

Local News Briefs

"Flophouse" is Beneficiary — Employees in the office of Charles H. Grah, state labor commissioner, decided to give half of their Christmas fund to the support of "Hotel de Minto," transients' quarters. A check for \$40.33 yesterday was received by Frank Minto, chief of police, for this purpose. A \$10 contribution also was received from J. M. Devers, assistant attorney general. The money will be used to purchase much-needed provisions for the "hotel," the police chief said.

Add flowers to your Christmas list. Adams, florist, 453 Court.

Licenses Issued — Three marriage licenses were issued by the county clerk's office Wednesday. Those receiving licenses were Gordon B. Bowden, 21, station operator living on route 8, Salem, and Verne L. Mapes, 18, clerk, 1325 Broadway, Salem; James A. Byers, 25, bookkeeper, 1077 South High street, and Frances C. Weather, 29, clerk, living at 605 Union street; Wayne Farrens, 31, Silvertown surveyor, and Thelma Ritchie, 19, Silvertown stenographer.

Special Christmas dinner 60c. Open from 12 to 3 and 5 to 7:45. Hotel Argo Dining room.

Names Mixed — Friends of Frank M. Reed, manager of the Kimball Piano company, Court street, were enjoying a laugh at his expense yesterday over the report that the Frank Reed had been arrested on a bootlegging charge. The report was correct but the Reed concerned was not the local store manager who made haste to inform local newspapers that his joshing friends were incorrect.

Something new and different. The Spa "Ensemble" fancy pack chocolates. This new work is done by Miss Maxine Myers. Prices are lower this year.

Four Violations Charged — Four men were arrested by city police yesterday on traffic violation charges. They were: Cornelius Urub, West Salem, and Wynfred Dyer, route 4, falling to stop at a through street; N. C. Mattson, 1887 Madison street, speeding, and Albert Graf, route 10, reckless driving.

Pre-inventory sale. In addition to our present stock of furs we have received a new shipment of jacquettes, scarfs and coats, direct from the manufacturer. Court street. Come, see and save. Fur jacquettes featured strongly for spring wear. Capital Fur Shop, 521 Court St. Senator Bldg.

Bankruptcy Asked — Joseph William Maruny and Virginia Mae Maruny as co-partners in the Maruny Floral & Nursery company of Salem have filed bankruptcy petition in the federal court at Portland, listing liabilities of \$10,531.09 and assets of \$800.00.

Color "Ensemble" packed boxes of home-made, fresh hand-rolled cream centers, now ready. The Spa.

Severe Cut Sustained — C. N. Needham, local hatchery man, found work didn't pay—at least not yesterday morning. He was splitting kindling when the axe slipped, and cut such a deep gash in his thumb that five stitches had to be taken.

Special communication. Salem Lodge No. 14 A. F. & A. M., at the Lodge Hall, Thursday, December 24th, at 10:00 A. M. for the purpose of conducting the funeral of our late brother Alfred Larson. Funeral at 10:30 A. M. at Rigdon's, H. W. Swafford, W. M.

"Y" Closed Friday—Club and athletic activities at the Y. M. C. A. will come to a standstill tomorrow, C. A. Kells, general secretary, announced yesterday. The main lobby will be open, however, and an attendant at the desk.

For his Christmas—the new Pendleton Shower Proof Golf Coat. A real coat for style and service. Bishop's, 136 N. Commercial.

Sing for Rotarians—The high school girls' octet yesterday sang Christmas carols for the Rotarians attending their regular luncheon. The program was in charge of W. I. Staley. Contributions were made to charity.

Case on Today — The case against Walter Decker, charged with using the wrong license plates, will be up in justice court this morning at 10 o'clock. He pleaded not guilty to the charge when brought in last week.

Spa Christmas boxes now on display—"Ensemble."

Fined \$75 — Arthur Kirchner, charged with unlawful possession of liquor, pleaded guilty in justice court yesterday, and was fined \$75 and costs. He failed to pay the assessment, and has started to serve it out in jail.

Complaint Filed — A complaint was filed in the county clerk's office Wednesday by the plaintiff in the case of Hawkins & Roberts, Inc., vs. Henry B. Hayre, et al.

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Summons Filed — A summons filed by the plaintiff in the county clerk's office Wednesday in the case of Eva Palmerton vs. Hunt Brothers Packing company.

Open evenings until Christmas. H. L. Stiff Furniture Co.

Officials Visit — President Franklin T. Grubb of the Portland General Electric company headed a group of Peppo officials who visited Salem yesterday.

Summons Filed — A summons was filed in the county clerk's office Wednesday in the case of Jessie Blatchley vs. Paul S. Blatchley.

Credit Group Meets — Fun and jollity ruled yesterday at the regular meeting of the Salem Retail Credit association, when the second annual Christmas event was enjoyed.

All kinds of cut flowers, potted plants for Christmas, Tel. 5922. We deliver. Lutz, 16th & Market.

D. Richards Fined — D. Richards, who was arrested by city police Tuesday night on a charge of being drunk, yesterday was fined \$10 by Mark Poulsen, municipal judge.

Many Students Are Absent — The absentees list at the high school yesterday showed 85 students not attending classes. Many of them had left the city for the holiday season.

The new "Ensemble" pack in fine chocolates for Christmas. The Spa.

In Jail — Carl Tallon, given a hearing yesterday on charge of concealing stolen property, was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail, which he started to serve.

Going to Yakima — Mr. and Mrs. E. V. McMechan left Wednesday night for Yakima, Wash., where they will spend the holidays, returning here Monday.

Good oak desk with chair to match for sale cheap. Looks like new. See it at the Imperial Furniture Co.

To Montana — Herbert Hardy, 920 Oak street, a Willamette university student, left by train yesterday for his home at Whitefish, Mont., for the holidays.

SAFE CRACKED AT STORE, \$70 LOSS

Montgomery Ward Reports Cash and Stamps Gone, No Merchandise

Yegs breaking into the Montgomery Ward store here sometime Tuesday night cracked the company safe and carried off \$75 in cash, \$15 in stamps and \$10 in bonds, the assistant manager discovered when he opened up the place at 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Manager Barclay A. Newman last night announced no merchandise had yet been found missing. Mr. Newman left the store at 10:30 o'clock on Tuesday night. The burglars were frustrated in making a large haul by the fact that he had banked the day's receipts from Christmas sales in the night depository at the First National bank earlier in the evening.

Few clues were obtained as to the identity of the criminals. Although they apparently had soaped their hands to avoid leaving fingerprints, the police obtained several good prints, Mr. Newman said.

The job was done by experts in the opinion of the police. The safe door, from which the combination had been knocked off, was cleanly blown off without disturbing other equipment in the office.

The cracksmen entered the store by prying open a window on the south side. It is believed they left by way of a window on the north side.

Taking Tuesday's safe-breaking as an example, Frank Minto, chief of police, yesterday pointed out that store and office safes should be placed so they can be seen by night patrolmen and dim lights kept burning in the building. Police guards will be supplied at appointed times for merchants and others transporting large sums of money to the banks, the chief said.

NO DISEASE NOTED IN MARION COUNTY

While influenza, pneumonia and chickenpox cases were reported in large numbers over the state last week, Marion county was free of any new cases of contagious disease, according to a state health department health bulletin just issued. Marion was one of only five counties reporting no communicable disease. The others were Crook, Curry, Wasco and Jefferson.

New cases broke out in the state last week as follows: influenza 57, pneumonia 41, chickenpox 38, mumps 32, scarlet fever 19, smallpox 11, measles 3, tuberculosis 2, and diphtheria, undulant fever and erysipelas one each. No new cases of infantile paralysis or spinal meningitis were reported.

Telephone Gets Leading Role in Family Reunion

The long-distance telephone will play an important part in the family reunion to be held at the home of Ray Smith, local attorney, on Christmas day.

Smith is now in a hospital at Chicago, where he recently underwent a serious operation. He will "attend" the family reunion by telephone, which will be connected with his room in the Chicago hospital.

Other members of the family who will attend the reunion in person are Mrs. Smith, Mrs. W. D. Smith, 73, mother of the attorney; Grace E. Smith, his sister, and a brother, William E. Smith.

NAZARENE CHURCH PROGRAM TONIGHT

Gifts of Edibles Will be Brought in, Given to Needy Families

The Church of the Nazarene is giving its Christmas program tonight at 7:30 and a special feature this year is the bringing in of a truck load of groceries for needy families of the city. The groceries are to be piled near an improvised manger as "Gifts to the Christ Child" and then are to be distributed early Christmas morning.

John S. Friesen is director of the 40 voice choir which together with the Sunday school is giving the program. Frank M. Litwiller is Sunday school superintendent. Clyde Hoffer is accompanist and Ila Hoffer has the leading role as soprano soloist in the anthems, also she gives a marimba solo.

The program is as follows: Responsive reading, Frank Litwiller; Albert Friesen; invocation, Rev. Fletcher Galloway; welcome, Billy Hardy; "The Christ Child Calling," Virginia Galloway; chorus, "God Bless the Ring," Junior choir; recitation, "The Ringing," Junior choir.

"Down the Pathway of the Years," Lois Riedel; "The Nativity Song," Keith Hoffer; "Cora Mae and Carmo Jean Hoffer," Cecelia Hymen; Esther Riedel; "The Cradle Hymn," Idella Hoggie; "Gifts for Jesus," 12 Primary girls; "The Snowman," Bobbie Bonner; "The Lowly Bed," Junior choir.

Anthem, "O Night of Holy Memory," adult choir; Christmas Ballad, Don Bonner; marimba solo, Ila Hoffer; "I Wish the Stars Would Speak to Me," Junior choir; anthem, "I Bring You Good Tidings," adult choir; "Our Guide," Kenneth Eliert; anthem, "Sing of Him," adult choir; "The Christ Child," James Spitzer; and "The Other Wise Man," Rev. Fletcher Galloway.

Beginning at 7:30 the adult choir is to sing Christmas carols in various places over the city. Any sick or "shut-ins" who would appreciate a serenade may phone 9630 and the pastor will be glad to arrange it.

WHEELS WILL RETURN TO PORTLAND TASK

Harry Niles, for the past six months deputy superintendent of state police, will return to the Portland police department about January 15 to resume his duties there. It was announced yesterday by Charles Pray, superintendent of state police. While no official announcement was forthcoming, it was understood that George Alexander, now in charge of criminal investigation in the department and former prohibition director, will be appointed assistant superintendent of state police.

While here Niles has established a criminal identification bureau now has a complete record of more than 50,000 records, and other information is being added daily. The bureau is at the Oregon state penitentiary and is in direct charge of Joe Murray, fingerprint expert.

Superintendent Pray indicated that Niles' retirement would result in a number of changes in the operating personnel of the department. These changes will be confined to reassignments of officers, and will not necessitate the employment of any additional men.

LARGE CROWD OUT TO HUNT FUNERAL

One of the largest crowds ever reported for such an occasion, attended the funeral services yesterday for Jephtha Thomas Hunt, who died at his home here Sunday. The services were held from the chapel of W. T. Rigdon & Son, and the chapel was filled to overflowing, with large crowds about the doors.

Judge Hunt had lived in Marion county all his life, and had taken an active part in civic and political affairs. He served as county judge here for several years, preceding Judge Sigmund, and previous to that held the office of county commissioner.

Most of the crowd went to the City View cemetery, where the burial took place, making what was believed to be the longest funeral procession ever seen in the city.

County officials attended the funeral in a body.

GRAIN MARKET IS SLIGHTLY FIRMER

Grain markets turned slightly firmer during the week ending Dec. 18, with light offerings the principal strengthening factor, according to the weekly grain market review of the U. S. bureau of agricultural economics. Reduced acreage and the relatively poor condition of the domestic winter wheat crop was an additional firming influence in the wheat market. Feed grains were firmer largely because of the limited market receipts but the re-

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TODAY is the one which frenzied, late Christmas shoppers will wonder who and what they have forgotten. But tomorrow, that will all be over with and the greatest day of the year will be at hand. Just a few more hours to make final purchases, and what is more, just a short time in which to make some one else's Christmas a little happier.

The final Christmas carol program at the state capitol will be presented at 11:40 this morning around the big Christmas tree. These song fests have proven popular, and last night's attendance certainly indicated that the plan has become a part of the celebration of the holiday season in official Oregon.

In addition to the double quartet as a special feature number at these programs, violin selections are played each time by Charles Nadvornik, Salem musician. His voluntary contributions to these programs have aided materially, and state employes have voiced appreciation of his talent.

The programs, as during the past five years, are under the supervision of Mrs. Bertha Bergman, of the secretary of state's office. She has taken hold of this part of the celebration and has spent much time in getting a good program lined up. Much credit in making this feature popular goes to Mrs. Bergman.

The state police department this week was paid a visit by William S. MacSwain, of the United States Secret Service. He is U. S. agent in Portland and has known both Charles Pray and Harry Niles for a good many years. Mac Swain played an important part in secret service work at Washington, D. C., during Harding's administration.

There are but a few days around the state capitol when no member of the board of control was present, but that was the situation most of yesterday. Secretary Hal E. Hoss returned late in the day from Portland,

ductions in the official estimates of this season's harvest, also tended to strengthen the situation. Wheat markets were stronger with wheat. Flax was steady, with the small offerings readily taken by crushers.

There were no outstanding changes in the general wheat market situation, during the week, but the condition of wintered grain and prospective returns are exerting more influence upon the market. The relatively low condition of the domestic winter wheat crop was confirmed during the week by the official estimate, which places the condition Dec. 1 at 79.4% of normal, which was about 3% points below the ten year average Dec. 1 condition. Fall seedings of wheat totaled 36,682,000 acres, or 10.4% below the acreage seeded in the fall of 1930.

PAGEANT OFFERED AT H. S. ASSEMBLY

The high school Christmas pageant directed by Miss Margaret Burroughs was presented at the homecoming assembly yesterday before an audience of some 500 alumni and 1200 students. The setting, prepared by high school students for the Biblical story, received high praise from alumni attending.

Other events on the program were carol singing by the music students, address of welcome by Lewis Melson, student body president, response for the alumni by Floyd Albin, and a skit of the Snikpoh play.

The homecoming festivities were concluded last night at the school-alumni basketball game and the Snikpoh play. The annual "fussers' night" was observed at both events.

Million Dollars Is Deposited by State Treasurer

Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer, yesterday deposited in the Portland banks approximately one million dollars. This money was received from the sale of employment relief.

The bonds were sold by the highway commission last month, but the proceeds of the sale have just been received by the state treasurer.

The funds will be used in meeting highway emergency relief payrolls.

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FEDERAL SALARIES SLASH BORAH PLAN

Congressmen and all Other Employees Getting Over \$2000 Mentioned

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Ten percent slashes in the salaries of members of congress and all federal workers getting more than \$2,000 annually were proposed today by Senator Borah of Idaho.

Just how much such a cut would save the government Borah could not estimate, but he said "The most important thing for us to do now is to balance the budget and we never can balance it unless we cut drastically expenditures."

"It is all nonsense to say we can't. We can. I am in favor of beginning with every federal salary above \$2,000 or \$2,500. Let us cut ten per cent. Of course, we cannot reach the federal judiciary."

There also was some doubt as to whether congress could trim the salary of the president.

The salary cutting idea has been under consideration also by the senate in favor of this blanket reduction. However, the democrats have not announced their plans for accomplishing it. That is up to the appropriations committee of the democratic house.

Despite any reductions of this size, it is agreed on all sides that tax increase legislation must be formulated.

Obituary

Burkhardt In this city, Dec. 23, Fred G. Burkhardt, 74, former resident of 175 S. 17th St. Survived by widow, Laura; sister, Mrs. S. T. McFeeley of Silverton; brothers, Sam O. Burkhardt of Salem and C. E. Burkhardt of Harrisburg. Funeral announcements later by W. T. Rigdon and Son.

Mueler In this city, Dec. 22, Mrs. Marie Meuler, 29, survived by widower, Hans A. Meuler; three children, James, Lois and Kenneth Meuler; and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. South, all of Scio. Funeral services to be conducted from the Clough-Barrick chapel Thursday, Dec. 24 at 2 p.m. Rev. George Sutherland of Scio officiating.

Sargeant At the residence, December 23, Martha E. Sargeant, aged 82. Survived by daughter, Mrs. O. K. Edwards; brother, G. J. Harris, both of Richfield, Wash.; sister, Mrs. Nora Carmichael of San Diego, Calif. Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 26, at 1 o'clock from the Clough-Barrick chapel. Interment I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Nickelson In this city, December 23, Anna Josephine Nickelson, age 12. Survived by mother, Mrs. Fred Nickelson of Astoria. Funeral announcements later by Clough-Barrick Co.

Larson In Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 21, Alfred Larson. Survived by widow, Mrs. Bertha Larson of Walla Walla; daughter, Mrs. C. N. Laughrige, Salem; son, Wallace Larson of China; sister, Lotie Larson of Portland. Funeral services Thursday, Dec. 24, at 10:30 a.m. from the chapel of W. T. Rigdon and Son, Rev. W. C. Kantner officiating. Masonic ritualistic services. Interment I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Alker At the residence 780 North Summer, December 23, Amy Elizabeth Alker. Survived by husband, Phil A. Alker; daughter, Vivian Alker; and sister Mrs. Etta Bedell of Rock Island, Ill. Funeral services Saturday, December 26, at 1:30 from Rigdon's mortuary; Rev. Birchett officiating.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY 'MAKINGS' SEIZED

Door of Vacant Building is Found Open, Officer is Called, Finds Wine

WOODBURN, Dec. 23.—An open door in the innocent cause of officers here discovering the makings of a pre-Christmas party like those in the days before Volstead.

Willis Duncan, walking home last night from the shop where he works, noticed the door of a vacant building on Front street open.

He notified Louis Ruzicka, policeman, who started investigation, with the aid of Louis Ervin, extra police officer.

First arming themselves with a search warrant, the officers approached the building, owned by N. Becker and Sons, garagemen. They found bottles containing a wee bit of wine inside the door, and going upstairs found wine, beer and whiskey—in all 15 bottles and jugs.

All of which led to arrest of George Becker, Sr., who appeared before the justice of the peace and was allowed to go on his own recognizance until 10 a.m. Dec. 30, when he will appear before Judge Hiram Overton.

'Cappy Ricks' Lively Show By Snikpohs

"Cappy Ricks", that inimitable comedy with its dominant figure of "Cappy" himself, was produced with splendid success Wednesday night in the auditorium of the high school with members of the Snikpohs as the cast. It was a "home-coming" play in compliance to former high school students home from college, or back in Salem for the holidays. Miss Lelia Johnson directed the production and the realistic stage settings were done by the students in the art department under the direction of Miss Ruth Brant.

Billy Dyer in the role of Aldeen P. Ricks, better known as "Cappy", would have rejoiced the heart of Tom Wise, who perhaps more than any one actor, made the character known to the theatre world. Billy stormed and shouted in the typical Ricks style and at all times could be distinctly heard. Excellent in make-up and acting, he made the part vital Wednesday night.

Miss Betty-Mae Hartung was a charming daughter and Zollie Volchok and Charles West as her adoring swains as well as fine targets for "Cappy" did very commendable work.

Other members of the cast who aided in carrying the play through to an excellent and entertaining conclusion were Joseph

Glutsch Family Loses Presents

While Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Glutsch, 1540 D St., were at dinner at home of Mrs. Glutsch's parents, between 5 and 7 o'clock Tuesday evening, burglars broke into their house and stole a quantity of wrapped Christmas presents and personal belongings of the doctor. Entrance was made through a basement door. The stolen articles were carried away in a clothes basket.

Matthews Will Address Lions

Professor James T. Matthews of Willamette university will address members of Lions club and their sons at the luncheon today noon on the subject, "Fathers and Sons—Then and Now." A group of carolers, including Rev. H. C. Stover, music chairman, will sing at the opening of the luncheon meeting.

Loans To Veterans Against U. S. Adjusted Compensation Certificates

The United States National Bank of Salem desires to increase its loans against U. S. Adjusted Compensation Certificates and, as a service to U. S. Veterans, is prepared to make immediate loans, for its own investment, against U. S. Adjusted Compensation Certificates AT THE SAME RATE OF INTEREST CHARGED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

Upon proper identification, funds will be paid without delay to Veterans entitled to loans.

Discharge papers and Adjusted Compensation Certificates must be presented.

LINEN MILL STOCK TRANSFER SOUGHT

The newly organized Salem Linen Mills Wednesday filed a complaint in Marion county circuit court against James H. Albert and 61 other stockholders of the old Oregon Linen Mills, Inc.

The Salem Linen Mills claims in the complaint that all stockholders that voted at the meeting for reorganization voted in favor of the new company and agreed to turn in their old stock in exchange for new.

The new stock values rest upon appraisal of the actual assets and the complaint asks the court to fix the value of the assets and pro-rate the old stock for new.

So far 1470 shares of common stock have been surrendered out of 1875 1/2 issued, and 2007 shares of preferred stock have been surrendered out of 3727 issued. The old company also authorized a bond issue of \$150,000.

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