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Detroit Precipitation For December, 12.58

Weatherman Joe Muise reported the Detroit area received a total of 12.58 inches of precipitation for the month of December 10. There was .50 inches of snow recorded for last month.

Precipitation on a 12 year (1955) average he said was 12.83.

Highest Temperature reading for the month of December was 52 degrees on the first, and lowest temperature recorded was 27 degrees on the 22nd.

In comparison the highest precipitation recorded was 30.86 in December 1964, and the least was 5.29 December 1959.

For the calendar year (12 months) the Detroit area received 91.51 inches of precipitation. In comparison the calendar year 1965 received 71.89 inches of precipitation.

Total precipitation for the month of November 1966 was recorded as 12.89.

Mayor Davis Swears In New Officials

IDANHA—Mayor Lynn Davis swore in councilmen Lynn Williamson, Ray Monroe and incumbent Freddie Miller at the regular council meeting Monday Night. Fred Taylor is also a member. A mayor and president of the council will be elected at the Monday Feb. 6th meeting. The mayor is elected every two years from the council by the council.

MEHAMA

By Mrs. John Teeters
Relatives and friends here have received announcements of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Denham (Marne Wallan) of Beaverton on December 29, 1966. The baby was named Charles Arthur and weighed 7 lbs 13 oz. Mrs. Leo Kirsch is the maternal grandmother.

Luncheon guests December 29 of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Castle were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cremer of Sublimity and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lindemann of Lyons who were helping Mr. Castle celebrate his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Anderson returned home December 29. They had spent the Christmas holidays with their sons family Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson and sons Charles, Martin and Mark at Brookings and also visited a short time with Mrs. Andersons sisters families the Donald Grahams and Jake Van Dykes at Klamath Falls.

Guests New Years at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Blum, Judy and Jimmy were Mrs. Blum sisters family Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robbeck and three children of Tacoma, Washington and her brothers family Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Smith and children of Turner. Guests at the Blums January 2 were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Malone and three daughters of Turner.

Mrs. G. V. Christensen, Bonnie and Stuart returned home December 31 from California where they had visited with Mrs. Christensen sisters family the Don Engdahls of Santa Rosa, since December 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Leverett Melton and children Shirley and Stephen of Central Point were guests Monday January 2 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Castle.

Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Hughes, Keith, Jana and Marc visited during the New Years week-end with his brothers family Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hughes and children of Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Titze were guests New Years Day of their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. James Richmond, Barbara, Pam, Tony. They were helping Pam celebrate her ninth birthday. She was Santiam Memorial hospital's first New Years baby in 1958.

Mark Anderson of Eugene spent the week after Christmas with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. William Dull.

DISCUSSING SEARCH FOR PEACE



ROME, Italy—Edward M. Lindsey (right) President of Lions International, explains the world wide service organization's "Search for Peace" project to Pope Paul VI in a 25-minute private audience held in Vatican City.

The Pope, who himself is very active in promoting World Peace, had words of high praise for the 800,000 Lions around the world for their efforts in getting Youth interested in thinking and writing about peace.

Youth between the ages of 14 to 22 in 135 countries of the Free World are urged by Lions International to write an essay on the theme: "Peace is Attainable" for a \$25,000 first prize, offered by Lions International.

Mrs. Lindsey is in center (left) and the Right Reverend Monsignor Paul Marcincus, who translated for the Holy Father during the meeting held in the papal private chambers, is center (right).

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Teeters and son Bruce spent the New Years week-end at the coast. They spent Saturday night at Newport and visited Sunday with the Roland Irwin family and the H. C. Cadwells at Lincoln City.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bomberger of Livermore, California visited here during the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wallen and with other relatives and friends here and in Stayton.

New Year's dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Longfellow and sons were Mr. and Mrs. Rex Longfellow of Reedsport, Mr. and Mrs. Don Spies, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Longfellow and sons, Mrs. Bernice Longfellow and Sharon Spellmeyer. Coming later in the evening to visit and play cards were Mr. and Mrs. Austin Longfellow and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crook took her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Goodell of Lyons to Canby January 2 where they visited with Mrs. Goodells brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Titze. Mr. Titze was convalescing from surgery he underwent the day before Christmas.

Mrs. Ed Titze was in Lebanon December 5 where she visited with her mother, Mrs. J. F. Webber, who is in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stedronsky and daughters, Teri and Jo Ann of Ealem were guests a short time January 2 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Teeters.

Mrs. Blanche McDonald of Salem visited Saturday with her nieces families, the Harold Longfellow and D. L. Teeters.

Jim Hirte Tells About Viet Nam

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fisher recently received a letter from Jim Hirte, who is serving in Viet Nam and thought that his many friends here would like to hear of his experiences.

The letter, in part, is printed this week. For those who might wish to write to Jim, his address is Pfc James A. Hirte RA56409311, 483rd Pld. Svc. Co. 266 S&S Bn. APO San Francisco, Calif. 96481.

"I arrived here November 30th at Ving Tam. From there we flew to Long Bien where I am presently situated. This is a 31 square mile military complex and my company is seated on the eastern perimeter. It is 78 miles northeast of Saigon.

"Since we have been here it has been nothing but work and guard duty. Doug must be lucky because we don't even get a half a day off Sunday. It's treated like any other day. Mostly we have been building up our defenses. We have built eight bunkers and one large outpost, which my platoon mans. I never thought I'd ever lift so many sand bags in all my life. We also have to put a row of sand bags around our tents and that takes a lot. We have been here 22 days and still haven't got it all done. The sand bags

around the tents are for protection against mortar.

"We have seen just a little bit of action. The 9th about 5:30 p. m. we received a few rounds of sniper fire into camp. Nobody was hurt though. Then about 9:30 of the same day, about 5 VC set off a trip flare inside our perimeter. A brief fire fight broke out but again no one was hurt and we didn't hurt them either. I was on guard duty at the time and I could actually see Charlie but because the outpost is in front of all the rest of the bunkers and Charlie was behind us we couldn't fire.

There is other evidence of war around us also. At night there is machine gun fire and artillery constantly pounding Charlie about 4 miles to the north. During the day both jets and prop driven fighter planes are flying low overhead. Twice they have swooped down and dropped bombs on the jungle within a mile and a half of us. A breathtaking sight. I really never expected to see that close. Our company is supposed to be a behind the lines type outfit but as they say, there is no front line over here.

"As far as understanding this war, I can't say that I do either. I can see that these people are poverty torn and need help and to get that help we have to keep the Communists out. As Doug said, the shacks that these people live in could hardly be called a home. Most live in a shack made out of any scraps they could find. I don't think they have ever heard of sanitation. I have gone into Bien Hoa once on a pass and the place actually stinks. For sewage they just have ditches running down on either side of the street. The few nice places that the French left have been taken over by the Vietnamese and are as filthy as anything else. The people seem to be happy though and the money the GI's and Uncle spend here are having an effect on them. A GI can sponsor a Vietnamese child's education for \$3.00 a month and many are doing it. As soon as we are settled I will begin such a program. The kids love the GI's. It's a wonderful feeling to have those kids hanging onto you when you're down town. You have to be careful though, some of those nice little kids are after your billfold and watch.

"I can sum up the weather and terrain in two words, mud and dust. If it isn't muddy and sticky, then it's hot and dusty. Never a happy medium.

"Well, that's about it for now. Hope to see you all real soon.

Affectionately
Jim.

P. S. Thank you for the stamps. I can use them to send film.

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Pacific Power Staff to Attend Gearhart Meet

Members of Pacific Power & Light Company's local sales staff will join more than 100 other sales personnel from throughout the PPL system at a three-day meeting next week at Gearhart, Oregon, to preview the company's 1967 sales promotion program.

The session, opening January 11 at the northern Oregon coastal community, will stress new prospects for boosting electric energy usage through the company's total-electric living promotions, reported Veryl Hoover, vice president for sales and area development.

Members of the PP&L general staff, headed by Clifford Jones, general sales manager, will review company-wide sales objectives along with plans for effective energy marketing.

The meeting has also scheduled discussions on marketing trends and advancements in electrical equipment and appliances by nationally prominent electric industry experts from New York, Chicago and Milwaukee.

Attending the seminar from the Stayton area is Joe Meuse.

Mehama Ball Park, Inc. Has Recent Meeting

By Jean Roberts
MEHAMA—The annual meeting of the Mehama Ball Park Inc. was held last week with a small attendance.

It was unanimously agreed that the by-laws of the organization would be amended so that the annual meeting could be held on the first Tuesday in April.

Reason for changing the by-laws was that April was somewhat closer to baseball season and perhaps more members would be interested in turning out for the meeting.

Members will be notified in advance of the changed annual meeting.

Fagan Retires From Forestry Service

DETROIT—Gale Fagan who has been employed by the U. S. Forest Service here for the past 15 years retired as of December 31st.

The Fagans came here in 1943 from Carlton, Oregon. Prior to employment with the Forest Service Mr. Fagan was employed by Whittens Logging Co. here.

Following two years of employment there he and Mrs. Fagan moved to Madras where he was employed by Hank Gannon as road leveler on the Hay-Stack Dam project. Returning here in 1952, Mr. Fagan was re-employed by the Forest Service until his retirement in December of 1966.

Mr. Fagan first went to work for the Forest Service in 1948.

DETROIT IDANHA

Joyce Dewhurst - Ginny Kniss Saturday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Estey were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Halligan and children of Weed, California, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Booker and son Steve of Eugene, Mrs. Norma Booker and Mrs. Rose Ann Derrick and children of Mill City.

John Estey and granddaughter Linda Brown accompanied by Carlisle Tubbs drove to Portland Sunday morning, where Mr. Tubbs boarded a "Jet plane" for his home in Lubbock, Texas.

Mr. Tubbs, who was employed by the Forest Service here during the summer, spent the Christmas-New Year holidays visiting with friends in the area.

He is currently a college student at Lubbock, and will graduate this summer.

A non-league basketball game was played here Tuesday January 3rd at 6:30 pm, Detroit vs. Western Menonite, Dayton. Score on the game is not available at this writing. Friday Detroit will play Valsetz there at 6:30 pm in a League basketball game. The Detroit team will stay overnight for a non-league game scheduled there Saturday at 1:30 pm.

Visitors at the Ida Golder and Harold Champion homes Wednesday of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hill and son Lloyd of Vancouver, Washington.

Visiting at the same homes on Tuesday of this week were Mr. and Mrs. Al Metcalf of Sacramento, California.

Mrs. Metcalf (Evalyne) are cousins of Mrs. Golder and Mrs. Champion.

Arriving home from Vietnam on a 30-day leave, in time for the holidays, was LeRoy Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hamilton of Idanha. LeRoy is a hospital corpsman at Chi Li Viet Nam in the 1st hospital company, 1st Marine Division. He will be returning to Viet Nam about January 25, for another nine months or one years service.

Mrs. Jessie Williams of Portland is here visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knapp and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Champion (our Boots) were visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pulse in Newberg over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. John Estey of Detroit had guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Halligan from Weed, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Booker and children from Eugene, Mrs. Norma Booker, and Mrs. Rose Anne Derrick and children from Mill City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barker and children from Hayward, Calif., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leffler.

The flu bug has been hitting the Canyonites. Must be drinking the wrong kind of juice.

Detroit high school had two good basketball games, Friday vs. Valsetz winning 85-38 and Saturday against the same team 71-37.

Earl and Audrey Layman returned January 6 from a vacation in Texas where they had been visiting their son Sgt. Layman and family. We missed them while they were away.

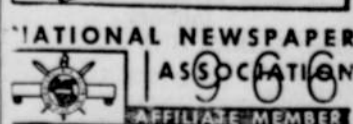
Gale Fagan hasn't had a yet. The flu has been keeping him from his retirement ing him at home.

Link Lyon and his sons attended the dog sled races Sunday at Hoodoo Bowl.

Mabel Poncia morning cook at the Cedars, left Tuesday for Woodland, Washington. She plans to return in the spring.

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