

### Three-Year-Old Ann Thomas Featured in Alaskan Film

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New York—Even the tots in the Lowell Thomas family get around. Three-year-old Anne Thomas, granddaughter of the traveling newscaster-author-lecturer-film producer, is just back from two months in Alaska, roughing it with her parents as they made a film about the 49th state.

Now, Anne's mother, Mrs. Lowell Thomas Jr., is just waiting until son David, 15 months, grows out of diapers so the whole family can take off for more far-away places. "We want to travel as much as we can as a family," said attractive 29-year-old Tay Thomas, a tall, blue-eyed brunette. "But I don't think it's fair to keep children constantly on the go." That's why she, Anne and David will remain at their home in Princeton, N.J., while Lowell Jr. visits the Middle East this fall.

**Film Features Daughter**  
He is producer of his father's "High Adventure" series, which CBS will televise this fall, starting with the Alaskan story October 8. Daughter Anne is featured in the film which is built around one family's visit to our newest and largest state.

Travel comes naturally to Mrs. Thomas as well as her husband. Her father is vice president of Pan-American World Airways. She grew up in Greenwich, Conn., "where we had a small plane at the dock right along with the boat."

Since their marriage in 1950, she has been with her 35-year-old husband to every continent, seeing most of them in detail. "But I've just barely touched Europe," she said.

Her last big jaunt with her husband, in 1954, took them by light plane—they own a Cessna-100 named "Charlie"—all through Africa, the Middle East and into Asia. That was some 50,000 miles of travel over mountain, jungle and desert, to some areas where a white woman had never before.

Mrs. Thomas has taken flying lessons but said she wouldn't get a pilot's license because "I might turn into a backseat driver... one pilot in the family is enough anyway." She does the navigating.

Her mother baby-sat with young David while the rest of the Thomas, plus a bush pilot and second plane with camera

crew, did the Alaska film. A great part of the time the group camped out, with the adults using sleeping bags, but with daughter Anne on a pallet on the tent floor. "She refused to use a sleeping bag," said her mother. "I guess I should have broken her in before we left Princeton."

"I also had planned to dress her in corduroy pants for the trip, so I'd have very little ironing. The day before we were to leave, she announced firmly she wanted dresses. I did some hasty shopping and of course spent half my time in Alaska doing laundry as a result."

### Former Resident Now on Faculty

Col. and Mrs. William H. Bartlett are at present making their home in Gardena, Calif., where Colonel Bartlett is on the faculty of El Camino Junior college as an instructor in mathematics. The Bartletts made their home in Medford in recent years following the officer's retirement from active duty with the United States Army.

During his Army career, Colonel Bartlett taught mathematics at the United States Military academy at West Point, New York, and also at an Army gunnery school. The Bartletts, whose Medford home is at 131 Valley View drive, were in southern California in recent months while Colonel Bartlett took courses at the University of California at Los Angeles. Before taking up his work at the junior college, the couple spent a vacation in Medford and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barnes, Old Stage road; Mr. and Mrs. C. Reese Braley, Valley View drive, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jordan, Talent. They plan to spend part of next summer in the Rogue valley.

The Bartletts are living at 15712 Shadron in Gardena.

### Waggin Wheelers Announce Dance

Waggin Wheelers Square Dance club will hold the regular club dance Saturday, September 27 at the Square Corral, Camp White, at 8:30 p.m.

Caller will be Douglas E. Decker.

Potluck refreshments will be served, and the public is invited.

### Lone Pine PTA To Hold Carnival

Plans for a fall carnival were made at the first meeting of the 1958-59 season of Lone Pine Parent-Teacher association. Norman Jahn, president, conducted the session.

The president named a committee of past presidents to revise the group's by-laws. Appointed were Mrs. Walter Stroup, Mrs. George Paul, Mrs. E. J. Lindstrom and Mrs. William Underwood.

Mr. Jahn introduced school board members and teachers. Board members are William Fish, W. E. Edwards, Norman Thomas, Clifford McGinty and William Underwood.

Teachers are Mrs. Mable Hundley and Mrs. Opal Guezt-Thornton and Mrs. Jane Russell, second grade; Mrs. Dorothy Rix, fourth grade; Mrs. Ruth Brodstad and Mrs. Mildred Schwendener, fifth grade; Mrs. Beatrice Lindsay, sixth grade; Mrs. Frances Henry, seventh grade; Donald Mitchell, eighth grade and Richard Michaelis, music.

Lee Merriman is principal and Mrs. Estelle Ballard is school clerk and secretary.

The board members and teachers were presented corsages and boutonnieres by Mrs. G. Simmons and Mrs. E. P. Edwards.

Mrs. W. C. Brees supervised nursery care and Mrs. Schwendener's fifth grade room won the attendance prize.

Refreshments were served in the cafeteria by parents of children in the fourth grade under the direction of Mrs. Archie West.

The next meeting will be October 14 at 7:30 p.m.

### Corps Makes Trip To Grants Pass

Central Point—Members of William H. Harrison post, Woman's Relief corps, recently met with the Grants Pass corps. The visitors aided in initiating a member into the order, with the president, Mrs. Anna Harmon, presiding.

Making the trip from Central Point were Mrs. Edwin Jones, Mrs. E. C. Faber, Mrs. Sally Musty, Mrs. O. T. Wilson and Mrs. Wallace McDowell.

Mrs. John Novak, president of the Central Point corps, conducted a recent meeting of the group. A potluck luncheon preceded the meeting. The group voted in favor of the Grants Pass order which discontinues the annual district corps convention, due to the small numbers in the southern district.

A birthday party was held, and honored were Mrs. Jones, Mrs. A. B. Maple and Mrs. Emma Jones.

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### Potpourri

We don't really blame the weather man—he usually is right. But he put Potpourri and Pappy to a lot of trouble for nothing Tuesday night. The weather man, bless his soul, said it was going to frost—maybe. Taking a look at the thermometer outside at 8 p.m., we thought so too. So Pappy took a flashlight and went out and picked the ripe tomatoes and cantaloupes.

Potpourri scurried around and found some old sheets and a couple of discarded dresses with full skirts (they're wonderful for spreading over a large plant) and an armful of newspapers and we covered up the fuchsias and the petunias and the geraniums and a lot of other stuff. First we picked a big bouquet of the petunias, and snapped off some branches from the big variegated geranium since we promised a start to George, the proofreader.

Non-gardeners probably think we're crazy. And we are, too, when it comes to flowers. For we just can't bear to see the first frost come and nip the annuals. We know that the autumn leaves will be gorgeous, and that the chrysanthemums and even the roses will continue to bloom, but nevertheless, we know that another year is almost gone as soon as the first frost comes.

But back to Tuesday. It didn't frost, after all.

We went moon-watching Saturday night. We often spend an evening looking at the sky, but this time we had expert and scientific guidance. Shelby Tuttle and Mrs. T. invited us to their home on Valley View drive to watch the moon through their telescope. It was just the right night for such an adventure, since to see this heavenly object to best advantage one must pick a time when the sky is not only clear but the moon is in an early phase.

Mr. Tuttle has been studying the skies for many years and has charts and maps and books and magazines galore. He knows a very great deal about the moon, and we remember some of his information, most of which was new to Potpourri, if not to Pappy.

The side of the moon which astronomers and scientists can observe has been more thoroughly mapped than some parts of the earth. Scientists know the location of the thousands of craters, have calculated how deep they are and how high are the mountains and have drawn conclusions about how the craters were formed, deciding that they were caused by the impact of meteorites throughout the ages.

Many of the craters, clearly visible through the lenses and fascinating to see, have been named (we wondered how the astronomers agreed on what to call them) and some have hills or mountains inside them. Potpourri marveled that this body has no atmosphere, and therefore no winds or rains and no life.

After watching the moon for a time, Mr. Tuttle turned the telescope around and we took a look at other planets and stars. The men tried to locate the Great Nebula of Andromeda, but with little success because of the brightness of the night. To many sky-watchers, both professional and amateur, this is the most fascinating of all the objects in the sky, for it is the farthest away of anything which can be seen with the naked eye.

Actually, to look at Andromeda is taking a look at the past, for the light which a human on earth can see left the Great Nebula thousands of years ago. With the sky-watching fresh in our minds, Potpourri read a little more in "A Primer for Star-gazers" by Henry Neely, and found that he wrote in a poetic vein about Andromeda. "You must forgive this speck for being so dim and tired-looking," wrote Mr. N. "And you will when you realize that, as you see it tonight, this light has been traveling well over 750,000 years—possibly 1,000,000—to reach you—traveling all that time at the tremendous velocity of 11,000,000 miles a minute."

"As you look at the Andromeda Nebula tonight you cannot say 'It is of such-and-such a shape.' You must say 'It was.' Because you will be doing something that no one else in the world except a star-gazer can do; you will actually be seeing the past. In this case, it is, or was, in the very remote past as we count our chronology here on earth, for tonight's light left Andromeda in the days when apelike creatures here had only recently begun to evolve into the form that we now call man.

"The light that you are now getting is more than 100 times older than the Pyramids; the distance that it has traveled is so inconceivable that even to write the number of miles in figures is meaningless. Yet, in that dim little speck, we have an entire system of worlds with a total mass that it would take some 100 billion of our suns to equal."

Potpourri's vocabulary failed us while looking at the heavens Saturday night. When first we saw the beauty of the moon through Mr. T's telescope we said, in truly awe-struck tones, "It's out of this world!" This brought a hearty laugh from Mr. Tuttle, who agreed that we had spoken the truth, in more ways than one.

As for Andromeda—neither our imagination or vocabulary can cope with Andromeda.—O.S.

### Women Attend Church Session

Three Medford women are in Forest Grove to attend the sessions of the executive committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Oregon conference of the Methodist church, being held there September 25 and 26.

Of the 30 members attending from all parts of the state, three are from Medford. Mrs. C. R. Adamson, conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service guild, will present guild plans. Mrs. George Lawless, conference secretary of student work, will give a special report on the activities in the field of student work. This report will cover her trip with Oregon students, members of the student group named Methodist Student Movement, to the northwest regional meeting held in Luccock Park, Montana, earlier this month.

Also attending from Medford is Mrs. Oliver P. Taylor, press and publicity chairman for the Oregon conference. Mrs. Adamson will remain through Saturday to assist with the Forest Grove District Wesleyan Service guild meeting.

### Lodge to Hold Dinner, Party

Peachontas lodge will hold a potluck dinner Friday, September 26, at 6:30 p.m. in Redman hall on Apple street.

A business meeting will follow at 8 p.m. and a card party will close the evening's program.

Members are privileged to take guests for the dinner and card party.

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### School Conducted By PTA

More than fifty parent-teacher leaders from Jackson county units attended the annual school of instruction, held recently in the YMCA.

Mrs. John R. Boe, Grants Pass, audio-visual services chairman for the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, presented a film "Teachers in Print," to illustrate methods, and the most advantageous use of materials by executive committee members. Mrs. Boe, who has prior experience in this field with the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers, was formerly in professional television work, and has a wealth of program suggestions of interest to local units.

Commenting that "Any experience is educational if properly interpreted," Mrs. Boe stressed that we must help parents realize they are the audio-visual teachers in the home. A child's reaction to, or interpretation of, a poor television program, radio program, or movie, can be determined by the parent who will accept his natural responsibility for tempering the experiences seen or heard to conform to accepted areas of behavior in our society, i.e. make-believe for dramatic effect, true happenings, unfortunate circumstances, etc.

Mrs. Boe stated, "In this manner we can help the child learn to properly evaluate programs for himself," she said.

Mrs. Leigh Gustison, first vice-president of the Oregon Congress, re-emphasized the four basic policies of all parent-teacher associations: (1) An educational program carried out by study, information and act; and a parent education program through study-discussion groups; (2)

non-commercial, non-partisan, non-sectarian; (3) non-interference with school administration; and, (4) working relationship with cooperating agencies.

**President Speaks**  
The responsibilities and privileges of executive board members were discussed by Mrs. Owen A. Kunkel, Jackson County Council PTA president. PTA publications, and those of related fields, that are available for use by local units were displayed by Mrs. Chester Fitch Jr., Ashland, council family life chairman.

Mrs. Arthur Moore, Oregon Congress vice president, Region V, and Mrs. Eldred Hansen, Congress historian, both of Klamath Falls, assisted with the school.

Mrs. Gustison announced that the conference called by Governor Robert D. Holmes to report the findings of the high school curriculum study in Oregon, has been set for November 6 and 7 in Salem. Dr. William H. Burton, director of Curriculum and Publications, state department of education, will give the report of the Oregon study. The conference will include a report of the national high school curriculum study by Dr. James B. Conant, former President of Harvard University.

Invitations to the conference have been mailed to selected representatives throughout Oregon. Additional representatives may be allowed to attend by "special request" invitations.

The next meeting of the council will be October 15, and a president's workshop will be conducted in Medford, October 21, by Mrs. Russell Case, president of the Oregon Congress. She will be accom-

panied to Medford by Mrs. Joseph Edmiston, Milwaukie, Congress vice president of Region III.

Leaves  
Howard Harper, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harper, 716 East Jackson street, Medford, left Sunday for Corvallis where he will resume his studies at Oregon State college. Young Harper will be a sophomore this year majoring in pharmacy.

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### Major and Wife Guests in Valley

Maj. Curtis E. Hopkins, U.S. Air Force, and Mrs. Hopkins are visiting his father and mother here. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis L. Hopkins.

Major Hopkins flew in to Medford Tuesday night in a private plane to visit his parents. The major is a bomber pilot in the Strategic Air command and is stationed at Ellsworth Air Force base in Rapid City, S.D. The couple will be here until Saturday.

### Gold Hill Unit To Hold Session

Gold Hill—Mrs. Virgil M. Ladd will be hostess Friday, September 26, at her home, 973 Second avenue, for the first meeting of the newly organized Gold Hill Home Extension unit.

Mrs. Thomas Gray, co-chairman of the group, stated that child care will be provided by the unit. The children will be cared for by Mrs. Alan Phillips at her home, the former Robert Bowan residence across from the Del Rio orchard. It is stated that Mrs. Phillips is experienced in caring for groups of children.

### Mrs. Scott Davis Home From Idaho

Mrs. Scott Davis, 1914 East Main street, returned Tuesday from Boise, Idaho, where she spent the week end visiting family friends.

Also visiting in Boise at the time were a sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Frambach, Richmond, Wash. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Randolph and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Randolph, brothers-in-law and sisters, of Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Frambach.

Mrs. Davis also visited Mrs. William Hutchinson, former Medford resident who moved to Boise several years ago.