

## Gates Family Leaves for New Ecuador Home

(Story also on page 1.)  
GATES—The western hemisphere shrinks when one talks to the Lewis Hampton family that left here Wednesday to farm the jungles of South America.  
Hampton is enthusiastic about the Pan-American Highway which eventually will link North and South America. The route lies within 35 miles of property he has purchased in Ecuador. He expects to drive back to Oregon within five years.

Hampton has long-range "hopes" of spending winters in Ecuador and summers in the Willamette Valley.  
World geography has interested the family for years.

Mrs. Hampton cites cold winters, population increase, depletion of forests and an implied food shortage as reasons why they started looking for a place where natural resources were untouched.

"Believe it or not," she said, "the jungles of South America are about the only unsettled place left."

The family considered Brazil first, but encountered laws they considered undesirable. Ecuador offered a friendly government, reasonable land prices and friendly people.

Spanish is the language of Ecuador. It is a foreign tongue for the Hamptons, but they will be accompanied by a daughter-in-law who speaks it fluently.

Their school-age children hope to study some in Ecuador schools, where English and Spanish each are taught half-a-day, but most tutoring will be at home.

The family's visas will permit them to remain indefinitely. Their American passports, good for two years, may be renewed once.

The Hamptons are widely-known valley residents. Both parents are former Salem residents. Hampton was born in Dallas, the great-grandson of Polk County pioneers of 18.5. His wife descends from a French family that sailed around Cape Horn in 1840 and settled in Clackamas County.

## Quarter Million Lambs Fatten In Northwest

A quarter of a million lambs—most since the war—are fattening in Pacific Northwest feedlots for the region's customers, Floyd Fox, Silverton, member of the Lamb Promotion Committee of the Oregon Wool Growers Association, said as he left for the National Woolgrowers Convention opening Sunday in Chicago. Just prior to leaving he announced plans for a "Midwinter Lamb Festival" of which Harold Cohn of Heppner is chairman.

"We want all consumers to know and take advantage of the oversupply of fine lamb that will be coming to market in the next six weeks or so," Cohn said Wednesday.

Dates for the Midwinter Lamb Festival are Dec. 10 to Jan. 15, and a regional producers' committee has been named to acquaint both retailers and consumers with lamb.

Many retailers are planning special promotions on the week-end of Dec. 11-13, Cohn said. On the Growers committee, in addition to Chairman Cohn and Fox, are W. H. Steiwer, Fossil; Donald Cameron, Pendleton; L. T. Ruelh, Spokane; J. M. McGregor, Hopper, Wash.; Tom Drumheller, Ephrata, Wash.; George Ward, Shaniko; John Withers, Paisley; Jack Shumway, Powell Butte; Charles Hoover, Medford, and Victor W. Johnson, Pendleton.

## Public Records

**PROBATE COURT**  
Neil C. Crabtree guardianship: Order appoints Pioneer Trust Co. as guardian.

Myrtle Hester estate: Clyde H. Bressler appointed as administrator.

Nellie Ruth Whitaker estate: Philip R. Peterson appointed as administrator.

Mintie Hampton estate: Millie Foster appointed as administrator.

**CIRCUIT COURT**  
Barbara Jane Jeffs vs. Leland E. Jeffs: Suit for divorce alleges cruel and inhuman treatment. Married Dec. 26, 1941, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

George G. Zelinka vs. Evelyn Rose Zelinka: Decree of divorce awards plaintiff custody of a minor child.

Gene Taylor vs. Robert E. Taylor: Decree of divorce awards custody of a minor child to plaintiff plus \$50 per month support.  
Dorothy Winston vs. John A. Winston: Decree of divorce restores plaintiff's former name of Ashdown.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS**  
Roy Joseph Millette, 29, mill worker, Gervais, and Carma Sue Conrad, 18, student, Brooks.

**DISTRICT COURT**  
Jack Loring Smith, 555 N. Winter St., charged with peddling alcoholic liquor, continued to Dec. 4 for sentencing following plea of guilty; held in lieu of \$500 bail.

Henry Taylor, Stayton, charged with carrying a dangerous weapon with intent to use, bound over to grand jury; charged with disturbing the peace, continued for sentencing following conviction.

## Independence Girl Succumbs

**Statesman News Service**  
DALLAS—Alta May Jones, 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Jones of Independence, died Wednesday morning at a Salem hospital following a brief illness.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Independence First Baptist Church, in charge of Bollman Funeral Home, with burial at Jefferson Cemetery.

The girl had lived in Independence with her parents for the past five years. She was born April 24, 1945, in Albany.

Survivors are the parents; brother, John LeRoy Jones; sisters,

## AF Reservists Invited To Portland Meeting

Air Force reservists in the Salem area have been invited to hear Maj. Gen. Alfred A. Kessler Jr., commanding general of the 4th Air Force, speak at 8 tonight at the Aero Club, 808 S.W. Taylor St., Portland.

Gen. Kessler will talk about the long range reserve program of the Air Force. A question and answer period will follow.

Ruth Marcille and Mary Enola Jones, all of Independence; grandparents, Maimie Gunn of Jefferson and Jake Jones of Emporia, Kans.

## King Back on Education Job

Major Richard B. King of Salem, called into the Army in 1951, has returned to his position with the Oregon Department of Education.

Maj. King was office manager of the Division of Vocational Education when, as a reserve officer, he was called to active duty. Assigned to the Signal Corps supply agency, King held key positions in a New York office. Before he completed his tour of duty in November, he was property administrator.

King started with the Department of Education in September, 1946.

## Heart Attack Fatal to Worker

Benjamin Myron Kenfield, 63, of 1450 N. 5th St., died Wednesday afternoon, apparently of a heart attack, while at work at the Oregon Pulp and Paper Mill.

Salem first aidmen were called when Kenfield collapsed, but he was pronounced dead by Marion County Coroner Leston W. Howell.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Mohannah Kenfield and son, Alwin Fred Kenfield, both of Salem; a son, Walter Myron Kenfield, Medford; brother, Dudley

## New Congressman Quits State Senate

State Sen. Sam Coon, Baker Republican who was elected to Congress, resigned from the senate Wednesday.

Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry asked the Baker County Court to meet Friday to appoint Coon's successor.

Coon has served half of his four-year senate term.

Billett, Helena, Mont., and two grandchildren.

Announcement of services will be made later by the Howell-Edwards Company.

## Santa Plans Dec. 20 Visit To Silverton

**Statesman News Service**  
SILVERTON—There will be a Santa Claus in Silverton this year, Earl J. Adams, chairman of the Silverton Chamber of Commerce Retailers trade committee announced Wednesday afternoon. But light decorated trees and highly lighted stores will be eliminated so far as possible to assist in the power shortage.

In co-operation with the Palace

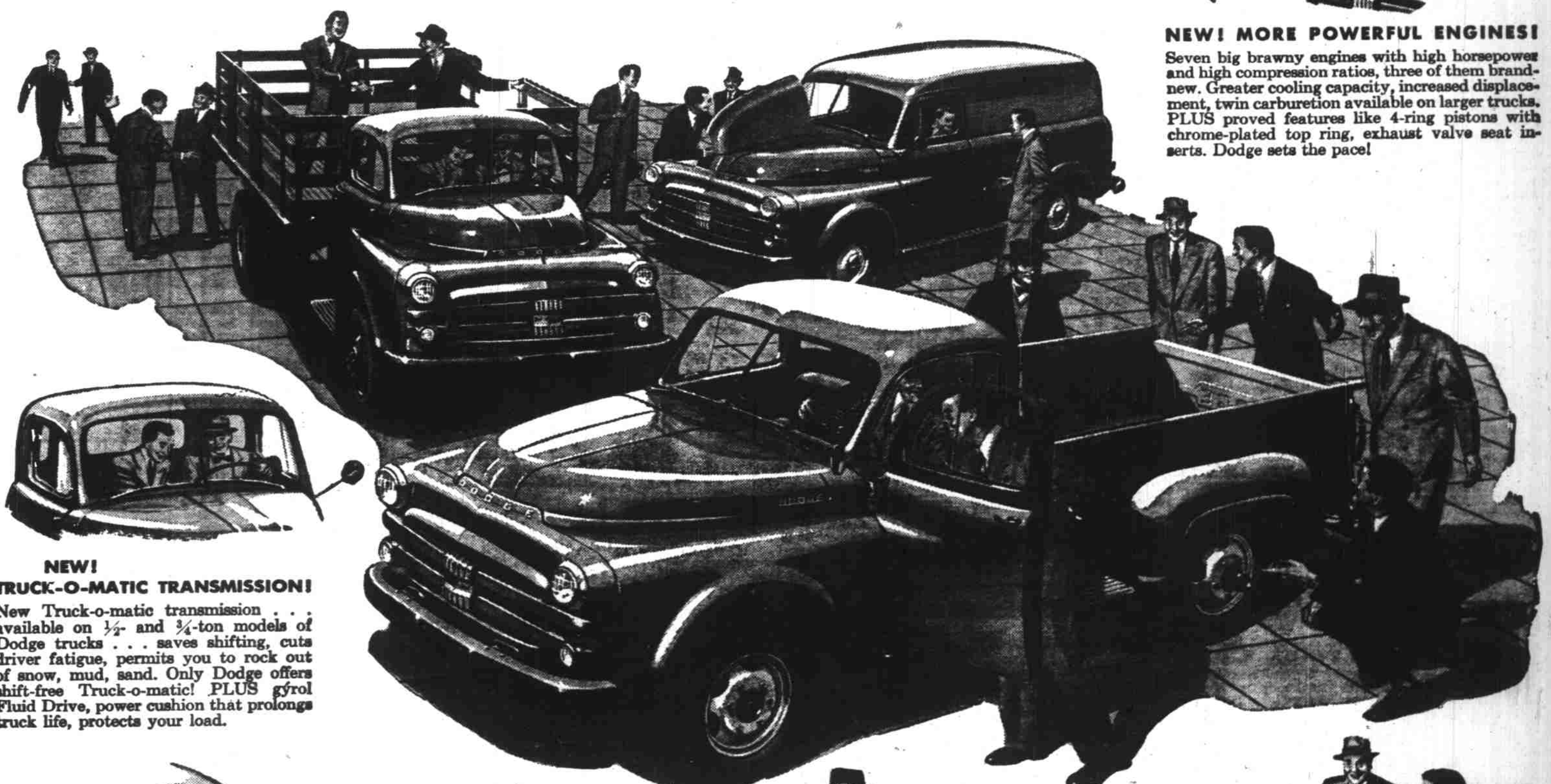
Theater management here there will be 2 afternoon matinees free to the children, the first on Dec. 13 and the second on Dec. 20, both at 1 p.m. On Saturday, Dec. 20, Santa Claus will come to town and there will be treats for the children along the Silverton streets.

Earlier plans to decorate the tree on the Eugene Field school grounds has been cancelled because of the light situation, Adams announced.

Serving with Adams on the committee are Harry Carson Sr., Craig Clark, C. Hopkins, Elmer Johnson, Norman Neagel, Maurice Schnorenberg, Si Wentworth and William Workman.

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