

They'll Do It Every Time

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Police Chief Gives Suggestions To Avert Shoplifting

With arrests for shoplifting in Medford showing a marked increase recently, Medford Police Chief Charles P. Champlin today urged area businessmen to institute a number of precautions to help alleviate the situation. A check of police records revealed that there have been 26 arrests for shoplifting since Sept. 1, Champlin said. With the prospect of crowds of shoppers doing their Christmas buying in the weeks ahead, the problem is certain to worsen, Champlin predicted. The police department has issued a bulletin to the merchants setting forth a number of suggestions which, if followed, may go a long way toward reducing losses of merchandise by shoplifting, Champlin said. Among the suggestions offered to the merchants were: —Maintain an adequate sales force during rush periods, especially during lunch and dinner hours, so as not to invite shoplifting. —Watch out for loiterers, particularly those with large empty bags. —Avoid display of extra-value merchandise in the immediate vicinity of exits where thieves can "snatch and run." —Demand the original sales slip on all goods presented for refund. —Guard against disturbances among customers. They may be "covers" for thefts. Champlin advised merchants to call police immediately to report any suspicious situations. "The element of time can be crucial in the successful handling of shoplifting cases," the chief of police said.

Medford High Cops 3 of 4 Firsts In Debate Tournament

Medford High school won three of the four first places last week end at the Marshfield High School Invitational Debate tournament. Larry Tuttle and Robert Hoag tied with Paul Goodwin and Mike Winihan, all Medford, for first place in the senior men's division. Phil Frohnmayer and Fred Haupt topped the junior men's division and Karen Foley and Page Meyerding were first in the junior women's division. The first place in senior women was won by Albany. In the senior women's division Sandra Irving and Sandra Joyce tied with Bev Bush and Kathy Foley for second, and Ann Jensen and Cindy Taylor were second in the junior women's division. Ashland High school, another of the eleven high schools that participated, placed second in the junior men's division. Some 100 high school students participated in the debate tournament.

Jewett School on Safety Honor Roll

Central Point—The Jewett Elementary school has received a certificate of exceptional merit and has been placed on the National School Safety Honor roll of the National Safety Council, Principal William Brewster has announced. This is the third year that the school has received this honor. "We are encouraged by the National Safety Council's recognition of our efforts to build a fine safety education program," Brewster said. "So long as accidents remain the chief cause of death among school-age children, we will continue to improve that program to teach our young people to protect themselves and their fellow students."

COOPERATE WITH TESTS Washington—(AP)—The United States and Japan have agreed to cooperate in testing communication satellites. The agreement was signed Monday by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the Japanese Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications. Similar agreements have been made with France, Great Britain, West Germany, Italy and Brazil.

Foreign Language Institute Held

Phoenix—Three teachers of the foreign language department from Phoenix High school attended the Regional Foreign Language conference held Nov. 3 in the Britt Student center of Southern Oregon college, Ashland. They were John Kueckler, German; Mary Lucille Offutt, Spanish; and Mabel Sims, Latin. The topic of this meeting was "Foreign Language Methods and Materials." The program included presentation and discussions on teaching techniques, language laboratory practices, foreign languages in the elementary school, Latin, and new teaching materials.

Man In Serious Condition After High Speed Chase

A California man, who was recently released from the Oregon Correctional institution after serving a sentence for grand larceny in Jackson county, is in serious condition today at Siskiyou County hospital following a high speed chase with California Highway patrol. Charles Edward Strunk, 22, Torrance, Calif., was reported suffering from head, spinal and leg injuries after the vehicle he was driving blew a tire while traveling in excess of 100 miles per hour and turned over several times. According to the highway patrol, the chase started Saturday south of Weed with speeds up to 120 miles per hour. The highway patrolman had attempted to question Strunk regarding the license plates on the vehicle when the chase started, ending one mile south of Gazelle on Highway 99. Highway patrolmen said that the demolished car had been stolen last week in Sacramento. Found in the vehicle were several cases of shotgun shells, reportedly taken in a Tulelake burglary. Strunk had been sentenced to 2½ years in the OCI in July, 1950 by Jackson county circuit court on a charge of grand larceny. He had been arrested in Klamath Falls on a Jackson county warrant and returned to Medford by Jackson county sheriff's deputies.

Investigation of Death Case Ends

An investigation of the deaths of Nancy Carol Rohl, 27, and her two sons, Eric, 3, and Carl, 2, Grants Pass, has been closed because of the lack of evidence involving any other person in the deaths, according to the Jackson County Sheriff Paul Bettiol and District Attorney Alan B. Holmes. Bettiol reported that paraffin tests of Mrs. Rohl's hand, made to detect traces of gunpowder residue, were positive. He added, however, that other substances produce similar reactions as the nitrates in gunpowder. Mrs. Rohl and her sons, the object of a nine-day search, disappeared Oct. 7. Their bodies were found Oct. 16 in a locked automobile in the Odd Fellows cemetery near Gold Hill. All three had been shot.

Letter From Alba Received By Class

A fourth grade class at Hoover school, taught by Mrs. Elaine Whinihan, has received a letter from a group of students in Alba, Italy, Medford's sister city. The letter, signed by five Alba grade school youngsters, was written in response to an earlier letter from Mrs. Whinihan's class. It thanked the class for some material on Medford and Jackson county which had been sent to Alba, and offered to send similar information about Alba to the Hoover class. The letter is written in a clear legible hand, and closes with the following paragraph: "Again, with gratitude and great admiration to your kindness, we send you our hearty greetings, hoping to be able to help you in some project."

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FOR THE LONG PULL St. Mary's, Mo.—(AP)—Sign on a moving truck here says: "The Haul of Fame." ZSA ZSA WEDS New York—(AP)—Actress Zsa Zsa Gabor, 37, Monday married industrialist Herbert L. Hutner, 53, in simple civil ceremonies.

SLIM JIMS New York—(AP)—As late as 1844, the slim waistline was considered top form for a gentleman. In both London and Paris, those not favored with narrow waists wore corsets.

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