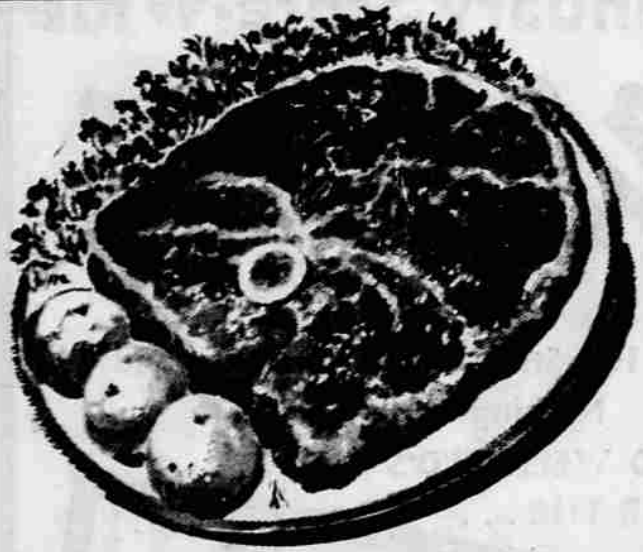


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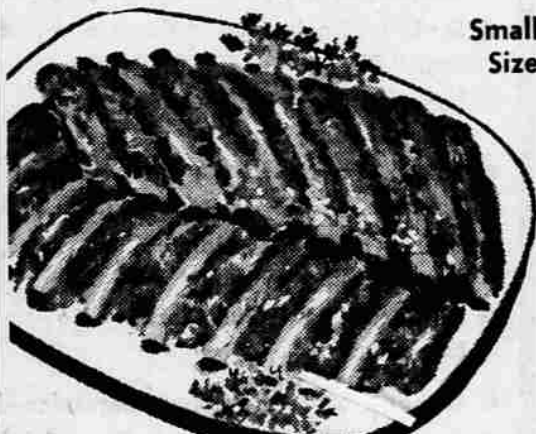
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Petty Larceny Cases Increase During December

Petty larceny cases in Medford jumped to 86 in December, an increase of 32 over the previous month, according to the city police department's monthly report.

Shoplifting and Christmas tree light thefts accounted for a number of these, observers noted.

There were 63 cases of petty larceny reported in December, 1957.

Burglary cases increased from 12 cases in November to 14 last month, and larceny cases involving over \$50 from 9 to 14.

A total of 23 cases in the embezzlement and fraud category were reported in December, a considerable rise from the 13 cases reported both in November and in December, 1957.

Comparative figures show 41 cases of drunkenness last month against 44 in November and 33 the previous December; 6 cases of disorderly conduct against 5 and 5; 9 cases of vagrancy against 4 and 4 and 7 cases of driving while intoxicated against 4 and 6.

Also reported were 224 violations of road and driving laws compared to 118 in November and 67 a year ago December, and 269 violations of other traffic and motor vehicle laws compared to 471 and 364.

City police issued 1,712 bicycle licenses last month.

Well-Digger Plans to Return to His Work Despite Being Trapped in Hole

Bakersfield, Calif. (UPI)—Well-digger Leslie Stafford Jr., 45, hospitalized after being trapped nearly 13 hours in a cave-in while digging a sump hole, said today he expects to return to well-digging.

"I'll go back to work when I get out of here," the plucky 125-pound Stafford said from his hospital bed. "There's bound to be some danger in the construction business, but you just don't think about it."

The danger Stafford referred to entailed in his case an organizing ordeal of being buried by a piece of metal 24 feet deep in the hole for another eight and a half hours.

Believed Dead
He emerged Wednesday from the trying experience—during which rescuers at one

time had given him up for dead—in good condition with no apparent injuries more serious than a fractured toe and bruises.

Stafford, who remained conscious throughout the full time, said, "I prayed every prayer I could think of. I could hear them digging above me, and the sound of those

shovels was the most wonderful thing I ever heard."

Gravel had to be taken out of the deep hole a bucketful at a time because of the extreme possibility of another cave-in and the lack of room in which to work.

After the first three hours of digging, rescuers all but gave up hope Stafford could be alive under the five feet of gravel which had buried him. But one hour later they uncovered him and found him alive.

Saved By Metal

Stafford was saved from almost certain suffocation by a large sheet of metal used to shore up the sides of the hole to prevent cave-ins. When the hole's walls collapsed, the weight of the gravel bent the metal in a hood-like fashion around Stafford's head and created an air-pocket which enabled him to breathe beneath the grave.

But it was the same strip of metal which pressed down on his right ankle and pinned him to the hard-packed gravel and prevented his rescue for an additional eight and a half hours after he was uncovered.

Stafford dug at the gravel with his bare hands for frustrating hours on end in an attempt to free his ankle, but he failed until a large crane was brought into the area and yanked the metal up a few inches allowing him to jerk free.

Social Security Payments Higher

The number of people getting monthly old-age, survivors, or disability insurance payments under social security increased by 1.3 million during 1958. This raised the total of beneficiaries to 12.4 million by December, 1958, according to W. V. Nussbaum, manager of the Medford office of the Social Security Administration.

Payments at the rate of \$895 million a month are now going to 6.9 million aged retired workers, two million widows and dependent husbands of retired workers, 1.3 million widows, dependent widowers and dependent parents of deceased workers, two million widowed mothers and children, and to 300,000 disabled workers and their dependents. Benefit payments for the year totalled \$8.6 billion.

All of these people will receive the increase in benefit amounts provided by the 1958 amendments to the social security law, Nussbaum stated. The amended law provides for a general increase of about 7 per cent in each beneficiary's monthly check. This increase is effective with checks for January which will reach beneficiaries early in February.

Beneficiaries need take no action to get their increased payments, Nussbaum said.

High School Speech Festival Plans Made

Plans for the annual high school speech festival to be held Jan. 30 and 31 on the Southern Oregon college campus were completed recently at a meeting of Sigma Alpha Sigma, speech fraternity.

Ben Hathaway, Gold Hill, was selected as chairman in charge of critics; Bob Ayres, Medford, as topics chairman to be assisted by Ed Potuck, Medford; and Neil Green, also Medford, as social chairman.

The speech conference is one of the year's major high school speech events and marks the tenth year that the event has been held at the college.

Leon C. Mulling, director of the Southern Oregon college Speech and Hearing Center and originator of the conference, has asked that interested faculty and students, as well as Medford and Ashland residents to assist with the conference.

Three More Penguins Die in Portland Zoo

Portland (UPI)—Portland Zoo Director Jack Marks reported Wednesday that three more Adelle penguins have died of aspergilliosis.

Marks said the penguins died over the week end of the lung disease but had not been ill before.

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