

Help For Troubled Juveniles Discussed At State PTA Meet

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Honesty is still the best policy, especially when talking to our kids, whether it be about drugs, alcohol, or every day living. This was a fact pointed out many times to the members of the board of managers of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers by the participants of the conference, on "Judicial Concern for Juveniles in Trouble". The purpose of the conference, held January 17-18 as part of the board of managers three-day meeting in Portland, was to send informed PTA leaders back to their communities to begin action programs in helping to educate the public about Juvenile Courts, their purposes, and their needs.

In the opening session on "Drug Use and Abuse", Dr. Thomas M. Colasuonno, of the Alcohol and Drug Section, Oregon Board of Control, stated glue sniffing is called "fumes of death" and LSD is one of the most dangerous drugs man has created. He urged strict control of marijuana.

Because of the tremendous conflict of views in the medical profession in regards to the dangers of the use of marijuana, George Van Hoomissen, Multnomah County District Attorney, stated, parents should not debate the medical implications of marijuana, but should point out the legal implications. He pointed out it is a felony to illegally produce, use, or sell marijuana. Being convicted of a felony leaves a mark on a youth's record that will affect his entire life. If this same youth is an addict there is no facility

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that student incapable of applying himself to a purely academic program. She also asked if we have improved the child labor laws so much in the attempt to protect the juvenile that we have made it almost impossible for him to get a job.

Organized activities were recommended by Mr. Ed Petersen, Principal of Joseph Lane School, Portland. "Kids basically are going to be involved in some kind of mob or gang so it might as well be organized," stated Mr. Petersen. "Kids are kids, and you better know what they are doing and who they are doing it with," he said. Mr. Petersen added that approximately ten per cent of our students are disturbed children that do not relate to the normal routine of the classroom. These children, he feels are the biggest problem.

Don Barrett, social worker at Portland's Jefferson High School stressed values. He urged members to first value the child, and then you can teach him values. In line with this, Lt. Ed Carney, Portland police department, charged parents to give their children a set of values that can help them to cope with this new world, not to shelter them too much, and to admit the faults of ourselves and our country, but also to point out the greatness of our country.

Included in the conference was a tour of the Donald E. Long detention home. Members, after hearing the many knowledgeable speakers, realized there is much to be done to improve relations with the youth of this state. There is much educating of the average citizen to be done in alerting them to the financial assistance our juvenile courts need. They realized we must take a long look at our schools to see if they are doing a sufficient job of preparing the students. We must study laws involving juveniles to see if we are protecting them so much we are hindering them. Lastly, and most importantly, we must examine our own consciences and ask if we, as parents, are teaching our own children the right values or are we turning over the job of raising them to others. This is our problem, these are our children, we are going to have to get involved, was the fact brought home to the members of the board of managers of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers.

RETARDATION TALK AT TVCC

"What's happened in the field of retardation during the last 100 years?" This was topic of a brief talk by Dr. Harry V. Wall, chairman of the special education department at California State college in Los Angeles, when he spoke at a recent meeting of the Treasure Valley Association for Handicapped and Retarded Children. "Today in many areas the retarded are being accepted within communities and much progress is being made to meet the needs of these people with cooperation of various agencies and parent groups working toward a common goal," stated Dr. Wall.

He also commented that some obvious trends are more trained personnel and specialists, vocational and rehabilitation facilities and more public support.

Dr. Wall's talk was followed by an open discussion, centered on needs and progress being made for educable and trainable retarded children at local, state, and national levels. Much of the discussion pertained to establishing a class to benefit trainable retarded children in the local area.

Cliff Rost, chairman of Malheur coordinating committee for mentally retarded, mentioned that all necessary facilities and professional help is available for this type of program. The one remaining need is a person to assume supervision of the class and that is being considered. Target date has been set for February 1 of this year as the opening date for this class.

Officers who had been elected at a previous meeting assumed their duties at this meeting. They are Mrs. Joe Mollahan, Ontario, president; Mrs. Rudolf Broderick, Payette, vice president; Mrs. Bill Davidson, New Plymouth, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Jack Mattoch, Fruitland, recording secretary; Fred Hess, Ontario, treasurer; Mrs. Frank McDonald of Payette, A. W. Guerrant of the Annex Community near Weiser and Mrs. Bill Kagayama of Ontario directors. Mrs. Jim Frasier of Ontario is past president.

Appointed chairmen are Mrs. Robert McConaha, Ontario, (Continued on Page 8)

BIG BEND NEWS

By Goldie Roberts

BIG BEND - Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wood and family of Nyssa and Floyd Wood of Marsing were Jan. 31 evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wood.

Mrs. Shorty Hall of Payette was a recent luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Higgins. In the afternoon the women visited with Mrs. Phil Lucas. Mr. and Mrs. Miles Teter and daughters of Winchester, Wash., visited Feb. 4 with Mr.

and Mrs. Charles Witty, and William Teter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bennett spent a recent evening with Don Stevens in Roswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Mann of Caldwell visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Chet Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bauman and sons of Nyssa were Jan. 30 evening visitors in the Boyce Van deWater home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Seuell attended a recent banquet at the East Side cafe for Idaho Canning company personnel.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wood visited Feb. 4 with her uncle, Monroe Buchanan at the Elmer Smith home in Apple Valley.

Mrs. Dyre Roberts attended a Feb. 2 Happy Dozen Card club meeting at the home of Mrs. Berniece Toomb in Kingman Colony.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Witty attended recent funeral services for young Arnold Anderson at Vale. He was a son of the former Adella Fenn, daughter of Mrs. Miles Teter, of Harper.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Packwood and sons of Payette and Mrs. John Packwood spent the afternoon of Feb. 4 at Given's hot springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Van deWater visited Feb. 1 with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fogleman at Nampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bennett, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glenn of Sunset Valley, spent a recent weekend at Jackpot, Nev. The Bennetts were winners of the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Gifford, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brownfield of Boise visited Feb. 4 with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Chaney.

Mrs. Pearl Abbott and family visited Feb. 4 with Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Mann in Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Riggs of Parma spent the evening of Feb. 4 with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Packwood and Steve Lacey of Payette were Feb. 4 dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Packwood.

Mrs. Alan Bennett and new son, Joel Kenneth returned home Feb. 4 from the Ray VanderOord home near Nyssa.

ADRIAN WINS OVER NOTUS, LOSES TILT TO MELBA

After taking a 60-53 SRV A-4 win Friday evening from the Notus Pirates, the Adrian Antelopes lost a heart-breaking 43-38 home contest to the Melba Mustangs Saturday night.

George Gonzales with 17 points, was high-scoring man for the Antelopes Friday evening, topped only by C. Lavoy of Notus, with 18 counters. Antelope Pud Franks was close

behind Gonzales, as he tossed 16 points into the hoops.

Other Adrian counters were made by Tim Tallman, 10; Don Glaze, 8; Alan Zikmund, 7; Steve Krieh, 2.

Tim Tallman was top gunner for the Adrian squad Saturday evening, with a total of 13 points tossed into the rings. High-point man for the Melba Mustangs was Mike Ihl, with 16 counters.

Adding to Adrian's score were Gonzales, 10; Zikmund, 7; Tim Holly, 4; Steve Davis and Franks, 2 each.

The Antelopes now hold a 6-2 record in SRV A-4 competition.

Parma Earns Mat Title In SRV Play

Parma's perennial wrestling powerhouse once again asserted itself last Thursday evening to grab another SRV-B grappling crown. Parma whipped Middleton 28-16 to walk off with the title.

The Panther wrestlers picked up six decisions and a pair of pins enroute to it's seventh conference victory in as many outings. Overall, Bob Ellis' crew is 11-1. Middleton finished with an 8-1 league mark and 10-2 overall.

The match ended the regular season for both clubs. Pre-season favorites Vern Case, Draig Emery and Blaine Price all scored wins for Parma in the final outing, while another favorite, Steve Snyder was dethroned by his Middleton foe.

Parma 28, Middleton 16

98 - Abbott (P) dec. Harvey, 9-6.

106 - Ellis (M) dec. Snyder, 7-5.

115 - Hopkins (P) dec. Rayne, 7-3.

123 - Price (P) dec. Ashby, 11-0.

130 - Doramus (M) pin Moses, 1st.

136 - Case (P) dec. Rice, 18-10.

141 - Watson (P) pin Carlock, 3rd.

148 - Emery (P) pin Russel, 3rd.

157 - Young (M) dec. Norberg, 10-6.

168 - Morrison (P) dec. Campbell, 5-3.

183 - Shiley (M) pin Wolford, 3rd.

Hvy - Story (P) dec. Bittick, 2-0.

PERSONALS

Mrs. John Peterson and family of Othello, Wash., arrived Jan. 29 to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brower. Mrs. Peterson returned home Feb. 7.

Charles Honn of Fruitland was a Feb. 2 dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Cleaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Arleigh Adams left Jan. 25 to attend the National Auto Dealer's association convention, held at Las Vegas, Nev. Returning, by way of Anaheim, Calif., they visited at the home of Mrs. Adams brother, Mr. and Mrs. Blair Van Slyke. They arrived home Jan. 31.

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