

### Three Tracts of Timber Are Sold

The small tracts of salvaged timber were sold by the Medford district of the bureau of land management April 28. The three tracts were sold in 100,000 board feet, sold for a total of \$5,280.70.

Harry Weber of Bude Falls secured 2,000 board feet located on Big Butte creek. Butte Falls for \$1,200.10 without competition.

A tract containing 100,000 board feet located on West Fork Egan creek was purchased by Guy Critser of Sunny Valley for \$2,348.50. He also had no competition.

Strong competition developed among the five bidders for 27,500 board feet located south of Cave Junction. Hammer Lumber company of Selma, with an offer of \$37 per thousand board feet for the Douglas fir and a total bid of \$1,649.10, was the high bidder for the tract.

On May 12, the Medford district plans to offer four tracts, containing 11,672,000 board feet appraised at \$1,504,200 for sale. All of these tracts are located in Jackson county.

### Boise News Items

**Area for Company**  
Portland - A unified Pacific Northwest region, made up of Blake, Moditt and Towne's Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane and Boise divisions, has been announced by Arthur W. Tosne, president of the pioneer Pacific coast paper firm.

Palmer C. McDonald, vice president and Portland division manager, has been appointed to the position of regional manager of the new unit.



**FUTURE IN QUESTION** - The building which is now the home of the Medford Osteopathic hospital since its founding in 1935 will be sold when the new \$250,000 Crater Osteopathic hospital, Central Point, opens in May. Dedication ceremonies and an open house are planned May 21 and 22. Following the 2 p.m. May 22 dedication the 29-bed hospital will officially open. The osteopathic hospital was founded in the mid-thirties by the late Dr. W. W. Howard of Medford.

### The Family Council

**Dick Clark Denies Accepting Payola**  
Washington - (AP) - Television disc jockey Dick Clark testified under oath today that he never accepted payola. He admitted he knew that one of his record companies was dishing out payola to other disc jockeys and that he did nothing to stop it.

Clark also acknowledged that he had received gifts worth \$4,400 and a \$7,000 payment as a "royalty."

The idol of the teenage set swore before House investigators, however, that he never agreed to push any record or to permit any performers to appear on his show in exchange for money or anything of value.

**STAR FLAG JULY 1**  
Washington - (AP) - The new 30-star flag of the United States, designed after the admission of Hawaii, will be raised officially for the first time July 4. The ceremony will be held in Baltimore at Fort McHenry, where Francis Scott Key wrote the National Anthem.

**General Features Corp.**

### Condemnation Suit Filed in Court Here

The state highway commission is seeking to condemn some parcels of land owned by Frances Elizabeth White in the Rogue River area for park development in connection with the new Highway 99 freeway, according to a complaint filed in Jackson county circuit court.

Parcel No. 1 contains 48.8 acres, the second parcel 13.3 acres. A roadway is to be constructed by the state highway department under the bridge that crosses the Rogue river to connect the remaining property on both sides of the bridge, according to the complaint.

True value of the property is set at \$11,200, according to the complaint.

Portland - (AP) - Police today continued an investigation into the death of Halvor M. Rossasen, 61, whose body was found Thursday.

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### 88 Disease Cases Reported Last Week

Nearly half of the 88 cases of communicable diseases reported last week in the county were measles, according to the Jackson county health department.

The cases were reported in Medford, which accounted for 33 cases, with 3 cases of German measles, and Ashland, which reported 7.

Nineteen cases of influenza were reported, Medford led the list with 13, followed by Central Point, 4, and Shady Cove, 2. Medford also reported 19 cases of chicken pox.

Other diseases reported in Ashland were scap ring worm, 2; mumps, 4; and scarlet fever, 1.

**GRANDSON DIES**  
Pound Ridge, N.Y. - (AP) - John F. B. Hawthorne, 87, a grandson of 19th Century American author Nathaniel Hawthorne and a retired writer and editor for "The American Banker," died here Thursday.

### Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

**The Best of All the Bugs is The Ladybug**  
"The Virgin Mary's Golden Hens" is the rather startling description the people of Sweden give to the ladybug beetle. Their folklore is replete with stories of this little spotted bug with the glossy oval body and bright yellow dots.

To those people the ladybug does look like a tiny hen, as it gathers in flocks to feed on the plant lice sucking the plants.

The French people also respect the ladybug. In the vast vineyards of France this little beetle is very important; many times it has saved the grape harvest. In simple thankfulness the French have christened the ladybugs as "cows of the Lord."

The French farmer can never forget how the little beetles have repeatedly saved their crops by killing the aphids that suck the sap from plants. "The cows of the Lord" graze contentedly on living, breathing pastures and thereby hold in check an insect that can destroy the vineyards in a single season.

American folklore also pays tribute to the ladybug by the simple little song loved by all children: "Ladybug, ladybug, fly away home. Your house is on fire and your children will burn." Who wrote this catchy little jingle is unknown, but it is presumed it had its origin in the cranberry bogs, where in the fall the dead bushes are raked up and burned. Great numbers of ladybug beetles always fly away from these fires, probably suggesting the words of the song.

The ladybug is helpful wherever plants are grown and plant lice are sucking the sap from the plants. A few years ago the entire citrus crop of one of our states was threatened by a bad infestation of aphids and the cottony scale insect, a small bug that resembles a dirty piece of cotton. The scale insect had come from abroad and the infested trees died in rapid succession. The fruit growers were frantic. He was saved "by the bell" but by a bug. The little "cows of the Lord" were introduced into the groves. With fingers crossed the scientists and the grove owners waited the outcome, trusting a bug hoping they had selected the right species of ladybug.

The choice was correct. The citrus trees were saved by a tiny bug with polka-dot spots on its shiny wing-covers. There are as many as 150 kinds of ladybugs in the U.S. In the entire world there are several hundred varieties.

**On Your Side**  
Working within the confines of nearly every garden, grove or orchard are many ladybugs and they are all on your side. They are considered to be about the most valuable bug in the whole world. They are small insects, the largest about the size of a navy bean. Some species can be identified by the number of yellow spots on the back. In the deep South, one called the ninespot lives up to its name by always having just nine yellow spots on its black body.

Whether you call them "cows of the Lord" or the "Virgin Mary's Golden Hens" makes little difference; they are the same friendly little bugs that hold in check the destructive plant lice. Without the ladybug's constant vigilance the aphid might destroy every tree in your grove. Any way we humbly want to look at them, one thing is for sure: The ladybugs are mighty nice folks.

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### SOBBING SIMS SAYS: "SPRING TIME IS SWING TIME—GYM-DANDY Swing Time"

James J. - I don't care for Mabel any more than Sandra does, but I've done my best to be nice to her for Arthur's sake. Frankly I feel sorry for him being married to a woman like that. I think he needs friends.

Aside from that, I don't think Sandra should have blown up in our home. No matter what Mabel said, she was our guest and should have been treated with courtesy. I've never known Sandra to act like that.

Probably, I've been feeling a long time that Mabel has been trying to provoke an argument. She is jealous of all Arthur's friends and family and has gradually gotten him to break off with a lot of them. I have warned Sandra not to fall into Mabel's trap. She's not worth all that fuss.

The Council: We agree that Sandra should apologize for having blown up at a guest in her own home. This is a terrible breach of behavior, no matter what the provocation.

As for future policy in regard to Arthur and Mabel, it's hard to draw up a plan. If Mabel is really as bad as Sandra and Jim describe it may be simply impossible to keep up a friendship.

Jim should recognize that his wife is more exposed to Mabel's spitefulness than he is. While he is engaged in meekly talking with Arthur, Sandra must have chitchat with Mabel. She can swallow her feelings occasionally for the sake of the men's friendship, but she can't do it all the time. Apparently her big blow-up

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