

GREENWOOD NEWS

Grace Young, Reporter

An Eagle Scout Court of Honor was held for three members of Troop 62 at the Methodist Church Sunday afternoon, November 15. Those receiving this, the highest rank in Scouting were: John Hunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt, Sr.; Roger York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas York; and Ronald Greene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Greene. Mrs. Lunette Hale provided organ music and Bruce Cornell of the Wolf Patrol lighted the candles representing the Scout Laws. Rev. Roger Williams, Pastor of the church, gave the Invocation and Benediction. The Eagle award ceremony was conducted by James Wall of Hornell, District Commissioner, who also narrated the Pageant of Scouting. Advancement with Scouts holding Insignia of Rank. Taking part were Jerry Burd, Assistant District Commissioner, reporting on qualifications that the boys had earned 21 merit badges. Clinton York, on leadership ability in school, church and community, and Lloyd Chaffee on character. Howard Brewster, Supervisor of the Town, delivered the Citation. Rev. John Harrison, retired Baptist Minister of Greenwood, delivered the charge to the new Eagle Scouts, speaking on Scouts Leadership Responsibility. The Eagle Badges were presented to the fathers by Scoutmaster Edward Mullen. The fathers in turn gave them to the mothers, who pinned them on their sons. Each boy was also given a miniature Eagle pin to pin on his mother.

The Eagle Cloth Badges and Certificates were presented by Assistant Scoutmaster, John Murray. Each of these Scouts is also a holder of the God and Country Award and the Scout of the Month Award in their own Troop. Over a hundred relatives and friends from Hornell, Canisteo, Andover, and other communities attended. Following the ceremony refreshments were served in the Social Hall.

A Bake Sale sponsored by the Boy Scouts was held Saturday morning at the Kernan Store. The boys reported a profit of over \$12.00.

The Birmingham-Burd American Legion Auxiliary held their November meeting at the Post Home recently. President Marilyn Austin presided and reports on Americanism were given. Members have worked and donated to the area Scout Drive. Gifts and donations have been made to the Gift Shop at the Bath Veterans Administration Hospital. Plans were made for the Smorgasbord dinner at the Legion Home, November 21.

The Auxiliary was in charge of registration and caring for children in the gymnasium at the Open House at Greenwood Central School Friday night.

The next meeting will be December 8 in Hornell when the Seventh District Officers will make their official visit to Steuben County.

Douglas Cornell, a regular member of the Steuben County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, was in Bath Monday afternoon to attend the ASC County Convention.

Robert McCaffery, son of Mr. and Mrs. James McCaffery of Rexville has been notified to report to Williamsport Technical School, Pa., November 30. He will enroll in the Electrical Construction Course that takes 24 months. He is a 1963 graduate from G. S. C.

Thomas Murray of West Greenwood and grandson, Robert McCaffery of Rexville, left by Erie Lackawanna, November 6th for Indianapolis, Indiana and returned home Monday, November 9th. They went for the Golden Wedding Observance of Mr. Murray's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Murray. Mr. Murray was best man for his brother. The maid-of-honor, Betsy McKay, now married and living in Washington, D. C., was also present.

They stood with the honored couple as they renewed their vows at a family Mass. There were a thousand guests at the Reception. Mr. and Mrs. James Murray are the parents of seven children, who were all present. They were married November 7, 1914.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Holt and daughters, moved from the upper front apartment in the Hayden Cook house, October 31 to a home they are building at South Canisteo. They bought a lot from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Porter, and have put up a prefabricated house still in the finishing stages.

CORRECTION—Lynn Redmond spent Thursday to Sunday at home last week following mid-term exams. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Redmond took him back to Allegheny College at Meadville, Pa., Sunday, but not for Parents Week-end.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service meets this Thursday afternoon, November 19, at the Methodist Church. Hostesses are Mrs. Albert Lamphier and Mrs. Walter Jackson and program is given by Mrs. Robert Lamphier.

A Union Thanksgiving Service will be held Wednesday, November 25th at 8 P. M. Elder Carol Bassett, Pastor of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, invited the Methodist Church to join his church family in a service of praise and Thanksgiving.

Rev. Robert Myers, former Pastor at the Methodist Church conducted Special Services at the Haskinville Methodist Church Wednesday through Sunday with a Singspiration Service at 2:30 Sunday. Thursday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Warriner, Harlan and Carol attended and Mrs. John Hunt took a load of young people. Sunday several youths attended the afternoon song service.

In less than two years Troop 62 has awarded eight Eagle Scouts; three of them Explorer Scouts. Credit is due Scoutmaster Edward Mullen and parents and former Scoutmaster, William Glover.

Mrs. Howard Brewster was a patient at the Bethesda Hospital, November 3-7, resulting from a fall downstairs at her home. She fractured her right shoulder and left ankle. Mrs. Helen Rogers was on vacation last week and took care of her sister, Mrs. Brewster. Mrs. Edith Pease expected to help out this week. The doctor will put a walking cast on this week.

Parents and friends turned out in good numbers for the Open House at Greenwood Central School Friday night. Childrens work was on display and interesting posters in the early grades. Robert Hoagland, Agriculture Vocational Teacher showed slides and movies of the FFA trip to the National Convention in Kansas.

Miss Sabrey Stephens and Mrs. Pearl Bassett called on Mrs. Cowles Whiting in Andover Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Clyde Zeitwanger, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Whiting, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Greene were among the relatives of Ronald Greene attending the Eagle Court of Honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton White left for Florida Monday where they plan to spend the winter at Orlando.

Miss Dorothea Maibaum of Morton was a week-end guest of her sister and family, Principal and Mrs. Wesley Tennant and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Redmond were visitors at Bloomfield, Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth York of Andover spent the week-end with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton York and Judy at West Greenwood and attended the Worship Service at the Methodist Church, also the Eagle

Court of Honor for her grandson, Roger York.

Rev. and Mrs. Willis Poole and family of Andover attended the Eagle Court of Honor at the Methodist Church Sunday afternoon. Roger York, one of the boys getting the Eagle Award, is a member of the Andover Presbyterian Church.

Douglas Cornell attended a meeting of the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee in Bath Thursday. They approved applications of farmers for the drought relief corn.

Greenwood Central School News

Open House, the highlight of American Education Week, was held Friday night, November 13, 1964 at Greenwood Central School approximately 116 parents and friends attended.

Students attended a movie while parents visited the classrooms where there were exhibits of the student's work on display.

The American Legion and Auxiliary cooperated with the school by assisting with parking, registering visitors and supervision during the movie. Those members helping were Hayden Cook, Clair Austin, John Hunt, Jennie Downey, Marilyn Austin, Pat Heckman and Bernice Osmin.

The teachers in charge were: Mrs. Virgil Streeter, chairman; Mrs. Anna White and Raymond Duke.

At its monthly meeting last week, the Board of Education of the Greenwood Central School District, voted to support a local request for elimination of a traffic hazard in the center of the village. There have been frequent accidents at the intersection involving runaway trucks. The Board pointed out that there are five school bus routes using the intersection four times a day.

Mrs. Virginia Hunt, District Clerk, who had formerly indicated to the Board the necessity for eliminating from her position informed the Board that she felt that she could continue in the position.

Much discussion centered around the problem of maintaining the master and room clock system which has been giving difficulty for the last three years. Since the clock is over thirty years old and repair parts cannot be obtained, the Board authorized the Principal into an agreement to replace the master unit, said unit to be used with the existing wiring and room clocks.

A leave of absence was granted upon her request to Mrs. Eleanor Lamphier, first grade teacher, effective January 1, 1965. A contract for the services of Mrs. James Merry to replace Mrs. Lamphier for the remainder of the year was approved.

After studying a request from the Greenwood Teacher's Association for payment of salary twice each month instead of monthly as at present, the Board voted to grant the request starting with the fiscal year July 1, 1965.

Approval was given to the employment of Alvin Teribury and Gerald Mullen as substitute or regular school bus drivers as the need may arise.

Yule Decorations, Banners Over State Highways To Be Allowed — PERMITS REQUIRED

Communities will be allowed to install special Christmas decorations, banners or other temporary signs over State highways, provided they meet criteria designed to ensure public safety and to protect the State from liability, it was announced August 31, 1964 by J. Burch McMorran, State Superintendent of Public Works.

Effective Tuesday, September 1, the State Department of Public Works will accept applications from villages and other political sub-divisions for permits allowing such decorations or banners to be installed, within the State highway right-of-way, the Superintendent said.

Earlier this year, the Department requested communities to ban these devices over State highways because of potential hazards and the possibility of claims against the State. This request was sent, primarily, to villages. It did not apply to State routes through cities where the State does not have jurisdiction.

However, communities and local organizations petitioned the State to allow Christmas decorations and other devices, such as banners proclaiming local celebrations to be erected over State highways during the Holidays or for special observances.

At a recent conference of DPW officials in Albany, it was decided to permit installation of the overhead devices provided the communities assume financial liability for any claims and that specific steps are taken to ensure the safety of persons and vehicles passing under the devices.

To make sure these conditions are met, special work permits will be issued by the Department under Section 5 and 52 of the State Highway Law. A \$10 fee will be charged to cover administrative costs to the Department. Applications for permits may be obtained at the nearest State DPW office.

Superintendent McMorran said the rules are aimed at preventing overhead banners or decorations from obscuring traffic signals or signs, and from being detached by passing vehicles or storm.

He noted that drivers in the past, have cited the presence of overhead devices — particularly lighted Christmas decorations — as

a factor in traffic accidents. Decorations or signs which are torn loose or blown down, he added, would injure passersby, or cause traffic mishaps.

Rules established by the Department for the overhead devices include:

1. Permits will be issued only to municipalities or other subdivisions — not to commercial or business interests. The devices must be concerned with civic or municipal activities or observances such as a centennial or other community celebration. Special decorations for Christmas or other holidays will be permitted.

2. Municipalities must furnish adequate liability insurance to protect the taxpayers of the State against any claims arising from any mishaps in which the overhead devices figure.

3. The banners or decorations must not obscure or distract attention from traffic signs, signals or other regulatory devices.

4. A minimum 18 feet of clearance must be provided between the highway and the overhead device so that traffic control devices will not be obscured.

5. The municipalities must submit, with their permit applications, detailed plans for the proposed banners, signs or decorations. The DPW District Engineer then will determine if the device, its anchorage and design meet safety standards. The municipalities also must specify the dates when the overhead devices will be installed and removed.

"In establishing these rules," Superintendent McMorran said, "it is not the Department's intention to 'put a damper' on community celebrations or observances. But we do owe it to the public to see that its safety is ensured, and we owe it to the taxpayers of the entire State to make certain they shall not be penalized because a locality may have been careless in installing an overhead banner or decoration."

"Indeed," he added, "a mishap resulting from such a banner or decoration would do far more to dampen a community's holiday spirit than will the enforcement of sensible safety rules."

"We earnestly solicit the cooperation of all municipalities involved in this endeavor so that their holidays or special celebrations will be unmarred by a preventable mishap."

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