

Locals

Meeting Set — The plasterers and cement finishers, local 134, will meet at the Labor temple Tuesday, March 26, at 8 p.m.

Purchases Home — Mrs. Nina Chandler has purchased the Hillis home, 532 Plum st., Medford. Her home at 917 Newtown ave., has been leased to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Taylor, and daughter, Linda.

Theft — Richard J. Hans, 113 Laurel st., Medford, reported to city police Thursday the theft of a spare tire and wheel from a car while it was parked in a South Central ave. parking lot. Value of the articles was \$10, police said.

Check Returned — Donald Bruce Driscoll, 13B Newtown st., reported to city police Friday that he had cashed a \$15 check for another person and the check was returned marked "unable to locate." The name James G. Smith Jr., 432 East Second st., was signed to the check, according to the report.

Association to Meet — The regular monthly meeting of the Medford chapter, National Office Managers association will be held at the Medford hotel Monday, March 25. Social hour will start at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be at 7 p.m. Subject for the evening will be local advertising.

Billfold Taken — Hope T. Paxton, 103 1/2 Jackson st., reported to the sheriff's office Friday that a billfold belonging to her son, Eddie R. Paxton, 17, was taken while he was in a physical education class at Jacksonville High school. The billfold reportedly contained \$22 in cash. Deposits and school officials are investigating the case.

Subaru Taken — William Thomas McIntyre, 1511 Crown ave., reported to city police Saturday that a hubcap was taken from his car while it was parked in the driveway at his residence. Charles William Mathey, 38 North Oakdale ave., reported Monday that two hubcaps were taken from a car owned by Parsons Motors while the car was parked at 315 East Fifth st.

Wilderness — Tom Williams, superintendent of Crater Lake National park, returned to Medford this week after attending a semi-annual wilderness conference in San Francisco. The conference was attended by about 400 national park service, bureau of land management and forest rangers officials who discussed methods of preserving and administering wilderness areas, Williams said.

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Obituaries

SAMUEL GRAFT
Ashland — Samuel Calvin Graft, 73, 54 1/2 Iowa st., Ashland, died at a local hospital Saturday morning.

Mr. Graft was born in Lafayette, Ind., Sept. 28, 1883. He and his wife, Mary, resided in Ashland for the past 14 years. His wife died, Feb. 22, 1937. Mr. Graft was a member of the Eagles lodge, Medford.

Survivors include two sons, Eugene Graft, Eugene, and George A. Graft, Denton, Mont.; and four daughters, Mrs. Bert Roberts, Ashland; Mrs. Victor Jensen, in Germany; Mrs. Bernard Henderson, Noxon, Mont.; and Mrs. Philip Boomer, Concord, Calif.

Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. Monday at Mountain View cemetery, Ashland. There will be no chapel services. The Rev. Wendell Herbison, pastor of the Church of Christ, Ashland, will officiate. Litviller's funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT CHET ELWOOD
Robert Chet Elwood, 66, died Saturday morning in a local hospital. Perl Funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

GUY STONE
Guy Stone, 80, of 1935 Jerome Prairie rd., Grants Pass, died in Jacksonville, Saturday, March 23. Funeral arrangements are pending at Perl Funeral home.

Hubcap Missing — Robert C. Lake, 1700 Prune st., Medford reported to Sheriff Howard Gault Friday the theft or loss of a hubcap from his vehicle.

Rummage Sale — The University of Oregon Mothers club will hold a rummage sale between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, at the Fehi building, 106 North Ivy st., Medford. Proceeds will be used for the club's scholarship fund.

Knights of Pythias Speaking Contest Set This Week

Knights of Pythias will meet in the Pythian building, Fifth and Grape sts., Monday at 8 p.m., to complete plans for their 1937 public speaking contest, according to Don Lacy, contest chairman.

The contest will be held Thursday, March 28, at 8 p.m. in the Crater High school cafeteria. Student speakers from high schools in Ashland, Talent, Phoenix, Jacksonville, Medford, Central Point and Eagle Point will compete. Winners of the county contest will compete in elimination contests with winners in the six west coast states. International finals will be held Aug. 11 at the Imperial Palace convention in Memphis, Tenn.

Topic this year is "Youth Looks at the Future." Scholarship prizes totaling \$3,500 will be awarded. First place winner will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. Any interested high school students may secure contest information from their teachers or from Lacy, box 807, Central Point, chairman of the Knights of Pythias for Jackson county.

Lewis Bright, 1934 graduate of Medford High school, was one of the Pythian public speaking winners and is now majoring in public speaking at Willamette university. Last year's winner was Bill Frake, now a senior at Medford High school.

Two Portlanders Killed In Accidents Friday

Portland — (U.P.) — Mrs. Ada Dockery, 81, died in a Portland hospital six hours after she was struck by a car driven by an off-duty Portland police officer.

Mrs. Dockery was the second accident victim in the city Friday. George D. Lynde, 21, was fatally injured in a collision on Northwest Union ave.

Police said Mrs. Dockery was struck as she got out of a bus by a car driven by Roy Beach Moore, 43.

WEATHER
By United Press
Northern California: Increasing cloudiness in the north Sunday.

Committee Considers School District Bill

Salem — (U.P.) — The joint ways and means committee Saturday had before it the distressed school district bill, one of several important pieces of school legislation before the Oregon legislature.

House Education Committee Chairman Joe Rogers, Independent Democrat, said the bill provides \$7 million to aid building programs in distressed districts. Before the bill was turned over to the ways and means committee by the House Education committee Friday, it was amended so that the \$7 million would come from the basic school support fund rather than the general fund of the state.

New Formula
A new formula for determining degrees of need in distressed districts was also added to the bill. Previously, if any district was declared distressed it would have received money on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Education Committee member Keith Skelton, Eugene Democrat, said the need of distressed school districts would be determined quarterly on the basis of the new arithmetic formula.

Skelton pointed out that the bill recognizes the concept of federal aid to education in a section which states that when and if federal aid to education is available, Oregon will take advantage of it.

Other legislative highlights Friday: **Astoria Bridge**: The joint ways and means committee recommended favorably on a bill appropriating \$100,000 for preliminary surveys and plans for the proposed Astoria bridge across the Columbia river.

The estimated \$39 million cost of the bridge would be borne equally by Oregon and Washington.

Delinquents: Also approved by ways and means was \$25,000 for a statewide investigation of juvenile delinquency by a legislative interim committee.

Weighmasters: A bill establishing the authority of weighmasters to weigh and measure trucks passed the House and was sent to the Senate.

Murphy's Family Awarded \$50,000 For Pilot's Death

Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic — (U.P.) — The estate of a man the Dominican Republic claims killed American freelance pilot Gerald Murphy has agreed to pay Murphy's family \$50,000 indemnity.

The Dominican government of General Rafael Trujillo says Murphy was killed by a fellow pilot, Octavio de la Maza, Rep. Charles O. Porter, American congressman from Oregon, has charged, however, that Murphy was killed by the Dominican government because he knew too much about the disappearance of Jesus Mario de Galindez, an anti-Trujillo professor at Columbia university in New York.

Robert D. Abrahams, of Philadelphia, an attorney for the Murphy family, said a brother of de la Maza has handed him \$50,000 for delivery to Murphy's family. Abrahams said he and Dominican Counsel Hernan Cruz Ayala started court proceedings on behalf of the Murphy family Feb. 18.

Directed to Pay
Abrahams said the Dominican courts directed the de la Maza estate to pay a \$50,000 indemnity for the death of Murphy.

In Washington, a state department spokesman said the United States is maintaining its position that it does not accept the Dominican government's version of the death of Murphy.

A week ago the state department handed Dominican Ambassador Josquin E. Salazar a note stating the U.S. handwriting experts purportedly written by de la Maza and confessing the murder of Murphy, was not in the handwriting of de la Maza.

De la Maza was found hanged in his jail cell in Ciudad Trujillo last December, according to Dominican authorities who said he left a suicide note confessing the murder of Murphy.

Algiers, Algeria — (U.P.) — Nationalist rebels have killed 2,212 civilians in the Algiers region since the anti-French insurrection started Nov. 1, 1954. French officials reported Saturday.

Of the 2,212 victims, 432 were Europeans, the officials said. There were 1,782 wounded, including 855 Europeans.

News About Servicemen

IN EXERCISE

Marine Pfc Calvin R. Dalton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Dalton, 1900 Spring st., Medford, landed on the Philippine island of Luzon March 25 with the third Marine division in the largest ship-to-shore operation held in the Far East since World War II, according to Marine officials.

AIRMAN OF MONTH

Vincent G. Swinney, airman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Swinney, 1478 Spring st., Medford, has been selected airman of the month for his squadron.

Swinney, an instructor in survival training, is stationed at Stead Air Force base, Reno, Nev. Prior to enlisting in the Air Force, he was graduated from Medford High school and attended Southern Oregon college.

IN JAPAN

Marine Pfc Stanley W. Merrill, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Merrill, 211 North Peach st., Medford, is serving with Marine Fighter Squadron 334 of the Marine aircraft group 2 at the Naval Air station, Atsugi, Japan.

DUE IN SAN DIEGO

Two Jackson county men are scheduled to arrive at San Diego Monday, March 25, aboard the seaplane tender USS Curtiss from the Antarctic.

They are Robert A. Vinzant, damage controlman third class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer A. Vinzant, 848 Stewart ave., Medford, and George E. Kile, electronics technician second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Kile, route 1, box 12A, Rogue River.

The Curtiss was one of 12 Navy and Coast Guard ships supporting the International Geophysical Year program in Antarctica this year.

ON LEAVE

Robert Bray, machinist's mate second class, is spending a 30-day leave with his father, Dr. J. P. Bray, of Lozier lane.

Bray, who has spent the last two years in Japan, will report to Port Hueneke, Calif., for duty. He is a graduate of Medford High school.

AIRMAN OF MONTH

Airman Keith D. Herdman, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Herdman, 1021 North Central ave., Medford, has been chosen from 300 men to represent the 92nd air police squadron as airman of the month at Fairchild Air Force base, Fairchild, Wash.

Airman Herdman is a graduate of Medford High school.

WITH SQUADRON

Edmond D. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davis, 12 Kenwood dr., Medford, is now stationed with the Air Rescue Squadron in the Auzores with the U. S. Air Force.

Davis, who recently spent 30-days leave in Oregon visiting relatives, is an airman first class. He is serving his second enlistment in that branch of the service.

Mrs. Davis, the former Miss Dolores Mercer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mecer of Gold Hill, is living with her parents pending arrangements for her to join her husband. The couple have one son, David.

VISITS FATHER

LeRoy Makinson, son of B. B. Makinson of Prospect, visited his father last week while en route from Castle Air Force base near Merced, Calif., to Seattle.

Makinson, who is an airman first class in the Air Force, will attend a special training school at Boeing aircraft factory.

PROMOTED

Patrick W. Mahoney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mahoney of Happy Valley rd., Medford, recently was promoted to specialist third class with the Army in Bad Nauheim, Germany.

Mahoney is married to the former Miss Jean Brock, daughter of Mrs. Lucile Brock, Medford. They have one daughter, who was born in Germany. Both Mahoney and his wife attended local schools.

While in Germany, they plan visits to Holland and Switzerland. They visited in Paris earlier this month.

South America's smallest republic is Uruguay.

News Briefs

FIRE CAUSE

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Chief William Murray of the San Francisco fire department said Saturday he knew of no fire, with one possible exception, that occurred Friday where the cause could be blamed directly on the earthquake or aftershocks.

The exception, he said, occurred at the Lowell High school where the tumbler shook chemicals from laboratory shelves and caused a small blaze.

KASPER RELEASED

Knoxville, Tenn. — (U.P.) — White supremacy leader John Kasper, twice charged with helping stir up racial strife at Clinton, Tenn., was released under \$7,500 bond Saturday after promising he would cause "no inconvenience" if granted liberty.

Kasper went before Federal Judge Robert L. Taylor after spending the night in Knox county jail. He was arrested Friday at nearby Clinton while paying his respects to the wife of a dead associate.

HEARINGS SCHEDULED

Washington — (U.P.) — Chairman James Roosevelt (D-Calif.) of a House small business subcommittee has announced a series of public hearings across the country to investigate "predatory and unfair" business practices of fuel oil and gasoline suppliers.

He made the announcement Friday after concluding two days of informal discussions between sub-committee members and representatives of petroleum marketers, retailers and trade associations.

HOTEL DESTROYED

Elkton, Nev. — (U.P.) — The three-story Stockmen's hotel, one of three major hostilities in this eastern Nevada city, was leveled by fire Friday night in the worst blaze in the city history. Damage was estimated at \$1,250,000.

There were no injuries, although the hotel was crowded at the time.

Manager Dick Toothman said the blaze broke out in the hotel's kitchen behind an oil range about 8:30 p.m.

'PROBABLE CAUSE'

Washington — (U.P.) — The Civil Aeronautics board says the "probable cause" of a 1955 airliner crash in Wyoming, that killed 83 persons was the pilot's still unexplained departure from his route.

The United Air Lines plane smashed into a Wyoming mountain peak on Oct. 6, 1955, killing all aboard.

QUINTS DIE

Rosendaal, Holland — (U.P.) — Quintuplets were born prematurely here Saturday to a 28-year-old Dutch housewife, but all of the babies died within six hours.

The quint, three boys and two girls, were born to Mrs. Cor-

nelia van Hassel-Heynen. The mother was reported to be in good condition.

CLAIMS RECORD

Sanford, Fla. — (U.P.) — The Navy claimed a new unofficial speed record Saturday on the flight of a sleek twin-jet Skywarrior from California to Florida at an average speed of more than 641 miles an hour.

A Navy A3D flew from Burbank International airport, Calif., to a "timing point" over Miami in 3 hours, 39 minutes and 24 seconds Friday.

Nyssa Police Officer Arraigned in Court

Vale — (U.P.) — Martin Rich, 39, Nyssa police officer, was arraigned in district court here Friday on an indictment charging him with assault with a dangerous weapon.

Rich was accused of shooting and wounding George Espinoza March 10 in Nyssa, claiming the man was resisting arrest.

Judge M. A. Biggs set March 25 as date for entering a plea. At a special city council meeting in Nyssa Friday night councilmen voted to stand by Rich by offering him legal counsel.

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