

News Briefs



SUNNY AND MILD

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU FORECAST: Eugene and vicinity: Fair, with rising daytime temperatures. High Friday, 57; Saturday, 65. Low Saturday morning, 32. Western Oregon: Same.

Local Statistics: Highest temperature Thursday 54; low Friday morning, 31; rain in 24 hours ending 10:30 a. m. Friday, 0 inch; total for month, .36 inches; stage of river at 7:30 a. m. Friday, -.85 feet; wind at 11:30 a. m. Friday, NNE-23; prevailing Thursday, N-9.6.

Sunrise and Sunset (PST): Saturday, 6:37 a. m. and 6:09 p. m. Sunday, 6:36 a. m. and 6:10 p. m.

ROAD REPORT
Santiam Pass—Carry chains.
Willamette Pass—bare pavement.

COTTAGE GROVE—Lewis Riddell, 30, of Longview, Wash., was turned over to San Francisco police officers Thursday morning here. The two California policemen had a warrant for Riddell's arrest on a charge of armed robbery in San Francisco. Riddell was arrested Feb. 16 here by Police Chief Ed Jones who recognized him loitering near the bus depot.

CAMP AND auxiliary of the United Spanish War Veterans will meet for their regular business sessions Monday at 2 p. m. at the Veterans' Memorial Building.

WILLIS H. Scofield, 385 E. 30th, a star route contractor, is at home after being treated for broken ribs received in a fall Tuesday night.

EUGENE LODGE of Perfection (Scottish Rite Masons) will confer the Ninth degree Tuesday March 11th 8:00 P.M. in Masonic Temple, 992 Olive Street. Visiting members are cordially invited.

CALVIN CRUMBAKER, professor of economics at the University of Oregon and city councilman, will address the Life Underwriters at that group's regular meeting Monday noon in the Veterans Memorial Bldg.

ALPHA THETA of Epsilon Alpha will have a baked food sale from 9 to 5 Saturday in the Public Market.

THE LANE-DOUGLAS Optometric Society held a dinner meeting at the Eugene Hotel on Monday, March 3, as a part of the observation of "Save Your Vision Week." Speaker for the evening was John W. Jones, consultant in the education of visually handicapped children in the public schools of Oregon.

A FOOD SALE sponsored by the University Religious Council will be held Saturday at the Public Market.

A BUILDING permit was issued at City Hall to Joe Priddy for a residential garage, to cost \$500, Wednesday.

"THE CERTAINTY of a Right Outcome" will be the subject of the transcribed program from The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., which will be heard over Station KERG Saturday morning, March 8, at 7:45 o'clock. Harry C. Browne will be the speaker. The solo entitled "The Hem of His Garment" will be sung by Frederick Jagel.

Laura S. Woodhurst

Laura S. Woodhurst of 251 Kinney Loop died at a local hospital on March 6.

She was born Oct. 14, 1904 at Langlois, Oregon. She was married to Fred R. Woodhurst at Bandon on Dec. 4, 1922. Mrs. Woodhurst was a member of the Presbyterian Church and a resident of Eugene for ten years. Besides her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Mary Lou Heskins of Merrill, Ore.; her mother, Evalene Cox, Myrtle Point, Ore.; a sister, Mrs. Eva Everett, Klamath Falls; a brother, Seth Cox, North Bend and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the Poole-Larsen Chapel Saturday, March 8 at 2 p. m. Rev. Paul Mellish officiating. Cremation will follow.

Ships Due
Military transports are scheduled to arrive at West Coast on Friday and Saturday. The Freeman was due in Seattle with 1130 passengers, among them Sgt. Sherman Conder and M. Sgt. Tyrus. The USS is due in San Francisco. No passenger list has been released.

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Women Prisoners

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back. But that doesn't happen often. Except for such times, the women just don't get outside. Population statistics reveal that the woman prisoner is much like the man prisoner. In other words, she is much like anybody else, except that she got into trouble.

CHANCES ARE she is under 35, married, Protestant, from a rural home, has a high school education, was a housewife or waitress, and is serving her first term. The term is probably for less than three years, although every year or so a woman begins a life sentence.

The woman prisoner has a somewhat better chance, statistically, than the male offender of being paroled before her sentence expires. There is no law prohibiting a woman's being executed in the gas chamber. But it has never happened in Oregon.

Bad checks, fraud, and theft seem to be the great pitfalls for women. Of 25 women admitted in the two years ending June 30, 1950, seven were convicted of forgery, six of obtaining money or property under false pretenses, five of larceny, two of manslaughter, two of assault and one each of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, embezzlement, and murder in the second degree.

The chance that she will escape is almost nil. It has happened only twice. Once was last week when a brawny redhead named Michele O'Brien called a taxi and went to Portland. She had been working as a practical nurse in the home of Deputy Warden Gene Halley.

"MIKE," as she is known, is a 28-year-old bad check artist from Clatsop County who went in last July. A week after her escape she is still at large, presumably with a boy friend she met while he was an inmate at the Halley residence. He is wanted now as a parole violator.

The other time was in 1931 when a lady burglar named Pauline Plesek, once of Jackson County, wriggled through the bars. She was caught the next day in Silverton.

Oregon's female convicts can wear their own clothes. Some wear the prison uniform, a plain dress of santon color. But most prefer slacks and brightly colored shirts or sweaters.

The state furnishes the dresses, cotton brassieres, pants and slippers.

Bert Hite

Bert Hite, 77, died Thursday, March 6, 1952, at his home in Delight Valley near Cottage Grove. Born March 29, 1874, at Schell City, Mo., he was married in 1898 at Orient to Florence Jones who survives. He had lived near Cottage Grove for three months.

Surviving are his wife; four sons, Ray, Tacoma, and Dave and Earl, Cottage Grove, and Wilbert, Sandy; two daughters, Mrs. Roy German, Sunday, and Mrs. Hunter Cahill, Crescent City, Calif.; 21 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; a brother, Jim Hite, Boring; a sister, Elizabeth Nichols, Boring.

The body will be sent to Gresham for funeral services. Mills Mortuary in Cottage Grove is in charge of local arrangements.

John C. Hathaway

Funeral services for John C. Hathaway will be held at the Poole-Larsen Chapel Saturday, March 8 at 10:30 a. m. Rev. F. R. Witmer officiating. Interment is to be at West Lawn.

RECORDS

BIRTHS AT SACRED HEART

BRUCE—Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Bruce, 3014 N. 1st, Eugene, a daughter, March 4, 1952.

CAGLE—Mr. and Mrs. Jack H. Cagle, R. 4, Box 176, Eugene, a daughter, March 4, 1952.

CHATT—Mr. and Mrs. Orville K. Chatt, 274 Washington, Eugene, a daughter, March 4, 1952.

DENHAM—Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Denham, 3215 River Rd., Eugene, a daughter, March 4, 1952.

HARRISON—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Harrison, 2215 Willamette St., Eugene, a son, March 4, 1952.

OLINGHOUSE—Mr. and Mrs. Elton G. Olinghouse, 277 W. 3rd Ave., Eugene, a daughter, March 4, 1952.

SMITH—Mr. and Mrs. Clive V. Smith, 330 Kinney St., Eugene, a daughter, March 4, 1952.

OAKRIDGE MUNICIPAL COURT

No operator's license: Lawrence William Barr, 22, Pope and Talbot Camp. Oakridge, \$10 bail, forfeited.

Parking by fire hydrant: Stanley Johnson, \$5.

OAKRIDGE JUSTICE COURT

No operator's license: Dennis Jack Kelly, no fine, but \$4.50 costs; Henry Mel, no fine, but \$4.50 costs.

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Early Iris Reported

What she thinks is the first wild blue-flag iris of the year was reported by Muriel McElvin, 438 W. 8th. Friday. She said she found the blossom near the Fox Hollow Rd.

'Who Gets It' Film Seen By Active Club

Members of the Active Club viewed a traffic safety movie, "And Then There Were Four" at the Thursday meeting.

The film was shown by Eugene Police Lieutenant Hobart Smith and introduced by Police Chief Ted Brown.

Brown emphasized need for public support in maintaining an efficient law enforcement program. He remarked on the surprising number of people who tell him they don't expect really an efficient job from public officials. "And you'd be surprised at how many people come into my office to see if they can 'fix this thing,'" he said.

Statistics compiled by the office here show that as the number of citations and arrests go up accidents go down, Brown said. "But then I have people who complain that we're pushing this thing too hard. They tell me there's a lot of feeling against our traffic campaign."

The point of his remarks was highlighted by the film which traces the activities of a day in the lives of five people. Narrated by nasal Jimmy Stewart, the movie is a kind of who gets it. The viewer is shown driving faults of all of the five as they progress through their day, and is told that at the end of the film one will be dead.

The fate of the unlucky one of five is graphically shown with a shot of an upturned, flaming car, its occupant being grilled to a turn.

Creswell Youth Slashes Ankle

COTTAGE GROVE—A 23-year-old Creswell youth Wednesday suffered an ankle laceration in an accident.

The youth, Rodney Davis, was injured while cutting limbs off a log. The axe apparently slipped off the log and struck his leg. Davis was treated at Cottage Grove Hospital and released.

Victor Swearingen, 27, of Drain, was hospitalized at Cottage Grove Wednesday after being struck over the right eye with a stick. The accident occurred while Swearingen was working at a mill in the Drain area.

In good condition Thursday at Cottage Grove Hospital is Mrs. Donna Zoller, 21, of Seattle. She suffered deep scalp lacerations Wednesday in a car accident south of Cottage Grove on Highway 99.

Music Event Set Friday

Tickets will be available at the door at Springfield High gymnasium Friday for the music program to be sung by Humboldt State College a cappella choir and madrigal singers. The event will begin at 8 p. m.

The college students from Arcata, Cal., are under direction of Leland Barlow. Springfield Lions are sponsoring their appearance. An unusual feature of the group is their madrigal singers, a small body of voices which sing part-songs of the 16th Century. Proceeds from the appearance will benefit the Lions Club sight conservation program.

Fire Volunteers To Skip Pay

Grove Fund Lack Ends Token Pay

COTTAGE GROVE—Fire chief Ernest Shipley said Thursday members of the volunteer fire department have agreed to fight fires during the rest of the fiscal year without compensation. The fire chief was instructed by the council to discuss the matter with volunteers after it was pointed out at Monday's council session the city has no money left for volunteer pay.

Until this month volunteers had been receiving 75-cents an hour for time spent fighting fires.

Shipley said Thursday: "This is the first year the volunteers have received anything for answering alarms. And they haven't made anything on the pay anyway. This compensation barely covers dry cleaning costs when volunteers soil their clothing at fires."

Shipley said the volunteers realized the city was short of money in the volunteer fund and would continue to give the community fire protection without pay.

City Recorder Don Allen told councilmen Monday the city has only \$19 in the volunteer fund. Some \$750 was budgeted last July, but it has been spent.

Councilmen indicated if there is any money left in the city's emergency fund at the end of the fiscal year the firemen will receive compensation.

Gun-Pointing Charge Filed

COTTAGE GROVE—A 39-year-old man faces a charge of "pointing a gun at another" here after police said Thursday he pulled a loaded gun in a Main St. tavern Wednesday night.

Under arrest is George Kerr, 421 Washington St. A complaint against Kerr has been signed by Lorin Oliphant, 28, of 36 N. 7th St., Cottage Grove.

Oliphant said in Justice Court Thursday that Kerr pulled a loaded gun and pointed it at him during a game of "pitch" in a tavern.

Kerr told Judge John Wells Thursday: "I was just playing around. I didn't mean anything by it."

Wells replied: "But the gun was loaded. That thing was never meant to play with."

The charge against Kerr is a misdemeanor.

Burglary Conviction Nets 4-Year Term

Joseph George O'Neill, 52, 60 Country Club Road, was sentenced to four years in the state penitentiary Friday morning in Circuit Court having been convicted by a jury of burglary not in a dwelling.

Although he has not been in trouble for 25 years, O'Neill's record shows a three year prison stretch for assault and five for robbery in Ohio. In sentencing him, Judge G. F. Skipworth commented that he thought the facts proved conclusively that O'Neill was guilty of the burglary of Hewitt's market and that he "had not told a straight story on the stand."

He said he felt obligated to impose the four year sentence in view of these facts.

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