

# Silverton City Manager Backers Encouraged

## Loar Reports Council Meet

### Planning Group President Believes Measure Will Go on May Ballot

SILVERTON—Dr. P. A. Loar, president of the Silverton Planning council, reported at its Tuesday night meeting that he felt very encouraged from the attitude of the city council at the latter's meeting Monday night. Dr. Loar referred to placing the proposed new charter on the May ballot. The charter is being sponsored by the planning council.

"We presented a petition bearing 451 names of Silverton voters," said Dr. Loar in his Tuesday night report. "And I am sure this impressed the mayor and the members of her council."

He asked that the charter be put before the voters of Silverton as it is now written without any changes. We do not want it re-written by opponents of the city manager form of government. As I see it, there are only two reasons why the proposed form of government has ever failed. First of these is when a local man, without experience, has been hired for the job, who in turn has hired his friends instead of people particularly suited to fill the positions under him. The second reason for failure is when a council is elected who will not work in harmony with the manager. It is our business to prevent these two reasons for failure to creep in."

To Hear Report

Dr. Loar also reported that the city council had promised to call a special meeting "in a week or ten days" when the members would listen to a report from the citizens' committee which Mayor Zett Schlador appointed in December to study the proposed new charter. In all fairness to its committee, Dr. Loar explained, the city council felt that it could not give any decision on the petition until this committee had reported back. Dr. Loar assured the planning council members that he felt sure that the city council would give its consent to placing the measure on the May ballot.

"After all," he said, "we aren't trying to convert the city council to manager form of government. We are merely asking its members to give the people of the city a right to say whether they want the new form of government or not."

**Secretary Elected**

Mrs. A. P. Solie was made secretary of the planning council to replace Mrs. Ernest Starr who resigned. I. B. Alfred, Mrs. Harry Ness and Harold Davis were appointed to the new membership committee. Mrs. J. C. Morley was made chairman of the attendance committee.

The next meeting of the planning council was set for February 20.

**Two Are Arrested For Trespassing**

DALLAS—Howard Leslie Gillett was arrested Saturday on a charge of trespassing. He entered a plea of guilty. Time of sentence was postponed.

Donald F. Wilkinson was also arrested on a trespass charge at Falls City. The case is pending.

William Howard Lane, who was arrested recently on a charge of conducting a poker game, was fined \$250 of which \$225 was suspended and he was placed on probation for 5 years.

Merle Rand Tyler, who escaped from the Polk county jail here on December 31 and who was arrested at Bismark, N. D., was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary there on January 27 on a charge of sodomy.

The local sheriff's office has mailed to North Dakota penitentiary a hold order for Tyler. Tyler was indicted by the Polk county grand jury for taking money from a local church, jail breaking and larceny of money from the office of Sheriff T. B. Hooker.

**Club at Pioneer To Have Meeting**

PIONEER—The Pioneer community meeting will be held at the playshed Friday night. Jello, cookies and coffee will be served.

Mrs. Chet Newbold honored Mr. Newbold with a birthday dinner Sunday. Those enjoying the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. John Keller, Mr. and Mrs. Gladys Frakes and son Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Brown and sons, Harold and Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kilger and sons Peter and Leo, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kreger and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Newbold.

**Meeting Set Ahead**

DAYTON—Because of Dayton high school activities the Websterfoot community club February meeting will be held Thursday night, February 8, instead of Friday, the regular night.

**Grangers News**

SILVERTON HILLS—The Silverton Future Farmers of America, under the direction of Leonard Hudson of the Silverton Smith-Hughes department will sponsor the program hour of the Silverton Hills grange on February 18, according to the lecturer, Mrs. Victor Howard.

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## Osa Johnson Bags Boar as 'Practice'



Osa Johnson, widow of world-famed explorer, Martin Johnson, is shown with a 250-pound wild boar she bagged in the hills of Santa Catalina Island, Cal., recently during a "practice workout." Her guns and equipment are ready for a tour, to begin soon, into jungles of Africa, where Mrs. Johnson, her sister, a noted big-game hunter, will carry on the work of her late husband in filming vanishing species of wild animals.—IIN photo.

## Violin Owned by Lebanon Man Went Through Boer War, Ex-Owner Said

LEBANON—A violin that went through the seige of Maefaking in the Boer war is now in the possession of Fred Musgrave, barber in Lebanon. Musgrave got it from the Scottish soldier who carried it through the war, took it back with him to Scotland, and brought it to America. He eventually came to Kansas, where Musgrave traded an old watch for it. The Scotsman claimed that the violin had a known history of a hundred years.

At the time of the trade, about 30 years ago, the violin was painted red, and had lost all its strings. It carries the label of Gaspar da Salo, though its authenticity is not proved. Musgrave removed the red paint, repaired the violin, and found that it has a clear, sweet tone.

He always has several violins in his shop, waiting to be repaired, or perhaps just played. He owns five of his own, of which the one with the Gaspar da Salo label is his favorite. A violin was once brought to him for repair that was found to have several labels pasted over each other, with the one on the bottom bearing the date 1793, and an inscription in a Scandinavian language. Other unusual violins turn up from time to time, some very old. Several have been made by Lebanon people. Spruce, pine and curly maple are generally used for violin makings, says Musgrave. Many of the old German violin makers used pine for the tops.

## Hubbard Speaking Class Starts Club

HUBBARD—A parliamentary procedure club was organized by the public speaking class of the Hubbard high school with the following officers: Walter Bizon, president; Kenneth Lemen, vice-president; Ann Cook, secretary; Betty Stauffer, treasurer; Leonard Bizon, sergeant-at-arms; Dorcas deLespinasse, chairman of procedure.

At a recent meeting of the Girls League the following officers for the ensuing semester were elected: Lorraine Hammond, president; Louise Johnson, vice-president; M. Y. S. N. Harding, secretary; Betty Stauffer, treasurer; and Doris Roisdorff, reported.

The senior class, accompanied by "Pat" Beal, the high school principal, will attend the district conference to be held at Woodburn Thursday, February 8.

A Quill and Scroll chapter was recently organized with the following as charter members: seniors, Shirley Gump, Virginia Carl and Carl Poppinga; juniors, Ann Cook, Dorotha deLespinasse, Mariel O'Brien and Frieda Poppinga.

## Auburn Woman's Club Will Meet

AUBURN—The Auburn Women's club will meet at the home of Mrs. Ben H. Hawkins, 1410 East Turner road Thursday at 2 p. m. Mrs. W. L. Massey and Mrs. Merle B. Van Cleave will be assisting hostesses. All women of the community are invited.

Miller B. Hayden and C. L. Marcy are rapidly completing their new homes on the East Turner road.

**Sponsors Card Party**

ROBERTS—The local PTA is sponsoring a benefit card party Friday night, February 9, at the grange hall. Pinochle and 100 will be in play.

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## Library Reports New Books Listed

### Silverton Residents Are Generous in Donations During January

SILVERTON—Of the 17 books of fiction listed as "What the Well-read American is Reading," the local library has nine. These are Morley's "Kitty Foye"; Steinbeck, "Grapes of Wrath"; Douglas, "Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal"; Griswold, "Sea Island Lady"; Fisher, "Children of God"; Rawlings, "The Yearling"; Walpole, "The Sea Tower"; Page, "Tree of Liberty"; Asch, "The Nazarene."

Of the non-fiction list the library owns an Exuperay, "Wind, Sand and Stars"; Van Paassen, "Days of Our Years"; Gunther, "Inside Asia"; Wain, "Reaching for the Stars." The non-fiction list of the local library is supplemented by a collection of books loaned by the state library.

Patrons of the public library were generous during January and as a result many attractive new magazines were added to the files. Mrs. H. J. Iverson donated yearly subscriptions besides many single copies of new magazines.

Other donors included Althea Meyer, Mrs. George Jaeschke, Frank Wray, Mrs. William Scarth, Mrs. Tom Anderson, Mrs. H. J. Iverson, Mrs. H. B. Latham, Vivian Bunnish, H. R. Irish, Mrs. Charles Reynolds, Ruth Selms, Mrs. R. E. Kleinsorge, Graham Preston, Mrs. A. J. Titus and F. G. McDonald.

The January report submitted at the Monday night meeting of the city council shows total circulation at 1480; reference questions answered 238; new readers added 22.

## Silverton Mayor Is Ill With Cold

SILVERTON—Mayor Zetta Schlador has been confined to her home the greater part of this week by a heavy cold.

Members of the Earl Dristy family are recovering from a siege of heavy colds.

Employees of the Portland General Electric company office at Silverton were kept busy Tuesday afternoon repairing transformers which suffered in the heavy electric storm which hit Silverton Tuesday noon. The lights were not thrown off in the town but in many of the rural districts, particularly to the south of Silverton, temporary damage has been done.

Rain fell faster than it could be pumped from the ditches at Silverton Tuesday, necessitating the closing down of the sewer project for the afternoon. The sewer is being extended up South Valley street into the Cowing addition.

Miss Frances Robbins who has been a guest at the E. Jay McCall home, has left for her home at Sioux Falls, S.D.

## Theodore Brokke Called by Death

SILVERTON—Theodore Brokke, 44, died at the Veterans hospital in Portland Wednesday. Funeral services will be Friday at 3:30 at the Ekman funeral home, with interment in the Evens Valley cemetery. Rev. O. C. Olson will officiate.

Brokke was a resident of Silverton for the past 40 years. Surviving are his mother, Mrs. T. H. Brokke, and the following brothers and sisters, Carl of Marshfield, Julius of Salem, George of Antioch, Calif., Halvor, Helmer and Arnold of Silverton, Mrs. Christine Olma and Mrs. Ruth Nelson of Portland.

**Latham Rites Friday**

SILVERTON—Funeral services for Mrs. Merda Latham have been set for Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. Rev. J. M. Jensen will officiate. Interment will be in the Silverton cemetery.

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## Homecoming Program Given at Zena Church, Oldest Protestant Church West of Willamette River Standing

ZENA—Spring Valley historic church, well known as the Zena community church, the oldest standing Protestant church west of the Willamette river in the Willamette valley, last Sunday was the scene of the sixth annual homecoming sponsored by the Spring Valley Christian Endeavor.

Of usual interest was the decoration in front of the pulpit consisting of a large cake standing in the shape of an upright cross with the words "Let us go on pioneering" in silver shot and near the base of the cake a wooden model of a covered wagon and a yoke of oxen. The cake was later served with refreshments.

Approximately 75 people were present to enjoy the following program presided over by James Mickey, Christian Endeavor president: song service led by Ralph Russel of Dallas, with Gladys Crawford at the organ; welcome by James Mickey with response by Lorena Thompson of Corvallis; vocal solo by Jean Alice Carlin of Salem; prayer by Violet Larson of Dallas, president of Polk county Christian Endeavor union; reading, "The Supreme Command," vice-president of the local society; scripture reading by Ida McKinney; address, "Let's Go On Pioneering," by T. Vernon Merrick, in which he recalled some backgrounds and achievements of the past with a challenge for youth to go on pioneering in the future to change the hearts and minds of man as a solution to the problems of mankind; reminiscence by Stella Crawford Henry; solo by Grete Phillips Hiatt written especially for the occasion in memory of old church bells; memory talks by Roy E. Barker, Lorena Thompson, Edgar Crawford, Ralph Shepard, Ralph Scott and Wayne Henry; short talk concerning a missionary by Enoch Zimmerman; vocal solo by Jean Alice Carlin; benediction by Enoch Zimmerman.

The program featured pictures of Oregon scenery, Yellowstone park and the Pendleton Round-up; up put on by Gardner Knapp of Salem. Also a skit was given by Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin of Kelzer.

It was voted to have a pot luck dinner at the March community club meeting as a benefit to the hot lunches with Mrs. Lloyd Weeks chairman, Mrs. Roy Melsen was appointed chairman of program committee for the March meeting, Miss Mary Elizabeth Brown, a representative from the new plant in Salem, Gas Heat, Inc., gave a talk on the advantages of using gas and announced a dinner and demonstration to be given by the firm Tuesday night at 7 o'clock at the grange hall.

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## Library's Growth Shown in Report

### 1722 Books Are Available At Mt. Angel; Benefits Help Increase

MT. ANGEL—A report on the Mt. Angel public library just released shows that there are now 1722 books available to the community. Last year the books numbered 1589. The first report in 1936, the year after the library was founded, showed 882 books listed. The increase has been steadily upwards in the past three years.

There have been some outright donations to the library fund, but most of the new books are purchased from funds realized through benefit card parties and dances by organizations of the community.

From a small room on the first floor of St. Mary's school the library was removed last year to a spacious room on the second floor of the school where tables and chairs provide ample room for anyone desiring to read or do research work in the library.

To help get the infant project on its feet, a small rental fee was charged for the newer books. This has now been abolished and the books are loaned free to any members of the community.

The 1722 books now on the shelves are divided into the following classes: fiction, 578; biography, 125; general information, 620; religion and social problems, 399.

## Funeral Is Held For Willis Daws

HUBBARD—Funeral services for Willis Daws, 64, who passed away Thursday at Salem, were held from the Congregational church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. N. Sherman Hawk officiated.

Willis Daws was born near Brooks, November 21, 1875. He was united in marriage with Ger-

## 81st Birthday Is Honored at Dinner

### Oak Point—The R. A. Alderson home was the scene of a lovely birthday party Saturday when Mrs. Alderson gave a dinner complimenting Mrs. Alderson's mother, Mrs. Mary Alderson of Mouthmouth on her 81st birthday anniversary. Covers were placed for Mrs. Mary Alderson, R. A. Alderson, Betty Lou Alderson, Billy Alderson, Miss Mary Alderson, a student at University of Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ferguson of Portland and the hostess, Mrs. R. E. Alderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Lauterback entertained members of Nite Hawk card club Wednesday night. Mrs. Grove Peterson, Mrs. Joe Rogers, Sr., and Cecil Hultman received high scores and Mrs. Roy Bigelow and Clyde Comstock, low scores.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson had as dinner guests Sunday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bates, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Bates and Miss Alice Bates all of Springfield and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Comstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Lauterback entertained at dinner Sunday for Mrs. Lauterback's sisters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark of Aurora and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dunigan of Hazel Green.

## West Stayton Club Plans Carnival

WEST STAYTON—Community club will be held Friday night at the school house; this is the first meeting since December as measles and flu were prevalent here in January and no club meeting was held. The main feature will be a carnival.

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