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## TALENT POST OFFICE STATUS STILL IN DOUBT

The U.S. Postal Service may still down grade the Talent Post Office to a branch Al Bradford said.

Rural delivery service inside Talent would not be offered under the present proposal, according to Bradford. He estimated the move would save the postal service \$4,000 a year because it would not have to appoint a new postmaster.

Bradford said last month he figured that offering the delivery service while downgrading the office, instead of saving money, would increase annual costs by about \$8,500 a year. So now, he said, the service is considering making the office an Ashland branch ~~without~~ offering the in-city deliveries.

Bradford says he expects a decision on the proposal in about 60 days. The decision would be made by headquarters in Washington, D.C.

He said the postal service is looking at each office where a postmaster vacancy occurs and studying how savings can be made. Talent's postmaster, Alice Thoreson, retired in December.

Mr. Bradford said no cutbacks in service, like shorter post office hours or dropping Saturday deliveries, were being considered on the local level, while such measures are being talked about in Washington, D.C.

## IRRIGATION WATER SUPPLY SHORT

Valley irrigation may be a little short of water this summer. The lack of any substantial precipitation lately and the relatively meager snowpack has TID Manager Walt Hoffbuhr somewhat concerned. But there is still plenty of time left in the normal rainy season and a wet March could improve the water supply outlook. The upper reservoir in the TID system, Howard Prairie and Hyatt Lakes, are in good shape because of large amounts of water "carryover" from last year.

Even if the present situation doesn't change much, Hoffbuhr said the district will probably have adequate water for irrigation this summer, but it might have to cut back on some deliveries and encourage conservation more than usual.

## TALENT GETS BICENTENNIAL FLAG

The Talent Bicentennial Committee this week presented a bicentennial flag to the city. Nearly a hundred persons attended the affair at the Talent Community Hall. Presenting the flag ~~was~~ state Sen. Lenn Hannon to Mayor Richard Henry and Mrs. John Baldwin, Talent Bicentennial chairman. Mrs. Que Jameson, Jackson county bicentennial chairman was also present.

The Talent Elementary School chorus entertained during the evening.

## RUNNING FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER POSITION

Carol N. Doty, 36, 3655 Anderson Cr Rd., Talent, was the first Democrat to file for the May 25 primary election for Jon Deason's seat on the Jackson County Board of Commissioners. Mrs. Doty filed Jan. 30 and said she thought her greatest strength for the post was her ability to deal with people on a one-to-one basis.

Mrs. Doty was director of the county Head Start program from Jan., 1971 to June, 1975 and is now chairman of the Rogue Valley Council of Governments' human resources committee. She is also vice chairman of the P-T School Dist's budget committee and works part time in the Ashland school district.

Mrs. Doty has a finance chairman, Medford attorney William Deatherage, and says she will accept no campaign contribution greater than \$20.

## ANNUAL HOBBY SHOW

Plans for the annual Talent Hobby Show will be held Saturday, March 13. Chairman of the show entrees is Mrs. Mae Lowe. There is no entry fee to those wishing to show their hobbies. Ribbons will be awarded in all categories. There is Jr. and Sr. divisions. Door prizes will be given away every half hour. Admission is FREE to all.

Tickets are available from members on a fund raising quilt.

This is a fun day held every year at the Talent Community Hall. It is sponsored by the Talent Federated Womens Club.

If you have a hobby you wish to enter call Mae Lowe, 535-1421.

## LUMBERJACK BREAKFAST

The Talent Lions are sponsoring one of their famous Lumberjack Breakfasts Feb. 29 at the Talent Community Hall.

## GUN SHOW DATE CHANGED

The Gun Show sponsored by the Medford National Guard Enlisted Mens Club will be held April 24 and 25. The date was formerly set for the middle of May. For gun buffs this is a big event of the year where they can see guns, ammo, western relics, knives and military related items.

Admission will be \$1.00 per person but children under 14 can get in free if accompanied by an adult.

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BORN to Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Vincent, 2120  
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a girl, 6 pounds.

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### HOSPITALIZED IN ASHLAND

Jan. 20. Cynthia Moore 8975 S. Pac. Hwy.  
Jan. 24, Lura Jo Walty, Talent  
Jan. 26, Beatrice Gandee, 400 Arness.  
Feb. 4, Alfred Murray, Box 203, Talent  
Lenthal Bennett, 5177 Colver Rd. Talent  
Released, Feb 4, Lura Jo Walty  
Admitted Ruth Williams, Feb. 15,  
P.O. Box 452, Talent  
Feb. 16, Cindy Workman, 113 N. Third  
Feb. 17 Margaret Sutton, P.O. Box 311.

### CARRIAGE TRADE

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Moore,  
8975 S. Pac. Hwy. Talent, a boy on  
January 20

Born to Mr. and Mrs. David Mounce,  
102 Foss Road, Talent, a girl Jan. 19

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Loper,  
111 N. Pac. Hwy., Talent, Feb. 6, a boy  
6½ lbs.

### BICYCLE RULES

The Talent Police wish to remind bike  
riders that bicycles operate under the  
same rules as motor vehicles in regard  
to lighting regulations. Bicycles  
ridden at night must have lights.

A warning is given for the first  
offense and a citation is issued on  
the second offense.

### RESCUE

Sheriff's deputies assisted in locating  
John H. Spears, 37, 8653 Wagner Cr.  
Rd. They were assisted by a police dog  
which found Spears 18 minutes later un-  
conscious in a ditch about ¼ mile from  
his home.

### DEDICATION

Members of the Methodist Church con-  
gregation held a memorial service  
Sunday to dedicate gifts in memory of  
Lee Fifield, Ina Beckett, Bob Logan  
Phyllis Floyd and Mrs. Pearl McKee.  
Salute to the American Flag was led  
by Mrs. Nell Young.

THOUGHTS WILE DRIVING TO WORK The  
school budget has reached the first  
vote stage. The school board might  
make a little money on the side if  
they started a little pool on how  
many elections it will take this year  
to get the budget passed. Could give  
the winner \$50.00 and apply the rest  
to the school budget. Might come out  
with the whole budget tax free.

### LIONS MEET AT STANLEY'S

Twenty-eight Talent Lions and their  
guests met Feb. 12 in the new dining  
room at Stanley's Truck Stop.

### RETURN FROM AUSTRALIA

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Strong have return-  
ed home from a months visit with their  
daughter who teaches school in Australia

### WINS THIRD PLACE

Ed Lunsford won a 3rd place ribbon  
at the Armory Roadster Show, Feb. 6-  
7-8 with his 1934 Ford.

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## WEDDING BELLS

### McDougal-McComb Rites

Miss Christy McComb, daughter of Mrs. Irene Cherry and Jerry McComb and Marty McDougal, son of Mrs. Bobbi Hile in a private ceremony Jan. 22.

The wedding was followed by a reception at the home of the groom's mother. Miss McComb was a senior at Phoenix High School and Mr. McDougal graduated from Ashland High school in 1973.

The couple are making their home in Canyonville.

### 25 IN HONOR SOCIETY

The Talent Junior High School chapter of the National Junior Honor Society installed new members in a formal ceremony Feb. 5. Scholarship, character and service are among the requirements for membership and 25 students have qualified.

Installed were Robert Bayley, Cindy Carr Mahlon Davis, Clay Dumont, Danny Ferrin, Debbie Grizzle, Molly Groshong, Scott Hillier, Don Johnston, Daniel Kraiman, Ruth Kraiman, Marie Minger, Boyd Morris, Sue Ono, Lynda Osborne, Bert Perisho Gina Porto, Veronica Rachal, Michele Reynolds, Penny Ruff, Lisa Ruth, Monte Smith, Pat Stine, Shawn Sturgill and Mary Terpening

### ASSIGNED TO GERMANY

Army Sgt. First Class David L. Maifield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oroville L. Maifield, 2409 Pioneer Rd, Talent, has been assigned to the 8th Infantry Division in Baumholder, Germany.

### IN CALIFORNIA

Harland Lowe left Feb. 17 for Calif. where he will visit friends for a couple weeks.

### CHOSEN WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES

The Walter Tanner family, 402 Old Pacific Hiway, Talent have received word that their daughter, Pamela, has been chosen for the 2nd year in "Who's who among Students in American Universities and Colleges".

They are chosen for this honor by their scholastic abilities, community and campus endeavor.

Miss Tanner was also on the Dean's Honor List for the first semester at Oregon School of Technology where she is completing her 4th year in Laboratory Technology.

Roger Tanner, their son, has started his first year at OIT in Automotive Technology and was on the President's Honor list for the first semesters grades.

### AQUIRES MEDICAL SUPPLIES

Most of the Medical supplies necessary for the rescue unit have been acquired by the County Fire Protection District 5 based in Talent.

### STATE HOLDS MONEY

The state Bureau of Labor is holding money from valid wage claims filed during the last few years for Sam Huffman, whose last known address was Talent. \*\*\*\*\*

Curtis Logan is recuperating at home from his recent surgery.

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### Wed In Lake Tahoe

Miss Patty Warren and Randy Randle were married at Lake Tahoe on Feb. 15. Terry and Judy Wagamatte, Talent accompanied them.

Miss Warren operates the Rat's Nest Beauty Salon.

### RECUPERATING FROM SHOT IN LEG

Donald LeRoy Fredericksen, 39, 400 Wagner Cr. Rd, who was accidentally shot in the shin by his own .25 cal. pistol in the driveway of his residence is recuperating at his home.

The gun fell to the ground and discharged when he got out of his car.

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### INJURED JAN 31

Three persons were injured in a two car collision Jan. 31 on Hiway 99 south of Suncrest and Colver Rd. intersection in Talent.

Jack Nugent Adair, 20, 1618 Old Pac.Hwy.S.Talent, who was driving one of the vehicles was taken to Rogue Valley Memorial hospital.

Sherrilynne Ann Brunette, 25, 205 S. Pac. Hwy No. 27, Talent and her passenger, John L. Kezer, 38, same

address, was taken to Ashland Community Hospital, where they were treated and released., according to police.

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### TALENT CITY

Talent will not be able to join in the Ashland watershed study as a means of finding a new water source, according to city engineer Walter Marquess. The city will have to commission a separate study the source, which would be sufficient for both Ashland and Talent if Talent had \$7,500 or \$10,000, which it doesn't.

Talent plans to apply for 3 federal grants for \$1,015,000 to solve 2/3 of Talents water problems.

If these projects are approved all Talent will have to do is find a secondary source of water.

The city is being sued by TID to prevent the city from forcing the district to supply water beyond the Sept. 30 deadline, or when a severe water shortage occurs during the summer.

Even if Talent wins the suit, the Wagner Cr.plant cannot hope to supply the amount of water city officials think will be needed

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School principal Joe Funderburg also had a visitor as his father visited the school.

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**NOTICES**

**SR. CITIZENS BLOOD PRESSURE & URINALYSIS CLINIC.** 3rd Wednesday of each month 1 to 3 Talent ME Church Annex. First & Wagner Ave.  
**TALENT CITY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN** meet every Monday night at the City Fire Hall.  
**SR. CITIZENS MEETINGS AT NOON** ON the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month at the Methodist Church Annex.  
**TALENT GARDEN CLUB** first Wednesday of month.  
**TALENT FEDERATED WOMEN'S CLUB** will meet Feb. 24 1-3:30 pm at Talent Community Hall Business meeting & Social hour. Meeting March 9 10 am-3:30 pm. Work session and Pot luck. All ladies of community invited to attend. Jo Howell, 535-2241.  
**TALENT HARVEST FESTIVAL COMMITTEE** will meet Thursday, March 4 at 7:30 pm. All organizations urged to send representative.

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**VISITS SISTER**

Mary Mack has been visiting her sister, Jo Howell 212 Gibson St.

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Mrs. Jerry Denham and sons visited relatives in the valley over the week end. She reports some snow in Mt. Shasta.

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The ceremony was presided over by former State Senator Lynn Newbry. On Hand were Jackson Co. Commissioner Tam Moore, Sheriff Duane Franklin, City Attorney Robert Dames, and State Senator Lenn Hannon of Ashland.

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**RETURNS FROM CALIF.**

Nell Young returned home from visiting her daughter and sisters in Oakland, Cal. while there her son-in-law, John Bent, had open heart surgery.

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Our young neighbor, Linda Williams is driving a new pink car. At least a '72. **FRANK'S MOBIL** has a new addition to the garage.

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 Jan.26-We went to Frank Dimmicks to en-  
 gage 30 bus.of wheat to make into flour  
 to use on our Origion journey.Mr. and Mrs  
 Snell came to our place. They offered  
 us \$1500 but we think we can get more.  
 Jan.28-After dinner John Clayton came  
 by going to Farm Ridge after the girls.  
 I went with him.Nancy Collins came home  
 with the girls. We got home by six.  
 Mother invited them all in to spend the  
 evening.After supper, John and Nancy,  
 Caroline and I danced a french four  
 while Sarah played the accordean which  
 she happened to have with her. They  
 started home at nine o clock.  
 Jan. 29-Saturday-Father and I started  
 early to Cedar Point to a meeting of the  
 Origionians. Wm. Laughlin, his Father &  
 the two Rices and Henry Church and our-  
 selves were all that were there. Sever-  
 al resolutions and bye laws for the com-  
 pany was adopted. There are about nine  
 wagons from Granville going on the first  
 Monday in March. We engaged Henry Church  
 to drive teams for us to Origion.  
 Jan.31-Monday-We started to Ottawa at  
 two o clock this morning with a load of  
 corn. We got to the ferry an hour before  
 sun up. We were the first ones there  
 but we had to wait sometime on account  
 of the mush ice and there were a dozen  
 teams there before we got across. We  
 sold our corn for 35¢ per bus. We  
 bought a sheet iron stove of Mr. Manly  
 to use on the prairie paid \$16 for it.  
 Feb.4.Father went to Ottawa on Lucy.  
 Mother made candles. I helped her.  
 Feb. 5,Saturday-Esq. Armstrong came to  
 make the deed of our farm over to Mr.  
 Snell for the sum of \$1500 cash. Alas,  
 we are landless, now no telling when we  
 may have land again.  
 Feb/8 Teuesday-We killed hogs.We butchered  
 one for Mr.Whitings.Mr. Todle and  
 Ward helped us. It is very cold the ther-  
 mometer ranges from 3 to 4 degrees be-  
 low zero.Old Mrs. Vincent died this  
 morning.She is to be buried tomorrow  
 forenoon.  
 Feb.9-Father took the pork to Mr.Todd.  
 He sold it for 5 1/2¢ per lb.  
 Feb.13.Sunday-William and George Clayton  
 and I helped Mr.Ward to drive his cattle  
 and hogs up to his new home before we  
 started Mr. Toole and Ward had quite a  
 quarrel. Mr. Toole struck Mr. Ward two  
 or three times. On account of which us  
 boys named the creek Battle Creek from  
 now and for evermore. We had a very cold  
 January. I never saw the snow and sleet  
 blow so in my life. We ate dinner at Mr  
 Wards.As we came home the wind was right  
 square in our faces. 6 miles through  
 blinding snow and sleet and the cold  
 naked prairia. We nearly froze but as  
 we neared home where the timber was it  
 seemed like another climate. I don't see  
 how they do stand it away up on the  
 prairia. I would not live on it if I  
 could get in the timber.  
 Feb.16,Wednesday-The Forbes boys came up  
 to make the final bargain. They are to  
 pay us \$50 and drive team half the time.  
 They paid us \$9 cash.  
 Feb.28, Monday Father went to Ottawa  
 to get naturalized as an American citi-  
 zen. I went to Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ to get a set  
 of wagon bowes. I came by the shop as  
 I came home and had Thomas fastem them on

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### ACTING POSTMASTER

Randy Brislin is the new acting Postmaster in charge at the Talent Post Office. Mr. Brislin lives in Medford.

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### DEATH NOTICE S

#### O. ZETTA WARD

Funeral service for O. Zetta Ward, 73, 236 Gibson St., Talent, ~~was held~~ Feb. 4 in the Hillcrest Chapel on N. Phoenix Road. Internment was in Hillcrest Memorial Park. Elliott Lovelace of the Talent Bible Chapel officiated. Conger-Morris Funeral Directors were in charge.

Born Dec. 17, 1902 in Ashland, she married Newton Ward on Sept. 25, 1920 in Astoria, who survives. She lived in the Rogue Valley area for most of her life.

Survivors besides her husband, include two sons, Bernard Ward, Eugene, and Wallace Ward, San Jose, Calif., one daughter, Mrs. Leila Abernathy, Grants Pass; seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

#### ORMY M. GODDARD

Memorial service for Ormy M. Goddard, 81, 7725 Wagner Cr. Rd., Talent, who died Feb. 12, were held Monday at Litwiller Funeral Chapel, with Ashland Elks Lodge officiating. Cremation was held earlier. Goddard was born Dec. 8, 1894, and lived continuously on the Wagner Creek donation land claim taken up by his grandfather, Blen C. in 1866. Goddard attended Wagner Creek school, and served in WWI, earning a silver star.

He married Edythe Anderson in February, in 1920 in Ashland, who survives.

He was a member of the Ashland Elks Kilty Band for 32 years, Talent Grange, American Legion, and VWWI.

Survivors besides his wife include one son, Carlos, and a nephew, Delbert, both of Talent and two grandchildren.

Donations may be made to the Elks' Eye Foundation through the Ashland Lodge by those who wish.

#### ALFRED E. MURRAY

Alfred E. Murray, 204 Roy St., Talent, died Feb 13, at the Ashland Community Hospital at the age of 66, His remains were cremated and a private memorial service will be held at a later date. Litwiller Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Born April 29, 1909 in Seligman, Mo. he married Marieta Walden on June 26, 1935 in Fayetteville, Ark., who survives.

Besides his wife, survivors include three daughters, Beverly Bergren; Betty Hubbell, Brea, Calif., and Rose Hays, Kenai, Alaska; eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren

#### WILLIAM H. JOHNSTON

The funeral for William Hugh Johnston, 55, of 7440 Wagner Cr. Rd., who died Feb. 11 in Mexico were held Feb 17. Internment was in Siskiyou Memorial Park.

Mr. Johnston was born April 11, 1920, in Old Roundup, Mont. On Aug 15, 1972, in Yreka, Calif., he married Sybil Johnston, who survives. Survivors beside his wife include four sons, John, William, Michael and David all of Lake Orion, Mich., One daughter, Mrs. Betty O'Brien, Lake Orion, Mich., and five grandchildren; two brothers and one sister.

Donations may be made to the Sou. Ore. Blind Center, 228 N. Holly St., Medford in his memory.