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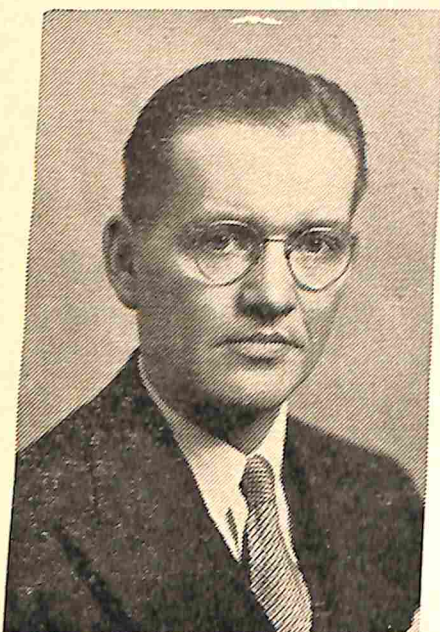
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MILO CLIFTON ROSS, PASTOR
PARSONAGE, 15 KEENE WAY DRIVE, MEDFORD, OREGON

The Talent Friends Church

OFTEN CALLED "THE QUAKERS"

invites you to attend its meetings for praise and worship

• orthodox • evangelistic •

• We meet Sunday evenings in Talent's historic Baptist Church, built in 1870—

7:00 p. m.—Sundays, Christian Endeavor Society—Bible study, youth discussions, music, contests.

7:30 p. m.—Evening evangelistic service — Rousing congregational singing, sermons from the Bible.

Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.—Prayer meeting in the homes of the community as announced.

• We solicit your participation in our Bible study, music, prayer, public ministry, and program for the youth of the community.

DIAL, MEDFORD 2926



ROLLY HARTLEY, JOANNE JOANNIS
JOANNE KENDALL, VERDA CRAVEN
EDNA PETERS, — ? DIXIE KENDALL
— ?



Gentry Junior Church



Mary Ann Kendall Totter

Evening meetings of the Talent Friends Outpost with Milo Ross as pastor began Oct. 3, 1943. This of course was preceded by many hours of preparation and prayer.

Easter Sunday of this year marked the first meeting of the Wagner Creek Outpost with Milo Ross as pastor.

In June 1944 the Sunday School was started with an attendance of 36. Also a young peoples C. E. sponsored by Marjorie Votaw. A

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Pastor.

During this same year quite an extensive remodeling took place in the church; ceiling lowered, interior lined etc. The Jr. C. E. was organized under the leadership of Lillian Frazier who was our parish worker. A truck was purchased to carry people to church & Sunday School and for the young peoples use.

In 1944 Sr. & Elenita Bales became full time pastors of our church and our outpost, Wagner Creek. We also became a preparative meeting. This year about forty attended Conference at Twin Rocks.

It was in 1944 when we bought our piano, painted outside and inside of church, had hymn book racks installed and a new roof put on.

In 1947 our conference was held at our own camp at Evans Creek. Sixteen attended.

Also this year a camp white building was purchased for the building of our parsonage. Actual construction began July 23rd. A lot at the end of 2nd. street was bought for the building site. Verda Craven came to help us in the church work and

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to sponsor the young people.
Geo. & Elvita left in June and the King Beulah Quartet in Pacific College were our supply pastors until the 1st of September in the fall. After our personage was completed and the Algers moved in we had a dedication service and dinner, this on April 18th, 1948.

Conference this year was at our new camp Sa-wa-li-hais near Keno, Oregon. Fifteen from our group attended. Several improvements were made on our personage - tub installed, back steps, front porch and walk. Also a new oil stove for our church was installed, gravel for parking space and belfry repaired and shingled.

Senior C. E. was started with Bert Hill as leader and Junior Church was organized with Verda Craven as sponsor.

In March 1949 our Baseball League Boys under the leadership of Dea Cox took first place in both A. & B. divisions.

The missionary ladies painted the interior of our church and also the benches.

Our April 4th Talent Preparative meeting was set up as a monthly meeting with 29 active, 7 associate and 1 affiliate charter members.

In June we purchased a lot and one half, located near the Talent junction for the building site for our new church. A map of our lot was drawn and blocked off in small blocks in the amount of \$3.50. As the money is paid in the blocks are colored, showing the amount paid. Many gifts of money have been received and our lot is nearly paid for.

Classes on Evangelistic visitation were held during the past winter.

Many books have been added to our church library.

We enjoyed our first Quarterly meeting with Medford. Our revival meeting with Oliver Beigel last winter was a great blessing and inspiration from

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 There was a dedication service for two babies at
 one of our church services.
 We have taken in seven active and 2 associate
 members this past year.
 The young people financed and put in water,
 walks, curbing, lawn and flowers this spring.
 Two of our members, Marie Williams, Virginia
 Peters are attending George Fox College.
 We are truly thankful to God for this past
 year and pray that this next year we may accom-
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REPAIRS ON TALENT'S HISTORIC CHURCH WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE
SINCE THE FRIENDS SERVICE BEGAN A YEAR AGO.

General house cleaning.
Repair of broken windows.
Installation of new "windowpane" (Cathedral Glass).
Varnishing of organ, pulpit, and pulpit furniture.
Repair of organ.
New stove pipe.
Cleaning old cupboards.
Roof repair.
Repair and rebuilding of chimney.
Repair and strengthening of tower.
Cleaning out the woodshed.
Carrying out wood from church and piling it in woods hed.
Removing broken-down fence.
Repair of porch and steps.
Tearing out old bridge and installing new cement culvert.
Tearing off old wall paper and pulling tacks - by the thousands!
Levelling the entire foundation of the building.
Installing a porch light and fixtures.
Securing two full sets of hymn books.
Installation of circulating heater.
Paying for new piano shipment.
Painting new church sign.
Building and installing new library cupboard.
Addition of some 18 books to circulating library..
Securing complete set of orchestrated hymns.
Building choir rail, and making monk's cloth hanging.
Repair and rebuilding of folding screen.
Securing new piano bench and organ stool.
Removal of pulpit area carpet.
Repair the broken ceiling.
Putting on one coat of white paint on exterior of the church.

PROJECTS NOW UNDER WAY, OR CONTEMPLATED:
Now ready for second coat of white paint on exterior, just as soon as paint gun can be secured again. Paint ready, also black paint for window trim.
The work of refinishing the interior with celotex has begun; 12 large panels have been put in place.
Materials are now on hand for the vestibule - with exception of doors and window glass.
Materials are now nearly ready for new porch, ramp, and steps.
A small fund is on hand toward recarpeting the pulpit area.

All the foregoing has been done with cash. Beyond this, a fund of about \$80.00 is available for added repairs. If you wish to help with this good work, send your contribution to Wendell Votaw, trea., at 320 Laurel, Medford; or put in offering on any Sunday.
Let us make our town's landmark a thing of beauty and a joy forever!
Let us be able to say: "I, too, helped repair and remodel our fine old church building."

Medford, Oregon
Sept. 25, 1944

Talent Friends Church
Talent, Oregon

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:
We wish to extend our sincere best wishes and commendation upon your first anniversary of the founding of your church there. May this day be a joyous one: full of fond recollection of the blessings of God upon you for the past year, and full, too, of courageous hope and faith for the future.

We feel that you are as a "son in the Lord" to us: but a son who is now nearly outstripping his father. It is with pride that we look up to you today.

We hope and pray that such a day may be only the first of many more, if Jesus tarries, and that your's shall be such an one as the Apostle Paul wrote about to the Ephesians "that He might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing: but that it should be holy and without blemish.

By authority of Medford Preparative Meeting of Friends, held Sept. 24. 1944

Homer McAdams
Homer McAdams, presiding clerk

Sarah Ditch
Sarah Ditch, recording clerk, pro tem

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shocked glances at their parents who were not only laughing in church but laughing very heartily, which was quite contrary to what they had been taught. However, they did get the seriousness of the message as well as the humor.

Another evening Mr. D.D. Randall showed very interesting pictures.

In June a Sunday School was begun in Talent. It has been amazing and gratifying to watch the attendance climb. It has developed until now Sunday School is followed by a preaching service.

Four of our girls worked hard this summer and saved their money to go to the Twin Rocks conference in July. They were Jean Hoffman, Lily Mullage, Barbara Terrill and Dorothy Hays. Helen Ross and Larry went with them and a wonderful time was reported by all. In fact Barbara liked it so well that she enrolled at Pacific College and is very happy at Newberg this semester. On the Sunday after they returned from camp the girls shared their trip with us during the evening church hour.

During the summer we had a very short visit with Oscar Brown, Quarterly Meeting Supt. and his wife.

We looked forward to the coming of George and Elvita Bales to help with the work and are very happy to have them with us. Soon after they arrived we had a reception for them at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Hackler. The skits were all amusing, but the one depicting their trip from Newberg to Talent was certainly laugh-provoking.

During the summer an attendance contest was held between the three Sunday schools and on Labor Day a picnic was held to celebrate the finish. Wagner Creek having won the picnic was held at the forks on Wagner Creek and about seventy people gathered from Medford, Talent and Wagner Creek.

One evening while Milo Ross was in Greenleaf, Idaho, helping to dedicate their new church, George Bales conducted a very successful musical evening.

Late in Sept. the two churches in Talent and various community organizations gave a joint reception for the school teachers. It was well attended and everyone had

od time.

It is impossible to mention all of the people who have contributed to the success and enjoyment of this year's work. It seems fitting that we should particularly remember Elder Fredenburg and Wendall and Marjorie Votaw. Elder Fredenburg has been at all times a true exponent of Christian living and has been an inspiration to us. It must have been difficult for him to see other people come into his church but never has he allowed anything that might create friction to creep in. We shall truly miss him. Marjorie Votaw as sponsor of the C.E. has worked untiringly for the young people and the church. Wendall Votaw, too, has been a help at all times and our loss is Medford's gain.

We thank God for this past year and pray that next year may be even better and that we may be worthy of God's many blessings.

Esther C. Hays, Recording Clerk.

REPORT OF TALENT FRIENDS CHURCH EASTER EVANGELISTIC MISSION conducted April 2-16, 1944

Religious work under the direction of Friends began as prayer meetings in the homes of interested people at Talent, Oregon, in April 14, 1943. Time was given for Bible study and testimony, and much interest has been manifest, especially in intercessory prayer for worldly-minded people of the district. Wendell Votaw, a Friends minister, has acted as convenor. Other Friends, including D. D. Randall and Milo C. Ross, both recorded ministers; and Lillian Frazier, from Highland Meeting in Salem, have aided in this religious work: with Marjorie Votaw, a high school teacher, carrying a great burden for the young people in her charge.

In the Fall of 1943 arrangements were made with Elder C. A. Fredenburg, a Strict Baptist minister, for the use of the old Baptist church. and beginning on October 3rd., a Christian Endeavor period and evangelistic meetings have been conducted every Sunday evening, with attendance beginning at 23 and reaching as high as 56.

At its January, 1944 Monthly Meeting, the Medford Preparative Meeting voted to call a corps of young evangelists to conduct meetings during their Easter vacation from Pacific College. The faculty allowed this, and Arthur Roberts, Paul Thornburg, and Terrell Repp came to preach, sing, play their instruments, draw, and carry on Junior meetings. These Junior meetings were conducted at 4 P. M. each afternoon of the school week, and revival meetings at the church every night the 2 weeks except Mondays.

Attendance records are as follows: Junior meetings averaged 15: week nights 21: Sunday evenings 53: and an average for the entire campaign of 29.

No human dictation characterized the meetings, but rather the young men, after much prayer, divided the public ministry among themselves in harmony and cooperation. The violin playing by Terrell Repp and his art work, the organ music by Paul Thornburg, and the flannel graph presentation by Lillian Frazier produced real interest. All 3 of them preached with simple earnestness and effectiveness, and there was a great appeal to the claims of the Christ. In all, 29 were converted--ranging in age from 7 to 20. NONE OF THESE HAD EVER BEEN AT AN ALTAR BEFORE, AND NONE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN SAVED! AT LEAST 15 OF THESE HAD NEVER ATTENDED A REVIVAL PREVIOUSLY, AND 6 WERE SAVED AT THE FIRST EVANGELISTIC MEETING THEY EVER ATTENDED. The great majority come from non-Christian homes and will need much prayer and counsel if they stay true to the Lord. After each altar service, quite a long and complete "counseling session" was held to orientate these new converts.

One of the most heartening features was the sense of loyalty which developed. There was rain nearly every day and night, which made attendance difficult. One group of girls stayed together 4 different nights at homes nearer the church so that they could attend regularly. Some even stayed over from afternoon meeting until evening, without supper, in order to be present. One family came regularly for 5 miles--part of the way thru mud so deep that only by the use of tire chains could they have gotten thru. One mother walked 4 full miles to attend with her family. One evening, when the High School had an open-house, every one of the students stayed thru the altar service, even tho they were liberated to go, and several had parts in the affair. Parents arranged their work so that their families could attend. Homes were opened freely to the young evangelists, and the Medford women kept Nancy Ross on several occasions so that Helen Ross could take part. On 4 different occasions, young people brot their friends and classmates, even instructing them in their "going forward," and notified the evangelists to have a special call for their friends. Christian people of the district are greatly encouraged in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and in the answer to their prayers.

As a result of the meetings, a full-fledged Christian Endeavor society was set up by Arthur Roberts, Northwest Friends C. E. President, and a Junior Church is being conducted at 4 P. M. on Wednesdays by Lillian Frazier.

The young evangelists also conducted the Easter Observance at the Wagner Creek School with 36 in attendance, had 2 Sunday mornings at the Medford church, presented a program of talks and music at the Medford Toastmaster's Club, and helped in the renovation of the old church, made a number of calls in homes, attended the Rogue Valley Holiness Meeting at Grants Pass, took pictures of all of the Friends property and congregations in this part of the country, and other places of scenic and historical interest.

We wish to thank our heavenly Father for His goodness to us, extend our sincere thanks to the administration of Pacific College for the young men who came our way, and to all who prayer and helped to make the meetings a success.

HIGHLAND

William and Lulu Strange, new members of our meeting who live in Eugene, spent Sunday, October 29, with us and greatly enjoyed the morning meeting and the fellowship of our people.

The girls' quartette from Pacific College furnished the music for our evening service on November 12. Roy Knight, faculty member in charge of deputation work, and Mrs. Knight were also present. Our people greatly enjoyed the ministry in music which these young women brought us, as well as the splendid message brought by Roy Knight.

William and Sarah Hopnell left November 13 for a three months visit with relatives in Tennessee and Florida. They will be greatly missed by our people.

In our morning meeting on November 12 we gave a public welcome to Elmer and Freda Bosell and their high school children, David and Shirley, who were received into membership at the preceding monthly meeting. Mr. Bosell is employed by the state as Inspector of Weights and Measures. We feel the need for many more such substantial Christian families.

Our November monthly meeting was most happy to grant a petition signed by over 20 Friends and attenders at Talent, Oregon, asking that a preparative meeting be set up there. A splendid local organization has been effected at that little town near Medford, with all the committees of a fully organized Friends meeting. Milo Ross is pastor of both this meeting and one in Medford. He has as his able assistants at Talent, George and Elenita Bales. Lillian Frazier, formerly of Highland meeting, is doing splendid work there as parish and young people's worker.

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CHURCH NEWS FOR YOU, and YOU

We have been enjoying the new hymn books given us by the Newberg Friends Church. They recently purchased new hymnals and sent us 60 of their old ones still in good condition and containing a large variety of the songs we love to sing.

The prayer meetings continue to be a source of great inspiration and spiritual uplift to those who attend. We meet each Tuesday evening in the homes of interested families. If any readers of this column would like to have a group of Christian people come to your home for singing, Bible study and prayer, see George Bales as any time.

Our pastors, Milo Ross and George Bales, with others, of the community, have been working on the church improving the appearance of both the interior and exterior. The first coat of paint was in evidence October 1st., our anniversary. The Women's Missionary Society made an attractive monks-cloth drapery for the choir railing the men had built. The redecorations of the walls is going ahead week by week with creme colored Celotex being used. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kamberg have very graciously loaned us a large circulating heater for use in the church. Ray Garland has been able to secure quite a lot of second-hand lumber which is going into the making of the new vestibule and front porch.

QUARTERLY MEETING Both Milo Ross and George Bales were able to attend our Quarterly meeting held Nov. 17 and 18 at the South Salem Church. Very large congregations were in evidence over the two full days. Over 100 young people attended the Youth Rally on Friday evening. At one of the services, an offering of over \$55.00 was taken up to help pay for the Celotex for our church here. These Quarterly Meetings are very inspirational, and it is hoped that from time to time others of us can be able to attend. We look forward to the time when our new churches in the Valley here may be banded together for just such meetings.

SUNDAY SCHOOL The Sunday School is growing month by month. In October the average was 45, and in November, 51. This gain was in spite of much illness in the community, and more severe weather. The School now has 8 classes. Several new families have been attending the past few weeks and we are greatly encouraged by their help in the Sunday School. On Jan 1st. the school is starting the Master Sunday School Plan to encourage steady attendance. All of this is being accomplished in one room! The second collection of the Sunshine Bags has netted a tidy sum in preparation to securing floor covering for the pulpit area.

RECREATION Altho handicapped for lack of a recreational hall as yet, the boys continue to flock to the parsonage every Saturday. Recently George Bales loaded 17 of them in his Chev. and went into the hills where they enjoyed themselves exploring some old silver mining. It is hoped that soon a hall or old building can be secured for this needy work in our town.

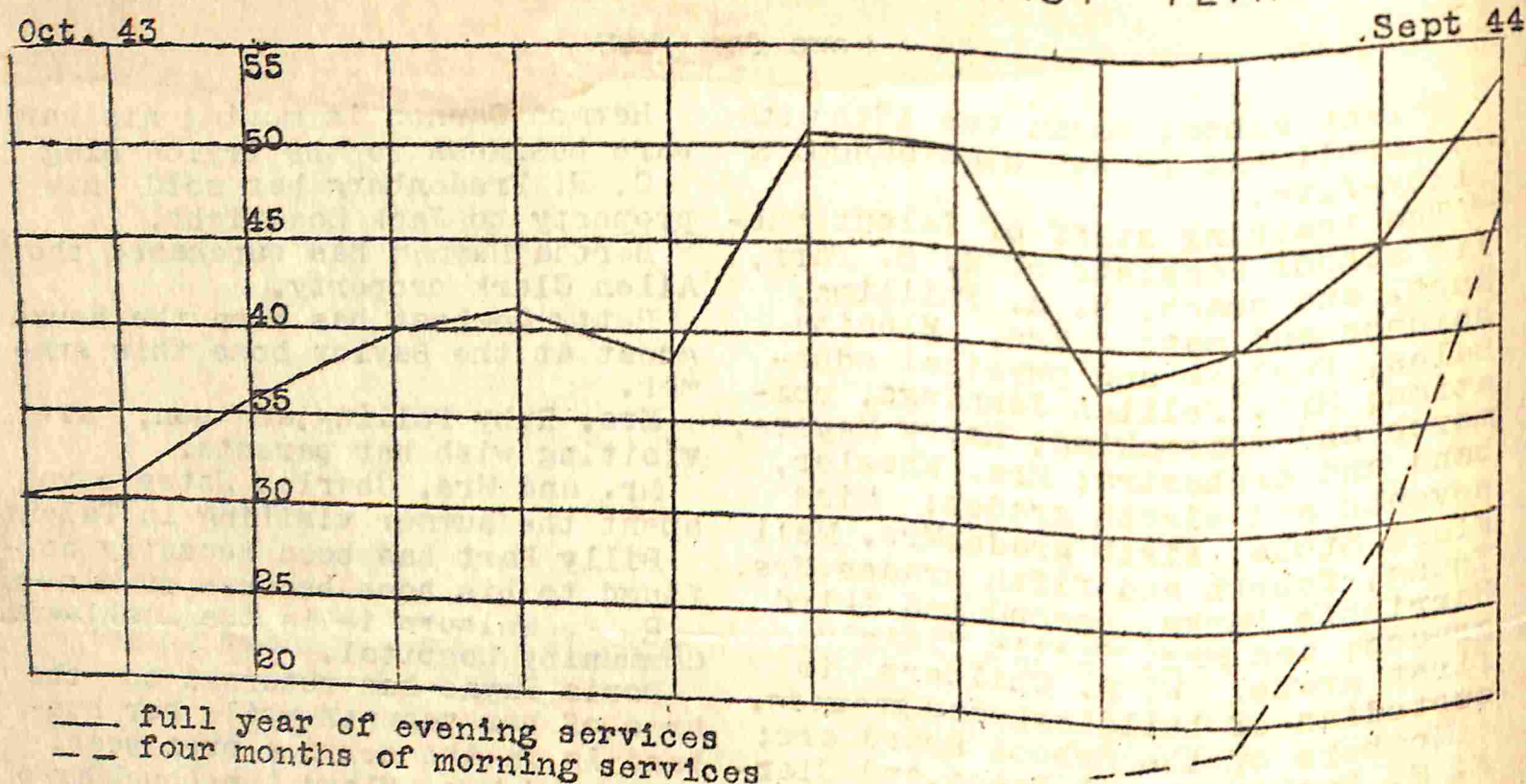
CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR The Talent C. E. held a social at the City Hall on Nov. 17th. Over 40 young people enjoyed the fun and eats. Our Sunday evening meetings continue to be the largest youth meetings among Christian Endeavorers in the County. Six were able to attend the Rally of the Crater Lake Union held at Phoenix Nov. 24, and at that meeting Dorothy Hays was elected vice-president of the Union.

During the time the C. E.ers were having their lesson on Sunday evenings, the Adults continue to have a very enjoyable Bible study. Come along with us!

Milo Ross addressed the Medford Senior High and Washington School at their Thanksgiving assemblies, and took part in the Union Service at the Presbyterian Church.

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TALENT FRIENDS ATTENDANCE FIRST YEAR



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"To Y O U is the word of this salvation sent," Act. 13:36
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 Lillian Frazier, parish worker
 Elizabeth Lindstrom, S. S. sup't.
 Esther Hays, recording clerk
 Wendell Votaw, treasurer

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 Lily Welburn, and George and Elenita
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 George A. Bales, associate
 Lillian Frazier, parish worker and Elder

These three compose the local meeting on Ministry and Oversight and meet with the Medford meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

- Presiding clerk. Milo C. Ross
- Recording clerk. Esther Hays
- Treasurer. Wendell M. Votaw
- Sunday School superintendent. . . Elizabeth Lindstrom
- Building committee. Ray Garland, Wm. Lindstrom,
Guy Hays, Roy Millage, Wm. Kamberg
- Outpost committee Wendell M. Votaw, Lillian Frazier
Milo C. Ross, George A. Bales
(Ministry and Oversight)
- Home and Foreign Missions. . . . Lillian Frazier, Lily Welburn,
Elizabeth Lindstrom, Mrs. Roberts
(Women's Missionary Union)
- Bible School and Christian Education Committee . . . Teachers and officers of Sunday
School, C.E. sponsor (George Bales)
and C.E. President (Jean Hoffman)
- Literature committee. George A. Bales, Lillian Frazier
Lily Welburn, Lily Millage, Mrs.
Jay Terrill, and Dorothy Hays
- Peace and Service. Violet Kyniston
- Public Morals Grace Millage, Elizabeth Lind-
strom, Jean Hoffman
- Social and Entertainment. . . . Foods: Grace Millage, Agnes Hackler
Lily Welburn
Socials: Mrs. Robertson, Esther
Hays, Mrs. Jay Terrill,
Elenita Bales
- Music committee. Mrs. Robertson, George and Elen-
ita Bales and Barbara Terrill.
- Decoration and funeral. Agnes Hackler, Lillian Frazier,
Lily Welburn
- Ushers. Roy Millage, Guy Hays, William
Lindstrom, and Boys' S.S. Class
- Custodians. George Bales, Lillian Frazier,
Betty Montgomery, Leola Lindstrom

Dec. 1944

An editorial on how a church grows, this one entitled:
"STEWARDSHIP"

"The test of a man's religion is his pocket-book." We use the word "stewardship" as it relates to time and money, and not in the loose way in which it is so often employed today to include many Christian attitudes from surrender to Christ to consecration of Talents. There are two great fields for stewardship; the one is that the Great Provider asks of us one-seventh of our time, and the other that He pleads for one-tenth of our money.

From the time when Abraham paid tithes to Melchizadeck until St. Paul asked the Corinthians to lay aside week by week, this has been the age-long rule of the people of God. Jesus said more about the correct use of money than any other theme. He brot the Old Testament legal arrangement up to modern time with a plea for generous, proportionate giving for the care of the Kingdom interests. We are to give, then, not from the view of obedience to the Law of Moses, but from the angle of happy redeemed hearts as we are able.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3:10. See also Hag. 2:8; Luke 12:48; Mal. 3:8; Matt. 22:21; Prov. 3:9; Psalms 96:8; Deut. 14:22; I Cor. 16:2; Acts 20:35; and Luke 6:38.

An analysis of churches anywhere, in whatever denomination or part of the country, will show that where teaching along this line is being instilled in the minds of the people, and tithing and proportionate giving is being practiced by the people, that these are the most active churches. A preacher who will not lead his people in "this grace also" is a thief and a moral coward, and one who because of his lack of religious gumption robs his people of spiritual growth and blessing. From the viewpoint of the leaders of a church, this great theme must be preached and taught constantly and put into practice in the life of the church. From the viewpoint of the constituency, if you want your church to grow and prosper in the Lord practice tithing yourself, advocate in your classes and group, and teach it to your children.

As one has said, "The tithe is the thing." Those who practice it are the most enthusiastic about it, and can find nothing whatever the matter with it. It saves the Christian's self-respect. He need not apologize either for doubtful methods or inadequate results. It conserves the energies of the church for the church's real business. It puts a stop to the necessity of the Church becoming a peddler of pies, oysters, ice-cream, chicken pie, and notions. It gives the business men of the place a new regard for the church as a business institution. It collects itself. It is a positive means of grace, like a good prayer meeting. No one can get puffed up over paying his debts. It makes the Christian's financial relation to his home church a real pleasure. It is the one sure way of proving we are in earnest when we say of God that He owns all we possess. It links us with God in a real and definite sharing with His work. It is the plan our Lord approved. And every time, every where, with rich churches, poor churches, city churches, country churches, big churches, small churches, new churches, and old churches -- it works!

And so we commend the tithe to you as a means of spiritual and financial success. Those who give their tithe testify that nine-tenths goes as far as the ten-tenths. Start today. "The tithe is the Lord's."

CHURCH NEWS FOR Y O U

Material has been purchased to finish the inside of the church. A new porch and ramp has been built. Screens for the Sunday School were made by Raymond Cook, Jr.

Dorothy hays was elected vice-president of the Crater Lake Christian Endeavor Union.

The Christmas program was unusually practiced and presented on Dec. 24. The attendance that morning was 98, with 86 attending the concert in the evening.

The attendance at Wagner Creek Sunday School on Sunday afternoons is very good this winter.

George Bales attended the ministerial conference at Newberg last week, and delivered their Sunday evening sermon.

Delegates from Talent to Rosedale quarterly meeting this week are: Agnes Hackler, Lillian Frazier and George Bales.

George Bales is bringing his mother and aunt, of Portland, for a short visit in Talent.

In the absence of our pastor, a platform service was conducted on Sunday morning. Those taking part in this blessed meeting were;

Lorena Robertson, Lillian Frazier, Wilma Armstrong, Lily Welburn and Elenita Bales.

The High School Sunday School class were entertained at the Raymond Cook home, Thursday evening.

The evening was spent playing games, and fellowship singing. Delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. John Armstrong, sister of Elenita Bales, with her daughter, has been visiting at the Bales home, for two weeks. She is traveling with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Carl Hegstron and daughter. They are in route from Long Beach, California, to Florence, Oregon. Their husbands are both in the armed forces.

The social committee of the Christian Endeavor is making plans for a social to be held Friday, March 2.

Dr. Emmett Gulley, president of Pacific College, visited in many homes of Talent February 3.

Joseph Reese, our general superintendent, showed pictures at Talent and Wagner Creek, Feb. 21. He had taken these pictures while on a recent trip thru South America. He also showed some movies of local folk taken at summer conferences.

Those uniting with the church the past month are; Agnes Hackler, Lily Welburn, and son Teddy, and Susan S. Clayton. Other are welcome to join anytime.

Friends of the church are donating a beautiful picture of "Jesus Overlooking Jerusalem" to be hung behind the pulpit.

Last week the Sunshine Bags brought in \$5.87 for the United Budget.

Don and Naomi Bowers sang acceptable at last Sunday evening at the service.

The newest Sunday School class consists of seventh and eighth grade girls. Elenita Bales is the teacher of the class.

Attendance and interest is increasing for the Christian Endeavor. About twenty-five went caroling Christmas.

George Bales has been making a religious survey of the community, and is now more than half finished.

Ralph Jennings has furnished shrubs for plantings around the church.

The Master Sunday School plan is in effect since the first of the year, at both Talent and Wagner Creek.

The average attendance last month was 68, which is the best month yet.

The community bows in grief because of the recent parting of a number of its citizens. After spending the afternoon working on the church building Delwin Hurley was killed in an accident December 8. Lorenzo S. Hackler passed away December 26, and Jay Terrill January 2.

Remember - you will always find a friendly welcome at church.

Feb. 1945

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TALENT'S HISTORIC CHURCH

built by the Baptist in 1870

Meetings now being conducted by the

FRIENDS CHURCH (or Quakers)

A gracious welcome awaits you

The above drawing is a facsimile of the new church sign. Many people have requested that such be put up as soon as possible, and now it hangs on the front of our church. One reaction has been that the new sign only shows the delapidated condition of the church without paint! Maybe that is one reason why the preacher put up the sign. ?

CHURCH NEWS FOR YOU

Our new associate pastor, George Bales, and his wife Elenita, are now nicely situated in the Logan Apartments, on Wagner Ave. They are at home to you at any time. Use the side door, please, and this will not inconvenience the Logans.

The Sunday School has taken real life and growth since the inauguration of morning meetings for worship. Attendance jumped from 14 in August to 59 on the 10th of Sept. Even during the midst of pear season, the attendance has maintained itself in fine fashion. The School now boasts seven classes, and is adding supplies and equipment constantly.

On Sunday evening, Sept. 17, the church had a sacred concert, under the direction of George Bales and Barbara Terrill, pianist. The program consisted of several numbers by the new choir of 24 voices, and vocal and instrumental incidental numbers. 65 were in attendance. An offering of about \$20.00 went to the repair fund.

A number of new activities with the youth of our community are

now under way, with George Bales as sponsor. The "Quaker Club" for boys has been doing everything from having swimming parties to engaging in weight lifting and archery, and even cleaning up their club room. Some 18 or 20 boys are in this group. We invite all boys of the community who wish to take part in a wholesome program of recreation this winter to see George. Part of the time is now being taken up with model airplane construction.

The piano, loaned to the church by the Rosses, arrived Sept. 5th, has been tuned, and is now in active use service after service.

The Christian Endeavor Society under the leadership of Jean Hoffman, is all fired up to win "The Christian Service Flag" chart work this winter. A large part of their quota for the home missions has been raised. They had a fine swimming party at Jackson Hot Springs the evening of Sept. 8th.

The month of Sept, was the best to date in our church offerings. A total of \$97.22 came to our treasury. \$31.95 went for pastors' salaries, the balance for repair and supplies. We thank you!

CHURCH NEWS

The Sunday School sponsored a party in the city hall last Friday night, March 23. As the people were gathering, the group played a few "get--acquainted" games introducing everyone to his neighbor and "breaking the ice". At 8:15 the chairman of the games committee, Louise Sample, organized the group into four teams. Raymond Cook, Margaret Williams, Lillian Frazier and Elenita Bales were the captains of the teams. Each group was given the name of a popular make of automobile for the evening. All of the games centered around the plan of an automobile trip, with each of the car teams competing for the honors of the evening. The "School Bux" finally won the largest number of points and won the prize of the evening. Each member of this group received some "spare-tires" (life savers).

The refreshment committee, consisting of Elizabeth Lindstrom, Lorena Robertson, and Lilly Welburn, prepared sandwiches, cookies and hot cocoa. The count at one time was 105.

The Women's Missionary Union met this month at the home of Lindstrom's on March 27. Marjory Votaw presided as the president, Lillian Frazier, was not able to attend. Mrs. Estelle Mardock was the guest speaker. She spoke very interestingly about some of the members of our church in Bolivia and urged the women to remember especially the native women in prayer.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT!!! The Talent Friends Sunday School has increased 500% in attendance since it began last June!!!

The long sought for truck has finally been purchased. Means of transportation has long been a problem in the working out of the recreational program. Chev rear axles are becoming scarce and boys more plentiful. A Model A stake body truck is the answer to the needs of the work. It will greatly enlarge the scope of our Youth Activities. Group Sunday School projects can be undertaken and all students can participate.

The church wishes to express thanks to Will Kamberg for the use of his fine circulator heater during the winter months. Will is moving to his new location on the old Hart place. Another stove that was used in the Hobby House has been purchased. It will give satisfactory service after it is relined and a jacket placed around it.

The further remodeling of the church will be continued right after Easter with the lowering of the ceiling. A carpenter has been engaged and the local men of the church will assist with the work. Sub rafters are to be built, finished with Celotex tile. Much interest has been shown in this project and it is hoped that interior work can be finished up in the next few weeks.

The MASTER SUNDAY SCHOOL PLAN is arousing much interest in our group. Nearly every student has received his first prize and many are about eligible for their next prize. Under this plan the student is rewarded for regular attendance with graded prizes. Each student's attendance record is recorded on a large wall chart so that each may know how he is progressing.

COME TO CHURCH EASTER SUNDAY

March 1945

OFFICERS OF THE TALENT FRIENDS CHURCH FOR THE YEAR MAY 1, 1945 to APRIL 30, 1946

George Bales, Pastor	
Elenita Bales, elder	
Lillian Frazier, parish worker and elder	
Lorena Robertson, overseer	
Presiding clerk	George Bales
Recording clerk	Esther Hays
Treasurer	Lillian Frazier
Trustees	Will Lindstrom, Elmer Robertson, Frank Maness
Finance Committee	Lillian Frazier, Raymond Cook, Sr., James Fountain, Artie Vestal
Sunday School Council and Christian Education Committee	Teachers and Office rs of S.S. C. E. Sponsor and C.E. President
Missionary Committee	Elenita Bales, Lillian Frazier Lily Welburn
Home and Social Service Com.....	Agnes Hackler, Juanita Fountain, Katie Estes, Nellie Griffith, Leah Edwards
Literature Committee	Vera Cook, Lillian Frazier, Lilly Milage, Barbara Terrill, Dorothy Hays
Peace and Service Committee	George Bales, Raymond Cook, Jr., Violet Kyniston
Public Morals Committee	Elizabeth Lindstrom, Parthena Terrill
Social and Entertainment	Louise Sample, Guy Hays, Vera Cook
Music Committee	Lorena Robertson, Elenita Bales, Barbara Terrill
Pianist	Lorena Robertson
Decorating and Flower Com.....	Lillian Frazier, Elizabeth Lindstrom, Lily Welburn, Betty Roberts, Violet Kyniston
Ushers	Ray Garland, Raymond Cook, Jr., Duane Franklin, Archie Owen, Marvin Hart
Custodians	George Bales, Raymond Cook, Jr.

- COMING -

EVANGELIST

JOHN TRACHSEL

MISSIONARY TO CHINA - JAPANESE PRISONER

PASTOR-SINGER-EVANGELIST

MAY 6 TO 13 EVERY EVENING 8:00

SUMMARY OF YEAR'S WORK

Total amount paid out	
Sermons	\$1,153.09
Average Attendance	85
Sunday School and Morning	
Sunday Evening	52
Number Uniting With the Church	45
Pastoral Calls Made	21
Calls by parish worker and lay members	878
Estimated number of miles travelled in church work	339
Cards, letters and other communications sent in the interest of the church	6,000

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May 1945

CHURCH NEWS

May 1945

Talent Friends had a record attendance of 167 Easter Sunday. Pretty little home-made corsages were pinned on each of the high school girls and women present. The men and boys received daffodil buttoniers and the children had brightly colored ribbon bows pinned on them. The Sunday School presented an interesting and inspirational program.

Warm weather has brought about the swimming urge and George Bales has taken several groups in his truck to the near-by outdoor pool.

April 26 marked the first of our Monthly Church Nights. Over thirty people met at the city hall for a sumptuous pot-luck supper. After supper we had a short devotion and our Monthly Business Meeting. Everyone enjoyed it and are looking forward to the next ones.

The S. S. Council met at the Raymond Cook home, May 1. New ideas, methods, and problems were discussed. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

We are all rejoicing over the improved appearance of the interior of our church. The ceiling has been lowered and rounded with celotex and new light fixtures have been installed. Woodwork, wainscoting and pews need to be sanded and painted, the floors sanded and varnished, and another coat of paint put on the outside.

Our S. S. has grown so large that some of our adult classes are now meeting in the city hall.

Our congregation received much help and inspiration from the week-end meetings held by Herman Macy, April 13, 15. The people appreciated his teaching and presentation. Many were able to get to know him better by having him in their homes. He stayed over a few days and helped on the Medford Church.

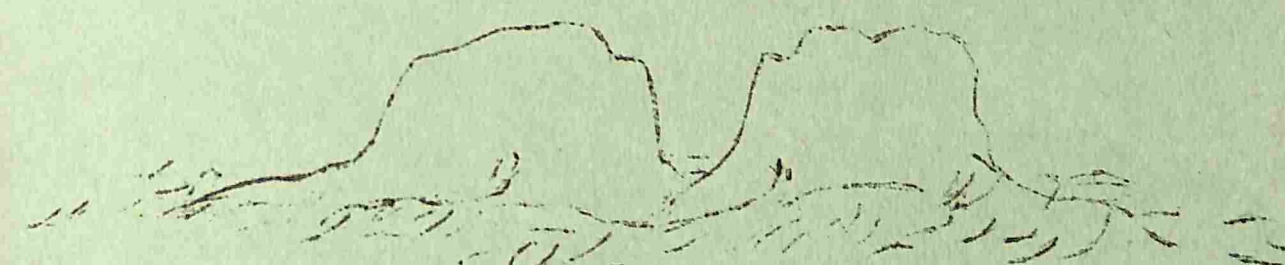
The Monthly Meeting accepted the resignation of Milo Ross as pastor and called George Bales for the coming year. Milo is starting evening services in Medford this month. The church appreciates the fine work he has done for us for the past year and a half. A nice fern plant was presented to Milo and Helen and family as a token of our love.

About fifteen young people, and several older ones went to Medford, Friday night, May 4, for a Twin Rocks Rally banquet. Twin Rocks, on the beach near Tillamook, Oregon, is the site for our annual Young People's Christian Endeavor Conference every summer.

The C. E. Society is planning to have charge of the evening service, May 20. Short talks and musical numbers are being prepared.

The Shepherdess' Sunday School Class entertained their former teacher, Lillian Frazier with a surprise party at the home of Louise Sample. An enjoyable time was spent playing games. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The table was decorated beautifully with a spring motif. Lillian was presented with an attractive plaque. The party was held Thursday afternoon.

July 1945



TWIN ROCKS

BOYS CAMP - Fifteen boys from Talent made the trip to Twin Rocks, Oregon, June 18 to 25 for the annual Boys Camp. The Talent boys that attended were: Herman Ghea, Du Wayne Paugh, Larry Quackenbush, Leonard Keck, Ronald Hotchkiss, David Owen, Johnny O'Conner, Gary and Joel Strauss, Jerry Knapp, Robert Judd, Bob Seymoure, Jack Cook, Carl Cowdry, and David Robertson. Ten boys from Medford also went with the group.

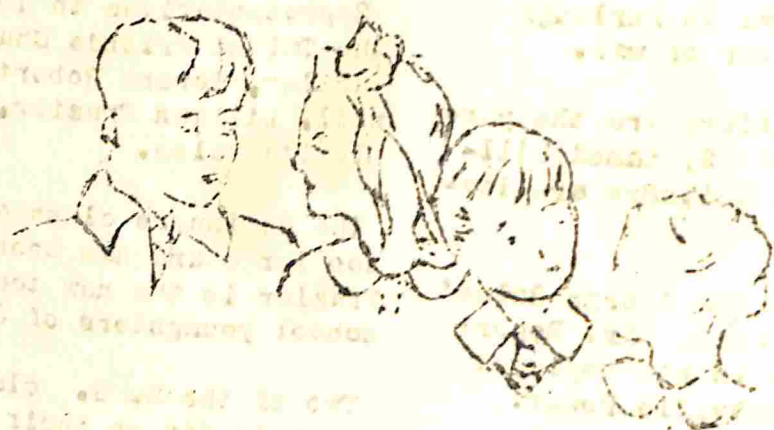
The trip was made in the Sunday School truck, with Jim Armstrong, Milo Ross and George Bales acting as adult leaders.

Classes of Bible study, singing and handicraft filled the first morning hours, and the inspirational hour was just before lunch. John Trachsel was in charge of this service and he gave lasting help and understanding to the boys through the use of object lessons and flannel-graph lessons. Model sail boats and book-ends were projects of the handicraft class. The afternoons were spent in recreation. Boating, swimming in both the ocean and the lake, hiking and fishing were enjoyed. Most of the boys acquired a coat of tan.

Camp-fire activities filled in between supper and lights out. Stunts by the different groups were given. The boys reported a good time and physical and spiritual growth. All are looking forward to going next year.

GIRLS CAMP - Seven girls from our Sunday School attended the Girls Camp July 2 to 9. George and Elenita Bales and Barbara Terrill acted as adult leaders. The girls attending were: Anne Hays, Joane Kendall, DeEtta and Ona Mae Keck, Donna Lucier, Marie Williams and Barbara Sample. It was the first time that some of the girls had seen the ocean. The Sunday School truck was again the mode of transportation. The classes and program compared closely to that of the boys camp. Plaques, lapel pins, and shell souvenirs were made in the handicraft class. The girls enjoyed the Christian fellowship of many new acquaintances and were inspired by the lessons of Laura Trachsel, the Camp Councillor. About 100 girls were registered at camp this year.

TWIN ROCKS YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE - This is the trip that is yet to come. Several of our Young People are planning to go, July 30 to August 6. A week of food, fun, and fellowship at the beach with other young people is worth looking forward to.



DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 16 - 27

Sponsored by:
TALENT METHODIST CHURCH
and
TALENT FRIENDS CHURCH

Ages invited:
5 to 14 INCLUSIVE

Time:
9 to 11:30 A.M. DAILY
Except Saturday and Sunday

Place:
TALENT METHODIST CHURCH

Genevieve Holderidge is Superintendent of the school. She will be assisted by the following teachers: Jo Walty, Lillian Frazier, Jean Hoffman, Marie Furrer, Leola Lindstrom, Alice May Wooley, Barbara Terrill, Marguarita Moore, Louise Sample, and Elenita Bales. Alice May Wooley and George Bales will have the Inspiration Hour. There will be classes for Beginners, Primaries, Juniors and Intermediates.

July 1945

CHURCH NEWS

Our S.S. and church attendance has improved since school started but it hasn't gained back to the average we had before school was out last Spring.

The Raymond Cook family has moved to Porterville, Cal. because of the ill health of their son, Jackie. The church misses them very much and several offices have had to be filled in their absence. Ruth Ellis has taken the duties of the Secretarial office that Vera Cook held. Mrs. Katie Estes has taken the office of assistant superintendent, having charge of the opening exercises at the City Hall, where the adult classes meet. Lorena Robertson has taken the High School class, filling the vacancy left by Raymond Cook.

Our pastor, George Bales, attended the annual Ministerial Conference last week held at McCall, Id. The Idaho Friends' Conference grounds are located there on the beautiful Payette Lakes. A time of fellowship and inspiration was enjoyed.

The young people's Christian Endeavor had charge of the evening service Sept. 30 in the absence of the pastor. Platform talks, special music, and testimonies were part of the service.

The Monthly Meeting was held after church, Sept. 23, this month instead of with our Church Night Supper. This was in lieu of the anniversary dinner at the City Hall, October 7.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, our church was the host to Kenneth Johnston and his group from the "New Tribes Mission". Colored movies of their work and a girls trio added to his missionary message.

George and Elenita Bales were privileged to visit the Evert Tunings and their Sprague River work. They attended the last day of their Daily Vacation Bible School and were able to meet many of the parents and the children.

At last the S.S. truck has been repaired and the activities of the younger groups that were curtailed will soon be resumed.

The Talent Ladies' Missionary Society was hostess to the Medford Society at the September meeting. The meeting was held at the home of Louise Sample. A sumptuous pot-luck dinner was served at noon to fifteen ladies. The afternoon was taken in devotions, by Esther McAdams of Medford, a missionary story read by Elenita Bales, then continuing the work on the quilt that is being made for our missionary home.

The annual Talent-Medford-Wagner Creek Labor Day picnic was held this year at the "Oregon Switzerland". About fifty were there to enjoy the dinner and ice cream. Before going home the group gathered around the fire and sang choruses and had a short devotional of praise and prayer.

Sunday, September 30, was promotion day for the Talent Sunday School. About fifteen received diplomas that entitled them to advance to the next class. A short program consisting of readings, songs and a skit by the boys was given.

COME TO OUR SECOND ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION * SUNDAY - OCT. 7

Anniversary Of Talent Friends Church Marked

Talent, Oct. 9 — (U.P.) — Talent Friends church celebrated its second anniversary Sunday with Professor George Moore of Pacific college as guest speaker.

A pot-luck dinner was enjoyed at noon at the city hall. Agnes Hackler and Lily Welburn made the birthday cakes. The candles were lighted and a prayer of thanksgiving and dedication offered by the pastor. The activities and events of the past year were prepared by the recording clerk, Esther Hays.

Prof. Moore spoke at the afternoon young people's rally. Choruses were sung and testimonies and prayers were offered by the young people. A car load of Medford young people attended.

The pastor, George Bales, gave the evening message stressing "our emphasis as a church in our message to the world."



VALEDICTORIAN
Joanne Joanis

Joanis Wins Top Scholarship Spo Eagle Close 2nd

Leading by 5/100 of a point Joanne Joanis, whose graduation point average is 3.64, won the valedictory honor for the Class of '52.

Marilyn Eagle, an extremely close second, with a 3.59 GPA, will deliver the salutatory.

Graduation marks 12 years in the Talent Schools for Joanne. Marilyn joined the Class of '52 in the 8th grade; she formerly attended school at Modesto, California, and later, Medford.

Both girls have been active throughout their high school careers. Miss Eagle has participated in the Drill Team, Girls' League, Chorus, Charm Club, G.A.A. member and secretary, Hi-Life News Editor, Bulldog staff member, student body secretary, class secretary, queen attendant, and student council member.

Miss Joanis, according to a faculty member, has been one of Talent's most active students. She has been a class secretary, member of the Girls' League, Drill Team, and G.A.A., Hi-Life reporter and editor, class treasurer, chorus accompanist, chorus member, carnival queen candidate, Pep Club vice president, play, class vice-president, business manager, Arts and Crafts, and student council.

Joanne has applied for a state teacher - education scholarship and is also eligible for a scholarship from the Ashland Elks lodge. This year's valedictorian says she will probably attend college and work during the summers.

Salutatorian Eagle states that she definitely plans to work and will not accept any tuition offers. Marilyn hopes to work as a secretary at a Medford lumber company, and next fall she intends to get an apartment, probably in Medford, and be on her own.

Friends Church Endeavor Groups Have Convention

A Christian Endeavor convention will be held today, Saturday, and Sunday at the Talent Friends church, sponsored jointly by the Friends churches at Medford, Talent and Sprague river.

Two guest speakers will be featured, Frederic Carter, pastor of Chehalem Center Friends church near Newberg, and Paul Mills, professor of theology at George Fox college. Rolly Hartley, Talent, will act as song leader for the convention which begins with a rally Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Saturday's program opens at 9 a. m. with classes in "Doctrine of Peace" and "Doctrine of Atonement", taught by Professor Mills. Sack lunches will be eaten at noon, followed by recreation lead by Clynton Crisman, pastor of Medford Friends church and another class session.

High point of the three-day meet will be a banquet at 5:30 p. m. Saturday with the meal being served by Talent Women's Missionary union.

The closing rally is scheduled for 2:30 p. m. Sunday. Representatives from Capay Rancho Friends church and O'Brien Friends Community church will be present and special music will be provided at each session by young people from the cooperating churches.

The guest speakers for the convention will talk at Medford and Talent Friends churches at the 11 a. m. worship services Sunday.

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The Womens Missionary Union Of Talent

We are happy to report that our Missionary Union has increased in interest and also in attendance during this past year.

At our May meeting the Missionary Can that had made its rounds from friend to friend was turned in and the twenty dollars it had made was sent to LaPaz to help build their new class room and dining room.

At each meeting during the year the ladies pieced together blocks for a quilt which was to be given to the Mission at LaPaz.

At the August meeting Vera Cook brought an apron she had made for the Missionary Union to be sold to Mrs Reece. This was the fourth apron ~~xx~~ made by the ladies.

The September meeting was a joint all day meeting with our ladies and the Medford ladies, at the Louise & Sample home. Mrs Esther McAdams from Medford had charge of the program for the afternoon.

Programs were made in October for the remainder of the year, by Elenita Bales. The programs ~~xxxx~~ consisted of the dates of the meetings, the hostesses and devotional leaders.

In November and December the ladies brought articles to be sent to Bolivia for the school children.

Four dollars and sixty seven cents (4.67) was given by the Union for the piano fund, also dish towels were made and given to the Bradleys and the Bales in the month of December.

In February we sent ten dollars (10.00) from our fund to the Knights to help furnish their home in Bolivia. Also this month eight of the ladies cleaned the Church and painted the benches.

During the month of March all excess Sunday School papers were given, by the ladies, to the Old Folks Home and the Salvation Army. Ruth Ellis made three aprons from pieces of material given us, which were sent to Bolivia.

Our April meeting was an all day meeting at the Lois Smith home. On this day we completed one quilt top and made enough more blocks, with what we had, to make two more quilt tops. The following officers were approved and accepted for the coming year:-

President.....Margaret Williams
Vice President.....Ruth Ellis
Secretary.....Elenita Bales
Treasurer.....Lillian Frazier
Devotions.....Lerena Robertson, Agnes Hackler,
Elizabeth Lindstrum
Work committee.....Louise Sample, Lois Smith, Lilly
Welburn
Correspondent.....Mrs Keeney, Esther Hayes

Also at this meeting there was a special collection of nine dollars and twenty five cents (\$9.25) for the Oregon Yearly Missionary Quota.

Louise Sample
Secretary

1946

TALENT Feb. '46

The Monthly Sunday School Council Meeting was held at the home of Lily Welburn. Each teacher reported on the problems and progress of her class. The Superintendent appointed Helen Baker, Lillian Frazier, and Elenita Bales to be on the Christmas program. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The Sunday school Christmas program was given Sunday morning. All classes participated in the songs, readings, and exercises. The pastor brought the message on "The Prince of Peace." There were 103 in attendance. Treats of oranges, candy, and nuts were given to the children.

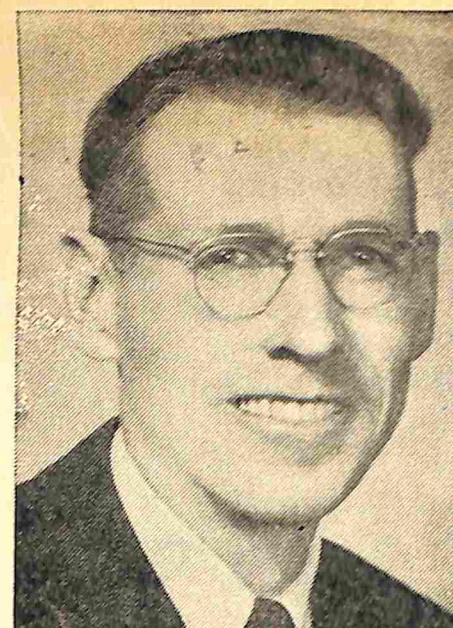
Several special numbers in music were presented Sunday night by Barbara Terrill, of Pacific College, and George and Elenita Bales. These consisted of vocal duets and solos, and violin and clarinet solos.

The Christmas holidays were spent by many of our number in visiting friends and relatives. Barbara Terrill was home from Pacific College to be with her mother; the Elmer Robertson family took a trip to San Francisco; the John Sample family visited in Grants Pass. Lillian Frazier spent Christmas and a few days with her sister, Florence Snow and family, in Portland, then went to Swiss Home to visit her brother, Leroy, and family. George and Elenita Bales, too, divided their holiday between George's home, at Newberg, and Elenita's home, at Florence, Oregon.

We are sorry the John Baker family have to move back to Illinois, as a result of the grandmother's ill health. They have been a help and inspiration to us and we pray that God will bless them in His service.

Our Annual Watch-Night Service was held New Year's eve at the church. There were about twenty-five present to watch the old year out and the new year in. All enjoyed choosing one of their favorite songs and having it sung by the congregation. Other music consisted of

vocal trios by Barbara Terrill and George and Elenita Bales, and piano and violin numbers by Louise Sample and Barbara Terrill. Bible games and quizzes were used and amusing New Year's customs were related by various ones. The devotional period was a time of blessing, as testimonies to God's presence and help throughout the year were given. The pastor brought a short timely message before the prayer period, which was in progress as the bells began to ring announcing the twelve o'clock hour.



William J. Murphy

of Seattle, Washington

EVANGELIST and SINGER

Presenting the Gospel in
Sermon and Song

Talent Friends Church

MARCH 6 to MARCH 17

TIME OF SERVICES 7:30 P. M.

— with —

Elsie Gerkhe and Bernice Mardock

Helping in Special Music ☆ Children's
Meetings ☆ Chalk Drawing ☆ Solovox

GEORGE BALES, Pastor

OFFICERS OF THE TALENT FRIENDS CHURCH FOR THE YEAR
MAY 1, 1946 to APRIL 30, 1947

Pastor, George Bales	
Alders, Elenita Bales, Lillian Frazier	
Overseer, Lorena Robertson	
Parish Worker, Lillian Frazier	
Presiding clerk	George Bales
Recording clerk	Esther Hays
Treasurer	Lillian Frazier
Trustees	Will Lindstrom, Elmer Robertson, Frank Mannes, John Sample
Finance Committee	Lillian Frazier, James Fountain, Artie Vestal, Will Lindstrom
Sunday School Council and Christian Education Committee	Teachers and Officers of S.S. C. E. Sponsor and C.E. President
Missionary Committee	Elenita Bales, Lilly Welburn, Lillian Frazier, Lois Smith
Home and Social Service Committee	Agnes Hacker, Juanita Fountain, Rattie Estes
Literature Committee	Lillian Frazier, Dorothy Hays, Lily Millage, Mrs. Tolle
Peace and Service Committee	George Bales, Eva Sherman
Public Morals Committee	Elizabeth Lindstrom, Mabel Keeney
Entertainment Committee	Louise Sample, Marie Wilsey, Elenita Bales, Guy Hays
Social	Margaret Williams, Agnes Hacker
Music Committee	Lorena Robertson, Pianist, Elenita Bales, Barbara Terrill, Louise Sample
Flower Committee	Lillian Frazier, Ruth Ellis
Ushers	Frank Hays, Joel Strauss, Mark Wilsey
Custodian	George Bales
Sunday School Superintendent	Louise Sample
Assistant Sunday School Superintendent	Lorena Robertson
Secretary	Ruth Ellis
Assistant Secretary	Bette Robertson
Pianist	Louise Sample
Cradle Roll Superintendent	Lilly Welburn

July 1946

EVANS CREEK CONFERENCE

The youth of Oregon Yearly Meeting have a new project. Yes, it's a howling, husky baby by the name of Evans Creek Summer Conference. Coming out of the prayers and concern of the leaders of the work in southern Oregon, under God's direction this new camp will make its debut on a rented ground owned by the Forestry department of the State of Oregon, July 15-21. As far back as January, the executive groups of the Talent and Medford C.E. began to meet and to discuss the "wheres" and "hows" and "whens," and we believe that God has graciously answered our prayers in directing us to a beautiful site 35 miles northwest of Medford, high up in the sugar pines, with several buildings on the grounds, land cleared, water, and seclusion—and all without a penny of rent.



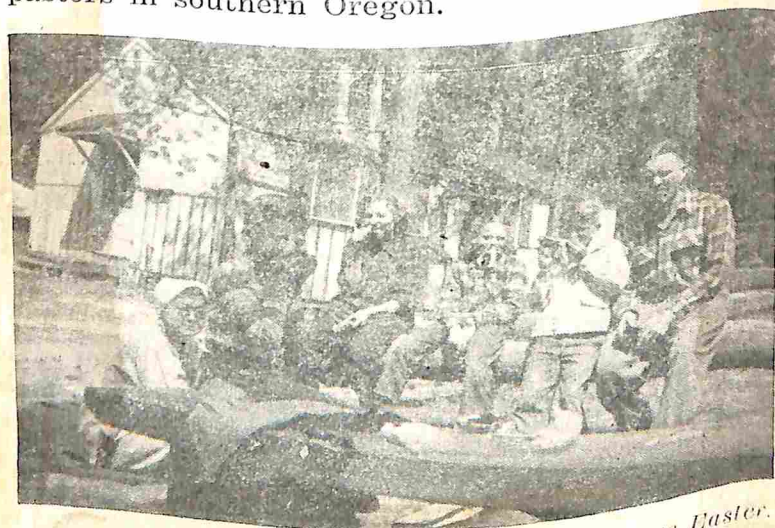
First meeting of the Southern Oregon Friends C.E. Executive, to make plans for the Evans Creek Conference.

This will be a family style camp, with everyone, young and older, invited, and with plans being set for 75 in attendance. Edward F. Harmon, of Pacific College and West Chehalem, will be the evangelist, and Kathryn Beougher, director of Christian Education for the Medford city schools, will be leader for the younger children. A group of musicians from Pacific College has consented to direct the music. Other class leaders and officers for the camp will be announced locally as responses come in to Elenita Bales, of Talent, superintendent for the area.

It is hoped that interested young people from different parts of the Yearly Meeting can attend, adding to the spirit of the new conference your

enthusiasm and prayer. Folks coming from a distance should come to Medford, where transportation will be arranged cheaply out to the conference. Mail can be directed to Friends Summer Conference, Sams Valley, Oregon. Cost will be \$7.00 for children eight and under, and \$10.00 for those older. Those planning to attend should remember to bring bedding, cots or sleeping bags, flashlight, and tent, if possible. Any additional tarps can be put to good use in enclosing some roofed-over sheds and making them into dorms for the boys.

Even if you can't attend, remember this new Conference in your prayers. Added information will be sent upon inquiry to any of the Friends pastors in southern Oregon.



Lunch time at Evans Creek Camp, the day before Easter. The building in the background is the cook house.

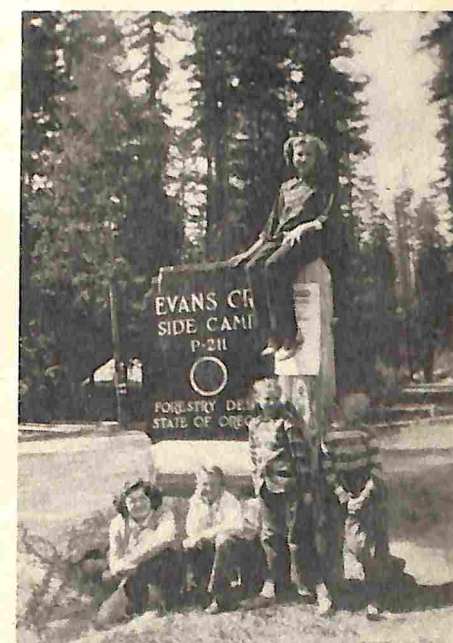


On the way to the first annual Evans Creek Conference

FRIENDS

FIRST ANNUAL
EVANS CREEK CONFERENCE

Sponsored by
MEDFORD TALENT SPRAGUE RIVER
FRIENDS CHURCHES



July 15-21, 1946

Nine Miles up the West Fork of Evans Creek and 35 Miles Northwest of Medford, Oregon

George Bales
Elenita Bales
Barbara Sample
Barbara Liriel
Donald Banderick
Carl Perdue
Donald Loggill
Harry Strauss
Juel Strauss
John Sample
Mrs. Lynn Hatcher
Lillian Frazier
David Owens
Marie Williams
Delores Boatright
Frank Hager

This announcement and invitation is to acquaint you with the opportunities offered for a Christian vacation, with the finest of leadership, in the majestic pines of the mountains of southern Oregon. This camp is the newest of the fourteen other conferences operated by and for the Friends Churches in the Northwest. This camp will be family style, and is open to all over 8 years of age. The classes will be graded, and will cover a wide range of religious and moral teaching. The chapel and camp-fire services are evangelistic in nature.

DAILY SCHEDULE

7:00	Rising Bell	
7:30	Breakfast	
8:30-9:10	Missions Class	New or out-going Missionaries
9:15-9:55	Bible Teeaching	Edward F. Harmon
10:00-10:40	Youth Challenges	To be selected
10:50-11:30	Music Class	Joyce Perisho
	Practical Quakerism	Evert Tuning
11:30	Inspirational Hour	Edward F. Harmon
12:15	Noon Meal	
1:00-1:30	Quiet Hour	
1:30-4:30	Planned Recreation	
6:00	Evening Meal	
7:30	Evening Service	
9:00	To Rooms	
9:30	Lights Out	

The above schedule is for seventh graders and beyond, including adults. There will be a separate Summer Bible School, conducted by Mrs. Kermit Beougher, for young children during the morning hours.

Our camp site is an abandoned Forestry Department fire station, and has been rented from the State of Oregon.



Kitchen and Cold-storage Unit

Things To Remember

Bring plate, knife, fork, spoon and cup—which will become the property of the Conference.

1. BRING camping clothes, Bible, note-book, pencil, towels, soap, all bedding (including mattress, springs, or sleeping bag), tent (if possible), flashlight, first-aid kit, swimming suit, athletic equipment, and a smile. Musical instruments would add to the enjoyment. Girls are to wear dresses to services.
2. The cost of board and registration is \$7.00 for children 8 and under; and \$10.00 for those over that. The first meal is Monday evening, July 15, and the last meal is Monday morning, July 22.
3. All those who wish to attend should apply through one of the Friends pastors in this area, giving age, parent's name and address, and home church. Pastors' addresses are Milo C. Ross, 2525 Merriman Rd., Medford, Oregon; George A. Bales, Talent, Oregon; Evert Tuning, Sprague River, Oregon.
4. The management will endeavor to arrange transportation at a small charge from Medford and back. Those coming from a distance to the camp should come to Medford, and call 2926.
5. The camp government will be directed by a popularly-elected council of youth, and all those attending are expected to comply with the rules of Christian living.

Mail should be addressed: Friends Conference, Sam's Valley, Oregon.

WHO'S WHO

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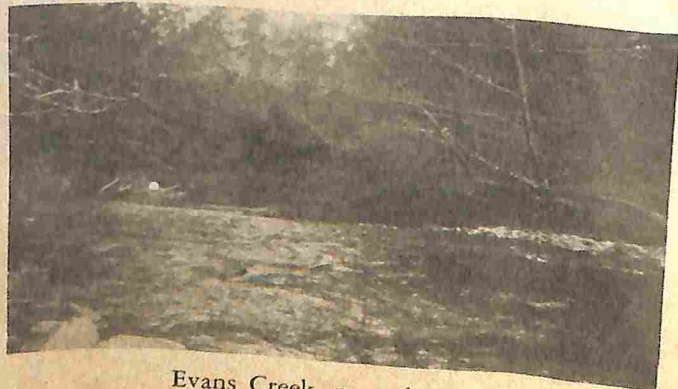
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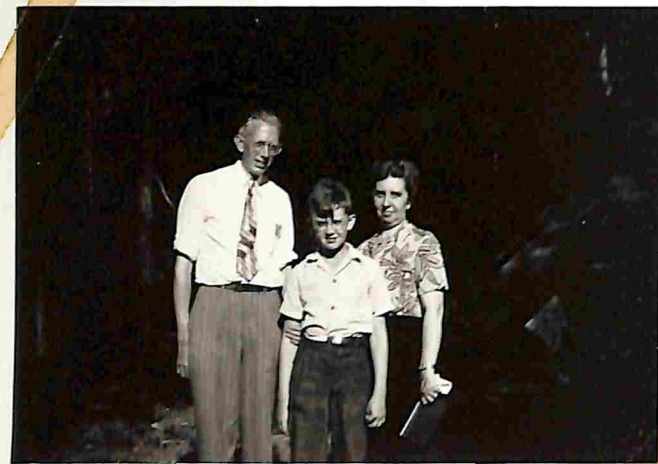
Barbara McGee of Scotts Mills is C. E. Superintendent of Salem Quarterly Meeting.

Milo C. Ross is pastor at Medford.

Carolyn Adams is head dietician, assisted by Effie Irwin and Agnes Hackler.



Evans Creek, near the camp



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Third Anniversary Summary of year's Work.

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Seven attended the midwinter C.E. conference at Newberg. They were Kluge and Elenita Bales, Leola Lindstrom, Betty Robertson, Doris and Lily Millage, & Dorothy Hays.

April: Our yearly report showed

Average A.S. attendance	75
" morning "	75
" evening "	28
" Prayer meeting "	8
" Monthly meeting "	15

Talent and Medford joined in choirs for Easter; sang in Medford in the morning and at Talent in the evening.
Joint Baccalaureate services



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big summer event!

Clarion Quartet, Joseph Reese and
Ed Harmon held an evening service.

Brother Smith a negro preacher
and his quartet held a morning service

Sept. Labor Day picnic.

Charles & Bertha Haworth stopped
on their way south and he gave
the morning message

Supply pastors during the year were
W.F. Ritchie and Henry Lacy.

The Boys quartet from Pacific College
composed of Herschel and Paul Thornburg,
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New book racks were made and installed by Otto Schraer.

Missionary Union Activities—

\$20.00 sent to La Paz to help build their new class room and dining hall.

\$4.57 to church piano fund

\$10.00 to help furnish Knights apartment

1 finished quilt given to Pearsons.

2 more quilt tops pieced

4 aprons and some dish towels made

& given away

One student, Dorothy Hays, at P.C.

From the M. & O. report in April—

There is a marked growth in the spiritual life of our congregation. We believe this due to the faithful prayers of our members, which release the presence of the Holy Spirit, and to the direction in the Pastor's sermons.



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Esther C. Hays
Recording Clerk.



Revival Services

October 22 - November 3
7:30 PM

CHILDREN'S MEETINGS EACH EVENING,
AFTER SCHOOL FOR GRADE SCHOOL AGE

Chalk Drawings - Special Music

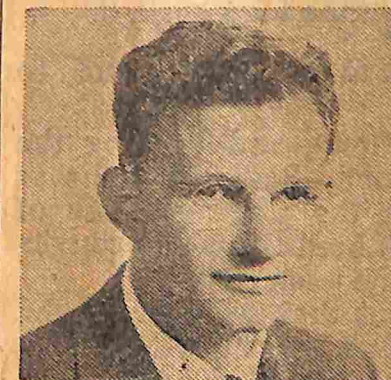
Jack Willcuts

EVANGELIST
TALENT FRIENDS CHURCH

Revivalists Open Talent Meetings Tuesday Evening

Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Willcuts of Tacoma will conduct revival meetings at the Friends church in Talent starting Tuesday, according to the pastor, the Rev. George Bales.

Mr. Willcuts, a graduate of Pacific college in the class of '44,



has been in pastoral work in the Friends church for a number of years and is in demand as an evangelist and a speaker in young people's groups. He is active in athletics, forensics and journalism and for two years has also been co-editor of the "Pacifica Theologica," a magazine for young ministers.

Mrs. Willcuts is a talented chalk artist and has entertained and inspired many with her beautiful colored pictures. She will also assist with the music and other services.

In addition to the daily services at 7:30 for young people and adults there will be children's meetings after school each evening at the church.

George Bales, our pastor held a twelve day revival meeting at the Camas Friends church, Camas, Washington during November 1946.

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George and Elveta Bales - Pastors
1944 - 1947



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PRESIDING CLERK - - - - - Jesse Edwards
RECORDING CLERK - - - - - Verda Craven
TREASURER - - - - - S. F. G. Maness
TRUSTEES - - - - - S. F. G. Maness, Vernon Ogle
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MEMBERS ON MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT Clerk- - - - - Verda Craven
ELDERS - - - - - Lilly Welburn (1 year)
- - - - - Verda Craven (2 years)
- - - - - Jesse Edwards (3 years)
OVERSEERS - - - - - Louise Sample (1 year)
- - - - - Margaret Williams (2 years)
- - - - - Agnes Hackler (3 years)

USHERS - - - - - Lewis Lindstrom, Dealous Cox, Richard Ellis
REPORTERS - - - - - Dealous Cox, Virginia Peters

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SERVICE " - - - - - Ruth Ellis, Agnes Hackler, Mable Keene
LITERATURE & LIBRARY " - - - - - Merie Williams, Edna Peters, Verda Craven
PUBLIC RELATIONS " - - - - - Verda Craven, Lois Smith, Elizabeth Lindstrom
SOCIAL " - - - - - Louise Sample, Lewis Lindstrom,
Verda Craven, Katie Estes

EVANGELISTIC " - - - - - Verda Craven, Lilly Welburn, Roy
Roy Estes, Agnes Hackler

DECORATION " - - - - - Ruth Ellis, Lois Smith, Berdie Work
MUSIC " - - - - - Zarilda Alger, Barbara Sample
Leola Lindstrom, Vernon Ogle

PUBLICATION " - - - - - Zarilda Alger, Verda Craven, Lois Smith
BUILDING COM. - - - - - Lewis Lindstrom, Sam Welburn, Roy Estes.
NOMINATING " - - - - - Olive Ogle, Louise Sample,
Lilly Welburn, Jesse Edwards.

CUSTODIAN - - - - - Irwin P. Alger

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION --- SUNDAY SCHOOL COUNCIL
SUPERINTENDENT - - - - - Louise Sample
ASST. " - - - - - Olive Ogle
SECRETARY & TREASURER - - - - - Ruth Ellis
ASST. " - - - - - Virginia Peters
Pianists - - - - - Avalon Roberts, Louise Sample, Jeanne Joanne
Song Leader - - - - - Zarilda Alger
Cradle Roll Supt. - - - - - Lilly Welburn

TEACHERS
BEGINNERS CLASS - - - - - Olive Ogle
PRIMARIES " - - - - - Lois Smith
JUNIOR BOYS " - - - - - Vernon Ogle
JUNIOR GIRLS " - - - - - Louise Sample
YOUNG PEOPLE'S " - - - - - Verda Craven
ADULT " - - - - - Agnes Hackler

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scrap book

Best of friends
B. H. Frazier

TALENT May 1947

Lillian Frazier, our parish worker, was taken ill in October and has not been able to return to work here with us as yet. She is staying at the home of her brother, Leroy Frazier, at Swisshome.

Agnes Hackler has taken a trip to Southern California, then on to Flint, Michigan, where she will visit her daughter. She plans to be gone several weeks.

The Tuesday night Youth Nights are proving quite popular with the young people of the church. The activities vary from skating parties and wiener roasts to the more frequent games and play in the high school gym.

Recent visitors to the Talent Friends Meeting from other localities include the Picketts, from Kerby, Oregon, and the Winters family, from near Corvallis. We were glad to have these Quaker families visit us.

Verda Craven, from Boise, Idaho, has come to Talent to help us out in the work here. She is employed at the Better Book and Bible House in Medford. We welcome her in our group and pray the Lord to bless her as she works here in this place with us.

Easter was a big day for us. The program given by the Sunday school was very good this year and the attendance reached the 113 mark. In the afternoon we had the Pacific College choir with us, and had a good time of fellowship after the concert, too, at the city hall, where the church ladies had prepared a lovely meal.

One of the surplus buildings at Camp White was purchased by the church to build a parsonage. Most of the building has been torn down and enough material is on hand to build a good sized home for our pastors. We feel that the Lord was certainly with us on this project, for it will add much stability to the work in this place. The families of the church feel much encouraged about the work, and the Lord is blessing us here.

The Talent and Medford representatives of the Evans Creek Camp committee met in Medford the last of March

The Quartet



During summer of 1947
The quartet from Pacific College
were our supply Pastors. They
were from left to right - Lawrence Lehman,
Gene Hockett, Claire Smith and
Clare Fendall

SECOND ANNUAL

EVANS CREEK CONFERENCE

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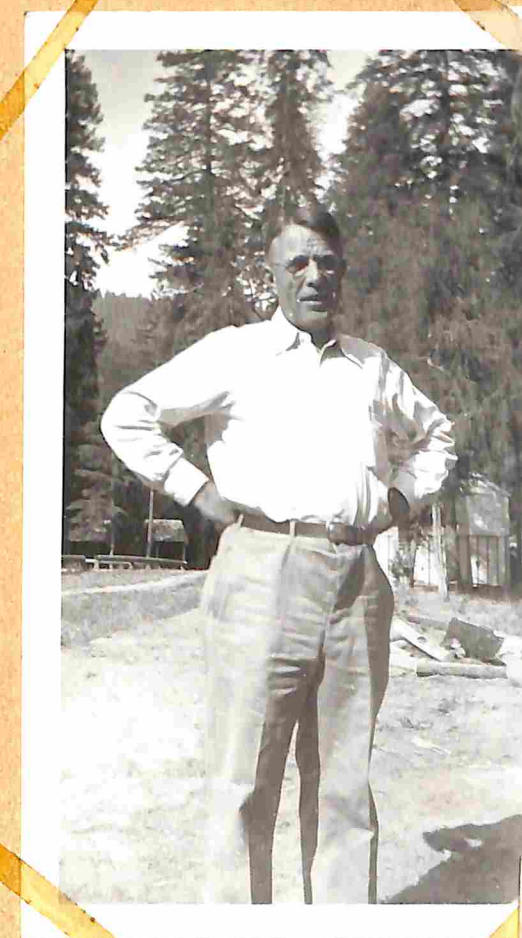
Medford Talent Sprague River
Friends Churches

JULY 14-20, 1947

Nine Miles up the West Fork of Evans
Creek and 35 Northwest of
Medford, Oregon



1947
Group from Talent
Virginia Betters
Edna Betters
Lesla Lindstrom
Marie Williams
Barbara Sample
John Sample



Joseph Reece - Instructor

EVANS CREEK CONFERENCE

The second annual Evans Creek C. E. Conference, sponsored by the Christian Endeavorers of Medford, Sprague River, and Talent, is now history—but the memories linger on. Those attending feel that it was a remarkable camp in many ways. The manifest blessing of the Lord was felt throughout, and many precious victories were won around the altar. There were 80 registrations. There were no "problem children," and the Youth Council carried out the government of the camp in a fine style. The eats were the best; the weather was lovely; the leadership of Oscar N. Brown, was lovely; and Joseph and Pearl Reece, was most appreciated. In all, what a fine conference it was!

On the staff of workers was the King's Heralds quartet, now pastors at Talent, who did fine work in the music, directing the recreation program between the "Jays" and the "Diggers," and acting as cabin dads. Verda Craven was dean of girls, and Everet Tuning, of Sprague River, led in the Bible study.

Evert Tuning's class in "Practical Quakerism" also built an outdoor chapel, using the logs and other materials at hand, and furnishing it with a madrona altar and pulpit and cross, and decorating it with ferns and vine maple.

This announcement and invitation is to acquaint you with the opportunities offered for a Christian vacation, with the finest of leadership, in the majestic pines of the mountains of Southern Oregon. This camp is the newest of the fourteen other conferences operated by and for the Friends Churches in the Northwest. This camp will be family style, and is open to all over 8 years of age. The classes will be graded, and will cover a wide range of religious and moral teaching. The chapel and campfire services are evangelistic in nature.

DAILY SCHEDULE

7:00 - Rising Bell
 7:30 - Breakfast
 8:30 - 9:10 Missions Class.....Jos. G. Reece
 9:15 - 9:55 Bible Teaching.....Evert Tuning
 10:00 - 10:40 Problems of Youth..Pearl Reece
 10:50 - 11:30 Music Class.....Jos. G. Reece
 Practical Quakerism.....Evert Tuning
 11:30 - Inspirational Hour.....Oscar N. Brown
 12:15 - Noon Meal
 1:00 - 1:30 Quiet Hour
 1:30 - 4:00 Planned Recreation..King's Heralds
 6:30 - Evening Meal
 7:30 - Evening Service
 9:00 - To Rooms
 9:30 - Lights Out

The above schedule is for seventh graders and beyond, including adults. There will be a separate Summer Bible School, with work-books, handcraft, etc., for younger children during the morning hours.

Our camp site is an abandoned Forestry Dept. fire station, and has been rented from the State of Oregon.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. Bring camping clothes, Bible, notebook, pencil, towels, soap, and lots of bedding, including mattress, tick, or sleeping bag; flashlight, first-aid kit, swimming suit, and a smile.
2. These items are not essential, but recommended: tent, extra tarps, any kitchenware which would be given to the conference. We do not have sufficient springs and beds for everyone.
3. Musical instruments and athletic equipment would add to the enjoyments.
4. Girls are to wear dresses to services.
5. The camp government will be directed by a popularly elected Council of Youth, and all those attending are expected to comply with the rules of Christian living.
6. The cost of board and registration is \$7.50 for children 8 and under; and \$10.00 for those over that. The first meal is Monday evening, July 14; and the last meal is Monday morning, July 21.
7. All those who wish to attend should apply thru one of the Friends pastors in this area, giving age, parents' name and address, and home church. Pastors' addresses are:
 Milo C. Ross, 2525 Merriam Road,
 Medford, Oregon
 Evert Tuning, Sprague River
 Lorraine Lehman, Talent, Oregon
8. The management will endeavor to arrange transportation at a small charge from Medford and back, leaving for the camp about 1 p.m. Monday. Those coming from a distance should come to Medford, call 2926 if you wish, or follow new signs from the Friends Church. Mail should be addressed: Friends Conference, Sams Valley, Ore.

George Bales starts work on
new parsonage

TALENT

A called monthly meeting of Talent preparative meeting was held on Monday evening, July 21st, to consider the building needs for a new parsonage. Joseph G. Reece and Oscar N. Brown, representing the Board of Evangelism and the architectural committee, conferred with the meeting, and the next day the site was marked out for the foundation work. There were some thirty people in attendance, showing a fine spirit of cooperation and interest in the work.

Actual construction of the parsonage began in Wednesday, July 23rd, according to Ruth Ellis, chairman of the building committee.

We were very sorry to lose our pastors, George and Elenita Bales. As you may know, they went east where George will attend college. Before they left we arranged to have the King's Herald Quartet, from Pacific College, take their place until the summer.

Miss Verda Craven, of Boise, Idaho, is now attending quartet is working here. She is employed at the our church, and is a great help. She is employed at the Better Book and Bible House in Medford.

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Report on Parsonage Building

Talent Friends Preparative Meeting feeling the need of a parsonage bid \$250.00 on a camp white building to be torn down and used for that purpose.

In March 1947 their bid was accepted and work began at once tearing it down. Many willingly gave time to this work and trucks were donated to haul in much of the material. By the last of May it was down and hauled in.

It was the first plan to try to buy the lots back of the church for a building sight. We spent \$54.00 to have that and the church property surveyed but it was not possible to secure this property.

The first of June Mr. Ralph Jennings offered George Bales a triangular piece of ground at the end of 2nd St. North for the sum of \$100.00. The Church felt this was an answer to prayer and the land was purchased.

Just a few days before George and Elenita Bales left us in June, George turned the first shovel of dirt in preparation for the new building.

A building committee was appointed with Ruth Ellis chairman. Other members were Lewis Lindstrom, Louise Sample, Frank Mannus and Sam Welburn. Work could not actually be started on the building until our plans were O.K.ed by the Yearly Meeting.

On July 21st, Oscar Brown, yearly meeting building committee, Joseph Reece, Yearly meeting Supt.

Clifton Ross Clerk of M. & D. Highland meeting, Salem
Mother Church and Milo Ross met with us
to look over blue prints and discuss plans.
Some changes were made and on July 22nd these
men and the building Committee met on the
building sight to mark out where the house was
to sit.

As soon as O. H. was given work really began on
construction. Sam Welburn was put in charge of
work and Mr. W. L. Hetchkiss was hired as Carpenter.

Mr. Kenyon did the plumbing. These men were paid
\$643.96 for labor. Each donated some of his time.

Mr. Wethington donated his time in building the floor.

Athens who donated time were - George and
Elenita Bales, Glen & Ruth Ellis, John & Louise Sample,
Lois Smith, Agnes Hackler, Will & Lewis Lindstrom,
Margaret Williams, Bill Roberts, Otto Schraer Elmer
Robertson, Frank Mannus, Everett Jennings, George
Davis, Lilly Welburn, Ray McGarity, Fernan Ray,
Wendel & Margorie Watan, Helen Ross, Pearl Reese
and the young people Sunday School class.

Salem Quarterly meeting gave us \$808.62 for
building purposes. Many others gave money and
gifts amounting to over \$350.00, this besides the
evening offering of the church. During this period
of time. A rug was given by Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Fuss
and money for one by the Medford Ladies Missionary
Union. Money was given by many of the business
people of Talent and by the quartet of boys from
the Pacific College, who helped us during the summer
months.

In October the Algers, our new pastors from
Tennessee, moved into the parsonage and since
at time have given much time to putting in
the finishing touches.

The cost of the building was approximately
\$770.65. We do thank God for his blessing
on us in giving to us this building.

There are no debts, everything in connection
with building is paid for. The yearly meeting
gave us \$120.00 since the building was completed.
God willing, we plan to go on with a class
room building program.

Verda Craven

C. E. Banquet
Feb. 5, 1948
at Barbara Sample
home. There were
32 present



Those attending
CE Conference at
Newberg were -
Mr. & Mrs. Algern
Marie Williams
Leslie Lickstrom
Virginia Peters

QUAKER YOUTH TO MEET SATURDAY

Quaker young people from Medford, Talent, Jacksonville, Central Point, Ashland and Sprague River are meeting Saturday afternoon and evening at Talent high school for their fourth annual summer camp banquet.

The dinner will be served, beginning at 5 p.m., and the toast program will include film-slides of last year's camp and one of the proposed new grounds, as well as a report of the trustees on buildings, water supply, housing for this summer, etc.

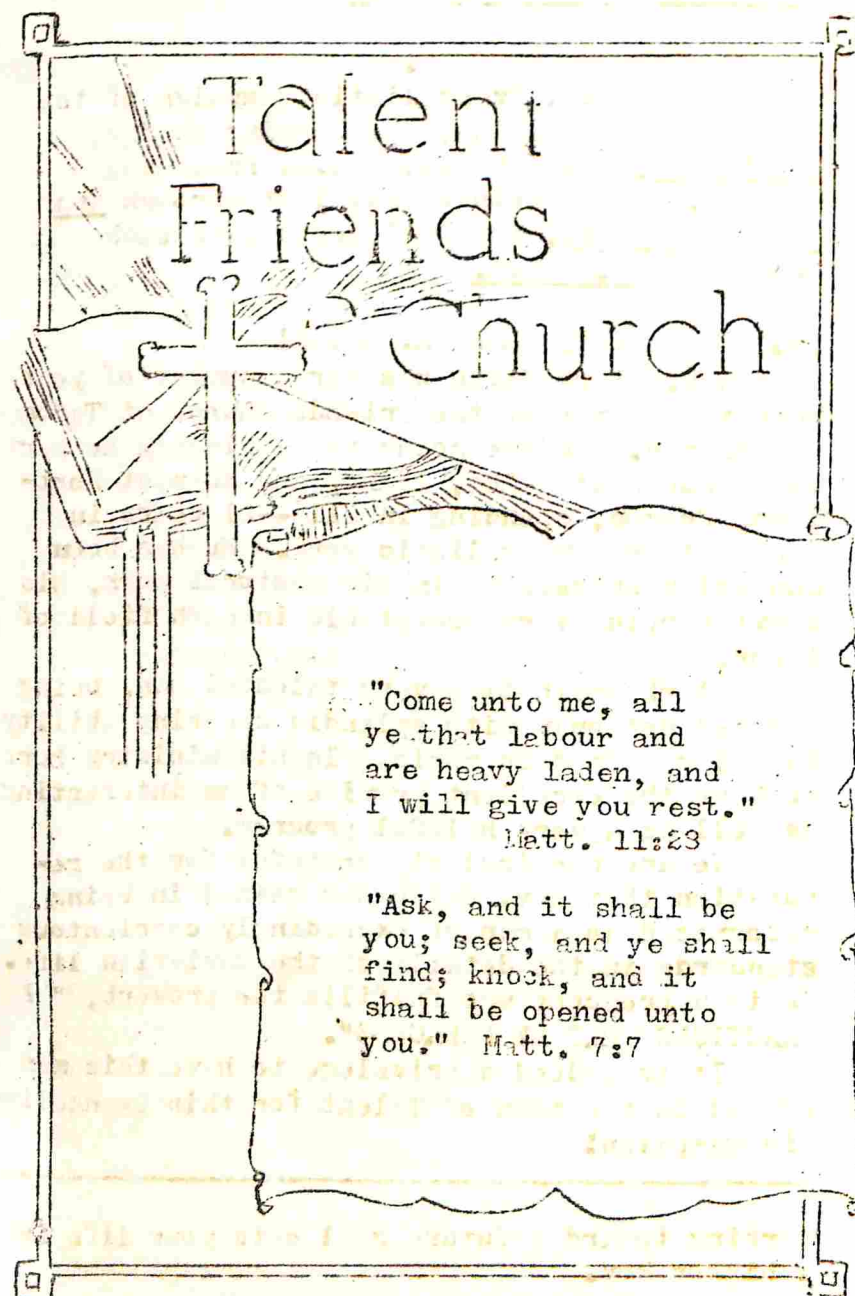
Of great interest to the young people will be the awarding of the "conference name" prize. Following the dinner at the school, the group will go to the church to hear A. Clark Smith, pastor-evangelist, from Tacoma, Wash.

Earlier in the afternoon, the C. E. executive committee will meet at the church to lay plans for the classes and leadership of the summer camp which will be held the week of July 12-18.

Milo C. Ross is superintendent for this area, with Verda Craven of Talent treasurer and Ann Hays of Medford, secretary; together with Ross McIntyre, of

Friday, April 30, 1948

Sprague River; Guy Hays of Medford and Lou Lindstrom of Talent serving as trustees.



Place cards

THE 5th ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM!

Saturday, October 2

8:00 p.m.---Motion Pictures of Camp Sa-wa-li-nais shown by Joseph G. Reece.

SUNDAY, October 3

10:00 p.m.---Rally Day for Sunday School

11:00 a.m.---Sermon by George Bayles

1:00 p.m.---Basket Lunch Dinner at Hall

7:00 p.m.---Christian Endeavor

8:00 p.m.---Message by General Supt., Joseph G. Reece.

The TALENT society gave a pencil engraved "Merry Christmas from the Talent Friends C. E." to each student in high school. They had a Christmas party on December 20 which featured a gift exchange.



REVIVAL MEETINGS TALENT CHURCH

EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS will be held each evening at 7:30 and each Sunday morning at 11 in TALENT FRIENDS CHURCH

March 27 - April 10

EVANGELIST is Rev. Oscar N. Brown, capable leader and Friends minister of Salem, Ore.

TALENTED MUSICIANS and Children's Workers are Bernice Mardock and Elsie Gehrke of Newburg.

CHILDREN'S MEETINGS will be held each afternoon at 2 o'clock.

ALL are INVITED to ATTEND these Meetings

SECOND annual C.E. convention for southern Oregon young people met at the Medford Friends church the first week-end in December, and those in attendance report, "What a wonderful time it was!"

Main workers at the conference included the Sheldon Newkirk family, of Capay Rancho, California, and Laura Shook, field secretary. Glen Armstrong, president of the yearly meeting C.E., Loren Mills, yearly meeting treasurer, Esther Mae Moore, and Gladys Shook were other leaders. Sherrod Humphries of Medford was registrar, and Dea Cox of Talent was toastmaster for the banquet. Irwin Alger of Talent was program chairman and presided over the convention.

It snowed and stormed during the entire convention, but forty-nine were registered among the youth, and fifty-two were served at the banquet. The bad weather kept the entire Sprague River group away, although they were ready to go and had a Camp Sa-wa-li-nais theme song composed, too.

THE EVANGELISTIC SERVICES

DATES AND TIME OF MEETINGS:

The Special Evangelistic Campaign of the Friends Church begins, this coming Sunday, April 25th, with the 11:00 a.m. Preaching Service. The Meetings will last through Wednesday, May 5th, and will begin each evening at 8:00 p.m.

COMING EVANGELIST, CLARK A. SMITH:

Rev. Clark Smith has for a number of years been the pastor of the Friends Church at Tacoma Washington. Before going to Washington he served a Church at Melba, Idaho, and then at Portland, Oregon, spending in all --21 years in Pastoral and Evangelistic work. He has been unusually successful in his pastoral work, his service being very acceptable in each field of labor.

Clark Smith is a very talented man, being favored not only with splendid speaking ability but also gifted in music. In his ministry here we have the excellent promise of an interesting as well as a very helpful program.

We are particularly grateful for the reputation that Rev. Smith has gained in being recognized as a man of exceedingly conscientious standards in the details of the Christian life. He is a preacher who fulfills the proverb, "HE PRACTICES WHAT HE PREACHES".

It is indeed a privilege to have this man of God in the town of Talent for this Evangelistic Campaign!

Working toward a future goal sets your life in a higher key.

It is impossible to slip back up hill, One must Climb.

THE EVANGELISTIC SERVICES:

PURPOSE OF THE MEETINGS:

It is not our primary objective to win members to the Friends Church in this series of Services. Our first purpose is to inspire a Faith in JESUS CHRIST that will make possible the great spiritual blessings of victory over evil, peace, happiness, security, and hope.

Neither is it our motive to tear down the work of any other Evangelical Christian group (to rob Peter to pay Paul), but rather to contribute to the entire Christian cause.

We will endeavor to avoid making the Services unduly long, so as to interfere with one's rest, and also to encourage those of School age to attend.

Opportunities will be given for Christian Decisions, but we do not want to embarrass any one by undue pressure or personal attention. We want every one to decide for himself.

YOUR ATTENDANCE AND HELP DESIRED:

If you are already a recipient of Spiritual blessing, we invite you to remember our Services in prayer. This is one valuable requisite for successful Christian work. As a Christian you can aid us greatly by your moral support, and we urge you to bring those neighbors and friends who are in need of Spiritual blessing.

If you are unhappy, dissatisfied, uncertain and fearful as to the future and death, we invite you especially to come. We are convinced that we have something of INFINITE VALUE TO SHARE WITH YOU!

What you are, not what you have, determines your worth.

*Camp Sa-Wa-Li-Nais
1948*

Announcing
"Camp Sa-Wa-Li-Nais"
 (Modoc for "Friend")



CONFERENCE

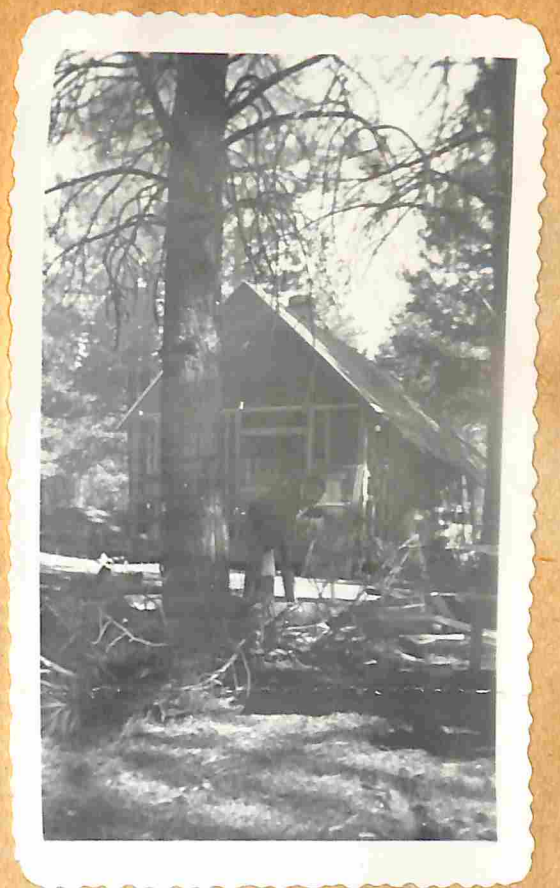
Third Annual
 Christian Endeavor Conference
 Sponsored by the Youth of
 MEDFORD—SPRAGUE RIVER—TALENT
 Friends Churches

JULY 12-18, 1948

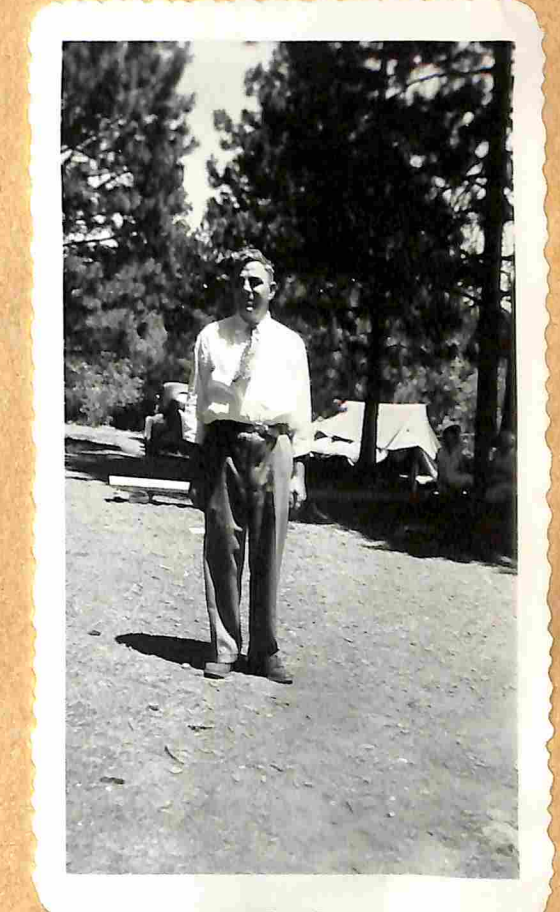
On Oregon state Route 66, between Klamath Falls and Ashland,
 where Spencer Creek meets the Klamath. High in the Cascades,
 midway between Crater Lake and Mt. Shasta.



*Two views of the camp's
kitchen & dining room.*



Part of the camp grounds



*Ed Harmon the
evangelist*



*Group from Talent taken on
Sunday*

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The meeting at Talent is fast out growing its building. The average attendance for January, which was a bad month as far as the weather was concerned, was for S.S. 80, morning worship 52, C.E. 31 and evening service 31. Last Sunday their S.S. attendance was 91. Two Sunday School classes are held in the City Hall and one class is held in a private home. They have a fine group of young people as you can see in the C.E. average attendance for the month. The Yearly Meeting has been assisting in the support of their pastor to the sum of \$50.00 per month. Just recently word has come from the meeting stating that it will now assume \$25.00 more. We want to encourage Talent to keep pushing ahead. We feel that the success of this meeting comes from a faithful group of adults who meet regularly for prayer and from a consecrated group of young people who do not forget to spend time in prayer.



Friends Church BB Club Wins Y League

Talent, March 23 — The Talent Friends church took first place in both "A" and "B" divisions of the YMCA - Church basketball league this year in the championship games played Friday and Saturday nights, March 18th and 19th.

In the "A" division games played in the Ashland Junior high school gym on Friday night, the Talent Friends team won over the Ashland Congregational church by a score of 28 to 11. Playing for third place the Baptist boys won easily from the Methodist team by a score of 38 to 8.

In the "B" division games played in the high school gym in Talent Saturday night the Talent Friends "B" team defeated the Nazarene by the narrow margin of one point, the final score being 13 to 14. In another hard fought game the Presbyterian "B" team won from the Talent

Awards to the winning teams Methodist by a score of 18 to 16. will be made at a special Recognition program to be held at the YMCA Friday night, March 25th.

April 4, 1949

TALENT MONTHLY MEETING OF FRIENDS SET UP:

Song Service

Prayer

MONTHLY MEETING ESTABLISHED:

Introduction by Irwin Alger

Oscar Brown

History of Church given.

Milo Ross, (Helen, Milo Hardin -representatives)

Quarterly Meeting Com. presented.

Committee Report given

(presents Clifton Ross)

CLIFTON ROSS

Reads names of Talent Membership from Highland.

(refers meeting back to Oscar)

Oscar Brown

As Quarterly Mtg. Supt. declares Talent Church

as Monthly Meeting with Jesse Edwards, Clerk;

Verda Craven, Recording Clerk.

(presents Jesse Edwards)

Jesse Edwards (Clerks take places at table)

Calls for names of officers and committees Member

Read by Verda Craven---Approved by local Meeting;

Privilege for Charter Membership granted until

end of calendar year---approved by local Meeting;

(Meeting referred back to Oscar Brown)

Oscar Brown

Suggests members of Com. lead in Prayer---Scripture

Jesse Edwards

Meeting adjourned to meet in regular Session

EVENING SERVICE RESUMED:

PROGRAM

OREGON YEARLY MEETING of FRIENDS CHURCH

June 9-14, 1949



"Chinese Interlude"
Yearly Meeting Banquet

sponsored by
The Women's Missionary Union
and
The Friends Extension League



June 8, 1949

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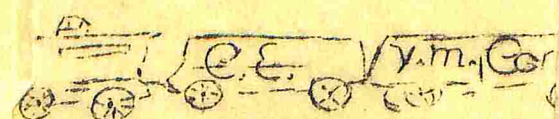
RALLY BANQUET

June 11, 1949

"GET

ON

BOARD"



Your Friend Friends Church

BULLETIN
OREGON YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

Our New Meetings



THE WORK AT TALENT

IN ORDER that we may be better informed as to the extension work of the Yearly Meeting, we shall, from time to time, present the work of our outposts and newer meetings. Today we feature the work at Talent. Talent is a small town in southern Oregon, about seven or eight miles from Medford. The work started from a series of cottage prayer meetings held there by Milo Ross five years ago. An old, deserted church building (pictured above), with its high ceilings festooned with cobwebs, was secured in which to hold further meetings. The work grew from the start. George and Elenita Bales served for three years as the first pastors. The present pastors, Irwin and Zarilda Alger, have been there just one year. There is an active group of young people, as well as those who are older, and the work gives promise of developing into a strong meeting.

TALENT FRIENDS CHURCH, Sunday, Oct 2, 1949

Pastor, Irwin P. Alger

SERVICES AND PROGRAM OF FIFTH ANNIVERSARY!

10:00 a.m.---BIBLE SCHOOL; Supt., Louise Sample
Opening Preliminary Service
Class Period
Assembly and RALLY DAY! Program

11:00 a.m.---WORSHIP HOUR

Prelude
Hymn---165, Faith Is The Victory
Hymn---184, He Is So Precious To Me
Announcements
Trombone Solo, Rolly Hartley
Offertory, Jack Cook
Responsive Reading---332
Worship Expression
Special Music
MESSAGE by George Bales, former Pastor
Closing Prayer

ANNIVERSARY DINNER AND PROGRAM

1:00 p.m.---DINNER at the Hall
2:00 p.m.---PROGRAM of Special Music & Talks
Accordian Number by Barbara Sample
Resume of Year's Work by Verda Craven
Accordian Number by Carol Davis
Talks by former Pastors and Superintendent
Special Music
Period open for Remarks and Testimonies
Accordian Duet by Carol and Dee Davis
Concluding Prayer

3:00 p.m.---Business Meeting of Souther Oregon
Friends Christian Endeavor Executive;
Milo Ross, presiding.

ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM CONTINUED!

7:00 p.m.---CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR
Young People's C. E.
Junior C. E.

8:00 p.m.---CLOSING ANNIVERSARY SERVICE
Song Service
Period open for voluntary prayer
Duet by Barbara Sample and Joanne Joanes
Offertory by Joy Cook
MESSAGE by Joseph G. Reese, General
Supt. of Oregon Yearly Meeting

A N N O U N C E M E N T S:

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 6

8:00 p.m.---Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY, Oct. 7

4:30 p.m.---Boys Foot Ball Game between
Talent and Medford Churches.

7:30 p.m.---Youth Night

THE NEW DEVOTIONAL QUARTERLIES, "SEEK"
are on the table in the foyer. Help
yourself and leave 10¢ in container

THE RANGERS (Junior Boys) won the Sunday
School Banner last Sunday.

Christ was not the victim of the will of
God, but the Victor through the will of God!
---H. K. Downie.



HERE ARE NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN RECEIVED INTO THE
TALENT CHURCH THE PAST YEAR. TWO ARE ABSENT.

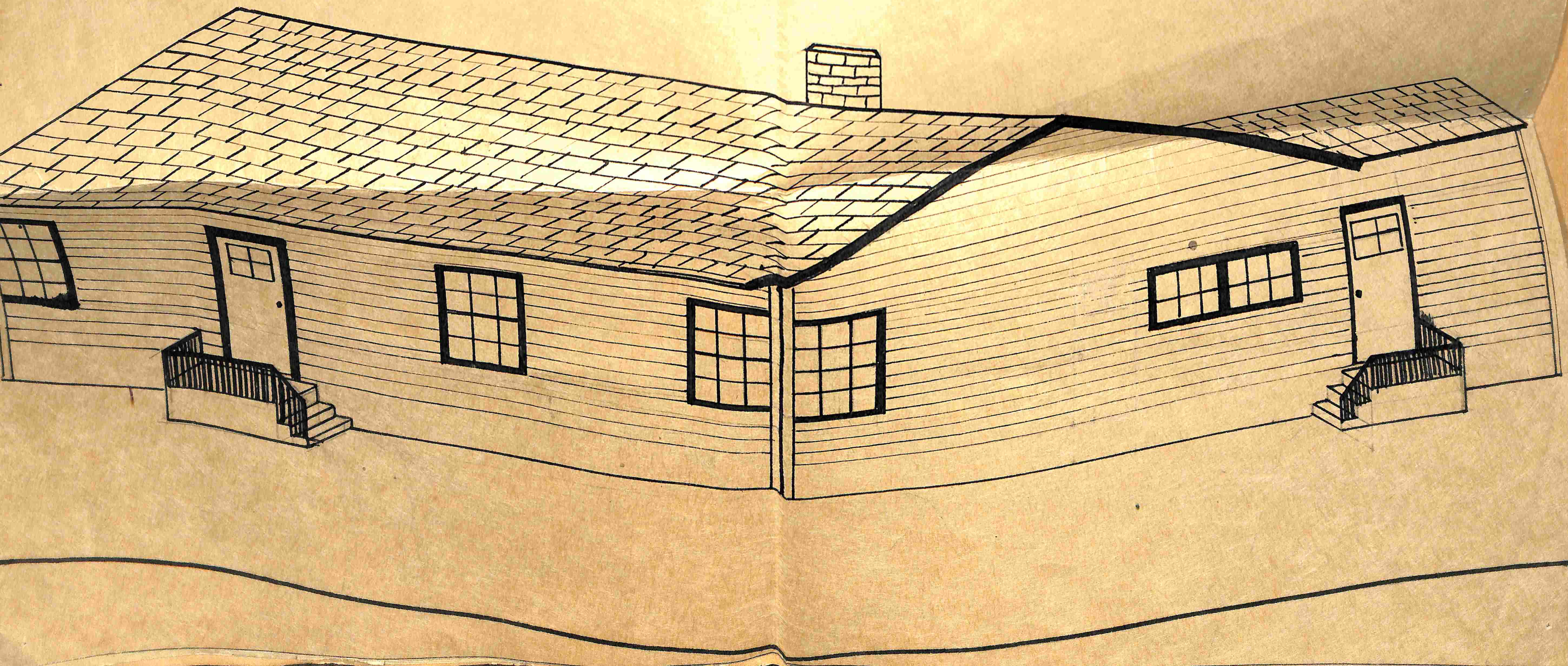


THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR GROUP

THE average attendance at the new Talent church the past few weeks has been as follows:

Prayer meeting, 15; Sunday school, 67; Sunday morning worship, 42; Christian Endeavor, 20; Sunday evening worship service, 30. The attendance the last Sunday or two has been better than this average.

PROPOSED FRIENDS PARSONAGE





*Our Pastors
Irwin Ziehl &
Muriel Alger*

Meeting Forced Out

THE Talent Friends Church group is in dire need for a place of worship. For sometime the group has been meeting in the City Hall, due to the fact that they were requested to leave the old Baptist Church building they had been using for a number of years. When securing the use of this building originally the agreement with the Baptists was that the building would be relinquished upon request with thirty days notice. This very definitely came about the middle of October, and there was no alternative but to move, unless trouble were caused in the community, and even the probability of being involved in a court procedure. While the hall serves temporarily as a place for worship, and its use being much appreciated, it is not at all a satisfactory arrangement. There is not room for all the classes, and one class is having to meet in a home. Many community organizations use the hall during the week, therefore it is only on Sunday that the hall can be used for church services. This means that all other meetings must be in homes, and that evangelistic services cannot be held. This proves to be a serious handicap, and the work cannot prosper until a building is provided, and there is no certainty that the hall can be used indefinitely.

The lots that have been purchased are in a strategic location for growth. The plot of ground is 75 feet by 125 feet, is located on a corner, with an alley laid out in the rear. There is ample room for building expansion and for easy and adequate parking facilities. The lots face the main street that leads out of Talent going north towards Medford, and a street leads directly from the middle of the plot to the main highway (99) that is just one block away. Any building will be easily visible from the highway. The location is only about 2 1/2 blocks from the center of the town of Talent. Talent is rated as one of the fastest growing communities in Southern Oregon; its population has more than doubled in the last few years.

From the beginning the Talent meeting has shown very splendid promise. It has been just a little over seven years since its start. Going back three years the attendance records show a church attendance of 36, and a Sunday school attendance of 54; the next year it was 51, and 70; and the last year it was 58 and 77.

The great part of the membership has been brought in through conversion and sanctification rather than by transfers. Many young people have been saved, and a number are exceptionally promising. A brief description will be given of three young people:

Dealous Cox, a young man in his third year

at Southern Oregon College feels called to be a minister. For about a year he has spoken a number of times in the local group and has done very acceptably. Dealous was saved a little over three years ago.

Virginia Peters, who is now attending George Fox College, has spent two years as superintendent of C.E. of the Southern Oregon Friends churches, has taught a Sunday school class for over a year, and is now an officer of the Yearly Meeting C.E. Union. She was saved about 3 1/2 years ago, and is looking forward to Christian work.

Rolland Hartley is now acting superintendent of the Southern Oregon C.E. work, is a Sunday school teacher and president of the local C.E. group. Rolly was saved a little less than three years ago and plans to enter the mission field. He won an athletic trophy last spring for being the most outstanding basket ball player in Southern Oregon, however, the things of the eternal mean more to him than any athletic achievement.

There are others, too, who are just as promising as these mentioned. In the years to come, if the Lord tarries, Oregon Yearly Meeting will feel the impact made by the Spirit-filled young people of Talent. There is a real opportunity and ministry for the Friends in Talent, but there must be a church building for these FRIENDS, and the need is urgent!



Above is pictured the church building which the Talent meeting has been using since its first organization. It has been asked to move, and is now holding its services in the city hall, which is very unsatisfactory. It is a crisis time for the Talent meeting, and they feel they must build this year.



...party February 9.

The TALENT young people are having a series of visitation meetings for shut-ins. They helped in organizing an intermediate society of boys with Verda Craven as sponsor. This group has also purchased new C.E. songbooks, and took charge of the evening service February 4. Various ones of their number spoke on the obedience of different Bible characters.

March 5-1

The Talent Call

Just prior to the printing of the Northwest Friend the Talent Call was sent out by the Board of Evangelism. This Call went out to the entire mailing list of the Northwest Friend, therefore, you who read these lines no doubt received one of these Calls through the mail. We urge you to give this matter serious and prayerful consideration. All of the facts in the case are given in the Call. The need is urgent! We ask you to consider this not only as individuals but we suggest that it be considered by each monthly meeting, Sunday school class, endeavor society, and social group.



A Talent Young People's Group.

The meeting at Talent is a most promising one. There is a fine group of young people, most of them really saved and very earnest in the work of the Lord.

The church is now without a place to meet except in the City Hall which is only a temporary arrangement. We must erect a church edifice for this group soon. The Talent group themselves are doing all they can, but they will need help from the outside to get this worthy project under way.



Sunday School at the City Hall

TALENT Irwin Alger, Pastor

The Talent Monthly Meeting celebrated their 7th birthday on Sunday, October 1. A pot luck dinner was served to about 45 in the City Hall. Clynton Crisman brought the message and Marjorie Crisman and the Smith twins from Medford brought special numbers in song.

After seven years use of the old church at Talent, it has become necessary to vacate the building. The place of worship has become dear to many in these years because it is their second birth place. However, the Lord is giving us great grace, glory and fresh faith that His hand is upon us. His riches will provide a place of our own in the near future. The lot we are purchasing is nearly paid for, praise God. As He directs, a suitable church home will be built.

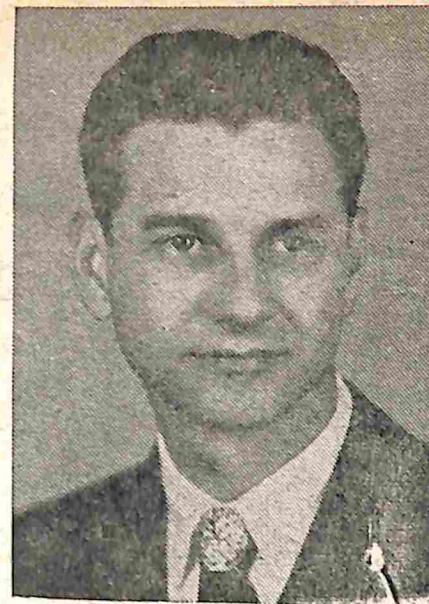
In the meantime the City Council has given unanimous consent for us to use the City Hall on Sundays. Our mid-week meetings will be held in the homes of members. We feel the severe hardship of not having a suitable place to conduct revival meetings, but do feel that the Lord is able to give us a continual revival in our regular meetings.

In order to use the church all we can before our departure we are having some special meetings, October 15 to 19. Three young men of our meeting who feel called to preach are bringing the messages. God is blessing, souls are finding God and we are all being encouraged in the Lord. These young men are: Bert Hill, Warren Clayton and Dealous Cox.

TALENT AND MEDFORD C.E.'s tied in the contest which they held. A rally at the Methodist church in Talent was the Youth get-together, with Rolf Hanson, pastor of the Central Point Community Bible church, the speaker. Also a get-together was held Saturday afternoon, April 14, at Military Bridge on the Crater Lake Highway. Baseball, hikes, and the like, and then refreshments occupied the afternoon.

The young people of TALENT attended the meetings Bob Pierce held for three days in Medford. Also the young people attended the Medford Friends revival with Earl Geil as evangelist. Forrest Cammack was here one Sunday. He presented the needs of the Bolivian people.

May 5-1



A Special Invitation to You to Hear

REV. OLIVER WEIGEL
OF BEAUMONT, TEXAS

A Fearless Preacher of the Old Fundamental Gospel, which Today is the Power of God unto Salvation to every one who believes.

The Talent Friends Church

7:30 P. M. Jan. 25 - Feb. 5, 1950

TALENT Irwin P. Alger, Pastor

February 4th to Palm Sunday the two Friends churches, Talent and Medford, are having a membership contest. Since our average for January was 88 and theirs 68 our attendance must keep twenty above theirs or we will be the losers. Losers are to feed and entertain the winners.

Talent Friends began the contest February 4th with 111 present which was but three above Medford's attendance that day. February 12th we fell down to 98 which is a very good attendance.

We appreciate the attendance and cooperation of the Medford Friends during our evangelistic services when Rev. Oliver C. Weigle of Beaumont, Texas was with us from January 25th through February 4th.

Rev. Weigle is a capable and interesting speaker, but more important, he is filled with the Spirit. Talent had a great time of blessing. Many sought the Lord and found forgiveness of sins and heart cleansing.

February 12th—Scripture reading 1 Cor. 13 by Zarilda Alger. Another Spirit-filled message by our own pastor, entitled "Love." John 3:16. Many quotations from 1 John, 1:9; 2:7-11; 4:7-21; Matthew 22:37-40.

February 12th—Adult C.E. is beginning a special study in one of the Gospels.

February 14th—Young people's C.E. social and prayer meeting at the Sample home.

February 13th—Meeting of southern Oregon Friends executive at the Medford Friends Church.

February 16th—Women's Missionary Union meeting at the home of Elizabeth Lindstrom, Avalon Roberts and Leola Lindstrom co-hostesses.



1950

TALENT reports a full summer. Twenty-six to thirty from their group attended Sa-Wa-Li-Nais camp either during the week or over the weekend. They have enjoyed having Verna Kellar and Eleanor Burton with them during the summer while they were attending summer sessions at Southern Oregon College of Education.

Marie Williams, Virginia Peters, and Dea Cox, Talent, will be entering George Fox College when school starts this fall. New C.E. officers at Talent are: Rolly Hartley, president; Edna Peters, vice-president; Edna Peters, secretary-treasurer; Barbara Sample, prayer meeting chairman; Joanne Joanis, social chairman; Joanne Kendall, missionary chairman; and Irwin Alger, sponsor.

TALENT

Irwin P. Alger, Pastor

Three of our members will be attending George Fox College this fall. Dea Cox, Virginia Peters and Marie Williams.

Roscoe and Tina Knight, with their two children showed pictures and interesting things from Bolivia recently. They also spoke at the missionary meeting which was held at the home of Lily Welborn. The day was spent quilting. We were glad to have the Knights with us.

Other welcome visitors in our church, while they were attending summer college at S.O.C. were Barbara and Johnny Hays with their baby, Terry, also Verna Kellar and Eleanor Burton. We were thankful for their help in the services with their music. They led the service one evening.

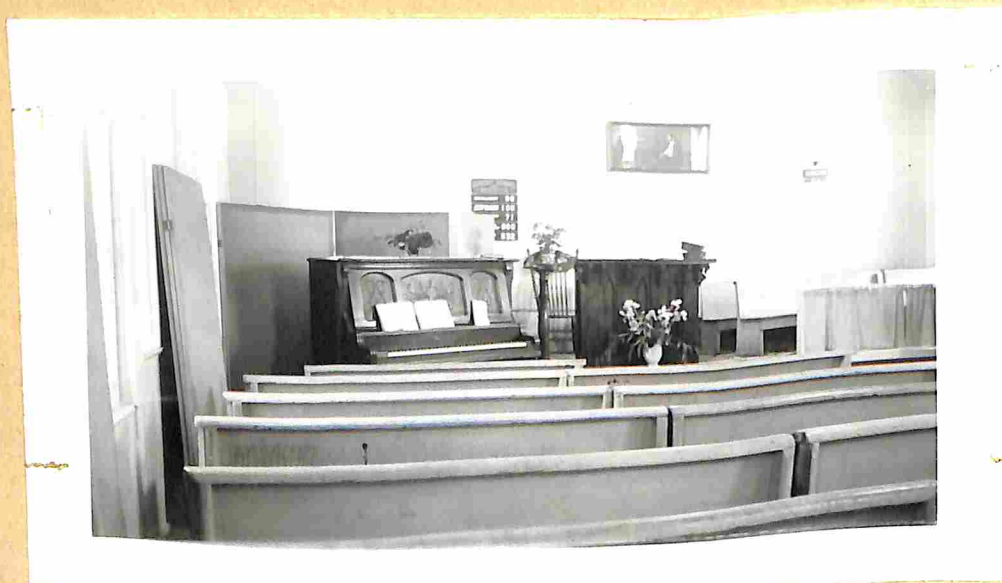
August 6 we installed new church officers. Installation of C.E. officers was the same evening.

Cottage prayer meetings are being held in the interest of the Billy Graham services. The last one was at the home of Lulu Strange. Rev. Graham is expected to be in Medford the fifth or sixth of September.

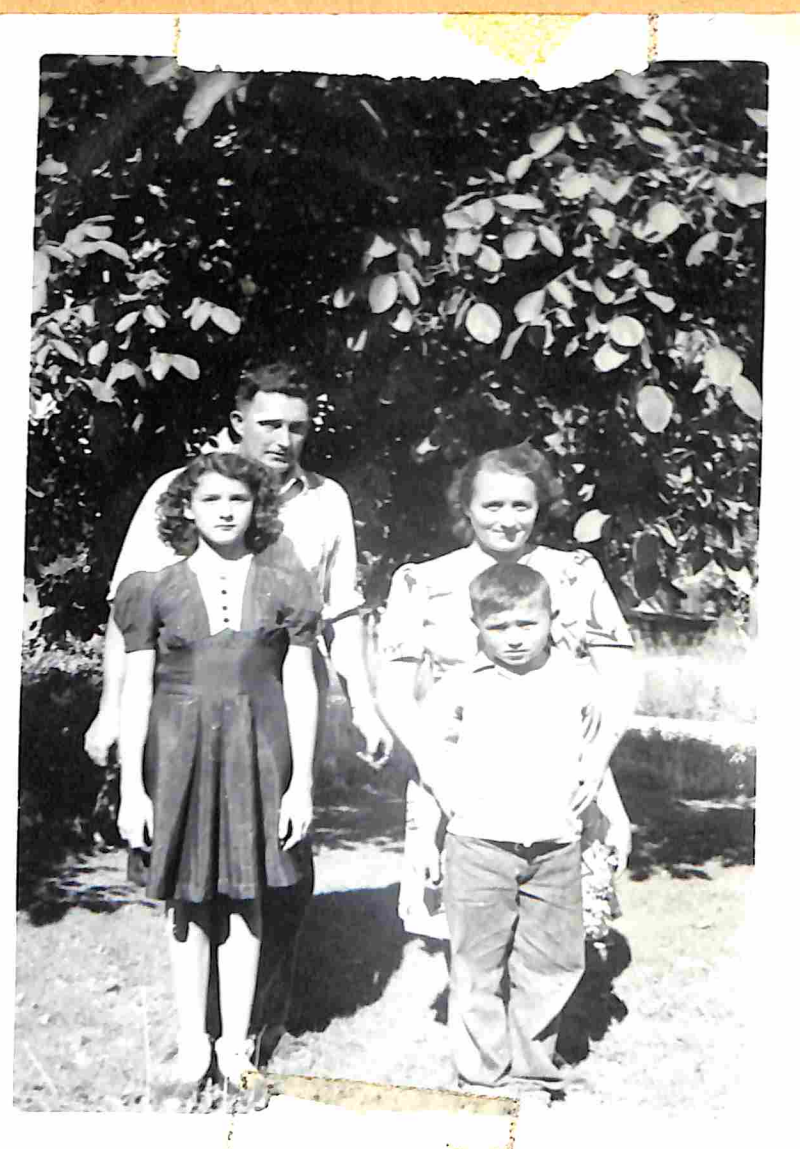
We are glad for the many who were able to attend Camp Sa-wa-li-nais.



George + Elenita Bales



George + Boys CLASS



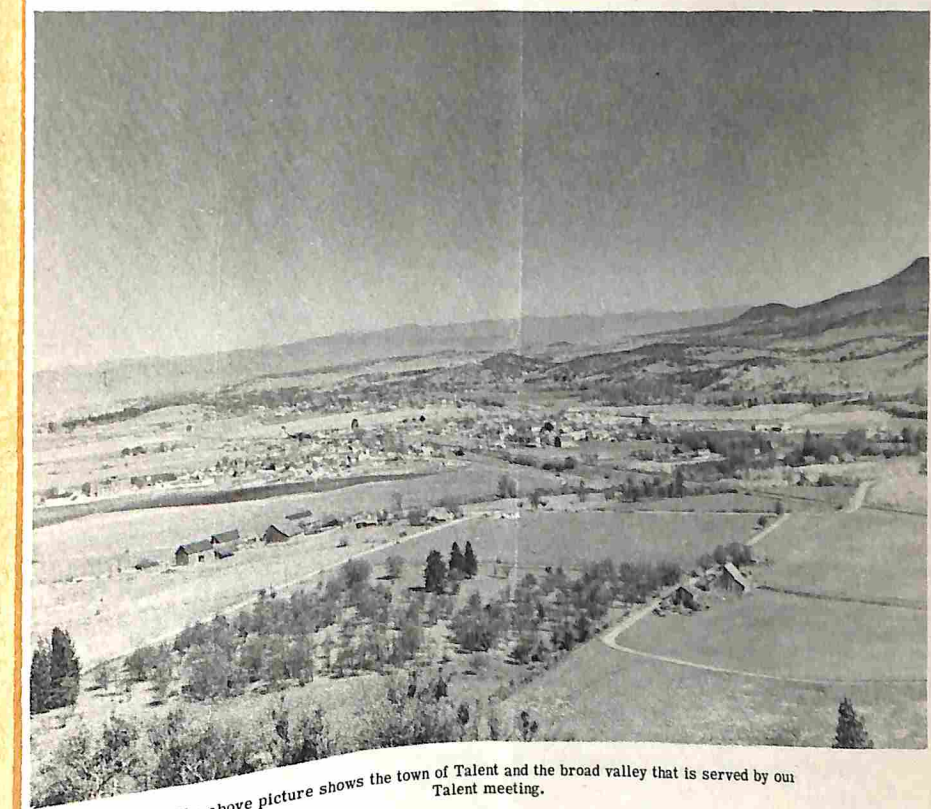
JOHN, LOUISE, BARBARA, JOHNNY
SAMPLE



RAYMOND, VERA,
RAYMOND, JR,
JACK + JOY
COOK

Talent CALL

Issued by the Board of Evangelism
Oregon Yearly Meeting of Friends Church



The above picture shows the town of Talent and the broad valley that is served by our Talent meeting.



The Talent work began with prayer meetings in homes. Soon afterwards the above building was secured, which served as the home of the Talent Friends group for seven years. A great deal of labor and money was given in renovating the building to make it suitable for use. Milo Ross, George and Elenita Bales sacrificed much in establishing the promising work at Talent.

Many attempts were made to purchase the property. When it became evident that possession of the property was impossible, steps were then taken to locate elsewhere, but long before the group was ready to build they were asked to vacate the old church building.



Being asked to vacate came as a surprise and shock to the group, but in the providence of God the City Hall of Talent was opened for temporary use.

The City Hall cannot be used indefinitely, and to do so would run the risk of complications and community ill will. Rumors indicate that it would be wise for Friends to be in their own building, lest they be without any place at all in which to worship.

PRESENT STATE OF WORK AT TALENT IS ENCOURAGING

Despite the handicaps of meeting in the City Hall with its limited facilities, the work is very encouraging.

For the past three months the Sunday School attendance has been 72, and the church attendance in the morning has averaged 60. About fifty families or households are represented in the membership and attenders of the church and Sunday School.

The young people are very active, the majority of whom have a definite testimony for Christ. Every church service has an excellent proportion of young people, and often in the evening they constitute at least half of those present.

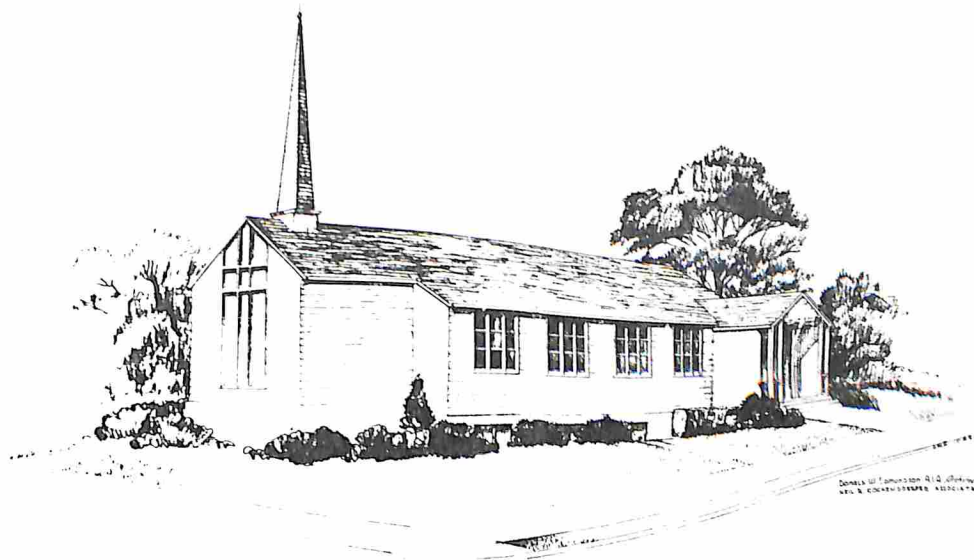
The Talent group is especially characterized by deep spirituality, and zeal for souls. A large portion of the group is made up of those who have been saved locally through the ministry of the church.

THE FIELD IS VERY PROMISING AND CHALLENGING

Talent is a fast growing town, and community about it is settling up very rapidly.

There are approximately 200 families who are unchurched. This is a great challenge to a definite program of evangelism.

The Friends group at Talent registers very highly in the community, and people generally regard with appreciation the work the Friends are doing. This presents a real opportunity for the Quakers at Talent.





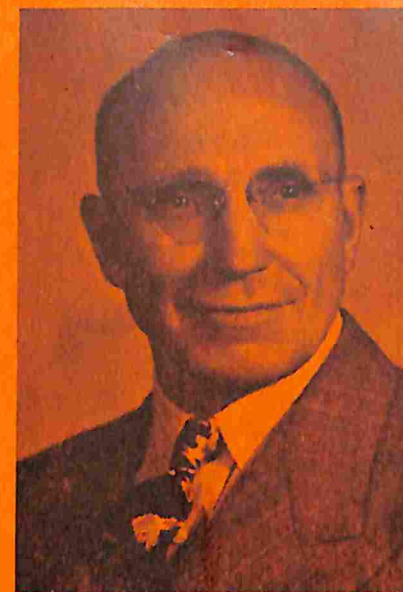
FRIENDS CHURCH TENT MEETING

TALENT, OREGON



WHEN . . . June 10 thru 24
SUNDAY at 11:00 a. m.
EACH EVENING at 8:00 p. m.

LOCATION . Old Highway
Between Y & Center of Town



CLEM BROWN

Outstanding Song Leader who
has been in Evangelistic work
for over 20 years.

HUBERT C. MARDOCK
Prominent Quaker Evangelist
who has spent 30 years in the
ministry.



Average attendance 75
Highest " 110
Prayer meetings both morning
and evening.
Amount received in collections \$208.97

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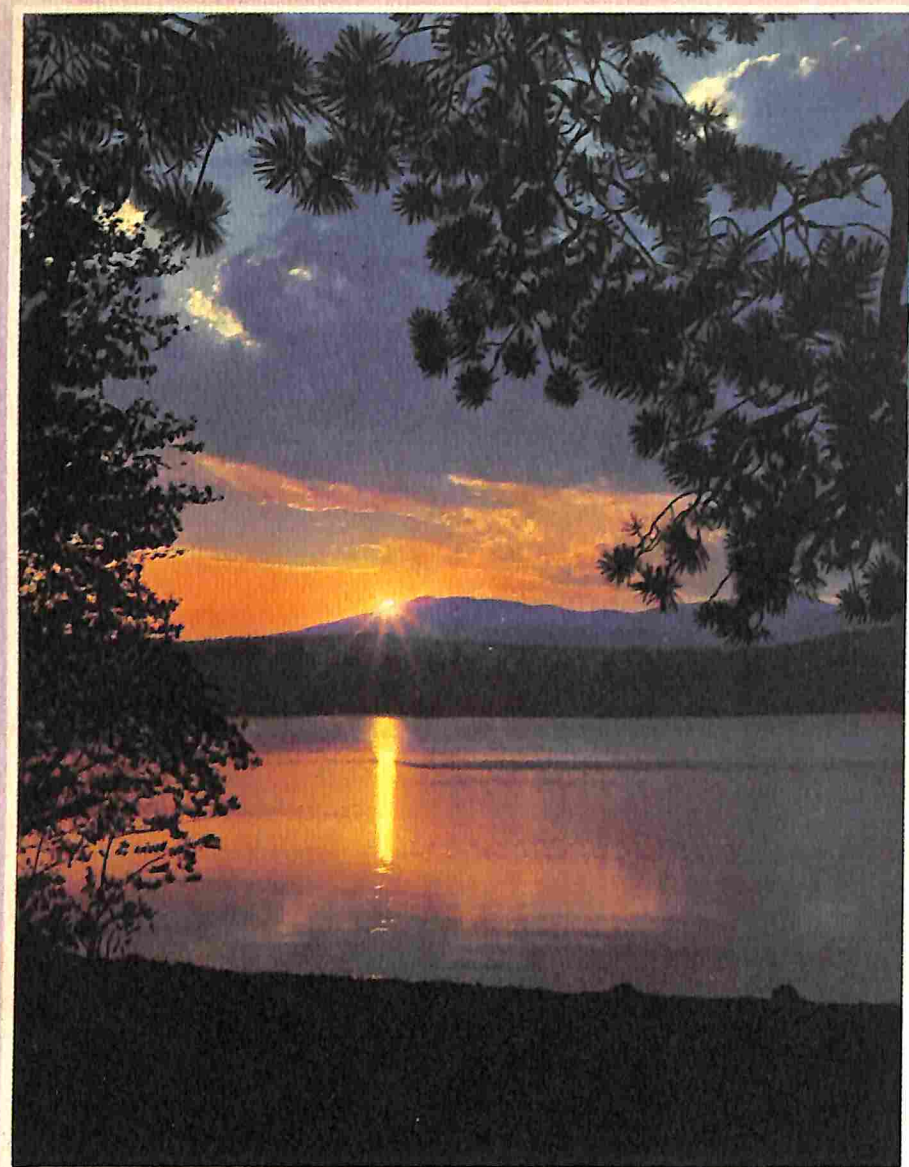
Bales, Lillian, Prayers, before
Day of Groundbreaking Ceremony for
Church. Oct. 7, 1951



Potluck Dinner Day of church
Anniversary Oct. 7, 1951
Attendance 82



CRAVEN



TALENT FRIENDS' CHURCH
Eighth Anniversary Celebration

Oct 7, 1951

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Opening Prayer George Bales
Congregational Singing
Announcements
Offertory Opal Finley
Trio Bessie Hill,
 Louise Sample, Bert Hill
Scripture
Special Number Choir
Meditation and Prayer
Solo Ross McIntyre
Message Leroy L. Neifert

Fellowship dinner served in the Hall at the close of the morning meeting. Everyone is invited to stay.

Afternoon Service 2:00 P. M.
Congregational Singing of Choruses
 Led by Elenita Bales
Instrumental Duet Rolly and
 Richard Hartley
Special Number Choir
Special Music Medford Church
Testimony and Reminiscing
Skit, A Look Into the Future, High School
 School S. S. Class
Solo Elenita Bales
Message George Bales

At the close of the afternoon service the group will go to the location of the new church for a short ground-breaking ceremony.

There will be Christian Endeavor Services for all ages at 7:00 P. M. at the Hall. Adult group

will meet at the Roy Estes home.

Evening Worship 8: P. M.

The evening service will be in charge of the Young People's C. E. There will be special music by various members of the group. Speakers will be Earl Tyckson, Rolly Hartley, and Dea Cox.

THE DREAMERS

He dreamed of missionary work
In countries far away
Where he would preach the living Christ
And teach the lost to pray.
But dreaming thus he never saw
Another's grief and loss
And never told his fellow man
The story of the Cross.

She dreamed of service she could do
In places strange and wild
She never thought how she could help
A neighbor's crippled child.
For distant duty she prepared
But closed her own heart's door
And on the good she might have done
To foreign-born and poor!

Oh friends, cast off the dream and see
There is no need to roam;
Sad, hungry souls are calling thee
To Missions right at home.
Bernice E. Ward

SHINING

We are told to let our light shine, and if it does, we won't need to tell anyone it does. The light will be its own witness. Lighthouses don't fire a cannon to call attention to their shining — they just shine.

- Dwight L. Moody

September 6, 1968

Mr. and Mrs. Milo C. Ross
George Fox College
Newberg, Oregon.

Dear Friends,

October 6, 1968. Circle this date on your calendar! It is the "Silver Anniversary" of the Talent Friends church!

Twenty-five years ago--a quarter of a century--a small group of Christians banded together. With the love of God in their hearts and faith in the future, they formed the beginning nucleus of the present Talent Friends Church.

YOU were one of those dedicated people who, with a purpose firm, contributed so much to this church. It is with heartfelt appreciation and gratitude for your faithful works that we ~~would like to~~ issue YOU this special invitation to attend our "Silver Anniversary" dinner and program.

We sincerely hope you will be able to attend and take part in the day's festivities as one of our "honored" guests. If, ^{however,} you find it will be impossible to be here, perhaps you could favor us with a personal message. That would be next best to having you here in person!

With sincere appreciation for your ministry,

The Anniversary Committee

Bert Hill
Florence Hartley
Lily Welburn
Katie Estes
Irene Stribling, Chrmn.

*Copies sent to -
Irwin and Zairida Alger
George and Elenita Bales
Lerry & Elva Neifert*

Copy -

Friends Church

P.O. BOX 113
NETARTS, OREGON 97141

Sept. 25, 1968

Talent Friends Church,
Talent, Ore.

Dear Friends,

We regret, very much, that due to a Special Program and Guests for our Church on Sunday evening, Oct. 5th, it seems unwise for us to be away for that particular day. We would love to be there to share in the enjoyment of this Special Occasion, and to reminisce with you Old Timers concerning events of the past.

It is our sincere wish and prayer that you may have a wonderful Day on this your 25th Anniversary. May it be a time of Spiritual Blessing and encouragement, and a new challenge for you Friends at Talent to make further progress and accomplishments in the winning of many to Christ and the strengthening of His Kingdom in that community.

Sincerely in Christ,

Irwin P. Alger

Irwin and Zarilda Alger.

September 11, 1968

Mr. Jack Willcuts
P.O. Box 190
Newberg, Oregon 97132

Dear Mr. Willcuts,

Our pastor, Randall Emry, announced in church Sunday morning that you would be our guest speaker for the "25th Anniversary" church service.

On behalf of the anniversary committee, We would like to express our pleasure in knowing that you will be here. We have noted with interest that you and your wife conducted revival meetings in Talent more than twenty years ago, and at that time Mrs. Willcuts did inspiring "chalk artistry".

Would it be possible for Mrs. Willcuts to bring us one of these inspiring messages during our Sunday school hour? This would be something completely different and new to our congregation, and would leave a wonderful, lasting impression.

We are pre-supposing that both you and Mrs. Willcuts will be attending and joining in the festivities of this very important day in Talent Friends Church. Please let us know if Mrs. Willcuts will bring one of her "chalk artistry" messages for our Sunday School.

Thank you both so much!

Sincerely,
Irene Stribling, chrmm.

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Anniversary committee

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Jack L. Willcuts, General Superintendent

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Irene Stribling, Chairman,
Talent Friends Church Anniversary Com.,
Talent, Oregon.

Dear Friends:

Your invitation to the 25th Anniversary observance of Talent Friends is greatly appreciated. The possibility of Geraldine's participation with a chalk picture is something we had not thought about, of course. She would enjoy very much doing this and frequently ministers in this way. We certainly have not forgotten the meetings "more than twenty years ago" at Talent when you were meeting in the other church building - and we were preparing to leave for our first term on the mission field.

Inasmuch as I will be returning by car from a journey to Southern California, Geraldine's coming complicates the travel plans so if she comes it will be necessary for her to fly to Medford on Sat. and we will meet there and she can return with me on Sunday afternoon. This we will plan to do barring any unforeseen difficulties (including bad weather which sometimes happens there this time of year!) So you may (tentatively) plan on our both being present.

May the Lord bless you richly in your plans, we pray this will be a day of great encouragement and thanksgiving.

Sincerely,
Jack L. Willcuts
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