

LEGIONNAIRES TO ATTEND INAUGURAL CENTRAL PT. POST

Due to the seasonal holidays Medford Post No. 15 American Legion will not meet tonight as regularly scheduled. Next regular meeting will be on the second Wednesday in January. Prior to that time, however, Medford Post is asked to attend the installation of officers of the newly formed Myers-Holland Post No. 129 of General Point on Wednesday night Jan. 3. The installation will be preceded by a dinner to be given in the Grange Hall on Main street.

Harry Young, commander of Medford Post has urged all Legionnaires and their ladies to try and attend this meeting. Members attending will meet at the Medford Hotel at 8 p. m. where cars will be pooled and transportation provided for all making the trip. State Commander Penn Crum, Department Adjutant Fritz Nissen, and Cy Hawver, editor of the Oregon Legionnaire, will attend the installation.

Gov. Earl Snell has been invited but due to the state legislature opening on that date he will be unable to be present. Tickets for the dinner can be obtained from Commander Young at the Copco office or from Adjutant Charles Wiley at the post office.

ACTION TAKEN IN ARMY HOSPITALS

Washington, Dec. 27—(U.P.)—The house military affairs committee today reported "reassuring" results from its long investigation of army hospitals which in one instance found patients being served storage eggs generously covered with catsup to "disguise their evil taste."

The committee said the war department had taken corrective action in response to almost all suggestions based on its survey of 89 hospitals in 20 states and the district of Columbia. The report listed 23 specific cases referred to the department but did not name hospitals involved. "Whatever may have been the situation prior to the committee's investigations," it said, "with few exceptions the results following the investigation have been decidedly reassuring."

BIRTHS

GIBSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Earl P., 23 Rose avenue, Dec. 27, 1944, boy, 10 lbs., at Sacred Heart hospital.

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PRIVATE LYON IN BRITISH HOSPITAL

Pvt. Fred W. Lyon, wounded early in November during a battle near Metz, France, was later taken to a base hospital in England where he is still a patient according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lyon, Rt. 2, box 397.

Lyon wrote that he received his wounds during a successful dash for escape from a German captor. He and two companions had been taken prisoner and while being marched to the German headquarters ran into an American road patrol. During the ensuing confusion Lyon and one companion made their escape, Lyon receiving five machine gun bullet wounds in an arm and a leg.

The soldier, in an artillery unit, has been overseas nearly a year. Pvt. Lyon's wife makes her home here with his parents.

DOROTHY PRUITT STORY PUBLISHED

Dorothy Pruitt, Medford writer, is the author of a second story, entitled "The Portrait" appearing in this month's issue of the Ladies' Home Journal. The story has a local setting. Mrs. Pruitt's first story and a poem were previously published in the Ladies' Home Journal. At present she is at work on a novel.

Mrs. Pruitt has just recently returned to Medford after an absence of two years. She has been living in Sacramento and Los Angeles where her husband, Almus Pruitt, was instructor for mathematics and radio theory for the signal corps. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Green, 1014 West Tenth street.

Experience Claimed Not Necessary For Navy Radar School

It is not necessary to have had practical experience in radio work in order to qualify for the navy's recently expanded radar training program, Herb Crain, recruiting specialist of the Medford navy recruiting station explains in reply to the question he is most often asked regarding this important branch of the navy.

Records show that a person with a solid foundation of algebra and general science has an excellent chance of being accepted as a candidate and of successfully completing the ten-month course of advanced radio and electronics which the navy's radar training embraces, according to Crain.

The recruiter suggests that those interested in this type of work contact him to determine whether they can qualify both physically and technically. No obligation is assumed by a person who takes the aptitude test.

Vincent's to Build Rogue River Home

Grants Pass, Dec. 27—Mr. and Mrs. Dale Vincent, specialists in illustrative photography, have purchased a lot on the Rogue river and are now living in their trailer house on Miller's gulch until they can build a home, Vincent told the Chamber of Commerce Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent have been traveling throughout the west for the past several years, writing and illustrating magazine articles. Vincent said they had been keeping their eye open for "the ideal place to build a home" and finally found it on Rogue river. They have recently been covering army camps, doing articles under contract for the government, he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent have a home in Medford and were engaged in photographic work at Camp White during the early days of the war.

Last of D'Anjous And Nelis Shipped

D'Anjou pears, and what few Winter Nelis pears are on hand, are now being shipped according to Assistant County Agent C. B. Cordy. Practically all the Boscos and Comice have been shipped.

The bulk of the Comice went into Christmas gift boxes. Railroad and express company workers and packers estimate around 200 express cars, each containing 3000 boxes and baskets of Christmas pears, were shipped by local plants. This does not include other shipments, so a definite total on the number is not available. Some shipments are still being made.

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Americans Trapped in Nazi Drive



(Acme Radio-Telephoto) American soldiers are seen marching past Nazi armor ed equipment on road after capture in German breakthrough drive into Belgium. This photo is from a roll of film captured from Nazis when First Army counterattacks broke the drive.

Lew Ayres on Leyte



(Acme Telephoto) Cpl. Lew Ayres, famous movie and real life soldier, dresses wounds suffered by Pvt. Marvin D. Cotton, who was brought down by enemy fire after he had killed nine Japs near Palo, Leyte Island. Ayres gave up a staff sergeant's rating in the medical corps to take an assignment as chaplain's aide. Signal Corps photo.

HARDY ILL, MAY BE LOST BY USC

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 27—(U.P.)—Don Hardy, southern California's great all-coast end and pass snatcher de luxe, west to bed with the flu today and may be out of the Rose Bowl lineup against Tennessee.

He'll be weak, Trojan trainers said, and if he makes it at all it probably will be only to tell his grandchildren he played in two consecutive Rose Bowl games.

Paul Salata, a promising freshman, was assigned the first string spot at least for the rest of the week. Although Salata is rated highly as a pass receiver the shift weakens the left anchor on defense, where Hardy's experience tells.

NEW TRIAL SOUGHT FOR MAN ACCUSED OF RAPE

A motion for a new trial on behalf of Woodrow Wilson Newburn, found guilty by a circuit court jury of statutory rape was filed yesterday by Attorney O. H. Bengtson. Five grounds are listed. They are, alleged irregularities by the district attorney and his deputy in the handling of the case, misconduct in the cross-examination of defense witnesses, accident or surprise in the case, insufficiency of evidence to justify the verdict, and errors in law by the court.

Newburn was scheduled to receive sentence yesterday, but due to the illness of Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna, sentence was deferred.

Grandma Switches Millions of Mothers To Her Idea of Mutton Suet and Medication

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Today science has modernized Grandma's old-time pain relief principle to bring you Penetro, the salve with a base that contains old fashioned mutton suet plus 5 active ingredients. Now mothers everywhere are praising this newer relief and thanking Grandma for her idea that is switching habits of long standing. During this season of colds, Penetro is so helpful in easing chest muscle tightness, soothing chest rawness, loosening

Selective Service Boards Lauded By Richfield Leader

The selective service boards No. 1 and No. 2 of Jackson county, are in receipt of a letter of commendation and season greetings from the Richfield Oil corporation, thru their personnel director, Stender Sweeney.

The letter in part says: "In a task of such magnitude where time, precise thinking and patience are required especially from the members of the local boards in their consideration of the evidence submitted on behalf of the registrants, it has been our experience in all our contacts with the various local boards, their task has been accomplished in a workmanlike manner, without bias or friction, and in a cooperative way."

The Jackson county No. 1 board is composed of Guy Applewhite, Ashland, chairman, H. H. Gillette, Ashland, and Henry Niedermeyer, Medford. The No. 2 board consists of Ernest L. Scott, chairman, Leon B. Haskins, William Hammett, Diamond Flynn and Roy Pruett, all of Medford.

HONORS FOR EACH

Garrett, Ind.—(U.P.)—Each of the two Neagu brothers, one a soldier and one a sailor, received an award from military personnel at the same time—but such different awards. Sgt. John, in the CBI war theater, received the Presidential Unit citation and a commendation by the Chinese Military Council. His brother Seaman 1-c Nick, was cited as their No. 1 pin-up boy by a group of Waves at a naval air station.

RATIONING ORDERS BRING TURMOIL IN PORTLAND STORES

Portland, Ore., Dec. 27—(U.P.)—Inspectors from the office of price administration today checked Portland's retail stores to see if new rationing orders were in effect, following a day of confusion and near riots over conflicting practices.

Police had to be summoned to a downtown store, where the invalidated stamps were being accepted, when the manager received official notice from the OPA on the new orders and abruptly cut off hundreds of customers in long lines. Lesser buying sprees were reported throughout the Portland area as harassed OPA officials tried to cope with the failure of orders to arrive from national headquarters.

McDannell Brown, Portland OPA district director, said any acceptance of the old stamps by dealers since 12:01 a. m. Tuesday would be a violation of the law and that the OPA does not have to give any notice other than that already appearing in the press and other publicity agencies.

There was some indication that dealers who accept cancelled stamps will be refused permission to deposit them in ration bank accounts without first submitting a sworn statement that they were taken in exchange for goods before December 26.

Most stores accepting stamps yesterday were swept clear of

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C. E. WEED TAKES AL DOWNS PLACE WITH UNION OIL

C. E. Weed will replace A. M. "Al" Downs as resident manager for the Union Oil company in Medford the first of the year, according to a news release from H. E. Garner, district manager for Union Oil company.

Mr. Weed has acted in a similar capacity for his company in Redmond, Ore., for a number of years, where he was active in the Kiwanis club and Boy Scout work, in addition to being elected president of Redmond Chamber of Commerce. Mr. and Mrs. Weed have two young sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Downs will leave Friday for Portland where he will take up his new assignment as division representative for the Union Oil company.

PORTLAND FBI OFFICE HEADED BY NEW AGENT

Portland, Ore., Dec. 27—(U.P.) Joseph E. Thornton today took up his new duties as special agent in charge of the Portland office of the federal bureau of investigation.

Thornton succeeds Clinton W. Stein in a swap of jobs, with Stein going to the Honolulu office which Thornton has headed since 1942.

rationed merchandise. Two of the largest chains and many smaller stores accepted stamps on grounds no official notice had been received otherwise.

Automobiles now are leaving the road at the rate of 5,000 a day, so that by the end of the year the number of cars will be down to 22,000,000, as compared with almost 28,000,000 before Pearl Harbor, according to Sumner H. Slichter, Harvard economist.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember.

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