



GOODBYE—The pleasant ferry boats are all through sailing across San Francisco Bay. Here the San Leandro pulls into dock on her last day of service, and another aspect of San Francisco slides into history.

Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
Ranger-Naturalist

Baghdad.—There are several varieties of sand grouse. They seem to be a fairly common bird in the Near and Middle East. All that I have seen are good looking, but those we saw coming in from the nearby desert are the most striking so far.

As one might expect from nature's protective coloration, they have a generally sandy tone to their feathers, as one looks at them quickly. But

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HOTEL EXECUTIVE DIES

Darien, Conn.—UPI—Frank A. Paget, 63, a New York hotel executive, died Thursday of a heart attack and complications at Stamford, Conn.

Prices To Farmers Decrease Slightly

Washington —UPI— Farm prices dropped slightly last month under the impact of larger supplies.

The Agriculture Department's monthly price report showed prices received by farmers for crops and livestock in mid-July were four-tenths of one per cent under those of mid-June. This was the second consecutive decline after a 30-day leveling off period and six months of steadily rising prices.

Prices paid during July for commodities and services, including interest, taxes, and farm wage rates, were the same as in June.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a woman'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 that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Greta A.—I can't go on with our friendship.

Norman T.—Why should we be railroaded by vicious gossip?

Greta A.—I am a widow in my 50s with grown and married children. About a year ago I met a man of my own age at my brother's home.

He told me he was married, but never went out with his wife as she lived in a world of her own with her family and club activities.

Norman and I hit it off just beautifully from the start. We seemed to like to do the same kind of thing and it was a joy to be able to have an escort to go out with again. Our relationship was purely one of friendship and dating, but it turns out that others did not see it that way.

Recently I got a couple of anonymous letters of the most vicious kind, calling me every horrible name in the language. I feel that I can't go on with our friendship if I am going to be looked at in this light. Norman thinks it's foolish.

Norman T.—We are two mature individuals and we have a right to enjoy our lives as we see fit. Why should we be railroaded by vicious gossip of this kind?

Anyone who is malicious enough to send an anonymous letter deserves the worst kind of punishment. Certainly self-respecting people should not be influenced by it. Greta has suggested that it might have been my wife, but I think this is impossible as she often told me she would be happy to have me enjoy myself in my own way as long as she has her freedom. We have never been able to enjoy ourselves together.

Greta and I know we are doing nothing wrong from any point of view. It is a blessing to both of us to be able to have a companion. Before we met we were both so terribly lonely and Greta told me at one time she almost thought she was on the verge of suicide.

The Council: We agree nothing can be more dispicable than the kind of anonymous letters Greta describes, and that nobody should be "railroaded by vicious gossip."

There are, however, other considerations for both Norman and Greta.

Unfortunately, perhaps, it isn't possible in our society for a man and woman freely to enjoy the kind of friendship they describe. Married couples do not wish to become involved and avoid them. Their own children and other relatives are perplexed and reluctant to share social activities with them.

As a result Greta and Norman are forced into a relationship which cuts them off from the rest of society. The more cut off they become, the more dependent upon one another they grow.

They may eventually become involved with one another than they really want to be, or they may gradually become quite bored with one another and find themselves unable to escape one another's company.

Greta in particular, has much to lose by a relationship which cuts her off from the possibility of meeting men who might be interested in marriage. She must also be made uneasy by the fact that her actions are open to unfortunate interpretations.

We do not think Greta and Norman must destroy their friendship, but we do think it would be better for both of them to stop dating. They should try to find group activities that bring them together on a limited number of occasions.

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FIRST SHIP ARRIVES

London —UPI—Moscow Radio reported today "the first ship flying the flag of the United Arab Republic" has arrived in Leningrad. The ship was identified as the 7,000-ton Al Mekattam and was said to have carried a cargo of cotton to the Soviet Union.

JOURNALIST DIES

Roslyn, N.Y. —UPI—John Kennedy Winkler, 67, prominent journalist and biographer, died Thursday following a stroke suffered earlier in the week.

Drivers Licenses Suspended Listed

Salem—The department of motor vehicles has released names of 340 drivers whose licenses were ordered suspended during the period beginning July 21 and ending July 25.

Length of suspension varies, depending on charges involved, recommendation of court, discretionary action by the department or requirements of Oregon law. The department said some of the licenses involving financial responsibility and court recommendations may have been re-instated after suspension was ordered.

The department warned drivers that the penalty for driving while suspended is a jail sentence of no less than two days and up to six months and there may be imposed a fine up to \$500. Under licensing procedures, this will also result in an additional year of suspension.

Those suspended in Jackson county:

- Driving While Suspended — (Includes any conviction for violation of traffic laws, involving operation of motor vehicle, while driving privileges were under suspension)
 - Hazler, Denis Glen, 18, of Tennessee dr., Medford, violating the basic rule and driving while suspended, 1 year.
 - Merrill, Robert Leroy, 38, of 119 South Holly st., Medford, no operator's license, 1 year.
 - Taylor, Kenneth Lowell, 25, of 123 First st., Talent, no operator's license, 1 year.
 - Driving While Under Influence of Intoxicating Liquor—(Mandatory suspension)
 - McGonagle, Margaret Yvonne, 26, Lazy Rafters motel, Medford, 90 days.
 - Fruitt, Daniel Jack, route 1, Jacksonville, 1 year.
 - Discretionary Action of Department
 - Dow, Eugene George, 78, of 613 West 13th st., Medford, failure to pass examination, 1 year.
 - Financial Responsibility—(Failure to show proof of financial responsibility)
 - Anderson, Verne Dale, 32, of route 2, box 166C, Orr dr., Central Point.
 - Harpham, Ray Floyd, 29, of 445

Voters To Decide Rule on Residence

Portland —UPI—Portland's City Council Thursday decided to let voters decide on a proposal that would require all municipal employees to live within the city limits of Portland.

The council directed City Attorney Alexander G. Brown to draw up a measure for the November ballot that would require all city employees to live in Portland with the exception of those who lived outside the city before November of 1954, who may continue to do so.

The bill would require all other employees to move into the city by 1964.

Year-Old Baby Drowns in Bath

Portland —UPI—A one-year-old boy drowned Wednesday night while being bathed at his home here. Rudy Dale Buker was being bathed in a utility laundry tub on the porch when his parents stepped outside while he played in the water.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Buker told Deputy Coroner Ted Lucas that when they stepped back on the porch the baby was floating in the water. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Providence hospital.

- Helman st., Ashland.
- Hollister, Erwin Raymond, 30, of 517 Albert st., Medford.
- Hughes, Bert, Jacksonville.
- Jackson, J. R., 33, of 1480 East Main st., Ashland.
- MacDougall, Natalie Joyce, 23, of 619 1/2 East Main st., Medford.
- Matvey, Joseph George, 63, of 1746 North Riverside ave., Medford.
- Reynolds, Keith Franklin, 30, of 814 West Jackson st., Medford.

FIND OLD COINS

London —UPI—Soviet road workers in a Byelorussian village have uncovered English coins minted during the reign of King Ethelred II in the 10th century, Moscow Radio said today.

TRAIN DERAILED

Atlanta —UPI—Two diesel locomotive units and six cars of the crack New York-New Orleans passenger train, The Crescent, derailed just south of Atlanta Thursday, injuring a mail clerk.

NO WOODWARD

Springfield, Mass.—(UPI)—Members of the Woodward family have supervised the building of all but three or four miles of the city's 293 miles of streets since 1888. Thus far, not one street has been named after them.

SACKED

South Burlington, Vt.—(UPI)—Mrs. Louis L. Dailey said it took her "only an hour" to make a modified sack dress out of a burlap bag. Her daughter, Elizabeth, wore it on a trip to the Dominican Republic.



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