

School News

McLaughlin Junior High

Students attending an assembly presented by Pruth McFarlin and Hugh Thompson Dec. 6. The musicians held assemblies at schools under the sponsorship of the National School assemblies. McFarlin is a tenor and was accompanied by Thompson at the piano. Several piano solos were played by Thompson.

The wrestling team competed in a meet with Hedrick and Grants Pass on Dec. 3.

The Future Homemakers of America held cup cake sales Wednesday and Thursday noon. The girls baked the cakes and sold them to finance their club activities. The sale was directed by Mavis Ström.

The assembly on Dec. 7 was given by The National Transcribers Society for the Blind. Richard Smith, an accomplished musician, entertained the students with a varied program, playing organ, piano and accordion selections.

The purpose of the society was

Roundtable to Hold 'City Week' Monday

Members of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Roundtable will observe "city week" Monday at their noon luncheon in the Jackson hotel.

Special guests will be newly-elected city officials Mayor Earl Miller will introduce Mayor-Elect John Snider and newly-elected councilmen Ed Hall, Ward F. A. Bradford, Ward H. R. Van Sickle, Ward III and James Dunlevy, Ward IV. Other city officials are also expected to attend.

Roundtable luncheon meetings are open to the public and anyone desiring to meet the new city officials has been invited to attend the "city week" program, members stated.

Marine, Fisheries Group Drafts Report

Miami Beach, (U.P.) — The House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries returned to Washington Saturday to draft a report to Congress on whether the federal government should regulate the operation of small pleasure boats.

The committee, with Rep. Edward A. Garmatz (D-Md.) as acting chairman, closed a series of hearings at boating centers throughout the United States here Friday. A spokesman said it would prepare its report to Congress before the end of the year.

explained and demonstrations were given to help students understand the Braille system of reading and writing.

Hedrick Junior High

By MARY MILNE
Richard Smith, blind musician, entertained the Hedrick student body Friday, Dec. 7. Smith plays eight instruments including organ, piano and accordion. As part of his performance he played request numbers. He is able to play anything he has heard even once.

The musician requested students to choose four notes. From these four notes he composed an original roll and roll number.

With the help of Mr. Cooper, who travels with him, Smith demonstrated the braille alphabet.

The concert was given as a benefit and the proceeds of the free will offering go to the fund publishing braille books for the blind.

Thursday, Dec. 6, Hedrick Junior High had an interesting assembly. Pruth McFarlin, a tenor, and Hugh Thompson his accompanist, entertained. McFarlin had polio at the age of three, but he still made singing his career. He has traveled all over the United States and Canada.

His selection included, "I'll Walk With God," "Ava Maria" and "Love Is a Many Splendored Thing." Thompson played "Saint Louis Blues" and "Rhapsody in Blue."

Jecky Killed When He Falls Down Stairs

Moscow, (U.P.) — U. S. embassy Ralph J. Jecky, 28, of South bridge, Mass. was killed Saturday when he accidentally fell down a flight of stairs, the embassy announced.

The announcement said Jecky fell down the stairwell of the 5th floor of the Sadovo-Samotchnaya apartments. The apartments are reserved for foreign diplomats.

The announcement said Jecky died immediately of a fractured skull.

Grants Pass Man is Arrested by Marshal

Russell Boyd Garris, 36, of Grants Pass, was arrested Saturday by Paul Hanlin, deputy U. S. marshal, Medford, and lodged in county jail on charges of postal violations, according to the county sheriff's office.

He will be arraigned in default of bail Monday in the office of Frank Van Dyke, Medford attorney and U.S. commissioner.

Romulo Named to UN Security Council

Manila, (U.P.) — President Ramon Magway named Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo Saturday the Philippines representative in the United States Security Council, effective next month.

The nomination was made following the Philippines' first ballot victory over Czechoslovakia for a seat in the top U.N. organ. Yugoslavia will vacate the seat Dec. 31 after serving half of a normal two-year term.

Election in RR Rural Fire District Tuesday

Rogue River—An election for four directors in the Rogue River Rural Fire Protection district will be held between 2 and 8 p.m. Dec. 11 at Jims Farm store, Highway 99, Rogue River.

Seeking the four positions are Edward Lilly, Glen Birdseye, Joe Allison, Clephan Voss and Carl Christenson. Allison is the only incumbent.

After the election the candidates will decide among themselves length-terms each will fill.

The TVA now controls an area of 20 square miles.

Secession Movement Sponsors Ask Support Of Northern Calif.

Dunsmuir — Sponsors of the northern California "secession to statehood" movement last week petitioned support of the Northern California Inter-County Chamber of Commerce.

Letters were mailed to governmental heads and promotional bodies of the eight counties which the movement would encompass. The counties are Siskiyou, Shasta, Trinity, Lassen, Plumas, Modoc, Del Norte and Humboldt.

The letters noted need for northern California counties to protect their natural resources. Also noted was the fact that "time, talents and funds are lacking in the sparsely populated, mountainous areas to combat the statistical barrage and legal talent massed by the metropolitan areas."

Only Hope

Suggested in the letter as "the only hope of the northern California counties" was a movement to unite B. F. Mason, Dunsmuir, and Pat Hanratty, Mount Shasta, signers of the letters, asked

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

Eugene Mars Assumes Duties at Airport

Eugene L. Mars has assumed duties in the civil aeronautics administration's control tower at Medford airport. He replaces Earl A. Wescott, who was transferred to Seattle, Wash., recently.

Mars comes here from Arcadia, Calif., where he also was a communications man. He and his family have moved to the Rogue valley.

In a wartime fervor of unity with the motherland.

Friday however, the hard core of secessionists took note of the northern California plan to form a state of "Shasta" independent of water-hungry southern California.

In Curry county, the so-called "Freedomists" are mainly mad at the Oregon highway department for its failure to link it with interior southwest Oregon. They claim they have been kept "yoked and shackled."

The Freedomists wired Pat Hanratty, provisional secretary of state of the provisional state of Shasta: "We rise to proclaim our freedom from such intolerance and stand ready with you in forming the great state of Shasta."

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