

## Boxcar Shortage Definitely Over Board Is Told

EUGENE — The railroad freight car shortage now is definitely over, the Pacific Northwest Advisory Board was told here.

William G. Peoples, San Francisco, a Southern Pacific vice president, said that in contrast to a shortage only a month ago, there now are about 2,000 empty cars at SP's Portland division awaiting orders.

Discussing the seasonal fall shortages, Peoples said the SP and other railroads have tried to maintain large enough fleets to handle peak traffic but that to do this, thousands of cars must be idled in slack periods.

He said that in an effort to ease the recent shortage, SP shipped 84,000 empty cars to Oregon from hundreds of miles away. Oregon shippers received the largest number of cars during the first eight months of the year in the railroad's history, he said.

Peoples spoke on SP plans for future years. He said that in 1955, 14,725 new cars were acquired or ordered at an estimated cost of 124 million dollars.

## Rhodes Scholarship Winners Announced

PORTLAND — John R. Sadler of Worland, Wyo., and Paul R. Borgess of Hyrum, Utah, are the 18th and 19th Reed College students to receive Rhodes scholarships.

Announcement of the awards was made at Spokane Saturday.

Frank L. Griffin, president of Reed, said the college has the highest proportion of Rhodes scholars among graduates of any school in the nation—one out of every 77, since the first graduating class of 1915.

Reed, a small liberal arts college, has a current enrollment of 607 students.

The scholarships, set up by the will of Cecil J. Rhodes, British colonial statesman, provide two years of study at Oxford University, England.

Griffin said he was pleased but not surprised at the awards.

"We try here to make our work as thorough as possible with our fairly meager financial resources. It appears we are doing it pretty well," he said.

## Christmas Trees

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## Hospital News

**Mercy Hospital**  
**Admitted**  
**Surgery:** Mrs. Carol Eley, Cheryl Addcox, Linda Swopes, Roseburg.  
**Medical:** Mrs. Ronald Linthicum, Mrs. Stewart Roberts, Mrs. Sam Waddle, Mrs. Howard Casey, Roseburg; Mrs. Ray Allen, Myrtle Creek; Mrs. Marlin Delzel, Glider; Mrs. E. W. Bridges, Dillard; Charles Welsh, Camas Valley; Mrs. Clayton Dunn, Winston; Mrs. Millard Kincaid, Oakland.

**Discharged**  
Mrs. Arthur Wixson, Mrs. Harold Sowersby and baby, Linda Kathleen, Myrtle Creek; Mrs. Harry Thomas and baby, Oma Leann; Jessie Rowley, Glenn Smith, Mrs. Royal Sumpter, Roseburg; Mrs. Neil Talcott and baby, Mark Charles; Mrs. Marvin Gardiner and baby, James Bryan, Glider; Mrs. Raymond Smetten and baby, Kathleen Louise, Sutherlin.

**Douglas Community Hospital**  
**Surgery:** Ben Blakely Jr., Mrs. Orson Dalton, Deane Patterson, Mrs. Virgil Jennie, Roseburg; Ralston Cole, Oakland; Mrs. Margaret Blackbird, Wilbur.

**Medical:** Eric Hunter, Louie Collins, Mrs. Guadalupe Galvin, Mrs. Edward Geary, Roger Cummins, Phillip Packard, Mrs. Lloyd Crenshaw, Mrs. Sherman Champ, Cherry Burnett, Donald Bowers, Edward Bazler, Robert Strung, Roseburg; Mrs. Theodore Dedman, Mrs. George Morris, Winston; Mrs. William Campbell, Mrs. Albert Cowan, Sutherlin.

**Discharged**  
Mrs. David Falk, Tenmile; Mary Jo Rapp, Dale Krumb, Mrs. Gordon Marshall, Mrs. Virgil Jennie, Mrs. Walter Frazier, Kevin Bissomette, Katharine Clevenger, Mrs. Halcyon Welker, Mrs. Walter Gottlieb, Mrs. Claire Meredith, Mrs. Lloyd Lee, Mrs. Herbert Dage, Mrs. Mildred Delashmutt, Joseph Buford, James Southard, Mrs. Paul Paulsen, Susan Tillotson, Roseburg; Mrs. Richard Trippler, Tiller; Mrs. James Williams, Barbara Nielson, Winston; William Spencer, Oakland; Charles Schroeder, Mrs. Kenneth Dillingham, Dillard; Vincent Grace, Kenndale, Wash.; Walker and Diane Barmore, Winchester; Raymond Argo, Glider.

## YULE TREAT FOR KIDS

About 800 children attended a free show and saw Santa Claus Saturday morning at a program sponsored by the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce at the Indian Theater.

The children sang Christmas carols and were given treats during the program.

## Glendale Boy Home On 30-Day Furlough

By MRS. GERALD B. FOX  
Frank McDonald, son of John McDonald, Glendale, returned home Sunday for a 30-day furlough before being reassigned to Fort Lewis, Wash.

McDonald has recently been stationed in Hawaii.

Elder E. T. Larson, formerly a pastor of the Glendale Missionary Baptist Church, was in Glendale last week, holding special services at the church from Monday through Thursday evening. He showed pictures he took on a visit to the Holy Land last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Rogers of Glendale are the parents of a daughter born Dec. 5, at Josephine Hospital in Grants Pass. Joseph R. Burns of Grants Pass, Southern Oregon manager of the Oregon Porebred Nutria Associates, Inc., displayed a nutria from his ranch, on the street in front of the Harvey Hardware store in Glendale.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Pegg and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hampton and their families, all of Glendale, drove to Portland last week to attend the funeral of the mother of Pegg and Mrs. Hampton who passed away suddenly there. Funeral services were held in Portland, and burial followed in Spokane. The local families returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Emma Smith of Joplin, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mable Staake, and her niece, Mrs. Flo Cox and family in Glendale and will remain through the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Dora Allen of Lorraine, Ore., originally from Kaysland, Ark., is visiting her cousin, O. H. Davidson and his wife in Glendale.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Garrett, Glendale returned recently from

## Burned, Beaten Body Of Ex-Convict Found

CHICAGO — The body of a 37-year-old ex-convict, beaten and soaked with gasoline, was found Friday night in his blazing automobile parked on the side of a rural road in suburban Cook County.

Deputy Coroner Charles W. Richards said the man, John Coletta, apparently had been beaten to death by someone who ignited the car after pouring gasoline over it.

A farmer discovered the flaming car and summoned firemen from suburban Roselle. They put out the fire and found Coletta's body slumped face down in the rear seat. An empty five-gallon gasoline can was found in the front seat.

## Federal, State Agents Seize Portland Stills

PORTLAND — Federal and state agents seized two stills and picked up a man in a raid on a house northeast of here early Saturday.

Kent Brown, supervising criminal investigator for the federal alcohol and tobacco tax division here, said Don L. Bitney, 45, was held for questioning.

The stills were of 50- and 25-gallon capacity. Brown said that in a basement with them were 350 pounds of sugar, mash barrels and other moonshine producing equipment, along with 13 gallons of moonshine.

Bitney lived in the house but called attention to a truckload of apples in front of the house. He insisted that he was in the produce business and had nothing to do with the stills.

## Family Visits At VA Hospital Best Present

Visits from families or friends are the best Christmas gifts veterans can receive while they are patients at the Roseburg Veterans Administration Hospital, Dr. George L. Wadsworth, manager of the hospital, said today.

If such visits aren't possible, Wadsworth said, the next best thing is a "long, newsy letter."

With the present season nearing rapidly, Wadsworth also had some other suggestions for presents to be given the veterans.

He said VA canteen coupon books are high on the list of "appropriate and desirable gifts for patients. The books come in denominations of 50 cents, a dollar and five dollars. They permit a patient to select articles for him-

self from the stock of the VA canteen at the hospital.

For patients confined to beds, articles from the canteen are brought in carts to the wards so selections can be made.

Other presents listed were:

1. Writing materials, including stationery, fountain pens and mechanical pencils.
2. Shaving materials, hair brushes, combs, lotions and other toilet items.
3. Candies, cookies or other

sweets only when certain the patient is permitted to have them by his doctor.

Beside cautioning against sweets without doctor approval, Dr. Wadsworth pointed out that books, magazines, playing cards and many kinds of games are furnished to veterans by the hospitals, so gifts of this nature are less acceptable than others mentioned.

## PRESS OFFICER DIES

WASHINGTON — Henry Soudam, 64, the State Department's chief press officer, died of a heart attack Sunday — less than two months after his wife died.

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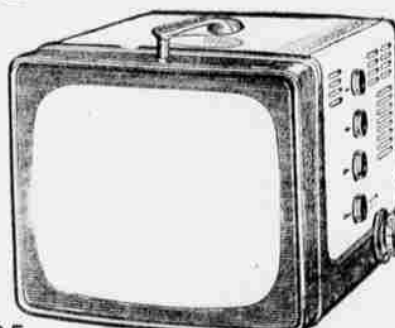
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