

Melting Wax Starts Fire

By NETTIE WOODRUFF

A fire resulting from melting wax broke out at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Aremser at their home on Doerner Road at Melrose Tuesday evening, causing a great deal of excitement. It was finally put out by the family, but considerable smoke damage was done to the rooms.

Mrs. Stephens Improves
Mrs. Lavina Stephens, mother of Mrs. Carlson Chitwood, is recovering in a Fresno, Calif., hospital from a fractured leg and other bruises and cuts suffered in an automobile accident recently. She visited for several days in Melrose with her daughter and family, and had returned to her home in Fresno only the day before the accident happened.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Helliwell of Kirby and Earnest Helliwell of Yoncalla were visitors recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kruse were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Bailey at Sutherland Saturday evening.

Victim Better

Floyd Finn and Roy and Yale Parrish made a trip to Portland Wednesday to visit the latter's brother, Bunker, who has been in the hospital there for several months receiving medical treatment following a road accident last fall. They report that he is not conscious yet but is improved and will be taken out of the critical ward.

Sam Anderson and Roger Reese returned to College at Corvallis Sunday after spending the weekend at their homes in Melrose.

Republican T-H Plans Bring Democratic Cries

WASHINGTON (AP)—Republican plans to speed consideration of President Eisenhower's proposals for revising the Taft-Hartley labor law today drew Democratic cries of "dictatorial and steamroller tactics."

The Republican majority of the Senate Labor Committee, headed by Chairman H. Alexander Smith of New Jersey, moved to dispense with hearings and to bring the Eisenhower program to an early vote in the committee.

Smith, who introduced legislation to carry out the 14-point program right after it reached Capitol Hill yesterday, said lengthy hearings last year fully covered the issues involved.

But committee Democrats led by Sen. Murray of Montana, charged Republican speed-up strategy amounted to "dictatorial and steamroller tactics."

Murray, senior Democrat on the committee, said in an interview that Secretary of Labor Mitchell should be called to explain the recommendations. If the Republicans refuse to do this, Murray contended, it would mean "they are trying to ram this down our throats."

Murray also demanded that top management and labor officials be invited to discuss the proposals in public session.

Funeral Services Dated For Myrtle Creek Child

Graveside funeral services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bulmer, Myrtle Creek, will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the IOOF cemetery, Myrtle Creek. Rev. Wayne Brown of the Methodist Church will officiate. Gank Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Besides the parents, the infant is survived by two sisters, Penny Kay and Vicki Lynn; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross C. Maddox of Myrtle Creek, and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John K. Bulmer of San Bernardino, Calif.

Douglas Schoolmasters Set Wednesday Meeting

The Douglas County Schoolmasters Assn. will meet in Myrtle Creek's school cafeteria Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., reports Correspondent Ruth M. Evans.

The major speaker will be Edwin Ingles of Pacific University. His subject will be "Good Citizenship."

A chicken dinner will be served.

Southern Oregon Snow Cover Below Average

Below average snow cover exists for this time of the year in the Rogue, Umpqua and Klamath basins, observations by a cooperative snow survey team of the U.S. Soil Conservation Service and the U. S. Weather Bureau reveal.

The outlook for the April-September streamflow in the North Umpqua and Rogue rivers is favorable however, assuming normal winter conditions prevail. Representative forecasts of full water-year flow include: North Umpqua below Lake Creek, 362,000 acre feet, or 117 per cent of normal, the survey team says.

In the three basins, above average precipitation during the September-October-November period was followed by below average December precipitation. Fall precipitation varied from 125 per cent of average in the Klamath Basin to near average in the Umpqua Basin. December precipitation averaged generally between 75 and 85 per cent.

The Jan. 1 snow water equivalent was 70 per cent of the 1942-51 average in the Umpqua and Upper Klamath Basin.

Reservoir storage is generally at an all-time high for this date, with Fourmile Lake reported to be spilling. Usable storage at Hyatt Lake reservoir, near Ashland, is 11,200 acre feet, and at Upper Klamath Lake, 407,800 acre feet.

The report was issued by W. T. Frost, Medford, U. S. Soil Conservation Service, and R. D. Church, Medford, head of the U.S. Weather Bureau there.

Post Office Receipts Set Record Again

Total receipts of the Roseburg Post Office for 1953 were more than 5 percent over 1952, capping an amazing 10-year growth, according to Acting Postmaster Clyde Carstens.

Postal receipts for 1953 were \$238,878.47, an increase of \$11,422.85 over 1952.

The December postal receipts, which is the largest month of the year due to the Christmas business, was \$39,136.06, or an increase of \$4,552.47 over 1952. Carstens said. Money orders issued for the year amounted to \$1,366,419 practically the same as the figure for 1952. Postal savings deposits, which reached a total of \$750,000 during World War II, have declined to \$440,000.

Carstens pointed out that the receipts at the post office have quadrupled since 1943, when they were \$61,200. He said that the increase is almost entirely due to the advent of the lumber industry in the area.

Clerical personnel has increased from seven to 23 in the past 10 years. Carriers increased from 6 to 16.

One of the major problems inherent in the rapid expansion of the city has been the city delivery service. With the numerous subdivisions of property and residential construction in the city and suburban areas, it has been necessary to make constant readjustments of carrier routes and addition of new routes to relieve overburdened routes.

Carstens said the same has been true on rural routes. It has been necessary from time to time to transfer hundreds of boxes from rural delivery to city mounted routes. The city delivery system operates as far as five miles from the post office.

Mothers March Formed Countywide First Time

For the first time, the Mothers March on polio is organized on a countywide basis this year.

In the past two years, the Mothers March has been conducted largely in Roseburg and has been a thumping success. This year, Douglas County Drive Chairman Dr. Verner Anderson called the sponsoring Jay-C-Ettes to expand their operations.

Cochairmen Mrs. Kenneth Garber and Mrs. Ernie Barker Jr. went into action immediately and report the county as well organized as in any similar operation before. Almost every community has been mobilized for the Jan. 28 effort.

Meanwhile, Roseburg co-chairmen Mrs. Garey and Mrs. Wallis Cole report their local area is completely staffed and ready for action.



MOTHERS MARCHERS ORGANIZE—Eight communities are represented in this picture of women who will participate in the Mothers March On Polio late this month in a phase of the March of Dimes. They turned out this week in Roseburg to consolidate their organization. From left to right, they are: Back row, Jean Smith, Sutherland; Georgie McFall, Dillard, Rhoda Rychard, Yoncalla; Ruth Edwards, Oakland; Elsie Scott, Drain; Front row Mary Ellen Dawson, Winston; Lucille Hazelton, Canyonville; Regina Lowell, Myrtle Creek; Shirley Calhoun, Tri-City; and Esther Little, Oakland. (Paul Jenkins Picture)



FOR SHRINE HOSPITAL—Loran O'Neal, representing the Roseburg Shrine Club, is shown above, left, giving Les Taylor, illustrious potentate of the Hillah Temple Shrine a check of \$1,000. These proceeds from the September Shrine Circus in Roseburg raised the local Shrine Club's donations to the Portland Shrine Hospital to \$2,000 within a year. The presentation was made at the meeting of Hillah Temple in Ashland last weekend. Some 40 Roseburg men attended.

Lodge Hall Floor Collapses, 85 Members Escape Injury

OTTUMWA, Iowa (AP)—An estimated 85 men escaped death when the second floor of the Masonic Hall at the nearby hamlet of Abingdon collapsed Monday night.

The men and furnishings, including a heavy piano and a red hot coal stove, slid more than 20 feet to the ground floor in a scene of fantastic disorder.

Sixteen persons were taken to hospitals at Fairfield and Ottumwa but only three were hurt seriously. The others were treated and released.

Dee Leedom, an Ottumwa fireman present at the meeting, said: "There was no warning. Just as the lodge closed and most of the people in the room got up, the floor collapsed in the center."

Leedom said the floor split lengthwise. Both sections fell to the bottom, leaving in such a manner as to dump the people and contents of the upstairs room into a trench about three feet wide at the bottom.

REDS WRITE HISTORY

LONDON (AP)—Moscow radio says a team of 200 Soviet historians is working on a 10-volume history of the world.

Pine Grove Plans Future Expansion

By JEAN RADCLIFFE

The Pine Grove Sunday School at Dixonville plans to build on an addition to their present building, to provide badly needed classrooms.

The present one-room building has been taking care of near capacity crowds of almost 100 nearly every Sunday and has proved inadequate. All interested persons are invited to attend a meeting at the Sunday School Jan. 20, at 7:30 to discuss the project and the ways and means of raising the necessary funds for construction. Any one unable to attend the meeting is requested to contact one of the following persons for information: Mrs. Cora Collins, Edward Smith, S. W. VanVorst, Neil Hart, or Clifford Broadwater.

Schools Discussed
Byron Evans, superintendent of District 12, discussed the necessity of additional school rooms at Glide to house the overflow of children of both the Deer Creek School and Glide at a meeting of the Deer Creek Community Club last Friday.

The crowded school room condition will necessitate the transferring of the 8th grade children of Deer Creek to Glide, and possibly the 7th grade at the beginning of the new fall term.

A program was presented at the close of the business meeting, which consisted of many musical numbers. Mrs. Donna Herbert opened the program with two solos. Mrs. Herbert is the wife of the 5th and 6th grade instructor. Mrs. Marcelline McCormack gave a reading; Trombone solos were played by Albert Radcliffe and Edward Smith; Don Price sang two numbers; Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Thompson played an accordion and piano duet and community singing followed. Refreshments were served by mothers in Mrs. Dellard's room.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Andrews and children of Roseburg were Sunday evening guests in the Jerry Tust home.

Those reported ill last week are Poy Hatfield, of South Deer Creek Road, who has been ill with the flu, and Mrs. Freta Karcher, another flu victim. Ray Karcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Karcher, is confined to his home with the mumps.

Make Mao Fail In China, Advice Of Congressman

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Judd (R-Minn.) contends that, far from supporting the seating of Mao Tse-tung's Communist Chinese government in the United Nations, the United States should concentrate on making him fail in China.

"Mao conceivably might pull away from the Kremlin, is through following its guidance he began to fail—and the first aim of our foreign policy in Asia should be directed toward that end," Judd declared in a "opprobriated article" written for the magazine U. S. News & World Report.

Judd struck out against what he called "the myth" that "if we will just be nice enough to the Chinese Communists, we can detach from them the Russian Communists... or we can make a Tito out of Mao Tse-tung." The congressman, a former medical missionary in China, argued:

"There is no evidence that Mao Tse-tung would be a Tito if he could. He is as loyal a satellite as the Kremlin has ever had."

Ex-Republican To Oppose Knight

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Richard Graves, who was a registered Republican until last month, has declared himself a Democratic candidate for governor and accused GOP Gov. Goodwin Knight of "masquerading as a liberal."

Graves, 47, announced his candidacy Monday night in a statement saying: "California deserves better than an administration whose leader, Goodwin Knight, is committed by his own record to the undoing of every progressive step taken in the state in the last 20 years."

Graves, born in Philadelphia and reared in California's San Joaquin Valley, long has headed the League of California Cities.

Berkley Mayor Laurence L. Cross, also has announced for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination.

Graves registered as a Republican in 1928. In 1932 he registered as a Democrat, but switched back to Republican in 1936. Thereafter, until 1944, he declined to state his politics; then signed again as a Republican. Last month he switched to Democratic.

He was civil defense director under both former Democratic Gov. Culbert L. Olson and Republican Gov. Earl Warren.

Clark Sees Continued Peace In Far East

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Gen. Mark Clark, here to serve as official host for a movie premier, said he doesn't think hostilities will be resumed in Korea.

"The enemy, he observed yesterday at a press conference, is now sufficiently impressed by American force of arms and convinced that this country is not bluffing about its foreign policy."

Clark will attend the first public showing here tonight of "Cease Fire," filmed in Korea with GIs as the actors.

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Mothers March Mobilizing For Jan. 28 Date At Dillard

By ROSA HEINBACH

The Mothers March On Polio in the Dillard area is being mobilized, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Bill McFall.

Mrs. McFall and her assistants, Mrs. Harry Bratsch and Mrs. Alvin Wade attended the recent kick-off dinner party at Roseburg. Mrs. McFall reports she has all containers and supplies placed in public spots in her district. She states, however, she is in need of more volunteers for the Mothers March which is scheduled Jan. 28 from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Volunteers may contact Mrs. McFall.

She is making plans for a benefit dance to be given Jan. 30 at the Winston Community Club. Special music for the dance will be given by "Mac and His Western Buddies."

Surprise Visitor
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bratsch received a surprise visit late New Year's night from Mrs. Bratsch's brother, Roy Thomas, and his wife and Beverly and Lon from St. Helens. The Thomas family spent Saturday visiting relatives in the Dillard area; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Willis; his sisters, Mrs. Don Martyn and Mrs. R. L. Swanson, and their husbands.

The Bratsch and Thomas families made a trip to Canyonville to visit Mrs. Thomas' cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shoemaker. En route home, they visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Thomas in Riddle. Mrs. Huldah Thompson fell from a porch and received head injuries recently at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Thomas on Roberts Creek. She is reportedly doing satisfactorily.

Go To Portland
Mrs. Stanford Buell, Mrs. Willard Laurance, Mrs. Grace Barnes

and Mrs. Belle Clark went to Portland Wednesday on pleasure and business. Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Barnes visited at the home of the former's son, Marvin Clark. Mrs. Buell and Mrs. Laurance stopped and saw some shows. They all returned late Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Heinbach Sr. and son, Warren, drove to Portland Tuesday to visit William C. Heinbach Jr., who is confined in the Veterans tuberculosis hospital there. Young Heinbach is scheduled to undergo major surgery Wednesday. His wife and two children, who live at Grants Pass, have moved temporarily to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Dozier have returned from their New Year's vacation trip to California. They visited two sons, Bob and Wayne Davis, and families at Pittsburg, Calif., and their daughter-in-law Mrs. Dwayne Davis in Sacramento. Her husband is doing overseas service.

Italians To Try New Government

ROME (AP)—Aminore Fanfani, 46-year-old left wing leader of the Christian Democratic party, agreed Tuesday to try to form a new Italian government.

He "conditionally" accepted President Luigi Einaudi's offer of the Premiership after former Premier Giuseppe Pella, who resigned Jan. 5, turned it down.

Press and political observers had generally agreed Einaudi would ask Fanfani to attempt to end the week-long political crisis.

He had served as agriculture minister under Alcide de Gasperi and as interior minister in Pella's five-month-old government. In the former post, he played a major part in the implementation of the land reform program under which Italy's plans to distribute nearly two million acres to 150,000 peasant families.

Pella resigned last week after a split with other Christian Democrat leaders who felt the Premier's policies were too far to the right. Many of the Party's leaders have urged more social reforms to counter the rising strength of the Communists and the extreme left Socialists allied with the Reds.

Yoncalla Council Notes Vandalism

The Yoncalla City Council placed high on its agenda Monday night reports on youthful vandalism in the area, reports News-Review Correspondent Mrs. George Eades.

Complaints have piled up as a result of damage caused by youngsters using air rifles for target practice. A favorite target is apparently glass vases in the cemetery. Another type of vandalism has involved breaking off water faucets in the cemetery.

The council approved a proposal that a city ordinance be drawn up prohibiting the use of air rifles inside the city limits unless they are used on the owner's property.

The council also approved one of the final bids to complete the new city water system. R. Brown & Co., Portland, received partial approval for installing a 5 h.p. electric motor and a pump at the filtration plant. The pump and motor will deliver 140 gallons of water per minute. The bid was \$320.

The large, steel storage tank on Mathis Hill is being filled with water for inspection against leaks. Several days will be necessary to fill the tank even with the pump working 24 hours a day. After inspection, the tank will be emptied and painted.

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