



COLD RECEPTION—Helena Cristina, 19, of Buenos Aires, Argentina, gets a cold reception in New York on arrival from Europe aboard the liner Cristoforo Colombo. The temperature in the city dipped to its lowest point in nine months, a cool 18 degrees. Helena told reporters that back home in Argentina the weather is just the opposite, summery. —(UPI)

Warnock Honored by Interior Department For Federal Service

Robert C. Warnock, superintendent of the blister rust control for the Medford bureau of land management office until his retirement last April, is one of the 30 U.S. employees of the U.S. department of interior who were to be recognized today in Washington, D.C., for their outstanding contributions to the Federal government by granting them the highest honor the department can bestow, its Distinguished Service award.

Warnock is in Washington to receive the citation. He had been with the BLM for 32 years upon retirement.

He joined the interior department in June, 1938, with the O&C administration of the former General Land office. Congress passed in 1937 the O&C sustained yield act to establish a policy of permanent forest production.

Warnock assisted in the early program and through effective forest management techniques made a distinct contribution for many years to the nation's forest and timber resources of the Northwest, according to the interior department.

At the time of his retirement April 28, he was an outstanding forestry technician at the local office. His construction ability and outstanding supervision of men in Civilian Conservation Corps camps greatly advanced the resources management program of the bureau in Oregon.

He became camp superintendent of the Medford Airport Revetment Construction activity, the only war effort performed by the CCC organization during World War II.

Through his coordination of other Government agencies, Warnock achieved spectacular results in the construction of underground revetments in which fighter planes were hidden and ready for action. He supervised a conscientious objector camp in the construction of timber access roads.

His work on that project was the forerunner of a road program designed to tap hundreds of millions of dollars of valuable timber.

In the bureau's blister rust activity he achieved another

highlight of his career by obtaining in 1961 the only artificially pollinated sugar pine cones in Oregon. This notable accomplishment in control of the disease received recognition in other agencies and was significant in the research for pollination of blister rust resistant trees.

In recognition of his prominent role in the management and conservation of the country's lands and natural resources, the department of interior has granted to Warnock its highest honor.

The Warnocks live at 2009 Orchard Home dr. and have two daughters, Miss Roberta Jeanne Warnock, a senior at Southern Oregon college, and Mrs. Kenneth (Colleen) Struck, 1121 Spring st., Medford.



TESTIMONY HEARD—Paul G. Hoffman, foreign aid administrator during the Truman administration and now director of the UN Special Fund, is shown as he appeared before the House-Senate economic committee. Hoffman said efforts to put political strings on economic assistance to "have-not" nations usually fail to win friends and succeed in wasting money. —(UPI)

Astoria Boy's Sleuthing Pays Off

Astoria, Ore. — (UPI) — A 14-year-old Astoria boy did a good deed — but it took a little sleuthing.

Russell Hickman found an expensive camera near a local tourist attraction, the Astor Column.

He advertised locally. No answer.

He took a roll of film from the camera and developed it. One shot showed an auto. Numbers on the license were legible, but the name of the state was not.

Russell checked with police. They told him the colors indicated a Nevada license.

He wrote the Nevada Motor Vehicle department, which said the license numbers belonged to a family named Pittman in Las Vegas.

He wrote the Pittmans, who said yes, indeed, they had lost the camera.

Russell shipped the camera to the Pittmans.

Pittman thanked the youth and sent him \$15 for his efforts.

Grange News

Upper Rogue Grange

The December meeting of Upper Rogue Grange was preceded by the annual Christmas dinner for members and guests. The dining room tables were decorated in the Christmas theme, and a large lighted tree stood in the corner of the room.

During the business meeting, George Moore, agriculture chairman, reported that the National Grange was making an effort to have the government tag all imported meat being sold in the markets of this country.

He commented on the large feeder sales of the past month at local auctions, and stated that a big percentage of the sales were to out of state buyers. He also reported that because of the decrease in range permits, many local cattlemen were selling stock and raising feed.

Roy Vaughn reported that the Prospect airport was used recently by Mercy Flights when they were unable to land at the Medford airport because of the fog. The patient was taken from Prospect to Medford by ambulance.

All incoming officers are reminded to attend installation ceremonies at the Central Point Grange hall Sunday, Dec. 30, at 1:30 p.m.

New York — (UPI) — The nation's new federal highway program will have consumed 50 million tons of steel by the time it is finished in 1972, Steelways magazine estimates.



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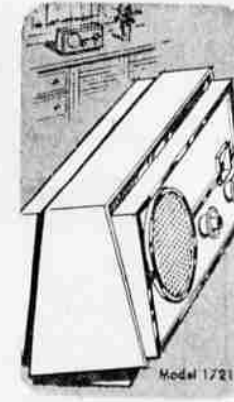
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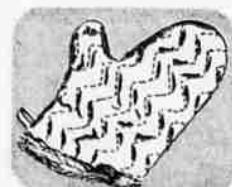
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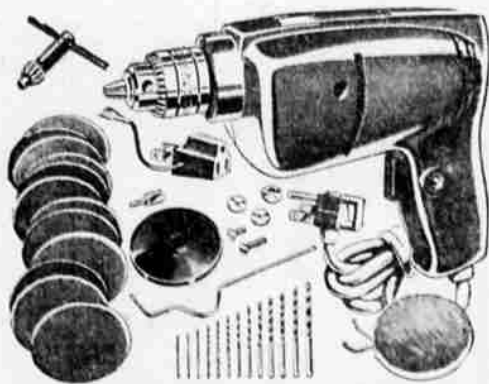
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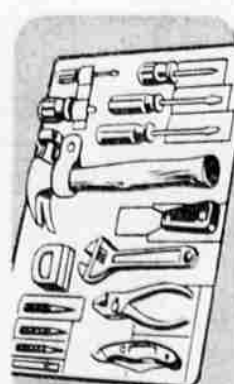
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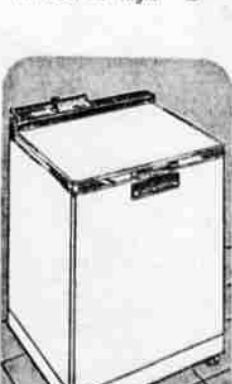


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