

TALENT NEWS

TALENT, Sept. 11. —Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Williams and small son of Southern California have purchased the hardware and second hand store of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cannon, located in the old Tryon Mercantile building. Mr. and Mrs. Cannon will remain in Talent and make this their home.

The Talent Firemen held another dance at the City Hall Saturday night with a good attendance. They plan on having these dances every other Saturday night. The next one will be on September 22.

Tiny Combest of Te Seabees returned home from Bremerton, Washington the later part of the week with a discharge from the navy.

Mr. A. Graham of Ashland was a Talent visitor Monday. Mr. Graham is a former resident of Talent.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Walters and daughter Marilyn of Bend visited his brother Harry Walters and family and other relatives in the valley over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. (Lucky) Gilbreath and family purchased the service station, garage and home of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Bates last week and have taken possession. Mr. and Mrs. Bates and family have moved to Harbor Oregon and plan on raising lily bulbs. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbreath have lived near Talent the past two years.

The Talent schools open Monday Sept. 17th, for both high school and elementary students. During the summer many improvements have been made. All the buildings have been completely renovated and many new additions made. The faculty for the year include P. B. Parr, Superintendent, Mrs. Delilah Jennings, Mrs. Elenita Bales, Mrs. Harry Phillips, all high school teachers. The elementary faculty consists of Mrs. Alvin Wheeler, Miss Flora Stokoe, Mrs. Mina Hooper, Mrs. Nell Young, Mrs. Harriette Parks and Cecilia Fifield.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Fuller and daughter Cynthia, also Mr. and Mrs. John Minier of Shevlen, Oregon spent the Labor Day holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walters and family.

Mrs. Ardjeth Kodden of Seattle visited relatives in Talent last week.

Carl Slack has returned from overseas where he was in the air corps. He has been discharged from the army.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Franklin left last week for Bellingham, Washington to visit Mrs. Franklin's mother, Mrs. Effie Elliott.

Honoring Mr. Will Kamburg and son Kenneth whose birthday occurs the same day a birthday party an dreunion was held at the Kamburg home on the lawn on the Anderson ranch last Saturday. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Reggle of Union Gap, Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hart and daughter, Helen Roberts of Yakima, Washington, Mrs. Edith McCur of Banden, Oregon, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Estes of Crescent City, California, Paul Kamburg and family of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hart and family of Talent, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hart and daughter Polly Smith of Talent, Mr. and Mrs. William Hart of Talent, Mrs. Ollie Spears and 2 children of

Klamath Falls and Pfc. and Mrs. Kenneth Kambourg of Grants Pass, Mr. Kambourg is home on a 30 days furlough and Mr. and Mrs. Will Kambourg. A beautiful dinner was enjoyed by all.

Talent Grange met September 6 with rather small attendance. The program carried out the theme of "School Days" will all singing America and "School Day's" and a recitation by George Hartley. A spelling contest and short recitations by various members concluded the program. H. E. C. will meet at the home of Mrs. W. W. Robinson in Ashland Tuesday Sept. 11. At the next Grange meeting, Sept. 20, men of the Grange will be in charge of the program.

Bartlett Crop Is Above Estimates

Fruit packing houses are swamped this week, with the Bartlett pear crop running more than 20 per cent above the best pre-packing estimates. Bartlett packing will be at its peak for another 10 days, operators say.

In the meantime, the D'Anjou pears are getting ready for picking and growers are clamoring to get them off the trees.

Earlier estimates on the Bartlett crop were that there would be about 980,000 boxes of Bartletts packed, but indications now are that the packout will be around 1,200,000 boxes or better. Some crops are running 25 per cent over estimates.

Good growing weather the last two weeks before picking increased the size of the pears considerably, shippers say, and accounted not only for the increased packout, but growers were inclined to deyal picking to gain additional size, which added to the current glut.

Picking started August 15, and except for the first few days, when growers hesitated to start picking, the packing houses have been running at capacity.

Local Man Aboard U. S. S. Nevada

Aboard The USS Nevada in the Pacific—Bob H. Herrin, chief commissary steward, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Herrin, 476 Laurel St., Ashland, Oregon celebrated the surrender of Japan aboard this famous American battleship as she rested at anchor in Leyte Gulf after a 21-day mission into the East China Sea.

The announcement by the Commanding Officer, Captain Homer Louis Grosskopf, USN, of Minneapolis, Minn., that the Japanese had quit touched off a demonstration unlike any this veteran ship had ever seen. Sailors tossed their hats in the air and began jitterbugging to the strains of the ship's band. It was "Holiday Routine" for all hands.

The "Old Imperishable" of the Fleet began this war at Pearl Harbor, went through the Aleutians campaign, fought at Normandy and Southern France, and then joined in the Iwo Jima and Okinawa battles.

Local Radio Dealer Soon to Have Radios

A limited supply of new Packard-Bell radios will be in the dealer stores by October, was the forecast today of Gordon Leonard, recently appointed Packard-Bell distributor for Ashland.

"I have been advised by the Company," he said, "that production of civilian radios will start in September." "This will put radios in limited quantities in the dealer stores during October, and by November and December the supply will be fairly substantial," he continued.

Mr. Leonard became associated with the Packard-Bell Company in 1944, after many years of experience in wholesale and retail merchandising. Oregon was his home before he came to California eight years ago, so he knows his territory well and is taking over distributorship activities there immediately.

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Meat Rationing to End October First

Meat rationing will end Oct. 1 and shoe rationing will end soon after it was announced this week. Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson favored lifting meat rationing September 1, it was learned, but Price Administrator Chester Bowles requested that no action be taken until OPA had cut down its paid field personnel.

Having laid off most of its paid field employees, OPA has agreed that meat rationing will go Oct. 1. There is a good supply of beef, lamb, mutton and poultry on the market, although there is still a pork shortage.

Fats and oils will continue to be rationed, as will sugar.

The OPA believes most rationing will end this year, including rationing of automobiles and tires.

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We send our sincere thanks—

- to the Army, Navy and Government authorities for their sympathetic understanding of our problems.
- to the shippers who cheerfully put up with delays so that more vital war freight could go through on time, and who cooperated in many ways to conserve equipment.
- to our passengers, for their good-natured acceptance of crowded trains and other wartime discomforts.
- to the thousands of people who stayed off the trains to make room for service men, and other essential travelers.
- to the press and radio which understood our operating difficulties and kept the public informed.

We do not know how quickly Southern Pacific can convert from war to peace. Soon transports will be landing thousands of war-weary men at West Coast ports, and many more must be brought back from Europe. These men will want to get home as quickly as possible. We intend to do our best to carry them in the comfort to which they are entitled. This job comes first, of course.

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