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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

Arrived at Barreiras again and were grounded there for two nights, Friday the 30th and Saturday 31st, departing Barreiras on Easter Sunday, April 1st, for Belem. There had been a low fog, most of the time on the ground, at Barreiras during our stay there and, as mentioned before, we were there when the Brazilian Army Plane, a Douglas 47, carrying 24 persons, crashed before our very eyes, leaving no survivors and only bits of plane and people strewn over the landscape. It was a horrible nightmare. The accident happened at noon on Saturday when a Pan-American Airways ship was on the ground at Barreiras for gas, the only other plane to make a landing there that day because of weather. They were up and had to come down for gas and fortunately made a good landing. We heard the Pan-American plane land on the airport but could not even see it until it pulled up in front of us, the fog was so dense. I still don't know how he got down. A wave of fog passed over just in time for us to see the Brazilian plane go up in flames and smoke. The rest of Saturday was spent by the men digging for bodies and lining them up on the plateau and with Mabel and I getting hot water and beds ready in case there were any survivors. In an emergency I am thankful I can remain cool and reaction didn't set in as far as I was concerned until we reached Belem the next afternoon. Sunday, and Sunday night before I went to bed I got on a crying jag for all those poor 24 people and I could still see dismembered bodies. I have gotten over it now, thank goodness. They say we never learn anything in vain and that was one time my small knowledge of radio which I had picked up at RDC Radio station since working down here, came in handy. When the plane crashed everyone but the radio operator ran to the rescue (the ground radio operator at the Pan-Air do Brazil station). Pretty soon messages began to arrive in English and he rushed out frantically and asked me in Portuguese if I would tell him what the English messages were so I sat with him listening to English while he prepared Portuguese messages advising of the disaster. I was



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HONORABLE SERVICE PATCH—This design of the Honorable Service Button is worn on service uniforms above the pocket on the right hand side of the blouse. The dexter eagle in the circle is in gold on a diamond of khaki or olive drab cloth. The picture above is slightly larger than the official patch.

slow at it but at least knew what to expect and how to speak the radio sign-language of abbreviations on the airwaves. It was a small help at least since his interpreter, the airport manager, was gone to the wreck. When everyone returned I manned the typewriter in the Radio Room and set up their messages for the Airport manager to send out notifying various authorities, etc., since the manager was a physical and mental wreck by that time. They gave him some whiskey to revive him and he finally settled down a bit. Before that you couldn't even understand him, he was half crazy. These people down here are very emotional and go completely barmy at times of emergency.

(To be continued)

Farm Labor Placements Double Those Last Year

Despite much unfavorable weather this spring, county farm labor offices in Oregon made nearly double the number of placements of workers in farm jobs for the first five months this year compared with the same period in 1944, reports received by the state farm labor office in the O.S.C. Extension service indicate.

A total of 15,518 placements of farm workers had been made up to June 1 this year compared with 8865 for the same time a year ago, reports J. R. Beck, state farm labor supervisor. More than half of the placements, 8483, were made in May, an increase of about 35 per cent over a year ago.

Malheur county showed the greatest number of placements through farm labor offices for May with 2475.

followed by Marion county with 2203. Largest percentage increases in placements this year over last year were received by Wasco and Polk counties.

Mrs. Melvin Williams and sons, Marty and Monty, left about ten days ago to join their husband and father at San Francisco. They expect to stay with him as long as he remains there. They are happy in their new home and enjoy everything but the wind. Mr. Williams is in the Navy.

FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Annual salmon bake, given by the Central Point sportsmen' club in cooperation with the Civic club, was held last Thursday evening and was well attended.

Miss Viola Penland became the bride of Albert Troutman last Friday morning.

Nevita Chapter honors newly-weds Mr. and Mrs. Harold Head.

Bond election for new gym will be held next Tuesday.

The attractive country home of the Raymond Drivers was the scene of a Pro-America tea last Friday. Mrs. C. M. Hurd and Mrs. Driver were on the receiving line.

Sugar beet seed growing is on the increase in the valley.

TEN YEARS AGO

The businessmen of Central Point wish to express their thanks to all who helped in anyway to make the beautification contest the big success it was.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Potter entertained their berrypickers with a swimming party last Thursday evening. Those present were Bonnie Settlemire, Walter and Helen Humphrey, Dorothy, Sadie, Jack and Don Smith, Simon Pappe, Theda Hesselgrave, Dorothy Applegate, Jack and Mary Potter and the host and hostess Mr. and Mrs. Potter.

Mrs. E. E. Scott and Mrs. S. I. Buckman entertained with a handkerchief shower at a farewell surprise party for Mrs. J. C. Yakel, who is leaving soon for California to make her home.

We receive many inquiries as to whether we will have a beautification contest next year. Many of the Medford merchants express the desire to be in on it, if we do.

Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON

In the Matter of the Estate of Fred T. Sturgis, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned has been appointed and qualified as executor of the estate of Fred T. Sturgis, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, with proper vouchers, at the office of Kenneth G. Denman, in the Brophy Building, Medford, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 21st day of June, 1945.
Kenneth G. Denman
Executor of the Estate of Fred T. Sturgis, Deceased.
21—June 21, 28, July 5, 12.

NOTICE OF SALE
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The Southeasterly 264 feet of Lot Two (2) in Hillsinger Subdivision in Jackson County, Oregon, according to the official plat thereof now of record, in Jackson County, Oregon.

Persons interested can reach me through Messrs. Neff & Frohnmayer, attorneys-at-law, 200-204 Cooley Theatre Building, Medford, Oregon.

Dated: June 7, 1945.
Harry D. Crouse,
Guardian of the Estate of Dale E. Crouse, a Minor.
32—June 7, 14, 21, 28

SUMMONS

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

LOUISE CLAIR MARTIN, Plaintiff

vs.

ROBERT EARL MARTIN, Defendant.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby summoned and required to appear in the above entitled court and cause and answer plaintiff's complaint on file

herein within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons which is May 31, 1945. You are further notified that in case you fail to appear and answer said complaint within said time plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, a succinct statement of which is as follows:

For a decree of the court dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant, and divorcing plaintiff from the defendant absolutely, together with such other and further relief as the court may deem just and equitable.

This summons is served upon you by publication once each week for six consecutive weeks in the Central Point American, a newspaper of general circulation published in Jackson County, Oregon, by order of H. K. Hanna, Judge of the above named court, which order is dated May 28, 1945.

NEFF & FROHNMAYER
Attorneys for Plaintiff
Cooley Theatre Building
Medford, Oregon.
46—May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 28, July 5

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