

# THE CENTRAL POINT AMERICAN

Re-established, September 13, 1928

Entered as second class matter at the post office, Central Point, Oregon, under the Act of March 3, 1879

Published weekly at Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon and devoted to the best interests of the city and vicinity.

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES**  
Six Months ..... \$1.25  
One Year ..... \$2.00

Payable in advance  
Advertising rates on application  
Office—Second Street, off Main

ARTHUR EDWARD POWELL  
Editor and Proprietor

## South America As Seen by Local Lady

Mrs. Mildred Swain is writing to her mother, Mrs. E. E. Scott, from South America, where she is with her husband, who is employed by the government rubber research.

Continued from last week

Nov. 15, 1944

Manaus, Amazonas

We have just learned the shocking facts surrounding the tragic death of two American soldiers, Lt. Williamson and Sgt. Bates, and two Brazilians who were murdered by Indians of the Atoaris Tribe in the vicinity of the town of Mauro, Amazonas, which is situated on the Rio Negro near the junction of the Rio Branco, some 200 miles from Manaus. The tragedy occurred many miles above the town on the Alalau River which flows from the Jauapere River, possibly between 100 and 150 miles above the town of Mauro.

On Oct. 22nd a weary, near-dead-than-alive Brazilian staggered back into the town of Mauro and his story was telegraphed into Manaus via National Telegraph telling of the deaths of the other four men in the expedition party which had set out from Manaus some six weeks previously in the interests of the U.S. Army Mapping Squadron whose gigantic task is to map the entire of Brazil in detail. Of the five people on the expedition he, alone, escaped from the hostile tribe of Indians who had killed the other members of the party and had made his way through the jungles back to Mauro to tell the story, arriving there some seventeen days later.

When he first arrived at Mauro he told only the facts that were uppermost in his fear-crazed mind, however the next day he enlarged upon and subtracted from his original story. Since then we have heard various accounts of this mystery-clad tragedy and I will relate here the consensus of opinion as to what probably happened however I am afraid the impenetrable jungle has sealed forever the facts surrounding this brutal massacre and the fate of the two Americans and two Brazilians will remain forever a mystery known only to the Atoaris Indians.

The expedition, headed by Lt. Williamson and Sgt. Bates, had gone to the town of Mauro in an R.D.C. Higgins Launch, which is a fairly good sized launch. Here at Mauro they picked up three Brazilian inhabitants from the town to take them on up the river, leaving their own Brazilian boys to guard the Higgins

until their return, since it was necessary to change to a smaller boat in order to continue their journey. They secured a batelao, a small boat with a canvas and thatch roof covering. In the batelao they continued their journey until they encountered the rapids of the river, many miles north of Mauro. Since they could not navigate the rapids they abandoned the batelao and secured a canoe which they were forced to carry around the rapids together with all their supplies. One version of the story, which is believed most likely correct, is that at this point they met a Brazilian rubber technician with many of his men who were headed on into one of the smaller rivers taking supplies to some thirty rubber tappers in that vicinity. They assisted the Lt. and his men in getting the supplies around the rapids and at the junction of the Alalau River the two parties separated with the promise that six days later the Brazilian rubber technician would be returning and would meet the Lt.'s party at this same point. This was on Oct. 6, 1944 and the future meeting would take place on Oct. 12th.

(To Be Continued)

## Letters to Nephews

By Ella H. Leonard

Dear kid:

Wait until this soot is cleaned off my finger. Wood stoves, you know. Now let's see where to begin. There was enough dough left over from the mince pies Saturday to make a shell, so thought a lemon pie would just hit the spot for me. The filling was put in and a start made for the range oven. Lord a'mighty. Unwittingly it was tipped. Filling and meringue slopped to the floor. Enough to make a nice spot to clean up. After a while the pie lifter was used to turn the pie around. What did it do but slide over the edge and scoop off near a quarter of what had been left of the meringue. Should a feller have gone \* \* ! ? \* ?—, or something, and thrown it out to Abner? Well, sir, we ate it, and called it good.

A group at the Ladies Aid got up talking about the scarcity of underwear: not any could be had in our town. One mother (of a disabled soldier) said John howled that he had no shorts. "I told him I was bleaching out some flour sacks for his wife to make him some," she grinned.

Dr. Alexis Carrel says, "Rougher conditions of existence and more responsibility would restore man's moral energy and audacity." Who is Dr. Carrel? One of his bits of science, perfecting the Dakin solution, was what is now called zonite. Six drainage tubes of it was used during the other war to save Ruby Harper's life in Lakeview. It did

## Medford Concrete Construction Co.

SAND, GRAVEL, CEMENT  
SEPTIC TANKS

Sewer Pipe & Irrigation Pipe

Phone 2469  
N. Riverside Medford

wonders for dad, too, after his operation in Corvallis. Almost unbelievable.

Abner didn't see Smudge coming down the hill on the run. He hid an eye cocked or the broom. When Smudge hit him, he rose straight up like a helicopter. If you happened in, as you thought possible, Abner MIGHT light in the roaster. But could we eat him! Maybe the Park would be better. Would the swans kick him.

The sunshine has no warmth. Must gather the clothes. Happily, Aunty.

## THIS WEEK FIVE YEARS AGO

Mrs. Jake Myers entertained with a big turkey dinner Sunday honoring the birthdays of her husband Dec. 18, her husband's father Riley Myers, whose birthday was Dec. 14, when he was 85 years old and her sister, Estehr Cash's whose birthday was Dec. 12. Thirteen were present.

Central Point readers of the American are requested to bring in stories of Christmas parties and programs early.

Joe A. Mann and wife celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Dec. 18. They have been residents of the Rogue River Valley all of their wedded lives.

So What—Dr. J. F. Moffatt having some lovely Christmas cards printed and forgot to specify his wife's name to. He is now in the dog house.

So What—Coach Hulbert starting a rowing team to practice on the Central Point lake C.P.H.S. football field. He announces that absolutely no fishing be allowed during practice.

## TEN YEARS AGO

Christmas party of the Golden Link class held at the home of Mrs. H. T. Pankey. Ruby Powell and Mona Lewis distributed the gifts. 25 were present.

## MEDFORD ROLLER RINK

WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY,  
SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
EVENINGS

SKATING PARTIES BY  
SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Sunday Afternoon & Evenings

Medford Armory

## CONGER-MORRIS Funeral Parlors

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CORONER

AMBULANCE SERVICE

H. W. Conger—Carlos W. Morris

Phone 3147

715 W. Main Medford

## Medford School of Beauty Culture

ALL BRANCHES OF BEAUTY CULTURE TAUGHT BY BURNHAM METHOD. A SCHOOL THAT SELDOM HAVE A STUDENT WHO DOESN'T PASS. PREPARE NOW FOR POSITION AFTER THE WAR. A TRADE THAT ALWAYS HAS AN OPENING.

Phone 2536 235 E. Main  
Medford, Oregon

## CHRISTMAS TOYS

PICK OUT WHAT YOU NEED NOW!

Commando Wagons—Modeling Clay—Toy Machine Guns—Woodettes—Woodburning Sets—Toy Wheelbarrows—Kiddie Scoots—Dart Boards (we have extra darts)—Blackboards (all sizes)—Toy Lawnmowers—Toy Trucks—Toy Fire Engines—Construction Sets—Mak-A-Toy—Wood-I-Kin.

SEE THESE TOYS AT

## SIMS BROS.

"Your World Bicycle Store"

23 N. Fr. Phone 3472 Medford, Oregon

IF YOUR ROOF LEAKS—

ROOF OVER YOUR WOOD SHINGLES WITH

Pabco Composition Shingles

(Ten Year Guarantee)

Order Now—Terms—No Down Payment

EKERSON ROOF & PAINT STORE

Phone 3848 38 South Bartlett Medford

## Stamper & Goff Bros. HARDWARE

JACUZZI WATER PUMPS—WELL DRILLING—PUMP SERV.  
GENERAL PAINT—HARDWARE—HOUSEWARE  
QUALITY TOOLS—SPORTING GOODS

Phone 3939 225 West Main Medford, Oregon

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Dec. 11 at Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mansdam in Medford. A larger celebration will be held Christmas when the Merrill's three children and their families will be home.

The John Dodge family were guests at the C. W. Sage home at Table Rock Sunday.

Miss May Elcher and Mr. Ray Arthur were married last Tuesday by Rev. Wood of Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodson and Betty Lu of Butte Falls will be home for holidays.

## Legal Notices

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

of JAMES H. WHITE, also known as J. H. WHITE, Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has filed her Final Report and Account in the above entitled matter, and the above entitled court has fixed the 12th day of January, 1945, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the court room of said court, in the Court House at Medford, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Report and Account, if any there be, and the settlement thereof.

DATED and first published this 7th day of December, 1944.

EMMA WHITE  
ADMINISTRATRIX of the Estate of James H. White, Deceased.

27—Dec. 7, 14, 20, 28.

## Hardware AND Houseware

## DULIEN'S

(FORMERLY HANSEN'S)

35 N. Bartlett Medford

## A. W. WALKER Real Estate

Farms—City Property  
Stock Ranches—Rentals

Next to Bear Creek Bridge

Telephone 2721

427 E. Main Medford

## SALE

35

## USED CARS

LARGEST STOCK IN SOUTHERN OREGON TO CHOOSE FROM. I. N. SHULTS, NORTH RIVERSIDE, MEDFORD, OREGON.

## RADIO SERVICE

Opposite Cheese Factory

NATE GRISHAM

Phone 10-X-1 Central Point

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FLOYD V. BELL, Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the county court for Jackson County, Oregon, has appointed me administratrix of the estate of FLOYD V. BELL, deceased.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same with proper vouchers within six months from this date at the office of Neff & Frohnmayer, 202 Cooley, Theatre Building, Medford, Oregon. Dated: November 30, 1944.

ADA BELL, Administratrix  
NEFF & FROHNMYER, Attorneys for administratrix.  
22—Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21.

## NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CARRIE CHASE, Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, administrator in the above entitled matter, has filed herein his final report and account, and

## Christmas Cards

for every one

## SWEM'S

Medford

## Fichtner's Garage

FOR SALE

TRUCK AND PASSENGER

TIRES RELINED

VULCANIZING AND

RE-CAPPING

Phone 3180 6th and Fir  
MEDFORD, OREGON

## Automobile Liability AND Fire Insurance

LELAND CLARK

Phone 4646 7 N. Bartlett  
Medford, Oregon

## August W. Glutsch

Doctor of Optometry

Successor to Dr. Jud Rickett

Specialist in all problems of

eye comfort and vision

208 Fluhrer Bldg. Dial 4001

## PERL'S Funeral Home

Established in your community

25 years

Dial 2675 428 W. 6th St.  
Medford, Oregon

## CUSTOM UPHOLSTER & MATTRESS WORKS

Custom Built

Quality Upholstering and Restyling

RECOVERING THEATRE SEATS, STOOLS, DAVENPORTS, OTTOMANS, HASSOCKS. WE SPECIALIZE ON ANTIQUE AND COLONIAL FURNITURE. FURNITURE OF ALL KINDS REUPHOLSTERED AT MODERATE PRICES.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR 27 YEARS EXPERIENCE. GUARANTEED TO BE AS GOOD AS NEW SETS. SAMPLES ESTIMATE YOUR HOME. NO OBLIGATIONS. CALL CENTRAL POINT, OREGON. PHONE 582.

Make

Your Headquarters when in Medford.

RICHFIELD HI-OCTANE — U.S. TIRES & BATTERIES

ELECTRIC SERVICE and

CARBURETOR SERVICE

## Jim's Super Service

FORMERLY CHET LEONARD  
Riverside at Sixth Medford Dial 4278

Telephone 2027

## VICTORY CLEANERS

CLEANING • PRESSING

WE PRESS WHILE YOU WAIT

Rugs and Upholstery Cleaned

Open 9 A.M. to 9 P.M.  
FOUR DAY SERVICE

408 East Main Street  
MEDFORD, OREGON

# ★ THE SEASON'S Greetings

to our many friends  
at home and in the  
armed forces...  
patriots all in this  
struggle to preserve the  
American way of life!

## The United States National Bank

37 Branches in Oregon

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION