

LOCAL and PERSONAL

Herigstad Transferred—Hank on Herigstad, attendant at the United Air Lines station, left Monday night by mainline for Rock Springs, Wyoming, where he was transferred by the line.

Visiting Here—Clarence Starcher of Galice arrived in the city yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with his son, Bren H. Starcher and family.

Naumes In New York—Lt. and Mrs. R. A. Naumes of 1001 S. Oakdale avenue, were registered at the Hotel Pennsylvania in New York City last week, according to the hotel's press service.

Bikes Stolen—Two stolen bicycles were reported to city police yesterday. Marvin Doty of 1222 Locust street and Bob Gault of 115 Kenwood both reported their wheels stolen from in front of a local theatre.

Holloway Home—Ensign Wm. A. Holloway, Jr., U.S.N.R., a senior in the school of dentistry at the University of California, arrived in Medford yesterday morning to spend five days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Holloway, Sr., 323 Mac street.

To School—Pvt. Mervyn R. Chastain, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Chastain of 704 North Central avenue, has been ordered to Ft. Knox, Ky., to attend an advanced mechanical school, following three months of desert maneuvers near Needles, Calif., according to word received by his parents. Pvt. Chastain, a 1925 graduate of Medford high school and an all-state basketball player, entered the army last April from Grants Pass, where he was residing at that time.

Son Wounded—A telegram was received from the war department today by Wm. A. Hooker, Route 2, Medford, stating that his son, Pvt. Alfred C. Hooker, infantryman, had been seriously wounded in action in the southwest Pacific area and that further information on his condition would be sent as soon as possible. Pvt. Hooker, who graduated from Medford high school and had been employed by the local office of the Southern Pacific railway, went into the army last March and had been stationed in New Guinea.

Police Arrest Five—Five arrests for traffic violations were made by state police yesterday. Howard Smith Waggener, Prospect, was arrested for having an axle overload on his truck and will appear in court this afternoon. David Wells Bradley, Talent, was arrested for having a combination overload and is to appear in court December 28. Donald George Lilly of Lake Creek was arrested for having no P.U.C. declared weight receipt and is also booked to appear December 28. Also arrested for an axle overload was Robert William Jones of Trail, and he is booked for court December 28. Jess Delbert Forscher, Central Point, was picked up for having no operator's license and will come up in court on December 28.

Men In Court—Three men were in city police court this morning charged with being drunk in a public place. Leonard E. Tucker, 48, was fined \$10 on the drunkenness charge; Albert W. Calhoun, 58, was sentenced to serve 10 days in the city jail and Allen C. Reichelderfer, 57, forfeited \$10 bail.

Home From School—K. Robert Allan, second-year student of architecture at the University of Oregon, Eugene, arrived in Medford Wednesday morning to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Allan, Pacific Highway south. Young Allan will return to Eugene for the opening of school on December 28.

Report Money Loss—Two reports of theft of money were reported to city police yesterday. Jewell Cox reported loss of his billfold, containing \$105 and numerous papers, from his room at the Crater Hotel, and Mrs. Lillian Gilham, Route 1, reported that her purse had been snatched by two boys as she walked in the 700 block on East Main street. Mrs. Gilham stated the purse contained \$12 and several receipted bills.

ITALIAN INDUSTRY BADLY BUFFETED BY R.A.F. BOMBS

London, Dec. 24.—(U.P.)—Royal Air Force bombers in four heavy raids between Nov. 28 and Dec. 9 seriously damaged 70 important Italian industrial factories and workshops, including 10 Fiat airplane plant units at Turin, the air ministry announced today.

The communiqué, the first official British report detailing destruction by the RAF in a series of attacks on the "soft underbelly" of the Axis, said about an acre of the state arsenal was destroyed.

"Many industrial plants were gutted completely and others were so seriously damaged that they seem to be out of commission," the communiqué said. The British bomber fleets, including Lancasters, Hudsons, Sterlings and Halifaxes, blasted Turin six times between Nov. 18 and Dec. 9. Two and four-ton block-buster bombs were credited with inflicting the major damage. The raids covered in today's communiqué were made the night of Nov. 28 and 29 and Dec. 8 and 9.

TO FAVOR PAY HIKES—Washington, Dec. 24.—(U.P.)—Paul R. Porter, chairman of the War Production board wage stabilization committee, said today he would submit recommendations early next week to the War Labor board for wage increases at Boeing Aircraft Co., plants at Seattle and Renton, Wash.

In India an "aircraft carrier" refers to the 60-foot salvage trucks dispatched to recover bombers and fighter planes that have crashed.

LAVAL AGREES TO FURNISH SOLDIERS TO HELP HITLER

Ankara, Dec. 23.—(U.P.)—(Delayed)—Well-informed neutral sources said today that Pierre Laval had agreed, subject to the approval of Marshal Henri Petain, to send four divisions of French "volunteers" to aid Adolf Hitler in Russia and to turn over the physical equipment of the French army and navy to the Germans.

Laval, bringing France into ever-closer collaboration with the Axis, has conferred with Hitler and Italian Foreign Minister Galeazzo Ciano.

Under the agreement, it was said, Germany after taking over the equipment of the French army and what is left of the French navy will repay France for its losses after the war.

3 BRIG.-GENERALS SUFFER WOUNDS

Gen. MacArthur's Headquarters, Australia, Dec. 24.—(U.P.)—The situation of Japanese forces in Eastern New Guinea "must now be regarded as desperate," the allied high command announced today.

Australian and American forces, led by light tanks, had further reduced the Japanese beachhead in the Buna Mission area, occupying more jungle between Sinemeli Creek and the sea. Further evidence of the close quarters at which the ground fighting has been carried on in New Guinea is the word that three American brigadier generals had been wounded in action.

The American brigadiers wounded were Hanford MacNider, by a grenade in the abdomen and head November 22, Albert Waldron, shot in the shoulder by a sniper at Buna December 3, and Clovis B. Byers, shot in the hand December 16. All are expected to recover.

MANY DINNER BIDS FOR SOLDIER BOYS

More families are opening their homes to Camp White soldiers for Christmas entertainment than for Thanksgiving, according to officials of the USO and the Outpost who are acting as a clearing house for home hospitality. The USO has handled almost 200 requests for soldiers for Christmas day dinners and other entertainment, and the Outpost about 135, it was stated today.

At the Outpost many of the boys were extended personal invitations from people they have met at the center, and in addition a request for 80 boys was handled from Yreka and several from Gold Hill, Talent and other near-by towns. The USE stated that the majority of the invitations handled there were from Medford people.

CONFIDENT CHRISTMAS—Washington, Dec. 24.—(U.P.)—Secretary of State Cordell Hull today wished the American people "a Christmas of supreme confidence" and said that this is a time "for all of us to rededicate ourselves to a unity of purpose" in the world struggle.

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PAGING BILL CODY—Buffalo Bill Cody wasn't around to handle the situation, so police and park employees took over in subduing this buffalo which escaped from San Francisco zoo with intent to see the town. It's being placed in van for return to zoo.

Father Tom, III, Separated From Eskimos After 8 Years

By Russell Annabel
United Press Staff Correspondent
Nome, Alaska.—(U.P.)—Father Tom Cunningham, New Zealand-born Jesuit priest famed in the North for his work among the Eskimos, was in a hospital bed this week, separated from his flock for the first time in eight years.

Stricken by pneumonia as he was about to embark in a walrus-hide oomiak from Cape Prince of Wales for his home on barren, storm-swept Diomed Island, Father Tom was flown back to Nome by Pilot Sig Wein and hospitalized. His wild Diomed islanders, the most primitive people in the North, regretfully set out across Bering Strait without him after Father Tom had commanded them to do so. If they had waited the Arctic ice pack would have marooned them on the mainland until spring.

Lying on his hospital cot, the rangy, curly-headed, 37-year-old priest recalled the years he has spent among the Diomed Eskimos. He spoke of his difficulties with the tribal medicine men, and especially of one Issak Kyssak, a venerable charlatan who claimed to be able to thrust knives into his body and to possess the power to will people to death. Father Tom first challenged him to demonstrate the knife trick, and when the medicine man refused to do so in the Jesuit's presence, Father Tom proclaimed him a fake.

The priest next matched wits with Issak Kyssak when the latter informed an Eskimo girl who had incurred his displeasure that she would die within six days. Father Tom admits that in normal circumstances the girl probably would have died within the stated time, a victim of fear of the supernatural. But the priest promised her protection from the curse, and in carrying out his promise he visited the medicine man's cave each evening and solemnly reminded Issak Kyssak that another day had passed and that the girl was still alive.

On the morning of the seventh day, observing that the girl actually was alive and apparently in excellent health, Issak Kyssak

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held his hand, he told her: "I think I'm going to die, mother."
"It's just your imagination, son," she said.
Ten minutes later he died.

U. P. TRAFFIC RESUMES
Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 24.—(U.P.)—Traffic over the main line of the Union Pacific railroad moved uninterrupted here today following a 10-hour delay yesterday when a dining car on a passenger train was derailed at a switch inside the city limits.

Too Late to Classify

FOR SALE—Electric refrigerator. Phone 3517.

FOR SALE—Buick special 1939 4-door sedan. Excellent tires. Phone 3517.

FOR SALE—Ice box, like new; rockers, two doors suitable for barn or garage. 4x8 ft. each; window screens. Call Saturday before 10 a. m. 117 North Peach.

WANTED—Position on dairy farm. Experienced. Tribune Box 4531.

FOR SALE—Walnut dining room table, 5 chairs, buffet, twin spoon bed with springs and mattress and dresser; two 3x12 rugs; Western wood range; davenport and chair; kitchen table, 3 chairs; grapes and curtains. 234 West 5th.

ONE YOUNG RED BOAR, one best cow, one heavy veal. Phone 3512.

NEXT LIVESTOCK AUCTION at Pavilion will be Jan. 2. Southern Oregon Livestock Auction Co.

SINGLE MAN, 60 years old, good health and active; wants job as caretaker. Understands milking and general care. Pair carpenter. Phone 3504.

FOR SALE—Chickens. Henry Niedermyer. Phone 454 Jacksonville.

FOR SALE—5-year red spotted cow, fresh in 30 days; 2-year heifer, bred; 3 1/2-month heifer calf; 4 shoats, wt. about 90 lbs. First house north on first road north of Lone Pine school. Dunnivent.

Want housekeeper, am widower, no in-cumbrances. Wages, 155 Old Hill.

LOST—Brown and white fox terrier, 500 block N. Riverside. Name Bally. Child's pet. Reward. Rt. 2, Box 113.

FOR SALE, in Jacksonville—one walnut and white bedroom set. R. L. Taylor, 595 North Main, Ashland.

LOST or strayed—Boston bull about 8 months old, dark with one white eye. Answers to name of "Tiny." Reward offered. Call Lillie's Cafe, 1182 Court St. or phone 4929.

LOST—Brown purse containing picture, check book, license and gas rationing book. Reward. 650 Pine.

WANTED—Man and wife, helpers, camp boarding house at Trail. Phone 2784 Medford.

FOR SALE—Ground grains for your dairy, hog and poultry feeds. Home grown of quality grains. Victor Burrell.

WANTED—To wish all our patrons and friends that have helped to make 1942 a successful year a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Mr. and Mrs. James Lillie, Prop. of Lillie's Place.

FOR SALE—Registered Cocker Spaniel pups, red, 611 So. Riverside, across from Parkers.

FOR SALE—Owner going to army 27th.—29 Nash coupe, 5 nearly new 6.20 x 20" tires, all 5 ply. Motor excellent. May be seen at 1234 N. Riverside.

DOUBLE RED, fancy Delicious apples. Standard size boxes \$2.10; smaller boxes \$1.25 and \$1.75. Newtowns \$3c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Pay Low Market, 233 So. Riverside.

TRAPPERS!—The market is good. Sell your furs to Eagle Point Fur.

RAW FURS WANTED—Eastern prices paid for Muskrats, Mink, Skunk, Bob Cats, etc. Deer, Elk, Bear and Pelts Game traps for sale. Medford Pelts House, 27 N. Grape St. Ph. 3744. Buy War Stamps and Bonds.

GRIDS AND WOMEN 18 to 45 years, positions with good wages and excellent opportunity for advancement in both our cafe and merchandise departments. Apply week days between 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. at Camp White Exchange Employment Office, Chamber of Commerce Bldg., 1 East Main.

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