

Local News

Meeting Announced—Melrose PTA will meet Tuesday night, Jan. 23, at 8 o'clock at the school. Members and friends are invited.

Grange To Meet—South Deer Creek Grange will meet at 8:15 o'clock Saturday night, Jan. 20, at the hall. Officers have requested all members to be present. Refreshments will be served.

Go To Portland—Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Henninger and Mrs. A. G. Henninger of Roseburg drove to Portland Wednesday to spend a few days on business.

PEO To Meet Friday—Chapter B1, PEO Sisterhood will meet Friday at 1:15 o'clock dessert-luncheon at the home of Mrs. B. A. Young, 1020 Council street, with Mrs. T. T. Clark, co-hostess.

To Celebrate Anniversary—Roseburg chapter, O.P.S., will celebrate its 55th anniversary at a special program tonight at 8 o'clock at the Masonic temple. Members and visiting members are invited. Refreshments will be served.

Community Club To Meet—The Winston Community club meeting will be this evening at 7:30 at the hall. Members are requested to return reservation cards for the family dinner party scheduled for Jan. 26.

Visitors at Haskins Home—Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Merrifield and three children, of Portland, are visiting for a few days at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Haskins at the Veterans hospital. Mrs. Merrifield is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Haskins.

Meeting Postponed—The meeting of the United Spanish War Veterans, George Starmer camp auxiliary, previously scheduled for Monday evening, Jan. 22, has been postponed until further notice, due to illness of a member.

To Honor Past Masters—Riversdale Grange will honor past masters at 8:15 o'clock Friday night at the hall. Pins will be presented to the guests of honor. Refreshments will be in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Melhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Don Young and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kuck.

On Honor Roll—Jane Wiggen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hjalmer Wiggen, 1740 N. Stephens, Roseburg, is one of 207 students on the honor roll for the fall term at University of Oregon. The roll includes students earning at least a 3.5

Highest Average Temperature For December Noted

Roseburg experienced the highest average December temperature on record in 1950.

Averaging 49.2 degrees, it was the highest average mark for any December in 73 years of Roseburg station record, according to figures released by the local weather bureau.

The figure is computed by averaging the average maximum with the average minimum in a given month. In the case of last December, the average maximum was 54 degrees, ranking fourth highest on record. A record-breaking average minimum of 44.4 combined to boost the total average to a record warmth. Previous high minimum average for a December was 42.7 in 1917.

Three instances of higher average maximum readings were recorded in Decembers of 1917 with 54.4, 1932 with 55.1, and 1939 with 54.4 degrees.

To add zest to the pace-setting, statistics show that only twice during Decembers of the past 20 years has the monthly sunshine percentage been less than the 12 percent recorded last December. The record low was 9 degrees in 1941.

Precipitation figures indicate a .53 inch departure from the normal. Total for the month was 4.81 inches.

Infant Survives Major Operation

Julie Gail Owens, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Truett Owens of Salem, underwent major surgery at Doernbecher hospital in Portland Saturday. Two-month-old Julie weighed two pounds at birth and has been kept in an incubator since that time.

According to a telephone call from her mother, the operation will correct an intestinal disorder and help her to develop normally. Mrs. Owens is the former Norma Porter of Roseburg and Mr. Owens is a brother of Mrs. J. Kearby Masters of Winston. Although the operation was successful, Mr. and Mrs. Owens will not be permitted to take Julie from the hospital until she has gained to eight pounds.

TELLS CLUB OF KOREA

Frank Voit, Red Cross field director who was in Korea in 1949, spoke to members of the Key club of the Roseburg senior high school Monday night. He told of the customs of the Korean people and the geography of the country and showed picture postcards.

grade point average, which represents halfway between A and B average in all graded courses. Miss Wiggen is a sophomore major in art education.

Pfc. Charles D. Haddow Reported In Hospital

PFC Charles D. Haddow of Roseburg is at the Fifth station hospital in Japan or Korea, his mother, Mrs. Eugene Oren of 2002 Mulholland drive reports.

He must be in fair condition, she says, because he is able to write letters. She does not know the extent of his injuries. The Red Cross is checking for this information.

Twenty-one-year-old Haddow writes that he was with the X corps, which was evacuated from the Korean escape port of Hungnam.

He enlisted three years ago, spent 18 months in Japan before the Korean outbreak, and was home on furlough last September before leaving for Korea.

Haddow's address is: Fifth station hospital, APO 994, In Care Of the P.M., Pier of San Francisco, Calif.

Umpqua Dredging Permit Requested

Application has been made to the Department of the Army by O. H. Hindsdale, Reedsport, for a permit to dredge in the Umpqua river on the south side of Hixon island, 280 feet westerly from the Southern Pacific company right-of-way.

Purpose of the dredging is to provide a channel through the island into Smith river slough westerly from the railway. Material will be removed to mean lower water and no work will be done channelward from the mean lower water line on either shore of the island. All material removed will be deposited landward from the high water line on Hixon island.

Maps and plans for the work are on file and may be seen in the office of the corps of engineers, U. S. Army, 626 Pittock block, Portland 5.

Letters expressing views concerning the effect of the work on navigation are requested from all interested parties, particularly navigation interests and state and local authorities. Replies, to receive consideration, should be received in the engineers office not later than Feb. 2, 1951, announced T. W. Ragdale, chief, operations and construction division.

Allen Christie Assigned To 6th Infantry Division

Allen D. Christie, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Christie of Oakland, Ore., who was inducted as a member of the enlisted reserve corps, has been assigned to Co. D, First infantry regiment, Sixth infantry division at Fort Ord, Calif.

Christie was employed as a shop foreman prior to entering the service. He attended Lincoln high school in Tacoma, Wash.

Wife Must Be Married, Ruling Of Magistrates

BIRMINGHAM, Eng. — A panel of magistrates, after two weeks of thoughtful study ruled that a wife must be married.

Sydney Eyre, a railway worker, was accused of getting reduced fare tickets for a woman by falsely saying she was his wife. He admitted he wasn't married to her, but said she is his housekeeper and is the mother of his three children.

Dictionaries define "wife" as a woman united in lawful wedlock. But the defense contended that other definitions call her "housekeeper" without mentioning wedlock, and that the word really comes from the Anglo-Saxon "wif" meaning, simply, lady.

Umpqua Forest Third In Region Timber Cutting

Timber cutting on the national forests of Oregon and Washington set a new record in 1950, according to the U. S. forest service. The 1,884,740,000 board feet cut in the Pacific Northwest region last year exceeded any previous year and was 38 percent over the 1949 cut.

The Umpqua national forest, with headquarters at Roseburg, ranked third in the region's 1950 cut, preceded by the Willamette forest, Eugene, in first place, and Olympic forest, Olympia, Wash., second. Mt. Baker, Bellingham, Wash.; Mt. Hood, Portland; and Fremont, Lakeview, followed in order. In value of cut the Willamette was first, followed by the Fremont, Olympic, Umpqua, Mt. Baker and Mt. Hood.

Value of the total cut rose from \$13,547,835 in 1949 to \$19,531,829 last year. Average value per thousand was up only slightly for 1950 in spite of present high stumpage prices. Much of the timber cut in 1950 had been sold in previous years for 1950 cutting.

Demand for national forest timber continues heavy in the Northwest, according to H. J. Andrews, regional forester. He reports that the service is experiencing spirited bidding in auction sales on nearly all of the 19 national forests in the region.

"Lack of access roads still is the chief reason why the cut on our forests is not greater," Andrews said.

"Our estimates show that approximately 2½ billion board feet could be cut from the national forests in Oregon and Washington under sustained yield management if remote areas were opened by roads. Some means will have to be found for getting these roads built soon if our public forests are to make their rightful contribution to the present defense effort," he continued.

Roseburg Youth Draws Assignment To Infantry

Tommy H. Kimbrell, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard B. Kimbrell of 2115 Todd, Roseburg, who was recently inducted as a member of the enlisted reserve corps, has been assigned to Co. D, First infantry regiment, Sixth infantry division at Fort Ord, Calif.

Prior to entering the armed services, Kimbrell was employed as an electrician. He was active in basketball and track while in school.

State Hospital Employee Faces Charge Of Assault

SALEM — An elderly state hospital attendant, Roy Tillitt, faces charges of assault and battery on three patients at the hospital.

But Dr. C. E. Bates, superintendent of the hospital, said the accusations "are nothing but trickery." The trouble was stirred up by a political action committee. Tillitt was arraigned in district court on the three charges, and was released on \$250 bail. District Attorney E. O. Sudler said the complaints against Tillitt were made by a former patient at the hospital.

Dr. Bates said the patient who complained had escaped from the hospital, and hadn't been cured.

McFARLAND AT FT. ORD
Kenneth Lewis McFarland, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie McFarland of 2515 Harvard avenue, Roseburg, who was inducted as a member of the enlisted reserve corps, has been assigned to Company D, First infantry regiment, Sixth infantry division at Fort Ord, Calif. Prior to entering the armed forces, McFarland attended Roseburg high school.

CAKE SALES HELD
A cake sale, sponsored by members of the Girls league of the senior high school, is held each Friday noon in the front hall of the school. Funds from the sales are contributed towards the Girls league treasury and members who donate cakes or assist at the sales earn points toward their Girls league pins.

TRANSLATOR WANTED
A local American family has received a letter from Japan, written in Japanese. They have requested the local Red Cross office to locate a Japanese translator. Anyone able to read Japanese is asked to phone Mrs. R. E. Herman at 832.

Benefit Party Stated For March Of Dimes

A benefit party to raise money to contribute to the March of Dimes program is being planned by members of the Riversdale Grange Home Economics club. The party will be held Monday, Jan. 29, at the Grange hall beginning at 8 o'clock. Refreshments will be sold during the evening. The public is invited to attend.

Anti-Polio Drive Begun At Riddle

Riddle's polio campaign is in full swing.

While plans are progressing for an old-fashioned box social and card party Jan. 29, the community committee is also busy with other arrangements.

Miniature iron lung coin containers have been placed in business houses, post office and theater. Payroll sheets have been distributed to mills. Nearly 400 school cards have been put in the hands of students.

The work is directed by a committee headed by Mrs. Milton Clay, assisted by Mrs. Leonard Baxter and Mrs. Vee Hall. The fund-raising goal has been set at \$600.

The box social and card party will be sponsored by the Riddle Grange and will be held in the Guild hall Jan. 29. Mrs. Ralph Paddock heads the committee in charge.

The Rev. Frank Drew of Dillard, who suffered an attack of polio last August, is to speak before the Riddle P.T.A. and Grange in behalf of the campaign.

Reserve Firemen Needed For Civilian Defense

Reserve firemen are being called by the Roseburg fire department to aid in civilian defense, announced Fire Chief William E. Mills.

Applications are being taken by any firemen at the station at the city hall for reserve firemen to aid the present department, in national, state or local emergencies, said Mills.

Any men between 35 and 55 years of age are asked to come in and sign up. They should live within the immediate vicinity of Roseburg. Those meeting this requirement and who are interested in taking an extensive firemen's training course are asked to apply.

Vacancies in the present department will be filled by these trained reserves, Mills said.

Court Rules For Farmers On Fumes-Damaged Crops

PORTLAND — Substantial payments should be made by Reynolds Metals Corp., Inc. to Oregon farmers whose crops were damaged by aluminum plant fumes. That was the ruling of Federal Judge James Alger Fee in suits brought by more than 10 Oregon farmers seeking damages of \$3,630,000.

Judge Fee instructed the farmers to prepare detailed accounts of losses claimed.

Washington claimants were denied recovery on the ground that the court had no jurisdiction to rule on their claim of trespass. But he suggested they might use "nuisance" as a basis for legal action.

Fee's decision said the evidence showed that the company's Troutdale, Ore., plant discharged solids and fumes containing compounds of fluorine that damaged citrus trees and crops and gladioli bulbs.

Oregon-California Swap Of Power Plan Initiated

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Interior Chapman has cleared the way for the Pacific Northwest to swap surplus power with California.

Chapman authorized the reclamation bureau to build a 120-mile 230,000 kilovolt transmission line from Shasta dam in northern California to the Klamath Falls, Ore., area when funds are available.

He also authorized the Bonneville Power administration to build facilities at its Klamath Falls substation to handle extra amounts of power.

Chapman described the proposed interconnection as "a means of providing additional electric power urgently needed for the defense production program."

Chapman said funds must first be provided by Congress. After that it will take about two years to construct the connecting line, estimated to cost \$8,250,000.

Sanitary District Plan Up To Study By Committee

Whether the area west of Roseburg and west of the North Roseburg Sanitary district should form its own sanitary district and construct a sewage disposal plant, or annex to the North Roseburg district, was the question discussed at a meeting of interested residents with sanitary authorities Tuesday night. The meeting was held in the courthouse.

A report on a preliminary survey by Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, consulting engineers of Corvallis, was made by John Anderson and Ralph Rederick, resident engineers.

According to a rough estimate, the cost of either plan would be about the same in the long run. While it would probably be a little less expensive at the present time to annex to the North Roseburg district and use its disposal plant, the new area is growing so rapidly it is only a matter of time until a separate district with a disposal plant further down the river might be practical, it was brought out.

A committee, with Bill Neighbors as chairman, was appointed to study the plans to determine which would be the most feasible for the area at the present time, and to fix boundaries for the district to be formed or annexed. Others on the committee are A. A. St. Onge, vice-chairman; W. B. Beaznaga, secretary; Albert McClell, Dr. E. W. Carter, Cecil Pugh, N. T. Reber, Leo Rhinehart and LaVerne Miller, county assistant sanitarian.

County Sanitarian Claud Baker presided. Other speakers were Ted Gerow, Oregon State Board of Health sanitary authority; C. V. Landis and Don Lloyd of the North Roseburg district.

The meeting was thrown open to question and answers. The general expression was favorable to sewer installation, according to Miller.

ACCIDENTS NOTED

Chief of Police Calvin Baird reported two auto accidents.

Ernest N. Tuel, Route 3, box 1440, Roseburg, collided with a Southern Pacific switch engine Wednesday. Baird said. He said Tuel said he did not see the railroad signal until the engine was on the Oak street crossing. Baird said the auto's front fender and side were damaged in the mishap.

E. A. Dotson, Roseburg, driving his automobile across the Deer Creek bridge Thursday morning, skidded into the log curbing, Baird reported. Baird said the bridge was covered with thin layer of ice at the time of the accident.

Resumption Of Practice Set By Choral Society

Roseburg Choral society will resume practices Monday Jan. 22, at 7:30 p.m., at the junior high school auditorium.

Former members and any other persons desiring to participate are invited to be on hand. Only a minimum amount of singing ability is required, it is announced. The personnel will pick its own songs to be sung for the spring concert, a date for which will be announced later. C. A. Ricketts will direct.

Harry A. Taylor Claimed By Death

Harry Alonzo Taylor, 72, Spanish American war veteran, died early today at the Roseburg Veterans hospital after a lingering illness. He was born Nov. 1, 1878 in Wells, Minn. Married to Emma Oelkerling in Enid, Okla., on Oct. 17, 1901; he left Oklahoma in 1926, moving to California for six years and then coming to Roseburg in 1932 to make his home.

He was a retired merchant of a lumber and hardware business in Roseburg and a member of the First Methodist church; the Spanish American War veterans; the Philatelic lodge No. 8, I.O.O.F.; the George Starmer camp No. 19; the Encampment of Odd Fellows and the Rebekah lodge.

Surviving are his wife, Emma, Roseburg; two sons, Harold A. Taylor, Walnut Creek, Calif., and Arthur L. Taylor, Vallejo, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. Charles H. Zickefoose, Richmond, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Fordyce, Johnson City, Tenn.; Mrs. Mabel McClain, Paris, Texas; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in The Chapel of The Roses, Roseburg funeral home, Saturday, Jan. 20, at 2 p. m. with the Rev. Walter MacArthur officiating. Interment will follow in the Veterans cemetery under the auspices of the Odd Fellows Lodge No. 8 of Roseburg.

SHIPYARD MACHINISTS' STRIKE SPREAD LOOMS

TACOMA — A strike of AFL machinists employed in Seattle shipyards may spread to Tacoma next week.

J. F. Fairbanks, business agent of the AFL machinists union local 297, said about 60 men employed at seven boat-building yards and two ship repair plants will leave their jobs Monday unless demands for a 19-cent hourly wage increase are met.

The Seattle shipyard strike began Dec. 7, when approximately 500 machinists left their jobs.

J. H. Bond's New Wildlife Picture To Be Shown Here

James H. Bond's newest wildlife picture, "Life In The Wilderness," is to be shown in Roseburg Jan. 28, 30 and 31. Arrangements for the show, which will be presented in the junior high school auditorium, are in charge of the Roseburg Rod and Gun club.

This will be Bond's third appearance in Roseburg with pictures taken in Yukon territory.

On his first trip into the remote region, just below the Arctic circle four years ago, Bond stayed longer than he had planned, making pictures and studying big game for the territorial fish and game commission. Because his pack string could not carry out supplies and trophies over thawing muskeg, Bond and one of his two guides travelled hundreds of miles in a crudely constructed boat built from tree roots and green caribou hides.

While visiting his brother, Theo Bond, in Roseburg, he was prevailed upon to show his picture to a Roseburg audience. The reception was so enthusiastic that Bond abandoned his plan to sell the film and, instead, took it on tour in the interest of wildlife conservation. Subsequently he received invitations to present his show from coast to coast.

He returned to the Yukon a year later to make a second film, which again attracted widespread interest.

His third trip into the region was made last summer and his latest picture, with experience gained from two previous shows, is said to be his best production.

Bond now is covering the entire state of Oregon presenting his show in all major towns under joint sponsorship of the Oregon Wildlife Federation and Oregon Division of Isak Walton League and affiliated clubs and chapters.

FOSTER ASSIGNED

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Prior to entering the armed forces, William was employed as a logger in the Roseburg area. He was graduated from a Portland high school.

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