

MANY REGISTER FOR ROAD JOBS ON STATE PLAN

Twenty-Five at Work in County Since Monday—Must Be Residents of Jackson County.

Registration of unemployed men of Jackson county, for work on the state highway widening projects, initiated as a means of furnishing relief, continued briskly today, with close to 30 men registering with the county court.

C. H. Armstrong, resident engineer of the state highway commission, reports that about 20 men had been put to work since Monday, needless races receiving preference. At present the work is not thoroughly organized, but the state highway commission is working on a systematized plan.

It is planned to place the men at work on both the Pacific and Crater Lake highways in Jackson county, widening the narrow places. Similar work has started in Douglas and many of the Willamette valley counties.

One ironical rule is being adhered to in assigning work, those employed must be married men and own their residences of Jackson county. Single men with dependents will be given consideration after married men with dependents have all been cared for.

Transients Refused.

Two single men, who have been residents of the county since last May, were denied their applications. A number of transient laborers met the same refusal.

"The single man gets just as hungry as the married man with dependents," said County Judge Alex Sparrow this morning, "but he has no hungry children. He has nobody to hustle a meal for but himself."

"We are not going to provide work for transients. The county judges and highway commission specifically agreed to this. They felt that the transients should have remained at home in the first place. The present depression will be something of a blessing if it weeds out part of the auto tramps. I have hopes that a few, after they have starved all winter, will have sense enough to settle down and go to work, and not spend their last dollar for gasoline."

Stayton.—New city water system being installed here.

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SLIM CHRISTMAS IN PROSPECT FOR 13 FAMILIES HERE

Seven more days till Christmas. And there's going to be a Santa Claus. But 13 families of Medford are not yet assured of a glimpse of the old boy's whiskers, it was announced today at Red Cross headquarters.

Anyone who wants to make the holiday legend come true for the children in these 13 families may secure their names at the Red Cross.

The people of Medford are responding to calls this year with more than usual enthusiasm. Mrs. Murray of the Thrift Shop stated this morning. And so-called hard times are not expected to penetrate Christmas stockings.

Work has been furnished 15 men through the Red Cross office in the highway construction project between Medford and Ashland.

The Thrift Shop, however, is in need of underclothes, shoes and coats for children in sizes six and eight. If anyone can donate these clothes, they will be greatly appreciated. If not the clothing will be bought by the Red Cross as the children must have them immediately.

COPIES OF PAPERS AT AGRICULTURAL CONFAB AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC

Copies of the proceedings of the Mid-Pacific Empire agricultural economic conference have been prepared and are now being distributed to those desiring them by the Northern California-Southern Oregon Development association.

The report, about 160 pages in length, is one of the best ever prepared on agriculture in this section and contains each of the 17 papers presented at the conference as well as the oral statements which were given.

The papers discuss the following subjects: Dairying in southern Oregon; marketing and transporting dairy products in northern California; poultry and egg production; production of pears and apples; marketing and transporting pears and apples; bulb culture—summer bulbs; bulb culture—winter bulbs; bee culture; production of truck crops; marketing and transporting small fruits; farm crops, grains and grasses; potato growing; cattle raising; livestock, exclusive of dairy cattle; land settlement.

STATISTICS GIVE PROOF HOG MOSTLY 'BALONEY'

GREENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 17.—(AP)—If you are statistically inclined, here's one for the book: John Hart, a farmer near Jones Mills, made a sausage 77 feet long from a seven and a half months old hog, which weighed 291 pounds.

Can You Locate Santa Claus? It's in Indiana

SANTA CLAUS, Ind.—(AP)—An Associated Press writer a few years ago wrote a Christmas story of "Santa Claus, Indiana"—and ever since "Jimmy" Martin, the postmaster, has handled thousands of extra pieces of mail during the holidays.

Claude H. Wolff of the Indianapolis bureau wrote the first generally circulated story of Santa Claus, a tiny hamlet of fewer than 100 persons.

The next year Martin had letters from scores of persons. Some sent cards and letters to be mailed there so they would bear the "Santa Claus" cancellation mark.

Each year more and more mail has come to the Santa Claus post-office. This year it has been the greatest.

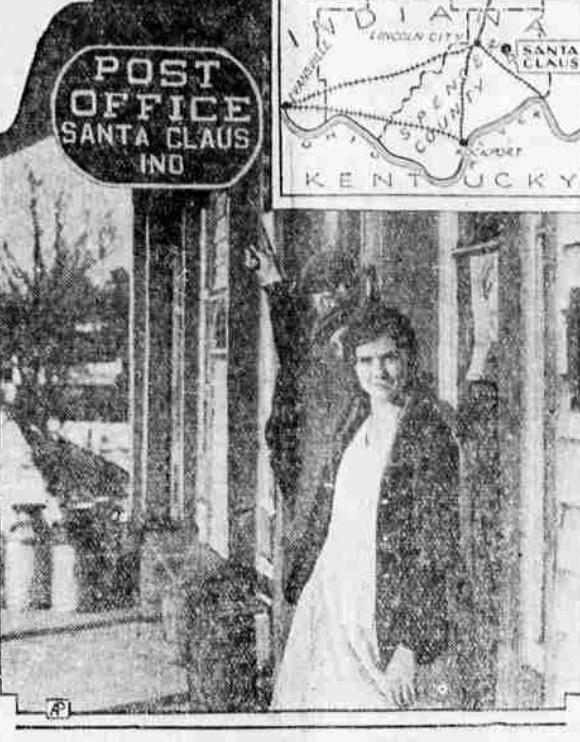
The Hoosier village tucked away in the hills of Spencer county, but far from the Ohio river, is not on a railroad. It is historic, rustic and picturesque.

Lincoln, the boy, knew that vicinity as he lived there. The early settlers, who had huddled the Appalachians and came down the Ohio river often camped in the county, and less often fought off hostile Indians in that region.

Santa Claus is a few miles east of Lincoln City, the nearest railroad stop. Southeast is Tell City, and farther southwest is Evansville.

William Herschel, an Indianapolis newspaperman and a poet of distinction, first wrote of Santa Claus almost 25 years ago.

One or two magazine writers in subsequent years told of the village but it remained for Wolff to give the little town national notoriety.



Everybody has heard of Santa Claus, but few know it is a hamlet in Indiana. The map here shows its exact location—not on a railroad—and the postoffice sign rather proves its existence.

GOLD HILL

GOLD HILL, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thompson were called to Tacoma last week by the death of Mrs. Thompson's father, Tony Olson.

The Olson family lived in this city several years ago and will be remembered by the older residents.

Joe Panley left Sunday for Forks, Wash., to visit his sister, Mrs. Dan Shearer, and family.

Among Medford visitors from this city Saturday were Mrs. Lulu Davis, Miss Olive Turner, Mrs. Joe Blair, Jack Frost and Melvin Sargent.

C. L. Dusenberry returned to his

home here Thursday from Lake Creek, where he had been employed by the county the past three weeks.

Mrs. W. G. Davis had as her week-end guest Miss Suzanne Koske of the Alameda district.

Mrs. Tom Smith was a Medford visitor Wednesday.

The union Sunday school is busy preparing a Christmas program to be presented with the annual Christmas tree.

Miss Suzanne Koske and Maxwell Marvin were Ashland and Medford visitors Saturday.

Mrs. J. M. Lively and Miss Nellie Jacobs were Medford visitors Monday.

Among those from this city to attend the dance at Rogne River Saturday were: Mr. and Mrs. Earl

Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Aurelle Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. John Logan, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Walker, Mrs. Alberta Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. John Sutton and Howard Kell.

Howard Johnson is spending a few days visiting friends in this city.

Seth Coy, Bert and Ernest Ross came in Sunday from their work at the Oregon Caves for a couple of days while waiting for the tunnel air to clear up and for supplies.

Utah State agricultural college reported Utah ranked third, in proportion to population, in the number of four-year students in agriculture.

ROTARY SPONSORS FELLOWSHIP MEET OF SERVICE CLUBS

Medford Rotarians enjoyed a special "fellowship" program Tuesday when representatives of the Kiwanis and Lions clubs addressed the meeting and told of the activities of their respective clubs.

The program, arranged by Rotarian Will Holt, was the first of its kind put on in Medford and proved a decided success.

E. R. White, president of the Medford Lions club, was the first speaker and told of the principles upon which the organization is based. The Lions are comparatively young in years, not having been organized until 1914 and holding their first convention in Chicago in 1917.

The growth of the organization was shown by the statement that on November 30, 1929, there were 249 Lions clubs in the United States and Canada, with a membership of 73,000. The three major projects of the organization are "care of the blind," "welfare of the young" and "community service." In addition, there are many local activities.

Rev. Alex Bennett of the Kiwanis gave a fine talk on the Kiwanis organization which has as its slogan "We Build." This club features the following activities: "Community betterment," "care of the underprivileged child" and "vocational guidance." Though only 15 years old, the Kiwanis now has 2000 clubs with over 200,000 members, according to the speaker.

The Kiwanis, as the Lions organization, operates in only America and Canada, unlike Rotary, which covers the world with over 3200 clubs and 1,500,000 members. Kiwanis has 199 clubs in the north-west district, which is one of the leading districts of America.

The part service clubs play in the structure and citizenship of this country was brought out by Mr.

HIGH SCHOOL WILL SEND JOURNALISTS TO ANNUAL MEET

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Dec. 17.—(Sp.) Youthful leaders and journalists from Medford high school, and from high schools all over the state are being invited to attend the 11th annual high school conference to be held at the University of Oregon January 9, 10 and 11.

Comprehensive programs are now being prepared for the four sections of the conference, which include meetings of the press conference, the student body officers' association, the girls' league officers, and the deans and principals conference.

Edward Reames, of Medford, was named vice-president of the Student Body Officers association last year. He is now a freshman at the university, and will preside at the meeting, with John Adams, Portland, president; and Naomi Child, Sandy, secretary. Other officers are: Press conference, Clara Vauss, Milton, president; Ronald Ingalls, Hood River, vice-president; Dorothy Tucker, Albany, secretary.

Girls' league, Madeline Gilbert, Eugene, president; Inel Tibbotts, Corvallis, vice-president; and Edith Holt, Bend, secretary.

Medford high school last year received honorable mention in the high school journalism contest in the section for schools with attendance above 500, in which Salem high won the cup. It is being invited to enter its newspaper again this year.

PHOENIX SCHOOLS PLAN PROGRAMS

PHOENIX, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Sp.) Pupils of the North Phoenix school will present a Christmas program Thursday night, which promises to be one of the best ever put on by the school. Besides music, recitations, etc., a very interesting play will be presented. The school room is decorated with Christmas greens and colors. The community is invited.

The Independence school will give its annual Christmas program on Friday. The community is invited to attend the program.

TOLO SCHOOL PLANS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

TOLO, Ore., Dec. 17.—(Special)—Tolo school will give a musical and literary program at the school house Thursday evening, December 18, beginning about 7:45.

A Christmas tree is being prepared, and after the program Santa Claus is expected. Friends and patrons are invited.

Oregon Weather

Unsettled tonight and Thursday, probably showers in the west and local snows in the east portion, temperatures below normal. Fresh west and northwest winds on the coast.

Roseburg.—Construction of bridge across north fork of Smith river approved by war department.

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