

● Irrigon news

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TRAILER GUTTED—A fire alarm sounded in Irrigon at 4 a.m. Sunday. Two boys were sleeping in a 17-foot vacation trailer which was nearly destroyed by fire. According to Fire Chief Don Adams, it was probably "totaled out." The trailer was gutted inside although the outer shell was not destroyed. The boys escaped without harm.

The vacation trailer belonged to Tom DeBrie and was located in the River View Trailer Court, near the DeBrie's mobile home.

ROCK-A-THON—The young people of the Irrigon Assembly of God are having a "Rock-a-thon" next Sunday, Feb. 17, to raise money for orchestra books to match the churches hymnals.

Possibly you have heard of a "Read-a-thon" or a "Jog-a-thon" but what is a "Rock-a-thon"? The young people will be seated in rocking chairs and while rocking will be rolling pennies in 50-cent rolls from the gallon of pennies they have collected for the Speed-the-light missionary giving. Pastor Allen Gordner said, "You could call it a "Rock and Roll-a-thon."

The church is having a pot luck dinner that day also.

HOW TO PRAY—A group of women from several churches of the community gathered at the Seventh Day Adventist Church on Monday and Thursday of the past two weeks in a study group learning to pray.

The tape recording listened to was by Evelyn Christensen, a Baptist minister's wife. A condensation of one day's study was concerning the six S's of praying.

1. Subject by subject—all praying in one accord for one subject.
2. Short prayer—a long prayer may inhibit a shy person.
3. A simple prayer—in teaching others one sentence on a certain subject is more effective.
4. Specific requests—you

Packwood wants 'senior citizen' aides

Senator Bob Packwood has announced he is seeking nominations for his annual Senior Intern program.

Two senior citizens from Oregon will be chosen to come to Washington during a two-week period in May. As interns, they will work with the senator's staff on day-to-day matters and longrange policies that affect the elderly. Through a series of special briefings, tours, and lectures, the interns also will be able to increase their knowledge of government programs and pending legislation of interest to seniors.

"I'm looking for active, involved senior citizens who will help represent the concerns of Oregon's seniors in Washington," the senator stated.

"It won't be a vacation," Packwood emphasized, "but it will be an excellent opportunity to get a first-hand look at the inner workings of the federal government. My program for the last two years has been very successful, so I'm anxious to begin the selection process for this year's interns."

Nominees for internships should be in good physical health. Individuals may nominate themselves.

All nominations should include the name, address, phone number and background of the nominee, along with a brief outline explaining why he or she is being nominated.

Nominations should be sent as soon as possible to: Senator Bob Packwood, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon 97208.

The selection of the two interns will be announced in early April.

Jobless pay during 1979 could be taxable

Unemployment compensation could be taxable income for federal returns.

Taxpayers who received unemployment compensation during 1979 may have to include part or all of the payments in their income on their 1979 federal tax return

according to a new law, explains the Internal Revenue Service.

In order for a taxpayer's unemployment compensation to be included in income, the amount of the unemployment received plus his adjusted gross income before any

exclusion for disability income must be greater than the "base amount" for that particular filing status.

The base amount is \$20,000 for a single person and \$25,000 for married persons filing jointly. A married person filing separately has no base

amount, unless the couple was separated all year. If the income does not exceed the base amount, none of the unemployment compensation will be included in income, according to IRS.

If the income is greater than the base amount, however, the

amount to be included in income is one-half of the difference between the taxpayer's income and his base amount, but not greater than the actual amount of unemployment received.

Recipients of unemployment compensation from the

State of Oregon have been issued Forms 1099-UC from the Employment Division.

Additional information can be obtained from IRS Publication 905, Tax Information on Unemployment Compensation, available free.

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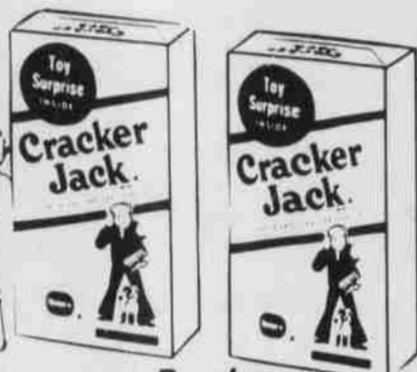
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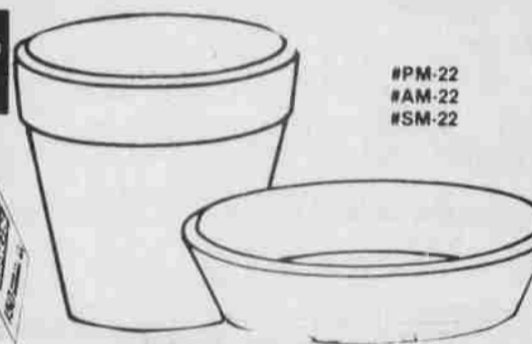
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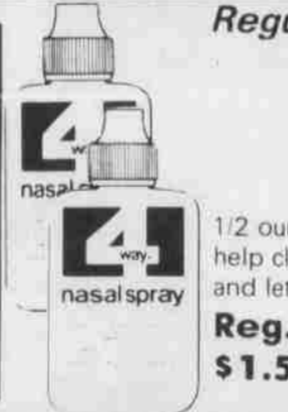
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