

## TABLE ROCK Occupation Changes Told

Table Rock — Sam Glass, the ex-marine and hired man, who puts the tractor through its paces on the J. L. Nealon farm, is leaving this week for Corvallis to take up his school duties at O.S.C. Other young men who have been a great help to local farmers in planting and harvesting crops, who have recently gone into other occupations are: Bhd Robinson, now at White City Plywood; Elgin Robinson, with Porter Lumber company in Medford; James Vanderpool, with Midway Meats; Clyde Hall, with Ross Lumber company; and Delbert MacDonald, now in the Navy.

Mrs. Eva Ringo of Medford, was a brief caller here Sunday. Table Rock teachers now on duty are Bob Sage, principal of Washington school in Medford, Dick Reum at Talent, and Miss Grace Bigham at Shady Cove.

Twenty-nine youngsters of Table Rock are attending grade school in Central Point, going back and forth in the bus piloted by Ray Wyatt, while seven high school students go in the Sams Valley bus, making a total of 36 within the boundaries of what used to be district 44.

Relatives taking part in a picnic dinner here Sunday at the R. E. Nealon home were Mrs. Emma Houston, Mr. and Mrs. James Cornutt of Kanes creek, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Houston of Applegate, and the Cragg-Houston family of Trail.

The Bill Bishop family were recent week end vacationers at Crescent City.

Donald Patterson, chairman of the Central Point school board, a recent visitor here, informs us that the delay in starting construction of new school buildings was caused by the slowness and underestimates of costs by the architect. Owing to the rising costs in labor and material it is believed the delay will increase the cost some \$25,000.

Ashes and burnt leaves fell here in quantities during the recent fire on lower Table Rock. We have seen both of the Table Rocks burned off several times in the past years, but not with the weather conditions that prevailed during this fire.

Some three-score friends and neighbors dropped into pay homage to Table Rock's oldest citizen at the Ray Wyatt home Sept. 4, where a Sunday afternoon open house was held to celebrate H. W. Davison's 90th birthday. Mr. Davison, a long time resident of this district and Southern Oregon, a farmer, orchardist, banker, merchant, and Sunday school teacher, a Christian man, calm and even-tempered at all times, he seems to fit in any position he undertakes. With a firm grip in his hand shake, and a gleam in his eye, that would be fitting to a person 30 years younger, he looks as though he would celebrate many more birthdays, and we join with many others in wishing they may all be pleasant ones.

Mr. and Mrs. George Joseph of Yakima, Wash., owners of the Modoc orchard, who have been living in their home here at the orchard since pear picking began, left Thursday for their home, taking with them Ernest Hamilton who will be employed at their Yakima orchard.

The Orville Shore family have the sincere sympathy of the community in the sudden and untimely death of Mrs. Shore's brother, Arthur Copinger in Medford recently.

Charles Smeltzer, of Blackwell hill, was a business visitor here Thursday, and speaking of the recent fire there said he lost two houses and his deep freeze, which had just been stocked up with pork, fryers, other meats and fruits and a winter's supply of sweet corn and other vegetables.

Alex Hamilton, home on vacation from Washington, D. C., where he is employed in the post office, was visiting relatives last Saturday. He was accompanied by Miss Violet Klobas, a student at OSC, of Bend, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Fitzpatrick of Long Beach, Calif., former residents of Table Rock, called on friends here recently. Mrs. Fitzpatrick, the former Hazel Byrum, was born and grew up here, the Byrum family living in the house now occupied by the Robert Sage family, built by Mr. Byrum after buying the tract of land from J. C. Pendleton. The Fitzpatricks left here some 30 years ago.

## HORNBROOK Former Resident Married

Hornbrook—News of the marriage of a former resident here was that of Robert Greive, Yreka, to Mrs. Edna Tinsley, Yreka, Sept. 10, at Reno, Nev. Attending the couple were the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Greive, and a brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brolund, Tahoe City, Calif. The Edward Smith family visited their son, Dr. E. M. Smith, at Corning, Calif., last week end. Another son, Robert will leave

Between 800 and 900 cattle are on pasture at the Table Top ranch, 700 belonging to the ranch, where they will be kept as a part of the farming venture, some being fed out from time to time for the market. The ranch crew are now filling silos, the ensilage and the large supply of hay on hand will be used for winter feed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Leavitt of the Old Stage rd. were brief visitors here with relatives Saturday evening.

Lucille Smith, a clerk in the district court office, says it looks like their office may be moved to the upper floor of the courthouse. If this is done Judge Rawles Moore will be dispensing justice on a higher level.

G. B. Bowman, lessee of the local TouVelle farm, would like to rent a barn in this vicinity to store his winter supply of hay. He states that the tenant's house on the farm will soon be remodeled and modernized.

The Don Richardson were down here recently to attend the dog show at Medford where they entered Smokey, the elk hound dog, the same breed, but not relation to Rex, the pup that somewhat resembles a pedigree Berkshire pig. Smokey won second prize at Klamath Falls, her sister taking first, also the two repeated at Medford. Smokey might have done better at Medford but she barked at the judge, which was a terrible show of undogliness. However at Eugene in different surroundings she nosed out her own sister and came out first.

The following is taken from a radio talk we recently made on a Grange program which many who didn't hear it seemed to be curious to know what it was all about. The purpose of these programs is to try and create more friendly relations between farmers and their city cousins. We thought we might in this broadcast outline some of the farmers' difficulties, and in that way help to build up more friendly relations with our city cousins, who in many cases seem to think we are a bunch of gangsters riding on the gravy train.

Like any other business, we try to produce all we can on our farms, but in doing this we are constantly plagued with surpluses, notwithstanding that according to Agriculture Secretary Ezra Benson we only get 42 cents out of each dollar the consumer pays for our products. There are many instances where we get even less. The price of things we have to buy and service needs are far out of line with prices we get for our products. Government experts tell us how to raise more, which if we do only add to the surplus which in turn brings about price supports, which get such publicity, although supports to many corporations in the form of tax write-offs and such, amounting to billions, are seldom mentioned.

Property taxes are another headache, farmers have too many acres to pay tax levies that city people pay. As an example we know of a repair shop in the same district as a farm. The shop grosses more than the farm on an average, as its income is not influenced by weather conditions, but in 1953 the shop paid only \$36 in property taxes, while the farm paid more than 10 times that amount or nearly \$400. If we complain about the ever-increasing taxes, we are told that we have them because we voted that way, but if we refuse to vote for a proposed levy, we are called shortsighted or have been misinformed.

The answer to our difficulties is not in Benson's plan to put more land into pasture and raise more livestock. If that was done on a larger scale, we would soon be plowing under little pigs as we did back in the 30's, as you can't store livestock in the holds of mothball ships or caves. Nor does the bright idea of leasing farm land to Uncle Sam to get it out of production seem so hot, especially at \$10 per acre, which in some locations wouldn't be enough to pay the taxes.

There are many farmers who would be willing to lease their land to the government, providing they would pay the taxes, keep up the fences, and the weeds and rodents from taking over, and give the owners a few shekels to jingle in their pockets, and perhaps buy a pair of overalls once in a while.

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**NOMA SPEAKER**—State Representative Al Loucks, Salem, will be the speaker Monday, Sept. 26, at a meeting of the Medford group of National Office Managers association. The 7 p.m. dinner meeting will be preceded by a 6:30 p.m. social hour. Loucks is associated with Home Fuel company of Salem. The meeting is open to all persons interested in office management. Reservations may be made by telephoning Mrs. Naomi Burrows, Medford 3-1932, before noon Monday, Sept. 26.

## Beale Street Again Street

Memphis, Tenn. — (U.P.) — They've quit crying in their beer on this city's most famous thoroughfare. For Beale street is a street again, not an avenue.

W. C. Handy made Beale famous with "Beale Street Blues" but tourists in recent years couldn't find anything but "Beale Avenue."

City officials decreed a decade ago that east-west thoroughfares, of which Beale was one, should be avenues, not streets. And although Beale still rocked nightly with the sounds of merriment, it just wasn't the same. Beale runs only about eight blocks eastward from the Mississippi River, but it's a symbol and a tradition to both tourists and mid-South negroes.

Wooden cars pulled by hand still battle with automobiles in the crowded traffic lanes. Old autos park alongside flashy new models.

The day of the top-hatted pawn shop greeter is past, but the pawn shops still line the first few blocks of Beale.

A song made Beale famous and another song helped make it a street again.

Actor Danny Thomas was surprised on a recent visit here to find Beale Avenue.

So he sat down and wrote a song about "feeling mighty blue, cause Beale Street isn't Beale Street, it's Beale Avenue."

Thomas sang the song at a big benefit here, and Mayor Frank Tobey promised to ask city commission to make Beale a street again.

Tobey was as good as his word and officials heeded Thomas' plea to "give us back our Beale Street, take back your Avenue." The shop grosses more than the farm on an average, as its income is not influenced by weather conditions, but in 1953 the shop paid only \$36 in property taxes, while the farm paid more than 10 times that amount or nearly \$400. If we complain about the ever-increasing taxes, we are told that we have them because we voted that way, but if we refuse to vote for a proposed levy, we are called shortsighted or have been misinformed.

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## GOLD HILL Twelfth Birthday Marked

Gold Hill—Mr. and Mrs. John Jones honored their son Jack on his 12th birthday by inviting a few of his friends to a dinner at their home on Highway 99N Sept. 12. Those invited besides his brother Richard were Donald Fisher, Charles Johnson and Albert Harrison.

Mrs. Edith Thompson is assisting Mrs. Thorne in the school lunch room this year.

Mrs. William Golden, daughter Doris and Mrs. A. E. Anderson recently returned from a vacation trip to California. Mrs. Anderson is visiting at Bakersfield and the Golden at Earlham.

Mrs. Lillian Burnett has taken over the "El Rogue" cafe at Gold Hill and is now operating it.

The Christian church Sunday school is having promotion and rally day Sunday, Sept. 25. Program will be put on by the Sunday school pupils for their parents.

Mrs. Lydit Fitzwalter of San Jose, Calif., has been visiting at the home of her niece and family. Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Governor, also at the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Durkee. Blossom Governor, daughter of the Ivan Governors, will return to California with her.

Mrs. Ethel Tustin, sister of Mrs. Ferd Jones, who has been visiting at the Jones home for the past few weeks, left Sunday for Mill City where she will spend some time with her sister and family. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson, also she will visit with her nephew and family. Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Jones at Detroit, Ore., and with relatives in Portland and Walla Walla, Wash., before returning to her home at Eckley, Colo.

Mildred Gail, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Norman Gail, left Sunday to enter University of Washington at Seattle where she will take dramatics.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith will both enter Oregon State college, Corvallis, soon.

Janet Nelson has enrolled at Oregon State where she will study home economics.

Richard and Delores Cooper, youngsters of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cooper, are both attending St. Mary's school in Medford. Delores is a seventh grader and Rick is in his sophomore year.

Roscoe Harmon, father of Mrs. Joe Rowden, has been visiting with the Rowdens recently. He is from California.

Sgt. Willard Taylor of the Marine Corps, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Taylor, will return to the Marine Base at El Toro, Calif., to receive his discharge from the service. Previous to his leave he had been hospitalized for some time.

Charles Cook, music teacher at Gold Hill grade school, has moved his band classes to the basement of the Assembly of God church to make room for another third grade which was added this year. There was already two first and two second grades. There are 36 first graders, 41 second, 41 third, 36 fourth, 30 fifth, 36 sixth, 33 seventh and 24 eighth graders a total of 277 students.

The first football game of the season will be played at Rogue River Sept. 29: Gold Hill and Jacksonville at Jacksonville, Oct. 7; Prospect, Oct. 14 at Gold Hill; Sams Valley (tentative) Oct. 21 at Gold Hill.

Dale Graham has returned to the eighth grade but is carrying

## Fox Exterminator

### Finds Varied Catch

Schenectady, N. Y. — (U.P.) — A trappers life is an uncertain one, according to William O. Kergel.

Kergel, paid to exterminate foxes as part of a rabies control program, set 44 traps recently.

His traps nabbed 17 foxes, a pretty good bag for a spring month. But he spent most of his time removing from the traps 14 woodchucks, six skunks, (scented variety), three raccoons, two possums, a weasel—and a low-flying crow.

His arm in a cast.

The annual Firemen's dance will be held at the Grange hall in Gold Hill, Friday night, starting at 9 p.m. Sonny's orchestra will furnish the music. Everyone is invited.

The new Christian church being built is progressing with about two-thirds of the walls completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Collins spent a few days in Portland recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jore and daughter Diana have returned from a vacation trip to Los Angeles where they visited with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, their son Raymond Jore and family, and Mrs. Jore's mother, Mrs. Hannah Hanson and other relatives. Their son Raymond is recovering from muscular polio which he contracted about four weeks ago. He was hospitalized for awhile, and although he is very weak yet, there is no sign of paralysis.

William Brewster, sixth grade teacher, and his wife and baby will start living in Gold Hill soon. Mrs. Brewster is a piano teacher, and plans to teach pupils at her home.

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