

Busy Spring Army Of Stockholders

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New York — It looks like a busy spring for America's army of stockholders. The Stock Exchange notes that the shareownership story is big news, affecting the daily life of every American. These include the 13,700,000 employees of stock exchange listed corporations; upwards of 8,630,000 American stockholders of 1,100 companies, an addition of 110 million people whose savings and insurance funds are channeled into stock investments by financial institutions, and the 19 million American families who want to know more about how to own their share of American business.

Noble Effort
The corporations as in other years are trying to get their shareowners to read their reports. They are printing them in color on good paper with illustrations and graphs to make them more understandable. It's a good bet the reports of the companies which have cut or eliminated the dividends will get a reading. And it's also a good bet that the stockholders of these companies are planning to attend their company's meeting to do some shouting about the dividend actions. There'll be lots of excitement at many a meeting that has been a tame one in recent years when earnings were good and dividends high.

The Hollywood Scene

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Hollywood — Eva Marie Saint, an Oscar winner who twice showed disdain for parts "where the girl just sits around in color looking pretty," today might be willing to do just that. This situation should not be interpreted to mean the fresh-faced, talented actress hopes to nudge Jayne Mansfield out of the picture with one shake of her long blonde hair.

"But I would like to do something a little lighter for a change," she said, "something where I don't cry." The tall, slender young woman may have had reference to her latest movie, "A Hatful of Rain," where her tears could make it a pair of gold statues on her mantle. Miss Saint received an Academy Award as best supporting actress in 1954 for her role opposite Marlon Brando in "On the Waterfront."

GERMANS GET NIKE
Duesseldorf, Germany — The West German armed forces announced today that the U.S. Nike air defense missile bases will be built in this Rhine-Ruhr industrial area. The announcement said the Nikes would not be equipped with nuclear warheads. They are to be operated by the Germans as part of their fighter and conventional anti-aircraft defense system.

TWO INJURED
Paris — Two Americans were in the hospital today with broken legs suffered when an ascending elevator faltered and plunged two stories to the ground floor at U. S. Air Force Headquarters. Injured in the mishap Thursday were Air Force Major Edward Gladue, 46, of Watertown, Mass., and Mare Suma, 45, a civilian, of Scranton, Pa.

COURT RECORDS

MUNICIPAL COURT
Donald Edmond Vay, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Mildred Emma Richmond, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Leo William Daniels, excessive noise, \$10.
Russell Everett Vakoc, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Gaylon Lee Diederich, improper lane usage, \$5.
Royal Dean Sapp, failure to yield the right-of-way, \$10.
Mildred E. Pyle, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Alfred L. Ricchi, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Lawrence Edward Mullarkey, violation of basic rule, \$10.
R. Mead Cooley, failure to maintain proper lookout, \$10.
Clinton Carl Neeley, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Pauline C. Hoyt, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Marvin Lorraine Stevens, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Daniel Thomas Cobb, reckless driving, \$25.
Arthur Alvin Gueches, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Thomas Hayden Wingert, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.

DISTRICT COURT
Ralph Eugene Rutherford, failure to operate right side of highway, \$10.
Virgil Bill Trammell, no tail light, \$6.
Alfred A. Pettitt, violation basic rule, \$15.
Billie J. Thompson, failure to dim lights, \$10.
Mildred F. Buck, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Vernon G. Ludwig, passing with insufficient clearance, \$10.
Harry Sumner Note, insufficient binders, \$15.
Jessie L. Glash, violation basic rule, \$15, bail.

CIRCUIT COURT
Nora O'Leary Brabbin vs. David B. Brabbin, divorce decree.
Michael Larry Athanas vs. Edith Faye Athanas, divorce complaint.

Speech Meeting Starts Today at Southern Oregon

Ashland — One hundred and ten Medford and Ashland business and professional people will serve as critics at the ninth annual invitational high school speech conference at Southern Oregon college today and Saturday.

According to Leon Mulling, associate professor of speech and originator of the conference, the speech convention is the only one on the Pacific coast in which so many professional people serve as critics. In speech contests on other campuses, students usually serve as judges.

Medford Participates
Medford townpeople who will participate are Bernard Kelly, Mary Kelly, Jim Dunlevy, Clayton Lewis, Jeanette Marshall, Kent Blackhurst, Richard Henselman, Regina Hannon, Ronald Hartley, Celia Walker, Stanley Jones, Virginia Floyd, William Deatherage, Dewey Wilson, Robert Dames, Darrell Huson, Russ Jamison, O. H. Bengtson, Isaac McCarley, John Delenbach, William Duhaime, Ervin Hogan, Donald Hansen, and Adam Richter.

Ashland townpeople who will participate are Harry Skerry, John Cotton, Virginia Cotton, Kitty Ingle, Dave Hill, Ralph Wood, Archie Bogert, Mildred Vest, Archie Fries, Iona Taylor, Arlene Miller, Moore Hamilton, Dr. Vern Blue, R. W. Voris, Dr. R. L. Burdick, Dr. Robert Burdick, Dr. Beverly Cope, Ben Lombard, Edna Andres, Carolyn Stevenson, Frances Silver, Dr. Wayne Wells.

Faculty of Southern Oregon college and Lincoln school complete the roster of critics.

Townpeople are invited to attend all sessions of the conference.

LOST ARTS
London — Lord Winster, in urging more "Backwoods Lords" to attend the House of Peers although it has little legislative power, Thursday defined a "backwoods peer" thus: A man who knows "how to kill a fox, get rid of a bad tenant, and discard an unwanted mistress."

The arable land of the earth comprises only about four per cent of its surface.

Background Material Is Available for Decisions

Salem — Oregonians participating in "Great Decisions... 1958" to study crucial foreign policy issues faced by this country will have a large supply of background material for small informal discussion groups, Mrs. Mabel Mack, assistant director of Oregon State college extension service, and state chairman of the program, said.

The program starts the week of Feb. 2 and runs for eight weeks to help build informed public opinion on world affairs through study and group discussion.

Twenty-nine Oregon counties have formed Great Decisions councils to help organize urban and rural discussion groups, and other counties will participate on a more limited basis, Mrs. Mack said.

Information on organizing groups and obtaining discussion materials may be obtained from local county extension agents. Persons in the Medford area may obtain fact sheets from the Medford Public library.

Newspapers, radios, and television stations will play key roles in bringing information on the eight issues, Mrs. Mack stated.

MORSE ACCUSES
New York — Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) charged the Republicans Thursday night with keeping the people in the dark on foreign policy. Morse, speaking at a Young Democrats meeting, said the administration has failed to make the issues clear and to keep the people informed.

Some of NYC's Central Park Charm Rubbed Out by Criminal Activity

New York — Crime has rubbed out some of the romance and charm from New York City's Central Park. The 842-acre park has, since the war, acquired a deep-rooted reputation as a hangout for muggers, rapists, homosexuals and vandals. It has been called a "fortress of fear."

This skidding reputation is enhanced whenever an incident occurs such as the Jan. 20 stabbing — in broad daylight — of a United Nations secretary who was strolling in the park. Last September, Nepal's U.N. ambassador was mugged during a nighttime walk in the park.

"When we get a felonious assault, the papers always play it up," complained a park policeman. "Other precincts get this sort of thing almost every day and yet, people have the idea that Central Park is the most dangerous place in the city," he added.

Decrease Recorded
Last September, Police Commissioner Stephen Kennedy reported that Central Park's 22nd precinct handled 41 felony complaints and 344 misdemeanor complaints during June, July and August. A year earlier, there were 53 felonies and 222 misdemeanors.

Kennedy added the precinct ranked 78th out of a possible 81 in the city's precinct crime rate. He suggested that people who use the park after dark stick to the footpaths. No one is permitted in the park after midnight, but police are kept busy shooting drunks, vagrants and stragglers.

One factor that makes New Yorkers shy away from the park is the feeling that many park crimes go unreported. For example: a section of the park known as "the ramble" is a rendezvous for homosexuals. They reportedly fall easy — and silent — prey to thugs. Another element is the "crawler," who sneaks up on love-dovey couples to snatch the woman's purse. Unreported rapes are said to occur in the "loch" area, at the heavily-wooded northern end of the park.

Modernization Program
A five-year lighting modernization program, costing \$1,250,000, is far behind schedule. Some 1,675 lamp-posts — nearly double the park's original number — should be fully installed by January, 1962.

In addition to the lights, the park has 25 call boxes scattered along its 31 miles of walks and footpaths, five miles of bridle paths and 10 miles of automobile roads. Many critics say the park should have more telephones. And many say the best solution is to black-top the place and use it as a parking lot.

About 500 neighborhood discussion groups have been organized and greater participation is also expected this year in Oregon schools through social studies classes. "Fact sheet" booklets on each of the eight issues include large maps of world trouble spots involving U.S. foreign policy. Brief descriptions of each country and its role in world affairs are included on the map along with references for additional study.

The fact sheets were prepared by the Foreign Policy association, a non-partisan, non-profit organization of world affairs analysts. Bibliographies listing books and other published material on issues are also available to discussion group members. Books may be obtained through county libraries.

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