

## News About Books From the Library

Vice President Richard M. Nixon's goodwill tour of Africa, and the recently achieved independence of Ghana have focused attention on the "dark continent."

To enlighten Americans on the subject of Africa, the Medford Public Library has numerous books covering many aspects of this vast and varied land. The volumes include reports of travelers who have visited Africa, guidebooks which point up interesting features of the country, and books about the African people and their civilization.

One of the most comprehensive of the many books written by visitors from Europe and America is John Gunther's "Inside Africa." The book, which is a full report on Africa in the region of the previous "Inside" books, investigates social and political conditions on the African continent. Other on-the-scene reports include Stuart Cloete's "African Giant" and Reginald Reynolds' "Cairo to Cape Town." For the purpose of exchanging information and ideas about Africa experts from all over the world gathered, in 1954, at the School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, D.C. (A similar meeting is currently being held.) The resulting book,

"Africa Today," edited by Charles G. Haines, is the most up-to-date and comprehensive collection of material on Africa to be found in any single volume. The numerous problems of Africa—economic, political, social and cultural—are discussed also in "Africa's Challenge to America" by Chester Bowles, who outlines the part he believes American foreign policy should play in helping to solve them.

### Travel Guide

Both tourists and businessmen will find a useful travel guide in "McKay's Guide to Africa," prepared by Joseph Touchette. Travel in a most entertaining vein is described by Margaret Ryan in "African Hayride," telling of her tour from Cairo to Capetown in a specially built car.

The customs and ways of life of native African people are described in such books as Alan Paton's "Land and People of South Africa," Alyce Simpson's "Red Dust of Kenya," Eleanor Bowen's "Return to Laughter," and Andreas Laszlo's "Doctors, Drums and Dances." Anne Eisner Putnam describes eight years of adventures with Congo pigmies in "M. S. d. a. m. i.," and in "Leopard in My Lap," Michaela Denis gives an account of a photographic safari she made with her husband.

For a detailed history of Africa and its vanished civilizations read "African Glory; the Story of Vanished Negro Civilizations," by John Degrat-Johnson. The author, an African himself, presents the pageant of black Africa from the archaeological past to the self-government of the present.

Many accounts of animal-adventure in primitive African regions and many novels with African settings are also included in the library's collection. Any of them may be borrowed through any Jackson county branch agency.

### DIETS GOING TO DOGS

Hollywood — (U.P.) — High living that came with a fat film part has forced one movie celebrity to go on a diet. Spike, 113-pound mongrel, who plays the title role in "Old Yeller" gained 10 pounds after shooting began on the film and had his dogmeat ration cut so he would look the same throughout the picture.

## GOLD HILL Fire Starts From Gasoline

By MRS. CLYDE KELL  
Gold Hill—The Gold Hill volunteer firemen were called to the Waterhouse home on Fifth ave. at 9:15 p.m. Wednesday. The fire started when gasoline being poured from a five gallon container became ignited, while a chain power saw was being refilled in the workshop, which adjoins the house. The volunteers and others responding to the alarm included Floyd Lance; Vaughn Whitmore, president of the volunteers; Paul Thompson, fire chief; Clyde Kell, Ralph Cupp, Bill Force, Bill Dungey, Alva Cook, and city recorder Ferd Jones.

The regular firemen's meeting which was scheduled Wednesday was not held because of the attendance, according to Fire Chief Clyde Kell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sutton from southern California and a young Chinese man, Roland Hsu, were guests the past two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Throno, on Highway 99 north. Sutton is a brother-in-law of Throno. Roland Hsu, who graduated recently from Fresno State college, was sponsored by the Suttons to come to this country. His home is near Hong Kong.

Mrs. Throno, who is in charge of the school cafeteria at the Hanby school, said they had been enjoying good Chinese dinners prepared by their guest. During his visit with them, he served three complete Chinese dinners.

Newcomers to this community are Mr. and Mrs. Conney McQuerry and daughter, Tera Ann, who have bought to Howlett property on the Old Pacific high-

way south of Gold Hill. The McQuerrys came to southern Oregon from Stroud, Okla.

Mrs. Marvin Roland and her brother, Bernie Reames, of Stockton, Calif., spent several days here last week at the home of their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Saltee, on Old Pacific highway south of Gold Hill. Mrs. Roland is the former Francis Reames. The visitors also went to Rogue River, where they visited their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bowers, and family.

The March meeting of the Women's Society of the Community Methodist church was held at the home of Mrs. Erwin Hoffman on Pacific Highway 99, north. The devotions were led by Mrs. Ferd Jones and Mrs. Melvin Burnett following the dessert luncheon at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Edith Keyte of Grants Pass presented the program which was about the work that is being done for mentally retarded children. A display of handicraft was shown. All items were made by retarded children at the Fairview home.

Mrs. Jones, president of the group, conducted the business session at which time plans were started for a subdistrict meeting at the church March 27. Mrs. Paul Molloy is chairman of group one, the group will be in charge of the luncheon at the district meeting.

The hostess used an Oriental arrangement which represented man, earth, and heaven.

The hostess was assisted by Mrs. Arthur Boye in serving the dessert luncheon to 16 members

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

If you fancy yourself a solver of puzzles, you might try your hand on this brief dispatch—which, as this is written, has just clicked off the teletype:

Egypt has put aside her hostility to the United Nations emergency forces in the Gaza strip and has promised FULL COOPERATION with these forces.

Meantime, Israel is continuing to press her diplomatic drive against Egyptian entry into the Gaza area.

But—An Israeli source in Jerusalem says Israel does NOT plan any military intervention in Gaza at this time.

HAS the millennium arrived? Is the lamb ready to lie down beside the lion? Is the world preparing to beat its swords into plowshares?

I'M AFRAID not.

What we must remember, if all this conflicting news is to make any sense to us at all, is that this Middle East problem is still in the NEGOTIATING stage. Both sides are trying to find out where they are. Each is seeking all the advantages it can get.

From time to time, both sides run bluffs in an effort to find out how far it is safe to go in a certain direction. Each side wants to know how much the other side will stand for.

ALL this is a normal and natural part of the process of negotiation.

As to what will come of it all, we can only wait and see.

HERE'S one for the book:

Testifying before a house agriculture subcommittee in Washington, Cecil Collette of Casa Grande, Ariz., representing the growers of Arizona extra-long staple cotton, asked for a law to keep supports for this type of cotton DOWN TO 75 PER CENT OF PARITY. He explained that if congress doesn't act to prevent it, supports for extra-long staple cotton may be pushed up to 90 per cent of parity this year under the flexible support program.

He told the subcommittee that farmers who grow this type of cotton WANT TO KEEP PRICES DOWN SO THEY CAN KEEP THEIR SALES HIGH.

WHY this startling proposal?

It's like this: These Arizona growers of extra-long staple cotton have been keeping their eyes open. This is what they have been seeing: For years their beautifully cultivated fields, irrigated with water pumped out of the underground reservoirs that may have taken thousands of years to fill up have been producing some of the finest cotton in the world. This cotton OUGHT to go immediately into the channels of trade—for cotton is a crop and the business of crops is to be consumed.

Instead it has been going into storage warehouses and somebody else—the Egyptians, among others—has been SELLING THE COTTON.

TO THESE Arizona cotton growers, that just doesn't seem to make sense.

It doesn't make much sense to anybody.

### Health Association

#### Program Is Scheduled

Cause, spread and symptoms of infectious hepatitis will be discussed over KBES-TV at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 17, on a program sponsored by the Jackson County Public Health association.

Dr. A. Erin Merkel, public health officer; Miss Frances Clink, supervisor of the public health nurses; and Orrie Moore, county sanitarian; will describe phases of the disease during a panel discussion. Mrs. Ivan Burton, of the public health association, will be moderator, for the program.

### STOLEN WINE FOUND

INTACT  
Newark — (U.P.) — Police decided Friday the thief who high-jacked a truck and its cargo Thursday must have been "on the wagon" at the time. The truck and its \$2,000 load of wine were discovered five blocks from the scene of the theft. The wine had not been touched.

and two guests from Grants Pass.

Mrs. Melvin Burnett and Mrs. Alford Bailey were the co-hostesses helping Mrs. J. G. Kofahl at the March meeting of the Gold Hill Health unit. Not Mrs. Melvin Bailey as mentioned in the news of the Health Unit last week.

Production of a ton of pig iron requires slightly more than a ton of coal.

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## Hungarians to Return To Native Land

Portland—(U.P.) — Four Hungarian refugees who came to Oregon after they fled their homeland will be flown to Newark, N.J., Monday on the first leg of their trip back to Hungary.

The four had requested permission to return to their homeland after receiving letters from friends and relatives pleading with them to return.

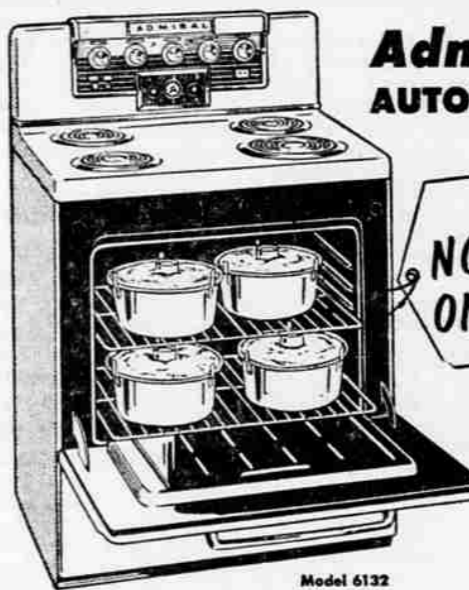
Immigration authorities said that two other refugees who came to Oregon earlier and since expressed a desire to return to Hungary, have now changed their minds and decided to stay in Oregon.

The Immigration Service here said that the four refugees returning to Hungary will be returned at government expense.

CATS CAUSE JAIL TERM  
Van Nuys, Calif.—(U.P.)—The judge gave violinist Glen Mitchell, 50, two days in jail for each of the cats he failed to get rid of when ordered to do so by the court. Mitchell had 15 cats.

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