

Need for 2,400 Grade School Teachers Cited

Approximately 2,400 additional elementary school teachers are needed in Oregon, provided the schools are to operate efficiently and with adequate staffs, Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, said Thursday.

There is no shortage of high school teachers in Oregon at the present time, he declared.

Putnam attributed the acute situation to the retirement of many teachers from the schools to accept other employment and inability of teachers training colleges to fill the vacancies. He said, however, that enrollment in the three Oregon colleges of education has increased from 260 in 1945 to 862 in 1948. Putnam said these three colleges could train an additional 1,500 students.

There are now 1,278 teachers in elementary schools in Oregon operating under emergency certificates. The annual turnover of elementary school teachers was estimated by Putnam at 700. Influx of new people in Oregon has created a need for 420 new teachers, according to Putnam.

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Holiday Plans Are Discussed By Gervais Group

GERVAIS—The firemen erected a large Christmas tree on Main street and the lights were turned on Sunday.

Little Ruth Seely, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Seely, celebrated her fourth birthday Saturday, December 12. Guests were Linda Stravens, Sherriann DeJardin, Tenia and Lanny Cutsforth, Patricia and Francis Leonhart, Carol Hoye, Patricia Colby, Victor Gould, Marvin Smith, Jeanette Davenport of Salem and Diana Sue Leonhart of Woodburn. Mrs. Cecil Colby, Mrs. Perry Seely and Mrs. Harry Phillips were additional guests.

The St. Rita Altar society met Wednesday with Mrs. John Dietrick. Mrs. Michael Englehart and Mrs. Adam Weiz were co-hostesses. Nineteen members were present and worked on woolen afghans.

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Marion County Grand Jury Indicts 5 Men

Eight true bills, three not true bills and one secret indictment were reported out by the Marion county grand jury Thursday.

James Little, jr., 40, of 1120 Chemawa rd., was indicted on four counts of obtaining money by false pretenses. He was arrested by sheriff's deputies on a circuit court bench warrant on four indictments issued secretly by the grand jury earlier this week.

Little is charged with illegally collecting a total of over \$2,000 since January 1 from four local establishments to whom he allegedly delivered dairy products. According to the indictment Little charged the stores for more items than he actually delivered.

He posted \$2,000 bail, and is to be arraigned in Marion county circuit court.

Also indicted by the grand jury are Harold Joseph Johns, Salem route 3, on a charge of rape; William Harvey Haskin, Salem

route 4, charged with larceny of allegedly passing a bad check at Jaysons' clothing store last year. A not true bill also was brought out for Jack Benson, Silverton, charged with damaging the personal property of E. J. Jackson at Silverton last month.

The grand jury also brought out a not true bill on the first degree murder charge lodged against Charles Henry Weldon of Stayton. Weldon was committed to the state hospital by circuit court authorities last month as

not being mentally responsible for the shotgun shooting of his son Carl Henry Weldon on September 3 in Stayton. The younger Weldon died seven days later in a local hospital.

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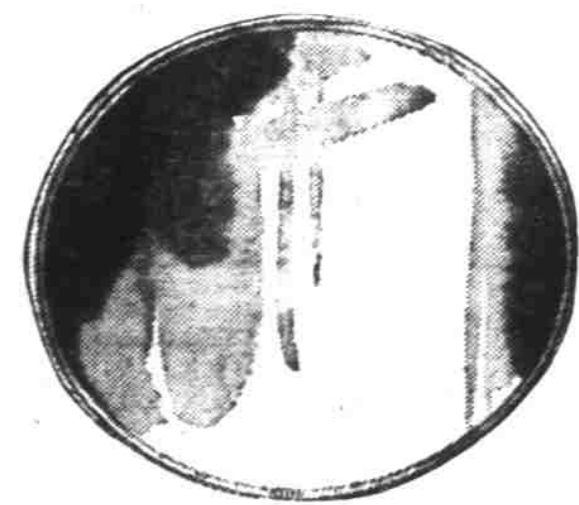
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