

Downtown Mail Carrier Retires After 37 Years

James A. (Asher) Neff, who has become a tradition in downtown Medford as a mail carrier in the business district, retired from the postal service Feb. 28, after carrying mail in Medford for almost 37 years.

He entered the postal service here in 1922, after serving in the Marine Corps for two years.

Chairmen Named For Committees In YMCA Program

Jay Pierce, president of the YMCA board of directors, announced recently the appointment of volunteer committee personnel for the youth work section.

The youth work section is in charge of all programs for YMCA youth which are not of a physical education nature.

Dr. Bill Meyer has been appointed chairman of the Youth Program committee, which sets policies and approves plans in the youth work section. Dr. Frank Wilson has accepted the chairmanship of the Boys Club Work committee which is responsible for "Y" Indian Guides and the Hi-Y program.

Mrs. Marina Gardiner will serve as chairman of the Girls Club Work committee, which will oversee the Tri Hi-Y and Junior Tri Hi-Y program.

Other Chairmen

Chairman of the Day Camp and Trips committee is John Dellenback. The committee will operate the YMCA Day Camp and organize special trips for Y members.

The Youth Council committee will be headed by Mrs. Opie Harrison. The committee will promote, organize and administer the social program for teen agers. The Boys-Girls Building Program committee chairman has not been named.

Other laymen serving on YMCA committees are Howard Lage, Brad Broyles, John Dellenback, Jack Pepper, Bill Glomb, Lon Skinner, Jim Doyle, Harry Brownlee, Mrs. Robert Dames, Mrs. Sam Jennings, Mrs. Naomi Johnson, Mrs. Edith Baker, Bill Hicks, Bill Williams, Wayne Struble, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mee, Mrs. Thomas Ball and Chris Hutton.

The Physical Education committee will be headed by Ray Offord again this year. He is a member of the board of directors, and has been chairman of the committee for the past three years.

Members of the YMCA on the committee are Chuck Thompson, Dr. William Roberts, Fred Sears, Jerri Hutton, Don Day, Vi Lewis, Jo Kidd, Jay Pierce, Lanell Wilkes, Ron Sherman, Betty McGinty and Bob Nelson.

The Aquatic committee, headed by Dr. William Roberts, is composed of Wilson Glineske, Helen Tweedy, Dutch Farfan, Ruth Adams and Don Day. Church Athletics, chaired by Chuck Thompson, has Chuck Clemens, Ron Sherman, Price Shaffer, and Bruce Burns serving on it.

The Swim Team Parents committee, Ken Thompson, chairman, is composed of Maurice Ritchey, Bill Selleck, Roy Wilkes, Mel Hess, Vinson Vaughan, Jim Rowan, Wright Scoville, Ralph Hibbs, J. H. Hopkins, and Bob Scott.

Other subcommittee chairmen are for women's volleyball, Vicki Fowler, with Carol Rose and Vi Lewis. Women's gym chairman is Ellen Tengsdall, and for the weight lifting committee, Chuck Cox.

Canyonville Man Elected to Post

A.M. Cooper of Canyonville was elected president of the Cascade chapter of the Oregon Association of Nurserymen at a recent meeting in Canyonville.

Other officers include Elwood Stansfield, Medford, vice-president; and J. Vernon Marshall, Medford, secretary-treasurer. Marshall was re-elected for the third consecutive year. He also was elected to represent the Cascade chapter on the state board of directors.

Elected to serve on the board of directors for the chapter were Doris Moore, Roseburg, two-year term; Tom Carter, Ashland, two-year term; W. R. Magness, Roseburg, one-year term; Alan Baker, Klamath Falls, one-year term; Myron Lehne, Roseburg, past president and director at large for two years.



JAMES (ASHER) NEFF Retires from Postal Service

here in 1922, the year Neff entered the service.

He also has a brother, Adiel, who worked for several years in the Medford office, and is now with the post office in Santa Monica, Calif.

Asher, as he was known to his patrons, plans an active life in his retirement.

"I have seen hundreds of professional men and business men come and go," Neff said, "and I can count them all as my friends. I will miss them."

Members of Congress Receive Douglas Firs

Washington, D. C. - Members of Congress and a number of Congressional officers have a green sample of Oregon.

Some 600 baby Douglas firs, each about a foot high, were distributed to them by

Three Tree Farms Added in County

Three more tree farms in Jackson county have been certified by the Western Pine association, E. L. Kolbe, chief forester of the Portland association, has announced.

They are Echo Spring Ranch tree farm consisting of 360 acres owned by H. A. Hogan, Jacksonville; the Bar 3 Ranch tree farm, 250 acres, owned by Marion and Louise Dunlap, Jacksonville; and Squaw Lake tree farm, 1,050 acres owned by Bert and Christine Harr, Jacksonville.

The three are among 38 new tree farms added during February which brought the total tree farm program to 6,337,893 acres. The Western Pine tree farm program now lists 1,391 tree farms, Kolbe said.

Representative Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.). The "Oregon Do-It-Yourself Kits" were supplied by the Blitz-Weinhard company of Portland.

Last spring, Porter supervised the planting of a Douglas fir in Times Square, New York City. The brewery, Oregon's only and largest at that time embarked on a modest international program to help publicize the 1959 Oregon Centennial.

The plan met with phenomenal success. More than 63,000 persons received two-year-old Douglas firs to plant in their gardens, yards or flower pots.

In a letter to his colleagues, Porter observed: "The two-year-old is about a foot high. It is no good except for planting. Won't even make a good fire. But Oregonians hope you'll join this modest reforestation plan which has grown in proportion and even enlarged 'Keep Oregon Green' to 'Keep the World Green!'"

The Douglas fir seedling kit, inside a narrow cardboard tube, was ready for planting. Porter said "this potential giant will flourish with tender loving care." He urged his colleagues to come to Oregon to see "your new tree's

brothers and sisters in Oregon during the 1959 Centennial."

Porter told his colleagues it might be necessary to replant the Douglas fir "because

no one really wants a Douglas fir breaking through the ceiling."

The Fourth Congressional

District of Oregon, which Porter represents, has more Douglas fir than any other congressional district.



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