

## SOCIETY NEWS - CLUBS - FRATERNAL

### AUXILIARY UNIT DISCUSSES CHILD WELFARE

Child welfare with its various phases and problems was the main topic for discussion at the meeting of Vernonia Unit No. 119 which was held Tuesday evening in the Legion hall. Mrs. Phil Peterson, local child welfare chairman, was in charge and gave a general outline of the national child welfare program, and presented an interesting description of work being done in the northwest. Mrs. Peterson said, "The purpose of the child welfare program of the American Legion Auxiliary is primarily to assure care, training and protection to the children of veterans of the world war who may find themselves in need of assistance due to the death or disability of the father or mother, or both, or who for some reason may need the services afforded through the child welfare program. In advancing its child welfare program the Legion and the Auxiliary are not only improving conditions for children of veterans of the world war, but are improving conditions for dependent children generally."

An interesting feature of the evening was the singing of a girl's trio from the high school. The girls, Beulah Reed, Bertha Thompson and Joanne Nichols, will sing at Forest Grove later in April at a music tournament. The numbers presented were "While the Birds are Singing" by Boccherini and "Smilin' Through" by Penn. Miss Amy Hughes is director and accompanist.

At the business meeting plans for the annual poppy sale were discussed. It was stated that the Oregon department is planning to sell 120,000 poppies. A poppy poster contest is being conducted in the local schools and prizes will be awarded the winners.

It was announced that Mrs. J. E. Tapp was awarded the navy plate.

The meeting concluded with a social hour. Mrs. E. S. Thompson served refreshments.

### NINETY-FOURTH BIRTHDAY IS CELEBRATED

Honoring Mrs. Catherine Van Blaricom on her ninety-fourth

birthday, her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Emma Weed and Mrs. E. E. Garner entertained a group of friends at their home last Friday afternoon. The guest list included Mrs. L. A. Rogers, Mrs. A. W. Sauer, Mrs. Ollie Roberts, Mrs. H. R. Scheuerman, Mrs. Henry John, Mrs. Oscar Weed, Mrs. Verne Mowe, Mrs. Lon Jones and Mrs. Anna Christensen.

On Sunday following, Mrs. Van Blaricom, her daughter, Mrs. Weed, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Weed and daughter Alice went to Portland to attend a birthday dinner and family reunion, at the

home of a grandson, Otis Van Blaricom. Fifty members of Mrs. Van Blaricom's family were present at the reunion including all of her children, a number of her grand children, and great grand children and two great, great grand children.

### E. M. S. BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON IS SCHEDULED

The annual birthday luncheon of the Evangelical Missionary society will be an event of Tuesday, April 13, according to announcement made at the monthly meeting of the society in the church

Wednesday afternoon.

The luncheon will be pot luck and will be held in the social hall of the Evangelical church at one o'clock. At that time birthday friends will be revealed and new names given out. Members will also bring an offering to buy a gift for the guest house at Jennings Lodge.

Mrs. J. W. Nichols reviewed the study chapter from the book "Congo Crosses." The afternoon's program included devotions, a reading on prayer by Mrs. C. A. Malmsten, a vocal solo, "Africa's Pleading Call" by Mrs. L. H. Dewey, and a reading "Time, Talent, All" by Mrs. R. A. Olson.

A delegation was appointed to attend a missionary rally at the Ladd Addition Evangelical church in Portland the following day. Those who planned to go were

Mrs. R. A. Olson, Mrs. C. A. Malmsten, Mrs. Dave Marshall, Mrs. E. E. Garner and Mrs. Sidney Malmsten.

Pollyanna circle members were hostesses.

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