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To The Publisher:

The purpose of this letter is to explain away the apparent confusion concerning the comparison bid on the city liability insurance.

The bid submitted by our agency, which was approximately \$130.00 a year lower than the policy submitted through another agent, was based on exactly the same specifications as used by the other agent, and the specifications were furnished to us by the City of Central Point.

We were asked to bid on this coverage, and the bid was not submitted for the express purpose of embarrassing anyone. We feel that it is only fair to the taxpayers of any community to avail themselves of the lowest insurance figures they can get providing the coverages are comparable.

We would like to point out that the company in which we bid is one of the largest and strongest stock companies.

Very truly yours,
T. C. Barker

VISIT AT MUNN HOME

Recent guests at the C. L. Munn home in Central Point were Mrs. Ida McQueen of Monrovia, Calif., and her daughter, Mrs. Alf Smith, of Canyonville. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Don Foster and two children, Ricky and Donna, of Sacramento, Calif. Mrs. Foster will be remembered as Helen Long of Central Point.

SON FOR BURNS

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burns, Route 2, Central Point on Saturday, August 11, at Community hospital in Medford. Birth weight was 7 pounds, 8 ounces.

Book Briefs

From Central Point
Public Library

Avis Van Hoy

Sierra Baron

By Thomas Blackburn

Perhaps possession is nine points of the law, but when there is no law, and property claims are disputed, the owner finds he has to fight to keep his land, and Mike McGann was no exception to the rule, for as possessor of a fancy looking Spanish document giving him ownership of forty four thousand acres, known as the Princess Grant, he found he really had a fight on his hands.

Of all his enemies, Peyton, the man who swindled Mike out of several thousands of dollars and gave him what was thought to be a worthless deed, was the one most determined that Mike should share the land and the gold found on it, with him and who incited all the gold seekers and miners to participate in fights and raids against Mike and his friends.

But Peyton didn't figure on these friends of Mike's, on the cleverness of Benson, the courage of McCracken, the gunslinger from Texas, nor the loyalty of Dutch and all the others who became partners in the fight against lawlessness and bloodshed, but most of all Peyton didn't plan on the part Beatriz would play in his defeat, for she had reasons to hate him, and when she married Mike, her chances to even the score against Peyton came in many ways, and she used them, for she had lots to fight for, and with Mike, they fought and won an empire that later became a part of the state of California.

INTO NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Naples of The M & M Agency in Central Point moved into their new home at 1125 Pine street last week. They had been making their home at Seventh and Laurel. Vic Noel of Central Point was the builder of the new home.

Opening Dates For All Schools Told by Mekvold

Opening dates for all schools in Jackson county have been announced from the office of Alf Mekvold, county superintendent of schools.

Opening dates are as follows: September 4; Ashland, Applegate, Elk-Trail, Shady Cove, Butte Falls and Rogue River Academy.

September 5: Lone Pine. September 6: Rogue River. September 7: Eagle Point.
September 10: Central Point, Crater High school, Jacksonville, Griffin Creek, Ruch, Phoenix Elementary, Talent, Medford Elementary and Junior High schools, Pinehurst, Howard and Evans Valley.

September 17: Phoenix High school, Medford Senior High school. St. Marys will follow the same program of opening the elementary on the 10th and the high school on the 17th.

Parents of first grade children are reminded to plan to bring birth certificates for children entering school for the first time. Physical health check-ups were made earlier for children who would enter the first grade this fall through clinics conducted by the county health department.

Rites Held Friday For A. B. Mead

Funeral rites for Arthur B. Mead, 83, of Central Point, were conducted Friday afternoon, August 10, from the Community Bible church.

The Rev. Paul Kroon, pastor of the local church, officiated. Interment was in Memory Gard-

ens Memorial park. Conger-Morris funeral home had charge of arrangements.

Mr. Mead died Wednesday, August 8. He was born October 7, 1872, in Gloversville, New York. He came to Oregon from Caldwell, Idaho, in 1924 and had made his home in Central Point since 1939.

He was married to Miss Minnie Brown on November 5, 1894, at Gloversville, New York.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Newton A. Mead, Central Point, and Robert L. Mead, Roseburg; six grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Honorary pallbearers were Tylie Evans, Ray Guss, Joe Gray, Willard Ball, Lawrence Leonard and J. L. Newman. Active pallbearers were Simmie Hilliard, W. C. Higinbotham, H. E. Gleason, Rudy Hansen, Ray Britton and Cecil Culbertson.

Top Entertainment Slated at State Fair

State Fairgrounds, Salem (Special)—Plenty of entertainment is promised at the 1956 Oregon state fair which opens its eight-day run here Saturday, September 1.

And a lot of the entertainment is free.

The free midway sights will include a balloon ascension and parachute jump daily at 6 p.m.; a "Mr. Talent" TV show daily at 3 p.m., and a thrill act described as "one of the most daring ever brought to the state fair."

Other entertainment features will include an all-new Helene Hughes stage revue, a combined world championship rodeo and horse show and pari-mutuel harness and running horses.



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Turned Out To Be a Good Break

We had a water main break last Thursday. Happened early in the morning—about two a.m.—and the first thing most of us knew about it was when we tried to turn on the faucets and nothing came out but a hissing noise.

Nobody was inconvenienced much though. Repair crew went right to work—and things were fixed up in jig time.

Incidentally, the water company got a flood of payments on overdue bills that day. Lots of "forgetful" folks must have figured they were being warned!

From where I sit, sometimes our obligations slip our minds. Like the responsibility we all have to our communities . . . to see that our neighbors enjoy the right to decide for themselves how to work, how to vote, whether or not to enjoy a bottle of beer. Any time we "forget" we owe this right to others, we take a chance on stopping the flow of tolerance that makes this country such a grand place for us to live in.

Joe Marsh

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