

Local News Briefs

Invitation Puzzles—City Recorder Mark Poulsen was puzzled yesterday at the receipt of a printed invitation to attend a luncheon to be given by a "committee of friends" in honor of Frank Goldman, "official ambassador for French wines" to be held July 22, 1933 at the Restaurant de la Presse, Bordeaux, France. The invitation, addressed to "City Welfare Council, Salem, Ore., U. S. A.," was delivered to Poulsen's office. Goldman, the invitation explained, was to have headquarters in New York city as a wine agent.

"Sod" Case Goes On—Taking of testimony in the "Sod Ranch" case involving ownership of the property and division of the income from it went on steadily yesterday before John H. Carson serving as judge pro tempore. C. B. O'Neill, plaintiff in one of the two actions at issue, completed his direct testimony and was followed by W. B. O'Neill, his brother, who was active in the operation of the ranch. A recess in the case for several days was tentatively agreed upon by the six lawyers participating in it.

Skating, Dreamland, Sunday—Visit School—Mrs. Mary L. Fulkerson, county school superintendent, spent Wednesday in the field, visiting the school at Cloverdale. Wayne D. Harding, 4-H club leader, is keeping the office this week since Mrs. Vora Reid, deputy, is confined to her home by a weak ankle which she injured in a slight fall on the courthouse steps.

Administrator Sues—Harry West, administrator of the estate of the late William West, late yesterday filed suit against A. A. Schramm as liquidator of the State Bank of Woodburn. West alleges that \$2549 in the bank at the time it was declared insolvent is a prior claim on the bank's assets and should be paid ahead of claims paid general creditors.

Permits Small—Two small building permits were issued at the city building inspector's office yesterday. One went to F. A. Wood, who is having a dwelling at 1890 Ferry street repaired at cost of \$25; the other to Erma McKennie, who is having a woodshed re-roofed at 1393 South Commercial at cost of \$10.

Comedy, Music, Readings—Court St. Church at 17th—Fri., 8 p. m. Adults 25c. Children with adults free.

Anderson Gets Contract—The state highway commission awarded the contract for constructing the so-called Mill creek bridge on the Beaverton-Aurora highway to Joseph H. Anderson. His bid was in the amount of \$17,750.65. Construction operations will begin within the next two weeks.

Riley Fraternis Speaker—Dr. P. O. Riley of Hubbard is scheduled to speak at the Fraternis club dinner at the Gray Belle restaurant at 6:30 o'clock to night. He is expected to tell incidents from his European travels.

Diseases Increase—Eight more communicable disease cases were reported in Marion county last week than during the previous week, according to the state department of health bulletin. Of the 29 cases reported, five were of scarlet fever, six each of tuberculosis and chickenpox, seven of whooping cough, three of pneumonia and two of influenza. Four of the tubercular cases were patients at the state tuberculosis hospital.

Dance, Crystal, Wed., Sat. Old-time, modern, 2 floors, 2 bands, 25c.

Locate Gas Leak—After several days of digging holes in the pavement of South Commercial street to locate a leak in the gas mains, workmen for the gas company located the right spot at the Ferry street intersection. It was a dead end at a T-junction of pipes. The end had been plugged with a wooden plug which finally shrank or was loosened so that gas started to escape. The pipes are cast iron, and were laid many years ago. New gas pipes are of rolled steel with welded joints.

Meeters to Portland—Governor and Mrs. Julius L. Meier returned to Portland on Tuesday night after leading the grand march at the presidential birthday ball held here. They paid a brief visit to the dance then in progress in Portland. The governor remained yesterday in the city and is not expected at his office here today.

Bids Are Opened—Bids were opened by the state board of control Wednesday for furnishing the state with 40,000 gallons of lubricating oils during the remainder of the year 1934. Ten proposals were received. The formal contract probably will be awarded at the next meeting of the board.

Wanted, furniture, phone 5110.

Dry to Talk—Walter R. Dry, superintendent of the Oregon school for the blind, will speak at the Lions club luncheon at the Gray Belle restaurant at noon today on a subject of his own choosing. Mr. Dry's work is of special interest to Lions since one of the objects of Lions International is assistance to the blind.

Palmtree Returns—O. E. "Mose" Palmtree, district commander of the American Legion, has returned here from Hood River where he conferred with Don McLeod regarding legion affairs. He went to Hood River mainly to accompany Mrs. A. D. Roe, mother of Mrs. Palmtree, to her home after visiting in Salem.

Commission Appeals—The State Industrial Accident commission filed notice in circuit court here yesterday that it was appealing to the supreme court from a judgment of the court awarding to the plaintiff, Earl W. Russell as plaintiff won his suit in circuit court against the commission.

CWS Class to Start—A civil works service class in elementary accounting is being organized in West Salem the first meeting to take place Friday night. Anyone interested in taking the course may sign up at L. L. Sloper's market or at the home of Mrs. F. L. Johnson, 1125 Ruge street.

Catalog Being Prepared—The 1934-1935 catalog for Willamette university is being prepared by Dean Frank M. Erickson and his faculty member's committee for publication in February. Courses are outlined for the next year and the catalog is widely used in solicitation of students.

Siegmund Better—Judge John Siegmund is steadily improving in health after being absent from his office for some time early in January. A rheumatic condition suffered by the judge has virtually disappeared, he states. He is now in his office at the courthouse throughout the day.

Sale Authorized—Sale of a number of pieces of real estate belonging to the estate of Charles H. Heltzel, a minor, was authorized in an order granted Clara Heltzel, guardian, in probate court yesterday. She posted \$20,000 bond with the court.

Baker to Speak—George L. Baker of Portland will address the Salem Garden club in the chamber of commerce Monday night, February 5. The program includes violin selections by Vinton and Vernon Scott, sons of Dr. J. Vinton Scott.

Trustees to Meet—Friday, February 16, has been tentatively set as the time for the semi-annual meeting of the Willamette university board of trustees. The gathering will be held in Portland, Amdece Smith, chairman, presiding.

Eena Company Sues—The Eena company filed suit here Wednesday against J. L. Stroud and Rose A. Stroud, seeking to collect a note made originally in 1931 on which \$330 is now due.

Parker Files—S. F. Parker, Woodburn, filed yesterday as a

COURT TO CONFER ON PENSION GRANT

To Allot Fund to Aged on Basis of Need; Number of Applications Reduced

Members of the Marion county court plan to confer the latter part of this week on this county's methods of allotting old-age pensions, using information thus far obtained in taking applications, as a basis for formulation of a general policy on pension payments.

With applications from persons whose name begins with "N" to be received today, the court believes nearly one-half of the pensioners have now made request for pensions. The bulk of these applications have been personally investigated by deputies of the court. Approximately 230 applications were on file last night.

The court's method of allotting the pensions will be first to determine the approximate total of eligible pensioners. These will then be divided into various groups such as applicants without anyone in their immediate family, applicants who are married, applicants who have partial pensions, and similar groupings. Using \$60,000 as the base of moneys available for pensions in 1934 and setting aside certain sums for medical care and emergencies, the court expects to make an allocation chart, grading the money allowed on the basis of need. In other counties in the state pensions will range from \$5 to \$25 a month.

Applications now on hand with the court are materially less than the number of persons who have sought pensions. The reason this is true is that applications are not being filled out from persons who quite obviously are not entitled to pensions through lack of residence requirements, through financial help possible from relatives or other causes. In many counties applications are taken from any person over 70 who seeks a pension. The court here thinks it useless to encumber the records with applications which have no chance of being accepted.

One factor which has cut down the number of pension applications is the detailed financial statement required from nearest relatives. Under Oregon laws, any children, except married daughters, brothers or sisters, are legally bound to support the pension applicants. If their condition makes it possible, the court has not set any arbitrary financial test on the ability of a relative to support an old person but it will insist that relatives do all their circumstances permit to support those over 70 years old in

candidate for precinct committee-man for the democratic party in the county. He will seek election in the East Woodburn precinct.

Disorderliness Charged—"Buddy" Hagen was booked at city police headquarters yesterday on a charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Coming Events

- January 31—Willamette vs. Pacific, basketball.
- February 2—Salem high vs. Corvallis high, basketball.
- February 2—County Federation of Community Clubs meets at the West Stayton schoolhouse, 8 p. m.
- February 5—District Legion meeting and good-will tour.
- February 5—George L. Baker to address Salem Garden club, chamber of commerce.
- February 6—Series NRA pep talks by F. V. Fisher, national field representative.
- February 15—Polk county Rural Women's Federated club at Bridgeport.
- February 15—Public invitation for county Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- February 16—Reserve Officers' association of Marion and Polk counties, formal military ball honoring Major General George A. White.
- February 22-23—Midyear Methodist Rally, First M. E. church.

their family who cannot support themselves.

File Appeal Brief In Banks Case

Briefs were filed by appellant's attorneys in the state supreme court Wednesday in the case involving L. A. Banks, ex-Medford newspaper publisher, who is now serving a life term in the Oregon state penitentiary for the slaying of George Prescott, Jackson county police officer. Banks was tried and convicted in the Lane county circuit court.

The state now has 20 days in which to file its brief, after which the court will set the date for the arguments.

Want Early Check On Ball Tickets

Total returns had not been figured for the President's ball last night, but \$600 has been received by the directorate.

Since the net proceeds must be sent in to the national committee Friday afternoon, all those having tickets which were sent through the mails are urged to either remit for them or return them today to Harry Collins at the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company or to H. V. Compton at Ladd & Bush bank.

Accused Released After Restitution

James Anderson, brought up here from California about 10 days ago to answer to obtaining property under false pretenses was released from jail Tuesday after the district attorney moved for dismissal of the case. Anderson was never brought into court, the dismissal being urged following restitution to the private prosecutor.

ASKS CHERRIANS TO CROWN QUEEN

T. W. Munyon, secretary of the chamber of commerce at Lebanon and baker of Lebanon's famous largest strawberry cake in the world, was here yesterday with the announcement that Lebanon is preparing for the greatest strawberry festival on record.

According to Mr. Munyon, this year will be the 25th annual strawberry festival in his city and as this is a jubilee year, Lebanon folks intend to put on a festival that will attract world attention.

Incidentally, Mr. Munyon brought with him an invitation to the Salem Cherrians to crown the strawberry queen and take an active part in the festival ceremonies.

No date has been set as yet. Last year the festival was observed June 2 but Mr. Munyon thinks the season will be somewhat earlier this year.

County Agent Has Manifold Duties Says Polk Agent

A county agent's work may extend from helping a widower pick a new wife to advising a farmers' group how to form a cooperative association, J. R. Beck, Polk county agent, told Salem Rotarians Wednesday. The general scope of the work is adult education on the farm. By means of actual farm demonstrations, by use of newspapers, by bulletins, and by visits the county agent reaches the people. Good farmers always set an example to others, Beck said.

Specific lines of work which county agents have carried on include adaptation of alfalfa to the valley. In 11 years the acreage in alfalfa has increased from almost nothing to 40,000. In Polk county since he has been agent the increase has been from 70 to 40,000 a. County agents have promoted cattle testing, herd improvement, cultivation of disease free plants for berries; pruning demonstrations; battle against downy mildew. Now the agents are heading the local AAA work. Beck urged that the people "give the new county agent of Marion county a chance to get a foothold on his job" and help him perform the service needed.

Ad Club to Show Progress Picture

Friday at the Salem Ad club at the Gray Belle silver grille the sound picture "Golden Age of Progress" will be shown. It depicts scenes from the life of the American family covering the past 50 years showing how advertising has played a big part in enabling business to bring to the home the products of modern invention.

This picture has been displayed in many northwest cities the last few weeks; and was a feature at

the newspaper conference in Eugene last month.

The showing is open to all who are interested.

COURT BARS CITY AS INTERVENOR

The City of Salem cannot appear as an intervenor in the case of Klamath Falls against the State Liquor commission, the supreme court ruled yesterday. It can, however, file a brief in support of the appellant or the respondent, the court ruled.

Elton Watkins, attorney for Klamath Falls, informed the court yesterday that his brief was now in the printer's hands. George Neuner, commission attorney, said his brief would reach the court today.

Watkins said the cities of Marshfield, The Dalles, Medford and Eugene may file supplemental briefs, supporting the Klamath Falls position. Watkins holds the Knox liquor control act is in conflict with the home-rule sections of the state constitution.

Happy Hour Club Girls Meet; View Making of Seams

SCIO, Jan. 31.—Georgianna Nadvornik was hostess to the Happy Hour club at the schoolhouse Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. E. F. Caldwell, leader, demonstrated the making of French seams and judged the portholders made by the girls. Following business the meeting was turned over to Evelyn Palon and Florence Denison, program committee.

For the next meeting Tuesday, February 13, Janice Thayer and Evelyn Katsel will be hostesses at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. Dean Morris.

United Farmers Will Have Charge Meeting

WEST STAYTON, Jan. 31.—The United Farmers league of this district is sponsoring a meeting at the Yew Park auditorium in Salem Sunday, February 4, at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited to attend this meeting and hear what the farmers of this county and state are attempting to do.

INSURANCE COMPANY SUES—DALLAS, Jan. 31.—The Travelers' insurance company filed a complaint here today against C. O. Hjermstad, et al, in which the plaintiff seeks to collect the money due on a note assumed by the defendants. The plaintiff seeks a judgment for \$5500 together with interest in varying amounts and \$350 attorney fees. The plaintiff also seeks that the mortgage given as security be foreclosed and the property sold to satisfy their claims.

FRANK WASSER BETTER—RICKEY, Jan. 31.—Frank Wasser who has been seriously ill with heart trouble since December, is reported as somewhat improved.

DRIED PRUNE CROP ABOUT ALL SOLD

January closed with virtually all the 1933 dried prune crop in the northwest sold out, and a strong demand from both domestic and foreign markets for the few remaining holdings. W. T. Jenks of the Willamette Valley Prune association stated yesterday. The market has taken a slight advance in the last two weeks, as reflected in offers to growers of five cents per pound for sizes running even larger than 45s.

"The prune deal faces better prospects for 1934 than for a number of years past, because of the unusually early sale of the 1933 crop," Mr. Jenks said.

With the last crop moving out so soon, it should be pretty well consumed by the time the 1934 crop reaches the market, hence, in part, the optimism for the coming season, he explained.

"Growers should bear this in mind and should make every effort to get their orchards in shape to harvest a full crop of prunes this fall," Mr. Jenks stated.

The market for Oregon prunes has also shown considerable expansion the selling season now ending, due largely to new markets. Only this week Mr. Jenks received a trial order from Lithuania, and a considerable quantity of prunes has been shipped to Greece and Palestine, both comparatively new markets.

The heaviest buyers in the foreign field have been Germany, Poland and Italy, but prunes have been shipped to many ports. The 1933 dried prune deal is not estimated at from 15,000 to 16,000 tons, of which from 75 to 80 per cent have already been shipped to foreign lands.

The association plant has been busy packing every day this week and for the last 10 days has been in the market for every prune it can buy. It is said only two small lots of prunes are still in growers' hands, both these being held at Roseburg.

In the barrelled cherry market, there has been some activity recently, but mostly at low prices, and for this reason Jenks says his plant has stayed out of the market. He says eastern firms figure the market should stand up well, particularly with greater demand since advent of liquor.

BUYS NELSON PROPERTY—SILVERTON, Jan. 31.—A deal was closed through the Home-seekers agency Tuesday whereby Mrs. Carrie Sjovangen became the owner of the Alf O. Nelson property on East Oak street. Mrs. Sjovangen will take possession February 15 and will occupy the home with her daughter Yveta. The Nelsons will move to their newly purchased property on North Second street.

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Obituary

England
Ella Ruth England, resident of 2558 State street, Monday, Jan. 29, at the age of 48 years. Survived by widower, J. N. England of Salem; daughter, Lucille of Salem; brothers, E. L. Anderson of Cutbank, Mont., and A. C. Anderson of Salem; sisters, Mrs. May Hull of Salem and Mrs. Esther Crunnell of Cottage Grove. Funeral services Thursday, February 1 at 10:30 a. m. from chapel of Rigdon's mortuary. Interment Bereest Memorial park.

Weinheimer
At a local hospital, Wednesday, Jan. 31, E. L. Weinheimer late resident of 754 North High street, at the age of 58 years. Survived by a brother in Minnesota. Funeral announcements later by Clough-Barrick company.

Crossan
Russell Crossan, 577 Oak St., at the age of 36 years, Tuesday, Jan. 30. Survived by widow, Eva Crossan; two children, Donald and Kenneth; mother, Mrs. Jessie Crossan; three sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Shearer of Dorena, Ore., Miss Marguerite Crossan and Mrs. Norma Lakey of Salem; brother, Merle Crossan of Salem. Funeral services Thursday, Feb. 1 at 2 p. m. from the Terwilliger funeral home. Interment City View cemetery.

Births

McGinnis—To Mr. and Mrs. S. O. McGinnis, 1855 North Fifth street, a nine-pound girl, Shirley Rae, born January 31 at the Bungalow Maternity home.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATRIX
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Marion, as Administratrix of the estate of J. D. Hurd, deceased, and that she has duly qualified and such administratrix; all persons having claims against the estate of said decedent are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified, to me, at the office of Ronald C. Glover, my attorney, 205 Oregon Building, Salem, Marion County, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 18th day of January, 1934.
LILLIAN M. HURD,
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Attorney for Administratrix, Ronald C. Glover, 205 Oregon Building, Salem, Oregon, J. 1-25, F. 1-2-15.

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