

Roguelike
Ramblings
by Norma Jean

Although our town is decorated beautifully, there has been a lot of talk this week as to why no pre-Christmas visit from Old Saint Nick???

Hey, Freeman! Where you been hiding? Are you really mad 'cause I said last week you needed that beauty sleep?

Anybody see that "SPECIAL" on television the other night called "Congress Needs Help"? Man, isn't that a title to pull at your heartstrings?

Just for fun Tuesday morning I listened in on the local traffic court session.

One thing learned that may be of interest to citizens, in court the policeman seems to appear to be the person on trial.

Never again do I want to hear the statements, "You don't stand a chance against a cop", or "You can't fight city hall". Hogwash!!!!!!

That kookie Chinese friend of George Meriman's at the American in Crescent City sent me a Christmas gift.

Don't know what he's trying to prove, but Bud Geren from Alexander's Hardware was seen this morning on the main street flexing his muscles.

We hear the local Naval Reserve boys are leaving this weekend for Seattle where they will undergo deckside training aboard the destroyer escort U.S.S. Brannon.

The fellows will fly from the airport Saturday morning at 10:30 a. m. and plan to return Sunday afternoon by way of a Navy Transport plane.

SAFETY RULES
Fourth Grade

There was once a boy named Joe. He wanted to drive a car, so he got in the car. Turned the key on too far, Now, there is a dead boy named Joe.

By Jaime Muir

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PNB Names New Area Manager

Walt Crosby has been appointed manager for Pacific Northwest Bell's exchanges in Ashland, Medford and Central Point replacing Jack Creager, according to J. D. Perry, district manager for the phone company.

Creager, who has been PNB's local manager for the past 17 years, is retiring Dec. 21.

Crosby graduated from the University of Oregon in 1948 and spent five years in the U. S. Army during World War II.

During his 17 year career with PNB, Crosby has had assignments in the company's directory, marketing and commercial departments.

While in Corvallis, Crosby was active in the Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, and Urban Renewal Agency. He was also on the Mayor's Advisory Committee.

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SOC Summer Math Institute Receives \$47,900 NSF Grant

Southern Oregon College has been awarded a \$47,900 National Science Foundation grant to support a second successive Summer Institute in Contemporary Mathematics for Secondary School Teachers, it was announced this week.

Dr. Sheldon T. Rio, chairman of the mathematics department at the college, will again direct the institute this summer. This will be the fifth institute Dr. Rio has directed. He organized and developed three others while he was at Western Washington State College.

Purpose of the institute is to improve the quality of mathematics instruction in the junior high school and the small high school by providing very basic mathematics courses for teachers whose mathematics preparation is very minimal.

Participants
Dr. Rio said participants in

Drivers Told Turn Signal Requirements

With the onset of winter and reduced visibility, Oregon drivers were again reminded that state law now requires turn signals to be given at least 100 feet before turning or changing lanes.

Vern L. Hill, director of the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles, noting that the law formerly required that turn signals be given only 50 feet in advance of a turn, said: "Higher speeds and reduced visibility make giving turn signals well in advance not just a matter of being legally right, but a matter of life or death."

Figures from the department's Traffic Safety & Education Division show that turning errors (14 per cent) and driving on wrong side of the road, straddling or driving in wrong lane (seven per cent) are involved in more than one-fifth of all of the state's accidents.

NOTICE TO CHARTER SUBSCRIBERS: Hear Ye! Your One Dollar renewals are now due. You will have until January 31, 1966 to pay your special renewal charge for inside Jackson County.

Gold City Plans Told Talent Group

At a Friday night meeting at Talent City Hall executives of Gold City Inc. gave a presentation of the plans and expectations of the company to develop the old Ashland Mine into a \$4 million tourist attraction.

Host of the meeting was the Talent Civic Improvement Group. The three officials of the Gold City firm were Norman Easley, president, Portland, Ben Gassaway, secretary-treasurer, Portland, and Howard Edgar, sales representative, Medford.

Easley explained that on a gradual basis, the 589-acre mountain top would be developed into a tourist attraction different than any other in the country. Friendliness, cleanliness and beauty would be stressed, Easley said.

The attraction would include an authentic gold mining operation for tourists to observe. The international rock exchange at which rock collectors and enthusiasts talk about, sell, and trade rocks, and some 22 other facilities from campground to ice-skating arena, are contemplated.

Easley explained that development of some of the facilities depend on available funds. The capital stock at \$1 per share is being sold by the executive officers of the firm and by duly-licensed security salesmen.

Officials expressed appreciation for the considerable interest shown in the area and said that there was little doubt but that they could start operation next spring in time for the tourist season.

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Tacoma Man in Trouble Here

A young Tacoma man was arrested here Saturday night by the Central Point Police Department on a charge of attempting to elude a police officer.

Lodged in Jackson County jail was Clarence Russell Marsh III, Rt. 5, Box 412, Tacoma.

He is being held on a Tuckwila, Wash. District Court Warrant charging he jumped bail on a \$120 traffic violation charge.

According to police, Marsh was found in the home of Calvin Earnest Rhodes, 907 Cherry, Central Point when Rhodes and his wife returned from a shopping trip. Upon discovery he fled. Police apprehended him later after getting a description of the vehicle he was known to be driving.

Statewide Phone Rates Cut

Central Point area telephone users will start benefiting from reductions in telephone rates for long distance calls within Oregon beginning Thursday (December 16), according to Walt Crosby, local manager for Pacific Northwest Bell.

"The reduced day station rates will apply only to those calls of 80 miles or more within Oregon," Crosby said. "Day station calls are those in effect Monday through Friday from 4:30 a. m. to 6:00 p. m."

The long distance rate reductions are expected to save Oregonians an estimated \$400,000 annually, Crosby stated.

These local examples were given:

Prior to the rate cut, a three-minute day station call from Central Point to Eugene cost .75 cents. The new rate, effective Thursday, is .70 cents.

Also, prior to Thursday, a three-minute day station call from Central Point to Portland cost \$1.00. The new rate is .90 cents.

A reduction of five cents for the first three minutes was approved for long distance day station calls of 80 miles through 150 miles within Oregon. Approval was also given for a reduction of ten cents for the first three minutes of day station calls 151 miles or more within Oregon.

Corresponding reductions in charges for additional minutes have also been filed with the Oregon Public Utilities Commissioner, Crosby said.

Changes in the method of allocating the rate base of the telephone company between intrastate operations made the rate reduction possible, according to Crosby.

The National Association of Railroad and Utility Commissioners recently authorized the changes with approval of the Federal Communications Commission.

NOTICE

DO YOU WANT ELK IN THE APPLIGATE AREA?

A meeting to discuss it will be held in the Girl's Community Hall in Medford at 7:30 p. m., December 18.

OREGON FISH & GAME COUNCIL

Students with Charlie Hoover for Tree Growing Tips



CHILDREN TOUR NURSERIES FOR SCHOOL LANDSCAPE TRAINING

Last Friday, sixty fifth graders from Richardson Elementary under the guidance of Mrs. Beaman and Mr. Shearer with Charlie Hoover sought practical knowledge of tree culture to apply to their nursery and landscaping project for their school.

Itinerary covered the Medford Tree Nursery on Jackson Street, the Sacred Heart Hospital, the Violet House and Domiciliary at White City.

At the Medford Nursery on the site of the pioneer Medford brickyard where they have had a soil problem, they learned the cultivation processes and the necessity of barricades to protect small trees from sun and wind.

Sacred Heart Hospital's nursery was used to illustrate the results produced by the wise use of fertilizer and how it accelerates tree growth. Sister Superior Carmelina spoke to the children and nursery tenders on the methods Sacred Heart has followed for producing their exceptional landscape material for the present hospital grounds and the new hospital.

The next stop was at Pat's Violet House on Avenue A in White City where thousands of violets are being propagated. Mrs. Allen spoke on her method of violet development. On their departure, each room was presented a beautiful violet plant to use in their further studies.

Mr. Frank Glonning, administrative assistant to the chief medical officer of the White City Domiciliary greeted the group

and guided them in a tour of the Domiciliary grounds which is landscaped with trees planted by Charlie Hoover seven years ago. These trees illustrated the fine growth that can be accomplished with good care.

Mr. Glonning invited them for a brief visit. Time was running short. Double time marching was placed in effect as sixty laughing students romped down the long hall to the recreation room. As they traveled along the hall, doors popped open as surprised veterans witnessed this rare experience of seeing their domain invaded by little feet and laughter.

On reaching the recreation room their teachers brought the group to attention, two little youngsters stepped from the ranks and led sixty sweet voices in a heart-rendering rendition of "God Bless America". The room was crowded, and as the children completed their song, the sentimental and emotional effects on all was a touching conclusion to a perfect day.

F. A. Holley has assumed the position of acting postmaster of Jacksonville, replacing Houston Valentine who has resigned. The Jacksonville post office was one of the first in the state although not the first in the county. The first postoffice in the county was in the Gold Hill area; the second, which existed only three years, was at Manzanita near Central Point.

PROTECTION LAW IN EFFECT ON TELEPHONE SOLICITING
ANNOUNCED BY telephone calls from salesmen or people pretending to make surveys?

A new consumer protection law passed by the 1965 Oregon legislature outlaws soliciting by phone unless the caller identifies himself within 30 seconds and states his purpose. Your local reliable businessman will be glad to tell who he is when he calls to inform you about a sale.

Homemakers at a recent Extension education program told of receiving calls which were tape recorded. The homemaker was given a number to telephone, thus making her the caller. Be wary of this, too. It may be an unreliable solicitor's way of evading the law.

SOC Area Property Purchases Approved By Education Board

PORTLAND — The State Board of Higher Education today authorized purchase of five tracts of property for the eventual expansion of Southern Oregon College. Total cost of the five purchases would be \$57,566.

The property is located within the campus boundaries in two sections on Mountain and Walker Avenues.

Included in this morning's authorization was the Robert Urie property, 484 S. Mountain, at a purchase price of \$12,500; the H. A. Redington property, 480

S. Mountain, for \$9,300; the Arvil Hurt property, 520 S. Mountain, \$10,750; property owned by M. E. Webster, 435 Walker, for \$7,700; and the Eugene Bowman property, 467 Walker, at a price of \$17,316.

In other action, the board decided today it could not go ahead with plans for covered tennis courts while it was short of money to meet the cost of increasing enrollment.

The board accepted the basic study for nine handball courts and six covered tennis courts at the University of Oregon, but deferred preliminary planning on the project.



"If you can't pronounce it — you can't afford it."

Miss Mary Hawkey
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