

McKinney Gets Institute Funds

John C. McKinney, instructor in Hendrick and McLoughlin High schools, has been granted funds by the National Science Foundation to attend an eight-week summer institute for teachers of junior high school mathematics at Alameda County State college in Hayward, Calif.

McKinney was selected for the scholarship grant from more than 700 applicants, according to the college.

Thirty junior high school teachers from throughout the nation have been selected to attend the session.

The National Science Foundation awarded Alameda

Valley Women Are Flown To Hospitals

Two valley women were flown from the area by Mercy Flights Inc., to Portland for medical treatment last week.

Mrs. Carolyn Sapp, 4134 South Rogue River highway, Grants Pass, was flown by the non-profit air ambulance service to Portland for treatment of an asthma condition.

Miss Rose Pitts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Pitts, 865 Pitt View ave., Central Point, was taken to the University of Oregon hospital.

The patients bring to 1,558 the number of persons who have been flown by the service since it started.

Commencement at SOC Set June 2

Ashland - Southern Oregon college Commencement exercises will begin at 7 o'clock tonight with a reception for graduating seniors at the home of President and Mrs. Elmo N. Stevenson, 610 Elkader st., Ashland.

Baccalaureate will be conducted in Churchill Hall auditorium June 2 at 9:30 a.m. with the Rev. Paul E. Otte, pastor of the Ashland First Congregational church, scheduled to conduct the service.

Conferring of nearly 300 degrees by President Stevenson will take place at the 37th annual Commencement exercises in Lithia park beginning at 5 p.m. in the afternoon.

Dr. Leonard W. Rice, president of Oregon College of Education, Monmouth, will deliver the major address. Alant Hart, Portland, will extend the traditional greetings from the state board of higher education, and the Rev. David Coulter of the First Methodist church, Ashland, will give the invocation.

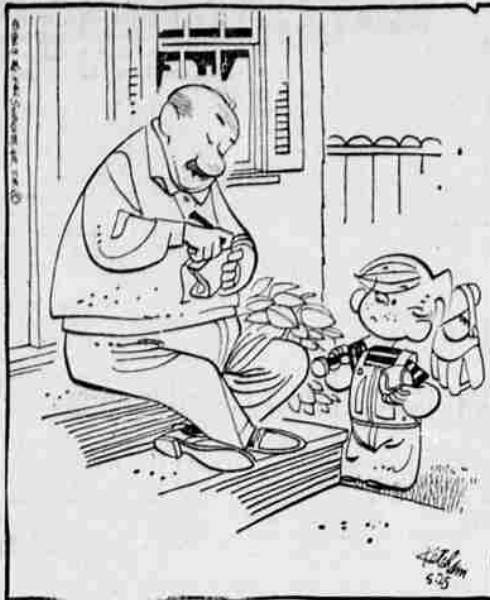
Police Arrest Man on Warrant From Court

Dennis Wayne Lewis, 21 of 5010 Crater Lake highway, Medford, was arrested by Medford police Thursday on a charge of fraudulently obtaining food.

Lewis was lodged in Jackson county jail on a district court warrant. Bail was set at \$500.

Officers said Lewis allegedly drove away from Cubby's Drive-in, 1275 South Riverside ave., without paying for food he had ordered.

Dennis the Menace



WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I WANT TO GET RID OF MY STICK?

Changes Noted At Crater Park

Several changes in the personnel at Crater Lake National Park have been announced by Superintendent W. Ward Yeager.

Previously, Allen had seasonal appointments as park ranger at Rocky Mountain National park, Colorado, and as research aid with the Rocky Mountain Forest and Range Experiment station of the United States forest service, Fort Collins, Colo.

Happy Camp Firm Purchases Timber

Yreka - Siskiyou Mills of Happy Camp was high bidder for 28,000,000 board feet of Klamath National forest timber in an oral auction at Yreka recently. Only one other bidder participated.

Sugar pine was bid at \$7.20 per thousand board feet, compared to an appraised price of \$6.70. Douglas fir, the principal species, and all other species were bid at appraised price. Total bid value was \$194,400, compared to an appraised value of \$192,850.

The sale, known as the Benjamin Creek unit, lies in an area just south and west of Happy Camp. Twenty-one miles of timber access road will be constructed by the purchaser during the logging of this sale. Ruben Sullivan, district ranger at Happy Camp, will have the responsibility of administering the sale.

Lake staff as district park ranger for the Red Cone district.

Allen is married and has two daughters, Elizabeth Anne, 7, and Merry Lynne, 5 months. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Allen and the children in making his home at park headquarters.

Allen served with the United States Navy from 1951 until 1955 during the Korean action. Following his military service, he attended Colorado State university for four years, receiving his bachelor of science degree in 1960.

Mrs. Dame and children, Jeffrey Scott, 3, and Jennifer Jo, 16 months, will leave southern Oregon with Dame when he reports to Lake Mead. They will live in Boulder City, Nev.

Small Worlds Around Us

By LYNN M. WATKINS
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Poor Baby Heron—He Must Rest on Rough Bed of Sticks

Uneasy must set the head that rests on a platform of sticks. To the baby heron, there is no soft bed of feathers; the heron parents never feather their nests. Neither do they waste much time or material in the construction of what will be the birthplace of their offspring.

What they construct can hardly be called a nest; it's more like a hodge-podge collection of sticks, usually so carelessly put together that, viewed from the ground, the blue sky shows through, as well as the eggs or the young birds.

There may be advantages to such a flimsy affair. Perhaps it serves to acquaint the very young with the painful fact that life will be no bed of roses or every easy. Reposing, when naked and supposedly tender, on a rough assortment of sticks may serve to toughen the young birds.

The updraught from the swampy land below cools their bodies, while a hot sun beats down from above. Little wonder the young leave the nest so early, avoiding the discomfort of the roughness, to clamber through the branches of their tree like monkeys, their legs groping and grasping. Awkward they seem, these homely babies, but exceedingly active.

Crawls Back in

When the young legs tire and featherless wings have beat themselves raw and sore from contact with tree branches, the young heron crawls back into the stick-nest to rest and clamor for food.

Usually there are several heron nests in a single tree, often as many as a dozen. Frequently, too, the youngsters from several nests will hatch and develop at the same time—all climbing and awkwardly developing their stringy muscles, preparing for that happy time when they can fly.

Often, too, the tree that holds the nests will be small, not over 15 or 20 feet high. At such times, the observer can see a dozen or more of the ungainly birds, all partly naked, clambering along the branches like a tree full of monkeys.

Discovering a heron rookery and examining it, even casually, the student of bird behavior is often amazed at the parent heron's cleverness in tree selection and nesting location. The wise heron-mother selects a tree that is located on an island, in the middle of a pond.

Location Protects

With uncanny judgment, the parent bird will build only where a wide cushion of water, or an area of marshy ground, will protect the nest from predators, either human or animal.

In the trees of this water-surrounded area there may be over 100 heron nests, built by as many as four or five hundred individual birds, including herons of several varieties.

Like the social insects—ants, bees and termites—the birds of the heron clan enjoy each other's company and live together in populous colonies.

When mother or father heron returns to the nest-tree with a frog, fish or even a small snake, every youngster hurries to its own nest to be fed. At such times, the human observer must marvel at the blindness of mother-love, for a heron baby is a grotesque little thing, as homely and as messy as an unmade bed.

Past Masters Are Honored at Dinner

There were 15 past masters present for the Past Masters night observances at Central Point lodge 135 recently. More than 60 lodge members attended the dinner and program.

Past Master Harold Head gave a short history of the lodge, and the Rev. D. E. Millard gave a reading, dedicated to the lodge apron.

Junior Grand Warden Earl T. Newbury of the Ashland lodge, gave a talk and Maynard Hadley, member of the Central Point lodge, sang two songs: "The Vacant Chair" and "The Lord's Prayer." He was accompanied by Mrs. Harold Head.

15 Fields Open To Women in Air Force

Careers in 15 fields are open to women who enlist in the U.S. Air Force, Senior Master Sgt. Hal O'Leary, local Air Force representative, reminded area young women.

Today's WAF are assigned to positions in such fields as finance, transportation, personnel, communications, medical, dental, statistical, analysis, air traffic control and warning, and administration. Additional detailed information on the WAF program may be obtained from Sergeant O'Leary at the Medford post office or by calling 773-4943 on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays.

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