

Local and Personal

Journey North—Mr. and Mrs. John Opp of Jacksonville left this morning on the Shasta for Portland.

From a Distance—F. J. Nelson of Cordova, Alaska, and Wm. J. Evans of New York city stopped over in Medford last night.

Seattle Residents—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hansen, Roy Jensen and Mrs. I. Jensen of Seattle were overnight guests at hotels in Medford.

Shopping Today—Emil Britt and Miss Mollie Britt of Jacksonville were among callers in Medford this morning, shopping at local stores.

Webster Goes North—W. O. Webster left yesterday for Seattle, where he was called by the serious illness of his father, who died last night.

Has Influenza—Mrs. Esther Downing is a patient at the Community hospital today, being there for treatment for an attack of influenza.

Fined \$5—Otto P. Tainer was fined \$5 in Judge Glenn O. Taylor's court yesterday afternoon, for having voided license plates on his car. Tainer was arrested by state police.

Here from Roseburg—Mrs. J. W. Brundage and Mrs. Pearl Wheeler of Roseburg are visiting their many friends here and in Ashland for several days.

Return from Joplin—Mrs. Cleo Rockman and family have returned from an extended visit in Joplin, Mo., and are again at their home, 137 Tripp street.

Multhead Returns—W. H. Multhead returned from San Francisco by train this morning, having attended to business matters in the south.

Barbara Franklin Ill—Little Miss Barbara Franklin was reported ill at her home today. Her mother, Mrs. Nell Franklin was absent from the school offices to be near her.

From California—Among the new hotel guests registered from the state of California were R. C. Deppen of Oakland and H. Jackson and Walter Reid of Los Angeles.

Mr. Henselman Home—George Henselman, local broker, returned to this city by train this forenoon from Portland, where he has been attending to business matters. He left here Saturday evening for the north.

Returns to Albany—Mrs. Ethel Emmett of Albany, Ore., left on the Shasta today for her home to spend the holidays. For the past week she has been the guest of Alice Wilson at Phoenix.

Guests in Medford—Those stopping at hotels here, from points within the state are Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Giviere of Trail, Percy Hillis, James R. Brown and L. F. Pendergast of Eugene, George Hilton, Jr., of Grants Pass, F. S. Jones and G. H. Kilborn of Roseburg, Keith Ambrose of Gold Beach and Clarence Young of Drew.

Here from Mine—Victor Dallaire and Burton Lowry are in Medford from their mine in the Applegate, spending the holidays with their parents.

Returns from School—John Reddy has returned home from San Francisco to spend the Christmas vacation with relatives and friends. John has been attending San Francisco university.

License Issued—A marriage license was issued yesterday by the county clerk's office to John Edgar O'Brien, 21, of Seattle, and Neva Newman, 18, of Medford. He listed his occupation as a seaman, and she as an office girl.

Thomas in City—George Thomas, representative of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, with headquarters in Portland, arrived here this forenoon by train from the north. He will confer with local business men while in the city.

Visits in Medford—Paul Wagner of Detroit, Mich., who is spending the holidays at Ashland, visiting his parents, Postmaster and Mrs. F. D. Wagner, was a Medford visitor yesterday, the guest of his aunt, Mrs. T. W. Miles.

Error in Name—Martin Haddock, 16, was arrested by city police yesterday on charges of participating in the robbery of the Brownie Marie cafe over two weeks ago. Through an error, the name of S. C. Richmond was contained in the report of the arrest yesterday.

Expected for Holidays—Vernon Coverstone, student at the medical school in Portland, is expected here for the holidays, to be guest of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Hoffmann. He will make the trip from Portland Thursday with Sam Kroschel, who will spend the holidays with his family in Medford.

Portlanders—Among the Portland folk registered at hotels in the city are F. H. Carstensen, J. L. Yates, C. A. McGee, M. O. Jensen, J. J. Brady, C. V. Weaver, Alonzo Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Luckey, J. E. McNaughton, G. E. Perry, A. J. Mihalik, George W. Stokes and D. M. Sims.

Bounty Warrants—For killing coyotes and bobcats, bounty warrants were issued yesterday by the county clerk to Alphonse E. Arthur of Ashland for one coyote, James W. Miller of Trail for two bobcats, D. B. Welch of route 3, Medford, for one bobcat, Robert Coffman of Butte Falls one bobcat, and Charles Manning of Prospect two coyotes.

Food Sale Tomorrow—A food sale will be conducted at 111 West Main street, the building formerly occupied by the Model bakery, all day tomorrow, according to announcement issued. Patrons of the Rogue River academy are featuring homemade pastries and fancy work. Proceeds will be used to benefit the school.

EVENING FROCK IN RICH COLORS



Rich color and simple design feature this evening frock worn by Jean Parker, film actress. It is of crinkly crepe in a wine shade, and has a pink satin sash. Note the bertha-type collar, high waistline and clinging skirt. (Associated Press Photo)

GIRL SLAIN IN SUICIDE PACT



Frances Rempfer, 15, of Newton, Pa., was shot to death as she kissed him, Charles Arwine, 25, told Doylestown, Pa., authorities. Arwine, twice married and the father of three children, was quoted by police as saying: "We had a suicide pact, but I didn't have the nerve to go through with it. We did it because she was mistreated at home." (Associated Press Photos)

PLAN \$14,000,000 CUT IN STATE HIGHWAY FUNDS

Abandonment of Siskiyou Grade Project Only One of 5—To Spend \$100,000 Medford-Ashland Highway

By Robert C. Notson
Staff Writer, in The Oregonian.

Suspension of further contracts on all major new projects by the state highway commission until the question of a lower license fee for motor cars and the corollary question of revenue from some other source to replenish that to be taken from the highway funds are settled by the legislature appears to be definitely in the offing.

Although no formal action has been taken by the members of the highway commission on the question, it is known that at the behest of his colleagues Leslie M. Scott, chairman, made a trip to Medford last week end to sell the residents of southern Oregon on the necessity of abandoning, for the time being, the costly straightening and widening work on the Pacific highway through the Siskiyou.

After the financial picture of the highway commission had been presented by Mr. Scott, representatives of the Ashland and Medford chambers of commerce and the Jackson county court agreed to the plan whereby the present available federal aid money will be spent on lesser projects which can be completed with funds now in sight. Approximately \$100,000 will be spent on improvements north of Ashland and \$75,000 on the Winston bridge near Roseburg.

The implication was strong that other major projects will similarly be deferred. The commission had gone so far on the first unit of the project to "unwind the corkscrew of the Siskiyou" as to call for a receive bid. No contract has as yet been let. It appeared clear that the commission could not ask residents of southern Oregon to forego the construction on their major highway if the same sort of treatment was not to be accorded other major projects.

In event that the commission decides to carry out this policy the Siskiyou widening, costing approximately \$1,850,000, would be deferred as would the construction of the Wolf Creek short cut to the sea, costing \$4,100,000 when completed and paved; the Wilson river route to Tillamook, costing \$3,000,000 when completed and oiled; the Klamath Falls to Weed extension costing \$450,000 and the South Santiam, costing \$1,000,000 to complete.

The position that the commission is believed to be about ready to announce is that in view of the threat of reduced revenues by the cutting of the automobile license fees—now regarded as certain—and the general demand for reduction in taxes of all sorts this is not the time to undertake new major projects for which the money to complete is not in sight. They do not wish to start the building of roads that lead nowhere and which might stand uncompleted for years to come.

Mr. Scott is known to favor this view of the matter and the other two members of the commission, Carl G. Washburne and E. B. Aldrich, are believed to be ready to join in such action as soon as the public, and particularly those immediately interested in the various projects, shall have become convinced of its wisdom.

TURKEYS HIT NEW LOW IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 20.—(AP)—Turkey prices dropped to a new low on the Portland market today with a general spread of 7 to 14 cents a pound as the selling price for dressed birds. Some farmers are selling direct to retailers for as low as 6 cents a pound for cull stock. Never before have such prices prevailed in the market here.

Hens are selling at least one cent more than toms for similar quality. Live turkeys were quoted today at from 18 to 22 cents. In 1925 when peak prices were reached here, they sold at from 33 to 35 cents and from 40 to 47 cents dressed.

Markets

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 20.—(AP)—CATTLE 50; calves 10; steers weak, averaging 5c lower, in spots 50c lower. Steers, 600-900 lbs. good \$5.00-5.50; medium \$4.25-5.00; 900-1000 lbs. good \$4.75-5.25; medium \$4.00-4.75; 1100-1300 lbs. good \$4.50-4.75.

HOGS 250; weaker.

SHEEP AND LAMBS 100; steady.

Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—(AP)—COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price to retailers: Country-killed hogs, best butchers, under 120 lbs. 5-5 1/2c; vealers, 80-100 lbs. 7-7 1/2c; lambs 8-9c; yearlings 8c; heavy sows 3-4c; 10-12c; heavy 10c; springs, light, 11-12c; heavy 10c; old roosters 8c; ducks, Pekin 8c; geese 8c lb.

Butter, eggs, mohair, nuts, cascara, bank hops, butterfat, onions, potatoes, wool and hay unchanged.

Malta Commandery No. 4 Knights Templar Masonic Temple

Stated convocation, Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, in installation. All official codes to be returned for reappointment. Light refreshments after session. Sir Knights courteously invited. A. J. McCALEN, Commander; W. H. DAY, Recorder.

Stated Convocation of Charter Lake Chapter No. 32, A. M., Tuesday, Dec. 20th, at 7:30 p. m. Annual election of officers. Visitors invited. By order of E. L. LENOX, H. P. GEO. ALDEN, Secretary.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

TRANSPORTATION to San Francisco—Reliable person to assist driving car from Dunsmuir south for transportation. Will provide transportation Medford to Dunsmuir in my car, leaving Thursday morning. Phone 1558.

WANTED—Transportation to Los Angeles for two parties, before Christmas. Will share expenses. Box 9072, Mail Tribune.

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Wall St. Report

STOCK SALE AVERAGES (Copyright, 1932, Standard Statistics Company)

Dec. 20:	50	20	20	90
Today	51.1	26.6	89.8	54.1
Prev. day	52.3	27.5	91.5	55.3
3 yrs. ago	159.7	127.9	191.5	160.1

BOND SALE AVERAGES (Copyright, 1932, Standard Statistics Company)

Dec. 20:	30	20	20	60
Today	63.0	59.4	81.5	67.9
Prev. day	65.1	60.3	81.6	68.3
Week ago	62.3	61.3	80.9	68.1
Year ago	65.2	68.5	82.5	72.0

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—(AP)—The stock market broke out of its narrow trading groove on the downside today, with several issues losing more than 2 points. There were numerous recoveries from fractions to a point from the lowest, however, and selling was in moderate volume. The closing tone was heavy. Transfers approximated a million shares.

Today's closing prices for 30 selected stocks follow:

Al. Chem. & Dye	79
Am. Can	53 1/2
Am. & Fgn. Pow.	6 1/2
A. T. & T.	104
Anacosta	6 1/2
Ach. T. & S. F.	39 1/2
Bendis Avia	9 1/2
Beth. Steel	13 1/2
Chrysler	16 1/2
Coml. Solv.	10 1/2
Curtiss-Wright	1 1/2
DuPont	36 1/2
Gen. Foods	24 1/2
Gen. Mot.	19 1/2
Int. Harvest	21 1/2
I. T. & T.	9 1/2
Johns-Man.	20 1/2
Monty Ward	13 1/2
North Amer.	28 1/2
Param. Publix	2
Penney (J. C.)	24
Radio	5 1/2
Phillips Pet.	4 1/2
Sou. Pac.	16 1/2
Std. Brands	15 1/2
St. Oil Cal.	23 1/2
St. Oil N. J.	29 1/2
Trans. Amer.	4 1/2
Union Carb.	24 1/2

Grants Pass Barber Ill, Takes Own Life

With a bullet hole through his head, the body of Ike Tompkins, 63, Grants Pass barber for 34 years, was found early yesterday morning in his shop, by his partner, George Cox. Suicide, due to suffering from a heart ailment was given as the reason for Tompkins taking his own life. Friends of Tompkins stated that he had mentioned several times he "was not going to suffer."

LEW AYRES AT ROXY IN 'OKAY AMERICA'

"Okay America," which opens at the Roxy theater today, tells the story of a relentless "gossip" columnist in an exciting chain of events. Lew Ayres and Maureen O'Sullivan head the cast.

AMERICAN MADNESS

LAST TIMES TODAY "The Conquerors" COMING TOMORROW The Great Gatsby Picture of the Week AMERICAN MADNESS A COLUMBIA PICTURE

ROBINSON Tiger Shark

EDWARD G. ROBINSON Tiger Shark Also—Jimmy Gleason in "Lights Out" "Sea Spiders", an M. G. M. Novelty

ROMANCE LINKS 'STOWAWAYS'



Marilyn Miller, stage and screen star, and six of her friends boarded a liner at a New York dock to say farewell to a friend sailing for Europe. They failed to heed the "all ashore" call and were carried out to sea. The fact that Don Alvarado, film actor, was in the group led to reports that they were married at sea, but this was denied by the ship's captain. (Associated Press Photo)



Leon Frutsky, who with Lenin led the Russian revolution, is shown in this recent picture when he visited the Roman ruins near Naples, Italy. (Associated Press Photo from Paramount News)

MADDEN SLUGGED BY TRAMP, BELIEF

A slight improvement was reported today in the condition of Kenneth Madden, 24, of Ashland, who was the victim last Friday on a mysterious blow back of the ear that caused a basal fracture of the skull. His condition is still serious and the crisis in the case will not be reached for a couple of days.

Madden was found lying in an alley in Ashland, unconscious, and until he recovers the full details will not be known.

One theory advanced by friends, is that Madden, station attendant for the Shell Oil company, was slugged when he attempted to collect a gas bill from some transient indigent autoist. A number of other theories have been advanced.

Both the state police and the Ashland city police have made investigations.

YOUTH PERSISTS IN BIKE THEFTS

Floyd Hanscom, 14, paroled to his father November 28, following a hearing in juvenile court for stealing bicycles, was placed in jail again today on a similar charge. The youth admitted stealing two bicycles December 12, according to Chief of Police Clatous McCredie.

Hanscom, a student at the Washington school, resides with his parents near Eagle Point. Although apprehended the day following his depredations, Hanscom was allowed to remain at his home, due to illness. He was turned over to the officers this morning by his father.

Delay Decision On Young Burglars

Decision in the case of Carl McPheeters, Glen Burch and Martin Haddock, 16-year-old youths, charged with breaking into the Brownie Marie cafe, was postponed by Judge C. B. Lamkin this morning when a hearing was conducted by him. The youths will be held in jail pending his decision.

Riviera

RIVIERA, Dec. 20.—(Spl.)—Mrs. Clay Hill, Bonnie Jean, and May Biles and Beth Boomalter called on Mrs. George Loring Sunday.

Mrs. Lester Boling was in Medford December 18 having dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stumbo, Genevieve and Clair Stumbo, Mrs. Charles McCormick, Alice and George Curbia were shopping in Medford December 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill were at their mine on Foots Creek December 15.

Ernest Ross is carrying the mail on route 1, as Mr. Martin is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Venell Cerveny visited at the N. R. Turpin home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Lance shopped in Grants Pass Saturday.

Ed Boling of Applegate was here looking for cattle December 17.

Word has been received that Mrs. Leslie Hawk and Dwayne Matthews were in an auto accident. The Matthews formerly lived at Foots Creek.

McCullom Rites 2:30 Thursday

In order to permit attendance of her former teaching associates, funeral services for the late Esther M. McCullom have been set for 2:30 Thursday at the Peof Funeral Home, instead of 2 p. m., as announced yesterday.

Business framed for Jean at K. D. Ross Co., 22 S. Grape.

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