

Locals

Theft—Colleen Hope Winterhaider, 45 Hawthorne ave., reported to Medford police the theft Friday of 13 Christmas tree light bulbs from a fir tree in front of the house at that address.

Hubs—James Warren Jenks, Albany, reported to Medford police of the theft recently of four hubs valued at \$8.50 each from his vehicle while it was parked in the Rogue Valley Country club lot.

Sidewiped—A vehicle driven by Thomas Joseph Roseum, Lazy L motel, Highway 62, sidwiped a parked vehicle registered to Shirley Ann Allen, 38 North Oakdale ave., in the Big Y parking lot Saturday afternoon, according to Medford police.

Surprised—V. Nelson Bell, 1021 West Second st., told Medford police he returned home from work Sunday morning to discover two children, ages 4 and 5, going through the dresser drawers in his daughter's room.

Theft—Muriel Lewella Friend, 635 Pennsylvania ave., told Medford police of the theft Friday night from her vehicle, parked at Dad's Hide-A-Way, 1182 Court st., of a pair of black gloves valued at \$7 and a flashlight valued at \$1.98.

Plug—John Maynard Francis, 203 Clark st., told Medford police his vehicle struck a city fire plug at the northwest corner of Main st. and Riverside ave. Saturday evening after he was crowded by another vehicle.

Windows—Ben Vernaldo Blair, Portland, reported that two windows in his car were broken, possibly by shots from a BB gun, while it was parked Saturday evening on Ivy st. between Main and Sixth sts., according to Medford police.

Signs—Gerard Mary Morry, Sister Superior at St. Mary's academy, 431 South Ivy st., reported to Medford police the theft of two school patrol safety signs valued at \$10 from the intersections of 12th and Ivy and 12th and Holly sts.

Missed—A vehicle driven by James Russell Williams, 523 South Ivy st., missed a curve on South Holly st. in the fog early Sunday morning and struck a hedge and tree on the property of Charles Frank Gordon, 915 South Holly, Medford police reported.

Cited—William Schei, 841 South Riverside ave., was cited for failure to observe a traffic signal Sunday morning following a collision at Sixth and Front sts., between his vehicle and a truck driven by Ruben Ben Rodamske, Mt. Vernon, Wash., according to Medford police.

Collision—Vehicles driven by Pauline Rae Thompson, 410 North Ivy st., and Clarence France Jones, 715 Cedar st., collided Saturday afternoon at the intersection of Fifth st. and Central ave., according to Medford police. Damage was not extensive, police said.

Phonograph—Medford police said Mrs. Jerry Demaris McKay, 98 Freeman rd., Central Point, reported the theft from a friend's vehicle Thursday night of a high fidelity phonograph valued at \$90 with a Benny Goodman record. The vehicle was reportedly parked in front of the Timber Room 3 South Riverside ave.

Eagles To Meet—The Fraternal Order of Eagles will hold initiation Thursday, Dec. 18, and will hold their annual family night Friday, Dec. 19. Past President Ray Collett is in charge of the family night. Proceeds from family night will be used toward the Christmas basket fund.

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Activity Indicates Firing of Thor Missile Imminent

Santa Maria, Calif.—(UPI)—Intensified activity at the country's newest missile range at Vandenberg Air Force Base indicated today that the firing of a 1,500-mile Thor missile was imminent.

Firing of the mighty intermediate range ballistic missile will mean that it officially has moved from the test stage into the hands of the military as an operational device ready for use as a weapon. The Thor carries at atomic punch in its warhead.

A tense expectancy filled the air in the city which is brimming over with civilian missile technicians and reporters who have rented nearly all available motel and hotel rooms.

When the Thor blasts off from the Pacific missile range at Vandenberg it will be the first missile launched by a strictly military crew comprised of Strategic Air Command men.

The firing by SAC's first missile division also will inaugurate the launching of ballistic missiles on the West Coast. Heretofore the IRBM rocket, first stage of the Air Force probe more than 71,000 miles into space, has been fired only by scientists and technicians at Cape Canaveral, Fla. Missiles fired over the Pacific missile range to date have been guided, not ballistic, weapons.

Shortly after the initial Thor flight, the first of the "Project Discoverer" series, eventually leading to launching of a manned satellite, will be held.

The Air Force has been delivering the missile and its supporting equipment to the RAF in England since September. Four RAF missile squadrons, totaling some 1,700 men, have been training at the Thor plants in the U.S.

Overseas Locations
The missile, cigar-shaped and about 70 feet long, is designed for overseas locations where it will post a deterrent to the Communists world. It could not become operational in the U.S. because of its range. Vandenberg will be a Thor training center.

Before the end of next year, however, Vandenberg AFB on the Pacific missile range—about 160 miles north of Los Angeles—is expected to become the free world's first operational base for the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM). This more than 6,000-mile range weapon could be lobbed to Russia from here.

Investment Funds
Noon Quotations on selected funds supplied by the Medford Branch of Foster & Marshall, Members New York Stock Exchange.

Fund	Bid	Asked
Bullcock	13.32	14.60
Chem Fund	19.73	21.30
Edson Howard Sdk	23.01	24.61
Fidelity	13.78	17.06
Gas Ind	14.18	15.06
Group Sec—Avia	11.01	12.06
Group Sec—Com Sdk	12.72	13.93
Group Sec—Elec	9.63	10.58
Group Sec—Pet	11.56	12.63
Group Sec—Stee	9.91	10.86
Keystone B—Tobac	7.23	7.95
Keystone B—4	16.40	17.89
Keystone B—4	10.93	10.95
Keystone K—1	9.27	10.12
Keystone K—2	13.35	14.57
Keystone S—1	18.44	20.12
Keystone S—2	12.15	13.26
Keystone S—3	14.06	15.34
Mass Inv Tr	13.14	14.21
TY-Elec	13.86	15.11
Valute Line Inc	5.63	6.15
Wellington	13.64	14.87

RUTH E. JORDAN
Ashland—Ruth E. Jordan, 83, died at her home in Ashland Sunday.

She was born April 18, 1875, in Osceola, Mo.

Mrs. Jordan is survived by three children, Rollin G. Jordan, Hills, Mrs. Thelma Valdas, Forest Hills, Calif., and Mrs. Bessie Holman, Ashland; two sisters, Mrs. Bessie Inskip and Mrs. Inez Pollock, both of Portland; 10 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

She came to Ashland from eastern Oregon in 1920, and had been in failing health for a short while.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Litwiller's Mt. View chapel. Interment will be in Mt. View cemetery.

MRS. FLORENCE DEACON
Ashland—Mrs. Florence Deacon, 78, of 550 Allison st., Ashland, died in a local rest home Monday. She had lived in Ashland for the past six years.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Helen Deacon Shadburn, Ashland, and three grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Litwiller's funeral home.

JOHN T. WALKER
Funeral services for John T. Walker, 83, of route 1, box 488, Central Point, who died Monday, will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. in Chapel of Roses, Roseburg. Interment will be in the Wilbur cemetery. Conger-Morris funeral home is in charge of local arrangements.

Mr. Walker was born Aug. 31, 1875, in Pennsylvania. He had lived in Central Point for the past 12 years.

He was married in December, 1906, in Bellingham, Wash., to Edith Brown, who survives.

Other survivors include one son, John G. Walker, Central Point; two sisters,

Four Injured in Accidents Over Week End in City

Four persons received slight injuries in Medford traffic accidents over the week end, according to city police.

Jacqueline Frances Cartwright, 21, of 401 Newtown st., reportedly suffered a sprained left wrist and Aleta Livingston, 20, of 165 Bt st., Ashland, a sprained right shoulder following a collision Friday night at the intersection of Stewart and South Riverside aves. They were treated and released at Rogue Valley hospital.

Mrs. Cartwright, driving one of the vehicles involved, was cited by police for following too close. Miss Livingston was a passenger in the second vehicle, driven by Forest Wendel Bigger, 37, of route 1, box 202, Central Point, police said.

Shirley Delores Lindgren, 23, of 445 Fairmont st., driving one of three vehicles involved in a collision Saturday morning at Fifth and Holly sts., suffered an injury to her right wrist, police said. She reportedly refused medical treatment at the scene.

The second vehicle involved was reportedly driven by Loree Windsor Enders, 42, of 1 Acorn way. The third vehicle, parked, was registered to Sebastiano Joseph Fagone, 629 Pine st. There were no citations.

In a third accident, Gary Jon Shaffer, 20, of 624 Palm st., suffered a slight head injury Sunday morning following a collision between the vehicle in which he was riding, driven by Theodore Dittmer Cook, 21, of route 4, box 396, and one driven by Francis Raymond Mayfield, 25, of 728 West Valley rd., Ashland, police said. This accident also occurred at Stewart and Riverside. Police cited Mayfield for failure to yield right of way.

Food Stamp Plan For Distribution To Needy Seen
New York—(UPI)—Chairman Harold D. Cooley (D-N.C.) of the House Agriculture Committee predicted today the next Congress would very likely approve a food stamp plan to distribute surplus farm products to needy Americans.

The nation's lawmakers also may overhaul federal support programs for wheat and dairy products, and approve extension of the federal sugar act, Cooley said.

The House farm leaders' forecasts of action by the Congress which opens in January came in a speech prepared for delivery to the Sugar club here.

"The fundamental problem of agriculture is that of abundance which challenges us to improve our distribution system both at home and abroad," Cooley declared.

The House Democratic farm leader took issue with Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson's contention that new farm laws should be aimed at reducing federal production controls and price supports.

Cooley said he, too, looks forward to the time when American farmers can plant freely and sell profitably in domestic and foreign markets.

"Complete freedom for American agriculture now, however, would mean inevitable bankruptcy in the short period of one crop year," Cooley said. Federal production controls are "the difference between prosperity and prostration."

Portland Hay, Grain
Portland—Wholesale Hay Prices: New port No. 2 green alfalfa, baled 1.0-b. Portland and Seattle, \$30.32; ton with top quality to \$34.

Wholesale prices as reported by the USDA market news service: Wheat No. 1 soft white, \$67 ton; No. 2 milo, Eastern shipment, f.o.b. Portland, \$31.50; No. 2 white oats, 38 lbs., West Coast delivery, \$32; No. 2 Western barley, Coast delivery, \$32.50; ton soybean meal, bulk, Eastern shipment, \$91.50; ton f.o.b. Portland; standard mil run, bulk, prompt delivery, f.o.b. Coast, \$38.40; No. 2 corn, Eastern shipment f.o.b. Portland, \$34.50-35.

Portland Livestock
Portland—(UPI)—Cattle 250. Low to average choice 1240 lb. steers 27; mostly good 1201 lb. steers 24-25.50; standard and good 732-lb. fed heifers 25; low choice 1070 lb. heifers 25; 901 lb. standard heifers 24; utility-commercial cows 17-20; canners-cullers 16-18; good-choice slaughter calves 26-30; standard calves and vealers 22-25; U.S. 1 and 3 butchers 19.75-20; mixed 18-19.50; sows 350-550 lb. 12.50-13; choice 104 lb. sown slaughter lambs with No. 1 to full shorn pelts 19.25; choice slaughter lambs 18-20; good 18-18.50; good-choice near 80 lb. feeders 18.50.

Portland Produce
Portland—(U.P.)—Eggs—To retailers: Grade AA large, 48-50c; A large 46-48c; A medium, 43-45c; A medium, 42-44c; AA small 36-37c; carton 1-3c additional.

Farm Market
Top quality medium sized eastern cranberries sold to retailers at 53.50 for 24 pounds with extreme 5.75; No. 2 grade potatoes were down to 75 cents for 50 lbs., with other sales to 85 cents for same amount.

Poultry, Rabbits
Live Chickens—Quoted to growers at Portland, Salem and south to Eugene, f.o.b. ranch, No. 1 quality fryers, 2 1/4-4 lbs. 16c; light hens, 10c; heavy hens, 5 lbs. up, 14c; old roosters, 7-8c lb.

Dressed Chickens—No. 1 grade dressed to retailers: Fryers, whole drawn, 29-32c; cut up, 34-35c; hens, light types, cut up, 34-36c; heavy type whole drawn, 39-41c.

Grains—Quoted to producers at farm, 20c lb. for fat ones; 25c at processing plant; dressed goose, to retailers, mostly 39-42c lb., on an over-ready basis; A grade toms, 34-37c depending upon weight.

Rabbits (average to growers) f.o.b. killing plants—Live white, 3 1/4-4 1/2 lbs., f.o.b. Portland, 20-22c; colored pelts, 5c under. Fresh killed fryers to retailers, 57-60c lb.; cut up, 61-64.

Rayburn Holds Key to Proposed Changes in Rules by Liberals

Washington—(UPI)—Liberal Democrats in the House put squarely up to Speaker Sam Rayburn today to support their proposed change in House rules. Otherwise they said much of the legislation to which the Democratic Party is pledged probably can't be enacted by the 86th Congress.

They denied they were in revolt against the House leadership. They pledged their whole-hearted support and admiration for Rayburn and House Democratic Leader John W. McCormack (Mass.).

Without the speaker's support, liberal spokesmen said, they haven't a chance to put across the curb they seek on broad existing authority of the conservative House Rules Committee.

They said that as a group they probably won't even try unless the speaker gives his assent. However, some individuals among the 100 or so members for whom the group claimed to speak said they will make the pitch anyway, first in the Democratic caucus and then in the House, on opening day of the new Congress.

Drafting Messages
Group leaders, including Rep. Frank Thompson Jr., (N.J.), were drafting messages for Rayburn and McCormack today outlining the liberal contentions and suggesting conferences with the two leaders sometime before Jan. 7, the first day of the session.

At a closed meeting Monday attended by about 20 of the group plus their aides agreement was reached on three proposals to assure that conservatives on the rules committee could not block liberal legislation on such subjects as slum clearance, civil rights, and school aid.

If approved by the House, the proposals would: —Change the party ratio on the rules group from eight Democratic and four Republican to nine Democrats and three Republicans, with the expectation that Rayburn would appoint a liberal to the extra Democratic post and thus thwart a conservative coalition that frequently has ruled the committee.

Increase Committee Ratios
—Restore the so-called 21-day rule that was in effect during the 81st Congress, limiting to three weeks the period in which bills approved by legislative committees can be halted in the rules committee en route to the House floor. Now the committee sometimes can hold bills indefinitely.

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Over-the-Counter Western Stocks
The following bid and asked prices on selected Western securities, provided by the Medford branch office of Pacific Northwest Company, are unofficial and do not represent actual transactions, but are intended as a guide to the approximate price range.

Common Stocks	Bid	Asked
Bank of America	41 1/4	43 1/2
Calif.-Pacific Utilities	32	34
Cascades Plywood	27	29 1/2
Cons. Freightways	17 1/2	18 1/2
Coppo	24 1/2	26 1/2
First National Bank	54	57 1/2
Northwest Nat. Gas.	17 1/2	18 1/2
Pacific Pwr. & Lt.	38 1/2	40 1/2
Portland Cement	24 1/2	25 1/2
Portland Gen. Elec.	26 1/2	27 1/2
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American Telephone Spurts To New High

New York—(UPI)—Electronics and communications issues led stocks higher today.

American Telephone spurred more than two points to a new high, Western Union also rose more than two. So did Motorola. Zenith radio soared nearly 13 points on top of a 13-point rise Monday. Hoffman Electronics ran up more than two. International Telephone gained more than five. So did Raytheon, Motorola, and Consolidated Electronics. National Cash Register was up nearly four and International Business Machines more than four.

Elsewhere the gains ranged to more than two points in a long list of issues. Office equipments, selected chemicals, autos, textiles, specialty steels, and miscellaneous issues ruled strong.

Today's prices on selected stocks:

Allied Chemical	93 1/2
Alum Co Am	90 1/2
American Can	49 1/2
American Motors	39 1/2
A T & T	202
Anaconda Copper	60 1/2
Arco Steel	65 1/2
Bendix Aviation	72 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	48 1/2
Boeing Air	48 1/2
Caterpillar Corp	88 1/2
Chrysler Corp	50 1/2
Continental Can	55 1/2
Crown Zellerbach	57 1/2
Curtiss Wright	26 1/2
Dow Chemical	74 1/2
Du Pont	200 1/2
Eastman Kodak	135
Firestone	132 1/2
General Electric (xd)	72 1/2
General Foods	77
General Motors	48 1/2
Georgia Pacific	49 1/2
Graham Paige	29 1/2
Greyhound	18 1/2
Gulf Oil	127 1/2
Homestake Mining	41 1/2
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Kimberly Paper	113 1/2
Johns Manville	49

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Bookkeeper for Union Testifies In Beck Trial

Tacoma, Wash.—(UPI)—Another Teamster bookkeeper, Fred Verschuereen took the stand today as Dave Beck's income tax evasion trial continued in Judge George H. Boldt's court.

Verschuereen had barely begun his testimony Monday when the court closed proceedings for the day.

Earlier, former Teamster bookkeeper Donald McDonald testified that his records were never audited.

McDonald, bookkeeper for the Western Conference of Teamsters from 1949 until last September, said the only official who received a report from him was Beck.

Beck, former president of the Teamsters' union, is being tried on charges of evading \$240,000 in income taxes for the years 1950-1953.

McDonald admitted under cross examination that the ledgers he kept in the early 1950s were "not a good record."

The prosecution attempted to show by McDonald's testimony last week that while there were records of personal loans in McDonald's books there were none made to Beck.

One of the government's big guns in connection with this point was fired Friday when Boldt admitted as evidence an "accord and satisfaction agreement" showing Beck agreed to repay a total of \$370,000 even though the books showed he didn't owe a cent. Defense Attorney Charles S. Burdell attempted to minimize the matter Monday by drawing out of McDonald the admission that his books were "not a good record."

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School News...
The Mississippi flood of 1927 swept over an area of 28,000 square miles.

C. P. Junior High
By JOYCE ROBERTS
The annual chili feed was held Thursday night, Dec. 11, and was followed by a concert with the junior high band and chorus participating.

Report cards were issued Wednesday, Dec. 10, in the classes. The school has been carrying on a new system of putting the grades on the cards. The students take their cards with them to each class and receive the grade there and then they can ask questions and discuss the grades with their teachers.

Students this six weeks on the honor roll in the eighth grade are Dishon Olsen, Jo Ann Wood, David Baker