

Local News

Returns Here — Congressman Harris Ellsworth has returned to Roseburg, following a business trip to Portland.

Working in Sun Valley — Norman Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Moore of Roseburg, has gone to Sun Valley, Idaho, to work for the season.

Back From Portland — Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. (Dick) DeBernardi are back at their homes in Roseburg, following a few days in Portland attending to business.

Arrive From Medford — Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gibbons and daughters, Virginia and Jeanne, have moved to Roseburg to make their home. Mr. Gibbons is with the Family Finance corporation at 211 West Washington street. They have purchased a home on the Garden Valley road.

At King Home — Harold King Jr., who has been stationed in Nome, Alaska, with the air force, is home on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold King Sr., until Dec. 20, when he will leave for Massachusetts for special training. Harold Jr. was graduated from Roseburg Senior high school. His father is with the Veterans hospital in Roseburg.

Home From College — Frank Olson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Olson of Roseburg, came home to Roseburg from Oregon State college in Corvallis Friday evening. He will spend the weekend here visiting his parents and friends.

Tornado Velocity Winds Whip Middle Tennessee

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (AP) — Winds of near tornado velocity and heavy rains lashed middle Tennessee late yesterday, causing one person dead and causing damage estimated at nearly \$500,000.

Charles V. Talley, 20, of Centerville, a passenger in a pickup truck, was killed when the truck and an automobile collided during a blinding rainstorm.

Backs To Be Well Padded This Year

A well known designer yesterday went on record with the statement that backs, this coming year, are going to be well padded. The purpose of the padding is to create a sort of "come-hither," relaxing effect.

Designer Wolf of the Expert Furniture Cleaners and Upholsterers directly behind Richie's Root Beer Drive-in on highway 99 north, will do the padding of these backs of upholstered chairs personally. His claim is that if you would like to have in your home the most attractive easy chair or divan that you ever dreamed of owning, it's yours, and at a fraction of the normal cost. Just call 3-3191, and your sofa or chair will be picked up, stripped down, and tailored from the frame on up into any style you wish. It's an ad.

Burke Succeeds Rogers As RHS Student Prexy

Tom Burke Friday was elevated from junior vice-president to president of the Roseburg Senior high school student body. Burke replaces Howard "Spud" Rogers, who passed his military examination and obtained a "certificate of equivalency" which is the equivalent of a high school diploma. Rogers is an ex-service man and older than most seniors. He had returned to high school to complete his preparatory work making him eligible to enter college.

A student body election will be held soon to fill the junior vice-president's position as well as that of assistant treasurer and to vote on changes in the constitution.

Little River Road Will Be Repaired This Week

Road improvement work was started today on a settled spot on the Little River road one-half mile above Little River bridge, the county court said.

The road was settled at that point due to recent rainfall. Work was expected to continue Sunday. The road will be closed during the repair work.

Boy's Winnings On Bets Go Into Defense Bonds

DETROIT — (AP) — A little boy who won more than \$2,000 betting on horses is to have his winnings converted to more stable assets—defense bonds.

Probate Judge William J. Cody ordered that disposition of the \$2,805 that 11-year-old Duane Hunter won at the Detroit race track with his father.

The judge's ruling followed a hearing on a petition from the boy's mother, Mrs. Mona Belle Hunter, that she be named guardian of the money. She also asked that her former husband, Clayton B. Hunter, be denied access to the winnings. Duane lives with his mother.

In the course of testimony, Duane gave some sage advice on his system. He told the judge: "On days you lose you don't bet much."

So, Duane added, while he didn't always win, he never lost much. His father, with whom the boy gained entry to the track last summer, said Duane didn't personally choose the winners.

"I'm friendly with some trainers and jockeys and they used to give me tips," said Hunter, who is an advertising artist.

"I furnished the money and decided the best we would make. He brought me good luck and we won."

The winnings, Hunter said, were deposited in a joint bank account toward Duane's education.

French Premier Urges Pool Plan Acceptance

PARIS — (AP) — Premier Rene Pleven pegged the life of his government today on a vote of confidence over the Schuman plan to pool the coal and steel industries of six European countries.

Pleven is urging immediate ratification of the plan, but a determined group of deputies in the French assembly wants to leave it in cold storage for another four months.

The premier conferred before dawn with President Vincent Auriol, summoned from his country residence, then told the assembly he would submit a formal confidence vote.



YOU CAN'T BEAT HOME COOKING—Leonard Hankins tries some home cooking after his return to his Dawson Springs, Ky., home after serving 19 years in a Minnesota prison. Hankins served the prison term on charges of murder but was pardoned recently after witnesses testified he was at a barbershop when killing occurred during a bank robbery. Mrs. Della Lowrey (left), his sister, convinced of her brother's innocence, spent years in a successful effort to free him. Here she plies him with chicken and all the trimmings. (AP WIREPHOTO)



MEET THE CHAMP—Framed by assorted cuts of meat, James Barry, senior at the University of Missouri, celebrates his winning of the meat-judging contest at the international livestock show in Chicago. Barry scored 932 out of a possible 1040 points, trimming his nearest opponent, Robert Kreiter of Iowa State College, by three points.



CONTEST BRINGS CAREER—Peggy Barrett, 21 (left), who had "never sung at all until two years ago," landed a job as vocalist with band leader Buddy Morrow (right) after winning contest on television program. Morrow complains TV is depleting the ranks of band vocalists. Peggy thinks she can earn more with a band.

Access Road Extension Foreseen At Meeting

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tween the summits of the Coast and Cascade ranges, Canyonville on the south and Oakland on the north, containing approximately 73 percent of the county's population, is economically dependent upon the allowable timber cut from the Umpqua National forest. He quotes figures on timber volume and ownership, showing that more than 70 percent of the timber volume within the basin is federally owned. He also had statistics on losses from failure to cut timber up to allowable capacity during the past four years, showing that these losses, without counting tax returns from operators and workers, would have been twice as much as expended on the road to date and almost as much as the \$6,700,000 estimate as needed to complete it.

The congressman called attention to the fact that much money has been allocated to the North and South Santiam, McKenzie, Willamette and other highways, while the North Umpqua road was left "neglected and underfed." Because the Umpqua forest was not being tapped by the timber industry at that time, he said, the application of money to other roads, more immediately needed, could not be criticized. Now that a sudden change has been made in the status of the Umpqua forest, and removal of its full allowable cut is essential to proper timber management, "much greater consideration is deserved," he insisted.

Funds Limiting Factor

The engineers explained that road construction is limited by the funds available; that the fact that projects have been "authorized" does not mean that money has been "appropriated." Contracts cannot be let, they said, until the money is actually at hand.

They reported that the road has been built from Roseburg to Lone Rock and that contracts will be let in the near future to grade the route from Lone Rock to Rock Creek. Money for the bridge at Lone Rock will be earmarked as soon as available. Classified as a forest highway from Rock Creek east, the road receives money from federal sources, it was stated. Contracts soon to be let will complete grading and subsurfacing to Steamboat. Approximately \$700,000 will be needed to pave the road, but it is expected surfacing will start in the near future.

Engineer Baldock said the highway commission had not been "approached for consideration of the road beyond Steamboat."

This statement was challenged by County Commissioner Lynn Beckley who said that preliminary surveys had been made beyond Steamboat, that a forest road actually had been built and that "certainly the highway commission could not be ignorant of the fact that the road was being projected through the mountains."

Tribute Paid Masters

In that connection, Senator Guy Cordon called attention to the pioneering by the late A. C. Masters, father of the North Umpqua road, who, "with a toothbrush in his pocket and fire in his eyes," led the fight for recognition and early construction of the North Umpqua route.

The senator urged that the local community press harder for the project on the theory that "the squeaky wheel gets the grease." Senator Cordon was not optimistic that larger appropriations can be made for forest highways. "We already are approaching the point of diminishing returns in our tax demands," he said. He pointed out, however, that the "economic necessity for the road justifies diversion of available money from less essential projects. The sudden change in conditions in this area has created an emergency indicating need for reappraisal."

Congressman Ellsworth also touched on the defense status of the North Umpqua route, pointing out that another east-west crossing through the Cascades between the Willamette and Green Springs highways is of military importance. Engineer Frankland directed attention to the fact that much money has been diverted to the route since its importance was recognized.

At the time the road was started, he said, "no one would have expected that it would be use for

log hauling." At that time all logs were moved by railroad if they were to be transported any considerable distance. It has been only in recent years that truck hauling for any appreciable distance has been feasible and within that short period a great demand for access road expenditures has been created, he explained.

County Congratulated

The regional highway engineer of the Forest service said that extension of the road beyond Steamboat, at least to Big Camas, "is essential to properly market timber from the Umpqua forest." He also warned that "Douglas county already is overcutting its timber supply and should start retrenching." He added that "the county is to be congratulated that at least one-half its timber supply is to be managed under sustained yield so the industry can never be completely cut out."

Representative Ellsworth joined in expressing the importance of this position but said that if operators are forced to cut off the private timber supply before access is opened to federal timber, "the federal government will have a monopoly and I do not believe in monopolies."

Douglas McCann of the Fir Manufacturing company, warned that at the rate private timber is being cut, completion of the North Umpqua road at the earliest possible date is essential. "We can't wait ten years," he said. "Time is of the greatest importance." Supporting industries will enter the field while the supply is ample, but will be hesitant if the supply becomes limited, he added.

Superiority Held By U. S. Planes

CHICAGO — (AP) — The U. S. air force still holds air superiority in Korea, says Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, air force chief of staff, "but this is not to say that the air situation is without danger."

"The so-called Chinese air force, equipped with swarms of MIG-15's constitutes a formidable challenge," Vandenberg told the executives club of Chicago yesterday. Vandenberg said the MIG-15 has appeared in great enough numbers in Korea "to convince even the most skeptical that Soviet Russia has solved many of the problems connected with the production of jet aircraft."

"If the Communist enemy should decide against ending the Korean war, if he should undertake to throw his already considerable air resources into an all-out struggle for air supremacy, we would almost certainly be in for a bitter and costly struggle."

The air force chief said the United States already has "drawn heavily upon our ready capital of air power to sustain our present advantage in Korea."

Wife Of Court Justice Passes In Virginia

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Mrs. Hugo Black, wife of the associate justice of the supreme court, died yesterday after a brief illness. She was 51.

The former Josephine Foster, Mrs. Black died at the family residence in nearby Alexandria, Va. The cause of death was not given. Mrs. Black was born in Memphis, Tenn., and later lived in Birmingham, Ala. Besides her husband, whom she married Feb. 23, 1921, she is survived by two sons, Hugo Black Jr., and Sterling Black, and a daughter, Martha Josephine. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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Clark Gable Escapes Unhurt From Crash

TUCSON, Ariz. — (AP) — Clark Gable, driving alone in his big convertible, escaped unhurt when his car was demolished in an accident near here last night. The Arizona highway patrol said Gable's car skidded as he was passing a tractor and trailer, side-swiped an oncoming auto driven by Mrs. Mary Lemm, 43, Rillito, Ariz., and crashed into the tractor and trailer.

The patrol said a fourth motorist, Lt. Vincent P. Anderson Jr., of Marana, Ariz., drove into a ditch at the side of the road to avoid piling into the wreck.

None of the persons involved was injured and no citations were issued. The patrol estimated damage to Mrs. Lemm's car at \$400, to Anderson's at \$200 and to the truck and trailer at \$5.

Contract Passer Arrested By FBI

NEW YORK — (AP) — A 32-year-old woman employee of the army ordnance corps inspection branch has been arrested by the FBI for allegedly trying to "shake down" a trucking company handling army contracts.

The woman, Miss Beatrice Taplin, was arrested in a downtown restaurant yesterday as she sat with her accuser, Kirby Hummel, chief manager of the Continental Transportation Lines, Inc., of New York.

Hummel had complained to the FBI that Miss Taplin sought bribes from his firm for passing government contracts to it. He said she accepted \$100 in \$20 bills from him.

Miss Taplin is chief of the administrative section of the AOC inspection branch. The FBI said she was an employee of the internal revenue bureau at Kansas City from 1943 through 1948 before she entered army employ.

Detective's Death Remains Mystery

CULVER CITY, Calif. — (AP) — Police were still looking for a motive today behind the fatal dragging of Shirley Kilvin, beautiful operative for a private detective.

The coroner's autopsy report yesterday said the 24-year-old divorcee died from a lethal dose of barbiturates, probably second. But what investigators don't know is: was it suicide, or murder?

"If it was suicide, we cannot find a motive," declared police chief Oliver B. Olsen. "However, in our investigation, we have learned of at least three persons who might have wanted to kill her."

"We are continuing to investigate her death as a possible murder."

Olsen said the inquiry is being centered on a search for somebody who might have slipped Mrs. Kilvin the death potion during a "lost half hour" last Monday evening, just before she collapsed in a coma and died.

Search Being Conducted For Survivors Of Crash

LISBON, Portugal — (AP) — Searchers in planes and boats ranged the Atlantic near the Azores today in an almost hopeless hunt for survivors among 16 men aboard a B-29 Superfortress which plunged into the ocean.

The big American bomber crashed Thursday night, only five minutes after it took off from Lajes field, a U. S. military air TRANSPORT FIELD IN THE Azores hours later the wreckage was found and a Portuguese air force rescue boat picked up one body.

The plane was part of a squadron of the 22nd bomb wing. It had been on a training mission to England and was enroute, via the Azores, to MacDill field, Fla., to its home base at March field, Calif.

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