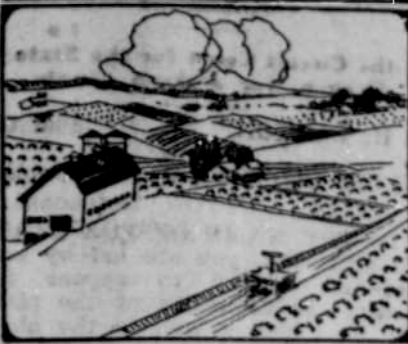


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WHERE THE  
ROGUE RIVER FLOWS



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## HAVE ROUGH TRIP IN EXPLORING

LOCAL BOYS ENJOY DIP IN  
COLD RIVER WATER

### Search Unsuccessful

Swift Current and Taking Wrong  
Channel Upsets Boat of  
Searchers

The following letter sent by Louis Salade Jr. of Central Point to his friend, Col. Ralph S. Croskey, 526 Stephen Girard Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa., tell of a little incident that happened to him and several local boys on a recent trip down the Rogue river in search of a valuable Russian Wolfhound, lost by Mr. Salade.

The story is interesting and the American is indebted to Mr. Salade to publish his letter.

December 17, 1926

Dear Ralph:

Yesterday we had quite an adventure and experience none of the three of us will forget for a long time.

It came about like this. Last Saturday my Russian Wolfhound went off with the police pup and never returned, even though the pup came back the following day. So although we have searched most everywhere about this section without a clue to his whereabouts. I assume he was caught in a trap, probably along Bear creek. We went along both banks of this creek, where boys are known to have set out traps for miles in both directions but in several places were not able to even see the creek due to the dense underbrush. Therefore, having no results, I thought the best and only way was to go down the creek by boat. Due to the heavy rains this creek had swollen greatly and sometime ago was a raging torrent with logs and all sorts of debris rushing down to the Rogue river, some few miles below here. But now it had gone down to a more normal size, and with care we thought it could be successfully done. So with Leon Boomer, Ed. Boardman, Truman Brenner all of Central Point and who wanted some excitement, we were fortunate in getting a strong metal covered flat bottomed boat, owned by Bert Peck also of Central point, and with the three of us aboard we started down Bear creek.

The current was much swifter than was at all suspected, and although one of us was at the bow and another at the stern with sort of poles and the third at the oars amidst pulling upstream, the boat went along entirely too fast for comfort. At a short distance on and where the stream made a split, we took the wrong channel and ran aground in a small rapids, but finally managed to get clear with some pulling and pushing.

To our surprise, after going on some little distance further and too swiftly at that, due to the strong current, we saw just above the surface what had been the top wire of a barb-wire fence. We had just come around a bend in the stream and did not have a chance to get to the side in time to reach the bank before hitting the fence. Evidently the risen creek had been so much higher than this fence, that the logs, etc., had gone right over this and not torn it away as we expected and had been the case in places where the stream was not so hemmed-in by the high banks.

So before we knew it, the boat

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### MAKES HOMESTEAD PROOF

Is Now Resident of Central Point District

Fred Taylor, an old-time resident of this district, was in Gold Hill on Monday, en-route to Grants Pass to make final proof on his homestead, which he located several years ago down on the Illinois river in Josephine county. He has recently purchased a home property in Central Point and his family is now domiciled in that town. He reports that his father, James Taylor is a resident of Douglas county. The senior Taylor operated the Hughes limestone quarry and kiln out on Kanes creek about 20 years ago. He also reports that his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. William Russell, both passed away early in the present year at Roseburg. Mr. Russell operated the Gold Hill brick yards below the Braden mine about 25 years ago, and was a Indian war veteran of the Rogue River wars.—Gold Hill News.

### CHRISTMAS WEDDING IS

HOLIDAY EVENT HERE

A pretty romance which began during their school days culminated on Saturday, Christmas day, in the wedding of Miss Edith Copenger of this city to Mr. Orville Shores of the Shores service station of Medford.

The simple ceremony was read at the home of Rev. J. M. Johnson, the officiating minister, only the immediate members of the family and witnesses being present.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Shores are popular members of the class of '26, of the Central Point high school and both were star players on the boys' and girls' basketball teams.

Following the ceremony the happy couple left for their new home in Medford.

Their many friends wish them many years of wedded happiness.

### THE TIME WORN PHRASE

Health, Wealth and Happiness Is the Wish for All.

Living conditions, national and foreign affairs, state and county prosperity appear promising as the New Year, 1927, is ushered in. In Oregon the mild and moist winter indicate bountiful crops for the coming year. Building activities all over the North west are exceeding all records and expectations. The lumber market is indeed bright; new railroad construction is practically assured; large corporations have planned extensive operations, including a \$3,000,000 power plant in our own county—the big California-Oregon Power site at Prospect.

With these favorable conditions pictured before us, we can earnestly express to our readers and to our personal friends the time worn phrase, "Happy New Year." The America wishes all, the best of the lad during the coming twelve months. We have no new leaves to turn over; no wild predictions, knowing that work, honestly and plenty of advertising will reap a rich reward.

Happy New Year to you and your family. May you live long and prosper.

Don't forget to write it 1927.

### To Have Installation.

The Womens Relief Corps will have their installation Saturday, January 8. A chicken dinner will be served at noon for the members and their families.

Jack Lynch, formerly of Central Point but now of Weed, Cal., spent Christmas with relatives here.

## ASHLAND PARK WILLED MONEY

INVALUABLE CHRISTMAS GIFT  
IS RECEIVED

### Make Improvements

Ashland Bank Presidents Named  
Trustees to Care for  
the Estate.

Ashland, Dec. 24.—The city of Ashland has received an invaluable Christmas gift from the estate of C. W. Root and his wife, Mrs. Virginia Root. Mr. and Mrs. Root were for many years citizens of Ashland interested in every good thing for the city and its people. In his will Mr. Root left his property in a legacy to the city of Ashland and at Mrs. Root's death, her properties were also bequeathed to the city, with the provision that it all be used to beautify and benefit the city. The management of the estate was left in the hands of trustees consisting of the presidents of the three banks of the city. The trustees have decided upon the purchase of four properties, the Bungalow property belonging to Mrs. Bert R. Greer, the E. F. Smith property on Winburn Way, a strip 72x200 feet belonging to E. D. Briggs and a piece of ground belonging to Mrs. Emma Oeder. Options have been secured on the properties and the deal will soon be completed.

The new additions to the park are near the entrance and will materially increase the facilities there besides adding to the beauty of the approach. Some buildings will be removed and improvements made. The decision of the Root estate trustees is considered of far reaching influence in the development of the splendid park which forms one of Ashland's greatest assets. Many of the projects which were proposed to the trustees could not be considered since the will states that the estate must go to the city of Ashland and for the beautifying and benefit of the city. In its choice the board feels that it has complied in the very letter and spirit of the bequest and that there is no other way in which they could have established a monument to Mr. and Mrs. Root which more nearly meet the ideas they had in mind for the city they loved so well. It is planned to erect some suitable monument to the honor of the city's benefactors and to expend the residue either in the purchase of more land for the park or in the improvement of what has already been purchased. The business of the estate has been handled by E. V. Carter, president of the First National bank; J. P. Dodge, president of the Citizens bank, and W. J. Moore, president of the State Bank of Ashland.

### Consolidation Is Report.

There is being planned a scheme to consolidate the high schools of Sams Valley and Gold Hill. A union high school at Gold Hill would result in bigger and better facilities and advantages to students of these districts.

Mrs. Maurise Richardson is visiting her parents at Elgin, in eastern Oregon. Mr. Richardson accompanied her as far as Portland and spent Christmas with his parents in St. Helens, returning to Central Point Monday.

### DEPARTMENT RESTORES LAND

Three Small Tracts of Land to Be  
Homesteaded Near Here.

Notice is hereby given that the General Land office, by Commissioner's letter of December 21, 1926, has restored to entry under the homestead or desert land laws the E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 8, and SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Sec. 18, Tp 35 S. R. 1 E. W. M., and the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Sec. 22, Tp. 35 S. R 1 W. W. M., containing 161.55 acres.

The restoration will take effect January 18, 1927, at 9 o'clock a. m. and ex-service men of the late war with Germany will have preference right of entry for 91 days from and including that date, or until April 18, 1927. Applications of ex-service men of the late war for homestead entry may be executed and filed in this office within 20 days prior to the date of restoration, and all applications for said land filed in this office from December 29, 1926, to and including 9 o'clock a. m. on January 18, 1927, shall be considered as filed simultaneously and the right to enter will be determined by drawing if more than one application be filed for the same tract. The land will be open to general disposition on April 19, 1927.

Applications must be accompanied by affidavit to the effect that applicant served in the United States Army, Navy or Marine corps on or after April 6, 1917, and prior to March 3, 1921; the period of such service and the unit in which he served and the date of honorable discharge or separation from service, and also a copy of his discharge.

Citizens of the United States who served in the allied armies in the war with Germany will also have preference right to enter this land. Hamill A. Canaday, register, Roseburg, Or.

### SCOTCHMAN COVERS THREE

YEAP'S IN HIS XMAS GREETING

Here's a case of Scotch for a bit o' Christmas cheer.

John M. Scott, assistant passenger traffic manager of the Southern Pacific Railway company, has a good friend of kindred nativity in the person of J. A. McLean, proprietor of the Osburn hotel, Eugene, and Scott is chuckling over a naive "Scotch Greeting Card" received through the mail from McLean.

The card is plain to the point of severity and said: "Wishing you a Merry Christmas for 1926, 1927, 1928."—Oregon Journal.

### Children Enjoy Vacation.

The school children are fully enjoying their mid-winter vacation. The Christmas programs at the schools were above par and greatly enjoyed by parent, teacher and student.

### Now to Broadcast.

Jackson county now has a real radio broadcasting station. Medford is the home of KMED, made possible by the enterprise of the Mail-Tribune and Mr. Virgin, radio dealer. KMED is on the air every night and offers very good programs. You will find them by turning the wave length to 250.

Fred Inlow and Ivor French, who have spent several weeks in California, returned home for the Christmas season. They state that while picking oranges near Woodlake, in Tulare county, they saw the cyclone which swept through that part of the country, and later saw some of the havoc wrought among packing houses and sheds. They also state that there is snow on the ridge route which is quite unusual.

## EXPERT WILL HEAR ON SPRAY

INVESTIGATION OF SPRAY RESI-  
DUE IS PROMISED

### Arrive Next Month

Possible Definite Policy Will Be  
Taken to Inform Growers  
What to Do.

To investigate the spray residue in southern Oregon, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Campbell is scheduled to leave Washington early in January for Medford, Oregon, where he will investigate the situation thoroughly confer with fruit growers and probably conduct several hearings to establish a definite policy and inform growers just what steps they must take to meet the department of chemistry tolerance in removing arsenate of lead spray from fruits.

Campbell's trip it is hoped will result in the department of agriculture discovering what the growers desire in the way of governmental co-operation, and will do away with the confused situation which resulted last year. Growers, they claim, are unable to meet a tolerance which is secret. Campbell is expected to tell them just what the spray tolerance will be, and to inform them as to what they must do to meet it. He will also hear complaints of fruit men who believe the tolerance to be so strict that it is impossible to meet it.

Campbell's proposed trip is scheduled at the request of Senator Chas. L. McNary of Oregon, who has urged Secretary of Agriculture Jardine to take steps to aid the growers of southern Oregon. Campbell rates next to Jardine in the department of agriculture, and it is believed in Washington that his visit will be the greatest constructive step taken since the spray residue ruling threw growers and shippers into a state of chaos, with the result that Western fruit growers lost millions of dollars last year.

Bert Anderson and other Medford fruit men have been active in requesting Jardine to aid the fruit growers of his section.—News.

### Is Honor Students at U. of O.

The scholastic honor roll of the University of Oregon, as released by faculty officials lists the names of 76 students who averaged a grade of better than 2 in all subjects. The long list of names included the name of Eva V. Nealon, Central Point.

### Have Joint Installation.

The Masons and Eastern Star held a joint installation ceremony last Monday night, and after the lodge business the members and their families enjoyed the evening with a splendid program and big banquet.

J. M. Hurley recently returned from a two month's visit in Portland. Mr. Hurley is a good Jackson county booster and says Medford and Central Point will soon be one large city. Mr. Hurley raises a few little squash on his lots in Central Point one weighed 115 pounds and the other 75 pounds. Some squash.

The many friends of Ray Henderson, of the Medford schools, and a former resident of Central Point, are grieved to learn of the death recently of his mother at the family home in Roseburg, Oregon.