



GUNG HAY FAT CHOY!—So say the Chinese characters pretty Pat Lynn, 21, is pointing to, which in English mean "Happy New Year." Pat is inviting all to come to San Francisco Chinatown Feb. 19 to see the windup of Chinese New Year celebrations. It is called the Year of the Monkey. For the first time in modern memory, San Francisco Chinese will hold their huge, colorful dragon parade in the afternoon instead of night.

HORN BROOK Dance Sweetheart Named

By MRS. H. H. CHAPMAN

Hornbrook — Miss Marilyn Cummins, daughter of Mrs. Nellie Cummins of Yreka and Carl Cummins of Hornbrook, was elected sweetheart of the Sweetheart Formal at Chico State college last week end. This is an annual affair, held near Valentine's day, and sponsored by the Lambda Pi fraternity. At last year's formal, Sally Jeter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Jeter, was runner-up for the title.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bear last week-end were Mrs. Bear's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Cris Klontz of Auburn, Wash. They left on Monday for Los Angeles and Mexico, and plan to return at Easter time. Also at the Bears' were their son, Arnold, and his fiancée, Miss Marguerite Steinhaver of Winnipeg, Canada, who plan to be married in June. Both young people are IBM operators at Oregon State college at Corvallis. Ermin Bear, a student at St. Mary's school in Medford, also spent the weekend at home.

Leonard Bear, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bear, accompanied by his brother, Steve, who is employed at the airport in Medford, and a mutual friend, Charles Mertz of St. Paul, Ore., are spending a few days in Los Angeles. The boys also plan a visit to Disneyland.

Jim Herr and "Moose" Fleming, both students at the Canyonville Bible academy at Canyonville, Ore., were houseguests over the weekend of Jim's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Breceda.

Another Case of Diphtheria Reported

Portland — (U.P.) — The State Board of Health reported another case of diphtheria in Oregon, the fourth, and possibly fifth, in recent days. The latest case was reported from Eugene.

Two of the cases resulted in deaths at the State School for the Blind in Salem. A Vernonia woman was reported ill from the disease.

In another possible case, a 2½ year old girl from Grande Ronde was being treated. The Yamhill county health department was investigating to determine if it was diphtheria.

The Eugene case, a 26-year-old woman, was reported to the health board by Dr. Harold Osterud, Lane county health officer. She was being treated.

vacation was Mrs. L. E. Jeter. She, together with Mr. Jeter and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Hamner of Hilt, drove to Chico to visit their son and daughter, Bill and Sally Jeter.

Taking advantage of Sunday's nice weather were several people from Medford. Mrs. Adah Deal and her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. McKesson and their daughter, and a friend, Mr. C. Ferris, visited Mrs. Deal's uncle, Carl Deal, who has been ill for several months.

A layette shower for Mrs. Daniel Metzger was given Monday evening by Mrs. Alec Rutledge and her mother, Mrs. Mary Kurt, at the latter's home. About 30 friends attended. A red and white Valentine theme was used in the decorations and refreshments. Mrs. Metzger is president of the P.T.A. and also a member of the school board.

The Sewing club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Breceda. Members present were Mrs. James Hodge, Mrs. S. D. Haworth, Mrs. Marshall Horn, Mrs. L. C. Walsh, Mrs. Ed Smith, Mrs. Harry Chapman, whose February birthday was honored and the hostess. Mrs. Breceda displayed some handwork brought her as a gift from Mexico by Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jacobs who recently returned from a trip to that country.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sloan and daughter, Mrs. Vincent Balbi, spent the weekend at Eureka, Calif., where they visited their other daughter, Thelma, who is a twin sister of Mrs. Balbi's. They returned on Monday, and Mrs. Balbi left Tuesday for Stockton, Calif., where she will establish her home in anticipation of the return in April of her husband, who is stationed with the Army in Germany.

A group of local high school boys recently organized a "town" basketball team. To date they have played two games, one against Hilt, and the other against Montague. While they have not won either, reports are that they are playing a good, clean game and improving each time. Players are guards, Butch Pickard and "Pee Wee" Spencer, center, Darrell Crawford and forwards, Bill Holland and Frank Flick. At the last game, Frank was high scorer, with 23 points.

Florida Pair Finds Long-Wanted Baby

Tampa, Fla. — (U.P.) — Mr. and Mrs. Louis Menendez have longed for a child throughout their 15 years of marriage.

Coming out of a grocery Thursday, Mrs. Menendez found a new-born girl on the front seat of her car. She called police who took the baby to a hospital where it was reported doing fine.

Today, the housewife and her mechanic husband started proceedings to adopt the foundling.

Spelling Survey Held At Talent Schools

Talent—A recent study of spelling by a committee of elementary and high school faculty members of Talent schools emphasized the fact that students must have a solid background of phonics and syllabication according to R. B. Parr, superintendent.

The committee is preparing a course of study to be used with the present state course which will spell rules and essay-type tests. Part of each class period in the high school has been set aside for spelling, Parr reported, and students have been "very receptive."

Reasons found by the committee for spelling difficulties included not knowing spelling rules, not using dictionary, lack of quality standards in written work, too-advanced words for students; low IQ; too many tests giving all words necessary to answer the questions and too few essay-type tests.

Discuss County Road At Table Rock Homes

Possibility of making a county road of the route through Table Rock estates was discussed with the county court yesterday by a number of residents of the area and others interested.

Attending the meeting were George M. Roberts, attorney for the General Development company, John Day, Robert J. Wells, Leonard T. Anderson, Jennings Pierce, County Engineer Paul Rynning and members of the court.

The group was told that the change would be considered after the three-mile road was brought up to county engineers' specifications.

Valley Physicians See Closed Circuit Show

More than 50 medical doctors from Grants Pass, Myrtle Creek, Ashland, Medford, and other southern Oregon towns attended a closed circuit television broadcast Wednesday evening at KBES-TV.

The broadcast originated at Tufts Medical center, Boston, Mass., and a panel of heart disease specialists, including Dr. Paul Dudley White, President Eisenhower's physician, appeared on the telecast.

The 1½-hour broadcast was sponsored nationally by Upjohn company and here by Southern Oregon Medical society. Through the American Academy of General Practice, those who participate in attendance are credited for their continued post graduate educational work.

The last closed circuit telecast sponsored by the society was attended by 45 medical doctors and was the third largest attendance in the nation.

SP Shasta Division Has Safety Record

Southern Pacific's Shasta division in southern Oregon and northern California made the best over-all safety record in 1955 in competition for Company President D. J. Russell's annual safety award, it has been announced.

The Shasta division record of 2.62 injuries for each million man hours of work was followed closely by the Rio Grande division in New Mexico and Arizona with 2.65.

Southern Pacific achieved the best safety record in the history of the railroad during 1955, according to Michael A. Nugent, superintendent of safety.

Company employees bettered their 1954 safety record by 21 per cent during the year, with only 6.27 reportable injuries for each million man hours of work. The Ashland SP yard was among smaller yards with perfect scores for safety.

Court Records

Robert L. Butler, violation of basic rule, \$15.
Leola Strauss, inadequate muffler, \$5.

DISTRICT COURT

Clinton A. Cobb, failure to signal, \$7.50.
William A. Courtier, passing on curve, \$10.
Della S. Mann, failure to yield right of way, \$20.
Guy O. Gillespie, passing with insufficient clearance, \$15.
Horace F. Peck, failure to operate on right side of highway, \$10.
Donald C. Miller, truck speeding, \$10.
Raymond C. Gregg, no operator's license, \$10.
Guy F. Withem, no operator's license, \$10.
Gregory E. Orr, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Wayne V. Reed, passing with insufficient clearance, \$10.
Herman Skov, driving without light, \$10.
Gary L. Riggert, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.

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KF Reaffirms Policy On Fluoridation

Klamath Falls — A reaffirmation of a 1952 Klamath Falls city ordinance authorizing fluoridation of the city water supply was made Tuesday night when the city council re-passed the ordinance. The fluoride had not been added to the system as yet.

The council reaffirms the ordinance at the urging of representatives of the four chapters of Beta Sigma Phi sorority. A report was given showing that in a recent dental survey of 2,444 elementary students in the city schools over 75 per cent needed dental care. A proclamation endorsing fluoridation was read from the Klamath county medical society and the dental society.

The council gave the Oregon Water corporation 120 days to install the necessary equipment for fluoridation. A corporation representative said the company would begin installation of necessary equipment as soon as possible.

Prince Rainier's Father Sidesteps Reporters

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Prince Pierre of Monaco, future father-in-law of actress Grace Kelly, proved adept at sidestepping newsmen's questions about his son's forthcoming marriage to the film queen.

"I'm very old and deaf," Prince Pierre said, winking at newsmen who met him yesterday at International Airport.

Prince Rainier met his father. Prince Pierre said he planned to stay here two weeks while discussing details of the April marriage in Monaco.

Election on Soil District March 18

A referendum election to determine if 168,840 acres in the Wimer area shall join the Rogue soil conservation district will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 18, in the Enterprise Grange.

The vote was authorized last week by the state soil conservation committee in Corvallis, according to County Agent W. B. Tucker. Authorization followed two hearings held at the Grange hall Feb. 3 at which residents in the area voted in favor of the Rogue soil conservation district.

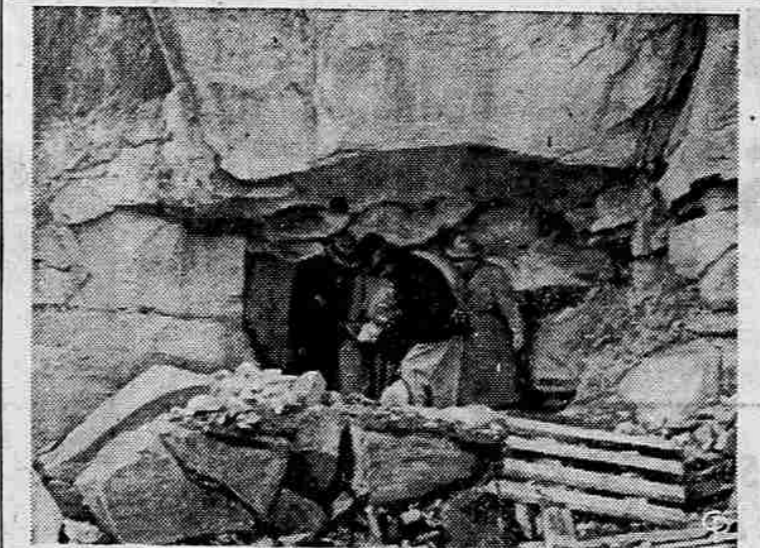
Two petitions had previously been presented to the state committee, one asking that the area be joined with the Sams Valley-

Beagle district and one asking that it be added to the Rogue district.

Ballots are being prepared by the county agent's office from a list of 298 known land owners prepared by the assessor's office. It includes both resident and absentee owners.

All persons owning more than 10 acres of land in the area are eligible to vote. Ballots also may be obtained from James Martin, route 1, Rogue River, superintendent of the election, or may be picked up at the polling place on the election date, Tucker stated.

The 168-840-acre area is the only remaining territory in the county not included in a conservation district.



STANDING AT ENTRANCE to abandoned Lambertville, N. J., quarry, crowd discusses discovery of uranium deposit reported worth more than \$5,000,000 by two brothers. Area is believed to contain 100,000 tons of uranium. (International)

FATHER TOO YOUNG — Galesburg, Ill. — (U.P.) — A Galesburg hospital refused today to let a young father see his newborn child. The father is 15, and the hospital rules require visitors to be 16 and over.

BOOTLESS — Grand Rapids, Mich. — (U.P.) — Two burglars who broke into a bar left in such a hurry when they were surprised by a cleanup crew at 4 a.m. that they left their boots behind them.

Sun of Canada Increases Policyholders' Dividends

Cost of insurance reduced for seventh successive year; record \$761 million new business reported.

A new sales record for the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada and a new dividend scale that will reduce the cost of insurance to policyholders for the 7th successive year have been announced by George W. Bourke, President, at the Company's 85th Annual Meeting. New life insurance sold in 1955 amounted to \$761 million, an increase of \$65 million over the previous year. Much of this new insurance was purchased in the United States where the Sun Life has 37% of its business in force. Included in the new business figure was \$244 million of group insurance, exceeding the high level of production of the previous year. Total Sun Life insurance in force now exceeds \$6½ billion. Dividend scales are being increased and in 1956 the Company will pay to its policyholders dividends amounting to approximately \$28 million.

The report also reveals that \$42 million was paid to beneficiaries of deceased policyholders, and \$94 million paid to living policyholders and annuitants. The \$136 million paid in 1955 brings the total paid by the Company since its organization to \$3 billion.

Mr. Bourke pointed out that the record construction of new homes in the United States and Canada has been financed to a great extent out of the premiums paid by policyholders to life insurance companies. Mortgage loans made by the Sun Life during 1955 amounted to \$108,502,000 bringing the Company's total mortgage investment to \$399,966,000.

In his report, Mr. Bourke expressed the belief that the high levels attained in the insurance business would be exceeded in 1956, and that life insurance ownership would rise to a new peak.

"The public trust which the Sun Life enjoys today," he declared, "is based not only on confidence in the Company, but also on the sound principles on which the industry at large is built. There is every reason for us to look ahead to continued public trust and to further success and achievement." A copy of Sun Life's complete 1955 Annual Report, including the President's review of the year, is being sent to each policyholder, or may be obtained from Charles E. Jones, P.O. Box 1123, Medford, Oregon.



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