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Timberib Construction Firm Opens Office, Plants Here

Timberib Construction company, dealers in glued laminated wood structures, has opened an office and plant at the intersection of Sage rd. and Sherman Way in the Mason-Ehrman industrial tract north of Medford.

The company is an affiliate of Timber Structures Inc., Portland, which supplies all materials for the local firm. Timberib Construction company's office was located in Grants Pass for about seven years before the Medford establishment was opened Dec. 1.

Wood Durable
The firm manufactures pre-cut buildings for commercial or farm use. The structures are made from timber portions joined with specially patented glues. According to company officials, wood processed in this manner is especially durable since it is free of knots or other defects and the glue itself is stronger than wood. The buildings are available in a variety of sizes and designs, according to representatives of the firm.

Pre-cut buildings are usually delivered by the company and erected by the purchaser. The purchaser is also supplied with drawings for foundation construction. Company representatives explained they also erect the buildings when this service is requested. Buildings are specially designed if a purchaser's particular needs can not be met through previously used building styles.

300 Buildings Made
Nearly 300 Timberib buildings have been erected in southern Oregon in recent years. Most of these have been farm buildings. The company has not yet manufactured pre-cut residential structures, though it was indicated future expansion may include this service.

Equipment in the local factory was recently installed and production is getting under way. Two to 10 people will be employed there, depending upon the volume of orders received.

Local Plant
The office portion of the new establishment is made with Timberib, a heavy standard glued laminated framing. The rear utility portion of the building is made with Timberib.

Owner and general manager of the plant is B. A. Sakraida. Others assisting in the operation are Don W. Stetson, designer-estimator; Ed Sakraida, sales manager and brother of the owner; and Harold Brown, pre-cutting superintendent.

The Medford office fills orders from northern California as well as Oregon.

Christmas Tree Fire Kills Seven Persons
Minneapolis, Minn. — (U.P.)—Defective wiring on a Christmas tree set off fire in Doctors' Memorial hospital Sunday that killed seven persons and critically injured six others.

Seventy-nine patients were in the hospital Sunday when the gayly decorated tree exploded in flames and set the lobby afire. Dense clouds of smoke billowed through the five-story building, trapping patients in their rooms.

Firemen blamed the blaze on defective wiring on the tree. They said most of the victims died of asphyxiation.

Killed were Mary Balliet, 48; Ella Mullin, 82; Mrs. Lydia Becken, 86; Carolyn Vale, 72; Mrs. Sara Stone, 59; Clarence O. Green, 53, all of Minneapolis.

Iron Curtain Athletes Reach San Francisco For Life in States

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Thirty-eight athletes who refused to return to their Iron Curtain homelands after the Olympic Games were scheduled to arrive here today in time to spend their first Christmas in the United States.

On hand to greet the 34 Hungarians and four Romanians when their Pan American World Airways clipper landed to 10 a. m. (PST) at the San Francisco International Airport were Gov. Goodwin J. Knight and his wife, and a large delegation from the local Hungarian community.

Going to New York
The athletes will spend Christmas here, then leave for New York on Thursday.

Among the Hungarian athletes were Laszlo Nadori, the chief of staff of the Hungarian Sports Ministry, and Laszlo Tabori, one of nine men in the world who have run the mile in less than four minutes.

Others include Margit Karodoni, woman gymnast gold medal winner; Kato Szoke, girl sprinter who won two gold medals in the Helsinki Olympic Games; Lidia Domolitsy, the world's woman foil champion; Jozsef Gerlach, world's epee champion; Mihaly Igloi, track coach; and Ervin Zabor, a water poloist who was slugged by the Russians during the Melbourne competition.

The four Romanians were all members of that country's water polo team.

Adoptions Volunteered
Sports Illustrated, the magazine sponsoring the refugees, said a large number of Americans have volunteered to "adopt" individuals in the group.

Among them was former California state Sen. Sanborn Young, Los Gatos, who invited one of the group to stay with him and promised to send the youth through four years of college.

The Metropolitan Miami Swimming Association of Miami, Fla., guaranteed positions to the swimmers in the group.

The athletes have been granted political asylum in the United States by the attorney general's office under a special section of the immigration law.

Death Takes Washington State House Member
Pasco—(U.P.)—State Rep. Ole H. Olson, 53, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee who announced his resignation Dec. 13, died at the home of his brother here yesterday.

Cancer, for which Olson twice underwent major surgery in recent months, was the cause of death, doctors said.

City of Medford Files Suit in Equity

The city of Medford has filed a \$1,077.15 suit in equity in circuit court here against Earl Fehl, Loretta I. Callamy and Delbert Fehl, of Medford, heirs of property owned by the late Amanda M. Fehl.

The property is alleged to have received city improvements on which assessments were never paid.

The complaint states that in 1941 and 1952 the tract was among city property benefited by construction including concrete curbs, gutters, driveways and paving on Dakota ave., from King to Peach sts., and on Beekman st. along a portion of Dakota ave.

The city is asking judgment in the amount of \$773.70, costs of projects, plus 6 per cent per annum interest, totaling \$203.45, and \$100 attorney's fees.

City Attorney E. R. Bashaw is representing the city.

HILTS

PTA Sees Christmas Skits

By MRS. M. F. CAVIN
Hilts—The regular meeting of the Hilts PTA was held Thursday, Dec. 20, at the schoolhouse, with the business meeting being conducted by Mrs. Victor Van De Weghe, vice president.

The program was presented by the four lower grades. Mrs. R. Smith's first graders presented a short skit entitled "Christmas Dolls." There was a tap dance by Carleen De Clerck, Yvonne Van De Weghe, and Paddy Ann Oakley and several songs were sung by the entire group.

Mrs. E. Wesner's second and third graders presented a choral entitled "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Santa Clauses were Stephen Bernhiesel and Johnny Hazeltine. Several songs were sung by the group.

Mrs. B. Rohrer's third and fourth graders presented two skits entitled "Christmas Card Greeting" and "Star of Bethlehem." A song "Away In A Manger," by Paula Eastman and Joyce Johnson was accompanied by Barbara De Clerck and a tap dance was given by Le Wana Trince.

Refreshments were served at the close of the program.

The second and third grades assisted by their teacher, Mrs. E. Wesner and room mother, Mrs. Jimmie Cain, entertained their mothers at a Christmas party Friday afternoon.

Each mother was presented a gift, a woven pot holder, that the children had made in school.

The children had drawn names so they also received a gift from the person having their name.

Ice cream and cookies were served.

Mrs. Frank Graves entertained the Hilts Bridge club with a luncheon at her home Tuesday, Dec. 18. Christmas greens were used as decoration.

Three tables of bridge were played by Mrs. Ernest Spannaus, Mrs. Fred Haymes, Mrs. Frank Ohlund, Mrs. Wm. Wiley, Mrs. Art Blanchard, Mrs. Malcolm Robinson, Mrs. M. G. King, Mrs. Al Simmen, Mrs. Evan Maupin, and Mrs. Fred Bayliss and Mrs. Florence Clark of Medford.

Gifts were exchanged at the close of the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Burns and son, Bob, and Mrs. Evan Maupin were recent Yreka business visitors.

Recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Maupin were Mr. Maupin's sister, Mrs. John McCulley and son, Edward, of Malin, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lindner and daughter Linda of Mt. Shasta were weekend guests at the M. M. Seif home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Falone and daughter, Patty, of Klamath Falls, visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spannaus.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Burns and son, Don, have gone to Riverside, Calif., to spend the holidays with relatives.

The Hilts Community Canasta club held their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. A. Simmen

Gold Hill Woman Strong Supporter Of Christmas Seals

Mrs. Verna Van Houten, Gold Hill, is an enthusiastic supporter of Christmas seals.

She is a "grandmother" to a good many people besides the immediate members of her family. She's raised her own family and many other children of her sisters and friends.

Sick Child
When a boy, 15-months-old, the son of a young friend, acted sickly, she suspected he might have tuberculosis. As Mrs. Van Houten described the child, he did not respond to affection. He only "fussed."

The mother of the child, at Mrs. Van Houten's insistence, took him in for a blood test and x-ray. It was discovered that the child did have TB, as well as the mother. They are both under treatment now and reportedly responding well.

Always Alert
"People just don't realize how easily it can happen," Mrs. Van Houten stated. "I know, as my father and brother died of tuberculosis. So, I'm always on the alert."

She recommended yearly x-rays for everyone as a good precaution, and particularly stressed the preventive work that the

Jackson County Public Health association did with the Christmas seal fund money.

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Thornton's Ruling Poses Job Conflict

Salem—(U.P.)—The state attorney general's office handed down an opinion Saturday that posed a job conflict for a newly elected Democratic member of the State House of Representatives.

The opinion was made in the case of Thomas R. Monaghan, a teacher at Ardenwald school in Clackamas county. It had been requested by Arthur Kiesz, Milwaukie school superintendent.

"In our opinion a person may not perform the services of a teacher in the public schools of Oregon, with or without compensation, while holding the office of senator or representative in the state legislature," attorney general's office said. Monaghan immediately said

he would not let the opinion keep him from serving in the Legislature. He said he would resign from the Legislature, if necessary, after the session and resume his teaching duties.

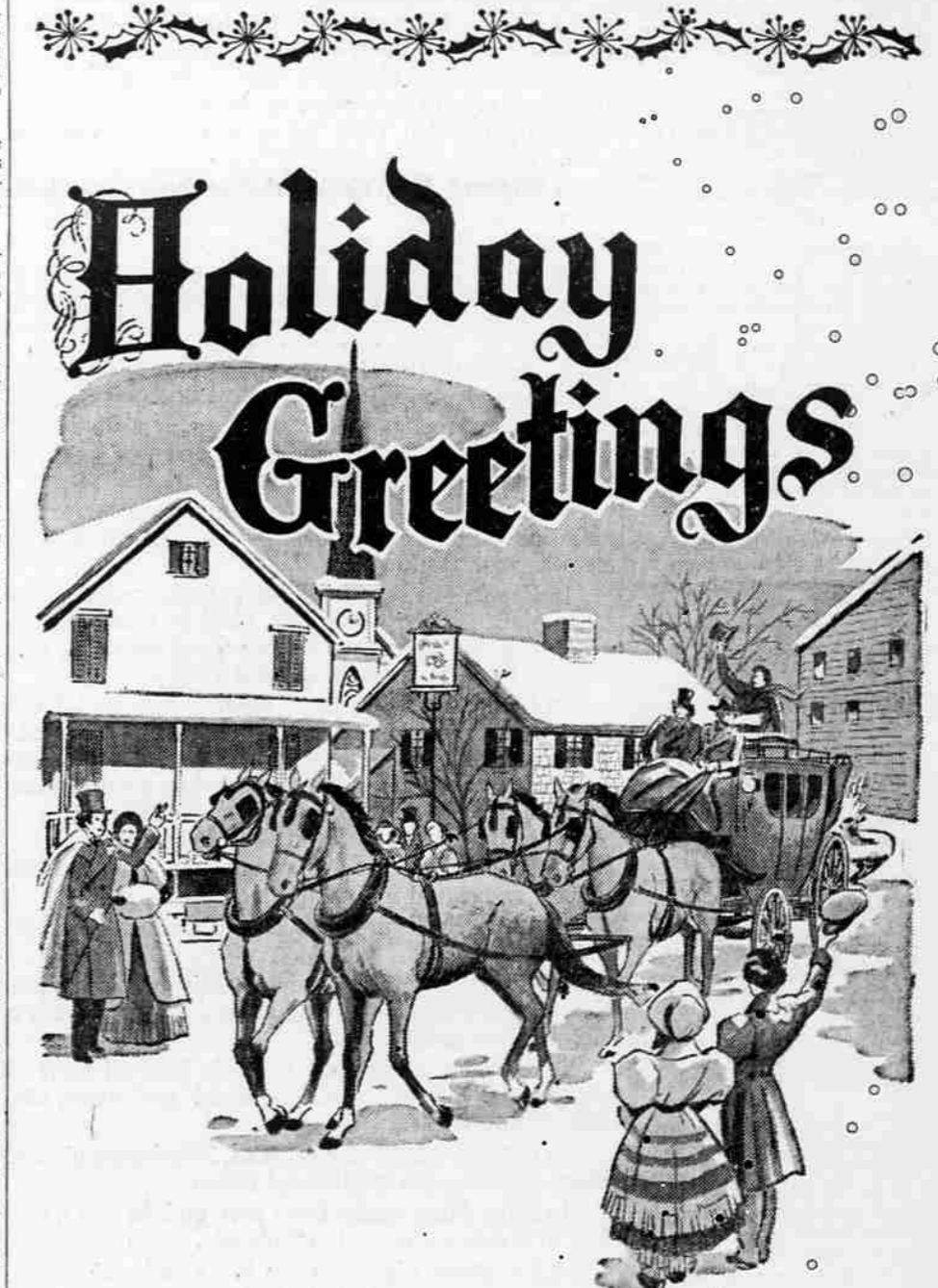
The attorney general's office indicated that the school board could grant the teacher an unpaid leave of absence during the term in the Legislature if it so desired.

Cypriot Constable Ambushed in Mountains

Nicosia, Cyprus—(U.P.)—Gunmen of the Eoka extremist organization ambushed a Cypriot Greek special constable Sunday as he drove his wife and two friends across a lonely pass in the south Cyprus mountains.

The attackers tossed a bomb at the car and opened fire with sub-machine guns. The two women and the other man were slightly injured when the car crashed. The constable, who was unhurt, returned the attackers' fire.

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