

# Out on a Limb

By BOB WALTERS

As the advertising people would say, "something new has been added."  
We're calling it a "Regional News" page, which, we admit, is a pretty vague term. But, as was pointed out in an editorial Sunday, we'll stick with it until a better name comes along.  
The new page, regardless of what we call it, will be designed to give our subscribers outside the Medford area news of their respective communities. We hope it will interest all our readers in the Mail Tribune's circulation area of southern Oregon and northern California.

Ordinarily, the news appearing on this page won't knock you out of your chair.  
Eisenhower, as far as we know, has no plans to visit Butte Falls. They're not building a missile launching base at Gold Hill. And triple-ax murders, we're certain, are few and far between at Eagle Point.  
But the day-to-day actions of community officials, the spot news stories that can't be predicted and activities of organizations and individuals are news. Often they affect entire communities and their residents.

We'll do our best to keep up to date on what's happening, and why it's happening. We're here to serve our readers and this page, we believe, will help us to better achieve that goal.

It won't be an easy job, but we think we have a staff that can handle it. Reporting for you will be 18 correspondents, whose names and telephone numbers you'll find listed elsewhere on the page. Some have been correspondents for many years, other only a few months. They're competent people, and they're enthusiastic.

They'll cooperate to the fullest with news sources in their communities, and they'll hope for, and expect, a return of that cooperation.

The new page will be published three times a week, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Eventually we hope to expand it to a daily basis. But first things first.

On each page will be a "Regional Calendar," under which scheduled meetings of organizations throughout the area will be listed.

Our Applegate Valley correspondent, Mrs. Maude Ziegler, will continue to write her "Rural Reflections." They've proven popular during Mrs. Ziegler's years of writing for the Mail Tribune and we hope she often finds herself in a reflective mood.

Mr. R. E. Nealon, who might be called "Mr. Table Rock," will write a column called "Tablets" for each Friday's page. Mr. Nealon has been writing off and on for this paper for about 46 years. At the rate he's going, he'll probably be writing for 46 more.

All our correspondents will try to stay on top of the news. They'll be attending meetings of your city councils and other community organizations, they'll stay in contact with your police and fire departments and they'll be tracking down anyone who has a story.

Whatever the story, they'll treat it fairly and on the basis of the facts.  
We'll try to do an accurate, thorough job of covering our circulation area. We hope you like it.

Some people, it seems, have an uncanny knack of saying the wrong things at the wrong times.

While having lunch at a downtown restaurant the other day, we overheard (okay, we eavesdropped) a woman pouring out her troubles to a male acquaintance sitting next to her. Seems the woman's husband was very ill.  
"Ah, I wouldn't worry about it too much," said her friend. "Remember ole Mike? He was awfully bad off with the same disease, but he always had faith he'd be around for another day. Yessir, faith."

The woman brightened for a moment then her friend continued:  
"Course it finally killed him - but he sure had faith!"  
Amazing what a few comforting words can do, isn't it?

Hugh Simpson, director of information at SOC, came up with this one - and we wish he hadn't.  
"What," he asked, "is a zooky?"

We took a deep breath, said we didn't know and prepared for the straight-man role.

"Why, it's a key to a zoo, of course."  
And that's about enough out of Hugh.

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## Rangers at Star Station Work on Many Projects

By MAUDE ZIEGLER

Applegate Valley - Local forest service men are engaged in a number of projects in these weeks before spring, and taking snow surveys this week will occupy part of the crew at Star Ranger station.  
Neil Suttell, district ranger, just returned from a training meeting at Mt. Hood, and will take several men on treks over the snow courses to gain training and experience. They will go to Big Red mountain and Little Red Mountain in the Siskiyou and to Gray Back watershed between Thompson and Williams creeks.

This is the first time in a five-year period that snow courses have been run by the local ranger staff, although prior to that it was a customary winter job performed the first week of January, February and March.

Road designing is a project being done here for the first time. Robert Snoch, who was transferred here from the Medford forest headquarters last summer, is in charge of the project. Twelve miles of design are in process at the present, and construction will start on the timber access roads when rights of way are

cleared and other necessary preliminaries completed.

Laying out of timber sales with stress on the small sale program from a million board feet on down is another undertaking at present. This requires a great deal of field work, and is designed to develop better forestry in the form of sanitation cutting, Suttell explained. The sales program also is expected to economically benefit the buyer. Robert Snoch has charge of timber management, with Douglas McClelland and Chuck Niver his assistants.

### ON THE BEAM

Eynsford, England - (UPI) - The congregation at a 600-year-old church here is singing hymns softly to the accompaniment of a muted piano. "We don't dare use the organ," Rev. A. Aubrey told his nervous parishioners. "Our oak beams are riddled with woodworm and any violent shock will bring them crashing down."

Tiller—Draw - The nominating committee's report will be discussed at the regular meeting of the PTA here Tuesday evening.

## USSR Student Asks 'Peace, Friendship'

By KATHERINE CHAPMAN

Montague - A Russian student attending the University of California made an impassioned plea for "peace and friendship" during a Rotary club-sponsored visit here by 37 foreign students over the week end.

The student, who spoke after club members and other students had joined in singing Russian and American songs, said:

"Even as all nationalities represented here have joined in song, it is the hope and wish of my countrymen that all peoples of the earth might live together in peace and friendship."

The students visited the Montague and Yreka areas as guests of Rotary clubs in the two communities. All from the university's International House at Berkeley and from the Davis campus, they constituted the fourth group in many years to participate in the program.

From Many Countries  
Countries represented included England, Finland, Egypt, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Germany, Hungary, France, Panama, Japan, Italy, Lebanon and Kenya, East Africa.

The idea behind the program is to afford the international students the opportunity of being guest in the homes of American families in order that they may learn what they can about the American way of life.

They arrived Friday afternoon, accompanied by Mrs. E. S. Carlson, director of public relations at International House. On their arrival in Yreka, they were assigned to their individual hosts, with whom they spent the week end.

A round table discussion over radio station KSYC was broadcast from 1-1:30 p.m. Saturday. Only official activity was an inter-club banquet Saturday evening in the Montague Community hall. The students introduced themselves, told a little of their background, what studies they were undertaking and related their impressions of this country and its people.

Judge McAdams Speaks  
Judge James McAdams, president of Montague Rotary, gave a speech of welcome in which he stressed that there is little basic difference among the peoples of the earth.

Leonard Krazynski, a graduate student in engineering from Kenya, served as master of ceremonies.

About 300 persons attended, including Gene Rideout, governor of Rotary district 516, which includes 11 California counties, and Robert Reynolds, president of Yreka Rotary.

One of the students, a young French engineering graduate, told his hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Laura Paine, formerly of Hornbrook and now of Fort Jones, that he will have to return to France Feb. 15 for military service because of the Algerian crisis.



## Junior Police to Resume Meetings At Gold Hill

Gold Hill - The Junior Police organization, under the direction of Gold Hill Police Chief Floyd Taylor and Officer William Zander, will resume its twice-a-week meetings beginning today, Chief Taylor has announced.

The group, open to boys aged 6-18, will meet each Monday and Friday at 6 p.m. Thirty-four boys presently are enrolled.

Taylor said Zander will assist with the training program



WILLIAM ZANDER Athletic Instructor

and will supervise indoor sports, including boxing, wrestling, volleyball, punching-bag practice and weight-lifting.

Zander, holder of a brown belt in judo, came to Gold Hill last July with his wife and three teen-aged sons from Fairfield, Calif., where he was affiliated with the Solano county sheriff's office. Four of his brothers also are in law enforcement work in the states of Nevada, California and Oregon.

Zander's sons are among members of the local Junior Police group.

## Cattlemen's Group Officers Re-elected

Applegate Valley - Officers in the Applegate Cattlemen's association were re-elected at their annual meeting held at the Grange hall here recently. LeRoy Offenbacher was returned as president; Lance Offenbacher, vice president, and Fred Straube, secretary-treasurer.

Neil Suttell, district ranger, told the group of the forest service brush burning program, including burning of swamp alders, which will benefit the range. Mark Lawrence of Medford, representing the bureau of land management, and Robert Thorheim, Medford, staff assistant in charge of range and fires, also spoke.

## Progress Reported On Community Hall

By DOTTIE HARBISON

Eagle Point - Encouraging reports were presented by the special meeting of the Eagle Point Scout Community Building committee at the home of Ed Kimell last Wednesday.

Harry Hanscom, chairman, called the meeting to compile the reports of the various chairmen and to lay out assignments for the forthcoming building project. Nearly all the lumber needed for the building has been acquired, it was reported, and sufficient financial contributions have been received to start construction, which includes footings, beams, and pile lastings.

Further donations will be needed and sought following the laying of the corner stone to complete the construction of the building.

The building is located on city property at the end of South B st. where the new city park will be located and improved. Hanscom reported that forms for the footings

have been completed and are ready for footings to be poured as soon as weather permits. The beams are being constructed indoors to speed the actual construction at a later date and will be transported to the building site when needed. A partial basement has been added to the original building plans.

When the footings are completed, a public cornerstone-laying ceremony will be held.

## Community Center Set for Discussion

Hills - A public meeting will be held at the Community center here at 7 p.m. Tuesday to discuss plans for using a local hotel building as a community recreation hall.

The hotel was selected as a possible location for the project during a community meeting last Monday.

A committee, consisting of Chairman Al Simmen, Aristeo Perez, Vern Burns, Gino Trinca, Italo Marin, Cal Sharp and Don Powers, was appointed to draw up preliminary plans.

## Prospect Residents Hit by Flu Virus

Prospect - At least 30 local residents have been stricken by flu, many of them by the Asian variety, during the past two weeks.

Two of the cases developed into pneumonia, sending the victims to hospitals. Doctors have encouraged all residents to get flu shots if they have been or are likely to be exposed to the virus.

Many residents, including all workers at Ross mill, already have taken shots.

## Gold Hill City Council to Hear Ordinances Tonight

Gold Hill - The Gold Hill city council will meet tonight at 7 p.m. in the city hall on Fifth ave. An ordinance to control the moving and storage of explosives within the city limits of Gold Hill will be read this evening, officials said.

Other ordinances to be considered at the meeting include one that would authorize the city to sell a piece of property on the Sams Valley road. The other to be considered would abandon certain streets in the Water Parks addition of the city.

## Consolidation Issue Carries for Schools

Tiller - The old saying "the third time's a charm" proved true in the vote for consolidation at the Tiller and Days Creek schools last Friday.

Consolidation carried in both districts. The vote at Days Creek was 64 for consolidation and 10 against. At Tiller it was 44 for consolidation and 5 against.

Several years ago a vote was cast to see if District 15, which is Days Creek, and District 114, which is Tiller, would consolidate. Both districts voted it down. Two years ago it came up for a vote again and District 15 voted it down and District 114 voted for consolidation.

In 30 days the combined districts will vote for members for a seven-man board, which will include one member from each former district and five at large.

Mark Boydon, county surveyor, plans to attend the session to inform the council concerning surveying matters.

E. E. Miller and John Cogswell have been appointed by Mayor Milton Steinmetz to serve on the budget committee. Joe Walsh recently spoke to city officials, informing them of the advantages of a two-way radio system for Gold Hill.

12 CANINE GUESTS  
Eagle Point - Mr. and Mrs. Tom Van Etten now have a team of Huskies beneath their house. It seems the neighbor's Husky gave birth to 12 pups the other day.

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## Regional Calendar

Phoenix - The Lions club will hold an auction at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Community club building to raise funds for the Phoenix pioneer cemetery rehabilitation.

Central Point - The city council will meet at 7:30 tonight in the city hall. All local residents are invited, according to Lyle Paull, city administrator.

Eagle Point - The Jayettes will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday at the home of Mrs. Harry Hanscom on Stevens rd. Numerous subjects are to be discussed.

Ashland - Medford School Superintendent Dr. Leonard Mayfield will compare the educational systems of the U.S. and Russia when he addresses the weekly student assembly at Southern Oregon college at 10 a.m. Wednesday.