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editorially speaking . . .

WE OBJECT MR. PT&T

Central Point lost a little of its individuality this week with the circulation of the new issue of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. telephone book.

We are referring to the inclusion of Central Point telephone numbers in the Medford section of the phone book.

The City of Central Point is not recognized as a separate community by the telephone company, as has been the case in past years, and as is still being done for Jacksonville, White City, Ashland, Gold Hill and others.

To find a Central Point number now, you must leaf through numerous pages and run your finger down a lengthy column before coming up with the correct listings.

Personally, we object to this system. We are not a part of Medford, as this treatment would indicate. Central Point is the third largest town in the county . . . and still growing.

We want to see the individuality of our town kept intact . . . we hope a change is made in the next directory.

YOUR DIMES ARE NEEDED

January is March of Dimes month. According to Richard Stratton, local chairman, many of you may not be contacted through the mails because of the lack of supplies.

We would like to urge you all to make a contribution in the fight against infantile paralysis . . . whether or not you receive a card in the mails.

Polio is a battle we all must fight!

THE BUMPY ROAD . . .

A word of praise is due the city crew for their astuteness in seeing the need for a shovelful of gravel in a few of the potholes in city streets . . . BUT they quit too soon. There are still some "doozies" here and there in town which would be helped greatly by a few expertly placed loads of gravel. Nuff said!

Book Briefs

From Central Point
Public Library

Avis Van Hoy



ALSO THE HILLS

By Frances Parkinson Keys

Like many millions of American families, the Farman family was thrown into a vastly different way of life when the events of Pearl Harbor started World War II.

Judith was a nurse, and knowing she could be useful, she became an Army nurse, leaving just before she was to have married Dexter Abbot, who had loved her since they were children and who, because he was crippled, had to remain at home, and

never entered the Army.

Jerome, the Farman's only son was already in the service, and met and married Alix. When he was sent overseas, she went to stay with his parents, whom she had never met.

Jennes had gone to Washington, D. C. to work as a secretary and while there she was involved in a scandal which ends in tragedy for her.

Alix brings happiness to the Farman home with her cheerfulness and her never ending courage, and when her son is born, the family finds greater happiness but this is shattered by word from the War Department about Jerome, but even in the face of the news, Alix is the one

who gives strength and courage to her mother and father-in-law.

Judith was sent to Africa, and while there she was wounded, and was returned to the United States for medical care. Joe Racina, a newspaper man she had met while visiting in Washington, goes to her and helps her thru the seemingly endless days of her stay in the hospital.

Dexter finds he can find happiness without Judith, though at first it seemed impossible to do so and the way he finds happiness in part of a very interesting story.

Vesper Hour Series Slated

A series of Sunday evening Vesper Hours is to begin Sunday, January 15, at the Church of Christ, replacing the old evening service.

The new service is to feature a more varied program of panel discussions, films, demonstrations, and visual aids, in hopes of interesting more folk in Sunday evening church attendance. The time of the new service will be from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in hopes of making it more convenient for families with young children.

This week's Vesper Hour will feature a panel discussion on the question, "How Much Freedom Should We Give Our Teenagers?" The panel composed of Bob Daniken, an elder in the church; Morris Frink, a deacon; Mrs. Irene Anhorn, a mother; Mrs. Elva Edler, a teacher, and two

teenagers, Brenda Bennett and Jon Fredericks, will be moderated by Carl Hover. Congregational singing and worship will precede the panel.

It is hoped that the service will be of value to the community as well as church members, and all interested persons are invited to attend.

Book Ends Needed For New Library

A need for book ends for the new Central Point Public Library was reported this week by Mrs. Webster, head librarian in Medford.

She stated that any donations would be welcome. Lodges or organizations which would like to supply book ends may contact Mrs. Avis Van Hoy, local librarian, or Mrs. Webster. A donation of about \$12.50 would purchase all necessary book ends.

BOY FOR JOHNSON

A son, Lawrence John Elbert, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson of Central Point Friday, January 6, at Community hospital. Birth weight was five pounds and 13 ounces. Mrs. Johnson returned home Sunday.

APPENDECTOMY

Miss Patricia Greb, second grade teacher at Central Point Elementary school, underwent appendectomy at Community hospital Tuesday. Substituting in her classes is Mrs. Jack McCoy.

Yocom, Price Enlist In Marine Corps

Lyle K. Yocom and Truman O. Price have enlisted in the Marine Corps and are undergoing recruit training at San Diego, Calif.

Yocom, 18, son of Mrs. George Jacks of Central Point, is a 1955 graduate of Crater High school. He attended Southern Oregon College before enlisting.

Price, 17, is also a 1955 graduate of Crater. He attended Reed college before entering the service. He is the son of Truman O. Price, Sr., Gold Hill.



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