

# News PTA Notes

**PTA**  
The Herald and News is resuming publication of the PTA column and this will appear each Friday. Material for the PTA column must be in the hands of the newsroom not later than 2 p. m. Thursday prior to publication. Reports must be handed in and not telephoned.

### Parents - Patrons

Taking "the hickory stick" out of the classroom was demonstrated by a film from faculty members at the first meeting of the year for Parents and Patrons club, held in the auditorium of KUHS Wednesday evening.

A group of more than 300 parents and teachers were greeted by Mrs. E. A. Geary, the new president who extended credit for the excellent attendance to the four chairmen of the calling committee, Mrs. Lloyd Porter, Mrs. Bruce Binkley, Mrs. K. G. Klahn and Mrs. E. G. Giesinger.

Wallet-size programs for the entire school year were handed around at the beginning of the evening, and Mrs. Neal Stewart, program chairman, gave a brief outline of plans made for the various months before introducing Principal James L. Brown, chairman for the evening.

Mr. Brown stressed adjustment and leadership as equally important, if not more so, than the necessary factual learning and skills, and explained to the parents that these are the principal reasons for so many activities in the high schools today. He also brought up the importance of clearing up misunderstandings, whether they are between students and teachers, parents and children or parents and teachers.

Paul Angstead, dean of boys, pointed out that children of high school age are in the process of a tumultuous upheaval which turns them into men or women—sooner or later—and that about the only predictable thing about them is their unpredictability.

The greatest problem, he said, is dealing with them on their own level because they set their own standards, and urged parents to lend a sympathetic ear but not to make the mistake of thinking that these adolescents will deal on an adult level.

At the conclusion of the film showing, William Moxley, Spanish instructor, was introduced. He briefly discussed methods for avoiding a teacher-dominated classroom by giving students a share in planning their study program, and the importance of their becoming good and useful citizens rather than the memorizing of facts from a book.

Mrs. Millicent West, visiting teacher, explained her duties as a contact with the home, and how an earnest attempt is made to find out if a student's home life is the cause of his behavior in school. She pointed out to those present that she is not a truant officer but has the job of clearing up misunderstandings where school attendance is concerned.

Comments from faculty members on the program were serious but nicely spiced with humor which made the evening far from dull, and from opinions expressed during the refreshment hour in the cafeteria, the Parents and Patrons club is off to a fine start on an interesting year.

Mrs. Frank Howard, dean of girls, will be chairman of the meeting on October 12 to be held in the Little Theater at 3 p. m. in the afternoon. "How Much Do Manners Mean" will be the topic, and students will participate.

The November 9 meeting will again be an evening affair in the auditorium and of especial interest to fathers. Paul Angstead is chairman, and the topic is "School and the Home."

Andy Loney, head of the music department, will arrange Christmas music for a December 14 meeting and tea in the Little Theater.

On January 11, Dr. F. Cecil Adams will be in charge of a program on "The Student Grows Up," and the meeting for February 8 will again be at night, a parent-student debate, "Understanding Each Other," with Mrs. Percy Murray as chairman.

For a spring tea and fashion show on March 8, Mrs. George Hills will be show chairman and Mrs. Frank Tarr in charge of the tea. Parents of Junior high students will be especially invited to attend this meeting.

"What High School Has to Offer" is the topic for April, with Wendell Smith, English instructor,

presiding as chairman, and the final meeting of the year on May 10 will be for election of officers.

### Chiloquin

The first meeting of the current year was held on Monday evening, September 12, at the high school gymnasium with President Frank Parker presiding. Ley Barker, representative of the Modoc Council of Boy Scouts, was present to give charters to the newly organized Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of the vicinity. The charters were handed to Parker, head of the PTA, which is sponsoring the club activities. Barker paid special tribute to the scoutmaster, Glen Kircher, assistant master, Conrad Shelland, Cub Scout Master, Victor Sisson, and to the men who are volunteering their time as the executive representatives of its troop. Boys of the Scout troop and the cub troops were present in uniform to witness the ceremony.

Announcement was made of the persons who have volunteered for committee chairmanship during the year. They were as follows: program, Mrs. Jerry Reed; hospitality, Mrs. Andy Ortis with Mrs. Earl Hall as assistant; membership, Mrs. Folk Haddock; publicity, Mrs. Gerry Wolff; room mothers, Mrs. A. M. Zedina; Scouts, Dwight Kircher; Cub Scouts, Mrs. Harry Ravizza; Summer Roundup, Mrs. Frank Parker; legislation and county council representative, Mrs. Cyril Cook; to head a study group on juvenile protection, Judge Lloyd Peters. There are still a few positions to be filled.

Room mothers signed up to date include: Mrs. Floyd Ohles for Mrs. Whiting's room, Mrs. Lawrence Hill for Mrs. James Parsley, Mrs. A. E. Clark for Mrs. Les Hoback, Mrs. Jess Rousseau for Mrs. Harold Wing, Mrs. Clyde Leake for Mrs. Same Rife, Mrs. Friedman Kirk for the eighth grade under Charles Hale, Mrs. Merton Porter for Frank DiLillo's ninth graders, Mrs. W. T. Oates Jr. for the eleventh graders under Margaret Molitor's advisor-ship, and Mrs. Paul Wampler for the seniors who have Joe Mercer, school superintendent, as their advisor.

The meeting was adjourned for a get acquainted party honoring the seven new teachers in the system, who were introduced by Mr. Mercer. The games were under the direction of Mrs. Pell of Modoc Point and Mrs. Gerry Wolff. Refreshments were served in the cafeteria following the recreation. Mrs. Zedina was in charge of the serving.

### Mills

The first Mills PTA meeting is scheduled for 2 p. m. Wednesday, September 21. Mothers are requested to come early in order to visit their youngsters' classrooms.

Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria before the day's program, which will be held in the new auditorium. Included on the program will be an old-fashioned "community sing," a welcome to new teachers and new members by the president, and the introduction of teachers by Verne Speirs, principal. Programs for coming meetings will be outlined by the program chairman.

All mothers are cordially invited. An executive board meeting is planned for 1 p. m., Wednesday, in the auditorium, preceding the general session.

### Conger

Conger Parents and Teachers association will hold its first meeting of the school year on Wednesday, September 21, at 2:30 p. m. in the school auditorium, according to Mrs. Herbert Graham, president.

Officers for the coming year are Mrs. Graham, president; Mrs. Richard Maxwell, vice president; Mrs. John Webber, secretary, and Mrs. Philip Detroit, treasurer.

The program for the coming year will be presented at the September 21 meeting by the board of directors. The officers will serve the refreshments.

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### Fremont

First meeting of the year of the Fremont Parent-Teacher association will be held Thursday, September 22, at 8 p. m. in the auditorium of Fremont school, it was announced by Mrs. Jack Elliott, president.

All parents, fathers and mothers of students of all grades including Junior high, are urged to attend the night meeting.



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**Malin**  
The Malin Parent and Patrons club will be hosts at the annual teachers reception which will be held in the Malin High school building Tuesday evening, September 20, at 8 o'clock. Registration of all pupils was held Thursday and school officially opened Tuesday morning, with 213 pupils registered in the elementary department and 140 pupils in the junior and high school department.

In the elementary division the faculty remains the same as last year with the exception of a new principal and two new teachers. Mrs. Dorothy Gordon returns as first grade teacher, Miss Richards, a new teacher will teach the second room of first graders, Mrs. Margaret McHenry the second grade, Irene Jelenek third grade, Elsie Mock, fourth grade, Miss Mildred Schmid fifth grade, and Mrs. Donald Miller, another new member of the teaching staff teaching a combination of subjects in the fourth and sixth grades. Maxwell Marvin teaches the sixth grade and is also principal of the elementary department.

In the junior and high school department the entire faculty with the exception of Andy Street who serves

as principal and superintendent of the entire school is new personnel. Mrs. Margaret Hatfield will teach the seventh grade and physical education, Miss Rosella Richardson the eighth grade, Donald Miller high school English and social science, Miss Anita Neilson, social science, Mrs. Ruth Hegel, home economics and English, Jim Conway, agriculture and science, Charles Dobry, band and Harriet Clark, chorus.

The Parent and Patrons club plans an especially interesting meeting and urge all parents and those interested in school activities to attend the reception. There will be a short program after which the new and old faculty members will be presented and welcomed. Refreshments will be served at the close of the evening.

**Roosevelt**  
The first meeting of the Roosevelt Parent-Teachers association will be on Tuesday, September 20, at 2 p. m. in the school auditorium. Mrs. Robert A. Thompson, president, urges all mothers to attend this first meeting, and the afternoon promises to be most enjoyable.

The program for the afternoon will include two violin solos by

Mrs. Carl Gustafson, accompanied by Mrs. Freeman Yount, and a book review by Mrs. Len Surles on the autobiography of Billie Burke, "A Feather on My Nose."

There will be an introduction of the teachers and a welcome to the mothers by Darrell Potter, principal. Tea will be served after meeting by the PTA board members. The meeting will be preceded by a board meeting at 1 p. m. in the teachers' room.

**Summers**  
Mrs. Fred Wolfrum, president, will be in charge of a meeting of Summers PTA Tuesday, September 20 at 2 p. m. in the school cafeteria. There will be introduction of teachers, and refreshments will be served. All members and parents are cordially invited.

**Pelican**  
The Pelican PTA executive meeting was held September 14 at which time the new officers discussed the program and business for the year. The first PTA meeting will be held Wednesday, September 21 in the Pelican school auditorium at 2:30. All parents are invited.

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**Threshers, Old Engines Hobby**  
TOLEDO, O., (AP)—Old steam engines and threshers are the hobbies of members of the National Threshers association. Every year, several hundred of these hobbyists gather at the farm of LeRoy W. Baker, president and founder, near Alfordton, to show off their models and engines, compare old catalogues and books, and swap yarns. This has been going on since 1945.

**National Anthem Sought By Saar**  
BAARBRUCKEN, Germany, (AP)—Several months ago the Ministry of Culture of the Saar, now economically merged with France, invited proposals for a national anthem. Now the ministry found that none of the 537 drafts submitted was good. It urgently requested the poet, Johannes Kirchweg, to write one. Italy's increase in population approximately 450,000 annually.

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