Fort Klamath Scout Troop Holds Initiation Fire Rite

FORT KLAMATH—On hand for the regular monthly pack meeting of Fort Klamath Scout Troop 34 Friday night, April 10, in the school house, were the following leaders of the troop: Scoutmaster Frank Strahan, Assistant Scoutmaster and Junior Scout leader Wilbur B. Van Patten, Cub Scoutmaster James Hurst, and Institutional representative Donald P. Veatch. A good crowd of scouts, teenagers, parents and other interested adults were present also, and special visitors of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Ashley, Klamath Falls, who were dinner guests at the home of Mr and Mrs. Raymond Hurley before coming to the meeting with their hosts.

After the meeting was officially opened by the pledge of allegiance to the flag, Cub Scoutmaster Van Patten conducted the impressive council fire initiation ceremony with Theodore (Ted) Veatch, new member of the Cubs, his new membership pin being pinned on by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald P. Veatch. Scoutmaster Strahan presented Boy Scout Donald Halford with a den chief cord, which signifies his position as den chief of the Cub scouts.

Mrs. Donald P. Veatch announced that on Saturday morning, April 18, from 10 till twelve noon, the Civic Improvement Club will sponsor a baked food sale in the C. I. clubhouse, all proceeds to go to the troop being raised to finance a camping outing for local scouts at Crescent Lake this summer. The sale is not confined to club members, on the contrary, any woman interested in helping the scouts is invited to send or bring a food contribution to the sale or to be on hand to help the cause by making a purchase. Assisted by their scoutmaster, the local scouts have been busily gathering rags and bottles, proceeds from sale of which will be applied to the Crescent Lake campaign fund.

Chairman of the camping council and activities of the Modoc Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, Klamath Falls, Harold B. Ashley explained details of the forthcoming summer camp at Crescent Lake, stating that in late June a work party will go there to prepare the grounds for the 6-weeks' camping outing, which will open officially on July 5. Locale is the east side of Crescent Lake, where there is an exceptionally fine beach, Ashley said, with boating available, also excellent rifle range and archery facilities, with an experienced archery expert on hand to instruct scouts in the fine art of using the bow and arrow. Cots and tents are furnished, scouts attending to bring bedding for the trip; for one week, cost per scout for boarding in the camp will be $15, Ashley stated, and do their own camp cookery, but for boys who wish to rough it the cost is somewhat less, being approximately $6. for the week.

Scoutmaster Strahan announced that for entertainment at the next troop meeting on May 8, fire protection pictures will be shown by Vine Mason, Klamath Agency, in cooperation with rangers of Crater Lake National Park and officials of the Klamath Forest Protective Association of Klamath Falls. It was decided that pie, coffee and soft drink would be served as refreshments for this meeting. Parents attending asked to bring cake; all are welcome, and a good crowd is hoped for.

At the close of the business session, entertainment for the group present was provided by Mr. Ashley, who showed numerous colored slides of the National Scout Jamboree held three years ago at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, prefaced by a short explanatory talk in which he told of taking 63 scouts of the Modoc Area Council (including 3 boys from Chiloquin) on the trip East. The group traveled by train, with many stops enroute to Valley Forge and on the return trip after having spent a week at the huge camp site where 40,000 scouts were encamped. A similar jamboree will be held in Los Angeles this July. Pictures shown were of many interesting places on the trip as well as those taken at the actual camp at Valley Forge, the highlight of the entire journey being the excursion to Washington, D. C., where Mr. Ashley and his charges saw numerous nationally famous objects and visited important historical places. Mr. Ashley accompanied showing of the pictures with interesting comment and sidelights on the trip, and after showing the Scout pictures, views of Crater Lak in winter, Wood River valley Hereford cattle and scenery, and other subjects, all in lovely natural colors, were shown. Concluding pictures were particularly intriguing to youngsters present as well as the audience in general—a novel and original series of color pictures with characters made by Mr. Ashley personally, depicting "Junior and his Troubles at Home," had everyone wondering what these characters were made from—some guessed acorns, others equally erroneous objects, and all were finally enlightened by the creator, who said he made the quaint little actors from snapdragon seed pods. . .

On behalf of the Scout Troop and all who were in attendance at the pack meeting, Scoutmaster Strahan extended thanks and appreciation to Mr. Ashley for his kindness in coming here and showing the interesting and beautiful pictures.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashley are not strangers to Fort Klamath people, as they lived here for several years prior to moving to Klamath Falls some 17 years ago. During their residence in Fort Klamath, Mr. Ashley was principal of the local high school, which is no longer in existence, and he now has the position of clerk of the Klamath County School District in Klamath Falls, while Mrs. Ashley is employed on the faculty of Peterson school.

APPOINTED

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mrs. Jane Morrow Spaulding of Charlestown, W. Va., was appointed Tuesday assistant to Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Hobby.

Mrs. Spaulding, an executive board member and chairman of finance of the National Association of Colored Women, has more than 20 years experience in social welfare work.

PRETTY SALLY McMAHON looks over an entry in the art exhibit at the Art Center, 1227 Main. Entries are each student's interpretation of plant or animal life in the water at the third and fourth grade levels. Entries are in finger painting or other art work. All schools in Klamath County are participating this year in a water conservation study with students in every grade from the third through high school writing essays on the subject.

US Jets In German Area

LANDSTUHL, Germany (AP) — Thirteen combat-tested F86 jets arrived Tuesday from the United States.

The delighted young commander of the U. S. fighting group to which they are assigned danced a jig on the runway and exclaimed "Boy! Am I lad to see you"

Their arrival gives the U. S. Air Force here its first such fighter regularly based in Germany capable of meeting the Soviet Mig-15 on anywhere near equal terms.

Other U. S. jets based in Britain were transferred to Germany temporarily following the incidents several weeks ago in which Allied aircraft were shot down by Communist jets.

The jets landed here at the big Landstuhl air base which has been hewed out of a forest 25 miles west of the Rhine River line.

Nineteen Sabre jets started out from Robins Air Force Base in Macon, Ga., on March 30. Six of the planes dropped out because of mechanical trouble. The flight was delayed en route by bad weather. The exact route and stop overs were classified information and not disclosed.

Lt. Col. George B. Simler, 31-year-old commander of the 86th Fighter-Bomber group to which the Sabre jets are assigned danced a jig on the edge of the runway when the first of the red-tailed jets touched down.

Simler said he expects 12 more F-86's to arrive within the next two weeks to fill out the 527th Fighter-Bomber Squadron, one of three in his air group.

SINKS

BREST France (AP) — The 1,898-ton Panamanian freighter Taboga sprang a leak and sank Tuesday off the French coast between Brest and Ushant. A tug and another vessel from Brest took all crewmen off the stricken craft safely.

Ceiling Collapse Kills Seven

NAGOYA, Japan (AP) — Seven persons were killed and 59 injured, 24 of them seriously, Tuesday when a ceiling collapsed in a theater at Inazawa, near this southern Japan city.

About 340 spectators were packed in the concrete and steel theater when the ceiling crashed down. Police and firemen pulled the victims from beneath a mass of masonry and bricks.

The mishap occurred just before noon. Many children were among the spectators waiting for the start of a show sponsored by a nursery to raise funds.

Flood Control Funds Urged

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Ellsworth (R-Ore) said Tuesday he is hopeful funds to complete the Amazon Creek Flood Control Project at Eugene, Ore., will be retained in the Army Engineers' budget.

The appropriation request, for the 12 months beginning July 1, now is being reviewed by the Budget Bureau in the light of policies invoked by the Eisenhower administration.

Ellsworth told a newsman he talked with Budget Bureau representatives regarding the $340,000 Amazon Creek item included in the corps' budget by former President Truman.

"While they gave me no commitments," he explained, "I feel that they now have a better understanding of the project than before and I'm hopeful that it will be retained."

The project is 60 per cent completed with local sources contributing in excess of $288,000 and the government spending another $343,000.

Still remaining to be done, however, is the work which will tie the entire project together and make the earlier expenditures worthwhile, Ellsworth said.

In event the $340,000 request should be deleted by the Budget Bureau, the congressman said he will ask the House Appropriations Committee to reinstate it.

Filbert Board Men Named

PORTLAND (AP) — The U. S. Department of Agriculture Monday announced these appointments to the Filbert Control Board which administers the federal marketing agreement in Oregon and Washington:

Co-op handlers, John E. Trunk, member, Robert Melden, alternate, both Portland; independent handlers, Sam N. Peterson, Portland, and Ralph E. Dugdale, Cornelius, members; Francis T. Rowell and Harry T. Larsen, both Portland, alternates; Co-op growers, Harold Quick, Chehalis, member; Frank E. Way, Salem, alternate; independent growers, W. H. Tillman, Portland, and John F. Wilkens, Huber, members; Fred Patton, McMinnville, and Ben Forbes, Newberg, alternates.

QUAKES

IZMIR, Turkey (AP) — Two more earth tremors shook Izmir Tuesday morning, the third day this Mediteranean port city has felt quakes. No damages or casualties were reported.

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