

BASIN BRIEFS

Willamette Sophomore — Frieda Kirk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Friedman Kirk, Chiloquin, came home this weekend for Christmas vacation. Her school will begin again January 3. She is a language major.

Business College — student Karen Hatcher, Chiloquin, who has been attending Northwestern School of Commerce in Portland, has been at home for the past week and will remain at least until after Christmas. Another Chiloquin high school graduate was a classmate of Karen's, Joy Gard, who now lives in Portland.

Grange — The Shasta View

CITY BRIEFS

PTA Meeting — The Shasta PTA executive board will meet Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Shasta School. All board members are urged to be present.

Home Extension — The Fairhaven Home Extension Unit will meet with the Klamath Falls unit Wednesday, December 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the YMCA for the project "Picture Framing and Selection" by the extension agent. Members are to bring a sandwich and serving of fruit and own table service.

Ladies Aid — Klamath Lutheran Ladies Aid meeting scheduled for this Tuesday at 8 p.m. has been postponed until December 27 at 8 p.m. at the Klamath Lutheran Church.

Christmas Party — Klamath Lodge No. 137 IOOF and the Prosperity Rebekah Lodge No. 104 will give a Christmas party for the children of members Wednesday beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the IOOF hall. Santa Claus will be there with candy and other things in his bag. All Rebekahs, Odd Fellows, their friends and children are invited.

Serving — at the U.S. Naval Station, Sanzley Point, Cavite, Philippine Island, with the Surface Craft Department is John N. Daw, commissaryman third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Daw, 1917 Laurel Street, Klamath Falls, according to an Army public information release.

Home — Michael Hayden, in training in the Navy at San Diego, is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hayden.

Reminder — to take gifts not to exceed \$1 in price to the meeting of Women of the Moose, for the Christmas party and gift exchange December 20.

Peterson School — will present a Christmas program in two parts in the school gymnasium at 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, December 20. The program, two skits, "Mr. Mouse Enjoys Christmas," and "In Bethlehem Town," will be given. The public is invited.

Grange No. 830 will have a special meeting Wednesday, December 21, at 8 p.m. in the grange hall, when first and second degrees will be given. The degree work is to be put on by the Youth Group Degree Team. All grangers are invited to come and bring their candidates. Potluck dessert will be served following the meeting.

Alturas — A baby boy was born Thursday at 11:48 a.m., weighing 8 lbs. 13 oz., to Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Freeman of Alturas.

A Son — was born Friday morning at the Modoc Medical Center in Alturas to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ford of Alturas.

Christmas Lighting — contest at Alturas will be judged Christmas Eve, according to John Burrichter, president of the Alturas Merchants Association. A five-man judging team will be delegated through the Alturas Garden Club.

Home — Jack Marshall, student at California Polytechnic, San Luis Obispo is home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall, Poe Valley for the holidays.

Visitors — Mr. and Mrs. William L. Garrill, daughter Averill and son Billy, Dunsmuir, spent the last weekend in Klamath Falls with Mrs. Garrill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Barnes, Olene.

Coming Home — P. W. Barnf, in charge of the Tulelake Motor Vehicle Office, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident five weeks ago near The Dalles, has returned to his home in Tulelake. Barnf lost a leg in a high-way accident when a second car crashed into him on November 12 as he attempted to change a tire. Mrs. Barnf was with him. The couple was returned here by a son-in-law, Richard Moen, Klamath Falls.

Dunsmuir WBA Officers Named

DUNSMUIR — New officers of the WBA for the coming year will be Velma Cantrall, president; Ellen Kafer, vice president; and Bessie Anderson, secretary. The officers were elected at a Christmas party and business meeting recently. The members gathered for a turkey dinner and exchanged gifts. Present at the meeting were 20 members and honorary member Mrs. Minnie Armstrong. Canasta was played after the election of the new officers.

NEW PLANES

TOKYO — Swift, twin-jet B57 bombers will replace propeller-driven B26s in the Far East soon probably this month—the U. S. Far East Air Force announced Monday. The U.S.-built versions of the British Canberra will be assigned to the 5th Air Force's 3rd Bomb Wing at Johnson Air Base near Tokyo, FEAF said.

Battle Over Property Opens Here

A legal battle involving value of land on which the city is seeking restricted easement to facilitate construction of the Klamath Falls Jet Interceptor Base opened Monday morning in Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg's court.

The action was brought by the city against C. H. and J. P. Kelly, owners of 50 acres of land adjacent to the municipal airport. They have declined the city's offer of \$6,750 for a restricted easement.

The defendants, represented by attorneys Richard Maxwell and Ben Goddard, are asking \$15,000 plus \$5,000 legal fees. It is reported they planned to subdivide the land in question until the city instituted condemnation proceedings.

Under the proposed restricted easement, the Kelly brothers would be prohibited from erecting buildings on the property or permitting gatherings there of more than 25 persons.

City Attorney Henry Perkins and Attorney George Proctor are representing the municipality. Perkins claims the payment offered by the city is a fair and reasonable amount for the restricted easement.

Considerable difficulty in obtaining a jury to decide the case is anticipated. It is expected any veniremen who are Klamath Falls taxpayers will be excused. Among the first 12 veniremen called as prospective jurors was City Councilman James Barnes.

Others in the jury box when opposing counsel began their interrogations were: Antonio Suty, Merrill; Erma Morlock, Malin; John Kearns, Klamath Falls; Theodore Schmidt, Bonanza; Isabel Lemler, Merrill; Ella Rogers, Klamath Falls; Harold Geiser, Klamath Falls; Regis V. Andrieu, Klamath Falls; John M. Owens, Klamath Falls; Virgil E. Davis, Klamath Falls and Werner O. Bunge, Malin.

No Injuries In Pickup Rock

FORT ROCK — No injuries resulted from a one-car accident last week when Charley Stingley skidded on a snowy road and tipped his pickup on its side. He was taking his granddaughters, Teresa and Marilyn Ward to school.

The mishap occurred three miles east of Fort Rock at the foot of a short hill. The car was righted and the girls delivered to school. Residents of Fort Rock Valley recall that there have been almost no automobile accidents in this area within memory. Back in 1952, wives of two county road crewmen had a collision when dust obscured visibility and one car bumped into the rear of the other. There were only minor injuries and this is the most serious accident recalled in the area.



W. CURTIS STRONG

Strong Rites On Tuesday

W. Curtis Strong, retired superintendent of the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company box factory, died Saturday following a year's illness. He was 79 years old.

Mr. Strong was born in Spencer, Indiana, and had followed the lumber industry most of his adult life. He retired nine years ago. He is survived by his widow, Julia, a son Robert; two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Brooks, Muscatine, Iowa; and Mrs. Elizabeth Blitch, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Strong was a veteran of the Spanish-American War and was a member of the Episcopal Church.

Funeral services will be held at O'Hair's Memorial Chapel at 2 p.m. Tuesday with the Rev. Mr. Galen Omsand officiating with cremation in Portland following.

Rebekah Lodge Holds Yule Party

DUNSMUIR — A Christmas party was held December 9 by the Rebekah Lodge. A large number of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their families enjoyed a potluck supper. A children's program followed the supper and Santa Claus appeared to give all the children present a treat. Noble Grand Cora Powers presided over the business meeting, and election of new officers. New officers are Mildred La Barre, noble grand; Avis Van Hardenberg, vice grand; Amanda Cook, secretary and Marian Roberts, treasurer.

Six Game Offenders In Court

Local, state and federal game officers cited six persons to courts for violations of game regulations within the last few days, two of them for shooting protected whistling swans.

B. E. Lanning, Weed, paid \$50 when he appeared before Judge Les Chase in the Dorris justice court. He was cited for taking waterfowl in a closed portion of the refuge and with discharging a firearm from a public road.

In the same court, F. L. Miller of Albany, California, paid \$100 when he pled guilty to killing a whistling swan. For shooting at and wounding a whistling swan, J. Williams, Porterville, California, was fined \$100.

Glen W. Thornton, Ukiah, California, paid \$25 when he appeared before Judge Elmer Rund, Modoc County, in the Tulelake justice court on charges of hunting migratory waterfowl with a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells.

On the same charge, Carl Murphy of Klamath Falls was cited to appear before District Court D. E. Van Vactor where Murphy paid a \$25 fine. Judge Van Vactor sentenced Lloyd Johnson of Klamath Falls to pay \$250 fine or spend 12 1/2 days in the county jail for possession of untagged venison.

California Water Outlook At End Of Year Not What It Should Be Survey Shows

SACRAMENTO (UP) — Water conditions in California were "generally unsatisfactory" at the end of the 1955 irrigation season, the Division of Water Resources said today.

"Another season of low water supply would result in critical shortages in some areas," the division warned. Surface storage at the end of the season generally was below that of a year earlier, the division said, and ground water levels also were generally lower than a year ago.

At the end of the season, major reservoirs in the Central Valley area were down 500,000 acre feet while storage in Lake Mead, serving Southern California, was the lowest since 1937 when the reservoir was first filling behind Hoover Dam.

The San Diego County Water Authority reported that despite heavy importations of Colorado River water, supplies were only 11 per cent of capacity, a record low. Major reservoirs serving the North Coast area finished the season 12 per cent below 1954 levels. The Cachuma Reservoir near Santa Barbara was at less than 10 per cent of capacity.

Preliminary measurements indicated that the ground water level, a factor of extreme importance to irrigators who pump from wells, also was generally lower. The division said measurement of 208 wells in Sacramento Valley showed an average decline of 1.5 feet in the water table. Extensive measurements in the Putah-Cache Creek area showed an average drop in the level of 3.7 feet.

In the Calaveras Delta area the groundwater level dropped 7.2 feet. Levels in the Fairfield-Suisun area dipped 4.5 feet. In Upper Salinas Valley, the average decline was 6.4 feet. Levels in the Carrizo plains area of San Luis Obispo County fell sharply 7.2 feet while in the

county's coastal area, a drop of 5.3 feet was recorded.

Money and Women

By Geo. N. Taylor  
In early days, they took their money and went to Corinth; that wealthy capital of Southern Greece. On a rock above the city, 1000 lewd women served in the name of their heathen religion.

At length the Gospel reached Corinth. It was God's word and it never returns to him void. True — God's saved people there in Corinth fell into riques and one man still held to a lewd woman.

But God was at Geo. N. Taylor work in their hearts and they grew in faith and became the stuff out of which martyrs are made. Martyrs? They who give themselves to be used of God when and where he wills. Right here in America today some of you born again would die rather than to deny Christ. The eternal God has taken up in you; he has given you new birth; he has changed your appetites and the way you look at things. You live to make God rich. This message sponsored by an Oregon lumber manufacturer and wife. Adv.

NEW GROUP

PARIS (AP) — NATO's supreme commander in Europe, Gen. Alfred M. Gruentier, announced Monday the activities of a new Allied tactical air force at Vicenza, Italy. Named the Allied 5th Tactical Air Force, the new group will be made up of personnel from Greece, France, Italy, Turkey and the United States. It is the fourth such outfit in the Allied Command setup.

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