

Seal Stamps Bring Modern Fairy Tale

This is a story about how an inch-square piece of paper has saved millions of lives. It all began in Denmark, land of Hans Christian Anderson, where improbable things are quite normal—So—

Once upon a time on a Christmas eve of 1903, a Danish post office clerk saw two children out in the snow, poorly dressed and shivering—and coughing. At that instant an idea popped into his mind. Why should there not be a special stamp, not to be used for postage but to raise money to help sick people? The King of Denmark approved of the idea and the next Christmas the Danish people bought \$17,000 worth of these seals.

In 1907 the late Miss Emily Bissell having promised that she would raise \$300 for a tuberculosis project, persuaded a printer to make 50,000 seals and to "await developments for his pay. The first year the seals brought in not only the \$300 but \$3000. The seal was established in the United States and the next year they were sold throughout the country.

The American campaign is but a part of a world-wide crusade which has received its life blood which flashed into the head of a Danish postal official nearly a half century ago.

Today there stands in Gentofte, a suburb of Copenhagen, a memorial fountain. From it pours a stream of water, down to the figures of two happy children, who gratefully drink. As long as granite lasts, there will stand, "living" witnesses to the wonderful reality of a compassionate idea.

LOCAL NEWS

Bob Stanhurst shipped his first box of King Alfred daffodil buds to Portland, Tuesday to be sold for the Christmas trade. This is about as early as any have ever been shipped, the Pilot was told.

Mrs. Ray Struebing and Marilyn will spend Christmas in Los Angeles, returning just before New Years. Marilyn, who has been enrolled at Humboldt State the last quarter, will return to Oregon State College for the winter term, Jan. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Campbell are vacation in Arkansas and other points for a couple of months.

Santa Cruz will be the destination of the C. W. Duggan family over the holidays.

Relatives of Dorothy and Donald Harroun of Harbor will gather at their home for a family dinner and Christmas tree. Coming from Dallas, Ore., will be an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Richardson; cousin, Jack Vanderwall and family and from Salem, Bob and Margaret Slagle.

Mrs. Rodehaver is in Berkeley where she has been for the past month. She will spend the holidays there. Mrs. Nell Price, who stayed at the home with Mrs. Hubbard, will go to Tigard for Christmas.

Joan Byrne arrived yesterday morning from Corvallis to spend

the holidays with her mother and grandmother.

Local men who searched the river for the body of Emery Wallact, believed to have drowned in the upper Chetco, early this month, report they have covered the river as well as possible, and no sign of his body was found. Mr. Wallace's twin sons, Harvey and Radph, have been helping in

the search, now given up as a hopeless task.

Miss Madeliene Kelly, and her mother, Mrs. W. H. Kelly, left Tuesday for St. Helens, Oregon, where Miss Kelly will be employed as a public health nurse. She was Curry county health nurse several years ago.

Miss Nancy Stone arrived last week-end from Stanford Univer-

sity to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Guy F. Rice.

Mrs. Albina Tamba is spending several weeks at San Francisco with her son, Theodore, and his family.

Mrs. Hattie Mackey was returned to Gold Beach hospital the latter part of the week as infection had set in where her

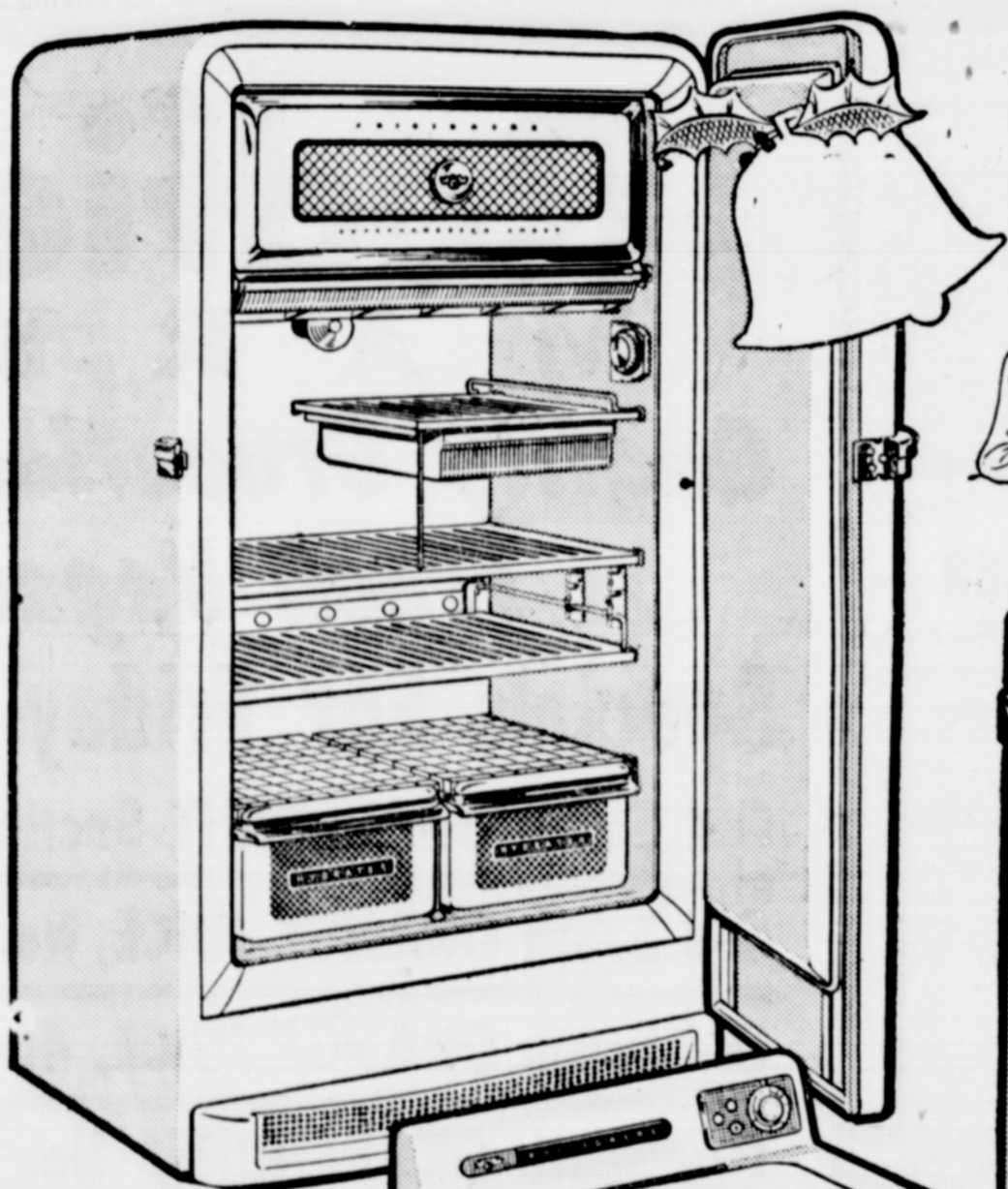
leg was amputated about one month ago.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Freeman of Coquille will spend the holidays at the Wilson Freeman home, here.

Homer Kessler went by truck to Portland this week to obtain needed articles for Curry County Lumber Co.



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Specifications may be obtained at the office of the clerk or Superintendent in the Brookings school.
The district board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
DORA E. BEAULIEU, Clerk.
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