

Local and Personal

On Leave—H/N2 Gene De-puy, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. De-puy, Rogue River, is home on leave after recently returning from a world cruise with the Navy on the USS Haven.

Return—Mr. and Mrs. John McDougal and family, 27 North Barneburg rd., returned last evening after visiting through the Christmas holidays with Mrs. McDougal's parents in Portland.

Daughter Born—A daughter, Karen Elaine, was born Dec. 5 to Airman First Class and Mrs. Ralph O. Wyant. Wyant is stationed with SHAPE at Paris, France. Mrs. Wyant is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Ruffin, Camp White, and the new father's home is at Lake Creek.

Fire Alarm—A truck from main fire station was called at about 8:45 a.m. yesterday to the Wayne Carter residence, 730 Broad st., where a home fire alarm system had sounded. No fire was found, and it is believed that rising warm air caused it to go off briefly, firemen said.

Wallboard Burned—City firemen reported wallboard damaged in flue fires yesterday evening and this morning. Two pumpers went about 7:45 a.m. today to the Ralph Carmichael residence, 433 Benson st., where burning wallboard was removed from around the flue opening. Firemen said damage was minor. Wallboard was slightly damaged at the entrance to the flue at the Dick Hyland home, 118 Willamette ave., about 6:15 p.m. yesterday.

Move Here—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. James and daughters, Jeanine, 12, and Marilyn, 9, arrived here Dec. 16 from John Day, Ore. They live at 820 South Riverside ave., and James operates the new James Texaco Service station at Kings highway and Stewart ave.

Newcomers—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Duncan and children are living at 27 Ross court after moving here recently from Reedsport. Duncan is an adjuster for the J. P. Tobin and company offices. They have five children, Patricia, Frances, Michael, Le-nore and Alice. Duncan arrived here in December and the family joined him during the holidays.

Guests Leave—Mr. and Mrs. Ted Goodlin, Anaheim, Calif., left Tuesday after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hunter, Cherry lane, during the Christmas week end. Also at the Hunter home for the holiday week end were their niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Al Bennett, Klamath River, Calif., who left Dec. 26. Mrs. A. W. Sullivan of Medford visited also at the Hunter home on Christmas day.

Visit Parents—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thorpe and family, former Medford residents now of Myrtle Point, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Purcell, 439 North Front st. The Purcell's son, Stanley Purcell, an Army private first class, who also has been visiting here, will leave this week end en route to New York City and Germany. His parents plan to drive him to San Francisco where he will enplane for the east. He is with the signal corps.

Sen. Byrd Favors Holding Line on Taxes

Washington (U.P.)—Sen. Harry F. Byrd (D-Va.), slated to be chairman of the Senate Finance committee in the new Congress, thinks there would be a "hold the line" policy on taxes until the budget is balanced.

"I have never believed in any program which reduces taxes while the budget is unbalanced," Byrd said.

For this reason, he said, he supports President Eisenhower's proposal to defer reductions in corporate income and excise taxes now scheduled for April 1.

Byrd said he still is opposed to a Democratic proposal to raise personal income tax exemptions from \$600 to \$700.

Visiting—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Peterson, Rocky Ford, Colo., are visiting Peterson's sister, Mrs. Elsie Lewis, and her family, 830 Dakota ave.

Medical Patients—Reported today as medical patients at Sacred Heart hospital are Mrs. Donald Kendall, Ashland, and Kenneth Johnson, Glendale, Ore.

At Osteopathic—Tommy Wyatt, Route 2, Gold Hill, is a surgery patient today at Osteopathic hospital, and Mrs. Vernal Hicks, Grants Pass, is receiving medical treatment there, attendants reported.

In Community—Two surgery patients were reported at Community hospital today, Mrs. Edwin Lemire, 1196 Ross lane, who received minor surgery and Archie McKillop, Trail, major surgery. Richard and Karen Schulz, children of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schulz, 1015 Whitman st., underwent tonsile surgery there today.

To Texas—Maj. and Mrs. Donald Grigsby, who have been visiting here with his parents and other relatives through the holidays, will leave this week end for his station at El Paso, Tex., accompanied by the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grigsby, 613 East Eighth st. Major Grigsby's sister, Mrs. Donald Wiley, lives in Medford and his brother, Richard Grigsby, lives in Central Point.

To Japan—Mrs. W. L. Proctor and children, William Lee Jr., 10, and Sandra, 8, plan to leave Jan. 4 for Okinawa, Japan, to join Proctor, a master sergeant stationed there with the Army. Mrs. Proctor and the children have been living since last April at the home of her father, Lorenzo J. Dow, 437 Laurel st. The family will report to Ft. Mason at San Francisco, and will leave by plane from Travis Air Force base.

At Sacred Heart—Ruth Walker, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Walker, Talent, is convalescing at Sacred Heart hospital after emergency appendectomy there yesterday, attendants said today. Others who have had surgery there this week are Anita Louise Brenner, 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Brenner, 2208 East Main st.; Merna Van Ortwick, 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Van Ortwick, 1074 Biddle rd.; Charlotte and Dennis Roberts, children of the David Roberts, route 1, Central Point, Bonnie Jeanette Petty, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Petty, Ashland, and Mack Richard Griffin, Jacksonville.

Daily Weather Report

FORECASTS
Medford and vicinity: Mostly cloudy through Thursday with scattered light showers. Possibilities of fog early Thursday. Little temperature change. Low tonight 33. High Thursday 40.

Western Oregon: Mostly cloudy with a few showers tonight and Thursday. Little temperature change. Low tonight 33-42. High Friday 42-50.

LOCAL DATA
Temperature a year ago today: Highest 41. Lowest 31.
Total monthly precipitation 1.38 inches.
Deficiency for the month 1.48 inches.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1954, 2.81 inches.
Deficiency for the season 4.28 inches.
Relative humidity 4:30 p.m. yesterday 91%; 4:30 a.m. today 100%.
Observations Taken At 4:30 A.M., 120 Meridian Time

| Place | High | Low | Precip. |
|------------------|------|-----|---------|
| Boise | 25 | 19 | 0 |
| Boston | 56 | 52 | .03 |
| Chicago | 37 | 30 | .03 |
| Denver | 24 | 8 | 0 |
| Eureka | 50 | 43 | .12 |
| Grants Pass | 41 | 37 | .02 |
| Havre | 41 | 6 | 0 |
| Klamath Falls | 32 | 26 | .04 |
| Los Angeles | 53 | 43 | 0 |
| Medford | 38 | 34 | .87 |
| New York | 38 | 48 | .24 |
| Omaha | 32 | 14 | 0 |
| Phoenix | 37 | 29 | 0 |
| Portland | 45 | 38 | .06 |
| Reno | 43 | 17 | 0 |
| Eugene | 48 | 42 | .03 |
| Salt Lake | 29 | 16 | 0 |
| San Francisco | 48 | 40 | 0 |
| Seattle | 45 | 42 | .21 |
| Spokane | 33 | 21 | .14 |
| Washington, D.C. | 63 | 52 | .12 |
| Yakima | 38 | 22 | 0 |

Sunrise 7:30 a.m. Sunset 4:47 p.m.

Portland Cash Grain

Portland—Prices as reported in the USDA market news service: Wheat, No. 2 soft white, \$78.50 a ton bulk, prompt delivery f.o.b. Portland. No. 2 white oats, 38-lb. test, Coast delivery, \$57.50 ton; Portland delivery, \$53.50 ton. No. 2 Western barley, \$54.50 f.o.b. Portland. Coast delivery, Soybean meal, \$95.50 a ton, cars, prompt delivery Portland. Std. millrun, prompt shipment, f.o.b. Portland, \$44.50 ton; No. 2 yellow corn, \$68 ton, f.o.b. Portland.

Wholesale Hay Prices: No. 2 green alfalfa, baled, f.o.b. Portland, \$34-35c trucks, \$36-37 rail.

Portland Grain Exchange: Tuesday's close:

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| Std white | \$2.34 |
| do no res | 2.34 |
| White club | 2.34 |
| H. R. winter old | 11 per cent |
| do 12 per cent | 2.45 |

Uranium Mine Sale Unconfirmed

Monticello, Utah (U.P.)—The reported sale of one of the richest uranium producing properties on the Colorado Plateau—the fabulous Happy Jack Mine—aroused considerable speculation in the Plateau area today despite a denial by owner Fletcher Bronson.

Bronson, jovial sheepherder turned miner, laughed at reports last night his Happy Jack Mine had been sold for \$16,000,000 and told United Press "It just isn't true. We intend to mine it ourselves for a while at least."

A report from Casper, Wyo., had said the Mountain Mesa Uranium Company had purchased the Happy Jack for the largest price yet paid for a western uranium property.

Mountain Mesa controller Louis England said the purchase "was not finalized yet" but insisted he could see no reason for the sale not to be consummated.

Firemen Ask Clarity In Fire Reporting

Firemen today appealed to business people turning in fire alarms to give the name of their business, as well as the street address.

The appeal came following a call this morning, reporting a fire at 101 North Riverside ave. Firemen dispatched could find no fire at that address, and then checked 101 South Riverside ave. It later developed there had been a fire at 1201 North Riverside ave., where leaves in a sump had been ignited. Smoke damage only was listed.

Bird Hunter Found Dead Near Heppner

Heppner (U.P.)—Moses E. Duran, 52, who had been reported missing on a bird hunting trip since Sunday, was found dead yesterday at the wheel of his jeep, the sheriff's office here reported.

Officers said Duran, a local butcher, was found by Harold Campbell near Campbell's farm in the Butter creek area north-east of Heppner. Officers said he apparently had suffered a heart attack.

ADVICE ON HENS

Lincoln, Neb. (U.P.)—Hens can be kept warmer and drier during the winter by using straw lofts in chicken houses and cloth over windows according to poultry experts. However there should be open louvers above a straw loft to permit the passage of moisture and yet retain a good portion of the heat. Fiberglass insulation also is suitable for removing moisture.

WALL STREET

New York (U.P.)—Stocks crossed the 400-level in the industrial average today in the most active trading since Dec. 18, 1950.

Steel shares featured with U. S. Steel the most active of the group. General Motors led the autos higher. All sections of the market joined the rise which got underway with a vengeance late yesterday after a substantial decline Monday.

Today's closing prices on security stocks:

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| American T & T | 174 1/2 |
| Chrysler | 70 3/4 |
| Curtiss Wright | 17 3/4 |
| General Electric | 45 3/4 |
| General Motors | 87 |
| Montgomery Ward | 77 1/4 |
| Penn. R. R. | 87 1/2 |
| Pepper, J. C. | 24 1/2 |
| Railroads | 38 3/4 |
| Southern | 17 3/4 |
| Southern Pacific | 54 1/2 |
| S. Oil of Calif. | 74 1/2 |
| Texas Gulf Sulphur | 123 |
| Transamerica | 40 |
| Tri-Continental | 26 1/2 |
| United Aircraft | 77 |
| U. S. Rubber | 44 3/4 |
| U. S. Steel | 77 3/4 |
| Youngstown | 72 3/4 |

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

Portland (U.P.)—Cattle 300. Commercial and good shorted steers \$20-21.50; cutter-utility steers \$11-17; good fed heifers \$18.50-19; cutter-utility heifers \$10-12; canner-cutter cows mostly \$7.50-9.50; utility cows \$10.50-11.50; one 1575 lb. commercial bull \$14.50.

Calves 50. Good-low choice vealers \$18-21.

Rogers 250. Choice 180-235 lb. butchers \$20-20.50; choice 270-325 lb. sows \$16.75-17.50; 385 lb. down to \$15.

Sheep 30. Good-choice 87 lb. shorn lambs \$17.50; choice-prime wooded lambs \$18-18.50.

The North Portland livestock market will be closed Friday.

PORTLAND PRODUCE

Portland (U.P.)—Eggs—To retailers: Grade AA large, 43-45 doz. A large, 41-42 doz.; AA medium, 40-42 doz.; A medium, 38-40 doz.; cartons, 1-3c additional.

Butter—To retailers: AA, grade A prints 66c; cartons, 67c B prints, 64c.

Cheese—To retailers: A grade cheddar Oregon singles, 42-44 1/2c; 5-lb. loaves, 46 1/2-49 1/2c. Processed American cheese, 43-45c; loaf, 39 1/2-41c lb.

Farm Market

Most wholesale dealers quoted higher prices for poultry, eggs and lettuce today. Willamette valley cabbage was in ample supply with prices unsettled and easier, most wholesalers now making volume purchases of medium cabbage at \$12-2 with wholesalers quoting at \$2-2.50 per crate range to retailers.

Live Chickens

To growers No. 1 quality, f.o.b. Portland: Fryers, 2 1/2 to 4 1/2 lbs., 21c lb.; at farm, 20-21c lb.; roasters, 4 1/2 lbs. and up, 21c lb. f.o.b. Portland, 20-21c at ranch; light hens, 10-11c; heavy hens, all wts., 13c lb.; old roosters, 10c lb.

Dressed Chickens—No. 1 dressed to retailers: Fryers, 34-35c lb.; roasters, 36-37c; light hens, 21-22c; heavy hens, 26-27c; cut up fryers, all wts., 45-46c; whole drawn, 40-41c.

Turkeys—Paying prices to producers for 654 turkeys: Heavy type hens, 29c lb. f.o.b. farm on N.Y. dressed basis; toms same basis, 25 lbs. up, 24c; under 25 lbs., 21c lb. Beltville hens, 31c; light type toms, 25c; fryer-roaster, 27c lb. liveweight. A grade hens, oven-ready to cook, 48c; N. Y. dressed to 43c lb. A grade toms, oven-ready, 40c; Beltville, A grade hens, oven-ready to 52c; Beltville toms, 48c lb.

Rabbits (average to growers, f.o.b. killing plants)—Live white, 3 1/2-4 1/2 lbs., 18-20c up to 6 lbs., 14c; colored pelts, 4c under; old does, 8-10c lb.; a few higher. Fresh dressed fryers to retailers, 54-57c; cut up, 60-65c.

Obituaries

LULU BROWN
Funeral services for Lulu W. Brown, 69, of 17 Hawthorne ave., who died in a local hospital Tuesday, will be held at Perl funeral home Thursday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. D. Kirkland West officiating. Entombment will be in Medford Memorial Mausoleum.

The deceased, a Medford resident for the past 20 years, was born in Winfield, Ia., on Sept. 24, 1885. She was a member of P. O. Sisterhood, Wednesday Study Club, Knife and Fork club and Presbyterian church. Her husband, the late Harold L. Brown, died in 1951.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Ann Leever, Medford; a son, Dr. John Welch Brown, Oakland, Calif., and four grandchildren.

NORMAN DUNFORD
Funeral services for Norman Alexander Dunford, 59, of Eagle Point, who died in a local hospital Dec. 22, will be held at Perl funeral home Friday at 3 p.m. with the Rev. D. Kirkland West officiating. Cremation at Siskiyou Crematorium will be private. Central Point Masonic lodge will participate in services at the chapel.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that contributions be made to the Oregon Society for Crippled Children at Portland.

The deceased, a southern Oregon resident for the past 14 years, was born at Burleigh Falls, Ontario, Canada, on May 11, 1895, and served with the Canadian army in World War I. He had been employed by Medford Corporation for several years.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge, AF&AM 135, Central Point; AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union, 32nd degree Mason, Scottish Rite, and was an honorary member of Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred Elizabeth, Eagle Point; a daughter, Kay Luella, University of Oregon; a son, Norman Boyd, U.S. Army; six brothers, Ira, Wellington, Walter, Gordon, Sherman and Garnet, all of Canada, and two sisters, Mrs. Ida Phillips and Mrs. Bertha Moore, both of Canada.

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Old Boston Hotel Being Torn Down

Boston (U.P.)—An old hotel that once was the home of John L. Sullivan and Sarah Bernhardt is being torn down in Boston.

After its erection in 1869, the Langham Hotel in the South End was pointed to with pride by residents of The Hub.

Spokesmen of the day called the hostelry "one of the finest ornaments in architecture of which Boston can boast." It was lavishly endowed with white marble and fine old paintings. Before the informality of the 1920's set in the Langham was a gathering for Boston's blue-bloods.

The elevated railroad in the South End marked the beginning of bad days for the Langham. Real estate prices declined and the clientele changed. Fashionable clothing stores and restaurants became bars and fly-specked hash-houses.

At last the once-proud Langham was condemned as unsafe and languished unwanted and forgotten. Now the wreckers are cleaning the site, which is to become a parking lot.

SAFETY RECORD

Brookton, Mass. (U.P.)—George P. Petrulis of Brookton has never had an accident in 25 years of driving trailer trucks more than 1,000,000 miles.

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