

Pomona Hears Committee Report on Hospital Plan

The Columbia County Grange met Saturday, Nov. 2, at the Scappoose High School with Warren Grange members entertaining.

The hospital promoting committee of Pomona Grange: Thomas Armstrong of Marshland, Chairman; Noble Dunlap of Mist and Mrs. Ione Backlund of Warren presented the following report:

Last Pomona the Hillman bill was up for the president's signature, which was signed a few days later. The summary of the bill is as follows: approximately \$375,000,000.00 was to be set aside for aid to and construction of necessary hospital facilities. The bill provides that at least thirty states in the union must make a survey of their state needs and turn in a report of their funds necessary before the money can be appropriated. Oregon in 1945 anticipated this move and has sent in the survey report. Oregon's share is 2 million dollars; it stands in 8th place along with New York in the U.S. Those ranking higher are the Southern States where hospital facilities are nil.

Governor Snell has placed St.

Helens hospital as first on the list, after giving due consideration of the problem. An approximate survey of building and equipping a suitable hospital shows the expense to be in the neighborhood of \$4,000.00 per bed. The doctors committee of Columbia county believes it will take a 30 bed hospital to care for the people of Columbia county. This means a sum of \$120,000.00. It is understood that the Hillman Burton bill provides one-third of this as a federal grant, all conditions being met, leaving approximately \$80,000.00 to be raised by the residents of Columbia county.

The contributions must come from the country as a whole. It will be late in 1947 before surveys afore mentioned will be complete and funds available. Columbia county has about 23,500 residents at present. This represents about \$5.10 per capita to build the hospital. The Junior Women's club of St. Helens has raised \$785.00 already for this purpose.

The following were elected officers of Columbia County Pomona Grange for the two year term 1947-48:

Master—John Becker of Warron; Overseer—W.I. Tracy of Fern Hill (Rainier); Lecturer—Mrs. Louise Hooker, Yankton; Steward—Eber Brown, Yankton; Assistance Steward—Richard Peterson, Natal; Chaplain—Mrs. Anna Perkins, Canaan; Treas-

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Former Resident Plans Idaho Trip

RIVERVIEW—Mrs. Ida Condit, former resident, was calling on friends and relatives here and at Mist the past week and found her niche in Riverview's polling place on Tuesday. She had recently returned from Yakima where she had visited her youngest son, Ralph, and on Nov. 15 will leave for Idaho for a visit with former neighbors before going to California to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lindsley and Claribel Lindsley were in Forest Grove Saturday.

Dale Layman of the medical staff at the Astoria naval hospital spent last week end with his sister, Mrs. Ralph McKee, and family. He was to report to Seattle Tuesday for orders and expected to be sent overseas.

J.W. Nichols and Mrs. Nichols' mother, Mrs. Sue Ward, drove to Portland Friday to see Mrs. Nichols at the Emmanuel hospital and found her making a good recovery.

Enroute from Portland to Seaside, Saturday Mr. and Mrs. H. LaHahmars picked up Mr and Mrs. Walter Moore and the four some spent the weekend at Seaside. They reported bad wind and hailstorm early Sunday morning and Walter came home with a very heavy cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Anderson and children, Phyllis and Ronnie, of Tillamook spent Sunday at the C.I. Anderson and Ed Roediger homes here.

(Scappoose); Secty—Mrs. Elsie Tracy, Fern Hill (re-elected); Gatekeeper—Jerry Fildes, Chapman (re-elected); Ceres—Mrs. Florence Tarbell, Yankton; Pomona—Mrs. Ollie Olsen, Canaan; Flora—Mrs. Pearl Becker, Warren; L.A.S.—Mrs. Mary Schwab, Canaan (reelected); executive committee, Noble Dunlap, Natal, George Nelson, Warren and Chester Parcher, Beaver Valley (Rainier).

A Columbia county granger's banquet will be held Thursday, Nov. 14, at 6:00 p.m. at "The House of Hicks"—425 S.W. Taylor, Portland where the 7th degree will be given the same evening, during the national grange session in Portland. Grangers who are planning to take the degree and their guests are invited. Those planning to attend, notify the county deputy, Arnold Tarbell of Warren.

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A wife of a veteran is eligible for benefits if the date of birth of the infant is less than 280 days after the father's discharge. The husband must have been in one of the four lowest pay grades of the armed forces, or was an army or navy aviation cadet.

The baby is entitled to health supervision as well as medical and hospital care if the father was in one of the eligible pay grades at any time during the mother's pregnancy or during the baby's first year of life.

Children Get Monthly Benefits

About 780 children in Oregon whose fathers died as a result of World War II services are receiving monthly compensation benefits, Tom Craig veterans administration representative in this area, revealed last week.

In the Pacific Northwest, the number of benefited youngsters is 2700, including 1200 in Washington, 370 in Montana and 350 in Idaho.

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