

The Weather

	High	Low	Rain
Jan. 24	43	32	
Jan. 25	51	28	
Jan. 26	44	21	
Jan. 27	47	19	
Jan. 28	40	20	

Killing frost every day with low of 19 on the 27th.
Sad note: Fair weather is over. Yesterday storm 450 miles out in Pacific headed this way.

Cottage Grove Sentinel

LYNX CREEK
SAGINAW
WALKER
CRESWELL
PORENA
ROW RIVER
CULP CREEK
DISSON
SILK CREEK
LORANE VALLEY
DELIGHT
LONDON
BLACKBUTTE
SHEPHERD VALLEY
YONCALLA
DRAIN
ELKTON
CURTIN
ANLAUF
Bennett Creek
Harvey Rd.

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Dime Day 24th Nets \$664 for March of Dimes Campaign

Dime day here last Saturday netted the March of Dimes fund a total of \$664.00 and covered a block and three quarters, Mike Diamond, South Lane chairman announced yesterday. It would take more than a block and three quarters to make \$664.00, however. There were several \$20.00 bills and checks in the line of dimes on Main between 6th and 7th streets. In case you might be interested just how far a line of dimes will go, Horace Hatch has figured out that a mile of dimes will make a little better than \$9,000.

Diamond said the Junior Chamber of Commerce has no count as yet of the various funds collected thus far from sources other than Dime Day. The Jefferson and Adams schools have contributed a total of \$94.00, coin cans have yielded a substantial sum, the rural schools, the high school and others have not reported.

Dance — Benefit Game
Saturday the 31st will also be a day of activities for the March of Dimes fund with a benefit basketball game at the armory starting at 7:30 and a dance starting at the armory at 9:00 p.m. Proceeds of both events will go to the March of Dimes. The basketball game is between two top contenders of the South Lane basketball league, Community Jewelers and Edwards Outdoor Store.

Energetic Official Heads U.N. Staff on Palestine Partition

A tan leather dispatch case, bearing the name Ralph Bunche, looks simple enough on a desk at United Nations Headquarters. But it carries some of the world's most important papers—U.N. plans for the future of Palestine as separate Jewish and Arab states.

The owner of that dispatch case, a stocky, athletic-looking man with an easy smile, will be a key figure during the months ahead when the U.N. Palestine Commission sets up the unprecedented new nations in the Holy Land. For Ralph Bunche, principal secretary of the Commission, is the Commission's right-hand man, executor of its decisions and director of its staff.

With a vitality stemming from college athletics, the 43-year-old international civil servant pitched into his new work on Palestine. Dr. Bunche—holds a Ph.D. from Harvard University—has been working with the Palestine problem since it was brought before U.N. early last year. He served then in an important post with the U.N. Special Committee on Palestine, whose report was the basis of the decision to partition the Holy Land.

However, Dr. Bunche's regular assignment is in what he calls his outstanding specialty—problems of non-self-governing people. He is director of U.N.'s Division of Trusteeship, which deals with Trust Territories.

Ever since he was an undergraduate (and an outstanding basketball, football and baseball player) at the University of California at Los Angeles, Ralph Bunche has been studying international relations and colonial administration. When he was working on his advanced degrees, however, he explored a new field in political science by actually studying the cultures and lives of colonial peoples appraising the impact of colonial policies on them. The result was a blending of anthropology with political science.

His studies as both student and teacher took him to far corners of the earth, to Africa, the Southeast Asia and Europe.

When he is not putting in long hours on his U.N. duties, Dr. Bunche enjoys the company of his family, which includes two daughters and a son. He enjoys dramatics and musical comedies, likes the music he began to appreciate in a musical family during his childhood and favors historical novels and detective stories.

Oregonian Finds Inspiration for Recovery



Stricken by polio while he was in Paris, France to enroll at the Sorbonne, George Courtright of Klamath Agency, Oregon finds additional inspiration for his recovery from Terry Tullios, the 1948 March of Dimes poster boy. The 33-year-old Oregonian is shown in this picture with Mrs. Florence R. Keith, Executive Secretary of the Polio Unit at New York's Knickerbocker Hospital where he is receiving care and treatment at the expense of the Klamath County Chapter.

Fern Ridge, C. G. Lakes Attract More Visitors

The number of visitors to Fern Ridge dam on the Long Tom river during the calendar year 1947, 114,223, was an increase of 26,346 over 1946, Col. O. E. Walsh, Portland district engineer, announced Tuesday. In 1945 there were 53,052 visitors.

Visitors at Cottage Grove dam, the only other completed unit of the Willamette valley flood control project, increased to 49,164 in 1947 as compared with 45,147 in 1946. The 1945 total was 30,151. Recreational use of Fern Ridge increased in all categories while at Cottage Grove, six miles south of the city of Cottage Grove, only the general visitor total exceeded that of 1946. At Cottage Grove the 1947 recreational totals, with the exception of the number of fishermen, were greater than those of 1945.

Fishing at Cottage Grove dam was generally poor throughout the year, but catfish topped fish caught.

Hunting at Cottage Grove on the other hand was generally fair throughout the season with the following bags reported for the area: deer 42, cougars 13, wildcats 65, coyotes 10, bear 6, ducks 392 and geese 474.

Visitor and usage totals for the dam for the past two years are as follows:

	1945	1946	1947
Bathers	3,408	11,542	11,266
Fishermen	2,181	449	340
Hunters	203	580	437
General			
Visitors	24,359	32,576	37,121
Autos	8,358	13,158	12,061
Boat Usage	562	2,071	1,523

Series of Small Fires Keep Fire Trucks on Jump

The fire department has been kept busy the past two days with a series of small fires and according to one informant failed to arrive at a fire at 14th and Quincy yesterday morning. A phone call to the Sentinel yesterday afternoon conveyed the information that a fire occurred at a house belonging to A. L. Woodard at 5:40 yesterday morning. The fire truck started, but did not arrive, according to this report. In the meantime neighbors had aided in extinguishing the blaze.

Tuesday the rural truck was called to the home of Mrs. Ardella Black at Walden to extinguish a blaze caused from sparks from the chimney. The fire was out before the truck arrived, but damage was done when in the excitement a garden hose stuck in the roof was permitted to run. Total damage ran about \$75.00 according to Ted Kangas, fire chief. Another fire occurred at the home of O. S. Hixon at 198 North River road, but was put out before damage of any consequence.

The fire department responded to a call last night at 1025 South 4th street to extinguish a burning truck, housed in the old foundry building. The truck belonging to the McPhail Engineering Co., of Tacoma, Washington was damaged about \$300.00 from a short in the wiring which burned out the truck cab.

Commenting on the fire at 14th and Quincy, mentioned above, Ted Kangas, fire chief said the fire truck went by the location twice, but the boys could see no smoke and nobody flagged the truck.

Gene Ware is expected home today from Portland where he attended the Oregon Jewelers convention. Mrs. Ware accompanied him to Portland.

Public Turns Thumbs Down on Proposed Park Strip Along Coast Fork

The public has turned thumbs down on the proposed river strip along a series of years. The main idea behind the move was to beautify the river strip as other cities have done and keep the strip from developing into a rat's nest with a bunch of shacks. If approved the project would be financed by a five mill levy which would bring in about \$5,000 per year, however the sum would probably be expended over a number of years.

Dr. Hagen explained that the park opportunity was here if the people wanted it, otherwise the project would be left for a solution in future years. When the proposition was put to a vote on whether the river road strip would remain as a park or be rezoned into a residential district, four voted for the park and fifteen voted against it. The proposal now goes back to the planning commission, who will probably call a public hearing.

TURKEY RAISER RAISES HECK

Charley Palmer, Thornton Corners turkey grower (The only farmer in this area with nerve enough to still grow turkeys) evidently believes in diversification of the poultry industry and raises fryers in his spare time. Last week he advertised fryers for sale, but claims he buried his ad so deep that he had to diligently hunt to find it. Charley ought to have some good neighbors, like R. B. Dixon, who would find it a pleasure to read the ads for him. We don't think a man who still persists in raising turkeys should ever be about a buried ad.

Car Registration Tops 535,000

Motor vehicle registration in Oregon topped 535,000 in 1947 for an average over-all increase of nearly 14 percent, Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry has revealed. Tentative figures show that passenger cars passed the 405,000 mark, a gain of 12 per cent over last year and an all time high. Trucks showed an even larger increase of 19 per cent to account for the combined figure.

Total registration fees reached \$5,523,000, nearly \$1,000,000 more than 1946. Drivers' license fees were nearly \$343,000, or more than double last year's receipts. This gain is due to the drivers' license renewal program set in motion by the 1947 legislature and now in full-scale operation. Newberry pointed out. Despite the climb in both number of vehicles and in miles traveled, Oregon's traffic death toll showed a decrease in 1947 for the first time since the war year of 1943, Newberry said.

"We have shown it can be done," he declared. "It is up to all of us to continue and even accelerate the downward trend of deaths and injuries on the highways."

He urged greater caution by motorists and pedestrians alike during the remaining winter months, which invariably exact higher-than-normal accident tolls.

U. S. Army Invites Vet Reenlistment

Many veterans who have considered reenlistment in the U. S. Army, but have hesitated to do so because of the possibility of assignment to a unit outside the continental limits of the United States, may now be reenlisted for one of the following:

- 2nd Infantry Division at Ft. Lewis, Washington.
- 2nd Armored Division at Camp Hood, Texas.
- 2nd Engineer Special Brigade at Ft. Warden, Washington.
- 3rd Armored Division at Ft. Knox, Kentucky.
- 4th Infantry Division at Ft. Ord, California.
- 5th Infantry Division at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.
- 9th Infantry Division at Fort Dix, New Jersey.
- 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

A minimum service of three years with the unit chosen is guaranteed, provided such service is satisfactory and honorable. Authority for the reenlistment of veterans for the above listed units was received this week by Sgt. J. L. Johnson, U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force Recruiting Service, at the armory, Cottage Grove, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Short of Spokane, Washington have been visiting at the home of Mr. Short's brother, Roy Short.



Ilma Thum

34 Years Teaching Record Set by Mrs. Ilma Thum

The resignation of Ilma Thum as vice principal of the Jefferson school Friday revealed a record not accomplished by many—that of serving the same school system in the capacity of principal, vice principal and teacher for 34 and one-half years. She has not only been teaching all these years, but has been very active in the local Order of Eastern Stars and is now associate grand matron of the grand chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of Oregon, and is resigning to devote her full time to the Star activities. At the time of her retirement, she was vice principal, girls advisor and mathematics teacher at the Jefferson school.

Mrs. Thum began her teaching in September 1913 in the old west side grade school building when J. E. Dunton was superintendent, and since then she has taught under superintendents Roy Glass, W. G. Beattie, H. O. Bennett, O. W. Hayes, V. A. Emerson and H. B. Ferrin. In 1916 she became principal of the West Side school and held that position until the consolidation of the grade schools in 1940.

She has taught so many years that the school room and pupils are a part of her life and will be missed as much by her as she will be missed by the teachers and pupils.

Mrs. Thum has taken an active part in the professional organizations in the county and state, such as Elementary Principals association, Classroom Teachers association and the Oregon Educational association.

In contacting H. B. Ferrin, superintendent for the past 12 years, he stated that "her resigning was a great loss to the teaching profession; that she had made a remarkable record of outstanding work and that she has a multitude of friends in the teaching profession and also students. She has been prominent in the professional growth of teachers under her supervision." Principal Elmer Fleming said "he was sorry to lose such a remarkable teacher with the wonderful influence of Mrs. Thum—one of the finest women he had met."

Taking Mrs. Thum's place is Mrs. Crystal Cloake, who taught the 6th grade here last year, and has had years of experience both in Oregon schools and in New Mexico.

The teachers' association with Mrs. Thum gathered at her home Wednesday night and presented her with a gift of a silver purse.

Mrs. Thum will devote her time to the activities of the Order of Eastern Star, of which she is now associate grand matron. She has held the appointive offices of grand committee woman and grand chaplain and elective offices of associate grand conductress, grand conductress and associate grand matron.

Building, Repairs Are Slowed Down

Building and repairs slacked off for the present month according to permits issued at the offices of the city recorder. The slow down was probably due to the weather conditions. Four repair jobs ran a total of \$1,200, two new residences, \$5,000, three additions for a total of \$1,250 and a new garage at \$200.00.

MRS. GRACE D. O'DALE OF DRAIN DIES

Mrs. Grace Delores O'Dale, 73, died at her home south of Drain Tuesday morning. She was a resident of the county for 39 years. Survivors include the widower, J. O'Dale of Drain and a brother, A. P. Van Kirk. Services will be held in the Methodist Church at Drain today at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Fred O. Hunt officiating.

Life Can Be Sweet in Oregon Sunshine Land

Life in the little city with the lowest wind velocity in the state (Chamber of Commerce take note) can be sweet and full of sunshine. We call on you to witness the fact that we have had 21 days of sunshine, just about the record for January so far as weather records go.

We can go about our business now with the assurance we won't have to take cod liver oil or some other token medicine to avoid the rickets with the abundance of sunshine such as we are enjoying. The only thing we have to worry about is frozen car radiators and high fuel bills.

In bragging about the California weather we want to pause and give due credit to Paul DeVaux and other ex-Californians and call attention to the fact that we can have sunshine without having to ration our water or worry about the smog. We mention the word credit and we meant by this that the weather maker probably grew tired of hearing the ex-Californians ache about a little dampness and decided we needed a change.

One of our California subscribers says he got quite a kick out of reading about our weather, probably referring to our recent flood. We had a supply of water already bottled up to send him when he made this dirty crack, so now he can just get his drinking water the best way he can. We'll take our water and sunshine and let him go thirsty.

Oregon Figures On Meat Animals Reviewed by OSC

Though total numbers of meat animals have decreased in Oregon considerably in recent years, more money is received by Oregon farmers from cattle, hogs, sheep and their products than from any other of 12 major groups of Oregon farm products. This is shown in a new statistical bulletin No. 684, "Oregon's Meat Animals and Wool, 1947-1948" just issued by the O.S.C. extension service giving figures over an 80-year period.

In 1946 this group of products accounted for approximately \$68,000,000 or 20 per cent of the total cash farm receipts, the figures show. The bulletin, obtainable free from any extension office was prepared for publication by Elvera Horrell, B. W. Coyle and L. R. Breithaupt, extension specialists in agricultural economics.

Beef cattle numbers in Oregon are about one-sixth above prewar, while sheep numbers January 1, 1947 were only two-fifths of prewar figures and hog numbers about two-thirds. The increase in cattle numbers was entirely in beef breeds, as milk cows have decreased somewhat below prewar totals.

Nearly nine-tenths of the beef cattle are in eastern Oregon. Lake county ranks first, followed by Malheur, Harney, Klamath, Grant, Baker and Crook. Jackson is the principal beef cattle county in western Oregon.

Sheep numbers have been on the decline in eastern Oregon in recent years. On January 1, 1946 only 57 per cent of the sheep and lambs were in eastern Oregon counties compared with about 75 per cent in these counties six years earlier. Douglas county ranks first with Malheur first in eastern Oregon.

The estimated number of hogs on January 1, 1947 was 161,000, the lowest since 1875. In recent years the greatest increase in hog numbers has occurred in the Willamette valley and coast and lower Columbia counties, with the least in the south central counties. Marion county in western Oregon leads, with Walla Walla first in eastern Oregon.

Chas. Henne to Speak at Rod and Gun Club Meeting

Charles Henne of Portland, of the Fishermen's International Union, will be the speaker Monday night, February 2, at a very important meeting of the Cottage Grove Rod and Gun club, to be held in the Eagles hall, at 8:00 o'clock. His talk will be of interest to sportsmen of this locality and he will be able to clarify some of the Umpqua fishing problems.

MERCHANDISE TRAPSHOOT

The Cottage Grove Rod and Gun club is sponsoring a merchandise trapshoot next Sunday, February 1, at Horn's Grove. This will be an all day shoot, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Committees for Legion Named at Meeting Monday

Two principal features of the meeting of the Calvin Funk post, American Legion, Monday evening was the creation of a sinking fund for the proposed American Legion memorial building and the announcement of committees by C. C. Cruson, commander.

Members present voted to retain the present building fund 100 per cent and approved a plan whereby 25 per cent of all future net profits would be retained in the building fund. Regulations were approved that the building funds collected cannot be used for any other purpose. If any funds are withdrawn, the withdrawal must be authorized by seven members of the executive committee and countersigned by the chairman of the executive committee.

Committees named included: Executive committee: C. C. Cruson, Margaret Tarr, Vinai Randall Jr., Elwyn Rude, Albert Naish, Claude Sherman, Lance Woodard, Max Bird, Bert Hatch and O. O. Bishop. Flag committee: L. Naish, Geo. Matthews, Chas. Whips. Dance committee: P. S. Bukowski, Claude Sherman, Chas. Whips. Building committee: Chas. Hall, John Long, C. Sherman, P. S. Bukowski and Max Bird. Constitution committee: C. Vandenberg, O. O. Bishop, Alvin Dugan, H. W. Lombard, Margaret Tarr. Entertainment committee: Geo. Matthews, Roger Braswell, Geo. Matthews, C. Whips and Warren Edwards. Advisory committee: P. S. Bukowski, Chas. Hall, C. Sherman, Leo Nichols, and John Long. Post commanders: night: Vinai Randall Jr., L. Naish, Elwyn Rude, P. S. Bukowski, C. Sherman and C. Whips. Public relations: Jessie Johnson. Correspondent: Ramon Fuller.

Game Commission Holds First Beaver Sale This Month

The first beaver sale of the season was held by the Game Commission this month, when 2,065 pelts were offered to bidders from New York, Denver, Seattle and Oregon. C. A. Lockwood, state game supervisor announced. Pelts were sold for an average of \$41.44 or a total of \$85,583.75.

The beaver were taken by Game Commission trappers to relieve damage complaints, dead-trapping being necessary during the winter months. Share trappers receive one-third of the proceeds and landowners one-third from the pelts taken on their lands provided they have executed a beaver management contract with the Game Commission. The remainder of the money is used to pay salaries of permanent trappers and administration expense of the Commission's beaver management program.

Mill Workers Win 7½ Cent Increase

The threatened walkout of several thousand AF of L mill workers last week was averted when it was announced that the workers had accepted a 7½ cent per hour increase in pay. Here it was understood that the workers accepted the 7½ cents per hour increase and will work until April before calling another strike unless the boost in wages of thirty cents per hour is granted by the mills.

Friday it was announced from Seattle that Plywood industry and Puget Sound district council of the AFL lumber and sawmill workers had reached an agreement which would affect 18,000 and that the same agreement had been accepted by 22,800 workers.

The 7½ cent increase boosts the base pay rate to \$1.40 per hour.

Cold Weather Is Broken Yesterday

The cold spell which hung on for twenty days was broken yesterday when a storm out in the Pacific headed this way. Coldest morning was Tuesday with a low of 19 above, which is the coldest of the winter here today. As the weather followed a crazy quilt pattern across the nation, auto plants shut down in Detroit because of the cold and fuel shortage. Alaska had summer weather, California suffered from drought and windstorms, the gulf states were still having freezing weather and at Alamosa, Colorado the mercury dropped to fifty below zero. While there was plenty of ice here, no serious accidents were reported.

CIVIC THEATER PLAY BOOKS ARRIVE

Readings for the play "Double Doors," will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Griggs Monday, February 2nd at 8 p.m. This play is being given by the Cottage Grove Civic Theater Association. All members are urged to be present at this time, so that the play may be given as scheduled.

ELECTRIC DEALERS TO MEET

G. C. Sanders, state electric inspector, will meet with local electric dealers, power officials, journeymen and master craftsmen at the city hall at 10 a.m. February 3 to clarify points on the state electrical code.

The meeting was arranged by Charles Miller, Cottage Grove city inspector, so that local persons might ask questions and discuss local problems regarding the code.

Former Resident Dies at San Diego

Word has been received of the death of Alvinus B. Wood of San Diego, California, an old time resident here, who passed away at his home Friday, January 23. Mr. Wood was nearly 88 years old and in good health a few days before his death when Charlie Beidler called on him. He made his home in San Diego for the past 28 years, and was living alone at the time of his death. When living here 30 years ago, he was associated with the O. P. & E. Railroad.