

**HIGH SCHOOL News and Comments**  
By Flo Ann Perkins



Two groups of KUHS students went to two different conventions over the week-end. Kraier and El Rodeo staff members Claudette Gleason, Beverly Jones, Bob Southwell, Louise Linman, Miriam Goddard and Adviser J. K. Hvistendahl attended the annual Oregon High School Press Association conference in Eugene Saturday. Kraier representatives reported today on things they had learned about make-up and editorial problems and El Rodeo representatives reported to that staff what they had learned in the year book forums. Ex-governor Charles Sprague was guest speaker at the convention.

A large group composed of the officers of the Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y clubs at KUHS met in Ashland yesterday for the annual district conference of these clubs. Attending were Nancy Haglund, Virginia Van Doren, Mary Jean Cochran, Mary Jane Howard, Phyllis Whytal, Diane Binkley, Aria Collins, Barbara Swanson, Pat Dupuy, Esther Storis, Joyce Werner, Dolores Kiddler, Jana Langlet, Marlene Howard, Dorothy Lowell, Carol Ann Adams, Wayne Carothers, Barton Adams, Don Taylor, John Owings and Herbert Wong. These students learned their duties as officers and generally how to make their clubs better.

In addition to the bus being chartered by the Pep Peppers for the Grants Pass game this Friday, the band is chartering a school bus, provided enough members of the band will go. However, the band will be going only as a club, not to play at the game.

When KUHS students reach their junior year, a special committee composed of the junior class officers and class members appointed by the class president select jewelry that can be ordered by members of the class. Junior Class President Rod Davis has named Betty Pinner, Bud Deller, Ed Zarosinski, Catherine Pence and officers Jean Selby, Cleo Cadwell and Dick Ankeny to choose the jewelry this year. They will view the samples of several salesmen before deciding but the orders will probably be placed about the middle of November.

Several groups have planned Halloween parties appropriate to the season. The Spanish club sponsored a hayride and barn dance Saturday night for members and their guests. The barn was decorated with orange and black crepe paper and appropriate gory apparitions. The Girls' Athletic association is having a Halloween party tonight in the girls' gym and the Pep Peppers have scheduled one for next Saturday night in the YMCA. Invitations to the latter were handed out today to dates of the rally squad and Pep Peppers.

**GOOD EGG MONTH**

PORTLAND, Oct. 24 (AP)—It was a good month for egg sellers in September, the U. S. department of agriculture has reported. The price of poultry feed went down, while the price of eggs went up, giving the best egg-feed ratio that producers have had this year.

**TO RICHLAND**

WALLA WALLA, Oct. 24 (AP)—A. E. Stoddard, president of the Union Pacific railroad, said yesterday that it is hoped the line will be operating into Richland early next year over a new spur and span across the Yakima river.

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**Bride Suffers Attack, Death**

PRINCETON, B.C., Oct. 24 (AP)—A bride of four months, 24-year-old Mona Mathewson, was shot to death and raped in the bedroom of her cottage home late Saturday.

Police said yesterday they were "optimistic" in their hopes for an early solution to the crime that shocked this small mining community 120 miles east of Vancouver.

The young bride's body was found by her husband, George, a taxi owner, when he returned home Sunday morning. She had been shot twice in the head with a .32 caliber weapon.

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**Spastic Children Get Lift From Seattle Women's Try**

SEATTLE, Wash. (NEA)—After years of patient experiment and effort, a few Seattle women have filled one doctor's prescription for spastic children—a large dose of "hope."

To instill that hope in the minds of spastic or cerebral palsied children has become the special task of the Spastic Committee of Seattle Junior Programs, a volunteer group.

**New Strength**  
Through a series of painting, dancing and musical programs, the committee has given the children new strength for their battle against an affliction that claims almost as many victims as infantile paralysis.

Cerebral palsy is the result of a brain injury at birth. Depending on the extent of the damage to the brain, the victims suffer a loss of muscular control. A number have speech difficulties. Many must be restrained in wheel chairs, and the most severe cases are unable to perform the simplest tasks without help. All victims have one point in common—there is no cure.

New and more efficient physical therapy methods have helped the children regain a partial control of their muscles, but to gain even the slightest control takes years of constant effort.

**Too Tough**  
Sometimes the effort is too great. The children become despondent and will not try.

Several problems had to be solved before the committee could

present its first show. Many parents were reluctant to have the children taken from their homes, and special transportation had to be provided for children confined to wheel chairs.

In addition, medical authorities cautioned the committee against an over-stimulating program which might lead to hysteria. With the aid of the Junior Red Cross, other Junior Program members and various spastic aid societies, the committee presented its first show, a ballet, three years ago.

**Confusion**  
As the audience gathered for the ballet, confusion almost closed the show before the curtain had gone up. Many of the boys and girls had never been in a theatre. Many were frightened and burst into tears. There was the danger that the children might confuse the performance with reality. In an atmosphere of tears and fright, the show began. It was a smash hit.

Then the committee decided to go further. Entertainment provided the children with an introduction to a new world. "But," reasoned the committee, "why shouldn't they participate in that world?"

Mrs. Frederick E. Woods, a creative arts teacher and member of Junior Programs, offered to con-

duct an experimental class in dancing and music to a special group. Testing the children's reaction to puppet shows, rhythm bands and scientific instruction, she was unable to arouse much enthusiasm.

**Muse**

Almost ready to give up, she decided to play a recording from the ballet the boys and girls had seen months before. As she talked about the show, now almost forgotten, she began to play the music.

A six-year-old boy who had never tried to walk, tried to dance. A little girl who never spoke voluntarily tried to request a special selection from the show. Mrs. Woods had found an answer. The children would try desperately to imitate the

dancers and actors they had seen in the different shows.

Since its initial "confusion" ballet, the committee has added puppet shows, concerts, and movies to its programs. After three years, the "participation" idea is working.

**ATOMIC GIANT**  
BERKELEY, Calif., Oct. 24 (AP) Atomic scientists at the University of California are working with a 2500-ton pilot model of a giant new atom-smashing machine which they hope to complete in four years.

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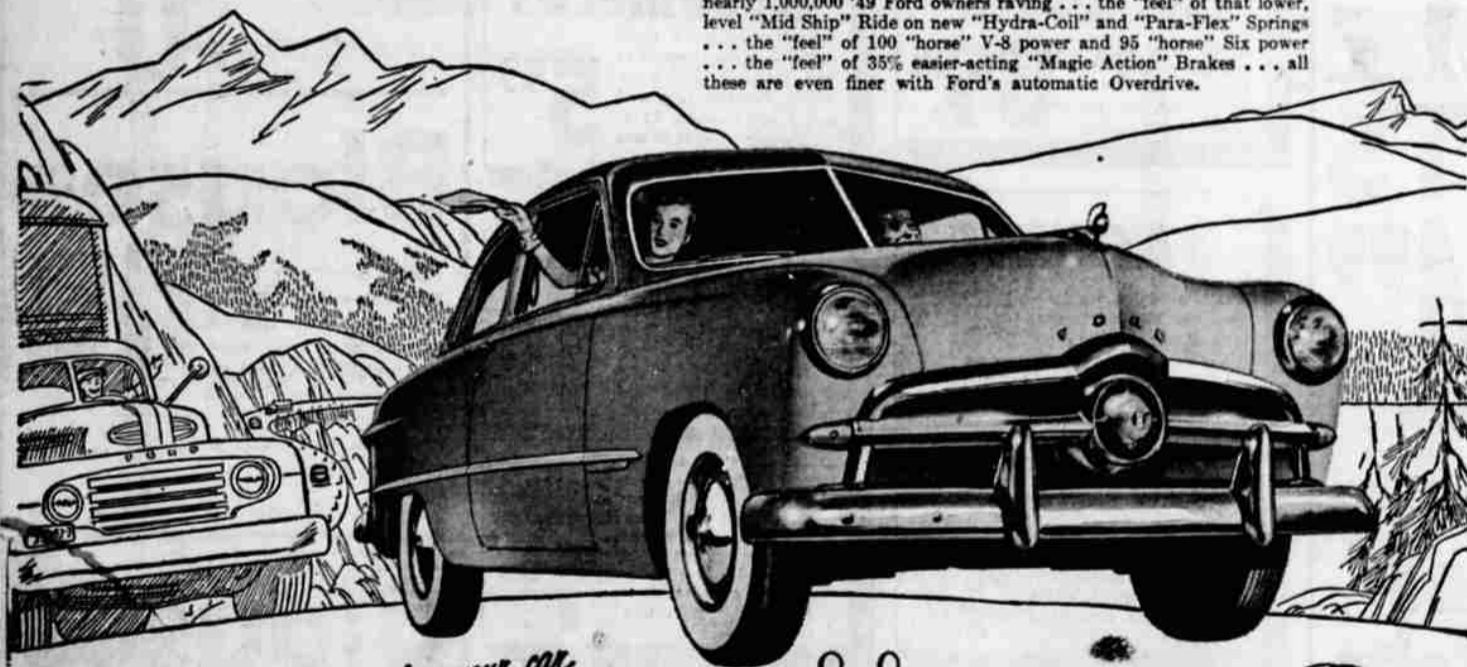
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