



DAMP SANTA—Santa Claus looks a bit apprehensive about the weather situation as he wrings rainwater from his beard, his spirits obviously dampened by the constant rain at Salinas, Calif. Santa, Irvin Keene, figures he'll need a few "rain" deer if the weather doesn't clear soon. (UPI)

Dinner-Dance Slated By Electrical League

The annual informal dinner-dance of the Cal-Ore Electrical League will be held Saturday, Dec. 29, at the Rogue Valley Country Club, according to Clarence Weaver, managing director of the league. The event will begin at 7 p.m., and activities are open to all persons connected with the electrical industry. Reservations may be made by calling 772-6171, extension 322.

Transient Sentenced To Life Term in Prison

Portland—UPI—George Jones, 37, was sentenced Monday to life in prison. The transient was convicted last week of second degree murder in the stabbing of another transient at a cafe.



RICH FOR A WHILE—Bill Ausburne of Dallas, Texas, contemplates with reluctant anticipation the thought of returning his \$2,000,011.92 check to the bank to correct a \$2 million error in his favor. The very real cashier's check was supposed to be for \$11.92 but was mistakenly made out for the larger amount. (UPI)

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Small Worlds Around Us
By Lynn W. Watkins
Water, Water Everywhere. But Sweet Water is Limited. More than 100 years ago, Lord Byron, a British poet, said: "Men really know not what water's worth." It's not surprising that he said it, but sad indeed that we still can't comprehend this great truth. Some one else, not so bright, said: "As insipid as water."

That was actually a stupid observation. The blue color on a world map conveys no true meaning to most of us about how much water there really is that the world of water is much larger than the world of dry land. Three quarters of the earth's surface is covered by the waters and the average depth is more than a mile. That's not just a sickly film by a jugful. The oceans of the world are pretty extensive.

In spite of this, the daily press carries stories of water shortages—that is, shortages of sweet water. Many cities are faced with a serious problem and the problem will grow worse as the earth's water tables continue to fall. In some places efforts are being made to deepen wells, and in many of these places of short supply the ocean is within easy walking distance.

It seems very difficult for us to realize that sweet water is limited and that much of it is being polluted with wastes and chemicals. Our reluctance to recognize this fact has caused the human race some embarrassment and there will be more. In at least some parts of our own country there are areas where, when you turn the tap to get a drink, the water that pours out already has gone through a bathroom or two.

Bdy Composition
Scientists, after comprehensive experiments with living animals including man himself, agree that the human body is predominantly water—that we can be likened to "walking bags of sea water."

The solids in an adult man can easily be placed in a small basin. Even at that, we are more solid than a watermelon—they're 94 percent water—which are little more than oval "oceans" of sweet water contained in a thin, green pigment. Pure water, of which we have not enough and which we will be pretty desperate to acquire within a very few years, is colorless in small amounts but in a mass looks blue. The amount and kinds of dissolved chemicals give it that taste, if water can be said to be "tasty," and furnish necessary elements for our body functions.

Solvent Evolution
Water, one of the greatest solvents, will in time even dissolve solid rock. It is also one of the most restless of materials, always seeking its own level, and in doing so becoming musical, noisy or even destructive.

An old Chinese proverb said: "A waterfall speaks the same language as the sea and no one has to leave home to hear it. If you did, who would tend the garden?" Volumes have been written about the "babbling brook" that talks incessantly in a liquid language which no one ever has been able to understand as it gurgles and babbles in apparent glee.

The tide gurgles around the jetty or pilings. It is forever murmuring to someone, somewhere. Even the language of flowers is mute in comparison to the vocal persistence of moving waters. Water surrounds continents and cushions climates. It separates land areas. Until recently, we never considered it valuable because there always has been so much of it.

Goldfish's Heartbeat Starts Big Bulldozer

Dallas—UPI—It was only the heartbeat of a tiny goldfish, but the electrical stimulus it produced started a giant bulldozer.

The demonstration was used Monday at ground breaking for the new Biometrics Instrument Corp. Some of the intricate new medical electronic devices developed by Biometrics were used.

The fish's heartbeat was picked up by electrodes placed in a bowl of water and amplified by a small transmitter. The transmitter's signal cranked up the bulldozer.

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School News

Jewett Elementary

A surprise fire drill was held at Jewett recently by Don Milligan and Elroy Sutton of the Central Point Fire department. The firemen announced that every part of the building was cleared in 30 seconds.

Christmas vacation is scheduled to begin on Friday, Dec. 21, with an early dismissal that afternoon. All Christmas parties in classrooms will be held on Thursday, Dec. 20, during the last 45 minutes of school. After the vacation, classes will resume again at Jewett on Thursday, Jan. 3.

Boys and girls have been very busy in recent days making gifts for their parents. Many attractive and interesting objects have been designed. It is interesting to note the variety of unique gifts which are developed in the 21 primary classrooms of the school.

Present enrollment at Jewett stands at 553. Friday, Dec. 21, is favorite foods day in the cafeteria. The menu that day consists of turkey and noodles, a popular combination. The favorite vegetable here seems to be green beans, the favorite bread is home made raisin bread. Individual cherry tarts will be served for dessert.

Curriculum meetings have continued through the year at each grade level as the staff continues to re-evaluate the curriculum. After the completion of courses of study in language arts at each grade level last year, the groups have been working in the areas of social studies and physical education this year.

Sams Valley School

Sams Valley—Charles Flint Jr., principal of Sams Valley Elementary school, reports that school enrollment stays about 100. Some students have moved and new pupils have enrolled.

Terrya Cerley, a third grader, and Tracey Cerley, a first grader, have moved to Medford recently, while another student, Clifford Vague, a fifth grader, has moved to California.

Newcomers are Virginia Baldwin, fifth grade; Kelvin Crane, fourth grade, and his sister, Chlois Crane, in the first grade came here from Salt Lake City, Utah.

The last skating party slated for Dec. 7 was called off because of the fog.

Eagle Point High School

By Karri Bishop
Judy Sanderson, senior and editor of the Eagle Point annual, The Eagle, was named Girl of the Month for November at Pep assembly recently.

The Sweetheart ball of the Eagle Point FFA chapter was presided over by Mary Evans, and her court, Pam Stevens, first princess, Pat Beacham, second princess, and third princess, Donna Geren.

"Life of the Party" was the winning play presented by the Girls Athletic association sophomore members. The Juniors came in second with "Have You Had Your Operation?" The senior play, "He's Having a Baby," was third, and the freshmen placed fourth with "Hilly - Billy House."

The presentation of the plays followed initiation of new members. The winning sophomores will attend the GAA banquet free.

Prospect High School

At the end of the second six-weeks grading period at Prospect High school, seven students were on the honor roll. They are Renelda Griffith and Ruth Millard, seniors; Barbara Beck, Beth Biden and Bill Hunt, juniors; Ray Downing, sophomore, and Irvin Hall, freshman.

The senior class variety show has been postponed until Jan. 12. Anyone wishing to perform in it may contact...

Renelda Griffith, Laura Bean or Judy Anderson.

Prospect school had its second National School assembly program Nov. 27. Bucky Reeves, who has worked with the San Francisco and Philadelphia studios, showed a 45-minute film concerning butterflies and spiders. The film depicted the various stages the butterfly goes through and the habits of different spiders.

The building trades class has been busy building a scale model house to show the principles of building. The class is composed of seniors and juniors. This is the first time that a project like this has been undertaken at Prospect High school.

CP Junior High

Central Point—The Central Point Junior High and Elementary school library circulates between 200 and 300 books a day. Many parents read the books brought home by the children as the range of interests is widespread.

Interest in space travel is high this year and is increasing, and the need for books is met by several of the latest facts and some fiction books.

Children reporting for different subjects find materials in reference books and from the four types of encyclopedia available in the library.

The librarian's assistant, Mrs. Warren Holbrook, is kept busy processing new books, mending and helping with the current decorations. Reading rates high on the list of the younger generation's interests and the teachers and administrators cooperate to the fullest extent in getting children to the library and filling the shelves with good books.

Coos, Curry Added To Disaster Areas

Washington—UPI—Coos and Curry counties have been added to Oregon's list of counties eligible for disaster aid to repair Columbus Day storm damage.

Sens. Wayne Morse and Maurine Neuberger said Agriculture Secretary Orville Freeman has allotted \$46,000 to help farmers clear their lands and streams.

Some \$2.9 million in federal aid has been allocated to 13 Oregon counties in the wake of the storm.

Scout News

Montague—Cub Scout Pack 51, sponsored by the Montague Parent Teacher association met recently in the multipurpose room of the Montague school. A skit, songs and talks were on the program.

Scout Master Raymond Callahan called the session to order, followed by the flag salute led by Mike Raffaeli and Russell Johnson. The entire group sang, "God Bless America," and "Push Cub Scouts to the Top."

Den mothers present were: Mrs. William Frost, Den 1; Mrs. John Jackson, Den 2; and Mrs. William Reed, Den 4.

Den 3 still needs a den mother, though two mothers are currently working with the group. The entire group is comprised of 30 to 35 boys. Les Lasig, executive officer representing the Crater Lake council, of which the local pack is a member, gave high points of scouting in a brief address to the scouts and their parents.

Program for the evening included a skit, "Life of Davey Crockett," by Den 2; a song, "She'll be Comin' 'Round the Mountain," by Den 1. Den 4 retired the colors.

Fort Worth, Tex.—UPI—A gunman robbed service station attendant Lloyd Dickey Monday shortly before the business day started. Dickey called police, then got change from his home office to continue his trade—and somebody robbed him again.

Luncheon Honors New Congressman

An informal luncheon honoring Congressman-elect and Mrs. Robert Duncan, held yesterday noon at the Colony restaurant, was attended by more than 50 persons. The event was sponsored by the Eleanor Roosevelt league.

A bon voyage letter for the Duncans was signed by everyone attending, and Mrs. Duncan was presented a piece of luggage by the league.

In a brief talk, Duncan said "I will do my best to live up to your expectations, but I know there will be times when some of you will disagree with me."

He said the two or three individuals who had borne the greatest burden during the campaign had been Mrs. Duncan, "who has been both mother and father to our children during my many absences," and Clifford Oulette, his campaign manager. The congressman-elect thanked his supporters for their efforts. Mrs. Duncan also spoke briefly.

Mrs. Frank Christian, league president, presided. Decorations were in the Scotch theme, and some of the hostesses wore plaids and tam-o-shanters.

Vagrant Charged With Bank Robbery

Portland—UPI—A Detroit, Mich., man convicted of vagrancy in Eugene last week for loitering in a bank, has been charged in connection with an Oakland, Calif., bank robbery, the FBI here said today.

Charges against Richard Heyten, 58, were filed by the FBI before the U.S. Commissioner in Oakland Monday, the Portland FBI office said. The charge relates to the Dec. 10 robbery of the First Savings and Loan association.

Heyten, in custody in Eugene, was expected to appear before the U.S. Commissioner in Portland.

Depoe Bay Rejects Incorporation Plan

Depoe Bay—UPI—Voters of this coastal community rejected incorporation Monday, 113-93.

The Depoe Bay Chamber of Commerce had supported the proposal but residents of the North Point area opposed it.

Elementary Economics

Hearing on Textile Subsidies Recalls Early Courses in School

By DICK WEST
Washington—UPI—It says on my college record that I completed a course in economics,

but that has never been of any help to me. My ability to comprehend the economic issues of today was acquired much earlier in my scholastic career in elementary school and kindergarten.

A case in point is a recent hearing held by a House agriculture subcommittee on textile subsidies.

As I understand the situation, the whole thing started back yonder when someone discovered that farmers were not getting enough money for their cotton.

In an effort to remedy the deficiency, the government set up a system of price supports to make up the difference between the going rate and what was regarded as a fair price for cotton.

This worked fine except that it boosted the price so high it caused a slump in the sale of U.S. cotton overseas.

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That worked fine, too, except that it enabled foreign textile manufacturers to buy American cotton at a lower price than American manufacturers were, then able to sell cotton products in this country for less than U.S. manufacturers were charging for similar items.

The subcommittee, therefore, has been holding hearings on a new proposal to subsidize the sale of cotton products to make up the difference between domestic and foreign prices.

As I was saying, nothing my economics professor told us seemed to bear any relation to a situation like this.

It is more closely related to geography class in elementary school, where we studied the pyramids, and to kindergarten, where we read "The House That Jack Built." Not the Jack you're thinking of. This was before his time.

If the new plan goes into effect, and if it means what I think it does, the government

will then be paying three cotton subsidies—one to get the price up, and two others to bring it back down again.

I don't know what that will lead to, but I should be able to figure it out as soon as I finish reviewing a book that we studied in high school literature class. It's called "Alice in Wonderland."

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