Lehman Jr., Beaverton, Ore.
No. 112, Norman J. Gix, Box 242, Grants Pass, Ore.
No. 113, Ervin Shoemaker, Macdoel, Calif.
No. 114, Garland E. Lawson, Rt. 1 Box 472, Chico, Calif.
No. 115, Kenneth P. Paulson, Eagle Point, Ore.
No. 116, Herbert W. Arens, 76 E. 1st, Chico, Calif.
No. 117, Walter Eisenbeis, Tulelake, Calif.
No. 118, Eston E. Crain, Gridley, Calif.
No. 119, West G. Williams, Alturas, Calif.
No. 120, John C. Wahl, Tulelake, Calif.
No. 121, George F. Horning, Rt. 3, Box 238, Corvallis, Ore.
No. 122, Mayo C. Walker, Hermiston, Ore.
No. 123, Donald K. Courser, Rt. 6, Box 1105, Portland, Ore.
No. 124, Delbert N. Motes, Thatcher, Ariz.
No. 125, Clarence V. Zemke, Box 2, Rt. 189, Ashland, Ore.
No. 126, Robert R. Powell, Tulelake, Calif.
No. 127, William Baetschen, 418 Rikey, Salinas, Calif.
No. 128, Wilbert Ruhl, Rt. 2, Box X113, Lodi, Calif.
No. 129, James Drazil, Malin, Ore.
No. 130, Harold M. White, Klamath Falls, Ore.
No. 131, Robert Tatum, Shafter, Calif.
No. 132, Dixon Saltgaver, Rt. 4, Box 16, Medford, Ore.
No. 133, Manley J. Porter, Talent, Ore.
No. 134, Douglas H. Blair, Dillon, Ore.
No. 135, James A. Wilson, Lewiston, Calif.
No. 136, Leland A. Criss, Macdoel, Calif.
No. 137, John B. Retterath, Malin, Ore.
No. 138, Richard B. Freshour, Hornbrook, Calif.
No. 139, John F. Malley, 84 Potomac, San Francisco, Calif.
No. 140, Dee L. Liffick, Oakland, Calif.
No. 141, Charles F. Cornutt, Medford, Ore.
No. 142, Elmer E. Prince, Tulelake, Calif.
No. 143, Philip L. Hoffman, Forest Grove, Ore.
No. 144, Carl F. Linsey, Rupert, Ida.
No. 145, Floyd R. Middleton, Bridgeport, Neb.
No. 146, Joseph Staedler, Colma, Calif.
No. 147, Donald L. Sauer, Grants Pass, Ore.
No. 148, Elden E. Gray, Caldwell, Ida.
No. 149, Roland P. Holliday, Cornelius, Ore.
No. 150, Charles N. Saunders, Oakland, Calif.
No. 151, Henry W. Turk, Grants Pass, Ore.
No. 152, Thomas G. Skinner, Eureka, Ore.
No. 153, Eldon L. Bates, Tulelake, Calif.

town yesterday doing a little plumbing work but he told the lady of the house to listen in on the radio and if he won, which he didn't anticipate, he was going to "throw the plumbing tools right through the window."

There is no evidence that Bob went this far but his aunt said he was "extremely happy" and so were they. Lillard is 26 years old and an army veteran of the European campaign. He has been attending a GI plumbing school in Klamath Falls.

Another Tulelake veteran who was lucky yesterday was Laurence Hartley, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hartley who won a homestead in the Stronghold section in 1938. Young Hartley was another of the boys who made good but who stayed on the job hauling potatoes and had to wait until the folks came home to tell him all about it. Merle Woodley, Tulelake native, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Woodley, has all the necessary farming equipment to get his land in shape when the examining board gives the go-ahead to the 86 vets.

Two veterans of both World Wars and 2, were listed among the lucky 86. They are J. Emmett Sismore of Fort Klamath and Andy Naylor Sr., Tulelake. Sismore, members of an old Klamath county family, was advised by his brother, L. Orth Sismore, who wired Emmett at Red Bluff early yesterday afternoon. Emmett enlisted in the United States army at the same time that Andy Jr. went into the navy. The father had applied for a homestead in 1938 but was unsuccessful and since that time has been employed in the basin on various farms. Both father and son will operate their homestead. Andy Jr. has raised the boy alone since the death of the child's mother. When the Naylor name was drawn there was a loud cheer.

Another Tulelake, who had given his address as Wellington, Kas., is Elmer R. Metz Jr., whose father lives at Tulelake. He is the brother of Noble and Claude Metz, also of that community. Elmer is to celebrate his 21st birthday on December 22, he is married, and his wife, Marjorie was with him at the drawing. Elmer is a graduate of Tulelake high school.

Dele Sprout, who saw service with the U. S. army's 15th air force, thinks he has pretty good luck. Not only did he win a homestead, but he received the DFC in the last war, and the Air Medal with five clusters. He said he had always dreamed of coming back to a farm—and he practices it.

Fred R. Robinson, 24, Tulelake, is the son of a 1938 homesteader, Wade T. Robinson. The family place is near Carr school and young Robinson was present at the draw.

Bill Barks is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Barks, Tulelake pioneers, and No. 22 on the list. Bill was sorting potatoes when he heard about his luck.

No. 83 on the draw, and just getting under the line, was Bob Heiney, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Heiney, 632 and 634, Tulelake. Another Tulelake veteran from Tulelake was Stanley Bradbury, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bradbury who are 1938 homesteaders. Phillip Krieger's family have long lived in the basin area and many years ago his folks farmed in Tulelake. Right now, Phillip is running a radio store in Tulelake but expects to get down to farming by spring.

William D. Hamilton was one of Tulelake's 11 favored sons and knows the basin area well. He was No. 31 on the list.

Malin high school's 1944 graduates, which included six young men, had a pretty good average chalked up at the end of yesterday's drawing. Of the six, three drew homesteads. They were Kenneth Duncan, twin son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duncan; Merle Woodley, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Woodley of the Merrill district; and Franklin Elzner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elzner. Kenneth Duncan said his twin brother would farm with him as "he is as tickled as I am." Duncan served in the army air corps and Woodley and Elzner are navy veterans.

Shirley Congdon, No. 16 on the draw, is well-known in Klamath Falls where he was stationed during the war years at the Klamath naval air station from the time the station was activated until the navy left. During the latter months Congdon served as commanding officer at the station. He liked the Klamath basin country well enough to come back and throw his civilian hat in the ring for one of the homesteads.

Grandson and son of Klamath pioneers was one of the lucky winners. It is Frank J. Sullivan who stayed on working on the George Stevenson place near Blythe yesterday while the history of the drawing was going on. Frank is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sullivan and grandson of the late Joe Taylor, who is well-known to many old-timers here.

Whether Tom Rink Jr., of Klamath Falls has learned he was the recipient of one of the homesteads, was not known today. Tom is busy over at the getting married to Zina Carothers of Dallas, Tex. Another veteran who may still be unaware of his luck is Larry Ferrell of Rocky Point who has lived for years with the Mickey Wampiers. Larry was out trapping yesterday and could not be reached.

Typical open-mouthed astonishment was expressed yesterday when Frederick B. Lehman, 22, Beaverton boy, came up to The Herald and News desk and squeaked—"Is it true about early in the afternoon with the Life photographer to look over his future home for the first time.

Homestead Alternates

No. 154, Maximilian Rozum, Klamath Falls, Ore.
No. 155, John E. Siems, Silverton, Ore.
No. 156, Chester W. Young, Hanford, Calif.
No. 157, Marvin A. Ring Jr., Ashland, Ore.
No. 158, Joseph J. Honus, Redlands, Calif.
No. 159, Benjamin B. Brown, Blanco, Tex.
No. 160, Billie N. Knight, Tulelake, Calif.
No. 161, Walter H. Crouse Jr., Grants Pass, Ore.
No. 162, Charles E. Alfrey, Burlingame, Calif.
No. 163, Gene V. Hansen, McMinnville, Ore.
No. 164, Arthur R. Monroe, Bonanza, Ore.
No. 165, Wallace G. Britton, Klamath Falls, Ore.
No. 166, Clinton F. Sheldon, McMinnville, Ore.
No. 167, Lyle G. Haley, Klamath Falls, Ore.
No. 168, Roland S. Christie, Grants Pass, Ore.
No. 169, Henry L. Voss, Portland, Ore.
No. 170, Luther H. Rippey, Bonanza, Ore.
No. 171, Albert F. Lawson, Chico, Calif.
No. 172, Robert F. Vencill, Williams, Ore.

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