

Work Advances On new Capitol

Contractor Is to Finish by Next August; Building Ready in Early Winter

Salem building continues in heavy volume in 1937, comparing well with the amount of construction in 1936 which reached a high peak for many years.

While the total valuation for building work for the first seven and a half months is behind that of last year, the size of big jobs like the capitol and post-office which hold over from last year is making for fully as great employment to the building trades.

Biggest job of all, to be sure, is the new state capitol. Its cost is \$2,500,000, making it the most expensive structure ever erected in the state.

Steady progress is reported, with the jobs actually being completed ahead of schedule. Now the structural frame of reinforced concrete is up, save for the dome. The exterior marble is steadily pushing up the sides of the concrete skeleton. Inside the crafts are completing the "roughing in" of conduits and lines for water, sewer, light, telephone and power service. The partitions are being put in place and concrete floors installed.

Solid grills of bronze for the window frames and sash are being put in the window openings. Over the entrances on the east and west fronts the marble slabs are sculptured, the one on the west showing salmon, that on the east sheaves of wheat, illustrative of the resources on which the people of the state depend.

Date for completion of the capitol under the contract of Ross B. Hammond, general contractor, is July 22, 1938. It is expected the building will be ready on that date on the first of August. After that the mural painting work will remain, and the installing of furniture. The building will be ready for occupancy in the fall of 1938 by state officers, and ready for the legislature of 1939.

Architects Work On two Libraries

Two new library buildings are set for early start in Salem. First to get under way will be the new university library on Williams street. Contracts will be awarded in September on this work. The building is expected to cost around \$100,000. A. E. Doyle & Associates are doing the architectural work.

The second library project is the new state library which is being financed as a state PWA project. It will cost around \$700,000. Whitehouse and Church, Portland, are preparing plans now which will be ready by Nov. 1. Contracts will be let in December. Besides accommodating the state library with its 375,000 volumes, space will be provided for a number of state offices. This will be the second unit in the new capitol group.

A new county courthouse will be built if the voters of the county approve at the special election Nov. 2. It will represent an outlay of around a half million dollars. Plans have been drawn and an application has been made for PWA grant.

Dairymen's Picnic Scheduled Sunday

ALBANY—Bryant Park will be the scene of an all-day picnic Sunday when Linn-Benton dairymen and their families gather there for a full day of visiting, with an educational program pertaining to the industry, as part of the day's entertainment.

Ray Forster, president of the dairy herd improvement association, states that the dairy industry is becoming one of the leading industries of the two counties, and great interest is being expressed in the development.

Appearing on the program will be Roger L. Morse, extension dairyman; Walter Steele, official tester of the association; W. S. Averill, Benton county agent and F. C. Mullen, Linn county agent. Morse will give the chief address.

Everyone interested in the dairy industry is invited to attend and are asked to bring a picnic lunch for the 1 o'clock picnic dinner.

Former Aurora Resident Loses Father in Crash

AURORA—Norman Harrison, of Vancouver, father of Eldon Harrison, formerly of Aurora, was instantly killed Sunday morning when driving on the highway between Camas and Washougal. Mr. Harrison was employed at night and was taking a fellow worker home when the accident happened.

Mrs. F. E. Laffer and Miss Ethel Harrison of Huntington, who formerly lived in Aurora, and Mrs. Stahmen Diller of Aurora, are sisters of Mr. Harrison.

Turner Man Hurt

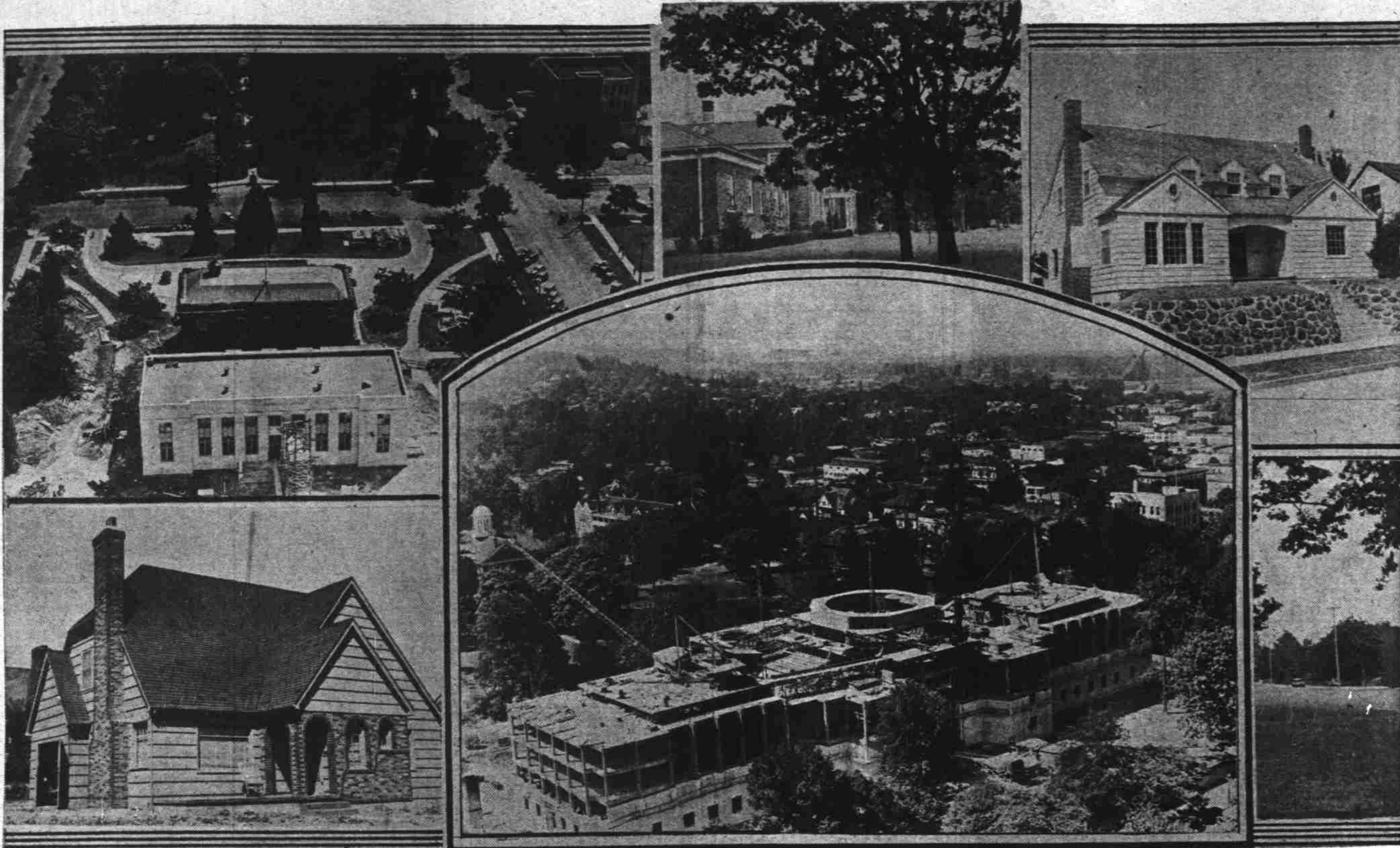
TURNER—The injury Bob Hunsaker received last week when he fell from a moving truck, proved to be more serious than appeared, later necessitating an operation on one hand and wrist by a Portland specialist. The full use of the hand may be restored.

Daughter Is Born

LEBANON—A daughter was born August 23 to Mrs. Russell Norton of Halsey at the Lebanon General hospital; a son to Mrs. Curt Hamsell, August 24, and a son to Mrs. O. A. Whipple of Foster August 25.

New Buildings and Homes Change Salem Scenes

Public and Private Construction Active in Salem in 1937



Above: Air view of new marble postoffice on which interior finishing is now being done. Old postoffice in rear will be removed from site.

Below: New residence of A. Volchok, corner South Church and Oxford streets.

Bottom: Left, southeast view of capitol. Right, huge cranes on top of building swing materials into position; dome base in background.

Air photos by Salem Flying Service; others Statesman photos.



Center: Air photo of new state capitol showing marble facing going up on concrete frame. Base of cylindrical dome shows on top.

Top right: New residence of George A. Rhoten at 1845 South Church street.

Pictures at top center and at right of capitol are views of the grounds about Irvine hall, dormitory at state blind school on Mission street. Grounds have been landscaped and set to shrubbery and lawn as a Lions clubs-NYA project.

Marble Gleams On Postoffice

Interior Work in Progress; Farley May Come to Dedicate Building

Conspicuous in its coat of white marble which gleams in contrast with the dull grey sandstone of the old postoffice, the new post-office building is now at the stage for interior finishing. Plastering is nearly completed. Interior marble is being placed and terrazzo floors being laid. This work will be in full progress this week. Grounds are being cleaned up preparatory to landscaping.

Work on the main unit is being rushed so that the postoffice force may move into it by October 15. Then the old postoffice will be removed from the grounds and the new building completed. An additional 23 feet of structure is to be added as part of the new building, which now has a temporary backing. Then there will be a covered loading platform for mail trucks. A 16-foot roadway will cross the block from State to Court streets in the rear of the building. Patrons will not be allowed to drive into the mail truck area and park while they run into the building, being required to park at the street curb.

For the dedication of the new postoffice Postmaster General James A. Farley may come to Salem and give an address. He has taken part in many postoffice dedications and is expected to visit the Northwest within a few weeks.

The postoffice building, which is being built by L. H. Hoffman, contractor, will run in cost close to \$300,000.

Demand Continues For More Houses

Spurt Looked for When Block Is Cleared; Some Business Construction

Many new homes are being built in all parts of Salem. Construction is in response to the demand for new homes due to increase in population and the greater prosperity of the people.

A spurt in home building will take place when the state takes over the block on which the new state library building is to be erected, between 5th and 6th streets, between Court and Chemeketa and Winter and Summer streets. Many of the owners of property will move their houses to new locations. Others will not undertake this but will build new homes. There are now ten houses on the block. Two of them are famous old mansions, the Kay house, once the home of Gov. Z. F. Moody, and the Patton house, originally built by T. N. Cooke, one-time state treasurer, grandfather of the late Hal Patton.

The number of new homes being run is a little behind last year's figure, when the total for the year was 150. But there is more money being spent for repair of houses, reroofing, new porches, etc.

In commercial and factory building the year is quiet. Aside from alterations and repairs, the big jobs have been the completion of the new Montgomery Ward store and the construction of a new building for the General Grocery Co., wholesale grocers. Several new service stations have been completed or are under construction.

Big Thanksgiving Turkey Brood Is Fattened at Scio

SCIO—The present week will see the last of the 15,000 turkeys brooded at Scio since May 2 this year trucked to nearby farms for fattening for Thanksgiving and subsequent markets.

Fattening is brought here from a poultry hatchery when one and a half days old and are developed until they are six weeks or two months old, when they are taken to farms for the fattening process.

That "all is not gold that glitters" is evidenced by the statement that the feed bill for the brooding process here amounts to approximately \$1000 a month. This fact accounts in a measure for the price the consumer pays for turkeys for his Thanksgiving dinner. It was pointed out that the 15,000 young turkeys accumulated to date and otherwise, it was stated, during the first few days of their preparation here. A crew of 6 to 10 men has been employed most of the time.

Eugenean Visits With Parents, Lebanon Home

LEBANON—Mrs. George Blinkhorn and children are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sikes.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Van Vranken and children of Los Angeles have returned to Lebanon to finish a visit with relatives after a week in Canada where they spent several days at Victoria, B. C., and on Victoria island.

Returns to Michigan

HOLLYWOOD—Mrs. Agnes Tindall, visiting for the past 5 months at the home of C. J. P. Titson, has returned to her home in Michigan. Mrs. Tindall is making the return trip by way of California.

Visits With Son

MT. ANGEL—Mrs. Frank Broocks of Humphreys, Neb., arrived at Mt. Angel this week to spend some time visiting with her son, Joe Brockhaus, and family. She may stay indefinitely.

Drama Classes to Perform Tuesday

Young People From Play Grounds to Present Plays for Public

Drama classes at Leslie and Olinger playgrounds will present the results of their season's work for public inspection Tuesday night when each present plays, the Leslie classes in the Leslie auditorium and the Olinger group in the new high school auditorium.

"A Child's Day" is the title of the three act play, written and directed by Mrs. Ramona Reasoner, Olinger dramatics director, which the Olinger group will present. Its simple plot centers around the problems which confront a small child during the course of a day.

Cast of the play, to be presented at 8:15 o'clock, includes Gretchen Kropp, Gertrude Ellen Reasoner, Joa Borrego, Darwin Caspell, Peggy Frantz, Gladys Dalke, Elaine Townsend and Ruth Townsend.

An operetta, "The Mother Goose Party," will be presented by the Leslie classes along with several other special acts. Taking part in the Leslie presentation, directed by Mrs. Bessie Richards, are Patricia Thompson, Dorann Griggs, Bonney Marquardt, Bobby Caulfield, Geraldine Radcliff Ben Sills, Allen Thompkins, George Sheldon, Myrtle Baker, Robert Baker, Dolores Winster, Buddy Riemann, Ramsey Miller, Betty Douglas, Roger Riemann, Junior Douglas, Virginia Lee Ellis, Joyce Edgell, Richard Perkett, Eugene Robinson, Mervyn Dwight Schulze and Betty Schredler.

Aumsville School Teachers Elected

AUMSVILLE—At a meeting of the school board Wednesday night new teachers elected to fill vacancies were Miss Doris Sackett of Tigard, Ore., and Miss Nell Irvine, Salem, as high school teachers, and Loyal Buraker of Woodburn, who will teach the upper grades.

Horace Robbins, resigned from the high school faculty at the board meeting last night to accept an advanced salary at Cottage Grove as principal of a grade school.

His work will be done by the two women teachers just employed. Their subjects for teaching will be adjusted at the opening of school.

Has Paralytic Stroke

JEFFERSON—Henry Soehale, who has been cared for at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wright, suffered another stroke of paralysis Tuesday, and was taken to the Albany General hospital for treatment.

Missionary Club Meets, Mill City

MILL CITY—Mrs. Harry Mason was hostess for the Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church at her country home Wednesday afternoon.

An interesting program was given and Mrs. James McAuley had charge of the devotional services. A paper on China was read by Miss Alice Smith. Mrs. Frank Berry gave a reading on "Our Own Missionaries at Home" and Mrs. Gurtisen a talk about China.

A lunch was served by the hostess. Twenty-five members and guests were present. It was decided to hold a bazaar in November, also to hold an all day quilting Wednesday at the James Sevan.

Aurora Man Plans Jefferson Store

JEFFERSON—W. T. Davison of Aurora, who recently sold his furniture store there, will go into business at Jefferson. He has leased the old creamery building on the highway, and will operate a second hand store. It will be called the Trading Post, and will be opened for business September 1.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jones, who have been living in the building are moving into the house known as Mrs. Gertrude Weddie's, north of the school-house.

Transatlantic Flying Boats Under Construction



This cutaway diagram, drawn from actual factory plans, shows details of the mammoth flying boats, now under construction at Seattle, Wash., which will be used for regular transatlantic flight. The huge planes will carry sixty passengers and a crew of ten. Here is description: 1—Anchor hatch; 2—Crew compartment; 3—Bridge; 4—First pilot; 5—Second pilot; 6—Radio direction finder; 7—Navigation compartment; 8—Radio office; 9—Chart room; 10—Map case; 11—Engineering office; 12—Captain's office; 13—1500 H. P. Engine; 14—Mechanic's wing station; 15—Landing lights; 16—Wing spread 152 feet; 17—Navigation lights; 18—Cargo hold; 19—Crew's quarters; 20—Luggage hold; 21—Overall length 160 feet; 22—Passenger compartment (10); 23—Stairs to bridge; 24—Men's dressing room; 25—Galley; 26—Passenger compartment (10); 27—Dining lounge; 28, 29, 30 and 32—Passenger compartments for ten each; 31—Women's dressing room; 33—Private cabin suite; 34—Fuel pumps to transfer fuel from sea wings to wing tanks; 35—Auxiliary hold. The planes will have a cruising speed of 150 m. p. h. and cost approximately half a million dollars each.—LIN photo.

Salem Building Statistics

1937	
Number of permits issued to August 27.....	726
Total valuation to August 27.....	\$951,624
Permits for new building to August 27.....	233
New building valuation to August 27.....	\$799,006
1936	
Permits issued.....	630
Total valuation.....	\$1,460,626
Permits for new building.....	157
Valuation of new building.....	\$1,351,872
Alter and repair valuation.....	\$109,047

Residence Moved By Pioneer Folk

PIONEER—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Coy finished moving their house Sunday with the following helping them and enjoying a dinner together: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Keller and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Laudahl, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Slater of here, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hughes and family of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laudahl and Clarence and Mark Laudahl of Ellendale, Alice Forsell of Morton, Wash., and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dornhecker and children were guests in the afternoon.

Scioans at Newport

SCIO—R. M. Cain and family are spending the week at Newport and other Oregon beaches as an annual vacation. Robert Pietka is assisting in the store during their absence.

Silverton Student Plans Year at OSC

SILVERTON—Miss Harriet Kleinsorge plans to attend Oregon State college this autumn. Miss Kleinsorge formerly attended the University of Oregon and has been teaching the past two years. She attended summer school at Eugene this summer.

Porcupine Car Victim

JEFFERSON—Wednesday night Bill McGranahan ran over a porcupine just north of Greenway bridge. He stopped his car, and killed the animal with a crank. Thursday afternoon he was showing it in town and it proved interesting to people who had never seen a porcupine.

Former Residents Kingwood Guests

KINGWOOD—House guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cannoy were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rosequest and Miss Alfa Rosequest, former residents of this community, now living at Santa Monica, Calif., and Mrs. Rosequest's sister, Mrs. W. E. Richardson, of Portland.

Miss Rosequest, a former teacher in the Salem and Portland schools, has taught the last eight years in Santa Monica. Their motor trip began June 22 and included a week's stay at the Pan-American exposition in Texas.

Many Visitors at Mill City Homes

MILL CITY—Weekend visitors at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Faust and Mr. and Mrs. Quinn were Dr. and Mrs. Robert Quinn of Moravia, Calif., Mrs. H. J. Hadley and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Martin and two children of McMinnville and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ross of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. U. E. Shuey have purchased the house in which they are living of the Ray estate and expect to rebuild for their home.

Mrs. Charles Kelly and daughter, Lela Melf, left Tuesday for Los Angeles to spend several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Rambo of Glendale are visiting at the Steve Champ home.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Roberts and Mrs. Pearl Roberts are in Monteseo, Wash., for the 65th wedding anniversary of Mrs. Pearl Roberts' parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mason and son, Arthur, are spending two weeks in California.

Scotts Mills Has California Guests

SCOTT'S MILLS—The Miles family is entertaining Mr. and Mrs. David McCallister of Los Angeles this week. Mrs. McCallister is a sister of Mrs. Miles and will visit relatives in Silverton before going back to Los Angeles.

J. N. Amundson has been in Portland this week undergoing observation at a medical clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Heinz and Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Herigstad and Dale and Carl and Pauline Herigstad and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Magee, Jean and Bob motored to Mt. Hood Saturday. They returned with about 25 gallons of huckleberries.

Project Finished For Blind School

Irvine Hall Grounds Are Beautified With NYA Furnishes Labor

Grounds about Irvine hall, the boys' dormitory for the state school for the blind on Mission street, have been beautified with shrubbery and lawn. With Lions clubs of Oregon contributing \$254 and the blind school supplying an equal amount, the actual work was carried forward as an NYA project. This included development and improvement of grounds, playfield and recreational facilities. Misses Elizabeth Lord and Edith Schryver served as landscape architects.

NYA used 41 young men on the work during the period from last November to July. Each young man was allowed a maximum of 50 hours per month. Besides pay at the rate of 36 to 42 cents per hour he received training in gardening, carpentry, pipe-fitting, etc. The work done by the boys included:

Planting of hundreds of shrubs, trees and 38,000 square feet of lawn on the school grounds surrounding the new Irvine hall building which was recently constructed by the PWA. Trimmed all old trees on the ground, removed 12 large fir trees and sawed into cord wood. Construction of an macadam sidewalk 500 feet long 6 feet wide. Constructed and graveled driveways 200x28 feet and park area 140x75 feet. Graded and leveled athletic field in preparation for planting turf areas.

165x330 feet. Graded and leveled area in preparation for cinder track. Construction of playground area, estimated 350x200 feet. Set out two metal swings and slide in concrete foundation. Assisted in the construction of a five-unit frame garage and storeroom: 65x20x9 feet. Construction of a tile drainage system 150 feet long with 4 inch tile; two-foot steel track laid for hauling purposes, laid 500 feet of pipe 1 1/2 inches to 3/4 inch for irrigation purposes on athletic field.

Chet Nelson, district supervisor of the national youth administration, had supervision of the work under Supt. Walter Dry of the school.

Administrator Named in Klum Estate, Jefferson

JEFFERSON—W. H. Richard of Portland has been named administrator of the estate of the late Mrs. Julia Klum. The property involved real and personal is to be divided among eight named heirs. Mr. Richard's late wife was a daughter of Mrs. Klum.

James Beverle, a well known resident of the Beaver creek section, continues very ill of heart trouble and rheumatism.