

ON THE HOME FRONT

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

News From Jackson County for Men in the Armed Services

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Date _____

Dear _____

Jackson county celebrated the July Fourth holiday very quietly, with no accidents, no fires in towns or forests and with practically no noise since fireworks were not to be had. However, there were parades and other entertainment in Ashland and Rogue River, and Klamath Falls staged the annual Buckaroo days. Many people made fishing trips to nearby streams if the family gasoline supply held out, while others had backyard picnics.

The annual rodeo and horse show of the Jackson County Sheriff's Office is slated for July 15 and 16 at the fairgrounds park near Medford.

Cherry harvest has begun in the valley, but the crop is light due to cold weather during the blooming period. Fair weather has prevailed for the past several days, but the June summary of the weather bureau shows but six clear days for that month, as against 17 completely cloudy, and above average rainfall.

The decline in the number of servicemen stationed at Camp White has brought about a decline in the number of marriage licenses issued. But 33 were issued in June, the traditional month of brides, while the average was better than 85 a month for several months during 1942 and 43, the figure once being more than 100.

Jackson county's casualty list continues to grow, with several additions during the past week. Relatives of First Lt. Robert R. Hammond and of Pvt. Archie Frank Fanger have both been notified of their death in Italy during the allied drive on Rome. Hammond, commander of a heavy weapons squadron in the 45th Infantry Division, was killed May 28 and Pvt. Fanger, with a mortar squad, on May 27.

Frank LeRoy Barber, seaman second class, died in the naval hospital at San Diego, July 4; Sgt. Floyd M. Boyer, former Gold Hill resident, was killed in action in Italy May 23 and Lt. Ben Reeser, formerly of Ashland, in the Admiralty Islands in the south Pacific.

Staff Sgt. L. Killian of Trail is reported safe in a neutral country after being shot down over Europe while on his 30th mission as a turret gunner on a B-24 bomber. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters. Also holder of many decorations is Lt. W. C. Purdin with the 15th AAF in Italy. He now holds the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Purple Heart. He has been on 50 missions. Capt. Thomas H. Shearin of Eagle Point, with the 13th AAF in the south Pacific, has been awarded an Air Medal and two Oak Leaf Clusters.

Pvt. G. Schnack, with the Fighter Command, signal air warning battalion in the Mediterranean area, was recently cited for exemplary service. Cpl. Frank Clark is now in England at an Air Service Command depot and Lt. Harry M. Beasley has arrived in England for duty. Carroll N. Lewis, with the 12th AAF, has been promoted to a master sergeant. He is an armament chief. Staff Sgt. Robert J. Carney is now in the Mediterranean area as a radio operator and gunner for a B-25 Mitchell bomber and Alden R. Wright, in England, has been promoted to corporal.

Many aviation cadets have recently graduated into commissions and the air force wings. Among these are Lt. Cato W. Wray, Lt. Curtis E. Hopkins, Lt. Lanar Coverstone and Lt. Cloyd Lee Porter. Lt. Wray, Lt. Hopkins and Lt. Coverstone were home on leaves. Also home this week is Robert Little, who has graduated as a service pilot with the ATC, his academic and flying ability grades being second highest in the class. Ensign Robert H. Bryant, newly commissioned at Plattsburg, N. Y. and his younger brother, Pvt. George Bryant, of Ft. Riley, are both home for a few days. Another visitor is Ensign George Coding, Jr., who has been taking a course in naval communications at Harvard.

Aviation Cadet Harper Hamilton was home between training at Las Vegas and Albuquerque and Cadet Gene C. Rae has been transferred to Inde-

NINE MEASURES BEFORE VOTERS NEXT NOVEMBER

\$60 Pension From Gross Income Tax Among Proposals Waiting Organians

(Editor's note — Nine measures will appear on the ballot which will be submitted to Oregon voters in November. Two of them are initiative petitions, one is an initiative petition referendum and the rest are measures passed by the state legislature and referred for vote to the people of the state.)

(This is the first of a series of articles discussing the nine measures. Others will appear during the next few days. They are written by Eric W. Allen, Jr., manager of the Salem Bureau of the United Press.)

By Eric W. Allen, Jr. United Press Correspondent

Salem, Ore., July 7—(UP)—One of the two initiative petitions which will appear on the ballot in November will be a proposed constitutional amendment providing for the payment of \$60 each month to persons over 60 years of age, and those over 18 who are physically disabled.

Ballot title of the measure is "constitutional amendment providing monthly annuities from a gross income tax."

The income tax proposed would be a levy of three to five per cent of each person's gross income, payable monthly. There are certain exemptions to the tax, such as hospitals, non-profit fraternal groups, religious, charitable, scientific or educational organizations; investment income, chambers of commerce and allied activities, and labor unions.

The proposed amendment is the longest of any of the nine measures which will appear on the ballot, running to nine pages, and going very thoroughly into the administration of

brother, Harlin, in Hawaii for two and a half years with an army reconstruction unit, has been awarded an efficiency pin.

The wedding of Lida May Baylor and Lt. John W. Childers took place here June 23. The lieutenant is a bomber pilot and recently returned home after a year in the Mediterranean theater.

Joyce Utz and Robert Pittenger were listed on the spring honor roll at the University of Oregon.

Lt. and Mrs. H. J. Stoll (Eunice Sanden) are the parents of twin sons born July 4. The officer is stationed at Camp Berkeley, Aviation Cadet and Mrs. Charles Lawrence (Ruth Vogel) are the parents of a son born June 27 in Pittsburg. Cadet Lawrence is in Fresno, training with the air corps.

Hedy Lamarr, William Powell Coming



Hedy Lamarr and William Powell are costarring in the delightful comedy, "The Heavenly Body," with Fay Bainter Henry O'Neill and Spring Byington. The picture starts Sunday for a three-day showing at the Craterian.

the benefits, the penalties which would accrue from non-payment of the tax and the various details and technicalities of the amendment.

One of the more controversial provisions of the amendment is the prohibiting of the legislature and voters from levying a sales tax in the state, with the exception of taxes on liquor, tobacco, cosmetics and/or gasoline, levied for a specific and single purpose. It also provides for the automatic repeal of any laws contrary to, or in conflict with, that particular section of the amendment.

This provision of the measure raises an interesting legal point in case both it and the proposed sales tax pass in November. The sales tax, which is not a constitutional amendment but which would carry a similar weight because of its passage by the people, would be in direct conflict with this measure, which is a constitutional amendment, and which also would carry the weight of passage by the people. Attorney General George Neuner, asked what might be the outcome if both proposals are OK'd by the people, predicted extensive legal proceedings to determine which shall prevail, and which parts of each shall be valid.

Effective in 1945 Among the other provisions of the proposed amendment would be:

Collection of the tax by the State Tax commission, which would be granted extensive powers in administration of the collection.

Effective date of the plan would be March 1, 1945.

Beneficiaries of the annuity

would be unable to earn a living, aside from the monthly payment. Interest from investments made prior to retirement are the only sums a beneficiary is entitled to receive, except the federal social security payments and similar contributory plans. Annuitants would not be entitled to receive any other old-age, disability or blind payments or aid.

Annuitants could not be absent from the state more than 90 days each year, nor without notice to the commission.

Criminals, or persons with criminal records, would be ineligible.

The legislature would be empowered to change many of the provisions of the administration of the measure, particularly as regards age and residence requirements.

Upon passage of similar legislation by the federal government, the state plan would become effective, unless the federal measure proves inadequate.

Self Protecting

The amendment protects itself from court action by providing that if any one part is declared invalid or unconstitutional, that shall not affect the validity of the rest of the measure.

In the opinion of the authors of the amendment, which they entitle "The Oregon Employment and Retirement Mutual Insurance Plan", if it would act not only to make retirement and disability insurance the right and heritage of every citizen, but it would act as a stabilized and stimulator of employment and trade within the state.

It is believed, however, there

will be much opposition to the plan, as an untried, unproven and theoretical economic experiment.

BIRTHS

BOUNDS—To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin, Ashland, July 6, 1944, girl, 8 lbs., at Community hospital.

NYE—To Mr. and Mrs. Waldo, Prospect, July 6, 1944, boy, 8 lbs., at Community hospital.

Daily Weather Report

Forecast: Medford and vicinity: Fair and little change in temperature tonight and Saturday.

Oregon: Fair and little change in temperature tonight and Saturday.

Local Data: Temperature a year ago today: Highest, 87; lowest, 59.

Total monthly precipitation, 0 inches. Deficiency for the month, 12 inch.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1943, 15.76 inches. Deficiency for the season, 72 inch.

Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, 16%; 4:30 a. m. today, 77%.

Tomorrow: Sunrise 5:43 a. m., sunset 8:48 p. m. Past 24 hours: High Low Prec.

Boise 82 47
Boston 84 56
Chicago 90 66
Denver 86 57 13
Eureka 80 47
Havre 81 48
Los Angeles 89 57
Medford 83 48
New York 80 69
Omaha 82 73 T
Phoenix 107 82
Portland 69 50
Reno 90 46
Roseburg 76 48
Salt Lake 85 60
San Francisco 74 51
Seattle 71 49
Spokane 70 44
Washington, D. C. 91 73
Yakima 72 43

BURGLAR SUSPECT SHOT Kansas City, Kan., July 7—(U.P.)—A man identified by police as James M. Charrion, 28, former convict from Seattle, Wash., was shot and wounded critically early today in a restaurant here by Hubert Denny, policeman. Police said Charrion had entered the building by climbing over

a transom. They added that a motorcar, reported stolen in Missouri, was recovered outside the restaurant.

On April 1, 1944, the armed services had 46,000 nurses—38,500 army nurses and 8000 navy nurses—and expected to increase the total to 60,000.

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VINEGAR

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Qt. Bottle 20c

NOODLES

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1 pound pkg.
Package 22c

SOAP

OXYDOL—Large pkg.
Package 23c

PECTIN

M.C.P. PECTIN—8-oz. package
3 for 29c

PEANUT BUTTER

Jar 55c
2-pound Jar

Piggly Wiggly Garden Fresh FRUITS—VEGETABLES

LETTUCE
Solid Head Lettuce
2 for 25c

CARROTS
2 Pounds 15c

ORANGES
Juicy, Sweet Oranges
2 Dozen 55c

POTATOES
Smooth, Firm, New
10 Pounds 43c

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Home Baked
Pork & Beans

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