

Hunters Discover Remains of Woman

Eureka, Calif. — (UPI) — Two duck hunters Saturday discovered the body of Vera (Sandy) Weitzel, 35, who had been the object of a search since she disappeared last Oct. 29.

The remains were found under the Mad river bridge on Highway 299 about 10 miles northeast of here.

Three of her known companions were questioned and then released following her disappearance. Her husband, Ray Weitzel, is a petty officer in the Navy and not in this area.

Police said that Mrs. Weitzel last was seen in the company of a logger who was not immediately identified.

A day later, her automobile was found abandoned on Highway 299 halfway between Eureka and Hoopa.

Police said there was blood on the steering wheel and seat. They also reported finding her purse and suitcase several miles down the road at that time.

Jackson, Miss. — (UPI) — Dr. Felix Underwood, 76, Mississippi's "man of the year" for 1958, died at a hospital here Friday after a brief illness.

Underwood retired last June as executive officer of the state board of Health.

Out-Going Governor Eyes Public Relations

Salem — (UPI) — Gov. Robert D. Holmes said Saturday he would open a public relations office in Portland when his term expires today.

The governor explained that he and his wife have been looking for a house in Portland for some time. He said that his public relations work would deal with business in Alaska and Washington, D.C.

Unemployment Tax Maximum to Continue

Salem — (UPI) — The 2.7 per cent maximum unemployment tax on payrolls will continue for some time, the unemployment compensation commission has announced.

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The commission said the maximum tax probably will remain until sometime next summer when farm employment reaches a peak.

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TAKING OFFICE as first president of Fifth French Republic, Charles de Gaulle receives medal from Gen. G. Catroux (left) at ceremony in French capital.

HILTS Holiday Visitors Listed

By MRS. M. F. CAVIN
Hilts — Word has been received of the birth of a son Dec. 26 in Mt. Shasta to Mr. and Mrs. Mario Andrighetto of Weed. Mrs. Andrighetto is the former Jerry Chinazzo, daughter of Henry Chinazzo, former residents.

Miss Deanna Barbera of Redding visited at the home of Miss Candace Smith during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ayres spent the Christmas holiday at the homes of their sons-in-law and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Brown of Gold Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Stetten of Medford.

Christmas dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ozzie Bernheisel were their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bernheisel and family of Happy Camp; their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goodwin and girls and Mrs. Edna Ayres and children of Ashland. On New Year's Day, Mr. and Mrs. Ozzie Bernheisel had dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Young of Chico visited at the home of Mrs. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith, during the holidays.

Guests at Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Cain and family were Miss Dorothy Cain, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin and son of Medford. Another son, Ray, who was home on leave from a Marine base in Florida was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Friemeyer and family had as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bonner and son, Bruce, of Red Bluff.

Lona Taylor of Phoenix was a house guest of Marilyn Thompson during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Ward and daughter, Gayel, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert De Voe and sons in Medford.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Gilchrist and daughter, Judy, of Klamath Falls, and Frank Ward of Hornbrook. Mrs. Clarice De Voe of Medford, joined the group for dinner Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Stickney of Medford are the parents of a daughter born Dec. 30 at the Ashland General hospital. Stickney is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Van de Weghe.

New Year's Day dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spannaus were Mr. and Mrs. Harold McFerrin and son, Terry, of Redding, and Mr. McFerrin's mother, Mrs. E. C. Foster, of Kernville, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Aristeo Perez and children spent several days recently visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Perez, in Gerber.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Simmen and children, David and Marsha, spent the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Simmen, in San Ramon. They returned home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Roush had as dinner guests Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Ormy Goddard of Talent and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Brannon, and daughters, Louise and Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Sharp left Dec. 19 from Medford for Las Vegas, Nev., to spend Christmas with their son, Lt. Bradford Sharp.

They also visited another son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Murphy and family in San Francisco.

On New Year's they visited at the home of a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Wimple, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burns and daughter, who are spending the winter in Redlands, spent several days with the Burns family at the S. S. Bar Ranch.

Miss Linda Shuck who is employed in Sacramento spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shuck.

The Rev. and Mrs. Allen Brown and family of Yreka attended the program presented Dec. 23 at the Hilts Bible Community Sunday school. They also visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burns on the S S Bar Ranch. Mr. Brown is from the Assembly of God church in Yreka.

Out-of-town guests here for the wedding of Jack Whiting and Jerry Johnson, were Mrs. Toni Wooden, an aunt of Whiting's from San Francisco, Mrs. Evelyn Tyler of Yreka and Tony Molina from Susanville.

Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burns were Mrs. Burns' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Krob, and her aunt, Miss Katherine Rich, all of Tacoma.

Kent Johnson returned Monday after spending several days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Johnson in Arcata.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Johnson visited relatives in Susanville during the holidays. They were accompanied by Mrs. Elva Schackow, who will remain there this month.

Art Blanchard Jr. from the Naval school of preflight at Pensacola, Fla., spent Christmas and New Year's at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Blanchard. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Phil Hemstead and family of Redding, and Mr. and Mrs. Don True and family of Fort Jones.

Possible Nixon Visit Discussed

Washington — (UPI) — A possible visit to Russia by Vice President Richard M. Nixon was discussed early last week by Nixon and Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Anastas Mikoyan, it has been learned. No agreement was reached.

The Russian leader took the position that he could not issue a formal invitation because he was in this country unofficially. Nixon voiced interest in the proposed trip but pointed out that arrangements would have to be made officially.

Informed sources described the vice president as feeling that Mikoyan is the ablest Communist leader he has ever met. He was portrayed as impressed by the flexibility of Mikoyan's approach to major problems and the Communist party line.

Nixon and others in the government who have talked with Mikoyan have described him as a master politician with a keen sense of humor, unusually well briefed on his nation and the persons with whom he was talking.

Although there seemed among these officials no agreement on what Mikoyan's objective was, most seemed to feel that he was seeking above all greater direct communication between individual officials of the two countries.

Tree Inherits Land It Stands on

Athens, Ga. — (UPI) — A tree that inherited the land it stands on from its father, who was deeded the property by a University of Georgia professor, is now a sturdy white oak 30 feet tall.

The original "tree that owned itself" lived to the age of 150. During its lifetime, it dropped an acorn that grew up to become the present occupant of the plot on Finley st. in downtown Athens.

The property was signed over to the tree by Professor William H. Jackson in the 1820's. The deed conveyed "to said white oak tree entire possession of itself and of the land within eight feet of it on all sides."

500 Convicted as Smog Violators

Los Angeles — (UPI) — The Air Pollution Control district says nearly 500 persons were convicted as smog violators in December — twice as many as for the same period a year ago.

In a report to control officer Smith Griswold, enforcement director Louis J. Fuller said that 498 out of 551 smog cases filed were tried in county courts.

Of that number, Fuller said, 475 violators pleaded guilty, 10 others were convicted after trial, five were acquitted and 10 alleged violators were dismissed by the courts.

Fines assessed last month totaled \$7,867, Fuller reported. He said that as of Dec. 31, there were 1,174 cases still to be tried.

More than 81 per cent of the 289 persons committed to Federal prisons for violating the immigration law in 1957 were repeaters.

Zoagli, Italy — (UPI) — Mrs. Elizabeth Jungmann Beerbohm, 61, widow of British author and cartoonist Sir Max Beerbohm, was found dead Friday in her Italian Riviera home. Police said she apparently died of a heart ailment 10 days ago.

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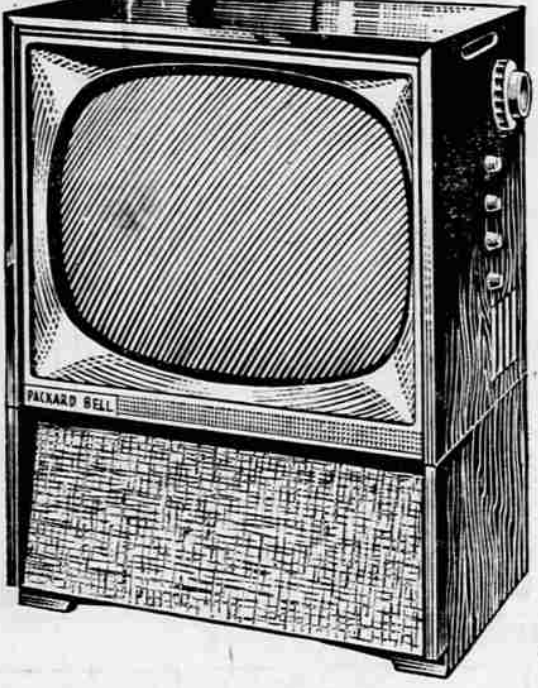


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