

# Accidents Numerous But Only Few Injuries Result

State police experienced an early Christmas rush this week-end with slick pavements taking their toll in a half dozen accidents which, fortunately limited injuries to the "minor" class.

Floyd T. Cobb, 2440 White, was treated at Klamath Valley hospital for back hurts received when his sedan skidded on frosty pavement and overturned twice on the highway near Klamath View auto courts late Saturday night. Cobb said he was traveling at about 45 miles an hour when his car hit the bank and overturned. Two passengers, Jack Griffin, 4234 Washburn way, and Gerald Johnson, 4517 Bristol, were shaken. The car was badly damaged.

Earlier Saturday evening Albert McFarland of route 3, and Angelina Kowke, Bly, reported a sideswipe of the two cars on the Weyerhaeuser mill road. There were no injuries but both cars were slightly damaged. Slick pavement was blamed by Charles Francis McEnderred of Tulelake for an accident near Mac's store on highway 39 late Saturday night. McEnderred told state police he lost control of the car, skidded and overturned. The car was damaged but McEnderred uninjured.

Officers were called out at 7:30 p. m. Saturday to a point south of Warden where a California sedan operated by Annie Townsend Morris of Oakland, and with her son Gerald as a passenger, had left the road on a straight-away. Five minutes later two cars piled up. One was operated by LaVerne Sherman, route 3 box 540, Klamath Falls, and the other by Marion Rose of Gazelle, Calif. Rose, his wife Clara, and three children were in the California car but all escaped without injury, officers said.

From up Sun mountain way on highway 97, officers were advised of a minor crash attributed to a snow covered stretch between Sand Creek and the summit. Wilson O. Williamson of Slayton, Ore., said he was driving toward Klamath Falls at 7:30 Saturday night when he was flagged down by the state highway patrolman and when he applied his brakes, skidded into a car owned by Kedric Pfeiffer, Adair Village, Corvallis. There were no injuries.

Officers picked up Russell Wilkins, laborer living at the Empire hotel, after residents of Kane street said the man had been sitting in his car for five hours with the motor running. Police charged Wilkins with being drunk on a public highway and he was lodged in the city jail as there was no room available at the county bastille. Wilkins posted \$100 bail.

## Survey To Be Meet Topic

Another step in the direction of an over-all survey of conditions in Klamath Falls will be taken Tuesday when city and county officials discuss the proposal with a representative of a survey firm.

At 9:30 a. m. Tuesday members of the Klamath County chamber of commerce planning committee, the city and county planning commissions, and other city and county officials, will meet with James M. Campbell. Campbell represents Hahn, Campbell and Associates of Burlingame, Calif., a firm dealing in work of this type.

The meeting will be in the chamber of commerce board of directors room. Talk of a city-wide survey covering recreation, traffic, lighting and other conditions has been widely talked of since the plan was proposed by members of the Greater Klamath Falls association a few weeks ago.

## Mistletoe Short In Canada Capital

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (AP)—Canadian kisses this Christmas will be without benefit of mistletoe.

Not a sprig of the traditional Yuletide plant is on sale in the capital today. Supplies generally are flown in from Florida, Texas, Mexico and California, but new restrictions to conserve U. S. dollar exchange prevent such imports. The meager amount of mistletoe grown in British Columbia is not nearly enough for demand.

## Completes 25 Years' Service



G. C. Lorenz, president of Lorenz company (left), presented a pin in recognition of 25 years' service with the company to Clyde Thompson, manager of the city desk at the firm. The presentation took place at the company's annual Christmas party for employes and their families at the Willard hotel Saturday night.

## Yacht Slayer Gets 15 Years

HAVANA, Dec. 22 (AP)—Patricia (Satria) Schmidt was sentenced today to 15 years in prison and payment of a \$5000 indemnity for the yacht slaying of her lover, John Lester Mee of Chicago.

The three judges of the audience court reached their decision in a week-end of study, after closing of the trial Friday.

A public prosecutor had demanded a 26-year term for manslaughter and a private prosecutor hired by Mee's father, Dr. Lester E. Mee of Wilmette, Ill., had sought a 30-year sentence for murder.

The defense had contended that the Toledo, Ohio, dancer had shot Mee in terror and by accident last April and that rough handling, rather than the bullet wound itself, caused the fatality. Miss Schmidt is 22.

## War Bride Dies In Ft. Lewis Fire

FORT LEWIS, Dec. 22 (AP)—Mrs. Dorothy Kniss, 44-year-old Australian war bride of S/Sgt. Henry Kniss, was asphyxiated here yesterday morning when fire swept through the Kniss quarters. Sergeant Kniss was slightly burned

## Easy-To-Build Gadgets Cut Down Work On Farms

By BILL JOHNSTON

SPOKANE, Dec. 22 (AP)—Northwest farmers work too hard, says R. N. Miller, and they can cut down on their labors by doing a little extra work.

As extension agricultural engineer at Washington State college, Miller is an authority on labor-saving equipment for farms. He thinks more farms should spend some time during the slack winter season building gadgets to save work during the busy days next summer.

Instead of sitting around the house reading the papers (how else could they get these labor-saving inspirations?), farmers could be out in the shop building buck rakes and hay hoists.

The plans for a variety of labor-saving devices are ready and waiting at county agents' offices or at state colleges, Miller points out. Many of the gadgets are inexpensive and simple to build.

An electric hay hoist, for example,

in the blaze. Two other guests escaped uninjured. An investigation of the fire was to be made today. Mrs. Kniss was from Brisbane.

is one of the easier things to build, and any pitchfork artist knows how much work it can save. Miller says a farmer easily can build a small garden tractor from a washing machine engine, an old automobile wheel, a belt and some odds and ends. He estimates that all the parts, exclusive of the engine, could be collected for less than \$10.

Farmers who spend excess time opening and shutting gates, puzzle Miller. He wonders why they don't build cattle guards—using more of the ready-made plans—to replace many of their gates.

The extension service has the formula all ready to show farmers how to treat fence posts to make them last longer, he says. Treating posts not only postpones for several years the labor of replacing them, but cuts the replacement cost of 39 to 60 cents each. The treatment cost is only about 10 to 15 cents.

County agents throughout the northwest have plans stacked in their desks for many labor-saving devices, Miller says, and the farmer who isn't using them is working too hard.

Rural ramblings:  
The northwest almost monopolized

the national rankings of butterfat production per cow this year. Washington state led the nation for the second consecutive year with an average of 376 pounds of butterfat for cows on test. California was second with 374 pounds, Oregon third with 367, and Idaho fourth with 359. The national average was 349.

W. A. McAfee, Pallasdes, is pioneering in construction of a new terrace system to hold run-off water on low, flat coulee area wheat fields. The 12 to 18-inch terraces give water more time to soak in to the ground. They were built last fall at a cost of 40 an acre. Conservation experts estimate that if the terraces could retain all of the normal eight inches of rainfall, wheat production in the area would jump from 10 to 40 bushels an acre.

Agricultural engineers at the University of Idaho have demonstrated that Idaho dairymen are losing thousands of dollars annually because they don't cool milk properly. Next step in a special research project is to design a milk cooler for the small dairy farmer. It must be efficient enough to prevent mass souring of milk but economical enough to be within reach of the small farmer.

The pole in "polecat" comes from the French word "poule," meaning pullet, or chicken.

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