

MIDLAND EMPIRE NEWS

Wocus
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Watkins will regret to learn of their moving to California to live in the very near future, having sold their business to Mr. and Mrs. Shorold Chapman on January 5, and giving possession to the Chapmans on January 6. Shorold is a brother-in-law of Jerry Short and owns his home which is located on the old highway. The business deal was for a cash consideration.
The condition of Watkins health is the reason given by him for selling and for choosing a lower altitude in which to live. They plan to spend the balance of the winter at San Jose, Calif., and look around for another business to enter into. They also have relatives there to visit.
The business consists of a filling station, grocery store and a small tavern, and Mrs. Watkins, with her husband, has built it to a thriving little business, while making many

to return to Warm Springs Wednesday after spending several weeks with the Albert Barretts, visiting with other relatives and doing some shopping in Klamath Falls. Lewis will resume his work in the lumber mill at Warm Springs.
Mrs. Ella Burgess, with her daughter Janie and Mr. and Mrs. William Burgess Jr., returned Friday after spending the New Year holiday at Sacramento with William Burgess Sr., Young Bill and his wife will return to Sacramento January 9 to live and will join Bill Jr. in carpenter work in that city.
Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Rusk, who for the past 12 years have been farming near Beatty, sold their ranch there and moved to Wocus where they are renting the place recently owned by the H. B. Austins. Mrs. Rusk brought with her her Hamiltonian saddle horse and is looking forward to many horseback rides with her neighbors this spring and summer.
The Jerry Shorts are back from a vacation and business trip spent in Southern California since last November 22. Jerry says he sold all of his potatoes while there and came back feeling pretty good. Full of enthusiasm on being home again, he drove his new yellow jeep pickup truck up an approximate 45 degree mountain climb north of his home where there had never been a trail, not to mention a road. Over rocks and through brush and snow the jeep climbed, reaching the top without once killing the motor, and winning for Jerry a wager made by another man that said he "couldn't do it."
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paschal and young son Norman, who have been visiting at the home of "Pop" Hurtgen for the holidays, returned to Milwaukie, Ore., last Friday. Mrs. Paschal is known by her friends as Norma, and is the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hurtgen. The carpenter and electrical work on the six double units of Van's motel has been completed, and according to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Vanderhoff, the interior decorating will be completed and the units ready for use by April. Six single units have been in use since last summer, and with the completion of the double units a total of 12 apartments, with the two-story structure in the center for family use will constitute the place known as Van's hotel and filling station.
The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shumate, now receiving treatment for a skin ailment at Doern-

Local Men Join Navy
Virgil E. Ratliff, son of John R. Ratliff of Merrill, and Dean Spencer Murray, son of Donald W. Murray, of Tulelake, enlisted in the U. S. navy for a three-year cruise, at the local navy recruiting office, and were sworn in at Portland.
The following name men enlisted in the inactive naval reserve and were sworn in by Lt. Jg. W. C. Petersen, volunteer recruiting officer for Klamath Falls: Milton O. Berglund, Charles M. Cornett, Raymond M. Washburn, Arnold C. Selby, Clarence E. Cornett, Louis Gomers and William W. Smith.
George F. Kridle, navy recruiter for Klamath and Lake counties, urges all ex-naval personnel to enlist under this new naval reserve program if they haven't already done so. He further states that all men will be enlisted at the rate held at the time of discharge. This will assure you that in the event you are

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BETTER MASK UP NOW--
IN CASE WE'RE SEEN
NEAR HARPIN CURVE!
OUTLAW!
THE TRAIN OUGHTA BE IN
RIMROCK NOW!
TIME TO GET
MOVING!
HEY, GOSH!
YOU'RE WHITE
AS A SHEET!
WHAT'S
WRONG?
IT'S THEM DINOSAUR
STEAKS YOU PUT
BELLED OUT HYENA-
Y POISONED HIM.
THAT'S WHAT!
NO SUCH THING YOU
BEE-BRAINED AP-
THEM STEAKS WAS
DELICIOUS!
WELL, DOCTOR,
YOU ASKED BROWN,
BUT YOU DON'T COME
HERE JUST FOR THE
RIDE--WHAT'S UP?
THIS MOOVIAN
HOSPITALITY
IS REALLY
SOMETHING!
WE'VE FILLED
UP WITH
DINOSAUR
STEAKS!
THERE'S NO
NEED TO BE
"BETTER" HIGH!
NEVER!
NO! THE MAN
WOULD BET ON
ANYTHING!
REMEMBER THE
TIME HE MADE
A COOL MILLION
ON A B-S GAME
STAKE TO SOME
PROSPECTOR
OUT WEST?
AND LOST IT
THE NEXT DAY
ON A SPARROW
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OUT WEST?
I ALWAYS LIKED THE
ONE WHEN HE
SOT A GOOD DEAL
AT A B-S GAME.
HE BOUGHT HIS
TRACK AND GAVE
IT TO AN
INSTITUTION FOR
THE BLIND!
OR WHEN HE
BET A HOTEL
ASKING A
DANCEY ON
THE NUMBER OF
FRENCH
FRIED
POINDES
ON A DISH.
THEN HE
DISCOVERED
OIL ON RANCH
AND
CLEANED
UP!
AND LOST IT ALL
TRYING TO STOP
A RUN ON A
FRIEND'S BANK.
ABSOLUTELY
NO SENSE
RESPONSIBILITY!
WHAT A MAN!
THERE WILL
NEVER BE
ANOTHER
"BETTER" HIGH!
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RESPONSIBILITY!
WHAT A MAN!
THIS IS A FINE HOWDY-DO!
I BEEN WAIT' HERE FIFTEEN
MINUTES, AN' THAT BIRD NOT
CALLED FOR AN INTERVIEW
HASN'T SHOWED UP YET!
WASH FINALLY
STALKS AWAY,
AND A LOITERER
ACROSS THE STREET
WATCHES TO SEE
THAT HE'S REALLY
ALONE, THEN STROLLS
AFTER HIM...
DURING A
MARCH RAGE
PARTY,
LARD SMITH
WAS TRICKED
INTO THINKING
HE WAS
FIGHTING
A DUEL WITH
WALLY CARTER!
--THE JOKE
SUCCEEDED
SO WELL!
STAND BACK! GIVE
HIM AIR! CAN'T YOU
SEE HE'S PAINTED?
THAT'S WHAT YOU CALL
FALLING FOR A GAG--
NO KIDDING!
SPEAK TO ME, LARDY.
SPEAK TO ME!
HEY, LISTEN TO
THAT SIREN!
SOUNDS LIKE
A POLICE CAR
COMING THIS
WAY!
WHEE
EHEE
THAT'S SILLY!
THERE'S NOTHING
ON THIS ROAD
EXCEPT--
WHEE
EHEE
YEAH!
EXCEPT
US!
I THINK
I'M GOING
TO ENJOY
THIS!
I'AM--SO THIS EVIDENT TOWN
NAMES CHRISTMAS, IS THAT'S OOD!
WE NEVER THOUGHT OF HIM--BUT
IT'S PURE NONSENSE, OF COURSE--
OF COURSE--
COULD
NEVER
BE JOE--
OF COURSE NOT--STILL, TO KEEP
THE RECORD STRAIGHT, MAYBE
YOU'D BETTER HAVE A LOOK
AROUND HIS SHACK--DON'T
WANT TO LET ANYBODY SAY
YOU DRY FAVORITES--
A FEW NOT-HEADED
FOOLS IN TOWN
HAVE MENTIONED
JOE'S NAME--
BEST TO CLEAR HIM--
GIVE HIM A CLEAR
BILL OF HEALTH IN
THIS THING--
YES, I SUPPOSE
SO--I'LL GO DOWN
THERE AT ONCE--
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