

NEWS NOTES from

Medford High School

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"To be or not to be" seniors may be seen muttering to themselves as they practice their dramatics lessons. Tryouts for the senior play will be held Monday after school. At 3:05 p.m. ten girls and nine boys will be selected for roles in the comedy-fantasy, "Mrs. McThing."

This year, due to Robert Stedman's illness, Mrs. Zapell, the drama and sophomore English instructor, will direct the senior play. Mrs. Zapell has been active in the Footlighters since 1947 and now serves as its secretary. Play books are now available in the library. These books may be checked out for use in that room.

"Teens Against Polio" chairmen have been selected. These girls will spearhead the activities of Medford High in the March of Dimes campaign. Jacqueline Colton, senior; Shirley Lilly, junior; and Linda Smith, sophomore, are now making plans for their month long drives.

The "Teens Against Polio" campaign will be competitive, with each class trying to top the others. Last year the sophomores won the drive.

During the Christmas holidays, Jim Gordon received second place in a state-wide poster contest sponsored by the Art Directors club and backed by the printers association. Jim received \$50 for this honor.

The posters in the contest were related to Oregon Printing Month, which is January. The contest was judged by professional commercial artists in Portland.

First or third place winners are not known at this time. Other entries from MHS were Bob Mitchell, Sharon Picard and Bill Henderson.

The International Relations League is sponsoring a clothing drive. The students of Medford High are asked to bring worn but usable clothing to Room 205 Monday and Tuesday mornings. This clothing will be used in the Hungarian relief movement. IRL members will pack the clothing for shipment Tuesday after school.

Registration for second semester classes will begin Jan. 7. All students must see their counselor by Jan. 17 and register for the second semester. To speed this process the second period teachers have been asked to see that every student has a "complete, correct, and up-to-date copy of his present schedule." This schedule must be shown to the counselor when a student registers.

The junior girls will have a chance to show their talents in the Girls' league competition assembly, Jan. 9. The sophomores will have a chance to retaliate in February and the seniors will follow in March. The winning class will receive a prize.

Fifty-two members of the Future Teachers of America will take part in the second Medford city schools observance of the school year. This Thursday the future teachers will report to one of the seven schools to be observed at 8:30 a.m. and will return to senior high at 1 p.m.

Children in Harlem Hospital Forced Out

New York — (U.P.) — Patients from several children's wards in Harlem Hospital were evacuated Saturday when fire in a new annex under construction licked one wall of the seven-story hospital.

The fire burned fiercely for 2 1/2 hours before it was brought under control at 6 a.m. EST. The young patients were taken to other hospitals for safety and other patients moved to the other side of the hospital. Firemen fought the blaze from the roof and windows of the hospital.

No one was injured in the fire. Some 100 firemen fought the blaze.

Medical Examination Of Officer Completed

Naples, Italy — (U.P.) — A group of Scotland Yard's top medical detectives who examined the body of a kidnapped British army officer said Saturday their findings will be disclosed only after they report to the United Nations.

The British experts, headed by Scotland Yard pathologist Frances Camp, flew here from London Friday to examine the body of Lt. Anthony Moorhouse, who died in Port Said after he was kidnapped by Egyptian guerrillas.

The Egyptian government claims Moorhouse suffocated when he was stuffed into a metal locker to escape detection by British troops who were searching for him. The medical team examined the body four hours Friday in an effort to pin down the exact cause of death.

These students will be assigned to one teacher and will study her teaching style.

On Jan. 12 the college board test will be given in the MHS library. This test will serve as a college entrance exam for many of the students taking the test. Others will be taking the test in an attempt to win scholarships such as the General Motors national scholarship or the Merit Scholarship.

Wednesday, the merit scholarship finalists will be announced throughout the country. Nationally, 7,492 students have been selected as finalists. Another 7,000 will receive letters of merit.

Square dance music may be heard resounding from the gym. The physical education classes started their annual dancing classes this week. It is safe to forecast that there will be many bruised toes between now and the end of the classes.

\$5.3 Million in Contracts Awarded To Ross Companies

Washington — The defense department has disclosed that more than \$5.3 million in contracts are held by firms in which the wife of Assistant Defense Secretary Robert Tripp Ross and her brother hold an interest.

Pentagon records also showed that in addition to the current contracts, the companies in which Ross' relatives are interested received \$6,917,000 in contracts completed in the 1951-56 period.

Two congressional subcommittees opened preliminary investigations Friday to determine if a "conflict of interests" is involved in an \$884,150 Army contract awarded to a firm headed by Mrs. Ross.

Ross said he has had nothing to do with the various firms since February, 1952, when he was elected to Congress from Queens county, N. Y. He became an administration official two years later.

The congressional inquiries are being made by the staffs of a House Government Operations subcommittee, headed by Rep. Chet Holifield (D-Calif) and the Senate Investigating subcommittee headed by Sen. John L. McClellan (D-Ark).

Chairman Carl Vinson (D-Ga) of the House Armed Services committee also was known to be considering the case. Vinson said he would have no statement until his committee is formally organized.

The defense department Thursday night disclosed in answer to press queries that the Army last November awarded an \$884,150 contract for 249,000 pairs of men's trousers to Wynn Enterprises, Inc. of New York and Knoxville, Tenn. Mrs. Ross is president of the firm.

Police Guard Union Official's Home

Montreal, Que. — (U.P.) — Police Saturday guarded the home of railroad union official William E. Gamble who was threatened with violence for starting a strike that has crippled the Canadian Pacific Railway and left some 70,000 men unemployed.

Gamble, Canadian vice president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, told police two men telephoned his wife and threatened to harm him and blow up his suburban Dorval, Que., home.

There was no sign of an end to the strike which was called Wednesday by the Cleveland headquarters of the brotherhood to protest CPR plans to eliminate firemen from some diesel trains.

Gamble said the union was prepared to operate relief trains carrying emergency supplies if their crews include men selected from his 2,800 striking firemen.

Railway president Norris R. Crump did not reply.

There was no sign that either side had further negotiations in mind. It was reported in Ottawa that the tie-up would be discussed at a cabinet meeting scheduled for Monday. Some sources said the cabinet might consider drafting legislation for Parliament to step in, as it did during a nationwide CPR and Canadian National Railway strike in 1950, but this could not be confirmed.

Argentina Government To Protect Movies

Buenos Aires — (U.P.) — The government moved Saturday to insure freedom of expression in motion pictures in Argentina. A clause in a new motion picture code provides that no film can be banned or cut "without a court order, issued by a competent judge after due process of law."

Partnership Power Policy Essential, Fred Seaton Says

Washington — (U.P.) — Secretary of Interior Fred A. Seaton says it "is essential" that the administration continue its partnership power policy.

Partnerships with local groups "is the basic concept of the power policy," Seaton told a news conference Friday. "We have no intention of retreating from it."

He said the Federal Power commission estimates it will cost \$40 billion over the next 10 years just to provide enough additional power "to keep up." He said the price tag over the next 20 years will be \$94 billion. "That is why the partnership policy is essential," he said. "It is just impossible to get that much federal money."

Seaton also said he plans to remain in the cabinet. He said the president "asked me to stay on and I plan to."

The administration expects to push for statehood for Hawaii and Alaska in the current session of Congress. He said Hawaii should be granted outright statehood. Alaska, he said, should be made a state while "recognizing that provision for adequate national defense must be made."

The administration will continue to oppose any plan to construct a high dam at Hells Canyon on the Snake River on the Idaho-Oregon border. He said he had not had a chance to study a Bureau of Reclamation report on a proposed high dam at the Mountain Sheep-Pleasant Valley site on the Snake River below Hells Canyon.

51,500 Workers Said Without Jobs

Salem — (U.P.) — About 51,500 Oregon workmen were unable to find jobs as the new year opened, the State Unemployment Compensation commission reported Saturday.

The commission said they paid a total of \$20,085,069 in benefits during 1956.

Both figures were somewhat above the post-war average and pointed to heavy payments during the remaining winter months.

Most of the increase of 12,700 in jobseekers during the past month came from downstate Oregon with lumbering, food processing and construction mainly responsible. The year-end total was 4,700 more than a year ago.

Tillamook and Hood River offices reported more than double the number of unemployed Dec. 1, while Baker, Bend, Lebanon, Salem and Eugene also had big increases. Widest margin over a year ago came from Toledo, North Bend, Roseburg and Eugene.

Little change was noted in the four-county Portland metropolitan area which had 16,500 persons out of work compared with 14,500 a month ago and 16,200 last year.

GOOD CONDITION

New York — (U.P.) — Band leader Jimmy Dorsey, 52, was reported in good condition Saturday after undergoing surgery for removal of a wart on his left lung.

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HORNBROOK Accident Injures Three

By MRS. H. H. CHAPMAN Hornbrook—The New Year brought a note of sadness to Hornbrook residents when they learned that Ed Smith, popular owner and manager of the T. Jones company, had been injured in an automobile accident.

He and Mrs. Smith, who teaches in the local grammar school, and their son Bob, an employee of Copco in Medford, were en route to Yreka about 7:30 p.m. New Year's eve when a car backed out from in front of Bur-Bel resort directly in front of them.

Smith swerved to the left to avoid being struck by the car, and in doing so, lost control of his car, which overturned, barely missing going into the Klamath river. Smith was knocked unconscious and could not be moved from the car until the tow car arrived from Yreka to right it. He was still unconscious when removed to Girdner's ambulance which took him to the hospital in Yreka.

Besides a head injury, he also received five broken ribs. Bob sustained head cuts, and Mrs. Smith severe bruises. Their injuries were not severe enough to require them to be hospitalized. The accident marred the Smith's plans for a family reunion on New Year's day, to which nineteen members had been invited.

A number of young people from here attended the New Year's eve dance in Montague Monday. Among them were Sharee Walsh, Linda Mason, Mary Lee Rutledge, Nancy McMaster, Bob Paine, Bill Holland, Les Phillips, Darold Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blankenship and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farmer.

Mrs. Pat Hossick of Yreka was a guest New Year's day, and overnight, of Miss Sharee Walsh.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Walsh entertained New Year's eve for a group of friends which included

Indian Girls Die After Home Burns

Redmond — (U.P.) — Two small Indian girls died early Saturday of burns suffered in a fire at the home of their aunt on the Warm Springs reservation while their parents were being held in jail on charges of child neglect and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The victims were identified as Carol Hunt, 3, and her sister, Agnes, 5.

They were burned when fire broke out at the home of Evelyn Polk, Hunt's sister, about 11:30 p.m. Friday. Police at Warm Springs said Ellery Wolf suffered slight burns when he entered the flaming house to rescue the two girls.

The girls were brought to Redmond hospital by ambulance where Agnes died at 5:15 a.m. and Carol at 7:15 a.m.

The parents, Ernest and Lavena Hunt, were serving a six months sentence in Rocky Butte jail in Portland on the charges. They were sentenced Nov. 9 at Warm Springs.

Authorities said the girls were alone in the house when the fire started from an explosion in an oil heater. An 11-year-old girl had been baby sitting but went next door to watch television. The house was destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavran Paine and son Lornie, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chapman.

The Rev. Gordon Titus of the Community Bible church held a watch-night service at the church New Year's eve.

Recent callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Hodges were Mr. and Mrs. John Duncan of Rio Linda, Calif. The Duncans are former Hornbrook residents where he was section foreman of the SP railroad. Their children attended the local grammar school and, Yreka High. Their son, Bill, is a lieutenant in the California Highway patrol, and is stationed in Yreka. Other guests were R. S. Daniels and son Gene, of Dunsmuir, Gene, a first year student at Stanford, and his father, had been spending some of his holiday time fishing on the Scott river.

Mrs. Gladys Jones and son Willis, student at Southern Oregon college had as visitors last week Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Van Lindt of Ashland, and on Sunday drove to Grenada, Calif., where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Don True.

Mrs. George Shattuck and her son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shattuck and their son, all of Port Orchard, Wash., were overnight guests last week at the home of Mrs. Bertina Bradley.

Lane County Forms Group for Refugees

Eugene — (U.P.) — The Lane County committee for Hungarian Refugees was organized here last week. At least 30 persons offered long-range housing arrangements for refugees, and six offered jobs for them.

The group is making an effort this week end to bring up to one dozen the number of refugees to be placed in Eugene homes while jobs are sought for them.

Stephen Batori, Eugene electrical engineer who was born in Hungary, is temporary chairman of the committee.

The first refugee in Lane county is Tibor Kepes, 23-year-old electrician. He is staying with Batori and working at the Automatic Controls and Communications company plant where Batori is secretary and chief engineer.

Kepes escaped from Budapest with a group captured by the Russians. They stole a Russian vehicle and made it to the river between Hungary and Austria. There they were ferried across the river by Austrian fishermen after a brief gun battle with Red border guards. He said he wants to become an American citizen as soon as he can.

Two Portland Youths Arrested in Pasco

Pasco, Wash. — (U.P.) — Two 18-year-old Portland youths were apprehended here Friday night after they had stolen five cars on their eastward trek from their home town, police reported.

State police said Dennis Eugene Barnes and Patrick Lee Ball stole a car in Portland, another in Vancouver, Wash., a third at Bonneville, a fourth at The Dalles, and a fifth at Pendleton. They were in the Penleton car when they were apprehended in Pasco.

BUTTE FALLS Tree Lift Nets \$19.75

By MARY JO HARRIS Butte Falls — The Lodge Order of Moose held their annual Christmas tree lift in Butte Falls Sunday, Dec. 30.

John Summerfield, Governor from Medford Lodge L O O M, Dick Morehouse of Boy Scout, Troop 40 and Darryl J. Summerfield of the Cub Scout's Den Four, Troop 40, all of Central Point, picked up trees and donations for the March of Dimes. Final count showed \$19.75 had been donated towards this cause.

The Bob Driskell family spent the holidays in Brookings and Central Point visiting with their families. At Central Point they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hodgson, Mrs. Driskell's parents. They visited the Don Driskell family and Mrs. Helen Driskell, brother and mother of Bob, in Brookings.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hikey and family of Gold Hill spent Christmas with Mrs. Hikey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Moore of Butte Falls. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore and family of Eagle Point and Mrs. Grace Guyette and daughter, Diane of Medford. Mrs. Guyette and Jim are both children of the Ben Moores.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gidney and family of Medford spent Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. Mel Arnold. Mrs. Arnold and Mrs. Gidney are sisters.

Frank Irwin and Mrs. Earl Eddings are now home after being hospitalized following an accident which occurred Nov. 16 near Crescent City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Olson and daughter, Cathy recently visited with their son and family, the Ben Olsons at Seaside, Ore.

Both Olson families then motored to Portland to spend Christmas with the Eric Sundholm family. Mrs. Olson Sr. and Mrs. Sundholm are sisters.

The Olsons reported the trip home was slow because of heavy fog.

The Keith Scotts spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. Ackerman at Salem. Mrs. Scott is a daughter of the Ackermans.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jolliffe of Redding spent the holidays here visiting with friends and their sons, the Don and Lee Jolliffe families. Also visiting here was Harry Gibson, the boy's grandfather.

The Jolliffes, Mr. Gibson and the Charles Fergusons spent Christmas at the Don Jolliffe residence while New Years was spent at the Ferguson home. The Fergusons are the parents of Mrs. Lee Jolliffe.

The Jim Rodgers had pre-holiday guests from Brookings, their son and family, the Cecil Rodgers. From here the Cecil Rodgers went to Medford to spend Christmas with Mrs. Rodgers' mother and sister, Mrs. William Thomas and Joan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Rodgers and daughters, of Medford, spent Christmas with Ron's parents here, the Jim Rodgers.

Ralph Malloy spent the holiday with his parents here, the Ed Malloys. Renee and Ward Malloy visited in Berkeley, Calif. over the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Eliz. H. Malloy.

Ralph and Renee will remain in Berkeley to finish out this term of school and Ward will continue the year here in Butte Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Black of Medford spent Christmas Day here with the Ed Malloy family. Mr. and Mrs. Black are the parents of Mrs. Ed Malloy.

Pre-holiday guests in the Page Stauffer home were Mr. and Mrs. Marden Pillette and family of Klamath Falls. Page is an uncle of the Pillettes. Pillette teaches in the Klamath Falls School system.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Dickey of Brogan, Ore. spent New Years at the Page Stauffer residence.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Machlan sponsored a dance at the High School for teenagers recently. Couples danced to records and one of the favorites of the evening was the broom dance. Refreshments were served by the Machlans. Machlan is Superintendent of Schools here.

Vernon Arnold spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Arnold. Vernon is attending the Southern Oregon College in Ashland.

Darwin Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore and Donald (Dude) Henshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Henshaw recently left here to go to Oregon Technical Institute in Klamath Falls.

Little Reba Ann Reddick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orb

Man Stops at Crash; Finds Daughter Dead

Wheaton, Ill. — (U.P.) — A. J. Swaitoski stopped his car beside the scene of an auto wreck Friday and inquired whether anyone had been injured.

He was told that his 19-year-old daughter, Mary Ann, was killed when her station wagon smashed into a gasoline truck.

THEEVES STEAL BATHTUB Newark, N. J. — (U.P.) — Thieves left the kitchen sink but took the bathtub when they broke into the home of Mrs. Sadie Restaino Friday.

Reddick was hospitalized over the holidays. Reba Ann is home once again and is reported to be much improved.

Sgt. L. W. Hargraves, U. S. Army, is home on sick leave from Ft. Carson, Colorado. Sgt. Hargraves will report to Fitzsimmons Hospital, Denver, Colo., soon where he recently had a disc removed from his back.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown and daughter of Klamath Falls spent Christmas vacation visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown and friends in Butte Falls.

Also visiting with the Browns' during the Christmas vacation were Mr. and Mrs. Max Richman and children of Redding, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Seargeant and children of Medford. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown are the parents of Don, Mrs. Richman and Mrs. Seargeant.

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