

BASIN BRIEFS

Attends Meeting — Mrs. Mary Louise Gray of Etna, who is employed at the Siskiyou County recorder's office in Yreka, attended a meeting of representatives from recorders' offices in the state at Oakland during the weekend.

Move — Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Goucher, who have been operating the Hotel Blake, Etna, have moved to Medford. They will now operate the Target Cafe, Phoenix, Oregon, which they have renamed "Jerry's."

Visit City — Mrs. Joseph Spalino, Quartz Valley, accompanied Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Dunaway to Los Angeles to visit her mother, recently when the Dunaways flew down to attend a chiropractic meeting.

Visitors — Mrs. Mary Journey, Etna, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burrell in Eagle Point for several days recently.

Spends Weekend — Nadene Murphy, Menlo Park, spent last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Murphy, Callahan.

Guests — for several days last week of Mr. and Mrs. John Rotan were his sisters, Mrs. Mildred Smith, Azusa, California, and Mrs. Mary Whitt, Fort Worth, Texas.

Furlough — Pvt. James W. Smith, who has been with the Eighth Infantry First Division at Fort Riley, Kansas, left, recently for Fort Hood, Texas, after spending a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, Etna.

Returned — Mrs. Thelma McNeil of Thelma's Notion Shop, Etna, returned to San Francisco where she has been staying for a few weeks, having come north to preside at the meeting of Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112, Native Daughters of the Golden West, when the grand president, Mrs. Maxiene Porter, made her official visit.

Sister Visits — Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hawkins, Hickman, California, have returned to their home after visiting with Ormond Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith and her sister, Helen Burkhardt at Etna. Mrs. Hawkins is a sister of Ormond and Leland Smith. Mrs. Burkhardt, who has been staying with her brother, Ormond Smith, accompanied the Hickmans home.

Back Home — After a three months' absence, Mrs. Annie Samon, has returned to her home in Etna. While gone she stayed with her son, George Samon, in Reno and another son, Emmett Samon, in Orinda.

Attend Funeral — Atlanta Adams, Mrs. Amy Derham, Mrs. Lawrence Buchner, Mrs. Nerva Hayden, Mrs. Susie Denny and Mrs. William M. Smith, all of Etna, attended funeral services of Mrs. Essie Mulloy at Fort Jones.

To Reno — to spend a week are Mrs. John Brown and Mrs. Ernie Vinson of Bonanza. They will bring Mrs. Bertha Vinson and Mrs. Mae Burnett home. They have spent several weeks in Reno with Mrs. Vinson's sons and their families.

Sydney Ketchum — sophomore at Oregon State College spent the weekend in Bonanza with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ketchum.

Mrs. Mildred Martin — has returned to her home in Oakland after spending a week in Langell Valley with Mr. and Mrs. Leland Harris.

Recovering — Mrs. John Sullivan of Langell Valley is recovering from her recent illness and is able to be up a little each day.

Mrs. Herman Wolfe — and daughter of Klamath Falls are in Bonanza running the Bonanza Cafe for her mother, Mrs. John Brown, while she is in Reno.

Mrs. Mae Gale — of Langell Valley has left for Redding to visit relatives and will go on to Eureka to visit other relatives.

From Tillamook — Archie Pye and son, Roger, have returned to Tillamook after a week in Langell Valley with the Bill Burnetts.

Relatives — in Langell Valley to attend funeral services for Ben Nork October 30 were his sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nork of Gold Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Nork, Sweet Home, and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nork, Eagle Point.

Vacationing — Mrs. Robert Addison, Tulelake, will accompany Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thomas and Cecil Cheyne to Bakersfield, leaving Tulelake Monday. She will visit for several days in Sacramento with numerous friends, will go to her former home in Marin County and will spend a week in Berkeley with college friends. She plans to return home before Thanksgiving.

Trip — Mrs. Mary Journey and Mrs. Nerva Hayden, both of Etna,

were visitors at Stewart Springs recently.

Getting Well — Mrs. Minerva Matson, Etna, who recently underwent surgery at the Siskiyou County General Hospital at Yreka, is convalescing at the ranch home of her daughter, Mrs. Winifred Wolford near Etna.

Visits Daughter — Mrs. Irene Davis of Montague spent several weeks with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Starr, Etna.

San Jose Visitor — Mrs. Florence Wells, San Jose, spent a week recently with her mother, Mrs. Lois Starr, Etna.

Sightseers — A sightseeing trip to the Trinity Dam at Lewiston recently was enjoyed by Miss Zelma Walter and her brother Ernest of Yreka, Miss Dorice Young and Mr. and Mrs. William M. Smith, Etna.

Back Home — Mrs. Susie Smith has returned to her home in Etna, having spent several months visiting relatives in the Bay Area.

Home From Trip — Mr. and Mrs. Ed Corrigan and daughters returned to Etna from a trip to Wisconsin and other points of interest en route to and from there.

DA May Drop Case Against Bev's Mom

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The case against Beverly Aadland's mother appeared to fall apart Saturday with admission by police that they found no evidence she committed a crime in permitting her young daughter's romance with Errol Flynn.

Police recommended dropping the case Friday.

"The case has been blown up all out of proportion," said Lt. Chester C. Houston of the Inglewood police. "Mrs. Aadland said she had done everything she could do to protect her daughter."

Houston noted that the 17-year-old girl had been Flynn's constant companion for two years and nobody urged action during that time.

"Someone must have read about it in the papers," he said, "but nothing was ever done about it."

The district attorney's office said it would await a formal report from the Inglewood police before making a final decision to drop the case.

The investigation was started when the district attorney's office was flooded with protests after the blonde dancer said she regretted she did not have a baby by Flynn.

A district attorney spokesman said it would be impossible to bring charges unless Miss Aadland volunteered testimony that her mother contributed to her delinquency.

The mother, who claims to have been a dancer with the Earl Carroll troupe, maintained "there was nothing wrong" with her daughter's relationship with Flynn.

She said Flynn hired private tutors for the girl, a chaperon was always with them and that several women accompanied the couple on their trip to British Columbia.

Billy To Walk -- On Own Leg

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — It may be three years before Billy Smith can walk — and that isn't certain — but it's a miracle that he still has his right leg.

This is the substance of a report by two of the three surgeons at a news conference Friday. It was their 4½-hour operation that saved the 25-year-old laborer's limb July 25.

Smith's leg was crushed and severed when he was struck by a crane on a construction project. The surgeons, who requested anonymity, said he was brought to Eden Hospital so promptly and was in such healthy condition that they decided to try to graft the leg back.

The leg was severed three inches above the knee.

"It was just too good a chance to pass up," said one surgeon. "We were very fortunate that we were confronted with only one vein and one artery."

Smith will be in the hospital for months. His leg is being held high to prevent clots. It will be about three years before the nerves grow back to the tip of his toes.

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DONALD D. MICKA, 18, an Army private, recently completed basic training at Fort Ord. He reported for light artillery training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, October 16 after a two-week visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Micka of Malin. He was graduated this year from Malin High School and enlisted July 27.
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More Money Chances Good

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Prospects appeared bright today for Dr. Werner von Braun to get the extra 100 million dollars he wants for the Saturn super rocket that may put America ahead in the space race.

The Defense Department is recommending a new Saturn budget of 140 million dollars, compared to the 240 million dollars Von Braun wants, but the Army missile expert is believed certain of support from the civilian space agency to which he is being transferred.

A Pentagon spokesman conceded that the department's recommendation was based only on military requirements. No military need for the super rocket is foreseen in the next four or five years, the spokesman said, so there was no reason to complete the program before 1964 or 1965.

But the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) which will have charge of the project after Von Braun's transfer receives the approval of Congress, is eager to get a payload-carrying Saturn into space as soon as possible.

Von Braun said this can be accomplished in 1963 if more money is provided. The Saturn is to have more than twice the power of the largest rocket used so far by the Russians.

Ex-Con Enters Elkins Trial

PORTLAND (AP) — An ex-convict from Seattle testified Friday at the burglary conspiracy trial of Portland gambler Big Jim Elkins that he had heard Elkins plan a crime.

Robert Fink, 31, who said he feared for his life and came to Portland under a police guard, said he had heard Elkins and another man plot the burglary of a Portland business establishment.

The state is attempting to prove that Elkins was the brains behind a gang of safe crackers who preyed on Portland stores three years ago.

Fink said he heard the conversation between Elkins and the other man after he had driven from Seattle to an isolated spot in Portland. He said Elkins pulled up in another car and that the other man and Elkins had planned the burglary.

Fink was undergoing a rigorous cross examination by Elkins' defense attorney when the trial was recessed at noon Friday so members could attend the funeral of Circuit Judge Martin Hawkins.



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Tutor Named Dairy Princess

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — A home economics teacher from Snoover, Mich., won a \$1,000 scholarship and the title of American dairy princess for 1960 here Friday night.

The honor went to Mary Sue Hodge, 22, who was reared on a 320-acre dairy farm. She will travel some 100,000 miles during the coming year as a good-will ambassador of the dairy industry.

Joan Van Petersilge, 22, of South Deerfield, Mass., was named alternate winner.

Washington's entry in the 24-girl contest was Marilyn Snyder, a University of Washington student from Lynden.

Oil Exploration Companies Targets For Castro Move

HAVANA, (AP) — The Cuban government, which already has slapped stiff new taxes on mineral production, moved against all Cuban oil exploration companies Friday night by sealing their office files.

Agents from the Ministry of Public Works entered the companies' offices without warning. They said the government is preparing to draft a new petroleum law and wants all the technical information in the hands of the oil companies.

Prime Minister Fidel Castro's cabinet passed a resolution providing for fines and prison sentences for anyone hindering access to the files.

There was no indication whether the files would be seized later or only examined.

The surprise move left oil company executives wondering how it would affect their operations since they now have no access to files.

"It's hard to understand this action," said one executive. "Most of the material in our files on the exploration of Cuban oil lands already is duplicated in Cuban government offices."

American company representatives conferred with the U. S. embassy on the situation.

Several foreign company executives said they understood the government also planned to examine the files of Cuban exploration firms.

Although Cuba consumes about 30,000 barrels of oil daily, it produces no more than 600 barrels of domestic oil. Most of the oil is imported from Venezuela.

A number of American, Canadian and British companies established exploration divisions in Cuba in an effort to develop oil production.

Spokesmen for several said they expected to shut down shortly because of increasing difficulties in operating.

Among files sealed Friday were those at the offices of Esso, Texaco, Atlantic Refining, Cuban Keweenaw, Cuban Gulf, Cuban California (Standard Oil, California), Union and Shell.

The government action came only a few days after the revolutionary cabinet announced a new law setting a 5 per cent tax on mineral production, plus a 25 per cent levy on minerals exported.

Representatives of several mining companies said the law would

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