

Local News Briefs

Grange Dedication Set—Dedication of the Roberts grange hall is scheduled tonight at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend the service at which Ray W. Gill, state grange master, will give the main address. At the conclusion of the service T. A. Carney of Portland will show pictures taken on his recent tour of the United States. Carney is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Roy J. Rice, lecturer, who has arranged the program. The hall is the former Union church of Roberts which the grange bought about two years ago, but formal dedication has been delayed until tonight.

Jamboree Tonight—A general open house concluding with a maple court jamboree is scheduled today at the Salem YMCA. Physical Director Carl Greider said yesterday. Radios and lobby games will be available, and the vacation basketball league will have its final games. A volleyball game between Salem and Portland Y teams will begin at 6 p. m., followed by basketball games at 7 between Paper Mill and Scio town team, at 8 between Simmons and Portland Y teams and at 9 between Salem and Portland Ys.

Lutz florist. P. 5932. 1276 N. Lib

Visit North Roads—County Commissioner J. E. Smith and Engineer N. C. Hubbs were in the Donald and Butteville vicinity yesterday on a routine inspection trip over county roads. They found little of unusual interest, they said on return, but expressed perturbation at the number of log trucks using off-road county roads in defiance of log hauling permits. This has occurred in the Cloverdale region as well as on north county roads, they said.

Forgery Charged—Clyde Maitland, wanted on a charge of forgery by the sheriff of Washington county, was picked up by Salem police yesterday at a house at 872 Highland street where the arresting officer found Maitland hiding in a closet. The arrest was made 40 minutes after receipt of a telegraphic warrant from Washington county.

Wall paper, Mathis, 164 S. Coml.

Obituaries

Harris—Charles William Harris, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Harris of Brooks, passed away at a local hospital December 27. Services from Terwilliger-Edwards chapel Thursday at 2 p. m., Rev. Gordon E. Joffe officiating. Interment Brooks cemetery.

Bickel—John H. Bickel, 88, formerly of 2535 Brooks avenue, passed away at a local hospital Saturday night, December 28, following several days of illness. Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Kate Smith, Clatsop, Ore.; one niece, Mrs. Victor Jernon, Oakland, Calif. Funeral announcements later by the Terwilliger-Edwards funeral home.

Gragg—Jefferson A. Gragg, late resident of 253 Gerth avenue, West Salem, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William A. Zosel, in McMinnville, Monday, December 30, at the age of 72 years. Survived by wife, Mrs. Minnie A. Gragg, of Salem; two daughters, Mrs. William A. Zosel, of McMinnville, and Mrs. Isabelle Wilson, of Salem; son, Albert C. Gragg, of Salem; sister, Mrs. Beatrice Merrill, of Salem. Services will be held Thursday, January 2, at 2 p. m., Clough-Barrick chapel, with Rev. James Osborne officiating. Ritualistic services will be given by Pacific lodge No. 50, AF & AM of Salem.

Wood—Mrs. Laura I. Wood, 56, late resident of 211 S. 18th street, December 29, at a local hospital. Survived by her husband, George W. Wood; sister, Mrs. Millie Reed of Corvallis; brothers, Clayton Rodgers of Portland, Cecil Rodgers of Salem. Funeral services will be held from the Ladd Funeral home Thursday, January 2, at 2 p. m., Rev. Guy L. Drill officiating. Vault entombment at Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum.

Krauger—William Krauger, at the residence, 1740 South Capitol street, Monday, December 30, at the age of 40 years. Survived by parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Krauger of Salem; sisters, Mrs. Bertha Vanson of Klamath Falls and Mrs. Mae Taylor of Independence; three brothers, Charles, J. E. and Frank Krauger, all of Salem. Services will be held from the Clough-Barrick chapel Thursday, January 2, at 10:30 a. m.

Berkley—Roy R. Berkley, 60, late resident of 254 Front street, at a local hospital December 29. Survived by widow, Mrs. Florence Berkley. Funeral announcements later by the Terwilliger-Edwards funeral home.

Brown—In this city, Monday, December 30, Genevieve Brown, 76 years, late resident of 1935 Maple avenue. Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the W. T. Rigdon company Thursday, January 2, at 1:30 p. m., Rev. S. Raynor Smith will officiate. Interment IOOF cemetery.

Wise—James Andrew Wise, late resident of 1696 Mission street, at a local hospital Tuesday, December 31, at the age of 25 years. Survived by widow, Mrs. Lucille Wise, and two children, James Allen and Joyce Wise, all of Salem; parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Wise; grandmother, Mrs. Anna Wise, all of Salem. Services will be held Friday, January 3, at 2 p. m., from the Clough-Barrick chapel, with Rev. J. P. Lawson officiating. Concluding services will be in Belcrest Memorial park.

Flowers—OLSON, Florist
Court & High Ph. 7166

Coming Events

Jan. 2—Salem public schools resume.

Jan. 4—Marion county Farm-Union convention at Red Hills Grange hall.

Jan. 6—Willamette university classes open.

Marines Want Linguists—A special effort is being made by the United States marine corps to recruit men who can read, write and speak either Dutch or Portuguese. It is announced by Major James B. Hardie, district recruiting chief for the marine corps. Men proficient in either of these languages will be given opportunity to visit as interpreters. Salem applicants should apply to Sergeant Fitch in the postoffice building.

Safety of your savings is insured at Salem Federal, 130 S. Liberty.

Recuperates at Browns—Mrs. T. W. Zimmerman of Portland, who was injured in an automobile accident recently near Marshfield, is staying at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Brown, Glenn Creek road, West Salem, while recuperating from her injuries. Mrs. Zimmerman is engaged in the real estate business with her husband in Portland.

Boys Highway Restaurant—Possession was taken yesterday of the restaurant and service known as the "Top of the Hill" near Auroora by Stephen Schwartz of Winnetoon, Neb., who purchased the property Monday. Hubert Schwartz, former clerk at the hotel, will be associated with his brother in operation of the tourist cabins and restaurant.

Wally Walrath wishes his many friends and policyholders in State Farm Ins. Co. a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Ph. 3829.

Stamps Planned—Camp-minded Boy Scouts, wanting to attend council camp Pioneer on their allowance or by their summer jobs, learned yesterday that the method of buying "camp stamps" will again be employed. However, R. R. Riddiman, camp director, suggested a small book instead of a single sheet.

On Blotter—Evelyn Fink, Orchard, Wash., is charged on the police blotter with having no driver's license and John Fink, same address, is charged with allowing an unlicensed person to operate his car. Karl La Rusche, 1885 North Commercial street, is charged with failure to observe stop sign.

Larry Pekkola, a student of the Capital Business College of Salem, passed his civil service examination and has been assigned to a government position in Baltimore, Md.

Returns to Camp—Dan Sellard, State newspaper correspondent and magazine writer, has spent the holiday season at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude J. Sellard, 955 North 17th street. Sellard leaves today for Camp Clatsop, where he is doing publicity work for the 249th coast artillery.

McMackin Enlists—Eugene D. McMackin, 340 East Owens street, has been accepted as an apprentice seaman in the United States navy reports Chief Quartermaster Robert B. Fallon, Salem naval recruiting officer. McMackin will be stationed at the naval training station at San Diego.

Now is the time for weatherstrip. We have it. Ray L. Farmer Hwy. Co., 115 S. Com'l.

Dancehall Permits Given—The Marion county court yesterday approved dancehall licenses for another year for the Hazel Green hall, Arthur B. Clemens, proprietor, and for the Chemawa grange hall, the latter permit being issued to Arthur Holden as chairman of the building committee.

Film Scheduled—Physical Director Carl Greider of the Salem Y said last night that he will show "Precision Basketball," the official basketball film edited by Oswald Tower, editor of the rules committee, Saturday at 11:15 a. m. and 7 p. m. Saturday.

Turkey dinner 40c, New Year's day. Wagner's 356 State St.

Permits Issued—Building permits were issued yesterday to Emil Lawson to erect one story dwelling and garage at 1955 Royal, \$1800; Rich L. Reimann to erect 1 1/2 story dwelling and garage at 1005 North 13th, \$4200.

Sheep Breeders Meet—A meeting for breeders of Hampshire sheep has been scheduled for 10:30 a. m. Thursday in the Chemawa room of the Salem chamber of commerce.

Call for Oregon Mutual calendar at Scellars and Foley.

Truth Class Topic—"Resist not Evil" will be the topic for the Truth Study class at its meeting Thursday night, according to announcements made by Olive Stevens, leader.

Special Meeting Pacific Lodge 56, 1:30 p. m., Jan. 2, 1941. Funeral services of our late brother Audley J. Gragg. Member of Evergreen Lodge 137, Seaside, Ore. Otto N. Hoppes, W.M. Sesside.

Births

Eck—To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Eck, Annville, a son, Leonard Jerome, born December 18.

Reeder—To Mr. and Mrs. Wesley S. Reeder, 1150 North 13th street, a son, Wallace Wesley, born December 15, Salem General hospital.

Wright—To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar T. Wright, 1846 Sixth street, West Salem, a son, Thomas Lawrence, born December 13, Salem General hospital.

McCoy—To Mr. and Mrs. Ivan McCoy, Brooks, a daughter, Karen Kay, born December 15, Bunge-low Maternity home.

Spice—To Mr. and Mrs. Maydon M. Spice, Cambridge, Idaho, a son, Columbus Monroe, born December 16.

Circuit Court Closed Today

Regular Housecleaning to Begin Saturday in Department Two

Judicial activity in Marion county will be suspended today in common with all other public business and will recommence after the holidays with regular court housecleaning Saturday. In department two of the circuit court, presided over by Circuit Judge L. G. Lewelling.

Circuit Court—Marvin V. Langford vs. City of Salem and Walter Nelson; motion for hearing on motion to strike. M. D. Vinyard vs. Postal-Telegraph Cable company; C. R. Riley vs. W. P. Fuller and company; H. Ellis vs. State Motors, Inc.; Minnie D. Keeney vs. City of Salem and E. C. Charleston; motions to set for trial in each case.

State vs. Stena Justice, alias Stena Frederickson; demurrers to two criminal charges.

Credit Service company vs. Kathryn J. Gunnell; default judgment for \$150.00 and \$19 costs.

Mary Elsey vs. B. W. Elsey; divorce complaint charging cruelty and inhuman treatment in which plaintiff asks custody of eight children and \$40 monthly support money and \$75 attorney's fee; married at Fame, Okla., April 6, 1919.

Roy Davidson vs. Virgil Kilgore; reply making denial.

George Reinhold vs. Lester L. and Hazel L. Olson; order of dismissal on stipulation of settlement.

Industrial accident commission vs. Edward E. Forgard; complaint to recover \$249.73 alleged due plaintiff.

Heleen J. Cameron vs. Samuel Goodman; suit for partition of real property in Simpson's addition, appointment of referee and sale of property, and execution of \$337 judgement which plaintiff alleges accompanied divorce decree between herself and defendant, together with \$300 attorney's fee and other sums claimed. Plaintiff alleges she has one-third interest in property, and that rest belongs to defendant; that property is now an apartment and she is used by defendant for residence and income purposes; and that no accounting has ever been made for plaintiff.

Probate Court—Theodore Roy Urban estate; sale of real property authorized July 11, 1938, by Conrad F. Martin, guardian, extended.

Gust Peterson estate; appraisal at \$178.50 by Floyd H. Emmons, H. E. Hedine and Harvey Schuele.

George Sargeant estate; appraisal at \$2840 by Pierce Col-lard, Ray Luck and O. B. Darling.

Wayne Van Court estate; appraisal of \$2000 in personal property by Roy F. Campbell, J. W. Booth and Harry Doe.

Josephine Matilda Vold estate; Joseph George Helvey, son-in-law named administrator, and F. N. Nelson, Carl Benson and Lillian Davis, appraisers, of property including unliquidated claim for damages for alleged unlawful death of deceased, valued at \$500.

Gladys L. Weider estate; Lois Cochran named executrix, of \$3,250 in real and \$1000 in personal property. A will leaves the husband, Van Weider, \$1 in cash, accompanied by the statement that he has sufficient income and property to care for him; to Eva, a niece, a string of pearls; to Grace Hussey, a friend, a vase given deceased by Mrs. Ed Baker; to Helen Gragg, a friend, a Spode cup and saucer; to her daughter, Jeanette, the residue of the estate with request that something from the inheritance be given to Lois Cochran, a niece of the deceased.

Justice Court—Wayne M. Crook, one light on automobile, fined \$1.

Mrs. Laura Wood Services Thursday

Services for Mrs. Laura I. Wood, 56, will be Thursday at 2 p. m. from the Ladd Funeral home, with Rev. Guy L. Drill officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum.

Mrs. Wood, who died Sunday night at a Salem hospital following a week's illness, was born on the donation land claim of her parents, Clark and Sarah Rebecca Rodgers, August 11, 1884. She was married to Mr. Wood, September 16, 1914.

She had been a member of the First Christian church for many years and was a member of the church choir. At the time of her death she was president of the Rodgers' clan.

Survivors are the husband, George W. Wood of Salem; sister, Mrs. Silas Reed of Corvallis; brothers, Clayton Rodgers of Portland and Cecil Rodgers of Salem. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

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METROPOLITAN STORE

414 N. Commercial

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'No Plate' Roundup Will Begin Today

Automobile owners crowded the corridors of the statehouse here yesterday in the last minute rush for 1941 license plates.

Persons who drive their automobiles after midnight last night without new plates are subject to arrest.

A total of 168,506 sets of plates had been sold at the start of business Tuesday, which was approximately the same number as had been sold at the same time a year ago. There were nearly 400,000 plates for 1940 sold during the current year.

State police said they would begin rounding up automobiles owners without new plates today.

Income Tax Blanks In Mail Tomorrow

Five tons of "New Year's Greetings," in the form of blank income tax returns, will be placed in the mails Thursday by the state tax commission. It was announced here yesterday.

These returns must be filed with the state tax commission not later than April 1 to avoid penalty and interest. Second installment payments are due October 1.

Every single person earning more than \$800 a year and married persons earning more than \$1500 must file state tax returns.

Federal returns are due March 1. These affect single persons earning more than \$800 a year and married persons earning more than \$2000.

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Extension Will Begin Monday

Four Courses Included in Curriculum; College Credit Available

The highly interesting subjects of public speaking, hygiene of learning, South American geography and social psychology are among the courses to be offered during fall months to residents of the Salem district through the facilities of the Oregon state system of higher education, according to word received here yesterday from the University of Oregon.

The "evening shift university" will open Monday in the old Salem high school. Courses will meet the same night each week, starting at 7:15 o'clock, for a two-hour period. Regular university of college credit may be obtained through the courses, but six hours of work—three two-hour courses—is the maximum any student will be permitted to take. Those interested are asked to be on hand for the first meetings of the classes they select.

Listed on the curriculum are "Public Speaking for Business and Professional Women" and "Remedial Reading," both of which will be offered Monday nights. In the public speaking course, Marvin A. Krenk, instructor in speech at the University of Oregon, will give special attention to the organization of speeches, to the techniques of effective communication with special emphasis on voice, bodily action, and platform manner. This course will meet in room 3G, while all others will meet in room 3H.

"Hygiene of Learning," another education course, will be offered each Tuesday under the direction of Dr. Harold W. Bernard, assistant professor of education, University of Oregon. He will discuss the factors and conditions which make for mental development, including those which make for disintegration as well as those which make for integration in learning.

Those engaged in the administration of business will find an especially worthwhile course in "Geography of South America," scheduled for Wednesday nights under the supervision of Dr. Willis Merriam, assistant professor of social science, Oregon College of Education. The course will deal with the economic and social development of the countries in South America, raw materials, inter-American relations and potential markets.

"Social Psychology" will be taught Thursday nights by James H. Huddleson, director of clinical psychiatry, Oregon state hospital. Study will be made of the processes involved in social communication, transmission of custom, social change, social cooperation and interdependence, group conflict, public opinion, social control of the individual, crowd

Why Be Sick?

Bring this ad to my office on or before Jan. 7, 1941, and it will entitle you to an appointment for a free spinal x-ray.

DR. ROY S. SCOFIELD
Palmer Chiropractor
406 U.S. Bank Bldg. - Ph. 6047

Water Utility Income Gains

Report by Bean Discloses Average 1939 Meter Bill was \$31.10

Operating revenues of Oregon water utilities for the year 1939 showed an increase of \$724,562 over 1938, while operating expenses increased only \$643,969.36, a report of Public Utilities Commissioner Ormond R. Bean released here yesterday disclosed.

The net increase in net utility operating income was \$80,592.78, or 1.48 per cent over 1938.

Total assets of these concerns increased \$2,783,590.69, or 2.42 per cent over 1938. Utility plant increased \$1,595,878.05 and current and accrued assets \$1,256,744.91. Depreciation reserve increased \$747,890.17 or 8.34 per cent while earned surplus increased \$394,283.50 or 24.73 per cent.

The average annual meter bill per customer in 1939 was \$31.70. Gross revenues of steam heat utilities decreased \$10,637.14 or 2.41 per cent from 1938, while total operating expenses were \$5,925.02 less than in 1938, causing net operating income to decline from \$40,060.42 in 1938 to \$36,348.30 in 1939.

A copy of the report was filed with Governor Charles A. Sprague.

Safety Valve

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lated wealth of nations, full of resources which should be going to the welfare and the building of a civilized human beings. With a beastial and idiotic expression on his crazy face which can mean no good for the masses. And all for what? All because of the blind seals, who still refuse to see that the "surpluses" do not in reality exist. Or that we must continue to recognize that it is imperative that labor work eight to ten hours a day.

Or that in order that one may buy, he must first have money to use.

In looking at the caption of this sketch, one may well wonder, "Little man, what now?"

The answer at the present time is found in lower right of picture. A trusting little cherub, a candle (1941) upon one shoulder, rushing to place the candle in the holder formerly holding the candle of 1940.

And we are still supposed to believe in these little fellows with wings.

Oh yes, we will still go on trusting and hoping until a day will come that all these eyes of the zealous may be opened. "Can the blind lead the blind, shall not they both fall in the ditch?"

I read this somewhere, I believe it was in a book called the "Holy Bible," a book which so many people carry (on Sundays) in their hands, but not in their hearts.

Thank you, Vernon Greene, for the cleanness of your "Little Man, What Now?"

BERT L. HAMILTON.
Route 4, Salem.

NEW YEAR'S HIGHWAY OPTIMISM is my name—Joyous, never fearful; Bidding humans travel, game, Only highways cheerful.

Carry cargoes of good will Into every byway; Scatter gladness, dale and hill; It will echo away.

Let no stygian cave forlorn, Silence heart of singing; Greet each day as newly born; Keep the joy-bells ringing!

—EDNA GARFIELD.

Railway Express Agent to Retire

Has 50 Years Service; Here Since 1932 Plans Memoirs

Plans to retire next July 1 at Salem agent for the Railway Express company, after service of over 50 years, were announced yesterday by O. E. Longwell. He and Mrs. Longwell will probably reside in Portland, where they own a home.

Starting with the American Express company, later consolidated with the present firm, at Hillsboro, Ill., June 15, 1891, Longwell has been agent here since September 1, 1932. From 1919 to 1932 he was route agent for the company in Portland, with supervision over the office here. Prior to that he was for three years chief clerk to the superintendent in Portland and before that worked in offices in Indiana, Missouri, Utah, Kansas and Washington.

Longwell, 67, who could have retired at the age of 65, but was not required to before 70, hopes to write many experiences in the express business, both of his own and others he has collected, into a book after he retires. "If I like it when it is all done I will submit it for publication. If not it will just be filed among my souvenirs," he said.

Sprague Works on Biennial Message</