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Local News

Leave For Seattle — Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lewis and family left today for Seattle on their vacation.

Hamiltons Home — Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamilton have returned to their home in Roseburg, following a week in Seattle vacationing.

Findlay Picnic Set — The Findlay family picnic and reunion will be held Sunday at Salem at 1 p.m. at the Will Morley home.

Convalescing — Mrs. Orin Burdette, who recently underwent surgery at Douglas Community Hospital, has been discharged and is now convalescing at her home.

Arrive For Visit — Mrs. Minerva Smith, who is now 88 years of age and formerly resided here, and her daughter, Bernice Smith, arrived in Roseburg Wednesday from Richmond, Calif., to visit the former's niece, Mrs. Willis Myers, and family, and with a number of old-time friends.

Youngsters Get Advice From Ike

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower told a group of youths Thursday that if they make up minds as to what is right and have the courage to stick by it they will succeed and may even become President some day.

He talked informally to members of the Boys' Nation, a group composed of two youngsters from each state, and sponsored by the American Legion National Americanism Commission.

The President noted that the boys had been selected in their states because of qualities of leadership. He said Vice President Nixon often has a habit of starting every conference discussion by saying, "Let's find out if this is right," and he advised the youngsters to do likewise.

The group presented their newly elected officers. Douglas Hopper, 17, Glendale, Calif., and Kenneth R. Jennison, 16, Carthage, Mo., vice president.

Society

WESTSIDE CWF HONORS MEMBER AT MEETING

Mrs. Harry Chapin was honored Thursday at a service-day meeting of the CWF of the Westside Christian Church. She was given a handkerchief shower after the noon potluck luncheon.

Service project of the day was preparing children's clothes for the Yakima White Swan Indian Mission.

Honoring Mrs. Chapin were Mesdames Harold Shanks and David; Glen Hunter, Don Slead, J. Conn, Harry Radford, Forest Hollyman, Elmer Meeks, A. E. Gunderson, Joe Chamberlain, Bob Schuitze, Walter Daum, Bert Saum and Cuy-la; Misses Marie and Alice Savage and the Rev. Harry Chapin.

WOMEN OF MOOSE SET SESSION SUNDAY

Women of the Moose will hold an executive session Sunday at 1 p.m. at the lodge hall. This is a district meeting and all chapters of the area will be represented. Hostess chairman is senior regent, Hazel Jameson. Presiding chairman will be deputy grand regent, Irene Routledge.

RETIRED TEACHERS TO PICNIC ON SUNDAY

Douglas County Unit of Retired Teachers will hold a potluck picnic at 12:30 noon at the North Davis summer home on the North Umpqua River on Sunshine Road. Those attending are asked to leave town by 12 noon and to bring their own table service.

Dorena Post Office, Store Swept By Fire

DORENA, Ore. — Efforts of firemen were hampered by exploding ammunition and gasoline as fire swept through the General Store and Post Office of this Eastern Lane County town Wednesday night.

The building was destroyed, but crews from the Eastern Lane Fire Patrol, Booth-Kelly Lumber Co. and Willamette National Forest

Decline In Polio Cases Disclosed

WASHINGTON — The Public Health Service Thursday reported a decline in polio cases this year compared with some corresponding periods in 1954, although there was a seasonal increase in cases reported last week over the week before.

There were 812 cases reported last week from all states, compared with 567 cases the week before, and with 1,169 in the corresponding week of 1954.

Through July 23 there were 4,432 confirmed and unconfirmed cases reported since April 1, the start of the health service "disease year" for polio. In the corresponding period of 1954 there were 6,133 cases.

There also has been a decline in the number of cases reported since Jan. 1, which now total 5,495 cases compared with 7,688 in the corresponding period a year ago.

Paralytic cases also show a decline, totaling 1,670 since April 1 compared with 2,347 in the similar period of 1954, and 2,132 since Jan. 1 compared with 2,953 for the similar 1954 months.

Amateur Performers Get Bid To Radio Series

Amateur performers from Douglas, Jackson and Josephine counties are invited to enter a series of four radio amateur shows to be held in conjunction with the Josephine County Fair at Grants Pass Aug. 17-20.

Lee Boner, manager of the Fair, reports there are no age limits, and all types of acts are invited to participate in the shows, to be held on the Midway stage and to be broadcast over KUIN.

There will be three 3-minute preliminary broadcasts on Aug. 17, 18 and 19 starting at 7 p.m. and three winners from each will be selected by audience applause for the final session Aug. 20. A total of \$200 will be given the four top winners, to be picked Aug. 20 by a panel of three judges.

Entry blanks may be obtained by writing radio station KUIN, Grants Pass.

Emergency Clause Will Be Subject Of Report

Reports by members attending an Oregon Far Bureau Federation meeting at Bend Thursday and Friday will be given Monday night, Aug. 1, at a meeting of the Douglas County bureau.

The meeting is scheduled at the fairgrounds. A potluck dinner will be held at 7 p.m., and the business session will follow, according to county President Joe Brumbach. The Bend meeting was called to adopt a policy in regard to a proposed Oregon constitutional amendment which would let the Legislature put emergency clauses on tax bills, thus becoming law without referendum attack. The matter will be submitted to the people at the 1956 general election.

County farm bureaus have been discussing the question the last two months.

prevented the fire from spreading to nearby buildings.

Ivell Humphrey, former owner of the store, estimated the damage at \$35,000 about half of which is the store's inventory. He recently sold the building.

Fire Warden Ray Van Schoiack said gasoline in a pump in front of the store made fire-fighting extremely difficult.

Dorena is eight miles east of Cottage Grove.



by Jay Golden

Snapshots of people cannot be called failures if they are good portrayals of the individuals. That is their prime function. However, care will lead to improvement in many of them, especially as concerns the background — frequently overlooked when the photograph is being taken.

Outdoors, one of the main things to be on guard against is the alignment of the subject with an object that produces a humorous combination. A classic example of this is the "sprouting" of a tree or telephone pole from the subject's head. Hardly noticeable when the picture is made, such objects often show up in other annoying places in the finished photograph. Careful study before the exposure is made will prevent this.

Of course, distracting backgrounds of any type should be avoided, if possible. Often, this can be done by placing the camera at a low or high angle. A low angle will fill most of the background with sky, which is very effective, and advantageous because its tone can be altered by filters. Conversely, a high angle will cause grass or other surroundings to effectively fill the background.

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Corvallis Firemen Save Four From Burning Home

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Mrs. Fred Shannon, owner of the house, awakened shortly after midnight and found smoke pouring out the staircase. She awoke her 5-year-old daughter La Dolle, and a roomer, Mary Evans, 20, but the fire had caught fire.

Mrs. Shannon's son Mike, 7, who slept downstairs, somehow ran up the stairs and was also trapped. Firemen extended ladders and removed all four through a window. Except for mild shock, none was injured.

The fire was caused by overloaded wires, Fire Chief Percy Pallman said. The house interior

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