KLAMATH SCHOOLS RECEIVE NYA FUNDS

PORTLAND, Oct. 6 (Special)—The national youth administration for Oregon has announced that the following Klamath county high schools have been granted the following monthly amounts for the school year 1937-1938 to provide employment for students who are in need of part-time jobs in order to enter or remain in school properly:

Bonanza, $5; Klamath Union High, $60; Malin, $8; Merrill, $8.

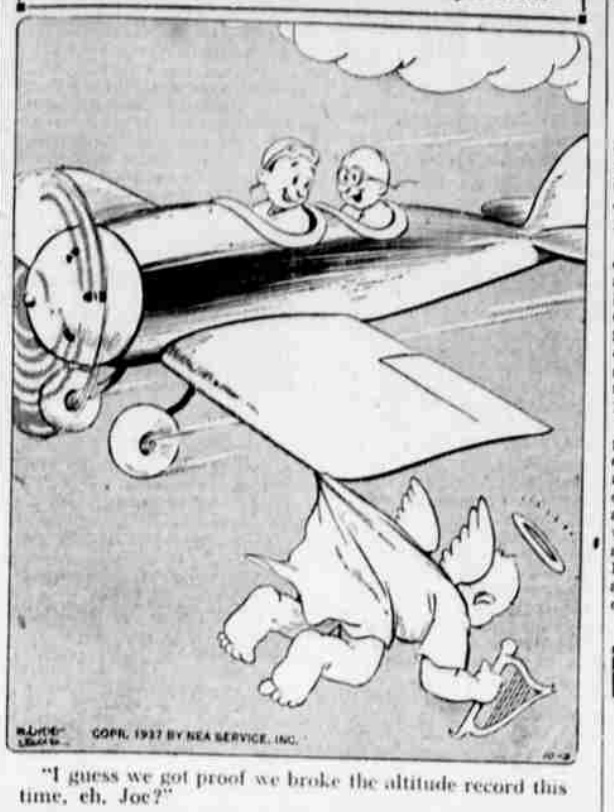
Students to be eligible must be 18 years of age, must be of good character and able to do good scholastic work, must be carrying three-quarters of a normal study program and must show that they will be unable to enter or remain regularly enrolled in school unless they receive part-time employment. The actual selection of the students is the responsibility of the school principal.

Students in their application must certify that they will perform faithfully and to the best of their ability whatever jobs are assigned them.

The national youth administration was established in 1936 to provide opportunity for young people to continue their training and education.

Last year in Oregon approximately 2941 different high school pupils and 2166 different college students were enabled to continue their education through work provided by the various educational institutions and funds provided by the NYA.

HOLD EVERYTHING! By Clyde Lewis



"I guess we got proof we broke the altitude record this time, eh, Joe?"

CHAMBER MUSEUM COLLECTION GROWS

Marjorie Sisemore of the chamber of commerce called attention Wednesday to interesting additions to the chamber's museum collection, presented by Will Baldwin.

These include the articles of incorporation of the first power and light company here, founded by George T. Baldwin and H. V. Gates. There is a warranty deed for a lot near Link river, the site of the first Baldwin hardware store. Another contribution was the by-laws of the Oregon-Midland Railway company.

The chamber collection is placed in a glass case in the outer office at the chamber quarters across from the courthouse. Recently R. C. Hoskinson presented an ancient model pistol found while digging for a potato cellar at the Joe Keller place near Hager. Several old guns, fossils and other interesting finds are on display.

FIRE DAMAGES AWNING SHOP

Fire, which started when water proofing fluid was ignited from a heating stove, caused considerable damage at the Charles Schaal awning and upholstery factory at 139 South Seventh street Tuesday afternoon.

The fire department answered a call to the place at 3:16 p. m. and extinguished the blaze which was smouldering in upholstering materials and supplies.

Marriage is a kind of let-down to romance.—Alice Faye, movie actress who recently got married.

Klamath County Produces Bumber Crop of Wild Plums

While some of Klamath county's growing products were affected by ill-timed frosts, it turned out to be a bumper season for wild plums, and those who know the woodland spots where they may be found have been bringing in hundreds of pounds.

The plum season is now past its peak, of course, but the bushes have been so heavily loaded that it was nothing to pick 40 or 50 pounds in a couple of hours, according to many residents who have been gathering this wild tangy fruit for winter preserves. Some have been picking for the markets, receiving from 3 to 5 cents a pound for the plums.

Wild plums grow in only a few places in the west, and there is a species of the plum found in the hills of Oklahoma and Missouri where they are known as "sand plums." There are numerous areas in Klamath where they grow, such as in the Swan lake and Olene districts and around the Upper Klamath lake, and they seem to flourish particularly well near Paisley in Lake county, according to reports.

In the autumn the bushes are easily located by their flaming color on the hillsides. However, it must be noted that there is an occasional year when not a wild plum can be found, not even by the most experienced plum seeker. Apparently the plum bush is slightly temperamental, refusing to produce unless conditions are exactly right. This also seems to be true of the choke-cherry and the huckleberry, both of which have their lean years of production.

To the uninitiated, a wild plum is merely a wild plum, but the well-informed pickers say that there are probably at least five different varieties growing around here. There are green ones that stay green, even though ripe; there are red plums and yellow plums and some almost purple; and there is a variety that grows almost as large as a domesticated plum while others aren't much larger than marbles.

The flavor varies, too, from those which are extremely sour and bitter to others which are sweet enough to be palatable.

Wild plum butter is one of the most popular methods of preserving this fruit, and, prepared in this way, it is to wild game meat what mint jelly is to lamb. It has been found advisable, the best cooks say, to soak the plums overnight in strong salt water which relieves some of the bitterness.

In making the butter, the plums are usually mixed with some other fruit, such as apples, to tone down the bitter flavor. Some of the varieties are said to be mild enough in taste to be canned for sauce or for the whole fruit.

Not only have the "plummers" been preparing for their own winter menus but also for those of friends who live in other locations for quantities of the plums have been shipped out through the postoffice. And upon pantry shelves, row upon row, is a plentiful supply of plum butter to tide over an extra year, for next season there may not be a plum.

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Recreation Notes

News About Personalities and Events

SEVENTEEN little tykes who will be eligible for admission to the first grade next year have enrolled in the pre-school play group at the Pelican school. Four men are in regular attendance and their appearances seem to be having as enjoyable time. The Pelican PTA is sponsoring this activity and it will be one of their major projects for the winter. Mrs. Floyd Underhill is chairman of the committee in charge of the project.

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We are not sure what it takes to interest children of this age but from what we saw during our visit there Tuesday we got some pretty good ideas. Real live butterflies were flying about the room as unchalantly as if they had been there all their lives. Grasshoppers were hopping about the floor oblivious of the fact that we had written a hard frost the night before. The blackboards were covered with drawings and the walls with pictures that had been cut from magazines. The whole room had more the appearance of a laboratory than a classroom.

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We wouldn't be a bit surprised to see white mice, rabbits or even ground squirrels when we visit there again. It seems that some of the older pupils of the school are almost as much interested in this room as the little folks. It has been the older fellows that have supplied the livestock so far. But it is the little ones who really know their bugs. Even Principal Kaup likes to drop in occasionally to hear them tell what they have learned in nature study class.

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Mrs. Collins, who is leader of this group of pre-school children, states that the little tykes are all pepped up over the prospects of some additional furnishings for the room. The school janitor has about completed the construction of a large table that will seat the whole group. Mr. W. E. Salsbery has made a bench and presented it to the room. Both of these donations have been appreciated by the youngsters. Heretofore the teachers of the regular school rooms have made it possible to carry on by lending furniture to the play group. A little table here and a few chairs there did the trick.

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Another thing we almost forgot to mention. When we arrived at the Pelican school Tuesday afternoon the members of this play group were stretched out on pads spread on the floor. Many of them were sound asleep. Others were "just restin'." Some, however, were watching the teacher to see that nothing was missed. They were impatiently waiting the time when they could be "up and doing" again. They were rewarded soon after our arrival. We left them in the midst of a thrilling organized game out in the sunshine.

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The Klamath Snow Clan is meeting again this evening (Wednesday) for the purpose of discussing the prospects of a winter-sports program for the coming season. The meeting will be held in the court house at 7:30.

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