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Cedar City Opens Yuletide Season Saturday

State Livestock Leaders To Hold Meet At B. A. C.

Bids Requested For Furnishing Uniforms For Utah State Guard

J. Henry McGean, state purchasing agent, has requested bids from clothing manufacturers for military uniforms for some four hundred members of the Utah State Home Guard, it was announced this week. Individual estimates for complete uniforms in both cadet and navy blue cloth were called for. "Clothing requirements to outfit the home guard," Mr. McGean said, "have received a priority rating. We'll carefully inspect each bid and award the contract to the firm furnishing the finest cloth according to specifications, price and length of time required to complete the entire order."

Incomplete Reports Indicate County Met Red Cross Goal

The annual Red Cross Roll Call drive conducted throughout Iron County between November 10 and 30, was very successful, according to Elmer E. Quist, Roll Call chairman of the Iron County chapter of the American Red Cross. The response this year was much better in every community than at any time in the past, and the Red Cross officers believe the success of the drive was due to the enthusiasm of the workers, together with the willingness on the part of citizens to cooperate in putting the county over the top.

While the returns are still incomplete for several towns of the county, and no official figures have been released, Mr. Quist announced that Cedar City, Summit and Paragonah have reached their quotas which were set this year at 15 per cent of the population. In the case of Paragonah, in particular, the drive was outstandingly successful, the community's enrollment for 1941 being 400 per cent more than the enrollment for 1940. As yet no definite information has been received from Parowan, Enoch and Kanara, although preliminary reports indicate that these communities will also reach their quotas.

Of the money collected, Mr. Quist announced, 50 per cent of the \$1.00 memberships will be kept within the county and used for local Red Cross relief, as will all but 50 cents of each sum contributed by various organizations and individuals. Mr. Quist also pointed out that those contributing to the drive are entitled to membership in the Red Cross organization and urges everyone to take an active part in the affairs of the Iron County chapter. The annual meeting of the organization will be held some time this month, the exact date to be announced later, and everyone who joined during the recent Roll Call is urged to be present in order to help elect the officers and have a vote in the handling of the local funds.

A complete report of the drive will be released next week.

TOWN CALENDAR

- December 6 - High School Play.
- December 11 - Music Arts Program.
- December 12 - High school Boys' Smokeless Smoker; Lambda Delta Sigma Christmas Dance.
- December 14 - Presentation of Handel's "Messiah."
- December 15 - Dixie College Play.
- December 18 - M.I.A. Leadership Night.
- December 19 - Seminary Swing.

The Branch Agricultural College, the Southern Utah Livestock Association and the Cedar City Chamber of Commerce will be hosts to leaders of Utah livestock industries and representatives of the educational and experimental departments of the State at a series of meetings to be held in Cedar City on Saturday, December 13. The purpose of the meetings is to learn of the problems facing the livestock men and to discuss ways in which the Utah State Agricultural College at Logan and the B. A. C. at Cedar City can best serve the interests of his very vital industry.

Several leading authorities will be present to lead in the discussions, among them being R. H. Walker, director of the Utah state experiment station; Elmer G. Peterson, president of the USAC; Alma C. Esplin and Harry H. Smith, associate professors of animal husbandry; Fred F. McKensie, Dean of the USAC school of agriculture; R. W. Bally, director of Intermountain forest and range experiment station; and representatives from the State Bankers' Association and the Grazing Service.

Two meetings will be held at the B. A. C. under the sponsorship of the school and the Livestock Association. The first will convene at 10 a. m., and the second in the afternoon, following a noon luncheon to be served at the school. At the afternoon meeting, college officials and representatives of the experiment station and forestry service will discuss their participation in fostering livestock interests.

Saturday evening a banquet will be held in the Escalante Hotel under the sponsorship of the Cedar City Chamber of Commerce. Tickets for the banquet will go on sale within the next few days.

The general public is invited to attend these meetings and the banquet, particularly as the livestock industry plays such an important part in the lives of everyone living in southern Utah.

Mother of Cedar Resident Dies In California

Mrs. Caroline Savage Wasden, 80, of Salt Lake City, mother of Mrs. A. R. Hovey of Cedar City, died Sunday evening, November 30, of causes incident to age while visiting relatives in California.

Mrs. Wasden was born in England on May 4, 1861, a daughter of Edrick and Eliza Savage. She was a member of the L.D.S. church. Her husband died in 1908.

She is survived by seven daughters, Mrs. Hovey, Mrs. F. L. Partington, Long Beach; Mrs. E. W. Erickson, Salt Lake City; Mrs. P. H. Neeley, Coalville; Mrs. Fred Croft, and Mrs. Fern Nupen of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Emma W. Rose of Salt Lake City; two sons, Albert D. Wasden of Salt Lake City and Orson M. Wasden of Long Beach; 26 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

ONE-DAY SESSION MARKS NOVEMBER TERM OF COURT

Most of the civil cases coming before the November term of the Fifth Judicial District Court had been continued until a later date. Many of these, together with several new cases, were again continued until the next term which will convene on Thursday, December 18.

Two divorces were granted, Jessie Deone Banks Dalton receiving her divorce from Sherman Dalton on a charge of non-support, and Carmon A. Rollins receiving an interlocutory decree of divorce from Eula Gardner Rollins, and the defendant's maiden name being restored to her.

No new criminal cases were brought before the court.

Clive Hartman of St. George spent Sunday in Cedar City visiting with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Long.

Lunt Wins School Board Position By One Vote Margin

Wilson N. Lunt emerged victorious in the Iron County School Board election held in representative District No. 4 Wednesday, December 3, by defeating John S. Christensen by a single vote. The successful candidate polled a total of 233 votes, while Mr. Christensen received 232, and George Foster, the third candidate for the position, drew 58 votes.

Mr. Lunt carried that part of the district lying in the Cedar City L. D. S. Second Ward, receiving 151 of the 322 votes cast, Christensen getting 132 and Foster 36. In the Third Ward, however, Christensen ran ahead, polling 100 as against 79 for Lunt and 22 for Foster.

The new school board member will take office early in January, 1942, succeeding W. H. Leigh, whose term expires at that time.

B.A.C. Football Squad Honored By Lions Club

Members of the Branch Agricultural College football team were guests of the Cedar City Lions Club at their regular weekly meeting Monday at the Escalante Hotel. Wilson N. Lunt presided.

Tom Cardon, a member of the Lions Club, welcomed the players on behalf of the club and congratulated them on their very successful season. Coach Nelson (Ty) Tydings then introduced the players and spoke briefly of the experiences of the team during the season. He was followed by Director Henry Oberhansley of the B. A. C., assistant coach Edwin L. Peterson, John V. Christensen, a member of the B. A. C. Athletic Council, Mark Bradshaw, captain of the team, and the following players: Elliott Cameron, Roy Allen and Henry Petersen, each of whom spoke briefly.

Major H. E. Petersen, who was in Cedar City on a short furlough from the Army, was also a special guest at Monday's meeting, and gave a short talk in which he criticized the morale of the people of southern Utah, deploring their lack of support, interest and belief in the present crisis facing the nation. Major Petersen pointed out that apparently the citizens were not fully awake to the dangers facing the nation and urged that all recognize the seriousness of the situation and prepare for any emergency that might arise.

Musical selections on the program consisted of two vocal solos by Kent Dover, a member of the football squad, accompanied on the piano by Lyle Marsden.

Awarding of Cedar Airport Contracts Postponed One Week

Contracts for the major portion of the \$287,000 development at the Cedar City airport will not be let until Monday, December 8, it was learned from information received from Los Angeles by city officials early this week.

The bids, which were previously scheduled to be opened on Monday of this week, will not be opened until later at which time bids for development of the Logan airport will also be opened, it was announced. Once the contracts have been awarded, however, work will be pushed with all possible speed, according to local authorities.

CEDAR CITY-ST. GEORGE COUPLE TAKE MARRIAGE VOWS

The marriage of Miss LaRue Kunz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hyrum Kunz of Cedar City, to Richard C. Morris, son of Mrs. Nettie Morris of St. George, was solemnized Tuesday, December 2, in the St. George L.D.S. Temple with President Harold S. Snow officiating.

A dinner for the members of the immediate families was given Tuesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, after which the couple left on a short honeymoon. Upon their return they will make their home in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Both young people are graduates of the Dixie Junior College where the bride was affiliated with the Lambda Beta Theta, local social sorority, and the bridegroom was active in athletics.

Trial Date Set In Royal Hunt Murder Case

Vae Monroe Fenley, 17-year-old ex-CCC enrollee, who allegedly confessed to the slaying of Royal Hunt, 39-year-old Washington County rancher, at his home near Central early Monday evening, November 24, was bound over to the Fifth Judicial District Court, without bond, to face first degree murder charges on January 6.

District Judge Will L. Hoyt, sitting as committing magistrate, conducted the preliminary hearing of the charges against the former San Pedro, California, youth, bound him over to the higher court, and committed him to the custody of Washington County Sheriff Antonio B. Prince, pending the trial date. Ellis J. Pickett, district attorney, immediately filed the first degree murder information in the district court. Reuben J. Shay, Cedar City attorney, was appointed by the state to handle the defense.

Young Fenley seemed unimpressed during the hearing, and did not take the witness stand in his own behalf.

Fenley is reported to have made a full confession, stating that he "wanted money and I knew of no other way to get it." When he was captured the following day, a few miles from the scene of the crime, he had \$21.50 in his possession, which he admitted he had removed from Hunt's pocket after shooting him.

According to his confession, officers reported, Fenley shot Hunt, for whom he had been working, through a window, then went in and robbed him. While Fenley was saddling a horse in the corral in preparation for a get-away, Hunt revived and notified Mrs. Arthur Bracken, telephone operator at Central, that he had been shot and asked for help. The youth then returned to the ranch house, shot the wounded rancher three more times, bound the body and dragged it to the doorway where he fastened the rope to the rear end of a pickup truck, planning, he confessed, to drag the body 200 or 300 miles. Lights of an approaching automobile, however, frightened him and he ran into the hills.

The rancher's bullet-riddled body was discovered a few minutes later by Arthur Bracken and three other men from Central who immediately notified the Washington county sheriff's office. A posse was formed and a search for the missing youth was instigated, the fugitive being picked up early the next day and taken to the Washington county jail in St. George.

PAROWAN YOUTH MARRIES SALT LAKE CITY GIRL

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Virginia Lee Polk of Salt Lake City to Merrill Rasmussen of Parowan, the wedding ceremony having been performed at Halley, Idaho, on October 2, by Reverend Optie.

Both young people are well known in southern Utah, both having been employed by the Utah Parks Company.

They will make their home in Sun Valley, Idaho, where they are now employed.

A group of close friends honored Mrs. Clara Holland and Mrs. Kate Webster at a birthday party Monday afternoon, December 1, at the home of the latter. The afternoon was spent playing cards after which refreshments were served. Those present included, besides the guests of honor, Mrs. Becky Bulloch, Mrs. Sarah Middleton, Mrs. Nellie Dix, Mrs. Emily Haight, Mrs. Ida Macfarlane, Mrs. Maude Corry, Mrs. Lula Corry, Mrs. Marybelle Mackelprang, Mrs. Lucy Dover, Mrs. Susie Higbee, Mrs. Julia Stephens and Mrs. Mary B. Heyborne.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation and thankfulness to all those who helped during the illness and burial of Richard Al Thorley. Especially are we appreciative of the fine talks, the very choice music, the beautiful flowers and the telegrams, letters and cards.

Mrs. R. A. Thorley
Stewart Thorley and Family
Sam Stucki and Family
Marvin Jones and Family
Dr. E. R. Ranker and Family

Call For Bids Issued On Modena-Nevada State Line Highway

A call for bids for construction of 5.361 miles of graded earth road between Modena and the Utah-Nevada line was issued Tuesday by the State Road Commission. The bids will be opened at the State Capitol in Salt Lake City at 2 p. m. on Wednesday, December 17, at which time the contract will be awarded.

This marks another step ahead for Iron County in securing the proposed highway linking Cedar City with U. S. highway 93 in Nevada which would connect Pioche, Caliente and Pahrava with Cedar City. \$50,000 has already been spent on the road between Modena and Enterprise, and with the completion of the highway between Modena and the state line, all that will be necessary to complete the project will be to build the road between Cedar City and Newcastle.

Plane Crash Takes Life of Student Pilot

The first student pilot fatality in Utah since the inception of the C. A. A. training program, occurred in St. George Saturday, November 29, when Gerald Shumway, 20, of Blanding, C. A. A. student pilot at the Dixie junior college, was killed as his plane plunged into a steep-walled lava gully skirting the eastern end of the St. George airport, a few minutes after he took off from the runway on a solo flight.

An investigation into the fatal crash was conducted at the St. George airport Sunday by Joe Bergen, director of the Utah aeronautics commission, and Major Earl Hughes, C. A. A. inspector, both of Salt Lake City, and E. R. Mitchell, C. A. A. safety bureau representative, and E. Carpenter, Sr., C. A. A. flight supervisor, both of Santa Monica, California. None of the officials would comment on the findings of the investigation, however, saying a statement would be released soon by the C. A. A. board.

People at the airport who witnessed the crash reported that Shumway had not attained more than 500 feet altitude when his ship nosedived into the gully.

Memorial rites were conducted Sunday morning in the St. George South L. D. S. ward chapel by Bishop James A. Adrus, while funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the Blanding L. D. S. Ward by Bishop John D. Rogers. Burial was in the Blanding cemetery.

Young Shumway was a son of Arah E. and Grace Powell Shumway.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY TO MEET FRIDAY EVENING

The Cedar City unit of the American Legion Auxiliary will hold their regular meeting Friday evening, December 5, in the Armory building at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced today. All members of the organizations are urged to be present.

BUSINESS WOMEN ENJOY POT LUCK SUPPER

Approximately thirty members of the Cedar City Business and Professional Women's Club attended the annual Good Will party of the club held Wednesday evening at Mary's Tea Room.

A pot luck supper, served buffet style, was the highlight of the evening, with the remainder of the time devoted to games and contests. The prize for the best entertainment was awarded to a group consisting of Mrs. Lettie Brown, Miss Mildred Jones, Miss Margaret Esplin and Miss Zelma Leigh.

The party was planned by the Finance Committee, consisting of Mrs. Alta Hunter, chairman, Miss Mary Nelson, and Miss Leora Petty.

The L.F.A. and Belva Zimm Clubs held a joint meeting Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Ray Kneel with Mrs. George Blackett as hostess. Mrs. Blanche J. Jones read the very interesting play, "Watch on the Rhine," by Lillian Hellman. Special guests for the evening included Mrs. Don Nelson, Mrs. Andy Anderson, Mrs. Rulon Knell, Mrs. William Jones and Mrs. Karl Gardner.

Jaycees Sponsor Xmas Lighting and Activities Program

Saturday evening, December 6, will mark the official opening of what is expected to be the most gala Christmas Season in the history of Cedar City, when men, women and children of this and surrounding communities gather on Main Street to hear a Christmas message from Mayor H. H. Lunt, see the hundreds of multi-colored Christmas lights turned on, and to welcome Santa Claus on his first visit.

Extensive plans have been made by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the activities, and all is in readiness for the ceremonies scheduled to usher in the Yule season. Saturday evening, commencing at 7 o'clock, short, appropriate ceremonies will be conducted on the porch of the Escalante Hotel, with Mayor Lunt officiating. Following a Christmas message by the Mayor, the new decorative lights will be turned on, after which Santa will put in his appearance and distribute candy and nuts to the children attending the festivities. The program will be broadcast over radio station KSUB.

As a special attraction Saturday night, merchants of the community have agreed to keep their places of business open until 9 p. m. and have invited the public to visit their stores after the ceremonies and look over their excellent assortment of Christmas goods. Each person visiting the stores at that time will be given chances on the prize drawing to be conducted December 24. A large number of valuable prizes have been donated by the various business houses and chances will be given to all customers visiting the Cedar City stores between now and the date of the drawing.

Helping to keep the spirit of Christmas uppermost in the thoughts of everyone in the community, each noon hour and evening, Christmas carols and chime recordings will be played over a public address system originating in the entrance of the Parks Theatre. These recordings will be heard throughout the business district.

Main Street is rapidly taking on a very festive appearance with hundreds of multi-colored lights and other decorations being put up which should add to the spirit of the season. The decorations, which mark the beginning of a four year Christmas lighting program, are being put up at a cost of between \$800 and \$900 and it is expected that the initial decorations will be added to each year. This year, a 15-foot, interior lighted, double-sided Greeting sign has been placed at either end of the business district, with huge Christmas trees, to be lighted in such a way that they will change red and green with the traffic signal, will be installed under each semaphore. The lamp posts are already beautifully decorated with Christmas candle effects, and the regular streamer lights have been increased by the addition of several hundred more bulbs, and improved by draping from the sides of the buildings. A large, brilliantly lighted star with double streamers of lights leading to each side of the street, and hung between the Leigh building on the East and the C. S. A. building on the West, will complete the decorations.

The regular Christmas lighting contest will again be conducted this year by the Junior Chamber, and prize of \$5 to be awarded for best prize of \$5 to be awarded for

the most outstanding decorations in the residential district, and a trophy to be given as first prize and \$5 as second prize in the commercial section. The rules of the contest are the same as in previous years in that the decorations must be completed and the lights ready to be turned on Monday evening, December 8, and that the lights must burn each evening until 10 o'clock up to and including January 1. A committee of townspeople will be chosen to select the prize winners and everyone in the community is urged to participate.

In preparation for the opening of the Christmas shopping season, all merchants in Cedar City have provided outstanding bargains in all lines of goods as is shown by the advertisements appearing in this issue of the "Record". Citizens of Cedar City and surrounding communities are urged to do their shopping here where a wide assortment of goods at reasonable prices has been assembled for their convenience, and to join in the celebration Saturday evening.

Firms contributing to the drawing to be held December 24, together with the prizes offered by each, are as follows: Western Auto Supply, balloon bicycle tire; Good-year Shoe Shop, one pair half soles; Superior Cleaners, dress and suit cleaned and pressed; Thorley Motor Company, \$10 in merchandise or service; Leigh Furniture Company, upholstered occasional chair; Priscilla Shop, lace trimmed satin gown; Marsden's Arrow shirt; J. C. Penney Company, Chenille bedspread; Cowley Drug, Richard Hildnut toilet set; Shell Service Station, Oil change with Shell X-100; O. P. Skaggs, solid copper bowl and fruit cake; Zion Picture Shop, 8x10 portrait; Reed's Rite-way, cut glass cake saver and serving tray; Utah Service Station, choice of wash or lubrication job; Premium Oil Company, change of oil, Veedol; Stevens and Company, 100 per cent down-filled bed comforter; Wally Mae's Service Station, lubrication job; Center Grocery, five-pound box of candy; Westside Grocery, \$1.50 in groceries; Ray's Service Station, oil change; Thornton Drug, \$5 Evening in Paris toilet set.

Jones Garage, one set seat covers; Union Oil Station, oil change and complete lubrication job, Triton motor oil; Cedar Laundry, one week's laundry and suit or dress cleaned and pressed; Mullett Jewellery, pen and pencil set; Cardon's, one pair of shoes; Roberts' Appliances and Furniture Company, cabinet radio, \$79 value; Gamble store, electric clock; Standard Supply, electric toaster; Lunt Motor, \$10 in merchandise or service; Cedar Lumber & Hardware Company, pickup cart; Sprouse-Reitz, table lamp; Jones Market, two 5-pound boxes of chocolates; Safeway, \$5 coupon book; Moderne Style Shoppe, lady's taffeta housecoat; Silver Leaf Inn, two 75c dinners; Pix Amusement Company, 2 passes, good for two persons each, good at either theatre for one month; Southern Utah Power Company, table lamp; Esplin Feed Exchange, 25 pounds of 100 per cent pure whole wheat flour and one 9 pound bag of cracked wheat; Cedar Drug Company, City's traveling kit; White Bakery, \$1 in merchandise; Jackson Bakery, cookie house; Twin Pine Service Station, oil change and complete lubrication job; and Arden Dairy, 1 quart of milk daily for 30 days.

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