

Personally Speaking

By JOHN STAFFORD

The world is full of unusual people. Every reporter looks forward to the occasions when he meets one of them. We were looking forward to meeting William (Bill) Lord as we drove out to the Camp White veterans' domiciliary Monday afternoon.

Lord had written us an intriguing letter telling of his talents and background. In part, the letter said, "During the past decade I have appeared before hundreds of groups, presenting a lecture demonstration 'making the most of the mind.'"

"Ripley featured my work in 1934 in his syndicated 'Believe It or Not' series."

"In April, 1932 my brain was bequeathed to Cornell Medical college for post-mortem study."

The letter was signed, "Yours for better thinking, William W. Lord."

We were curious about what Lord could do. We certainly weren't disappointed.

Bill Lord is a 65-year-old veteran of World Wars I and II. He spent six months in the service in 1918, reenlisted in 1929 and stayed in until 1941. Before his second enlistment he entered the entertainment field and traveled to all parts of the U.S.

Lord calls his presentation "multiple concentration or thought in depth." He explained it and we were still baffled. Then he produced a blackboard and proceeded to give a demonstration.

The first achievement was relatively elementary. At least Lord called it elementary. He recited the alphabet forward, while at the same time, writing it upside down in long-hand on the blackboard-backward.

His tricks got progressively more difficult. After he dazzled us with his wizardry for 20 minutes we figured out Lord has the uncanny ability of being able to talk of one thing while working out highly complex problems at the same time.

Among other things, he recited five minutes worth of Shakespeare's Hamlet while, at the same time, figuring out a mathematical problem. He asked for a number under 100. We picked 83. Then he drew a square and divided it into 16 smaller squares. While reciting from Hamlet he was writing numbers in each square. When he had finished all squares contained a number. He added up the vertical rows of numbers. They each totaled 83. The horizontal columns also totaled 83. The diagonals and four corners also added to 83. Each quarter section of the square added up to 83. We don't know how he did it. But we do know that reciting from Hamlet would be a challenge in itself.

Lord has more complicated tricks. It would be almost impossible to describe some of them. He does seem to have an unusual mind.

Lord says that multiple thinking requires a "little bit of ability and plenty of practice." It took him about two years to perfect the technique. Since 1923 he has performed for about 500,000 people.

In 1937 he spent 20 weeks with Ripley's Believe It or Not Odditorium at the Greater Texas and Pan American Exposition.

He came to the veterans' domiciliary from a similar domiciliary in Hot Springs, Ark., in September. He made frequent appearances before service clubs and private groups while in the Hot Springs area.

He is ready, willing and able to make appearances in the Rogue valley area. The only stipulation is that he have transportation to and from the domiciliary.

Santa Claus Will Arrive on Dec. 15

Regional News

Correspondents: Upper Applegate Valley—Maude Ziegler; Lower Applegate Valley—Jeanette Head; Butte Falls—Mary Jo Harris; Central Point—Dolores Armstrong; Eagle Point—Dottie Harbo; Gold Hill—Sams Valley—Mary Kell; Grandview—Lone Pine—Dot Simons; Happy Camp—Hazel Davis; Betty Reedy; Hornbrook—Katherine Chapman; Illinois Valley—Katherine Scott; Jacksonville—Betty Hoskins; Medford—Caroline Harding; Meadows—Nelle Bergman; Murphy—Mrs. R. J. Millerman; Phoenix—Ruth Igo; Prospect—Velda Barr; Rogue River—Orva Jean Cruise; Shady Cove—Evelyn Ann Katenbach; Table Rock—R. E. Nealon; Talent—Bill Young; Tiller—Drew—Viola Rogers; Williams—Watt Katenbach; Yreka—Doris Robinson and Mary Louise Gray.

Phoenix City Council Discusses Water Main for New Subdivision

Phoenix - The Phoenix city council held a special meeting Monday night in the city hall to discuss extending a six-inch water main to the new subdivision on Fern Valley rd.

A bid opening will be set as soon as final details can be worked out with a consulting engineer, Mayor Arthur H. MacKintosh said today.

The extension will be approximately 700 feet from Church st. to serve the new subdivision owned by Walter Bolz. The extension will serve both Triangle and Norton's Markets and a new service station being built on the corner of the new subdivision.

Greeters Welcome Six New Families

Eagle Point - Six new families have moved into the Eagle Point area within the past two weeks and have been called upon according to Eagle Point Greeter's Chairman Mrs. Rick Wolgamot.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Stover and children Kendra, 17, Mike, 14, Jim, 10, and Margaret, 4, are from Marshalltown, Iowa, and have purchased the Col. Davidson ranch above Brownsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Filer are living at 317 north C st. and came from Jacksonville. Filer is a retired employee of the North American Aviation company.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Remington and children Tamara Lee, 6, and Rick, 2, came from Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Louie McClard and a 19-month-old baby are new residents from Lake Tahoe, Nevada. Mr. and Mrs. Malbert Hafer and children Betty Jane, 15, Malbert Bruce, 10, Sharon Joyce, 9, and Linda Gayle, 7, are living at 429 south B st. and lived in Colburg, Ore., previously.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brannum and children Bernard, 6, Carolyn, 5, Johanna, 3, and Clarence, 18 months, previously lived in Missouri. Brannum is presently recuperating from injuries received as a railroad lineman.

Christmas Music Program Dec. 18

Grants Pass-The combined music departments, vocal and instrumental, of Grants Pass High school, will present a program of Christmas music Sunday, Dec. 18 at 4 p.m. at the Memorial gymnasium.

Under the direction of Ron Hollister, director of vocal music at the high school, the chorus and choir, with the soloists as narrators, will sing the following songs: "Farewell for Christmas Day," "A Merry Christmas" (a traditional English Christmas song), "Silent Night," and an entire group rendition of "Twas the Night Before Christmas." In "Silent Night" solos by Susan Cathey and Fran Gilcock will be featured.

The band, directed by Raymond McAllister, will include several unusual selections in its program. Among them will be "Fantasia in G Major" by Bach; "Reverie" by Debussy; and an instrumental entitled "A Mountain Shepherd's Sunday."

In former years, the senior class has presented a Christmas play, light and modern or traditional, on the day school closes for the Christmas vacation, but due to the press of many activities this year, such a play will not be presented and the arrival of the holiday season will be greeted instead in this musical manner.

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Other Richey is a young man well qualified for his job as Phoenix High school student body president. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Othar Richey.

School government affairs have interested Othar ever since he was president of his fifth grade class. He was vice president and treasurer of his class in the sixth grade, vice president of the seventh grade and vice president of the grade school student body. He was president of the grade school student body while in the eighth grade.

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Quick Action Saves Bishop Creek Home

Applegate Valley - Quick work on the part of friends and neighbors while the family was absent saved the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cook on Bishop creek from total destruction by fire recently.

MacKintosh said. The present two-inch water line is inadequate with the continuing commercial development of the east and west sides of the highway.

The city of Phoenix also plans to spread gravel on the road connecting with the new bridge across the irrigation ditch and up to Cedar st. However no gravel will be spread over A st. yet which connects the new Hacienda subdivision with the rest of Phoenix until sewer and water mains can be put in. Surfacing of the street will be a joint operation between the city and Ed (Pop) Stevens, the subdivider, the mayor explained.

Miss Fay Carver, new mayor-elect of Phoenix, said she will not announce her plans until she and the new council members take office on Jan. 8. However, she said she definitely plans to do something about the Phoenix Community hall which is not being used as much as it should and seems to be lacking an active board of governors. Bill Rombach, former president, has resigned.

Furry Elected To 8th Term as Fire Chief of Phoenix

Phoenix - Leo Furry was re-elected chief of the Phoenix volunteer fire department last night for the eighth consecutive year. The Phoenix city council is expected to conform the appointment.

Dave Haggard, another volunteer fireman of long standing, was unanimously elected assistant chief. Lloyd Nikodym and Clark Brown were elected fire captains. Elected lieutenants were Otto Caster, John Wright, Ed Caldwell and Irving Hanscom. Harley Glasscock was unanimously re-elected secretary.

During other business the firemen and the fire department auxiliary voted to hold first aid classes every Tuesday for five more weeks. The first session was conducted Tuesday night.

The annual fire department Christmas party will be held this Saturday night in the Phoenix Community club hall. All members of the fire department and their wives are invited to attend. Live music will be provided by the Bernard Sauer band. This annual event is scheduled to start any time after 6 o'clock Saturday night and continue until "any time before dawn." All women attending are asked to bring pollock—salad, dessert, vegetable, or biscuits.

188 Cases Were Checked in Nov.

Yreka - A. B. Cottar, Siskiyou county sheriff, reports that the sheriff's office investigated 188 cases during November.

These included: one assault; three auto thefts; 11 burglaries; five illegal checks; one disturbing the peace; five drunk and disorderly; six failures to provide; three forgery; 18 thefts; one robbery; and 81 miscellaneous criminal cases. There were 53 miscellaneous non-criminal cases handled.

During November there were 55 bookings at the Siskiyou county jail. Cottar reports. Of these, 50 were adults and five were juveniles. The average daily jail population for the month was 62 persons.

The sheriff's civil department handled 28 cases during the same period and collected \$175.52 in county fees.

Power Goes Off in Applegate Recently

Applegate - A 35-minute power outage in the Applegate area last Monday morning caused a great inconvenience and a lot of worry. From about 10:25 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. the "juice" was not in the wires.

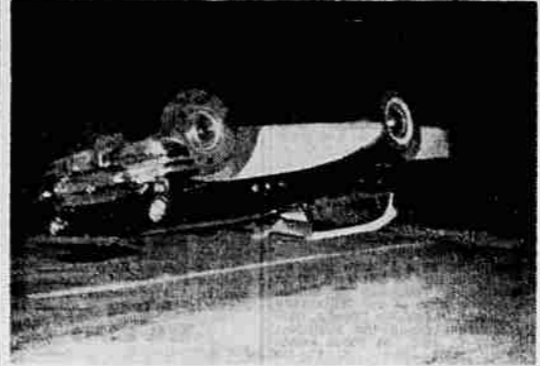
Gas pumps need their little electric motors to enable them to deliver gas. Lights are needed where the bright sunshine rays do not penetrate, and refrigerators, deepfreezers and ice cream cases depend on electric motors. Many housewives found themselves checking fuse boxes to see if the trouble was located there or if the poor old washer had given out at last. The power came on in time for the noon lunch and a hot cup of coffee.

Regional Calendar

Prospect-The annual Christmas dinner and party for the Prospect Garden club members and their families will be held at the Community hall Thursday night at 6 p.m. All members are to bring their Secret Pal gifts and presents for the general exchange. Secret Pals will be revealed at this party.

Prospect-Prospect Lumberjacks and Jills will hold a square dance at the Community hall Saturday, Dec. 17, starting at 8 p.m. Potluck refreshments will be served at 11:30. Caller will be Stub Bean. Visitors are welcome.

DRIVING WARNING-This is the way a car owned by Ed Lent, Tiller-Drew area resident, looked after it slid on a frosty patch of pavement, ran up a 20 foot embankment and overturned. The accident occurred Dec. 8. It is an example of what can happen while driving in icy conditions.



Future Teachers Install 21 Additional Members

Grants Pass - On Tuesday evening, Dec. 13, 21 new members of the Future Teachers association were inducted into the organization and officers for the year installed.

The ceremony took place in the library of the Grants Pass High school and featured Miss Gail Hayden as the main speaker. Gail showed slides of her trip to Norway she took last summer as part of the American Field service program. She told of her many interesting experiences while living there.

FTA initiates included Sharon Rossow, Pamela Porter, Karin Hochendoner, Barbara Jeddell, Marilyn Deckleman, Christine Boe, Mary Cramer, Margaret Lewman, Frankie Shambrough, Barbara Newkirk, Dennis Holt, Robert Nelson, Garry McCorkle, Roger McCorkle, Fran Groves, Beverly Perkins, Linda Acklen, Louisa Dahlgren, Betty Varner, Susan Rutherford and Bonnie Susan.

In connection with the FTA, an interesting fact was recently revealed. Two senior members, Pam Chamberlain and Valerie Eckstein, are actively participating in a Cadet Teachers Program now in operation at the high school. Any member willing to give one period a day, usually a study hall, may assist a teacher at North Junior High school in such routine tasks as correcting papers, checking assignments, and in so doing may gain valuable experience in observing teaching methods.

Miss Chamberlain has been assisting Dale Smith, teacher of social studies, and Miss Eckstein has been working with Mrs. Jackie Allen, girls' physical education instructor. Both girls are very enthusiastic about the value of such a program for students planning a career in the teaching field.

Many Newcomers Move to Shady Cove-Trail Area

By EVALYN WATSON Shady Cove Correspondent

Shady Cove - Trail - This year has been marked by many newcomers moving into the Shady Cove-Trail area. Many of these people have purchased homes here and will be permanent residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Werner Donat and three children, John, 18, Gary, 16, and Judy, 5, are newcomers. John is attending the University of Oregon as a freshman. Gary is a junior at the Eagle Point High school and Judy will start in the first grade at the Shady Cove school next year. The Donats came from Merced, Calif., where they owned and operated a feed store. They bought a home on the river on Meadows lane in Shady Cove and moved into it in October.

Newcomers to the area are not only living here permanently but who are also in business are Mr. and Mrs. L. Gird Levering and daughter, Linda. The Leverings bought the Shady Cove Motel in 1959. Levering came here just before Christmas of 1959 and stayed here by himself while Mrs. Levering and Linda remained in San Gabriel until Linda finished high school.

Linda, who is a 1960 freshman majoring in drama and speech at the University of Oregon, won the trophy for the best actress from all of the high schools in the metropolitan area of Los Angeles in the annual tournament staged by the Pasadena Playhouse. The Leverings also have a married son and 5-year-old granddaughter.

Levering was in the real estate business in San Gabriel and was acquainted in business with Bob Holman who owns property in Shady Cove. While making a trip through here in the summer of 1959 he accidentally met Holman who was vacationing at the Shady Cove Motel and became interested in the property through him.

In reality, however, the purchasing of the motel dates back much further, to a day in 1919 when Levering came through the area for the first time while working for the Ellison-White Chautauqua players. He made the remark then that "I'm going to live up here sometime," and 40 years later the wish became an actuality.

Since purchasing the motel, the Leverings have made a number of improvements, among them one that is a great boon to thirsty passers-by on hot summer days, the installation of a drinking fountain on the highway by their sign. The motel is now known by the old name that it was operated under when the Bernard Henry's owned it. The Royal Coachman Motel.

Barbers were incorporated in England in 1461 and were united with the company of surgeons until 1745.

Murphy Boy Is Junior Champion

Murphy - Chris Wood, 12-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wood of Murphy, was named junior state champion in the Texas barrel riding event by the Western Horsemen of Oregon at their annual meeting Dec. 3 at the Pioneer building at Lane County Fairgrounds near Eugene.

This award came as a result of trophies and ribbons won during the year for outstanding equestrian performances with his horse, Sue ZQ, at many events throughout the state. In addition to the main award, he also received champion trophies for pole-bending and keyhole, and a fourth place ribbon in figure-eight stake.

To add to these many honors, Chris also received two reserve champion trophies for pole bending and Texas barrel from the Oregon Horsemen's association when they met Nov. 17 at the Multnomah hotel in Portland.

STOCKMEN MEET

Tiller-Drew - Eleven men attended the stockmen meeting at Club 227 Friday night. After the meeting, refreshments were served by Mrs. Ralph Stauch and Mrs. Virgil McNeess.

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HOME BURNS TO GROUND

Tiller-The Paul Kirkendall home near Milo started burning around the stovepipe Thursday morning and burned to the ground in a matter of minutes. All that was saved were the clothes Mr. and Mrs. Kirkendall were wearing. The Kirkendalls have moved into a partially furnished rental house on their property which was empty.

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