



CLASSIFIES BIRDS—Dr. Franklin W. Sturges, Southern Oregon college science-mathematics division, works to classify one of the 450 Oregon birds presented the college by Carl R. Richardson, Trail.

Bird, Mammal Collection Is Presented to Southern Oregon

Ashland—Carl R. Richardson, 1906 graduate of the old Ashland State Normal school, has presented the Southern Oregon college science-mathematics division with his life-long collection of more than 500 native birds, small rodents, game hides, and heads. Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, SOC president, has announced.

According to Dr. Franklin W. Sturges of the science-mathematics division who has been placed in charge of the collection, it is a valuable one as there is so little known of the southern Oregon region in this field. There have been few exploratory collection trips in this area by any of the larger institutions, he said.

"These birds and mammals are a wonderful nucleus for the beginning of a much-needed collection for Southern Oregon college," Sturges said, "and will be used primarily as a research collection for the use of advanced students."

Represent Transition
"Representing as they do," he continued, "a transition between several kinds of environments, these specimens depict a rather critical area, as we have California types coming up to meet Oregon-Washington types, and also those from the great Klamath basin crossing over into the area as well."

Sturges praised Richardson's work, saying that it was one of the last of the passing private collections and that such research was now almost entirely performed by large groups and organizations.

Officially known as the Southern Oregon College Carl Richardson Bird and Mammal Collection, it will be housed in special insect proof, airtight, museum storage cases and will be periodically placed on display in various classes for demonstration and for the general public in the lobby of the new science building.

Arrange Birds
Dr. Sturges and his student assistant, Phil Sword, Ashland, have been working with Richardson to catalog and systematically arrange the birds and mammals so that it will be possible to determine any gaps in the collection and add to it as new specimens are obtained.

Richardson will also continue his work in southern Oregon hoping to expand the collection through joint efforts until several specimens of each of the local species and sub-species have been obtained for the college.

Though some of the specimens, dating back as far as 1896, have been gained through exchange, with collectors in other areas, almost all of them are of local origin. Each has been assigned a number by the collector corresponding to the number in the field notebook and catalog. Other scientific data entered includes the date acquired, the locality, the sex, the collector's name, and the name of the species.

Annual Book Awards Presented To Three

New York—UPI—The annual national book awards and \$1,000 checks were presented Wednesday to authors Phil Roth, for his short novel and five stories entitled "Goodbye, Columbus," Richard Ellmann for his biography, "James Joyce," and Robert Lowell for his book of poetry, "Life Studies."

The awards are sponsored by the American Book Publishers Council, the American Booksellers association and the Book Manufacturers' Institute.

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Appling To Quit National Group

Salem—UPI—Oregon Secretary of State Howell Appling Jr. resigned Wednesday from the National Association of Secretaries of State, saying it would save the taxpayers some money.

Appling's membership expires June 30.

He wrote Association President O. Frank Thornton at Columbia, S.C. that "while the amount of money involved in the membership and in my travel to the proposed convention in New York this summer would not in itself be large... I do not feel that I can justify such an expenditure of tax money."

Richardson, who will be active 74 in May, officially began collecting in 1922, but his interest in ornithology has been insatiable since the age of five, when he traded a knife for some Guinea fowl feathers.

Through the years he has been active in bird banding, Grange work, ornithological societies and clubs, is an ardent hunter, and is a member of the SOC OLD Timers branch of the alumni association which is composed of those who attended the Old Normal prior to 1910 when it was discontinued by act of the legislature.

With his wife, the former May Ditsworth, Richardson lives on a 240-acre ranch in the Prospect area. Nestled on Laurelhurst rd. across the well-known covered bridge over the Rogue river at that point, their ranch, which is partially cleared of trees and underbrush, has been an ideal spot for the collection of a number of his best specimens.

The Richardsons have one son, Col. John F. Richardson, now with the Federal Social Security service in San Francisco, two grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

Quotes From the News

By United Press International

Pall Mall, Tenn.—Mrs. Alvin C. York, wife of the World War I hero who as Sgt. York wiped out a German machine gun battalion, commenting on the government's tax claim against him for \$85,442:

"A farmer doesn't get much these days."

Nashville, Tenn.—Robert Rivera, one of two dangerous convicts who seized hostages and holed up in the deputy warden's office at Tennessee State Prison, defying surrender demands:

"We don't want to hurt anybody but if they rush us all we have to do is put them (the hostages) up against that wall and shoot them."

Tell City, Ind.—Gov. Harold Handley, on the decision to remove the bodies of victims of last week's airline crash and continue digging in the deep crater dug by the plane's fuselage:

"This had not been an easy decision to make. But continued digging would be an assurance against the same thing happening again."

Guy Hughes Due To Be Transferred

Salem—UPI—The division of animal industry of the State Department of Agriculture will save \$9,000 by making reassignments effective April 1.

Division Chief Fred Pope said the reassignments will tighten up operations for stock owners.

They include Guy Hughes from Medford to northeast Oregon with headquarters at Baker; E. L. Wright, Salem, northwest Oregon; Eldon Beckner from Eugene to Medford for the southwest Oregon district, and Guy Woodworth continued at Madras.

Two brand inspectors, Elmore Nicholson of Fort Klamath and Laverne McCauley of The Dalles will become district supervising brand inspectors.

Names Finance Aide

New York—UPI—National Democratic Chairman Paul Butler Wednesday announced selection of investment banker Frederick W. Richmond as deputy chairman of the Democratic National Finance Committee for the 1960 campaign.

HOUNDS OUTFOXED

Dulverton, England—UPI—Seven hounds chased a fox in the wrong direction Wednesday and found themselves in a deer sanctuary. The hounds were locked up by a game warden. The fox ran free.

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Medford Lions Hear Talk on Electronics

"Science of electronics—miracle of our age" was discussed by Ted Christensen, merchandising manager of the Verl G. Walker company, at a recent meeting of the Medford Lions club.

Christensen described the importance of the electronics industry to the Rogue valley, stating that this area benefits on the average of \$3 million annually from retail, wholesale and industrial use of electronics.

Local industrial users include lumber mills and plywood factories having such installations for gluing, patching, counting, color grading and safety alarms.

He spoke of the uses made of closed TV circuits, sound in the field of education, private telephone and inter-communication systems, all of which delete time waste, increase efficiency and save money for the users.

Firms today are using electronic devices on the "citizens band" similar to the military "walkie-talkie," by which plant supervisors can maintain contact with mobile units and work parties.

Christensen pointed out that

radio was the initial electronic device, followed by television, and that electronic sound is providing many new labor-saving items.

He said his company is co-operating in an endeavor to bring an electronics manufacturing plant to the valley.

U. S. Challenges Soviet Claim To Berlin Territory

Washington—UPI—The United States today challenged Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's claim that allied-occupied West Berlin is on territory that really belongs to the Communist East Germans.

The State Department released photo copies of the wartime allied protocol, signed by Russia, Britain and the United States, specifically providing that the Berlin area was to be a "special system of occupation" entirely separate from the Soviet zone of conquered Germany surrounding it.

To Set Record Straight

Officials said a principal purpose for releasing the material and challenging the Communist argument at this time was to set the record straight again before President Eisenhower meets with Khrushchev and the British and French leaders at the summit in May.

The allied protocol creating special occupation zones for Berlin was signed in London Sept. 12, 1944. The Big Three later carved out their individual zones and when France was restored as an operating government, the United States gave her part of the American zone.

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Body of Man in Snow Identified

Eugene—UPI—The body of a man found dead in the snow about 55 miles east of here Sunday, was tentatively identified today as that of Lester Coy Meek, 34, Glennpool, Okla.

The preliminary identification was made through the St. Helens police department where Meek had been jailed on vagrancy charges.

An autopsy was scheduled for today.

The body was found under a rock overhang beside the McKenzie highway by two college students. Officers said scratches on the legs indicated he had tried to walk some distance over the snow in the area.

St. Helens police based their identification on fingerprints.

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COSTLY PAY RAISE
El Centro, Calif.—UPI—Mrs. Mary L. Aguilar complained today that a \$1 a week raise she recently received as an employee of the county health department put her in a higher tax bracket and she now must pay \$1.50 a week more in taxes.

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