



RECEIVE STOCKING—Mr. and Mrs. Roger P. Neel display their new-born daughter, Theresa Lynn Neel, in the first Christmas stocking at Rogue Valley Hospital. Watching is Mrs. Mike Jacobs, supervisor of the ma-

Babies Wrapped in Christmas Stocking at Local Hospital

Babies leaving the maternity unit of Rogue Valley Hospital during the week preceding Christmas are receiving special attention from the auxiliary, according to Mrs. Paul J. Selby, president of the volunteers.

After each infant is dressed and wrapped in a blanket, it is tucked inside a large red flannel "Christmas stocking," and the mother is given a corsage.

Mrs. Selby said that the first babies discharged in the stockings Wednesday received favorable notice from hospital personnel and visitors, as well as from the parents.

First to leave was Theresa Lynn Neel, along with her mother, Mrs. Roger P. Neel. The baby was born at 7:24 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, and weighed 7 pounds, 7 1/2 ounces. Neel is employed by the Oregon Veneer Company at White City, and the family makes it home at 2618 1/2 Table Rock Road.

Wednesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Powless took their son, Paul Christopher, home to 920 Wabash St. Paul weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce when he was born Dec. 15.

Mrs. Orrin Brown and Mrs. D. L. Flynn are co-chairmen for the sewing committee which made the stockings. The group usually meets weekly to sew puppets for patients in pediatrics, but added this as a special project.

The auxiliary board voted at its regular meeting Wednesday to give the first baby born at Rogue Valley Memorial in 1964 a savings account of \$19.64.



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Agreement Sought for Study Of Water, Sewage Problems

The Jackson County Court Friday asked Ralph E. Roderick, partner in Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, Corvallis, to draw up an engineering agreement so the first half of a two-year Bear Creek Basin study on water and sewage problems could be started in January.

The over-all study would cost an estimated \$47,000, of which the county has budgeted \$25,000 for the first fiscal year ending June 30.

The study would cover the county from Ashland to Eagle Point and Gold Hill. County Judge Earl M. Miller had explained earlier.

Delayed Because of Schedule
The county judge explained the study has been delayed due to the heavy schedule of the Corvallis engineering firm and the weather. The court also hopes to start a study in the new calendar year for formation of a county-wide flood control and drainage district, Miller said.

County Commissioner Edwin Taylor said the county should have an overall sewer system to serve the densely populated areas. Roderick replied this would be much less expensive than approaching the problem piecemeal.

According to a brochure presented to the County Court, the engineering firm would develop a coordinated master plan providing domestic, municipal and industrial water service to the entire Bear Creek valley through a single central supply system.

Would Include Review
The study phase would include a general review of the existing water supply situation in the valley. This would mean a determination of the population served by public water systems and those not now served, compilation of data on present water use in the valley, and evaluation of the capabilities of all presently developed water supply sources.

Preparation of estimated future demands for water within the Bear Creek area would include projection of population growth, consideration of probable trends in land use and water use, and a summary of future water requirements as they relate to development of a central supply system.

Investigation of potential sources of supply would cover Rogue River at the valley's north end, Rogue River at Cascade Gorge, Rogue River at Lost Creek dam, the south fork of Rogue River, and further development of Big Butte Springs.

Other Areas Covered
It would also cover Big Butte Creek, Cold Springs, water from the Talent Irrigation District, Applegate river and Elk Creek dam.

A study of potential sources would cover all existing and proposed federal water projects in the area, a check on possibilities of utilizing water now used for irrigation as a future source of supply when the irrigated land is taken out of agricultural production and placed in urban development.

The rest of this phase would include all other potential sources which may be disclosed by field study, examination of topographic maps, aerial photographs or other methods.

Will Make Recommendation
The engineering firm also proposes to recommend a source or combination of sources of water supply to serve the future valley needs. It would prepare general plans for development of water source, transmission and storage facilities, in stages, to supply the area.

The firm would also suggest various administrative organizations or agency systems which might be utilized to implement the long-range water plan.

The firm would also develop a coordinated master plan of providing sewage collection and waste treatment facilities to serve the valley. Procedure would be similar to the water study section.

This section would include a field and topographic features' study to establish the service areas for the various sewage collection mains and trunk lines.

Cover Sewage Collection
A preliminary layout would cover a sewage collection system capable of serving the entire valley area. The firm would recommend sizes and general location of the proposed sewer mains and trunk lines.

The firm would also prepare preliminary plans for alternate locations and type of sewage treatment facilities to serve the study area.

It would prepare estimated 1965 construction costs for the proposed sewage collection mains and trunk lines and for alternate plans for sewage treatment facilities. It would prepare a tentative schedule of stage construction which will result in development of the overall collection and treatment plants.

THE WEEK IN CALIFORNIA

Frank Sinatra Jr. Back on Stage in Lake Tahoe Casino

United Press International Frank Sinatra Jr., released by kidnapers after his famous father paid \$240,000 ransom, resumed his singing engagement at a Lake Tahoe Casino but there was something different.

He was no longer a comparative unknown following in the footsteps of his famous father. The 19-year-old crooner, making his start with the Tommy Dorsey band that launched his father's career, was a young man whose sensational kidnaping had put his name before people throughout the world.

About 500 persons were on hand when young Sinatra walked on stage for his first performance. They laughed at his first quip: "To think, I complained before that one and one half hours was too much time between shows."

In Los Angeles, three men accused of kidnaping Sinatra were behind bars in the county jail. All but a small amount of the ransom money had been recovered.

Elsewhere, there were these developments:
Dam: A crack appeared in the Baldwin Hills Dam in suburban Los Angeles one day last week. A few hours later the dam burst. A wall of water roared through the residential district, taking at least five lives and damaging or destroying nearly 1,000 homes.

As residents moved back at week's end into once-familiar neighborhoods now transformed into mud-covered wreckage, the damage estimates climbed to \$50 million. The search for victims continued. Officials credited an emergency warning with saving of hundreds of lives. Many residents had been evacuated before the water ripped through the earthen dam. A county official declared the break was caused by earth movements. But state, county and city officials were still investigating.

Note: Police in Berkeley arrested a self-styled "social psychiatrist" who had in his possession a note saying "My immediate goal: the assassination of President Johnson." The note was found when Robert Fennell, 20, Sioux City, Iowa, was picked up on a routine vagrancy charge. The note indicated Fennell believed "the office leader" of the U.S.—the Presidency—should be abolished.

Hoeneck: An 84-year-old convict, behind bars since 1899 for the slaying of a former teacher, was released from an Illinois prison after his niece in San Leandro, Calif. promised to take care of him. Richard Hoeneck, who will become the responsibility of a California parole official, walked out of prison and commented: "It's like being transferred to a new world. It's like a child's story book."

Eisenhower: Former President Eisenhower and Mrs. Eisenhower arrived for their five-month winter vacation at Palm Desert, Calif. About 100 persons greeted the former president when he arrived in a private railroad car. Eisenhower denied he suggested Henry Cabot Lodge as the GOP Presidential nominee. Eisenhower, who will be grand marshal of the Rose Bowl parade, said he would make no political speeches during his stay.

Oil: A group of major oil companies made a 10,000 per cent profit from its operations on a state-owned oil field at Long Beach, according to figures released by the Auditor General's office. Walter J. Quinn, a state audit manager, told a legislative investigative committee profits on the state-owned field totaled nearly \$50 million on an original investment of \$500,000, 25 years ago. One senator called the profits "exorbitant."

Cuban: A Cuban expatriate who lives in Glendale told a news conference in Los Angeles that Fidel Castro can expect his island bastion to be stormed "by March." Alfredo Rondon, 21, said plans had been completed for a simultaneous three-pronged invasion under Maj. Elroy Gutierrez Menoyo in Miami. Rondon is member of Alpha 66, whose small raids on Cuba were halted by the United States.

Orbit: A polka-dotted balloon satellite nicknamed "The Christmas Star" was launched from Point Arguello by the Air Force. The 12-foot diameter sphere, called Explorer 19, will measure air densities in space and was expected to be visible to the naked eye at twilight, depending on the weather and its durability.

Books: The State Curriculum Commission approved plans to provide special mathematics texts for last, average and slow students in the seventh and eighth grades. The commission's selections will be acted upon by the State Board of Education next month.

Jumpers: Thirteen U. S. Air Force and Army parachutists set a world record for mass free-fall with a plunge of almost eight miles in a jump at El Centro. They broke a Russian record set in 1961 by a nine man team.

Morgue: The California Traffic Safety Foundation made a year-long study and came up with this conclusion: Holiday revelers who mix drinking and driving are more likely to end up on a slab in the morgue than behind bars. The study showed that 53.8 of persons who died of accident injuries within six hours of the accident had been drinking, and nearly 45 per cent under the influence of alcohol.

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