

# Comment On This and That

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Washington—(U.P.)—W. Wadsworth Wood and his pretty wife, Ardietta, have just returned



on a nine-week trip to 22 countries in which they made color movies of housing in the foreign lands.

After they got home they dubbed their films in with sound and gave it a private showing here at the National Convention of Home Builders. The films will be shown around the country.

"Waddy," a salty old guy who owns his own yacht, but prefers the airlines when he is circling the globe, also publishes a couple of home magazines.

I saw the film and it's pretty good. It gives you an idea that people in other lands like the better way of life.

"One thing we found out," Waddy said, "is that the difference between Capitalism and Communism is owning your own home. That seemed to be demonstrated every place we went."

**Big Plans**  
The hope of West Germany, he said, is to produce 600,000 new units—a lot of them nice new homes, this year. That would put that part of the world on a par with the United States in production.

"The people in most of the

countries we visited," the editor discovered, "give a lot of thought to youth. Playgrounds for the kids. In the public developments, there are playgrounds. The people, a lot of them anyhow, are looking ahead."

Things differ according to the climate. In Bangkok, the new homes have wide overhanging eaves and shuttered windows to protect them from the hot rays of the sun.

In Austria, a lot of places typify the designs of the Alps, with balconies and shutters in abundance.

The windmill hasn't disappeared from Holland, but the "ranch" home is popping up there, according to the Woods.

In Bagdad, both oriental and occidental influences are seen in the architectural designs. In Pakistan, where it gets hotter than Washington, the roof often is used for sleeping. No mosquitoes.

**Fancy Houses**  
Sweden doesn't have to look far for materials for new homes. Native lumber is used, and the designers have come up with some pretty fancy houses.

Hong Kong, the travelers found, is beset with 500,000 refugees.

Some of the places in China now resort to plastic swimming pools, following the modern trend.

One of the most trying things about racing across the acres of the earth is going through customs.

In nine weeks," Wood said, "we went through customs 44 times. The time we spent watching people go through our dirty laundry would have taken us around the world several times, I imagine."

**No Indictments Seen For Highway Workers**

Salem—(U.P.)—Marion County District Attorney Kenneth E. Brown said today his office had found no evidence to seek indictments of two State Highway Department employees suspended Aug. 29 for "irregular conduct."

The two suspended men are Edgar O. Ferguson, assistant resident engineer, and Charles O'Neill, transit man, both of Salem. They have appealed their suspensions to the State Civil Service Commission.

Arthur T. Garrow, street inspector who was suspended at the same time, pleaded guilty in Dallas Monday to a charge of accepting \$180 from a contractor.

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**HAY! HAY!** Getting in a little barn work at San Francisco's Cow Palace is Joanne Copeland (Miss Grand National 1955). Joanne will rule over the rodeo part of the livestock exposition, horse show and rodeo Oct. 28 through Nov. 6 at the Cow Palace.

## Eight Medford Students Attend Press Conclave

Eight Medford High school students left this morning for Eugene to participate in a high school press meeting on the University of Oregon campus today and Saturday.

The conference is sponsored by the school of journalism.

Mrs. Frank Bash is accompanying the group. Representing the Crater, Medford High school yearbook, are Deanna Bruning, Nancy McKeown, Jane Bash, Pat Calloway, Nancy Eck, Jim Materie, and Greg Milnes. The one representative for the Hi-Times, weekly high school paper, is Lois Kelley.

The sessions opened today at noon and after a coffee hour the delegates visited exhibits in the Allen hall reading room. The exhibits are representative of Oregon high school yearbooks and include prints from a national photo contest. Fifty of the top photographs taken by high school students throughout the country are included in the display.

This evening a banquet will be held in the Student Union ballroom.

Speech topic for the main speaker, William E. Drips, will be "You're the Big Picture." Drips is a "retired" journalist and veteran of 35 years in radio and television work. Saturday's schedule includes a series of roundtable discussions on newspaper and year book planning and policies. Discussion will be led by staff members of the Emerald and the Oregonian with conference delegates acting as panel members.

## Personal Income In August Declines

Washington—(U.P.)—The Commerce department reports that the annual rate of person income in August dropped \$300,000,000 below the July rate to a total of \$315,000,000,000.

The department said the portion of this total represented by wages and salaries eased off from an annual rate of \$212,400,000,000 in July to \$211,600,000,000 in August.

But it said the annual income rate for the first eight months of this year still was \$13,000,000,000 higher than for the same period of 1954.

## Court Records

**POLICE COURT**  
Gary Rea Rupert, violation of the basic rule, \$10.  
Eugene Earl Lawson, violation of the basic rule, \$10.

**DISTRICT COURT**  
James Earl Holt, failure to stop at a stop sign, \$10.  
Gerald Clinton Walker, failure to stop at a stop sign, \$10.  
Robert Matthes, failure to operate on the right side of the highway, \$25. (bail forfeiture)  
Kenneth Merle Callison, violation of the basic rule, \$10.  
Donald Raymond Minkler, violation of the basic rule, \$12.50.  
Timothy Jay Hamilton, violation of the basic rule, \$10.  
John Fein, overload, \$129.  
Robert Carl Metchan, violation of the basic rule, \$15.  
Edward Joseph Fogel, violation of the basic rule, \$10.  
Milton Francis Gorden, no emergency brake, \$6.  
Gayle Donald Christlieb, violation of the basic rule, \$10.

**CIRCUIT COURT**  
Jesse Archibald Storm vs. Irene Storm, divorce complaint.  
James Thomas Roach vs. Donna Anna Chambers Roach, divorce complaint.  
Inez Vera Williams vs. Elmer Leroy Williams, divorce complaint.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS**  
Bernie Dale Kinney, 20, of 1808 Spring st., and Florence Suzanna Sprague, 19, route 3, box 69, Medford.  
Kenneth Marline Nelson, 19, Box 486, Jacksonville, and Patricia Gail Brown, 16, of 551 Fifth st., Gold Hill.

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# Auto Industry Reports September Sales Soar To All-Time Record

Detroit—(U.P.)—The automobile industry reported today sales soared to all-time record levels in September, indicating the boom in the nation's key industry was getting even bigger instead of leveling off.

General Motors, which produces more than half of the nation's automobiles, said it sold more new cars during September than it ever sold in any previous month in its history.

Ford Motor Company said its sales in the last 10 days of September were higher than in any previous 10-day period in its history.

The record sales, coming in a month when automobile sales usually are at one of their lowest points of the year, were viewed as a strong indication that even all-time record sales of 1955 models might be in danger in the 1956 market.

Both company figures were

considered significant.

Ford's figures included the first week of selling 1956 models. Some persons had predicted the market for 1956 models, which generally are face-liftings of the radically re-designed 1955 cars, might fall off because the new models didn't put enough cars out of date.

The Ford report was the first return on how the public would respond to 1956 cars. The report that sales were the highest of any 10 days in history couldn't have been a more cheering one for the industry.

Ford officials said they were almost certain already they would be keeping their assembly shifts running at full speed, a 53-hour week, through the first six months of next year at least to try to meet car demand.

**GM Report on 1955 Sales**  
General Motors' report was on 1955 car sales. It is cleaning up its 1955 model run and shifting

to 1956 model production at present.

The normal trend has been for car sales to lag badly at the end of the model run, despite cleanup sales. So the GM report that its September sales were at the highest point in history, running exactly counter to the normal trend, was viewed especially significant.

The spurt in car sales during August and September, when the companies expected a downturn in sales, has caused officials to predict that 1956 will be just as big a year and probably a bigger year for car sales than this year when sales will approach the 8,000,000 mark.

The size of the boom can best be understood by pointing out the industry never has achieved even a 7,000,000 car sale year before.

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# Hoover Confers With Syngman Rhee

Seoul, Korea—(U.P.)—Undersecretary of State Herbert Hoover Jr. conferred with President Syngman Rhee for about an hour today but they avoided discussion of Korean hopes for more American aid.

Hoover, at a brief press conference following the meeting, said "We did not touch on substantive questions at all."

Asked directly if he and Rhee had talked about Korea's request for about \$100,000,000 in additional economic aid this year plus restoration of a military aid cut, Hoover replied that Rhee "never referred to that at all."

## TEACHERS TICKETED

Detroit—(U.P.)—Red-faced Redford Township school officials said today they were glad police answered their complaints and installed electric speed timers near a school—even though four teachers were ticketed the first day.

More than 78,000 retired Army veterans are drawing retirement checks amounting to approximately \$15,000,000 (M) a month.

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## 57 New Members Join Chamber

Some 57 new or delinquent members have joined the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, representing an income of more than \$1,500, in the organization's membership drive which includes a bonus trip to the Hawaiian islands for the members who solicit the most new members.

Chamber leaders anticipate more activity before the Oct. 15 deadline, by which time all returns must be submitted to the Chamber office by membership committee members.

The good-will tour flight to Honolulu, worth \$296 including transportation and hotel expenses, will leave Medford Nov. 5.

The Chamber membership activity is spearheaded by Chairman Ken MacDonald, and is open to all Chamber members. Activity is spearheaded by Chairman members are Bert Pree, Bill Mitchel and AJ Hiebert.

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