

# Principal Of Local School Enjoys Scoutmaster Work

(Editors note: This is the first of two articles in commemoration of Boy Scout Week, which ends Thursday.)

By DAVE COHEN  
He's principal of Ferguson School. He's a scoutmaster and to those who know him, part philosopher. That's A. C. Olson, who repre-



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sents 33 scoutmasters in the Basin and who said he personally has never had a day of scouting, but discounts that by saying that all that is needed is a love for boys, and some common sense.

The holder of the silver beaver, awarded by the Modoc Area Council for his service to boys, Olson said that he has been working with boys ever since he began teaching. "You know," he said, "if the churches, schools and the homes do their job, we wouldn't need scouting."

He said that he was born in

South Dakota, "years ago," but stated that scouting has kept him from getting old. He enjoys recalling how two of his scouts by their knowledge of first aid saved swimmers from drowning. He smiled as he stated that he stories because "more than 50 feet."

"However," said Olson, "it isn't always necessary to be able to do something expertly in order to teach it."

Olson was at ease as he explained that most of his boys go on to be Explorer Scouts and at the present time, Troop 71, which meets at Ferguson School, should have about six members who will be Eagle Scouts within two years.

District Boy Scout executive Jerry Thorne commented that this is an excellent record and added that scouting in the area has been on the increase in the past five years.

"We foresee a good future in scouting," said Thorne, "as I'm sure Mr. Olson does. In fact, I know he does. That's the reason he's been with the organization so long."

Olson himself was noncommittal on this point, but filling in some of his personal background said that he and his wife, Nellie, who also teaches school, have one son who is attending California Polytechnical Institute at San Luis Obispo. The Olsons live at 2520 Hope Street, which is the right name for a man who has been working with youth the greater part of his life.

### PTA PROGRAM

MOUNT SHASTA — A Founders Day program is now being worked out jointly by the two Mount Shasta PTA groups to be held in the high school auditorium Thursday, February 20. The presidents of both the high school and the elementary school PTA have appointed committees for choosing candidates for life memberships in each body. Both groups are now holding courses in organizational procedure with Mrs. Barbara Wilder instructing in parent education and Mrs. Gladys Jensen in parliamentary usage.

# New Theater Plans Related

Plans for the new theater plant at the Oregon Shakespearean Festival have been furthered by the appointment of an architect to complete construction details. Festival general manager William W. Patton has announced in Ashland that the Medford firm of Jack A. Edson has been awarded the architectural contract for the new theater building project. Edson and his staff are currently working with festival designer and art director Richard Hay on detailed specifications. Hay, who has been appointed to serve as theatrical consultant for the job, created the original drawings and compiled the preliminary research which will now form the basis for the planning.

Site surveys have already been completed, and tentative plans call for building to begin immediately after the 1958 season at America's first Elizabethan theater. A concentrated drive for funds to underwrite the work is scheduled to get underway in the near future.

In view of annual audience increases, the Festival Board of Directors recently announced an expanded season for the summer of 1958. Formerly an August - only event, the festival this year will premiere on July 28 and play nightly through September 4. Set to rotate in repertory are "Much Ado About Nothing," "King Lear," "The Merchant of Venice," and "Troilus and Cressida." The Ashland theater, first of its kind in America, was founded in 1925 by Angus L. Bowmer, who now serves as producing director for the organization. With the 1958 season, all of Shakespeare's plays will have been produced by the organization.

**California Weather**  
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San Francisco Bay Region: Decreasing rain this morning, partly cloudy this afternoon and tonight, then rain again likely Thursday; high today 60; low tonight 52; southwest winds 15-30 m.p.h. this morning then variable 8-18 m.p.h. through Thursday; rain probability 20 per cent this afternoon and tonight, 60 per cent Thursday.

Northern California: Rain most of area today but clearing partly in north this afternoon; partly cloudy tonight with a few showers south portion of central area; cloudy Thursday with intermittent rain from about Monterey and Stockton northward; little change in temperature; wind near coast south to southwest 12-25 m.p.h. except southerly 20-30 m.p.h. Point Reyes northward Thursday.

Mt. Shasta-Siskiyou area: Occasional rain today with snow above 5,000 feet; partly cloudy tonight and rain likely Thursday; little change in temperature.

Sacramento Valley: Decreasing rain this morning, partly cloudy this afternoon and tonight then rain likely Thursday; little change in temperature; high both days 55-60; low tonight 45-50; southerly winds 8-18 m.p.h.

Northwestern California: Partly cloudy today and tonight; rain Thursday; little change in temperature; high today and low tonight Napa 58-65, Santa Rosa 56-68, Ukiah 54-61; southwest winds 12-25 m.p.h. near coast today and tonight, then southwesterly 20-30 m.p.h. Thursday.

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# CITY BRIEFS

**Democratic Committee** — There will be a regular meeting of the Democratic Central Committee on Thursday, February 13, 7:30 p.m. in the Community Lounge, 118 North Seventh Street. Election of treasurer is on the docket.

**Anniversary Party** — Klamath Bank No. 460 VOA will hold its 33rd anniversary party on Saturday evening, February 13, at the IOOF Hall. Dinner at 6 o'clock followed by dancing. Everyone welcome.

**Sweetheart Ball** — Women of the

# Creek Yields Missing Boys

DUBLIN, Va. — The search for four young cousins, missing a day, ended Tuesday with the discovery of their bodies in the icy waters of Peak Creek near here.

They were Tommy Rigdon, 10, and Danny Rigdon, 11, brothers of East Liverpool, Ohio, and Edward Lee Booth, 15, and his brother, John Clinton Booth, 10, of Newburn, Va. Authorities said the boys apparently had been sliding on ice covering the creek — a tributary of Claytor Lake — when the covering broke, dumping them into the 10-foot water.

**Moose Chapter 467**, will have a Sweetheart Ball Saturday night, February 15, at the lodge hall. Admission will be 75 cents per person.

**Social Meeting** — World War Barracks No. 925 and Ladies Auxiliary at VFW Hall 8 p.m. on Thursday, February 13. Games will be played and refreshments served.

**Mental Health** — AAUW Mental Health Study Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 13, at the home of Mrs. Len Surles, 4430 Laverne Avenue.

**Recent Graduates** — of the AAUW will meet Wednesday, February 12, at the home of Mrs. John Warnke, 3955 Ward. Mrs. Josephine Kittredge will be the guest speaker.

### Weather Table

24 hours to 4:30 a.m. Wednesday			
	Max.	Min.	Prep.
Baker	41	32	.03
Eugene	42	35	.35
Lakeview	40	37	.47
Medford	34	47	.61
Newport	53	47	1.70
North Bend	60	53	1.15
Pendleton	56	40	.11
Portland Airp't	51	43	.57
Redmond	47	38	.41
Roseburg	56	49	.55
Salem	47	45	1.00
Spokane	47	36	T

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**Court of Honor** — The Klamath District Court of Honor, Boy Scouts of America, will be held in the Mills School auditorium Thursday, February 13, at 8 p.m. The public is invited.

**Manzanita Social Club** — There will be a rummage sale Friday and Saturday at Clyde and Art's Towing Service, sponsored by the Manzanita Social Club. Members of the club will be there Thursday evening at 6:30 for anyone wishing to donate rummage.

**Royal Neighbors** — All officers of the Royal Neighbors of America are requested to be at the hall tonight at 7:30 for practice.

**PTA Mothersingers** — will not hold their regular practice at Mills School this Thursday, February 13, instead they will practice in the Fremont School auditorium at 7:30 p.m. this Thursday only.

**Dance** — The Omega Epsilon Rho fraternity of Oregon Technical Institute is sponsoring the Eighth Annual Sweetheart Ball to be held in the old armory, Friday night, February 14. Dancing will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. and selection of the "Sweetheart of OTI" will be held. Baldo Evans band will entertain and dress is semiformal.

**Remember** — to send in your reservations for the first annual crab feed for Klamath Air Search and Rescue Unit members on Wednesday, February 19. Reservations must be made with Liston Aircraft, TU 4-5580 or Mrs. Ed Scholer, TU 4-9659, not later than Saturday night, February 15. Tickets are available from Liston's or Mrs. Scholer or at the door of the lounge at Kingsley Field. All the crab you can eat for a little bit of money.

**Meeting** — of the Friendly Circle Club Thursday, February 13, at the Congregational Church, 2154 Garden Street, starting at 10 a.m. to tie a quilt. Take scissors, needles, thimble. Potluck luncheon at noon.

**B&B** — Square Dance Club will dance tonight at 8 o'clock in the Moose Hall. Those attending take sandwiches or cookies to help out on refreshments.

**Fremont PTA** — will hold a regular meeting Thursday, February 13, at 2:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Past presidents will be honored during the Founder's Day observance. PTA Mothersingers will sing. There will be an executive board meeting at 1:30 p.m.

**There** — will be a special banquet tonight at 8 o'clock in the Moose Hall. Those attending take sandwiches or cookies to help out on refreshments.

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quet February 14 for all members and sponsors of the Eagles Arrive and auxiliary membership drive. Serving will be from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Other members wishing to attend may be served the turkey dinner for \$1 per plate. A sweetheart dance will follow the banquet and business meeting. There will be prizes. Proceeds from the dance will be divided between the polo and cancer funds.

**New Son** — A son was born

to Mrs. and Mrs. Dill Shieler in Grants Pass recently. He is their third boy and has been named Christopher David. Both parents are ex-Klamath Falls residents, the mother is the former Virginia Thurman. Mrs. Shieler's mother, Mrs. Charles Thurman, lives at 3307 Hilyard Street.

**Mayflower Club** — The Mayflower Club of the Congregational Church will meet Friday at 1 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Ona Bagley, 2432 White Avenue.

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