

Residents Become Citizens

By MRS. CLYDE KELL
Gold Hill — Walter and Ivy Doherty, both of United States citizenship Wednesday in Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Doherty met with both were attending Avondale college, New South Wales, Australia.

Following their marriage they lived in Australia for some time before going to New Zealand, where they lived for two years. He is formerly from Napier, New Zealand. Mrs. Doherty is from Australia.

Doherty attended school two years at the Pacific Union college near St. Helena, Calif., where he studied Biblical languages and received his Bachelor's Degree at Walla Walla college, in College Place, Washington.

Mrs. Doherty majored in music while attending college. She writes short stories for young people's and children's magazines, is associate organist and assistant Sabbath school superintendent at Medford's Seventh-Day Adventist church. Mrs. Doherty was recently installed vice-president of the Gold Hill PTA.

The Dohertys are the parents of three children, John, 13 years of age was born in Australia, seven year old Graham was born in California and their nine year old daughter, Charlene, was born in New Zealand. After they become citizens, Mr. and Mrs. Doherty plan to start procedure of obtaining the two youngest's citizenship, according to Mrs. Doherty.

The Dohertys live on the Upper River road. He is a stone mason contractor.

A Court of Honor meeting was held the evening of May 21 in the Scout hall. Several boys received advancements at this time.

Eugene Fisher presented tenderloin pins to Jimmie Arnold and Earl White.

Second class pins were presented by Mike Taylor to Gregory Appin, Ronnie Beman, John Elliott, Ogden Kellogg, Wayne Olson, Johnny Price, and Arlin White.

Those qualifying for their first class pins were Albert Harrison, Kerry Koopman, David Molloy, Danny Richardson, and Tommy Richardson. Vaughn Whitmore made the first class presentations.

Jim Coward, Scoutmaster, presented the star pin to Willard Waterhouse. Assistant Scoutmaster, Ray Dusenberry presented eight merit badges to Charles Johnson, one to Howard Mauer, two to Donald Fisher, one to Kerry Koopman and three to Willard Waterhouse.

Over 50 parents and friends attended the Court of Honor. Refreshments of cake and coffee and hot chocolate were served following the presentation of the awards. Parents of scout troop 43 furnished the refreshments.

Scout meetings are held each Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Scout hall.

It has been announced that Charles Johnson and Richard Hammersley have qualified for their Eagle award. They will appear before the board of review in Medford soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Maerz and family have moved into Ray Davis house on Fourth avenue.

Mrs. Chauncey Page, who was chairman for the recent buddy poppy sale May 24 and 25, stated that the VFW Post 7416 and Auxiliary appreciated the contributions received from the local people and the business places in the Gold Hill area. Mike Taylor, of the VFW Post, was chairman for these sales.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Page, Mrs. Walter McLean and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kamping went to the Pomona Grange meeting at Central Point Saturday evening, where Chauncey Page received the initiation for the fifth degree into the Pomona. Mrs. McLean is Ceres at Pomona and Herman Kamping holds the office of Gatekeeper at Pomona.

A board of review meeting was held in the scout hall the evening of May 18, for scouts of troop 43.

Those on the board were Raymond Dusenberry, assistant scoutmaster, two committeemen, Mike Taylor and the Rev. Thomas White and Vaughn Whitmore, who is the institutional representative.

Curtis Payne left this week for Cardston, Alberta, Canada, where he will spend a two week's vacation visiting relatives and friends. Curtis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Payne, Old Stage road. The Payne family are former residents of Cardston.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowen have returned from a visit with her mother at Powers, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bowen, who have been living at White Sands, N.M., arrived for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowen, while the Bowens were at Powers. Jerry left for Greenland, where he will be stationed. His wife will remain with his parents.

Grazing District Fire Prevention Plans Set

Vale — Bureau of Land Management officials here said Friday that plans were complete for fire protection in the Vale-Jordan valley grazing district for the 1957 fire season.

The announcement said the real fire danger appeared to be in the low country on both sides of the Malheur river between Ontario and Dunesey. The officials said grass in the area was heavier this year than in many previous seasons.

The BLM said a radio network had been set up to combat the fire hazard.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems last have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counsels.

Cora D. — I want to adopt a child to be a friend to Helen.

Eugene D. — Why look for trouble?

Cora D. — My husband and I have a 4-year-old daughter who was born with a physical handicap that cannot be remedied. We had hoped to have a large family, but recently learned we will be unable to have any more children of our own.

I feel it is terrible that our little daughter will have no sisters or brothers and I want to adopt a child or take in foster children. After all, our daughter Helen will have a hard time getting along with other children because of her handicap. She needs companionship and it is our responsibility to see that she has friends.

My husband doesn't see it my way at all. I don't know how to bring him around to the right point of view.

Eugene D. — As I see it, we are in luck that we can't have any more children. Now we can devote ourselves entirely to Helen. She needs all our care.

My financial outlook is not too good. If we have no other children, we can send Helen to private schools, special camps and give her the best of everything. She won't have to worry about having friends if she has all these special advantages.

Helen is still too young to understand her own tragedy. She is bright and friendly and manages to get around well enough right now with children of her own age. But I am afraid that when there is another child or children in the household, she will become more aware of how different she is from others. Why look for trouble?

The Council: The question Cora and Eugene pose is: Which would be better for our handicapped daughter—a brother or sister or private schools and other special advantages?

The answer is that it is impossible to predict this. Helen may gain from either or both.

Feature Indicates Medford School System 'Excellent'

How does the Medford school system rate in comparison to others throughout the nation?

This question was asked by a Mail Tribune reader last week, who had read a feature article in the Family Weekly supplement to the Sunday Mail Tribune of May 26. The article gave a series of criteria for judging a school system.

The reader suggested that Medford's schools be rated on the questions given in the article. This has been done, and Medford shows up as "excellent."

Total possible points from the quiz are 36, or 3 points per question, with Medford schools making 31.

Divisions in the article and Medford's results for each follow: Average expenditure per year per child, more than \$300, three points; students per teacher, between 25 and 30, two points; pay for teachers, more than \$4,200, three points; average students per elementary school, more than 300, two points.

High School Enrollment: Average high school enrollment, between 300 and 1,000 three points (Medford high school will surpass 1,000 next year, however); number of teachers per child holding doctor's or master's degree, between 10 and 30 per cent, two points; number of teachers per school with "emergency certificate," less than 10 per cent, three points; number of high school students who drop out before graduation, less than half, three points; percentage of high school graduates who go on to college, 30 to 40 per cent, two points.

Special services, special instruction for speech and other basic deficiencies, and psychiatric counseling, all three, three points; physical education programs, regular instruction plus interscholastic and intramural athletic competition, three points; playground facilities, between two and five acres playground per school, two points.

Answers to the quiz are based on a national survey taken by the White House Conference on Education.

Medford Man Found Innocent of Charge

Roy Reynolds, 36, of North Fir st., was found innocent by circuit court jury Wednesday of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Reynolds was arrested by city police on Jan. 15. In municipal court, he was found guilty of the charge and fined \$100. Through his attorney, O. H. Bengston, Reynolds appealed the case to circuit court. The trial started Tuesday.

About 4,000 persons in this U.S. die each year of malaria.

Many Constellations Appear During Summer Months

By PAY BENTLEY

"The sky was clear last night but I couldn't find any constellations that I knew," recently remarked a student who had done excellent work in astronomy during the weeks of winter. "I sure miss the stars," she added wistfully.

Perhaps others have had a similar experience. The brilliant winter star pictures that adorned the heavens for so many weeks disappeared during the succession of cloudy spring evenings and now the celestial sphere seems unfamiliar. However, many beautiful and interesting constellations that will remain with us throughout the summer months are now observable.

Brightest Star

Vega, brightest star in Lyra the Harp, twinkles daily on the northeastern horizon by 8 p.m. This giant sun shining like a blue diamond on the western edge of the Milky Way is the most brilliant star in this section of the sky and fourth brightest in all the heavens.

During the summer time, Vega L, the brightest star visible from mid-northern latitudes, Sirius, brightest of all the stars shines during the winter months and the other two exceeding Vega in magnitude are stars of the southern hemisphere.

To Be Pole Star

It is interesting to note that our sun is traveling through space in the general direction of Vega. Due to a slight wobbling of the earth as it spins on its axis, Vega will be the pole star or North Star in the year 14,000 A.D.

Besides the bluish white Vega,

Lyra the Harp contains five fainter stars, that form a parallelogram and an equilateral triangle joined. While easily recognized by its peculiar formation, this star group bears no resemblance to a harp as we know it.

Legend says that Mercury made the first lyre by piercing a turtle shell and adding strings, thus forming a sound box out of the shell. The ancient Greek word for turtle also means lyre, so this constellation was probably first thought of as a turtle.

The music played by Orpheus, greatest of mortal musicians, was so enchanting that no living thing could resist it. Even the rocks moved and rivers changed their courses when strains of his harp were heard.

Bride Dies

Shortly after the wedding, Eurydice, the beautiful bride of Orpheus, died from the sting of a serpent. In grief and loneliness, Orpheus decided to visit the realm of Pluto and ask for his wife's return.

Though mortals were forbidden to cross the River Styx, Orpheus played such wonderful music upon his harp that those who should have barred his way allowed him to enter the presence of Pluto, king of the underworld. According to the ancient poet, the voice and harp of Orpheus.

"Drew iron tears down

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Pluto's cheek.
And made Hell grant what
Love did seek."

Eurydice was allowed to follow Orpheus on one condition; he would not look back at her until they had reached the outer world. All went well until Orpheus, reaching the light first, turned and glanced at his wife who was still in the cavern. Instantly she slipped back into the darkness.

Tried To Follow

Although the young husband tried desperately to follow her he was not allowed to enter the land of the dead a second time. From that moment the disconsolate Orpheus wandered through the land of Thrace trying to soothe his grief by playing upon his harp.

When his sad life ended, Jupiter, in memory of the great musician and his deep love for Eurydice, placed his harp among the constellations.

Low In Northeast

By 8 p.m. Vega may be observed low in the northeast. It is the only brilliant star in that region of the sky. The fainter stars forming the parallelogram and equilateral triangle of this small constellation lie very near the sparkling Vega.

Vega is most beautiful when

Michigan Family Top Traps Shooters

Stanton, Mich. — The Lillys of Stanton are one of the world's top trapshooting families. Ned Lilly, a lumber dealer, has been listed on 14 All-American trapshooting teams named by a sporting magazine. He won his first trapshooting title in 1932.

His father, Dr. J. S. Lilly, was a highly rated shooter for many years.

Lilly's son, John, 15, already has shot competitively and Daniel, 7, has just received his introduction to the sport.

The cantaloupe was first grown in southern Asia.

Low on the horizon, but the rest of this star picture is not easily observed until it has climbed higher up the "hills of heaven."

Lyra the Harp will travel westward across the starry dome during the months of summer and autumn and will not disappear beneath the western horizon until sometime in the early part of December.

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ASK THE MAN WHO KNOWS THE ANSWERS

CHARLES VAN DOREN

Explains why U. S. Savings Bonds are even better investments now than ever before.

Q: What two new benefits have been added to the U. S. Savings Bonds Program during 1957?

Mr. Van Doren: Every Series E Savings Bond bought since February 1, 1957, pays a new, higher interest — 3 1/4% when held to maturity. It also reaches maturity faster—in only 8 years and 11 months.

Q: What should every Bond owner do about his older Savings Bonds?

Mr. Van Doren: Just hold onto them. The rate of interest a Savings Bond pays increases with each year an owner holds it, until maturity. Therefore, the best idea is to buy the new—and hold the old.

Q: Why are Savings Bonds better than cash?

Mr. Van Doren: Because cash lost, stolen or destroyed is gone forever. But the U. S. Treasury will replace Savings Bonds, including interest earned, without cost to you.

Q: What is the average investment in U. S. Savings Bonds per Bond owner?

Mr. Van Doren: \$100? \$500? \$1000? Over 40,000,000 Americans now own more than \$41,000,000,000 worth of Series E and H Savings Bonds—with an average investment of more than \$1,000 per Bond owner.

Q: What is the safest and surest way for a U. S. citizen to guarantee his own and his country's future financial security?

Mr. Van Doren: By investing regularly in U. S. Savings Bonds—either on the Payroll Savings Plan where he works or by regular Bond purchases at his bank.

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