

SIX CONVENTION DATES ARE SET

Salem to be Host to Many Official Visitors This Summer

By GEORGE STUKET
Salem is listed for six conventions of various organizations and other gatherings may be held here this summer and fall. Three conventions already have been held in Oregon's capital city this year.

This city's position in the state with regard to the greater population, is, indeed, an outstanding feature of its attractiveness and advantageous choice as a convention city.

Salem probably is the only city in the union which may be reached by 80 per cent of the state's population in one daylight automobile drive—and over all-paved highways, and, of course, more folks travel by motor car today than ever. When one recalls that Oregon has a population of 953,786, 80 per cent coming into Salem in any one day would be a test of the capital city's adequate accommodations.

Salem Available To Most of State

Eight counties in Willamette river valley—not counting Portland nor Multnomah county—have a population of 300,000, so that about 70 per cent of the population of the state is actually within 100 miles of Salem, and more than 80 per cent within a day's ride of this city.

While other parts of the country are sweltering in heat waves in mid-summer, Salem is usually cool. This is accounted for by reason of the high Cascades on the east, shutting out hot waves; the west coast range mountains on the west, guarding off heavy winds and heavy precipitation of the coast region.

One might cite a score of other places to confirm his statement relative to Salem's lovely summer climate. Compare St. Paul, Minn., for instance, same mean temp. 77; Salem, 61.7. St. Paul, July, 69; Salem, 66.

Prices Are Not Raised Locally

Salem folks have a custom of assuring prospective visitors in parties and conventions that their invasion will not send the dinner price soaring, nor curb fruit sales flying high. Salem restaurants do not take advantage of a sudden influx of visitors to boost prices, city officers and agents declare with assurance. Since 65 per cent of Salem people own their own homes and 93 per cent are native born, the visitor is assured of civility and helpfulness from 100 per cent of its 26,260 souls and 35,000 in its metropolitan area.

Members of state conventions for to come to Salem to see the state capital buildings, Willamette university, the flax industries, Marion county seat interests, the peppermint industry, its fruit and vegetable interests. And, besides, Salem is recognized as the most beautiful civic center in the entire northwest.

But aside from all these things which attract the eye and the ear, it is convenience to other towns in the state which gives Salem an added attraction as a convention city—the city's geographical location, expediting travel from all directions by reason of that central location.

The Willamette valley has a greenness and freshness ever conducive to buoyancy of spirit, visitors agree. It may be reached by daylight drive from as far south as Medford, 253 miles; and as far north as Astoria, and as far as Bend, Ore., 150 miles quite easily.

Among conventions now scheduled for Salem this year are: gathering of the Electrical National Inspectors at the northwest district, September 21-23.

The convention of the State Federation of Labor, September 14-15.

The big state convention of the Zontas, northwest district, including four states and the province of British Columbia. The Zontas is a women's organization. It will be held in October, but no date is set, as yet.

The convention of the Oregon furniture dealers is scheduled for Salem. It, too, awaits a date.

The Marion county annual meeting of school teachers will bring several hundred teachers to Salem for several days. It is expected this confab will be held in October.

The Oregon State Association of Letter Carriers is booked for July 11.

The romance of the early days of the Willamette river and valley, dear to planters, hold an unending attractiveness for people outside this state and for which visitors find they may gain much information at the Salem capitol and county buildings.

MARINES FEED CHILD QUAKE-VICTIMS



"The marines have landed and the situation is well in hand" is a familiar slogan; but it is doubtful if that great organization ever handled a situation as efficiently as it is doing in quake-torn Managua. Above photo shows U. S. Marines feeding child victims of the disaster at the relief station maintained on the outskirts of the ruined city.

RECALLS OLD METHODS Silvertown Dentist Tells of Pioneer Practices INSTRUMENTS PRIZED

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
SILVERTOWN, April 11.—In spite of his 77 years, Dr. Arthur M. Blackerby, the dean of Silvertown's healing professions, is still busy in his offices on South Water street at Silvertown.

Dr. Blackerby was born at Drift Creek, three miles south of Silvertown, on June 30, 1853. His early years in the dental profession was spent with Dr. L. S. Skiff at Salem. Later he supplemented this early training with post graduate work in dental colleges at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Los Angeles, California.

Dr. Blackerby has an interesting collection of pioneer tools and books used in the dental and medical professions in Oregon's early days.

If your jaw held, the tooth would come out, Dr. A. F. Blackerby explained, when asked about a block-looking instrument found in his offices. The instrument, which reminds one of a small auger, was the means by which many a Marion county pioneer back in the early '50's lost a tooth. Dr. Joseph M. Blackerby, the father of Arthur F., was the wielder of the instrument. Dr. Joseph was Silvertown's first doctor, dentist, and druggist.

In explaining the use of the tooth-pulling instrument, Dr. Blackerby said: "My father wrapped a silk handkerchief around the handle to keep it from slipping and another one around the jaw to keep it from breaking, and then gave the thing a yank. Usually the tooth came out. There is a mortar and a pestle,

SHOEMAKER WILL TAKE UP NEW JOB

Kent Shoemaker, chief of the state traffic division since last August, has resigned effective May 1, to accept employment under the secretary of state in the new operators' examination department.

A group of old medical books is of interest. "The Chemical Catechism", published in New York in 1824, is not far different, according to modern chemists, from books of chemistry used today. This book bears the signature of James A. Haydon, preceptor of the elder Dr. Blackerby at Pittsfield, Ill. Another book, "A Treatise on Indigestion and its Consequences", published in 1825, by J. Crissey, contains much advice and information which could be followed today with benefit and which is still valued by medical men, says Dr. Blackerby. In the collection is also a dentist's license dated February 1, 1864 to May 1, 1865, signed by H. B. Parker, deputy collector. This cost \$12.50, and Dr. Blackerby remarked, "And now we kick about the fee we have to pay today, and it is much smaller."

Local Officers Aid Dedication Of C. G. Armory

A large number of national guard officers and their wives attended the dedication of the new Cottage Grove armory Saturday night. In the Salem party were Maj. Gen. and Mrs. George A. White, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Thomas E. Riles, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. V. Schur, Maj. and Mrs. Elmer V.

GLATT SURPRISED AT ENDORSEMENT

Ray Glatt of Woodburn was non-committal when asked this weekend regarding his talk of candidacy for state agricultural commissioner. He said he was by no means seeking the job, did not know whether he would take it if offered him and was somewhat surprised that his name had been considered.

The push for Glatt apparently comes from Earl Peary and H. R. Jones, both prominent in the horticulture business where they have learned to know Glatt and to admire his ability.

Glatt first was mentioned as a possible candidate for the head of the plant industry division of the new department of agriculture. As such he would be appointed by the new agricultural commission, subject to the governor's approval. Later the talk veered around to Glatt for agricultural commissioner while some people have suggested he would be an excellent man for horticultural representative on the advisory board of seven which is to serve without pay and to consult with the agricultural department heads.

Max Gahlbar, Polk county farmer and fruit-deal leader, is the most active in the field for the agricultural commissioner's post. He has been attending farm meetings regularly and receiving many endorsements. Last fall Gahlbar led the fight against a county agent in Marion county agent in Marion county, protesting against higher taxes, bureaucracy and declaring farmers already were producing too much and needed no help in that job.

Wooten, Capt. and Mrs. Willis E. Vincent, Gen. White made the dedicatory address.

The armory will house the Cottage Grove unit of the national guard, Bat. E, 249th coast artillery. Assisting in the parade and ceremonies were the units from Eugene, including headquarters company, First battalion; Co. C, 182nd infantry; and Co. M, medical detachment, 168th infantry.

Under the Dome . . . Occurrences and Gossip at the center of Oregon's state government

MEETING of the new state game commission, at which time it is expected appointments will be made, the state board of control sessions and several delegations expected to call upon Governor Julius L. Meier comprise the advance schedule set for events under the capitol dome next week. Most of these are set for Monday. The next week will start off with the regular session of the state board of higher education, which likewise will start a busy period.

Another event during the week is the conference of district fire wardens under the forestry department. Twenty-two districts over the state will send wardens to this session Thursday. It is the first of its kind in several years, Lyan E. Cronmiller, state forester, announced.

National Guard officers last night dedicated the new Cottage Grove armory, which is declared the finest in the state. A new type of design was used in the construction of this armory, and it places the structure among the most beautiful in that city. Major-General George A. White delivered the main address of the ceremony.

The state penitentiary and asylum grounds will be open to visitors here during the Blossom Day celebration today, Henry Myers, penitentiary superintendent said. The prison and the asylum buildings will not be open to the public, because of inability to accommodate crowds.

Miss Beatrice Walton, private secretary to the governor, addressed a group of women at the Multnomah hotel Friday night. With the governor also in Portland, the executive offices were quiet here over the weekend.

The industrial accident com-

mission Monday expects to settle all doubt as to who will get the axe next. The commission expects to have its recommendations complete by that time, and indications are more will be cut off from the payroll. One employe suffered this week, when Claude Cannon, Salem, was released.

C. A. Howard, state superintendent of schools, was expected back today from Spokane where he attended the Inland Empire Teachers' association during the past week.

Charles H. Gram, state labor commissioner, went to Portland Saturday to conduct a state safety council, to which employers of Oregon were invited to attend. The safety council is an annual event.

Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian, who returned from a trip over eastern Oregon recently, has concurred in the belief that a fatal prairie dog meeting region less than 150 years ago. The only mystery which remains now, Lytle says, is what killed the buffalo.

Poland, Russia Will be Topic of Missionary Meet

TURNER, April 11.—The missionary society of the Christian church will hold its April meeting next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. S. Bond. The lesson topic will be "Poland and Barriers to Bolshevism."

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harris and Mrs. Malinda Chambers are driving to Portland Sunday and will be dinner guests of old Tuser friends, Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Baker. Mrs. Chambers will go from Portland to John Day for a leisurely visit at the home of her son, Worth Jony and family.

ASK WATER RIGHTS IN LINCOLN COUNTY

The Atlantic Western company, with headquarters in the Yool building, Portland, Saturday filed with the hydro-electric commission here five applications for water permits in Lincoln county.

These applications follow: Water from Coal creek, for industrial and domestic purposes in Lincoln county. Water from Molock creek, for industrial and domestic purposes in Lincoln county. Water from Wade creek, for industrial and domestic purposes, in Lincoln county. Water from Johnson creek, for industrial and domestic purposes, in Lincoln county. Water from Spencer creek, for industrial and domestic purposes, in Lincoln county.

Mother and Child Back Home Again

TURNER, April 11.—Mrs. Earl C. Bear and young son are home from the hospital. Mrs. Bear's mother, Mrs. S. A. Gillette of Walla Walla, is with her for a couple of weeks.

J. M. Bones is recovering from an injured ankle, having been stepped on by a horse.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brower have for their house guest their daughter, Mrs. Helga White.

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CUTTING HIS EYE TEETH PERHAPS

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SAY, WAIT A MINUTE

Don't read that. We just thought of something. That fellow's a competitor of ours. Darn him, I knew he was after something. He sells feed. Some day we'll cut our eye teeth (perhaps).

BUSICK'S at the MARKET

Folks, We've Selected Some Exceptional Values for us all this week. We say all of us because we, too, are always anxious to save wherever we can without sacrificing quality.

For instance, here's three Brands of Coffee that offer us real true value and at a saving too. Most any one of us can appreciate Del Monte Coffee

Vacuum Packed 1 lb. cans	33c
Memorie Coffee 1 lb. Vacuum Packed	33c
Busick's Freshly Roasted Coffee, 3 pounds	69c

and take

Canned Peaches

for instance—no one would care to sacrifice quality for a few cents but when we can get quality and save those few cents it's good business to do so. You'll find the quality that's so desirable right here at the market and as for the saving, look at this price

3 large cans	39c
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Milk and Honey Graham Crackers	2 lb. Boxes 57c	
Pure Cane fine Granulated Sugar	10 lbs. 46c	
When you buy Hazel Dell Butter you've just about eliminated all chance of getting rancid Butter. The Hazel Dell people are good butter makers and if they weren't they couldn't make Poor Butter out of Pure Sweet Cream, the kind Hazel Dell is made of, only, lb.	27c	
Jell Powder	Pure fruit flavors. The manufacturers guarantee the quality—that doesn't mean so much to you though because we wouldn't have bought it if it wasn't good and the price is down where it should be. Choice of flavors, 5 Pkgs.	24c
Quaker Quick Oats, lge. Pkg.	23c	
Freshly milled oats in No. 10 Bags	35c	
Pillsbury's Hominy grits 3 Pkgs.	29c	
Hot Cake Flour No. 10 sk.	45c	
Pet Milk 16 oz. cans, 4 for	25c	
Pan Crust Shortening, 8 lb. pails	\$1.39	

Boop-oo-pa-do Oh, drat that radio! It's always gettin' me to humming something like that.

Busick's Oven-Fresh Bread

has been the biggest factor in reducing the cost of feeding the family of any other one item in the food line. Not so much because it sells for five cents but because the food value has remained the same as it was at 10c.

Pound loaves	5c	1 1/2 lb. loaves	7c
Rainier Extra Dry Ginger Ale Reg. size Bottles, 3 Bottles	29c		
Creme Oil Soap 5 Bars	25c		
White Wonder Soap 20 lge. Bars	65c		

Pillsbury's Best Flour

49 lb. sack	\$1.25	2 1/2 lb. sk.	69c
Blue Daisy Flour	\$1.09		
White Spray, made by Northern Milling Co., an all-hard wheat flour, 49 lb. sack	99c		
Oregon Italian Prunes	4 lbs. 25c		
Petite Prunes	6 lbs. 25c		
Evaporated Peaches	2 lbs. 19c		

Them's our sentiments too. . . A youngster came in a few minutes ago, bought a half-dozen ripe bananas, walked over to our Pillsbury's flour display, sat down and ate 'em all. We don't dare fool around that fruit display of ours—We just simply tempt too easy. Ripe bananas, oranges, strawberries, big red apples—Oh heck! Two or three won't hurt us any. We'll see you later, folks.

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Forestry Board To Confer Here Thursday, Word

Members of the state board of forestry and district fire wardens will hold a conference in Salem Thursday to discuss the usual summer activities, according to announcement made here today by Lynn Cronmiller, state forester. Twenty-two district fire wardens will attend the conference.

Cronmiller said this would be the first conference of its kind held here in several years.

VISITS FROM COLORADO SALEM HEIGHTS, April 11.—Mrs. W. L. Washburn of Hudson, Colorado, arrived in Salem Heights Monday for an extended visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Washburn on route four. Mrs. Washburn has been doing extensive traveling in the east and south prior to her arrival here, and when asked about economic conditions elsewhere, stated that business seemed to be better in Colorado than farther east and in the south—but that Oregon looks better to her than any other part of the country she has been in.