



NEW POSTAL CART—Medford postman Larry Mose, above, demonstrates how the new satchel carrier carts being put into use by the post office department can be maneuvered over a curb. This one, in use in Medford since before Christmas, is the latest of 6,000 experimental models that have been tried out by the department over a period of several years. The carts reduce work of delivering mail by taking the weight off the postman's shoulders and making it possible to carry larger loads, thus cutting down on the number of trips to a relay box. The carts, modeled after a popular golf bag carrier, are completely collapsible and feature a thumb-operated parking brake. Eventually, every foot-route postman in the United States will be supplied with a cart, post office officials said.

NEWS NOTES from Medford High School

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(Author's note: The following is not a paid political advertisement but it should be. The obvious partisanship may be attributed to the close relationship of candidates and contributors to this column.)

Mayors come in all shapes, colors, denominations, and nationalities. Students when choosing a candidate usually look for the tallest first. These people feel that a vote for a hefty candidate will get them more for their money.

In the hard-fought race for Student Government Day mayor, six candidates have been nominated. A "galloping" poll conducted by the editor of this column has shown that James Boyd and Bob Bright are hot contenders for the position.

A large number of people are running in the four races for councilmen. In ward two, 11 candidates have filed for a place on the ballot.

Other candidates for mayor include Ken Kumasawa, Greg Milnes, Mike Stearns and Jay Walker. On Tuesday the two finalists for mayor and four finalists in each ward for councilmen will be selected.

Pat Leek and Bruce West have been selected to compete for the Elk's Leadership Award. They will compete with candidates from local high schools. The winner from this district will then compete in state and possibly national contests.

The local prize is a watch. In state and national competition government bonds will be given.

Four students have applied for the American Field Service's summer program. Under this program one or more students will be chosen from Medford high to spend six to seven weeks in Europe this summer.

To be eligible, a candidate, among other things, must be a member of the junior class, a US citizen, and have taken two years of a foreign language. The students who have met these requirements are Gladys Bedore, Carolyn Carr, Barbara Van Sicly, and Franzmayer.

The annual Southern Oregon speech conference was held Jan. 25 and 26 at SOC. Students participated in debate, oratory, extempore, impromptu, after-dinner and radio speaking, and poetry reading. Ratings were given rather than the accustomed first, second, or third places. Medford students participating in the conference were Clark Barker, Bruce Boldenow, Joe Burns, Bill Carter, Jacques Colton, Dick Corum, Barbara Cox, Eric Eitrem, Dale Foresee, Bill Frake, David Frohnmayer, Henry Harbert, Harlow Head, Tim Hillerman, Mary LaBar, Ted Lawson, Greg Milnes, Kay Nicodemus, Jon Thompson and Nancy Wilson.

Each school was limited to four speakers in each event. A banquet was held Friday night.

Medford High School is planning a student talent exchange assembly with Klamath Falls in the not too distant future. This assembly is in the process of being composed now. MHS students are urged to sign up for the show and when both schools have their assemblies in order the exchange will be made. The Medford student body will view Klamath Falls' talent while their student body will see ours.

APPLEGATE-JACKSONVILLE PTA Program Scheduled

By HELGA MITCHELL

Applegate-Jacksonville — The Ruch PTA will meet Friday, Feb. 1 at 8 p.m. at the Ruch school. Mrs. George Redhead is in charge of the Founder's day program and the school band will play musical selections. Mrs. Floyd Hawkins and Mrs. Earl Best, fourth and fifth grade room mothers, are in charge of the refreshments.

The first Great Decisions program in this area, sponsored by the Home Extension units, met at the home of Mrs. Robert Sorber last Tuesday. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Williams on Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in these discussions, is invited to attend these meetings and are urged to follow the Great Decisions items in the Mail Tribune, follow the TV programs on the subject or obtain material at the library. Mrs. Robert Sorber is the leader of this discussion group.

The first meeting of the new Tractor club was held last Tuesday at the home of the leader, Gail Buffington. Anyone interested in this club may contact Gail Buffington by phoning at 9-8578.

Several local women helped sew and prepare boxes for Hungarian relief at the Ruch Community church last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hanson, who have been living in their trailer at McKee bridge for the past few months, moved to Central Point last Thursday.

Mrs. Monnett B. Davis of Washington, D.C., is a house guest of Mrs. Jack O'Brien, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. O'Brien had seen each other in 38 years.

Miss Shirley Dunlap, who was formerly employed at Ander's Photo shop in Medford, returned to Jacksonville high school to take a postgraduate commercial course.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Hall and family returned last Tuesday from a trip to San Diego, where they visited his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hall. On the trip they stopped at Tijuana, Mexico, and Knott's Berry farm. Commenting on the confusion of the freeways, Mrs. Hall said:

"They are wonderful for the people who know where they are going!"

The annual stockmen's dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Offenbacher last Saturday with 32 people attending. Dr. Eugene Hanawalt of Medford was also present.

Mrs. Glenn Saltmarsh and Mrs. Milton Houston recently attended a baby shower for Mrs. Douglas Davis, which was held at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Betty Anderson in Central Point.

The Applegate 4-H Fishing club was attended by 10 members at the home of its leader, Mrs. Curtis Gerhardt. Mrs. Leonard Miller is assistant, and Philip Krouse is junior leader.

Mrs. Marcel LePiniec was rather perturbed recently, when she discovered the emerald missing from her ring. After inquiries were made, it was retrieved by Mrs. Leon Offenbacher, who found it in a salad she was eating, which Mrs. LePiniec had missed for her earlier in the day.

Luncheon guests at the home of Mrs. John Horner last Thursday were Mrs. Marcel LePiniec, Mrs. Monnett B. Davis, and Mrs. Jack O'Brien.

Robert Webb, who does landscape painting in oils in his spare time, has started a new picture of a palomino pony standing in the corral at sunset. Webb, assistant forest ranger for the Applegate district started painting two years ago, when he was confined to his home for a few months.

Portland Club Hosts Exchange Students

John Hansen, who is attending Medford High school as an exchange student from Copenhagen, Denmark, is among 16 Scandinavian high school students who are guests of the Scandinavian Men's club of Portland this week end.

The five Norwegian, four Danish, four Swedish and three Finnish students are 16 to 18 years of age. They were feted at a banquet in Portland Friday and were to spend Saturday at Mt. Hood. They made the trip to Mt. Hood in cars decorated with ribbons of the colors of the nations the students represented.

The youths were also house guests of various members for the week end. The students are studying in schools throughout Oregon and southern Washington under the American Field Service exchange program. While attending Medford High school, John is making his home at the H. D. Christensen residence, 29 Richmond ave., Medford.

Crusade for Freedom Crusade to Begin

Portland — The month-long Crusade for Freedom, a campaign to raise funds in support of Radio Free Europe and Free Europe Press, will get under way in Oregon and the rest of the nation Friday, Feb. 1 according to Paul B. McKee, Portland, state chairman.

County chairmen are being established throughout the state and the American Legion auxiliary has accepted the campaign as a national security project. Mrs. Harold L. Leach of Bonneville, security chairman for the auxiliary, is directing the activities of her organization.

There will be various special events during the month, including the launching of freedom balloons in various cities. The balloons are the same as those which Free Europe Press sends behind the iron curtain to bring news of the free world to the 70,000,000 captive people in the satellite countries.

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The Family Council

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Mrs. B.G. — Our daughter should marry the boy.
Mr. B.G.—Why ruin her life because of one mistake?

Mrs. B.G.—My husband and I are desperate over what to do about our 20-year-old daughter.

Edith is the eldest of our three children and was always a good, fine girl. A few months ago, however, she got mixed up with a wild crowd. She went to one of their parties, got drunk and had relations with one of the boys and is now pregnant. The boy comes from a decent family, like ours. When we told his parents and he admitted all the facts, they said they would make him marry her.

My daughter says she doesn't know what she wants to do. She'll do whatever we think best. I feel that she would do best to marry him even though, as she points out, she hardly knows him and certainly doesn't know whether or not she likes him. If she doesn't marry him she would give the baby out for adoption. I feel she would always regret this and could never be happy afterward.

Mr. B.G.—If she marries this boy, I feel our daughter would be ruining her life because of one tragic mistake.

I met this boy and I feel that, in spite of the fact he comes from decent people, he is a crazy, mixed-up kid. He is a year younger than Edith. He doesn't have a decent job and he doesn't have anything special in mind for the future. There isn't a serious thought in his head. When his parents told him he must marry our daughter, he just shrugged his shoulders and said, "Okay."

I don't see how a kid like that can possibly make our daughter happy. It is no accident he was in with that wild crowd. He's just a young scamp. Why should Edith tie herself down to him for the rest of her life or until the thing ends in some miserable mess? If she gives the baby out for adoption, she'll have a chance to forget and start life anew.

The Council: Mr. G. B. is wrong to assume that this boy is absolutely hopeless as a husband and father because of the

way he has acted up until now. The boy's parents have every reason to take the same attitude toward Edith. Yet, if these youngsters can be made aware of their responsibilities as parents of an unborn child, they might prove they have the stuff to rise above their difficulties and their present immaturity.

As matters now stand these unhappy and frightened young persons are trying to take refuge from all responsibility for their past actions and their future by putting the whole thing up to their parents. Both have expressed a willingness to go through, robotlike, with any action their parents decide upon. Unfortunately, the thing cannot be solved so simply. For their sakes and the sake of the unborn child, they must take upon themselves the responsibility of coming to a decision. This is the only way in which any action they undertake will have any strength or lasting quality.

Both sets of parents have a big job of educating and guiding their children. These youngsters cannot really be as far apart as they now feel. The things they have in common are decent families and a certain weakness, which led them both to become mixed up with a wild crowd and to make an unhappy mistake. More important, they have an unborn child.

To supplement their teachings, these parents might suggest that the young couple arrange for a series of conferences with a clergyman or social worker or both. This may help the boy and girl to arrive at a decision based on mutual respect, acceptance of responsibility and a common agreement on what is right.

Bend Firm May Make Over-Snow Vehicle

Bend—Henry A. Pyzdrowski, president of the Central Oregon Iron Works, joined Jack Frost, state snow surveyor, Wednesday in Portland before attending a demonstration of over-snow vehicles in West Yellowstone, Mont., Thursday and Friday. Pyzdrowski announced before leaving his company was interested with a Minnesota firm in establishing a plant for the manufacture of over-snow machines in Bend.

Donald Yocom Joins Local Insurance Firm

Donald W. Yocom will become a member of J. P. Tobin and company, insurance adjuster firm, Tobin announced Saturday.

Yocom has been manager at Grants Pass for General Insurance Company of America. He is a graduate of Willamette university. Mr. and Mrs. Yocom and two children reside at 1007 East Jackson st.

Member of the firm in addition to Tobin and Yocom is Jack E. Crawford. Offices of the company are in the Fluhrer building.

Arundel, England — (U.P.) — Bertram Siems had an uninvited passenger in his car Friday when a duck flew through his windshield and landed in his lap. Siems opened the door and watched the duck waddle away, unhurt but quacking angrily.

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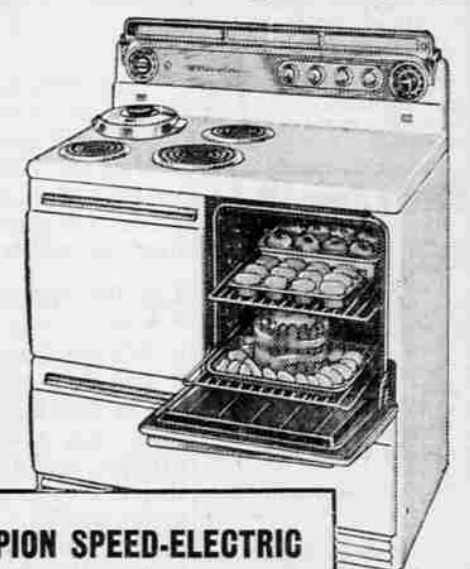
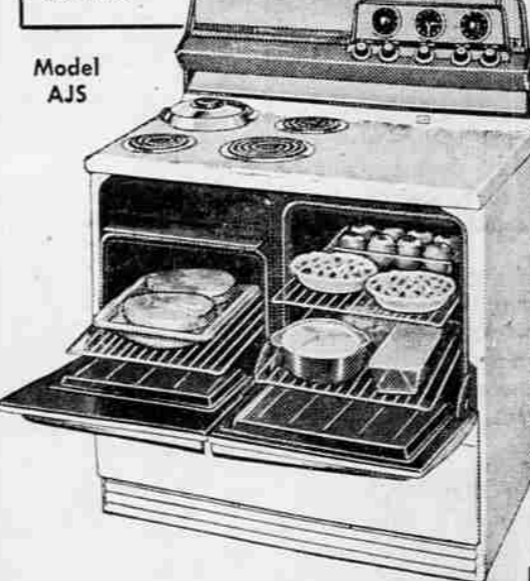
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