

ANNA L. PIERCE TAKEN BY DEATH

Anna Laura H. Pierce, a resident of Medford for the last 40 years, passed away at a local hospital Tuesday. Mrs. Pierce was born in Hiawatha, Kansas, on July 16, 1864. On July 15, 1883 she was united in marriage to Charles H. Pierce at Morrow, Kansas.

Mrs. Pierce was a long-time member of the First Christian Church.

Mrs. Pierce was a great lover of flowers and as a result Medford's first commercial greenhouses were built.

Mrs. Pierce leaves to mourn her passing, five sons, Archie Pierce, Clarence Pierce, Ed Pierce, Bryan Pierce, all of Medford and Ralph Pierce, of Los Angeles, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. E. J. Bratney of Portland, Ore., and Mrs. L. G. Gentner and Mrs. C. R. Culbertson, both of Medford. She is also survived by 17 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the Perl Funeral Home Friday at 2 p. m. The Rev. Delbert Daniels of the First Christian Church will officiate and interment will be in Jacksonville Cemetery.

Rev. Emerson Pent At Baptist Church

The Rev. Emerson Pent, international field evangelist for Youth For Christ, will speak at the Congress for United Evangelism at the First Baptist Church, Fifth and North Central, at 7:45 o'clock tonight.

Rev. Pent was formerly associated with the Moody Bible Institute and formerly was a pastor and Bible teacher. He claims eight years radio experience conducting youth programs.

NEED SALES TAX

Bozeman, Mont., Dec. 12—(U.P.) A state sales tax is the "only solution" to financial problems facing Montana's primary and secondary schools, Gov. Sam G. Ford told the State School Boards association here yesterday.

The Maoris, or native New Zealanders, are closely akin to the native Hawaiians.

Crowning of Queen Features Carnival At J'Ville Friday

Jacksonville, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Crowning of the queen and giving away of an electric steam iron will feature a carnival sponsored by the Jacksonville schools, Friday evening, December 14.

Winner in the contest for queen will be determined Friday afternoon. Candidates from the class selling the most tickets will be crowned. Contestants are Betty Darting, seniors; Helen Sharp, juniors; Barbara Taylor, sophomores; Ann Killingsworth, freshmen and Patty Harris, grade school.

Elvis Offenbacher is carnival chairman and Eva Ctemer, his assistant.

Classes, directed by their faculty advisors, are responsible for the various concessions and activities.

Eagles President To Attend Meeting Here On Thursday

A. C. Friesen, state president of Fraternal Order of Eagles, will meet with Crater Lake Aerie No. 2093 and auxiliary at the Eagles' Hall, 219 West Main street, at 8 p. m. tomorrow.

Jack Henry, district director, and M. L. Shepard of the organization party, both of Klamath Falls, will also be present. Other officials of the state aerie also plan to attend. A large class of new members will be initiated in honor of the president, it was announced.

Bill Lawrence, chairman of the older chorus, announces that the group will meet in the auxiliary room at 7:15 p. m. Thursday to practice for the Christmas party which will be held Dec. 23. On Sunday the older chorus as well as children's chorus will practice.

BIRTHS

DAVIS—To Dr. and Mrs. Vincent K., 408 S. Oakdale, Dec. 12, 1945, a boy, 9 1/2 lbs., at Sacred Heart hospital.

TOO AFFECTIONATE

Salem, Mass., Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Mrs. Constance Wallace has filed a petition for a divorce from her husband, Chester, on the grounds that he "stayed home too much and was too affectionate."

PULP MILLS OKEH 15 PER CENT HIKE

Portland, Ore., Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Four days of negotiations were completed here today between Pacific coast pulp and paper operators and representatives of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, AFL and the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers, AFL, on a wage program which will add more than \$5,000,000 annually to mill payrolls.

The agreement, affecting 14,000 employees, will be referred to union locals in California, Oregon and Washington for approval and, if agreed to, effective date of the new wage rates will be on the first of the month after ratification by referendum. If ratified immediately, the new wage program would go into effect on January 1.

The agreement calls for a 15 per cent increase in hourly rates.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR TROOPS WESTBOUND

Gold Creek, Mont., Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Hundreds of servicemen escaped injury today when their west bound Northern Pacific troop train stopped three car-lengths from two wrecked and burning freight trains on the railroad's line one mile east of here.

Northern Pacific officials said a major passenger train wreck was averted when a fireman on one of the freights rushed down the tracks and stopped the oncoming troop train.

ORSON AND RITA STILL FEUDING SAYS MANAGER

Hollywood, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Reconciliation of self-styled genius Orson Welles and his actress wife, Rita Hayworth, appeared remote today.

Charles Trezona, Jr., property manager for the couple, disclosed he had held individual conferences with the principals but their domestic differences were not discussed.

UCLA WHIPPED

Santa Ana, Cal., Dec. 12—(U.P.)—The Santa Ana army air force basketball squad, led by Coach and Forward Jack Hupp last night trounced the University of California at Los Angeles team here 38-25.

Hang On to Your Old Duds! New Ones Still Year Away

Washington, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—You'd better hang on to that thread-bare top-coat for another year. And you'd better try for another season's wear out of that patched-up shirt and that shiny blue serge suit.

This advice comes from a top-ranking official of the civilian production administration, who figures it will take about a year to overcome the shortage of wearing apparel.

This official, who didn't want his name used because he didn't want a lot of folks in industry calling him a defeatist, cited these reasons for the apparel shortage:

1. A critical scarcity of labor in textile mills.
2. Refusal of mills to go on a 48 hour week because of increased costs involved in overtime pay.
3. Increased demand for fabrics resulting from development of new uses for textiles.

Ellsworth Urges Stamp Dynamiting

Washington, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Rep. Harris Ellsworth, R., Ore., today asked the United States Forest Service "to experiment with the idea" of using surplus war explosives to remove snags in the Oregon and Washington Douglas fir forests.

Ellsworth wrote his proposal to U. S. Forest Service Chief Lyle F. Watts. He said that such snags present a fire hazard. They previously have been removed at a great cost by hand labor, he added.

Parents To Search For Crash Victim

Coos Bay, Ore., Dec. 12—(U.P.)—The parents of Sgt. Robert T. W. Neal, radio operator on the C-46 army cargo plane which crashed east of here two weeks ago, are expected to arrive in Coos Bay Thursday to contact men who engaged in the rescue of nine men who parachuted from the plane.

The fliers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Neal of Los Angeles, believe their son is still alive and are determined to press a continued search for him.

Clubs To Meet—Medford

Townsend clubs will meet at the KP hall Friday evening.

Couple Separated By Japs to Take Fishing Holiday

Seattle (U.P.)—Mr. and Mrs. Dan Teters are pretty sure their plans won't go wrong this time.

The couple were separated on Wake Island just before the Japanese invasion. Mrs. Teters returned home on the same plane that brought the Japanese "peace" envoy to Washington.

Her husband was taken prisoner by the Japanese a short time later.

Last April Mrs. Teters went to Calcutta hoping to meet her husband when he was released. Teters was sent direct to the States, and didn't get his wife's wires to wait for her in Manila.

"This time we are going fishing for a holiday, if nobody misses the boat," Teters said. The couple were reunited here.

ASSETS SPUR GROWTH

Cleveland—(U.P.)—The Fourth Federal Reserve District Bank says that the record volume of cash assets owned by individuals and business enterprises which hit new highs during the war, probably will continue the wartime growth for a year or more.

French Civil Aides In Token Walkout

Paris, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—More than 1,800,000 police and other civil workers will hold one-hour token strikes throughout France today to protest the government's refusal to grant general \$20 a month pay raises.

BASEBALL PLAYERS FLY FOR TOUR IN PACIFIC

New York, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—A squad of 15 National league ball-players will leave Washington at 6 a. m. tomorrow for a non-stop flight by B-29 to Honolulu on the first leg of an eight weeks exhibition game tour of the Pacific, it was announced today.

U. S. O. camp shows is sponsoring the tour which will feature the major leaguers as far as Tokyo.

BEAM AT FALSE ALARMS

Marion, O.—(U.P.)—City firemen beamed benevolently as over 100 people satisfied that juvenile yearning to turn in a false alarm here recently. It was all part of a fire prevention week program to educate Marionites in the proper method of turning in alarms. There had been several cases of people merely turning the key to the box, thinking that was sufficient to make the red wagons roll.

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