

City Briefs

WEATHER

WASHINGTON AND OREGON—Partly cloudy today, tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature. Variable winds off the coast.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA—Partly cloudy, north portion cloudy with occasional sprinkles south portion today, tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature. Gentle to moderate southwesterly winds off coast.

Special Choir Practice—Members of the newly organized community chorus will meet tonight at 6:45 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church, 6th and Pine, for a special practice. From the church the choir will go to the courthouse lawn where the group will take part in the community Christmas tree program. A full attendance is desired.

From Pullman—Mrs. Peter Nerseth and daughter, Inga Marie Nerseth, are expected Monday, today, by plane from Pullman, Wash., to spend the Christmas holidays with Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Nerseth and family, 2027 Del Moro, and Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Nerseth, 401 Laguna. Mrs. Nerseth is the mother of Dr. Nerseth and N. T. Nerseth. Miss Nerseth is English instructor at Washington State college, Pullman.

Home for Reunion—Arriving last week-end to be present for a holiday family reunion were Lenin Barrett of Yakima, Wash., and Winfred Barrett Rhynerson and children of Vallejo, Calif. They are visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barrett of route 3. Also in Klamath Falls for the occasion is Clinton Barrett of Lakeside, Ore., and Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Barrett and their small child are expected this week.

Christmas Party—Past matrons of Aloha chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will meet in the Masonic hall, December 27, for a regular meeting and Christmas gift exchange. The committee consists of Lynn Martin, Elizabeth Norris, Jennie Hurn and Laura Willits, and charge of the tree and party will be Kate Peyton.

VITAL STATISTICS

HERKSHAW—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 18, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Herkshaw Jr., Chillicothe, a girl. Weight: 6 pounds 3 ounces.

ATIN—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 18, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Atin, 431 Washington, a girl. Weight: 8 pounds 12 1/2 ounces.

DINGLER—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 19, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dingler, 3146 Boardman, a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 4 ounces.

FIELDS—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 15, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Cullis Fields, 610 Commercial, a boy. Weight: 7 pounds 6 ounces.

VASQUIS—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 15, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. George Vasquis, route 3 box 1211, a boy. Weight: 6 pounds 12 1/2 ounces.

JAMES—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 16, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer James, Bieber, Calif., a girl. Weight: 7 pounds.

WEKKIN—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 16, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wekin, 353 Martin, a girl. Weight: 3 pounds 10 ounces.

JENDRZEJEWSKI—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 17, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jendrzewski, 610 Mitchell, a boy. Weight: 7 ounces.

MILNE—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 17, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. William Milne, 747 N. 9th, a boy. Weight: 8 pounds 12 1/2 ounces.

CRAWFORD—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 17, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crawford, 735 Mt. Whitney, a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 4 1/2 ounces.

LASSETTER—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 18, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Lassetter, 437 Grant, a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 9 1/2 ounces.

CLARK—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 18, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Clark, 3242 Delaware, a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 9 1/2 ounces.

CHAPLIN—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 20, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Chaplin, 2850 Blaine, a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 2 1/2 ounces.

HOUSTON—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 20, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Houston, Madras, Ore., a girl. Weight: 3 pounds 6 ounces.

MOTSCHENBACHER—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 20, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Motchenbacher, 1619 Lakeview, a girl. Weight: 6 pounds 8 ounces.

MEEKER—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 21, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Meeker, Klamath Falls, a boy. Weight: 6 pounds 13 1/2 ounces.

HEARRON—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 22, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. John Hearron, Tulelake, Calif., a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 3 1/2 ounces.

BAIRD—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 22, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Goldie Baird, Merrill, Ore., a girl. Weight: 6 pounds 3 1/2 ounces.

DOUGHERTY—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 22, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Dougherty, route 1 box 380, city, a boy. Weight: 7 pounds 10 ounces.

CORNELIUS—Born at Klamath Valley hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., December 22, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Clark Cornelius, 447 Martin, a girl. Weight: 10 pounds 4 1/2 ounces.

To Eugene—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Banister, 327 Jefferson, are leaving Tuesday for Portland to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Banister. They are remaining tonight to attend the open house at the Teen Age Canteen and will return Sunday to prepare for the New Year's Eve party at the canteen. Banister is director of that organization.

Installation—The Midland grange will install officers at 8 p. m. Saturday. All members are requested to be present. There will be a potluck supper after the meeting. Members are asked to note the change of meeting dates to the first and third Wednesdays of each month. The next meeting will be on January 15. There will be a potluck supper at this meeting also.

Go to Tacoma—Hazel Morrison and Molly Stewart left by train Sunday night for Tacoma, Wash., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with Miss Morrison's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Morrison. They expect to return Friday.

Discharged—Discharged from the separation center at Fort Lewis, Wash., this week were Corporal Charles R. Crayce, 2221 Darrow street, and PFC William M. McCutley, 1015 Chelsea.

No Junior Canteen—Junior Teen-Age Canteen members are advised that due to the holidays there will be no party Friday night at the armory for this group. The next affair will be held Friday, January 3.

Visiting—Here to spend the holidays is Alpha Ekern of Spokane, Wash. She is visiting with her sisters, Mrs. E. A. Thomas of Pacific Terrace and Mrs. Gerald Clemens of 1947 Painter.

Visitors—Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hall of Medford, formerly of Klamath Falls, were here over the week-end as the guests of friends. Hall is now with Lorenz company in the valley.

Meeting Date Changed—The meeting of the Parent-Patron club, originally scheduled for January 8, has been changed to January 15.

Invitation—All parents and friends are invited to open house at the Teen-Age Canteen tonight, Monday, from 7 to 11 p. m.

First Federal Declares Dividend

The board of directors of the First Federal Savings and Loan association, at their regular monthly meeting, declared a dividend of 2 per cent for the last half of 1946. Dividends will be credited on all savings accounts December 31. George McIntyre, president, in making the announcement stated that the association had enjoyed one of the best years in the history of the association. The balance of the earning will be allotted to the reserve accounts according to McIntyre.

Of special interest in the reports of the association, stated McIntyre was the amount of money loaned to veterans to buy homes under the loan guarantee plan of the government, the amount now exceeds \$450,000. The association feels that it has been of real assistance to the veterans of this community in the housing of the returning service man and his family.

Improvements Made On Nevada Street

A state highway department maintenance crew worked last week improving the roadsides on Nevada street, which is a part of the west side state secondary highway.

High banks impeding vision were cut down and other spots along the roadside were put in order. It was not a major construction job, as some observers had hoped when they first saw the crew and equipment at work.

An effort is being made by the chamber of commerce and others to bring about straightening and other major improvement of Nevada street on the stretch from Biehn street to the Fremont bridge.



Charles F. Bane, formerly of Portland, has taken over the Bend-Portland truck terminal in Klamath Falls.

New Manager For Truck Service

Charles F. Bane, formerly of Portland, is the new manager of the Bend-Portland truck terminal in Klamath Falls. Bane officially took over the plant on December 15, replacing William Priest who has gone to Redmond to manage the Bend-Portland agency there.

Bane is not a complete stranger in Klamath Falls, having traveled through here on previous occasions. Prior to entering the army, Bane was with the Phillip Morris company in Indiana and Kentucky. He held the rank of major in the army air corps and was discharged about two months ago. He has an outstanding service record and received the Legion of Merit award, one of the army's highest, for his invention in 1943 of a one-man parachute type life raft.

Bane and his wife are residing at the Rex Arms apartments.

Dennis O'Connor Passes Away

MERRILL, Dec. 23—Word has been received of the death Saturday afternoon of Dennis O'Connor, 18, of Merrill, in a Sacramento hospital. O'Connor had been ill for the past month and a half. He was the son of Mrs. Dan (Nora) Cashman of Merrill. O'Connor was a student at Christian Brothers school in Sacramento. His mother has been with him since he became critically ill. Young O'Connor attended Merrill high school and Sacred Heart academy in Klamath Falls.

He is the son of the late Ned O'Connor, and is survived by his mother, Mrs. Cashman; his stepfather, Dan Cashman, a brother, Barry, all of Merrill; three uncles, Hugh O'Connor and Dan Barry of Merrill, and Dennis O'Connor of Merrill, who is now in Ireland; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Barry of Murphy, Ore., formerly of Merrill.

Funeral services will be under the direction of a Klamath Falls funeral home.

Father Phelan Goes To Lakeview

Father John Phelan, here for the past two years as assistant pastor of Sacred Heart church, has been temporarily transferred to Lakeview to relieve the Rev. Father F. L. Geis who has been in ill health for some time. Father Geis is now a patient at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland.

Search On For Escaped Prisoners

PENLDTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—Three escaped Umatilla county prisoners who dug their way through a jail wall were sought today by police in three states.

Sheriff R. E. Goad reported the men broke out late Saturday night.

He identified them as Henry P. Davis, 30, Kansas City, Kas., and Melvin Norman Gabriel, 30, Broken Bow, Neb., both held on grand larceny, and Bill Smith, 34, of Clay county, Kentucky, charged with rape.

Mary McComb Memorial Shelf Planned At Library

High tribute to the memory of Mary L. McComb, since 1934 Klamath county librarian, was paid today by scores of friends and soon after word of Miss McComb's passing at Klamath Valley hospital Saturday evening, a movement was on foot to establish a memorial shelf at the county library.

The shelf will be the Mary

McComb Memorial and will hold books which Miss McComb had often wished to have in the library but which the institution could not stock due to lack of funds. All contributions to the fund, to which any friend of Miss McComb may contribute, may be addressed to Alice M. Waldron, assistant county librarian.

Welfare Sends Yule Cheer

The underprivileged children of Klamath county are having one of the biggest and best Christmases they ever had, according to Mrs. Altha Urquhart, county welfare administrator, who gave the credit to the generosity of the various civic groups and churches who aided in bringing Christmas to everyone.

Mrs. Urquhart cited the instances of the Klamath Falls Elks club which not only turned over to the welfare agency \$250 for the purchases of toys for the children, but bought baskets for distribution to the residents of the boarding home for elderly men and sent packages of luxury items in food, clothing and toys to the county infirmary. She also told of members of the Home Economics club who donated 30 fruit cakes, which they had made themselves, to the welfare agency to be put in Christmas baskets to needy families.

The Cub Scout packs of Klamath Falls made up baskets of food and toys for distribution. Churches and various social clubs supplied both money and time to the project and Mrs. Urquhart stated that the local merchants had been most helpful in allowing discounts on items purchased for the welfare department.

Miss McComb was affiliated with the city library for a time and later took work as a librarian school in Denver, Colo. She became county librarian in 1934 and through her work was known to thousands in the county and loved and admired by all for her unfailing interest in her duties and the people whom she served throughout the years.

Mrs. Urquhart pointed out that the most unique part of the Christmas giving in Klamath county is the entire lack of personal publicity asked by the individuals concerned.

An active member of the First Presbyterian church, final rites will be held there Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. David Barnett Jr., officiating. Miss McComb was also a member of Klamath chapter of AAUW, Aloha chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Shasta View grange.

For many years Miss McComb lived with her uncle and aunt, the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snow, at 1635 Crescent, her home at the time of her death. On the passing of Miss McComb's father in January, 1934, her stepmother made her home with her until her death on March 13, 1945.

Miss McComb's brother, Allan of Maryville, Tenn., arrived at 5 a. m. Saturday, just 11 hours before his sister's passing. Although Miss McComb was unable to talk due to partial paralysis, she recognized her brother with whom she had planned to spend the Christmas holidays in Tennessee. This is his first trip home in 16 years, having last visited his family in 1936. Another brother, David also survives. He is a well known Henley rancher, operating his father's original place in that district.

Ward's is in charge of final rites.

Solons Predict Truman For 1948

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—Senators Tydings (D-Md.) and Hatch (D-N.M.) predicted in separate interviews today that President Truman will be renominated in 1948 without serious opposition.

Concrete Mixer Piles Into Ditch

TULELAKE, Dec. 23—A five-ton International truck and concrete mixer careened into a drain ditch along the state line road near Hatfield Friday night when the steering knuckle of the truck dropped off, throwing the vehicle out of control.

Driver of the truck was Harold Wilson of the Burke and Wilson concrete mixing plant, soon to open in Tulelake. He was uninjured. According to Wilson, when the steering knuckle dropped it fell on the brake hose damaging the brakes beyond use.

Further, Tydings told a reporter, Mr. Truman has gained such strength since the republican-dominated congressional elections that "from now on it's going to be a horse race."

"There has been a reduction since the election in the enthusiasm to replace Mr. Truman with some of the announced and unannounced republican candidates," the Maryland senator declared.

The truck is estimated to be 50 per cent damaged, but the company hopes to have it repaired in time to start operation in two weeks.

Training School Boys Escape

SALEM, Dec. 23 (AP)—Three state training school inmates who escaped are sought by state police.

Two of the boys, Arnold Hubbs, 17, and Walter Milton, 16, escaped Friday night and Otis Agner Hubbs, 15, escaped Saturday night.

Death Sentence Given 18 Nazis

BELGRADE, Dec. 23 (AP)—Eighteen one-time Nazi officials awaited execution today for ordering atrocities against Serbs and Jews during the German occupation of Yugoslavia.

A high military court yesterday sentenced nine ex-gestapo chiefs to hang and nine former elite guard officers to be shot following a two-week trial which brought out testimony that they were to blame for the deaths of 150,000 Serbs and 35,000 Jews. Normally execution would occur within a few days.

The Hubbs boys, brothers, were received from Umatilla county. Milton was admitted from Rogue River.

HOLDUP
PORTLAND, Dec. 23 (AP)—Two gunmen held up a drug store late Saturday night and escaped with \$100 cash after herding the owner to one part of the store and a 17-year-old boy to another section.

COMMUNION HELD

Celebration of the service of Holy Communion on Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24, at St. Paul's Episcopal church, will be held at 10 p. m. instead of the usual hour of 11 p. m., it was announced today by the Rev. Frederick C. Wissenbach.

There will be special music by the choir.