

Floor Show Highlights Smorgasbord

Approximately 265 persons were served at the Gilchrist PTA smorgasbord recently in the school. Following the dinner, the audience enjoyed a variety floor show. Decorations on the stage as well as centerpieces on the dinner tables were made by the classes at school.

The Rev. Dale Harris emceed the program. A Centennial style show, narrated by Mrs. Leslie Norlin opened the program. The models, all wearing home made clothes were Mr. and Mrs. Jess Kersten, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lash, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lytle, Mrs. Crawford Page, Mrs. Spencer Balliet, Mrs. Earl Page and Miss Sharon Page.

Two sets of sixth grade exhibition square dancers danced two numbers with Dale Brewer as the caller. A poem, "Looking Back," by Leola Thompson of Klamath Falls, was read by Sharon Hitt, who wore a beautiful Centennial dress. Rev. Harris gave a talk on the early days of Oregon.

A quintet of 4 and 5-year-old girls sang several numbers. Members of the quintet were Debby and Dianne Collier, Mary and Dawn DeBruin and Beth Ann Wallace. A novelty dance "Snow Train Shuffle" was done by Dianne Norlin and Linda Wyse. An orchestra made up of musicians from Crescent and Gilchrist rendered several selections including popular a d classical music.

A barbershop quartet, J i m Samples, Jim Larsen, Chet Emery and Donovan Hitt, sang three numbers. The climax of the program was a dance by the lovely Rockettes, a chorus line of men dressed as women dancers.

Margaret Koski was awarded the prize for selling the most tickets and Ed McClain's class won the prize for the class selling the most tickets.

Several Win Conservation Theme Awards

CHILQUIN—A number of Chilquin school students placed in the county essay competition which this year was based on forest conservation.

In the fifth and sixth grade division, Donald Rogers took third place in the county, and Faith Wright received an honorable mention. In the seventh and eighth grade section, Janet Hall received a third and Micki Wolf an honorable mention.

Gordon Herron, ninth grader, received a first in his division and an all county-third award; Elizabeth Rentz and Cherry Wolf were both on the honorable mention list.

Sophomore winner was Douglas Van Wormer who also took second place in the all-county high school competition.

Darla Brewer took a fourth place in junior class competition with both Hubert Hemmingsway and Lyle Hall on the honorable mention list.

Three seniors received honorable mention, Claudia Heglund, J i m Herron and Lowell Mannering.

Judge Takes Own Photos In Court

LOS ANGELES (AP) — When Division 63 of Municipal Court is in session things really begin to click.

Judge Leo Freund permits news photographers to take pictures just so they don't bother courtroom decorum. And why not? Judge Freund is an enthusiastic amateur lensman, himself.

A small camera focused on the witness stand rests on the judge's bench hidden by a paper. When Judge Freund is ready to take a picture he taps the paper lightly, quietly triggering the camera.

"I take pictures of police officers or other persons I know who are testifying," Judge Freund said. "I have even taken pictures while talking to the subject."

"And some of them are quite good."



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Democrats Claim Nixon Pulling Strings On Bill

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — Democrats charged today that Republican Vice President Richard M. Nixon was pulling strings to defeat a bill which would repeal the presidential primary in California.

"The action on this bill leads me to believe that Nixon is calling the shots among Republicans in the California Legislature because he cannot afford — with his presidential hopes — to have this bill pass," said State Sen. James A. Cobby (D-Merced).

"There's no question or doubt about it," added Assemblyman William A. Munnell (D-Los Angeles), chairman of the State Democratic Central Committee.

Republican leaders in the state immediately denied it, although one asked "Where's the leak?"

GOP caucus leader, Assemblyman Joseph C. Shell of Los Angeles, admitted Nixon has agreed to a plan to "rebuild the party from scratch" in California.

Shell said Nixon agreed with California Republican leaders on a "basic goal" for reconstruction of the party when he was in California on a fence-mending tour in February. "Strategy to carry that goal through was left to us," Shell said.

Another Republican leader, who asked that his name not be used to avoid trouble for himself within the party, said the GOP was rebuilding "without Knight or Knowland to avoid the conflict connected with them in the last election."

Former Sen. William F. Knowland ran for governor in the November election. Former Gov. Goodwin J. Knight said this forced him to back out of the race for reelection for the sake of party unity and he ran for Knowland's Senate seat. Both lost.

The GOP leader, who sat in on party talks with Nixon, said "rebuilding the party from the bottom up without Knight and Knowland" was the main subject of the talks.

Shell said, however, "we are rebuilding from scratch with no intention of eliminating anyone or specifically including anyone."

Cobby's bill to repeal the California presidential primary and permit selection of national convention delegates by state central committees passed the Senate last week on a close 21-18 vote. It was sent to an Assembly committee.

Chute Fails; Pilot Killed

CRANBROOK, B. C. (AP) — A young pilot was fatally injured when his glider failed to unfold here Sunday and his parachute failed to unfold.

Georgy Logan, 24, Bull River, B. C., died shortly after falling 200 feet.

Horried spectators said Logan was being towed by a power aircraft when the glider apparently came in close to the tow plane. There was a lot of slack in the rope.

Rescue Attempt Fatal To Officer

CUMBERLAND, Maine (AP) — A patrolman died of a heart attack Sunday night while trying vainly to save a man from a similar fate.

Patrolman Robert Tarbox, 54, died while administering oxygen to Charles H. Mergendahl, 71, a Bowdoin College, instructor.

Mergendahl had been stricken in his automobile. Both were dead on arrival at a hospital.

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San Francisco Mulls Cooperative Plan Of Officers' Task Force

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — There's nothing the San Francisco cops detest more than out-of-town hoodlums, so they're mulling over a scheme to get to know them much better.

The idea: a novel intercity task force of police.

Veteran officers who developed the plan believe it would hit the floating criminal and syndicated crime in the most vulnerable spot — the cash they risk.

As they envision it, cities with small police forces, where every member is well known and easily recognized by underworld elements, could benefit immeasurably by using a trained task force borrowed from another city.

"Such a task force would keep the criminal off balance," says Inspector Thomas F. Fitzpatrick, in charge of San Francisco's police intelligence unit.

"The police task force would be especially effective in discouraging the individual hoodlum or the crime syndicate from putting money into an uncertain racket—gambling, narcotics, prostitution or extortion—at the risk of having it knocked over promptly by strange investigators."

Fitzpatrick envisions using as many as 15 or 20 undercover officers in these cooperative efforts.

The task force idea would have to be worked out by the attorney general or even in the governor's office, Fitzpatrick says.

He is convinced, however, that the concept, would be highly valuable within a state. With broader development, such task forces could even be sent from one state to another.

"All that would be necessary in the other state would be to deputize the visiting task force officers," Fitzpatrick says.

Police intelligence units and San Francisco's hard-hitting "Operation S" have hit local crime where it lives.

"Operation S," which means selective saturation of districts where criminal activities are prevalent, has brought about a sharp reduction of armed robberies, assaults, purse snatchings, prostitution and other types of crime here.

Without warning, as many as 50 plainclothes police in unmarked cars descend after dark on any area where normal patrols find the situation difficult.

Police Chief Thomas T. Cahill is sold on it. Department records show an over-all reduction of 9.2 per cent in crimes of violence. Automobile thefts are negligible now and some specific crimes such as burglary and robbery have been cut as much as 25 per cent, Fitzpatrick reports.

The all-out campaign on crime in San Francisco dates back to 1956, when the city's full support was put behind the interstate police intelligence system.

Now, by tight surveillance of every known local underworld character and particular attention to the roving hoodlum who may be in Kansas City one month, Miami the next and show up in Las Vegas next, police departments all over the country are kept in touch with their activities and whereabouts.

Local intelligence units feed pictures and detailed reports to the state Identification and Investigation Division at Sacramento. From there it is teletyped and otherwise distributed nationwide. Nearly all big cities are in on it. New York City recently joined.

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