

# City Receives Additional Tract Of Land From Reeds To Complete Moore Park

The city received 40 acres of land adjoining Moore park as a Christmas present from Nelson and Margaret Reed, the city council was informed last night.

Alfred D. Collier, member of the city planning commission and the park board, handed to Mayor Ed Ostendorf the deed to the plot of land which, he said, will complete Moore park. Collier stated that the land was meant as a Christmas gift to the city by the Reeds. The council accepted the deed and moved that the mayor and the park board extend a letter of thanks for the gift.

The 40 acres lies at the south side of the park.

Two warnings to citizens were voiced by the council last night. The first warning reminded tavern owners, barber shop operators, used car dealers and others requiring city license for the operation of business, that after

the last of this month they will be operating illegally if they have not applied for their license. Police Judge Harold Franey stated that such establishments found without the necessary license after that date will have to be taken care of by the police.

The second warning was voiced by City Building Inspector Walter E. Salsbery, who stated that many of the balloon type oil tanks being installed recently have not been in conformity with the city building code. He added that he was going to begin to "clamp down" on violators. The city code calls for inside tanks to be at least 14 gauge and outside tanks must be at least 16 gauge. Councilman Paul Landry, an insurance man, pointed out that persons installing such tanks were in danger of having their insurance rates increased also.

A letter was received from the California Oregon Power company by the council asking permission to erect a sub-station at the corner of Adams and Orchard for the purpose of aiding facilities in the surrounding district. The letter was referred to the public utilities committee and the building appeal committee for study.

A letter was also received from Leo N. Huls asking permission to enclose the sidewalk on Pine street adjoining the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company building for use as a store-room and workroom during construction on the building. In doing so, Huls will block out four parking meters, it was observed, but the council granted the permission.

A letter was received from Chester W. Newton, 1804 Lexington, requesting permission to do limited commercial work at his home. The home is located in a class 2 residential district in which the zoning ordinance forbids commercial establishments. The matter was referred to the appeal board.

The council authorized the mayor and police judge to sign an agreement with the federal housing authority and the bureau of reclamation for a pro-rata division of expenses on the sewer system at the airport among the three agencies. Approximately 258 persons are using the facility at present at an expense of \$375 per month.

One liquor license investigation was passed by the council, three card room and pool hall licenses issued, four second-hand dealer licenses, one auto-wrecker and one pawn broker license, three plumbers and 16 beauty and barber shop licenses all were granted.

A letter was read by Police Judge Harold Franey to the council from himself tendering Christmas greetings to all the council and his thanks and appreciation to the retiring councilmen. As the meeting ended Councilman Paul Landry moved that the council as a body thank retiring Councilmen Rollin Cantrell and Harvey Martin for their "faithfulness, diligence and good hard work" that they had put in on the council for the years past.

The council is adjourning for two weeks and will not meet again until January 8. At that time the new councilmen will be officially seated in office.

## "Little Nazis" Get Amnesty In U.S. Zone

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 24 (AP)—Approximately 800,000 "little nazis" in the American zone of occupation were granted amnesty today—the day before Christmas—by proclamation of Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, U. S. commander in Europe.

By the amnesty the number of Germans in the American zone liable to prosecution under denazification laws is reduced from approximately 3,000,000 to about 2,000,000.

O. W. Wilson, chief of public safety in the American military government, estimated the amnesty and a speedup in German court hearings would allow the denazification program in the U. S. zone to be completed in another 18 months.

"At the present rate, it would have taken six years to get through the backlog of 3,000,000 cases," said Wilson, formerly a police executive of Berkeley, Calif.

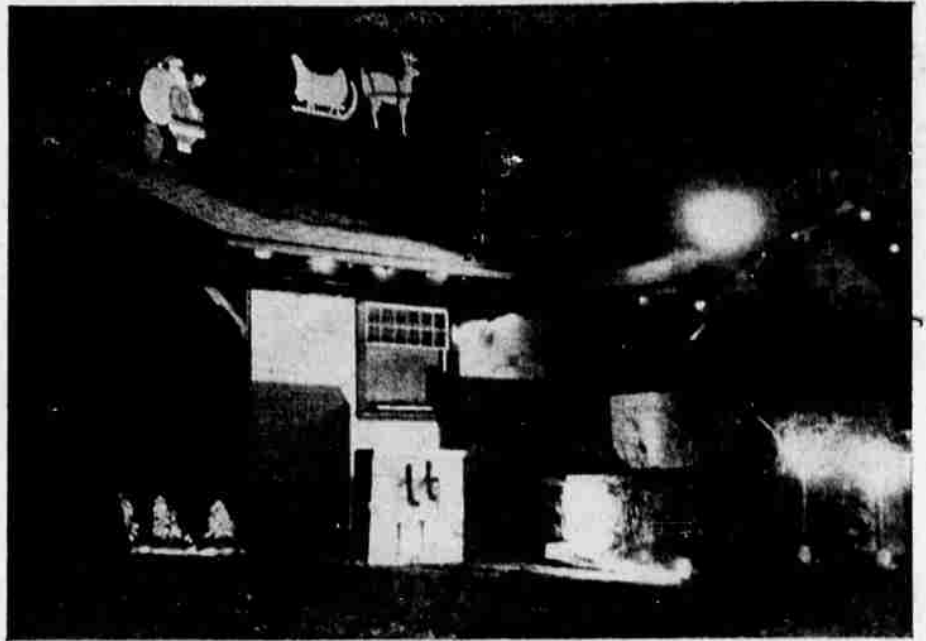
He said 40,000 German civilians were interned in the American zone, awaiting denazification trials. More than 400 German tribunals are now hearing cases.

## Gearhart Named Convention City

R. C. "Bogue" Dale, vice president of the Oregon Association of Real Estate Boards, reported to the Klamath Board of Realtors at its weekly luncheon meeting last week on the realtors board of directors meeting held recently in Portland.

He stated that the directors voted to hold the 1947 September convention of the state association at Gearhart, Ore., and the Portland realty board was selected to be host. He also reported on various proposed amendments to the Oregon real estate law as discussed at the Portland meeting.

## Sweepstakes Winner In Lighting Contest



This is the Christmas lighting display arranged by L. E. Reeves, 437 North Third, which won sweepstakes honors in the Junior chamber of commerce contest.

## Light Contest Winners Told

Scores of homes were decked with colored lights as householders participated in the first outdoor illumination contest since 1941. Sweepstakes winner was L. E. Reeves, 437 N. 3rd, whose home boasted a Christmas scene on the rooftop coupled with a miniature forest and holiday scene on the lawn.

Judges named to the various sections gave the sectional award to Reeves and others selected were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Martin, 1111 Pacific Terrace; Malcolm Epley, 604 N. 7th; Carl Long, 2468 Oregon; J. K. Standish, 4661 Thompson; Mrs. Anna Ziemenczuk, Stewart addition; Percy Evans, 2331 Garden; Mrs. Hazel Mundlin, 3125 Boardman.

The sweepstakes winner received a \$25 prize from the California Oregon Power company and the sectional winners were given \$5 awards from the Junior chamber of commerce which sponsored the contest.

## Breathing Pollen Causes Hand Rash

BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 24 (AP)—Pollens inhaled during breathing sometimes can cause eczema of the hands, says Dr. Albert H. Rowe, University of California allergist.

In some instances, he reported in the Archives of Dermatology and Syphilology, a medical publication, this scaly irritation of the hands is the only outward evidence that the person in question is allergic to the pollens. If the irritation persists it can spread to the arms, neck, shoulders and face, and in extreme cases can spread to other areas of the skin, he said.

Dr. Howe previously had reported that inhaled pollens could affect the skin of allergic individuals. That the hands alone can be affected is a more recent finding.

## STRATOFREIGHTER COMES OFF LINE

SEATTLE, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Boeing Aircraft company's first postwar transport rolled out of plant 2 here yesterday following a pre-Christmas employe rally during which company and union officers called for greater cooperation to speed future deliveries.

The plane, a YC-97 strato-freighter, is the first of an army air force contract for 10 of the double-decked troop carrier and cargo transports. It is the first production-line model of the strato-freighter-stratocruiser series.

## Accident Victim Returns To Basin

Velmond Cary, employe of the Ivory Pine company at Bly who was injured in an automobile accident at Dickinson, N. D., December 4, in which his wife, Betty Jane, suffered fatal injuries returned to Klamath Falls on the 8:50 train today and was moved to Hillside hospital for further treatment. Cary has leg injuries.

The body of Mrs. Cary was returned to this city also and final rites will be announced for the 19-year-old victim by Ward's. Mr. and Mrs. Cary and their young son, Velmond Jr., were en route to Dickinson to spend the holidays with his family. Mrs. Cary died December 7. Her young son suffered slight injuries. Mrs. Cary is the former Betty Jane Jones and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis DeGuise of this city.

## Portland Man Aboard Navy Ship

PORTLAND, Dec. 24 (AP)—Com. Edgar L. Yates, senior naval officer aboard the craft ordered by Soviet authorities to leave the Manchurian port of Dairen, is a son of Mrs. Mary E. Yates of Portland.

He was born in Liverpool, England, and educated there and in New York. He sailed as an officer of the United Steamship company before entering active naval service.

## Killer Search Draws Blank

SEATTLE, Dec. 24 (AP)—Confronted with doubts by technicians that light bulbs believed unscrewed by the slayer of Mrs. Edna Vaughan would reveal any identifiable prints, Seattle police today faced a virtual blank wall in their search for the unknown party who strangled the 49-year-old widow and criminally attacked her 73-year-old mother early Sunday.

A 26-year-old negro porter, arrested yesterday after police said he was acting strangely in the neighborhood of the slaying, was released after questioning. It had been the only arrest thus far but orders were issued by Det. Capt. I. A. O'Mera for the pickup of several men with sex crime records.

The elderly mother, Mrs. Marie Windt, remained today in King County hospital. Still dazed by her experience, she related her story to police yesterday and repeated her assertions that the attacker had been a negro. She could not, however, provide a description.

## Auto Sales Down More Than Third

DETROIT, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Automobile Manufacturers association reported today that factory sales of passenger automobiles during the first 11 months of this year numbered 1,802,012, compared with 3,569,338 in 1941. Truck and bus sales for the same period were 831,409 compared with 987,018 in 1941.

The over-all total of car and truck shipments from the factory for the 11-month period was 60 per cent of the total for the same period of 1941.

The association's figures show that of the total passenger car shipments from January through November this year 122,327 units went into the export market. In the same period the factories shipped 161,244 trucks and 715 coaches to the foreign markets.

# Russians Retain Firm Grip On Dairen

DAIREN, Manchuria, Dec. 20 (Delayed AP)—Soviet Russia, I learned today, intends to retain full control of the city of Dairen—gateway to Manchuria—and will keep her military forces there until after the peace treaty is signed with Japan.

This will be done under a technical definition of a clause in the Chinese-Russian pact concerning Dairen, which says "in peacetime Dairen is not included in the sphere of efficacy of naval base regulations determined by agreement on Port Arthur of August 14, 1945, and shall be subject to military supervision or control in this zone only in the case of war against Japan."

"In peacetime" is the catch. Technically, China and Russia still are at war with Japan until a peace treaty is signed.

Despite the fact that two American correspondents who visited Dairen aboard a U. S. navy courier ship were refused permission to enter the city by the Russian commander, Maj. Gen. V. U. Korzhanoff, a comprehensive picture of conditions under the Soviet rule has been obtained from neutral and Chinese sources.

Dairen is a cold, depressed, dismal city. Life is almost as closely regulated as behind the iron curtain.

The only currency is Soviet military script. Industry is paralyzed. Hunger and unemployment is widespread.

Only three buildings in the city are heated against the freezing cold. Prices are wildly inflated.

Russian and Chinese civilians who lived there before and during the war eke out an existence of privation and fear. None dares to be intimate with the Americans, who are under almost constant surveillance. Summary arrests and punishment are the rule rather than the exception.

There is no freedom of speech or the press. One Chinese language newspaper is published infrequently, whenever its communist publishers "can think of something to say against the United States," according to reliable sources.

Petty cruelties to the Chinese and White Russians are an almost daily occurrence. Many young Chinese students have been arrested for expressing beliefs that full Chinese sovereignty should be restored.

Soviet propaganda posters—featuring portraits of

Stalin and other Soviet dignitaries—are everywhere. Other posters advise the hungry and jobless Chinese people in the Soviet controlled city that if America would get out of China there would be peace and prosperity.

At the same time the Soviets are making full use of American lend-lease equipment, including liberty ships, planes and motor vehicles of all sorts. The only observable transport the Soviet army has in Dairen is American.

There are indications that the fear which rules the daily lives of the Chinese people, through some sort of poetic justice also haunts the lives of the Soviet masters. For every act of local Soviet officials is reviewed by Moscow and Soviet military and diplomatic representatives seemingly live in terror of taking any step unless cleared first with the Kremlin.

Observers believe it was these fears of making decisions which prompted General Korzhanoff to issue his ultimatum to the U. S. navy courier to "leave port within 20 minutes or we will not be responsible for the consequences."