

# Medford Stores to Unveil Attractive Christmas Displays Saturday

**The Weather**  
Forecast: Showers tonight and Saturday, little change in temperature.  
Temperature  
Highest yesterday 45  
Lowest this morning 42

**MEDFORD TRIBUNE**

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**Sunday Want Ads**  
Just a reminder that it is time to prepare that Classified Ad. for the Sunday morning edition. Ads. in by 3:30 Saturday P.M. will be properly classified. Closing time 8 P.M.

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# KIDNAPERS RELEASE GIRL NEAR HOME

**The Capital Parade**  
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**HOOPER MEN CREDITED IN ELEVATION OF HASTINGS**  
**EX-PRESIDENT'S ENMITY FOR SIMPSON BASIS**  
**NEW YORK PARTY LEADER DENIED NATIONAL POST**  
**MANEUVER BASED ON HARMONY VOTE PLEA**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Dan Hastings, the genial little Delaware old guardman who used to be known as "The Senator from DuPont," has the friends of Herbert Hoover to thank for his new place on the Republican national committee's executive committee. Sources close to the former president strenuously deny his complicity in the maneuver by which Hastings was chosen and Kenneth F. Simpson, New York's new national committeeman, was firmly side-tracked. But the Hoover friends acted with effective unanimity.

Simpson, whose shrewd compromises with political reality have salvaged New York Republicanism, is pure poison to Hoover. In the first place, Hoover hates the Simpson compromises. In the second, he bears a natural personal enmity for Simpson, for Simpson has repeatedly denounced the former president's influence in the Republican party.

The maneuver against Simpson began when Mrs. John T. Pratt, the charming national committeewoman from New York, intimated that she would be a candidate for the place on the national committee's executive committee. Normally, it would have gone to Simpson, for it has belonged almost by right to New York's male member of the national committee. Mrs. Pratt's candidacy had been suggested to her some months before. She disclosed it to Hoover some time before the national committee meeting, so that he was at least in part aware of what was up.

Mrs. Pratt is as close a friend, both political and personal, as the former president has. Therefore, when she made her intimation known to Simpson, he immediately decided to

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**Girl Thief Gulps \$350 Wrist Watch**  
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Detective Joseph Mock arrested Edith Morris, 24, at a pawn shop, took her to a precinct station and asked her what happened to a \$350 wrist watch that disappeared from the home of Fred D. Ketchum.

She said she swallowed it. X-rays corroborated her. Detective Mock booked her on a charge of having stolen property in her possession.

**Uncle Sam Duns Thirteen Powers**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Thirteen European powers received reminders today they now owe the United States government \$2,951,707,241 on debts left over from the last war.

**SIDE GLANCES**  
by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Karl Janouch thinking of a swell story each night and forgetting it each day.

Frank Reinhardt showing the effects of a soft life by not being able to catch up with an escaping burglar, and Frank a former athlete too.

And Dorothy and Jim Johnson being quite disgusted with the burglar who ruined their attractive Christmas window display on the eve of unveiling same.

Quarterback Bill Caples reporting on the girl friends the footballers will take to the banquet.

And Hod Stead anticipating a romantic evening.

**MEN CONVINCED FATHER UNABLE TO PAY RANSOM**  
18-Year-Old Mary Brown Reaches Home Haggard, Tattered After 30 Hours in Clutches of Kidnapers

OXON HILL, Md., Dec. 2.—(AP)—William B. Brown, father of 18-year-old Mary Brown who reappeared at her home last night after a 30-hour absence, said today she was abducted by men who mistakenly thought he could pay a ransom.

When his daughter, a business school student, convinced the men he was unable to pay any ransom, he said, they released her.

She arrived haggard and in tattered clothes at the Brown home last night, saying the men had freed her from an automobile a short distance from the farm house where she lives.

**Girl Unharmed**  
The girl was in fairly good condition, her father said. A doctor examined her and declared she had not been harmed. The girl said she had twice become unconscious and thought she had been struck in the stomach.

Mary had been kept in a hut ever since she was abducted, she told the family.

Brown gave this statement to the press this morning:

"My daughter came home last night about 10 o'clock.

"The kidnapers let her out about one-half mile down the road from the entrance to our farm. It was near Hanson Branch. She came home wearing only a slip. She said the men burned all her clothes.

"She spent a restful night. The doctor examined her and found she had not been harmed in any way by her experience.

**Driven to Hut**  
"Mary said after she was shoved in the truck (described as the abductors' vehicle) she was driven at fast speed to a hut where she was kept on a mattress. A blindfold was put over her eyes after she was put in the truck, but she was not gagged.

"There were three men in the truck when she was kidnaped. She said the men talked in whispers while she was kept in the hut.

**Strike Closes BODY FACTORY**  
FLINT, Mich., Dec. 2.—(AP)—The Fisher Body company's plant No. 1, employing from 6,000 to 7,000 men, closed at 12:30 p. m. when members of the CIO United Automobile workers walked out on strike.

The men left the plant a few minutes after completion of a strike vote taken in connection with a prolonged dispute over wage rates in the press and metal department of the plant. UAW officials said the men voted 3,494 to 433 for the strike.

The plant, scene of one of the first sit-downs in the General Motors strikes in 1937, has been employing 4,400 men.

Company officials said sufficient workers had left their jobs so it was impossible to continue operations.

Fisher Body is a division of General Motors corporation. O. M. spokesmen indicated cessation of a supply of bodies from the Fisher plant would necessitate closing the Buick plant here which has been employing approximately 13,000 men.

**Windsors to Give British Workman Christmas Feast**  
LONDON, Dec. 2.—(AP)—The London Star said today the Duke and Duchess of Windsor had arranged to entertain the family of a London working man on Christmas day at their chateau at Cap d'Antibes, on the French Riviera.

The working man has accepted the invitation for himself, his wife, son and daughter, but his name is being kept secret.

The idea came from the duke, "who is anxious to spend the holiday in the company of one of the ordinary people of his country."

"The duchess," it said, "immediately suggested the children because she wanted a children's party and Christmas tree."

The newspaper described the family as "staggered" by the invitation but said it accepted immediately.

**FOUR SPIES GIVEN PRISON SENTENCES IN FEDERAL COURT**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Prison terms ranging from two to six years were imposed today on three persons convicted of espionage in federal court, and on a fourth who pleaded guilty and testified for the government.

Red-haired Johanna Hofmann, 36, former haldress on the North German Lloyd line Europa, was sentenced to four years for her part in the so-called Nazi German spy plot.

Otto Hermann Voss, 38, airplane mechanic, accused of turning over aircraft secrets to German agents, was sentenced to six years.

Erich Glaser, 28, United States army private who was stationed at Mitchell field, Long Island, and was accused specifically by having turned over a code to Guenther Gustav Rummich, 32, confessed spy, was sentenced to two years.

Rummich, Chicago-born son of Austrian parents who joined the United States army and deserted to become a spy, was sentenced to two years. He had pleaded guilty.

All the terms will be served in a federal penitentiary.

Voss, Miss Hofmann and Glaser were convicted early this week after a trial which lasted six weeks.

Judge Knox, addressing the courtroom, remarked that "the trial went to the very edge of too great indulgence."

"Had these defendants been apprehended in the confines of Germany," he said, "their fate would have been much more fearful. As it is the agents of a totalitarian state are receiving the mercy of a democracy."

Then, without mentioning the headman's sex directly, he added: "We have no sawdust sprinkled on our prison yards."

**WESTERN OREGON IS BUFFETED BY VIOLENT BREEZE**  
Heavy Seas Close Columbia Entrance — Trees Uprooted in Toledo Section — Tillamook Is Drenched

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Whole gale warnings were posted along the Washington and Oregon coasts today and the weather bureau here said winds of between 70 and 80 miles an hour would strike that region late today and tonight.

R. C. Counts, weather forecaster, said a storm was sweeping across the Pacific from the west and was centered not far off the Washington coast.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 2.—(AP)—A warm but violent gale drenched western Oregon today, leaving a trail of destruction and at least one death.

Air transport lines cancelled scheduled flights. Ships stood on both sides of the Columbia river bar, unable to cross. Several communications lines to coastal communities were out.

Blinding rain and slippery streets caused the death here of Clyde M. Barrett, 41, killed when he was struck by an automobile shortly after midnight.

Gale to Continue

The United States weather bureau at North Head, mouth of the Columbia, forecast continuation of a 50-mile gale which struck there this morning.

At least nine ships stood by outside the Columbia, unable to cross into the river although the pilot schooner Columbia wallowed in the rough seas three miles out in an attempt to reopen shipping stagnated since Tuesday.

Falling trees and slides endangered secondary highways on the coast. A terrific wind at Toledo halted an

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**STREET AND HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS EXPENSIVE**  
PORTLAND, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Street and highway accidents cost Oregon citizens about \$15,000,000 annually, Hugh Rosson, state director of traffic safety, asserted in an address here yesterday.

He compared the sum to the \$17,000,000 required to finance grade and high school education.

Accidents killed 1337 persons during the 1934-37 period, he said.

## Governor Finds Moving Tiring Job



Gov. Charles H. Martin, retired army major-general, found moving day more strenuous than military campaigns when he directed workmen putting a carved chest into his new home at 2325 Southwest Twenty-first avenue, Portland, on Wednesday. The 75-year old governor, who will retire to his home when his term of office ends January 9, was seen and tried but still patient. He will commute from Portland to Salem for the remainder of his term. (A. P. Photo).

**Radio Highlights**  
Medford radio station KMED, through its NBC hookup, will broadcast the Notre Dame-University of Southern California football game to be played in Los Angeles tomorrow afternoon. The battle will go on the air at 1:45.

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**CITIES OF COUNTY TO PONDER LAWS AT SESSION HERE**  
Meeting Monday Will Review Proposed State Legislation—Share Tax On Gasoline Major Concern.

A district meeting of the League of Oregon Cities will be held here Monday to consider legislation pertaining to municipalities which the 1939 legislature is likely to pass upon.

The meeting will begin with a luncheon in the Hotel Medford and continue throughout the afternoon. Mayor C. Furnas, league director who opened the proceedings as temporary presiding officer and then turned the chairmanship over to Charles H. Higgins of Marshfield, league president. Herman Kehrl of Eugene, executive secretary of the league is also expected to attend.

So that Jackson county legislators may have a thorough understanding of municipal problems as they will appear in state legislation, Senator William W. Dunn and Representative William M. McAllister and Earl Newberry have been invited and are expected to attend the session. Mayor Furnas said. A special invitation to be present has also been extended to County Judge Earl B. Day and County Commissioners Ralph Billings and Otto Caster.

County-Wide Session

Medford city officials, including all the councilmen and department heads, and officials of all the incorporated cities of the county also will attend the meeting, the mayor stated.

While the specific agenda has not been disclosed it is known that the meeting will give considerable time to a discussion of the proposal to return a small share of the state gasoline tax revenue to the cities for the maintenance, repair and reconstruction of streets.

The League of Oregon Cities has been endeavoring to procure a small part of the gasoline revenue for the municipalities of the state and it will go before the 1939 legislature to procure legislation providing for such a division.

Holds Cities Pay Bulk

It is the contention of the league that the bulk of the gasoline tax is paid by citizens of the incorporated cities and that therefore the municipalities are entitled to at least a small part of the revenue to be used exclusively in the maintenance, repair and reconstruction of streets. At present city streets are financed exclusively by original assessments against adjacent property and maintained, repaired and reconstructed exclusively by general property taxes.

The league contends that the present arrangement is unfair and unjust because while the citizens of the cities bear the brunt of the gasoline and motor vehicle taxes, they receive absolutely no share of the revenues. The cities are so greatly burdened with taxes that they have no positive means of maintaining, repairing and reconstructing their streets, the league asserts. It is the league's point of view that the state highway commission should return to the cities a small share of its estimated gross revenue of about \$14,000,000.

The league will therefore ask about \$800,000 of the commission's estimated \$14,000,000 revenue, the funds to be divided among the cities on a pro rata basis for the sole use in financing the maintenance, repair and reconstruction of streets. It is estimated that such a division would bring Medford about \$18,000 annually, a sum said to be needed to keep the streets in first-class condition.

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**BIG ASSORTMENT OF GIFT GOODS ON STORE COUNTERS**  
The Christmas season will be opened formally here tomorrow when the stores will unveil their windows to display their Yuletide merchandise.

Anticipating a busy Christmas season the stores have laid in a large assortment of attractive gift merchandise which they are eager to have the public inspect. In ordering the merchandise, the merchants have kept every member of the family in mind, from tots to grandparents.

Decoration of the city streets has been completed and has elicited much praise from citizens. The decorations are somewhat more extensive than in recent years and include some innovations such as the big star of colored lights at Main street and Central avenue.

To add to the festive spirit of the Yule season, the senior high school girls drum corps will march through the city streets December 8 after performing in the area west of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce at 3:15 p. m. On December 15 the program will be repeated by the girls drum corps of the junior high school.

On December 22 a Santa Claus party for children will be held at the chamber of commerce. Santa Claus will be present himself and will distribute candy and favors.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—(AP)—The civil service commission announced today it would receive applications until the close of business December 16 for the postmastership at Sprague River, Klamath county, Ore.

**THIEF USES ROCK TO GAIN SWAG IN JEWELRY WINDOW**  
A man's wrist watch and two onyx rings, totaling \$175 in value, were obtained by a daring, unidentified thief who last night smashed a huge rock through the plate glass window of the John W. Johnson jewelry store, 214 East Main street, and escaped after being chased several blocks by a number of persons, led by Frank Reinhart.

Apparently in his haste to leave the vicinity of the store, the thief failed to disturb hundreds of dollars worth of other watches and rings, all within his reach in the display window. The rock, evidently thrown with force, shattered the window in a thousand pieces, enabling the thief to reach inside and procure the articles.

The burglary occurred at 8:35, just a few minutes before theatre patrons would have been moving past the jewelry store. As it was, the street was comparatively deserted, and investigating city police have been unable to find anyone who actually saw the crime committed.

Frank Reinhart, co-owner of the Reinhart and Barker men's store located at 208 East Main street, just a few doors west of the jewelry store, heard the crash of the window. He was in his own store at the time, and when he reached the sidewalk he stated that the thief was walking east on Main street. Somebody across the street yelled, "Stop that man," Mr. Reinhart said, whereupon he started running after the suspect.

The thief broke into a run down Main street, turned south on Bartlett street and then scurried down the alley behind Luman Brothers grocery store. Reinhart, with several others who had taken up the chase, entered the alley, but the man had disappeared in the darkness.

Seen from the window were two black onyx rings, both set with one diamond and valued at \$50 and \$75, and a \$50 man's Tavannes white gold wrist watch of unique design. Strangely, the burglar reached right over a display of more expensive watches and rings to steal what he did, Mr. Johnson said. No insurance was carried on the jewelry, the owner said.

Ironically, the rock which was heaved through the window came from Mr. Johnson's own property behind the Craterian theatre, the jeweler said he was certain. It was almost as big as a man's head and weighed close to 30 pounds.

City police today were working on the case, and had questioned one suspect who answered the description of the burglar. However, the man was released after Reinhart stated he was not the person he chased.

**SALVAGE SIX BAGS MEDFORD AIRMAIL**  
One pouch of Medford airmail on the plane that crashed into the sea north of San Francisco Tuesday morning has not been recovered. Postmaster Frank DeSouza was notified today by A. O. Willoughby, assistant superintendent of the San Francisco regional office.

The missing pouch, weighing two pounds, was destined to Fresno, Cal. There were seven pouches of Medford airmail on the plane. The other six pouches were recovered, including a pouch of registered mail to San Francisco. Mr. DeSouza was notified. In all, four pouches of mail were still missing when Mr. Willoughby mailed his report to postmaster.

A large part of the recovered mail was wet and was spread out to dry, Mr. Willoughby said. Some was dry enough to dispatch on the next mails. Only a small number of letters would be undeliverable, Mr. Willoughby said.

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**JACKSON COUNTY TAX LEVY FIXED 1.1 MILL LOWER**  
\$436,802 To Be Raised In Combined Levy Requires 13 Mill Tax—Jacksonville Highest — B. F. Lowest

The Jackson county combined tax levy for 1939 has been fixed at 18 mills by the county assessor, except in the city of Ashland, which levies its own library and general road millage. The combined tax levy in Ashland will be 11.8 mills. The combined levy embraces school district, city and state and county levies.

The 1939 levy is 1.1 mills lower than last year when it was 14.1 mills. The amount listed to be raised by tax levy is \$46,802.24.

The levy by funds is as follows:

Fund	Levy—Mills
State elementary schools	1.6
General county	4.6
General county schools and school library	3.0
County library	0.2
General roads	1.0
Special bridge fund	0.9
Market roads	1.0
Emergency fund	0.3
Crater Lake highway bond redemption	0.3
Crater Lake highway bond interest	0.3
The high school levy for districts outside of high school districts is 5.6 mills.	

The combined levy (school, state and county, and city levies) for the incorporated towns of Jackson county is:

Town	School City State & Total Levy	Levy County Levy		
Ashland	21.4	19.7	11.8	52.9
Butte Falls (none)	12.6	12.	25.6	
Central Pt.	18.3	27.3	12.	58.6
Eagle Point	17.9	15.8	12.	45.7
Gold Hill	19.2	15.8	12.	47.0
Jacksonville	20.1	27.8	12.	60.9
Medford	15.6	12.3	12.	40.1
Phoenix	13.3	17.3	12.	42.6
Rogue River	20.4	12.	12.	44.4
Talent	18.	20.7	12.	51.7

Jacksonville has the high combined levy with 60.9 mills. Central Point is second with 58.6 mills; Ashland third, with 52.9 mills; Talent fourth, with 51.7 mills; Gold Hill fifth with 49.6 mills and Medford sixth with 48.3 mills.

Butte Falls, one of the high districts in the state for its size, has the lowest combined levy with 25.6 mills.

**THOMPSON TO SERVE SIX MONTHS IN JAIL FOR TRIAL GUNPLAY**  
Roy E. Thompson, who pled guilty to using the Trail postoffice building for a target last Sunday night, when he sent rifle bullets through the windows, was sentenced to six months in the county jail this morning by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton.

Thompson recommended to the court, before sentence was imposed, he be given a year in the county jail. A number of residents of the Trail district were present in the courtroom but failed to testify.

Thompson blames his clash with the law on wine imbibing. He is a former resident of Los Angeles and a former member of a southern California cult.

Bryan Works, 41, and Paul E. Stull, 21, both of Talent, who pled guilty to entering a store there and taking wine and cigarettes, were each given suspended sentences of six months in the county jail.

Works, who has been in minor difficulties with the law before, was warned a repetition would mean a prison sentence. Stull is married and the father of a small child.

**LIMITED RECEIPTS IN PORTLAND TURK MART**  
PORTLAND, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Limited receipts and virtually no demand kept the turkey market nominal here today. Resale quotations were erratic.

Buyers were not inclined to begin eastern shipments before Monday. Prices remained 20 cents for toms and 22 cents for hens.