

Local News

Sharon Titus, who attends Northwest Christian College in Eugene, is arriving home tonight to spend the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Titus.

L. B. Hicks is closing his real estate office at 635 Fairhaven and will be associated with Quant Realty in the future. He is replacing Gus Reynolds, who is moving to Beaver, Utah.

Judith Ann Carlson and Franklin Earl Carlson will visit in Centralia, Wash., over the weekend. They will travel with Mrs. Carl Meske and daughter Eugenia en route to the dog show at Vancouver, Wash.

Dr. Eugene Gerlitz, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and Mike McLain went to Portland Tuesday morning to attend the Oregon Baptist convention. Dr. Gerlitz also attended the pastoral relations committee meeting and the executive committee meeting. McLain is a member of the board of directors.

Airman 3 C. Fenton LaDuke visited over the weekend with his parents, the Robert LaDukes, in Happy Valley. He has completed his high school training and is preparing for college. He will study business, drafting and engineering. He would like to hear from his friends. His address is Airman 3 C. F. V. LaDuke, 1965515; 79th cam. Sqdn., Box 726, Hamilton AFB, Calif.

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Mrs. Frank Barth of Reedsport visited here one day last week. She transacted business in the area and stayed the night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith.

Northwest Loans Hit \$27 Million From Land Bank

SPOKANE (AP) — The Federal Land Bank of Spokane said Thursday its 1957 loans to Northwest farmers and ranchers reached \$27,312,700 and boosted the bank's outstanding loan account to a record \$140,268,932.

Fred A. Knutsen, bank president, said an analysis of the last 100 loans closed by the bank last year in Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon showed that more than 57 per cent of the money borrowed was used to refinance indebtedness.

He said 14 per cent was used to buy real estate, 11 per cent for repairs and improvements, 4 per cent for purchase of livestock and machinery, 6 per cent for farm operations and 8 per cent for other purposes.

Washington farmers and ranchers obtained \$5,732,500 in long-term farm mortgage credit from the bank through 17 local national farm loan associations, 21 per cent of the total volume.

The 17 Washington associations and 48 similar associations in the other three states own all the bank's capital stock which stood at \$72,922,000 on Dec. 31, 1957. The associations, through which the bank's loans are made and serviced, are owned by stockholders who are the bank's borrowers.

Aged Architect Designs Pre-Fabs

CHICAGO (AP) — Frank Lloyd Wright, 88-year-old architect whose famed structures grace cities throughout the world, has turned to a new building phase.

He announced Tuesday he has designed two prefabricated homes, one in the \$20,000 range, and the other in the \$35,000-\$50,000 class, both excluding cost of the site.

The \$20,000 home, he said, is a two-story structure with three bedrooms, a living room, dining room and kitchen. It will be displayed at Madison, Wis., in June or July and will be ready to go into production by early 1959, he said. It will be mass produced by Marshall Erdman and Associates Inc., of Madison.

Erdman will also build 50 of the more expensive homes this year, Wright added. At a news conference, Wright said he believed one-third of any prefab must be "left free" that is, not pre-manufactured, to permit individual development.

PNP Considers Application For High Dam At Nez Perce

SPOKANE (AP) — The possibility of applying for a license to build a high power dam at the Nez Perce site on the Snake River is expected to be discussed at a meeting here next week of the Pacific Northwest Power Co.

Kinsey M. Robinson, president of the Washington Water Power Co. and board chairman of PNP, said the meeting has been called to plan action on its proposal to build two dams at Mountain Sheep and Pleasant Valley on the Snake.

An application for a license to build the two low dams on the middle reach of the river was turned down Monday by the Federal Power Commission which

said the dam would not be "best adapted" for comprehensive development of the river.

Favors High Dam

The FPC also said the projects would make a proposed high dam at Nez Perce, downstream from Mountain Sheep-Pleasant Valley, unfeasible. A dam at Nez Perce, the FPC added, would be superior.

The possibility of PNP's applying for a license to build the Nez Perce dam, either privately or in partnership with the federal government, would undoubtedly be discussed at the fourth coming meeting, Robinson said. The administration's request for funds to study a possible high dam at Pleasant Valley also is likely to be discussed, he said.

Federal Aid Said Needed

In the past, PNP officials have said the federal aid would probably be needed to make construction of a dam at Nez Perce economically feasible as it is considered primarily a storage and flood control project. Federal contribution would be for the downstream power potential from the storage and for the flood control benefits.

PNP is a four-company combine including Washington Water Power, Montana Power, Pacific Power and Light and Portland General Electric.

In Washington Wednesday, Rep. Jack Westland (R-Wash.) said the FPC specified that Nez Perce could be built either privately or publicly "and I hope the Pacific Northwest Power Co. will try to build it."

A Nez Perce dam, he said, would provide urgently needed flood control and power.

Democrats in Congress Tuesday had hailed the FPC decision concerning the two low dams as a victory for public power interests.

In Boise, Idaho, the Idaho Fish and Game Commission voiced its opposition to a Nez Perce project because it might halt all migrating fish "attempting to spawn anywhere in the Salmon or above."

In The Armed SERVICES



LEWIS R. OPIAL A.2.C., now stationed at Kelly AFB, San Antonio, Tex., was selected as outstanding airman in security service last month. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Opial, 223 SE Mosher Ave., Roseburg. He attended Roseburg High School before entering the Air Force in 1951.



IN FAIRBANKS — Pfc. David Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Hamilton of Wilbur has started a tour of duty in the area of Fairbanks, Alaska. He took his basic training at Fort Ord, Calif., and remained there for further instruction as a clerk-typist.



KEN McCALLISTER, son of Mrs. Mamie McKay of Winston has been promoted to private first class while serving with the U. S. Marines. He is currently assigned to the USS Bramerton stationed at Long Beach, Calif.

Manufacturers Would Supply E-R Wood Free

PORTLAND (AP) — A group of lumber manufacturers has offered Portland's exposition a recreation ed to supply at cost wood for center.

The E-R Commission, the agency which is building the center, said this would save \$150,000 to \$250,000.

Firms making the offer said the products used in the building can become a permanent display of Oregon's forest industry. Among the firms making the offer are: Cascade Plywood Co., Pope and Talbot, U. S. Plywood Corp., Georgia Pacific Corp., Roseburg Lumber Co., Santiam Lumber Co., Simpson Lumber Co., and Weyerhaeuser Timber Co.

Experimental Rocket Ship Will Be Given Tests

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The X15, an experimental rocket ship to be used in planning orbital flights by man, may be given its first test run early next year.

That was the report Wednesday from two test pilots who eventually hope to fly the sleek ship at speeds of thousands of miles an hour.

Air Force Capt. Iven C. Kincheloe and Joseph Walker of the national advisory committee for aeronautics said at a news conference that the X15 will be launched over the California desert from a B52 bomber at about 40,000 feet. It will fly some 480 miles to a point over Wendover Air Force Base near Salt Lake City, Utah, then turn around and return for a landing on a dry lake bed near Edwards AFB, Calif.

Attain High Speed

Kincheloe estimated the rocket will attain a speed of 3,600 miles an hour on its initial flight. He said it will have an altitude capability of about 100 miles.

Kincheloe, 29, and Walker, 36, are preparing for X15 flights by flying modified versions of the X1 and X2 out of Edwards AFB. They will continue these flights for about a year.

Kincheloe, who has taken an X2 up to 126,000 feet, said indications are that the first X15 test flight will be made early in 1959, perhaps in March. The pilot for this flight will be Scott Crossfield, a test flier for North American Aviation Inc., which is building the ship.

Kincheloe said the X15 will "bring back data for orbital flight"—which would involve sending manned craft around the earth, like Sputniks.

"I definitely want to be a part of orbital flight," Kincheloe said. "I do too," said Walker.

Girl Awarded Damages For Spanking At School

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — A spanking administered by a school teacher was worth \$750 to Doris Marie Frazier, 12.

Dist. Judge Byron Johnson ruled yesterday that the punishment meted out by the teacher, Mrs. Juanita Duff, 44, was "over, above and beyond her duty."

Johnson awarded the girl \$500 for pain, suffering and humiliation and another \$250 for medical expenses and exemplary damages.

March Of Dimes Activities Slated In Oakland Drive

By EDITH DUNN

Several events have been scheduled as part of the March of Dimes campaign in Oakland, according to Mrs. Jesse Lee, chairman for the area.

A coffee hour is being held each day from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Best Cafe. Proceeds will go to the polio fund.

Meanwhile, the Mothers March on Polio has been slated Jan. 31 as with most of the rest of the county. Marchers will pick up material Saturday afternoon at the Dailey Building. Mrs. Neil Burpee is chairman of the Mothers March.

Finally, the annual smorgasbord dinner at the Veterans Memorial Building has been set for Feb. 3. Beta Pi Sorority will serve.

The benefit card party at Rice Valley Hall last week netted \$38. Prizes were donated by Oakland business firms.

Superintendent Speaks

County School Supt. Kenneth Barneburg was the featured speaker at this week's meeting of the Oakland PTA. He talked about the educational possibilities of junior colleges and reorganizational plans for school boards.

Mrs. Helen Stuve's eighth grade room won the pennant for having the most parents present. A silent auction was held.

The door prize was won by Kenneth Williams. Fifth grade mothers served refreshments.

President Mrs. Herman Fugate

Navy Plans To Send Yeast Cells Into Space

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy plans to send some living organisms into outer space. A few yeast cells will be aboard one or more of the test satellites U.S. scientists hope to launch soon.

A Navy spokesman said last night the yeast would be enclosed in a tiny instrumented container inside the satellite, and that the experiment might provide data on the reaction of life outside the earth's atmosphere.

The test satellites, forerunners of larger spheres which are scheduled for launching later, are only six inches in diameter, too small to accommodate any sizable living object.

Officials said there was no plan to place any living animal, even a small one, in the test spheres.

Another Singer Walks Off Rome Opera Stage

ROME (AP) — Another singer has walked out on the Rome Opera season, this time a basso who got in a spat with a tenor.

The latest "Callas" was pulled by Boris Christoff, known in America for his performances as Boris Godunov.

Sources at the opera house said he stalked off the stage during a rehearsal Monday night of Verdi's "Don Carlos" after a heated argument with tenor Franco Corelli. The issue reportedly was who should have the more prominent place on the stage.



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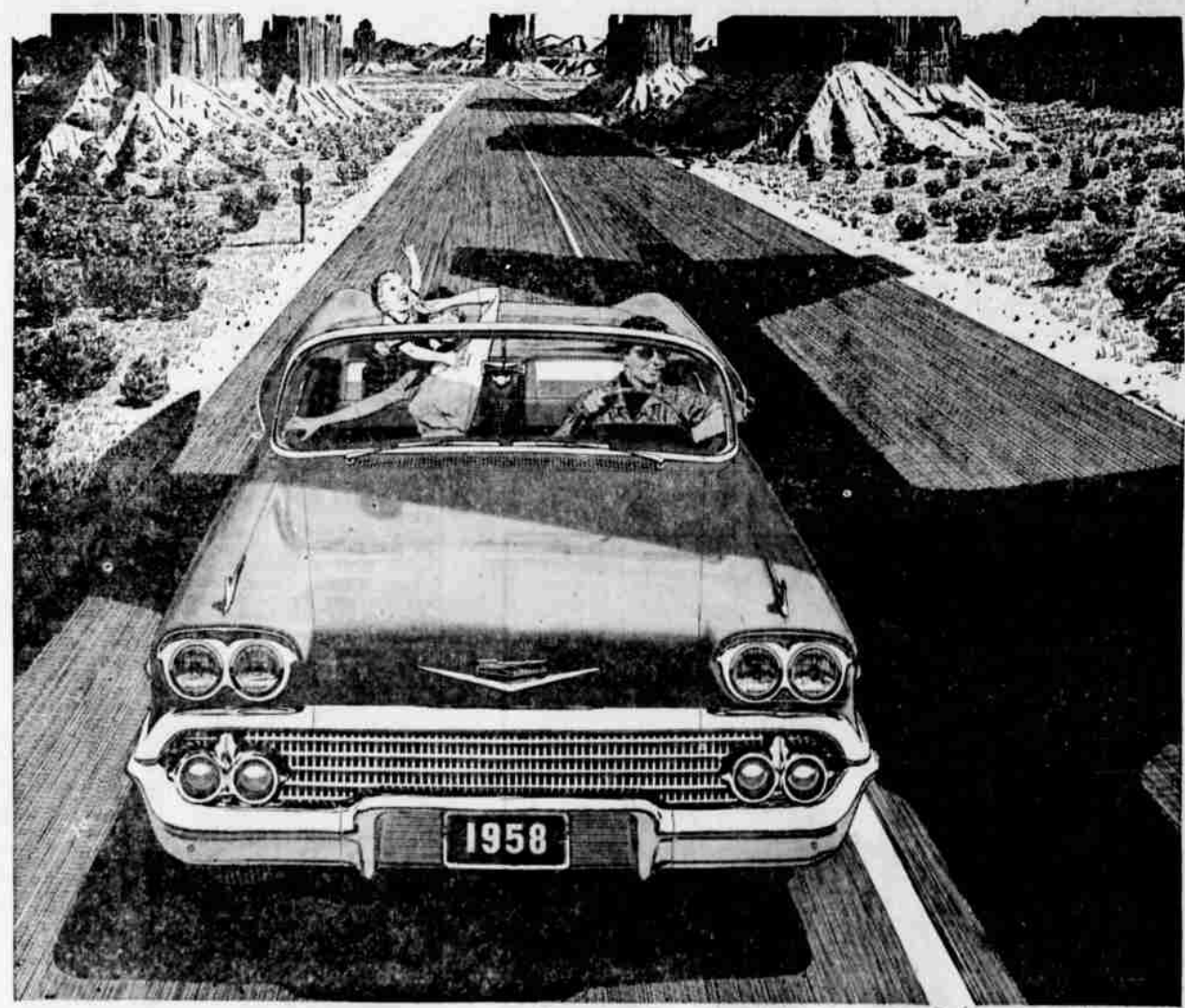
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