

# FUNDS RAISED BY RED CROSS

Hurricane Relief Work Now Under Way in Salem and Vicinity

With the national Red Cross shipping supplies and men to Florida, the West Indies and Virgin Islands for emergency work following the recent devastating hurricane, Salem citizens are called upon to make their contributions to the immediate relief and permanent rehabilitation. The Salem quota has been set temporarily at \$1800. Copying to word from the national headquarters to Judge George Rose, word to Judge Rose from the national headquarters says the Florida devastation is in excess of the 1926 disaster and that the havoc wrought in West Indies is the worst in their history.

National Chamber Active. Not only have Red Cross chapters been urged, through proclamation of President Coolidge and the national headquarters, to lend all assistance in the cause, but the national chamber of commerce has instructed local chapters to cooperate with the Red Cross in the relief measures.

William S. Walton at Ladd and Bush bank will receive contributions from Salem persons who wish to aid the relief work.

The national Red Cross office reported to Judge Rosemen that the day the president's proclamation was issued it had 1000 tons of rice, beans, codfish, salt pork and flour en route to Porto Rico, as well as equipment for two general hospitals. Twelve hundred tons of food stuffs were diverted from their course by the war department were due in San Juan the following day.

## Judge Corkins to Hold Burns Court

Judge O. M. Corkins of Lakeview has been assigned by Chief Justice Rand of the state supreme court to hold court at Burns Monday. Judge Dalton Bire who is ill, Court will open at Burns Monday. Judge C. H. McCulloch of Baker will hold court for Judge Biggs at Vale.

## DEVELOP CANNING PLANTS

SEVILLE (AP)—Seville olive oil refiners have developed canning plants in connection with their refineries and are using modern canning equipment and packing methods. Much of the oil for export is placed in lithographed six-gallon cans. Barrels of chestnut and oak still are used, but popular favor seems to be turning to the modern iron drum.

While attendance at the last day of the Jackson county fair was not up to expectations, it is thought the total for the four days of the fair was not up to expectations. It is thought the total for the four days of the fair will about equal that of last year.

## Many Homeless in Porto Rico Hurricane



General view of the waterfront at San Juan, Porto Rico, which was swept by a disastrous hurricane. Tens of thousands of persons on the island were estimated to be homeless. Aid is being rushed to the island to avert the ravages of famine and disease.

## DUSTY ARCHIVES OF SALEM CONTAIN VALUABLE BOOKS

Painstaking Recorders of 70 Years Ago Had Tedious Job With Quill Pen.—The Statesman Here Even Then

By RALPH CURTIS  
AMONG the archives of Salem in the vault at the city hall may be found a thin volume which is priceless as a historical document, because it is the only record ever made of the proceedings of this city's government dating back 71 years to Oregon's territorial period.

It is a simple ruled account book, into which city recorders of that time laboriously inscribed in longhand the minutes of council meetings, and the thing most noticeable on first opening it, is that Salem's first recorder, Chester N. Terry, was an accomplished penman who wrote a flourishing, heavily shaded script, which, nevertheless, is not always readily legible.

Interesting Episode. One of the most interesting episodes recorded in this volume, the facts about which must be gleaned partly by reading between the lines, is that of Salem's government which lasted for over a year and then turned out to be not authorized by law. A charter had been granted by the territorial government in 1857, and the following year its legality was denied.

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and the other public exhibitions, billiard tables and bowling alleys." **Gaming Forbidden.** Ordinance No. 11 was entitled "to prohibit gaming," and No. 12 "to prevent swine running at large." This bill was laid on the table after its introduction, but passed unanimously at the next meeting.

Ordinance No. 13 was designed to prevent bad luck: "to require owners or occupants of lots not fenced to fill up all holes that are not used and cover all wells." And No. 14 made a curious collation: "its purpose was 'to tax dogs and pleasure carriages.'"

In contrast to the evident enthusiasm with which they set about to govern the young city in the first few months of their brief rule, Salem's earliest city fathers exhibited apparent ennui with respect to their task a short time later, for on April 4, April 11 and April 18 attempts were made to hold meetings without avail, for no quorum was present.

One of the constructive things attempted was to improve Commercial street by building gutters and wooden sidewalks; the northern terminus of this development is not mentioned, but the sidewalks were to extend to the bridge on South Mill creek.

Ordinance No. 10 was designed "to impose license upon bar rooms, drinking shops, theatricals, show-

S. F. Carter was Salem's first city surveyor, J. C. Bell the first street commissioner and J. G. Wilson the first city attorney; he became recorder upon Terry's resignation, and the penmanship of the council's journal suffered.

A second administration took office February 20, 1858, with John R. Moore and mayor and William Lawhead, Jonathan O'Donald, John L. Starkey, James Holman and Louis Westcott the aldermen present at the first meeting. At the second meeting, Mr. Westcott moved that the question of the city charter's legality be submitted to the judge of the district court. The motion was passed, the council adjourned—and after that there is no record.

**First Legal Council**  
The first legal council took office November 27, 1860, at "6 1/2 o'clock p. m." according to the minutes, once more inscribed by the artistic Mr. Terry, who was recorder again. Lucien Heath was mayor and the aldermen were John H. Moore, James Brown, E. N. Cooke, H. M. Thatcher, M. Hirsch and William Rector.

The first ordinances passed were "to require the marshal and treasurer to give bonds," "to enter the town site of the city of Salem," "to license teams," "to prevent riding or driving upon side or cross walks," and to prevent fast riding.

The Oregon Statesman is mentioned early in the minutes of Salem's early government. At one of the first meetings of this legal council, the recorder was authorized to confer with the publisher of the "Statesman" about printing the ordinances. In the records of the earlier council appeared a resolution approving Asahel Bush's bill for printing.

Something is said of a suggestion that more might be done for Irish cambrics and embroidered goods by offering these and pressing their merits individually to tourists, "as is done in Brittany and Belgium for their lace productions." The answer is "There might be some little business picked up in this way, but it would have very little effect." In Providing Work For 80,000 people employed in the linen industry in normal times.

That means that there are about 80,000 people employed in the linen industry in Belfast. In spinning and weaving, mostly for Ireland grows only about 15 per cent of her flax, and imports the other 85 per cent.

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