

## Local News Briefs

**Dance Competition Stated**—An attempt to take away from the 104th division exhibition dance honors captured last Saturday night at the American Legion armory dance is planned for tonight by men of the 96th, it was said Friday. Pvt. Joseph A. Giammo and his partner, Margaret Syverson of Dallas, took first honors, while Pvt. Joseph D. Lucera and Betty June Bailey of Salem took second. Third place, however, went to the 96th, represented by Jo and Jack Winters.

**Xmas present from your Clipper station.** Four gals, regular leaded gasoline for 50c. Good Dec. 21 to 24th at any Clipper station in Marion and Polk counties.

**Pedestrian Seriously Injured**—Mrs. Hattie Belle Schneider, 100 Pringle road, suffered a critical head injury Thursday morning when she was struck by an automobile driven by William Eugene Hardman, route five. The accident occurred on South 12th street at about 7:45 a. m., and Hardman said he could not see Mrs. Schneider. She was taken to the Salem Deaconess hospital by the city first aid car, and was said to be resting Friday afternoon.

**Old Papers, 10c bundle.** Paper shortage is licked so you may have them now for those numerous household uses. Statesman office.

**First Aid Given**—Henry Haiday, 1210 North 16th street, was treated by city first aid men when he fell after being struck by a cable at the Oregon Pulp and Paper mill. He was taken to Salem Deaconess hospital to be treated for an injured hip and possible internal injuries. After the call the first aid car was taken to the garage for repairs and was unable to answer two calls later in the day.

**Christmas cards, 50 for \$1.00,** with name imprinted. Statesman Publishing Co.

**No License Tags**—High cost and the possibility that plastic or composition tags cannot be obtained to replace the usual metal tags has caused discontinuance of the issuance of dog license tags during the year 1943, County Clerk Lee Ohmart said Friday. Licenses will be required as in previous years, but only the paper license receipt will be issued. Ohmart said.

Lutz florist. Ph. 9592. 1276 N. Lib.

**Cherria Tree Dark**—The Salem Cherrians will not light their living Christmas tree on the courthouse lawn this year because of the dimout regulation, according to King Bing Orval Lama. This will be the first season since it was first lighted in 1913 that the tree has not been decorated with electric lights.

## Obituary

**Richer**—In this city, December 15, Robert Richer, late resident of route six, at the age of 80 years. Survived by wife, Sarah Richer, and several nephews and nieces. Funeral services will be held Friday, December 18, at 3 p. m., in the chapel of the W. T. Rigdon company with concluding services at the Lee Mission cemetery. Rev. Glenn E. Patterson of Albany will officiate.

**Wickizer**—Samuel Wickizer, at the residence, 1095 South 18th street, December 17, at the age of 73 years. Survived by wife, Mrs. Minnie M. Wickizer; two daughters, Mrs. Wanda Chappelle and Mrs. Dolly Wright; one son, Kelly Wickizer, all of whom are of Salem; two brothers, Victor of San Francisco and Will of Albany; two sisters, Mrs. Leona Case of Albany and Mrs. Hannah Haight of Scio. Also survived by four grandchildren. Services will be held from the chapel of Clough-Barrick company Saturday, December 19, at 1:30 p. m., with Rev. H. C. Stover officiating. Interment will be in City View cemetery.

**Graybill**—In Portland December 16, Clarence Lester Graybill, late of 4605 SE 38th street, Portland, age 35 years. Husband of Ruth E. Graybill of Portland; father of John Lester Graybill of Portland; son of Mrs. A. B. Cooper of Mt. Shasta, Calif.; brother of John T. Graybill of Salem, Mrs. King Bartlett of Salem and Mildred Graybill of Portland; uncle of Melvin Cleveland, US army, Roland and Jerry Cleveland of Salem, Robert and Richard Comstock, USN. Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 19, at 1:30 p. m., in the chapel of the W. T. Rigdon company with concluding services at Belcrest Memorial park. Dr. J. C. Harrison will officiate.

**Gergen**—Mattie E. Gergen, late resident of 1862 North Winter street, at a local hospital December 17. Survived by one sister, Mrs. Ora J. Runcorn of Gervais. Announcement of services to be made later by Terwilliger-Edwards Funeral home.

**Schulze**—Charles Schulze, of 950 South ... CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank the employees of the city of West Salem and other friends for the many kindnesses they have shown us in our recent bereavement, at the death of our son and brother, Roy E. Douglas. Mrs. Lillie Douglas and J. E. Douglas.

**One Killed on Job**—Although there were 1918 industrial accidents in Oregon during the week ended December 17, there was only one fatality, the state accident commission reported here Friday. The victim was John Charles Chapman, Portland warehouseman.

Scriptural Christmas cards, 50c-¢1 box. Bible House, 150 S. Liberty.

**Store Left Open**—Salem's state liquor store was found open Thursday night by police about 11 o'clock. The door was closed by employees at 8 p. m. but the catch had failed to take hold, thus exposing the \$43,000 worth of liquor on the shelves to theft.

Dance, Labor temple, Dec. 19. Millmans local No. 1411 for members, friends.

Open 'til 9 P. M. every night until Christmas. Commercial Book Store

**Purse Taken**—Dorothy Anderson, 1940 North Capitol street, reported a brown leather purse containing \$7 in cash, credentials, keys and letters was taken from her at a downtown lunch counter Thursday between 4:15 and 4:30 p. m.

For home loans—see Salem Federal, 130 South Liberty.

**Classes Discontinued**—Naturalization classes at the YMCA are to be discontinued temporarily during the holidays, according to announcement issued Friday. They are to be resumed sometime in January.

Dance, Keizer, 2 miles north on Commercial St., every Sat. nite.

**Willamette Takes Holiday**—Willamette university Friday dismissed classes for a Christmas recess. Classes will resume December 28, but January 1 is scheduled for a holiday.

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**Blanket Stolen**—Mrs. A. Fenske, 1145 South 16th street, told city police Friday that a tan Indian blanket had been stolen from her front porch Thursday.

Dance tonight, Dec. 19. Veterans hall, 640 Hood.

**Permit Granted**—B. H. Marcum was granted a building permit to alter a dwelling at 2283 Claude street, \$30.

Wanted, davenport, chair. Ph. 5862

## Camp Passes Not Changed

Rumors that weekend leaves from Camp Adair were to be cut to 12 hours were denied Friday by Col. Gordon McCoy, camp commander, who declared that "We will continue to issue passes as in the past, and it will be up to the men to get back to camp or to find accommodations in Salem as best they can."

Recalling that last weekend, soldiers walked the streets through one cold night, slept in lobbies and on steps, recreation and housing committees were still seeking Friday night suitable centrally located shelter for such men as are unable to secure beds.

At least one moving picture organization contemplated running an "all-night show" with a warmed theatre and seats in which patrons could sleep comfortably as drawing card.

## Rationing Board Work Lightened

Oregon's overworked rationing boards breathed freely for the first time in many days when the announcement came out of Washington that the deadline for applications for war ration book one has been extended throughout the country from December 15, 1942, to January 15, 1943.

The state OPA office reports, however, that the load at local boards has lightened considerably during the last few days. One board reported handling 257 requests on Wednesday compared with approximately 500 the day before, and similar reports were received from other local boards both in Portland and throughout the state.

12th street, at a local hospital, Friday, December 18. Survived by wife, Anna Schulze; six daughters, Mrs. Earl Fales of Banks, Calif., Mrs. Howard Van Cleave of Palo Alto, Calif., Mrs. Lou Gene Hartley of Corvallis, Mrs. Le Roy Van Fleet of Grants Pass, Mrs. Irvin Kreger of Albany, Miss Ellen Schulze of Salem; one brother, Herman Schulze of Brookley. Services will be held Monday, December 21, at 3 o'clock from the Fisher-Braden funeral home at Albany with arrangements by Clough-Barrick company.

**Toycen**—Mrs. Bertha R. Toycen, at the residence, 1180 Shipping street, at the age of 64 years. Survived by husband, Stephen Toycen; one daughter, Mrs. Catherine Short of Albany; three sons, Clifford R., Stanley B., Svend, all of Salem; three brothers, H. A. Krogness of Belfair, Wash., Chris Krogness of Los Angeles, Calif., I. W. Krogness of Modesto, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Christine Hofstead of Minnesota; and 18 grandchildren. Announcement of services later by Clough-Barrick company.

## 'Coolidge' Survivors Reach Rescue Ship



Already crowded with rescued men, an auxiliary naval vessel stands by to take on more survivors of the former liner President Coolidge, which sank in the south Pacific while in use as a troop transport. All but four of 4000 men aboard were saved. This photo is from an official navy film.—Associated Press Telemat.

## Arguments End In Jensen Vs. Jensen Suit

The "Alaska Jensens" had preponderance of the evidence in their case against the "Salem Jensens" and the other capital city residents to whom the Salem persons had sold property involved in a case heard in circuit court here this week, an attorney for the defense declared as the argument drew to a close Friday morning.

Possibility that settlement might be reached out of court was foreseen in the provision which gave attorneys for both groups time allowances to file briefs in the case taken under advisement by Judge E. M. Page.

Involved in the property dispute, in addition to George Jensen and wife of Alaska and George Jensen and wife of Salem, are Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hemann, who bought a piece of the Salem property from George Jensen of Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Probert, who not only purchased some of the property from Hollis Vick, who had likewise taken title from the Salem Jensens, but who had also erected thereon a residence.

An attorney representing the establishment which had issued title insurance to the Proberts sat in on the case but denied that his company was interested in being made a party to the suit.

The Alaska Jensen, son-in-law of the late Egil Olsen of Salem, commenced proceedings when Mrs. Jensen arrived in this city last year from Port Alexander, Alaska, to learn that property formerly owned by her father had become a building site without her or her husband's knowledge. The Salem Jensen declared that he had once loaned Olsen \$25 and had been deeded the property later. The deed was left in Olsen's safe deposit box and mentioned the name of neither Jensen wife.

## Tin Cans at 80 Tons

PORTLAND, Dec. 18—(AP)—Portland's collection of tin cans for salvage this month yielded approximately 80 tons of scrap, J. W. Edwards, assistant school superintendent, said Friday. Two carloads have been shipped to San Francisco for detinning, and two more will follow.

## PUBLIC RECORDS

### CIRCUIT COURT

State vs. Cornelius Price Long and Fred Earl McCoy; defendants, appearing before Judge L. H. McMahon waived grand jury indictment and pled guilty to charges of larceny and burglary; sentenced to one year in penitentiary on each charge, sentences to run concurrently and to follow sentences they are now serving.

State vs. W. E. Ray; morals charge dismissed on motion of district attorney, since defendant had been tried by jury that disagreed 6 to 6.

Abner J. Dunn vs. Elsie May Dunn; decree of divorce, plaintiff to pay \$15 each month for support of each of three minor children in custody of defendant.

A. L. Skewis and Leonard B. Judson vs. E. E. Lindsay; motion for continuance by attorneys for defendant supported by affidavit to effect that defendant is in key position in a defense industry in another state and could not come to Salem to participate as a witness in his own behalf.

Maree L. Odum vs. The Prudential Insurance company of America and Blanche R. Odum; order to disburse \$220.80 to insurance company, \$3114.30 to Blanche R. Odum and \$1388.05 to plaintiff.

Jensen vs. Probert and others; testimony taken under advisement; briefs to be submitted.

### PROBATE COURT

Merrill Christenson guardian-ship; Anna Schmidt named guardian of orphan 9-year-old whose

## Norris Takes Down Nameplate



His nearly 40 years in congress at an end, Sen. George W. Norris, 81 (Ind-Neb), removes his nameplate from the door of his Washington office. Norris was defeated in the last election.—Associated Press Telemat.

## 2 Meningitis Cases Noted

Only two cases of spinal meningitis have been reported to him by Marion county physicians within the past few months, Dr. W. J. Stone, county health officer, said Friday in response to rumors that the disease was prevalent here.

Both children affected have reacted well to sulfa drugs and one has been apparently completely well for more than a week, Dr. Stone said. The first is to return to school shortly with no impairment, while the second, still ill, shows signs of recovery without crippling effect, he declared.

Four cases of scarlet fever are reported in the county, Stone said: one in the Englewood district, two at Riverdale and one in North Water street in Salem.

## Second Building For USO Here Said More Likely

Salem has more chance of securing a second soldier recreation center than of getting an addition to the structure now serving the USO for that purpose, Harry Stoops, regional director of the federal security agency, said here Friday as he advised recreation authorities here to abandon attempts to secure the enlargement and devote their time to securing a second center in downtown Salem.

Fact that there is a mortgage on the Legion property, which would have to be used as building site, probably has contributed considerably to the delay in approving the city's request for a \$30,000 allocation for construction of the wanted annex, Stoops suggested.

The Salem defense recreation committee, headed by Alderman Armstrong, should incorporate prior to his return here December 29 so that it can qualify to secure funds under the Lanam act, he declared. Approximately 30 days would then be required, if an available building for reconstruction were recommended, to have the new center staffed and operating, he said.

## Kaiser Considers Air Ambulances For Soldiers

PORTLAND, Dec. 18—(AP)—Henry J. Kaiser and the army medical corps are conferring on possibilities of air ambulances to carry wounded men from battlefields to base hospitals, or even overseas to the United States.

This was disclosed Friday by Brig. Gen. Fred W. Rankin, chief consultant surgeon to the army, who said, "Mr. Kaiser hopes to build large planes that can be used for transporting troops overseas, and there be quickly made into ambulance airships to bring back wounded men. He is very earnest in this matter, and wants to get into production right away."

Rankin, president of the American Medical association, also said the 1942 army is the healthiest in history of the country.

"The army never before had as low a venereal rate, even including the war of 1917 and '18. And we have no epidemics to fight... The men are well selected in the

## Service Men

First Lt. Winfield Clarke, having completed a six weeks course of military instruction and physical conditioning at the air forces officer training school at Miami Beach, Fla., was graduated with his class in the army air forces. He is prepared to take over executive duties in air forces maintenance that parallel the responsible position he held in civilian life.

As a civilian, Lt. Clarke lived at 1085 North 15th street, Salem. His wife, Mrs. Mary Clarke, lives at 821 West 6th street, Albany.

Capt. Chester L. Fritz, assistant quartermaster at the Portland army air base, has been advanced to the grade of major. His first commission was in 1935 when he became a second lieutenant in the quartermaster section of the officers' reserve corps at Salem. Major Fritz attended The Dalles high school and University of Oregon and has been stationed in Portland since May, 1941.

Paul Fatman, seaman second class, USNR, was home on leave this week, accompanied by his wife from Oakland, Calif. Fatland, a Salem high graduate, was a switchman for Southern Pacific before his enlistment in July.

PLEASANTDALE—Allen Nichols, who has been training at Camp Roberts, Calif., has been transferred to Pomona, Calif., where he is working on trucks in the motor base department. The Pomona camp has been erected on the grounds formerly used for a Japanese concentration camp.

Letters from Dave Dorsey, Wendell Willard, Vernon Hadley, Allen Nichols, William King and Marie and Claire Reichstein, Pleasantdale representatives in the armed forces, will be read to members of the community club.

MT. ANGEL—Cpl. Lawrence Gooley of Camp Haan, near Los Angeles, Calif., is here on furlough to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gooley, Cpl. Gooley joined the service last March and has been on duty in numerous camps in California since. He has been awarded a medal for marksmanship.

MONMOUTH—Mrs. G. L. Russell has received word that her nephew, Alva Dickinson, with the US marines at San Diego, has finished a course of training, and expects to be assigned to a ship soon. His father, George Dickinson, who formerly lived at Independence and Monmouth, is now in Klamath Falls and has gone south to spend the holidays with his son. Young Dickinson attended Independence schools prior to his enlistment.

ABIQUA—Animals in Australia seem to hold much interest for Frederick Dahl, according to a V letter recently received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Dahl. The letter gave the information that young Dahl was taking as many pictures as possible of the animals in the foreign land.

SCIO—The following letter was received by the local newspaper this week from the director of the United Service Organizations headquarters in Brooklyn, N.Y., concerning Donald Gonsler, Scio high school graduate who has been in the armed services of the United States for a few months:

"It was our pleasure to have Donald Gonsler, one of your hometown boys, visit our club on November 7. He looked well and was in the best of spirits. He participated in a great many of our activities and we feel he really enjoyed himself. We hope to make his stay in our area as comfortable and happy as possible.

"If there is any service which you feel we can render to him or to his family, please do not hesitate to call upon us."

Gonsler had been at Manhattan Beach, Brooklyn, for some time at last account.

## Realty Board Has Party, Honors Ex-Presidents

Netting enough to purchase a \$50 war bond, Salem Realty board Friday held its annual Christmas party and gift auction in connection with its regular luncheon meeting.

A quartet from the Salem high school carolers organization, comprised of Alan Richardson, Donna Unruh, Bob Robins and Jean Sechrist, accompanied by Rosemary Gaiser, sang a group of Christmas hymns.

Tables were decked with holly and a glittering Christmas tree, and past president of the organization honored at the annual session were Leo N. Childs, William McGilchrist, jr., J. F. Ulrich, C. W. Johnson and William Bliven. W. G. Hardy, retiring president, was presented with a gift from the organization.

Listed with the entire board for rental was the city school department's frame residence building which for several years housed school administration headquarters.

## Where They Are What They're Doing



Promoted  
MAJ. ROBERT C. IRWIN  
PENDLETON FIELD, Oregon, Dec. 18—To Maj. Robert C. Irwin of Salem, Oregon, goes the distinction of being one of the two youngest officers of that rank stationed here. Official notification of his promotion from the rank of captain to that of major was received here only last week.

Major Irwin has resided in Salem since 1936. He was employed in the division of audits section of the secretary of state's office.

Upon being congratulated on his majority, the new major stated that he was looking forward to the end of the war and to his return to Salem and his friends. "But first," he said, "I'd like to take a first hand crack at the enemy."

As a member of the Marion-Polk chapter of the Reserve Officers' association of the United States, Major Irwin had always retained his interest in military affairs. When he was called to active duty June 30, 1941, he reported to Paine Field, Wash., as a first lieutenant. He was transferred to Pendleton Field on September 27 of this year as a captain. His present duties are those of assistant post administrative investigator.

Major Irwin was accompanied to Pendleton by Mrs. Irwin and their 5-year-old daughter, Patricia.

## Postoffice Stays Open

Due to a sudden flurry of last-minute Christmas mail, the Salem postoffice will remain open until 5 p. m. today, Postmaster Henry R. Crawford said Friday. As has been the custom in the past, the postoffice remains open the extra hours on Saturday during the Christmas rush instead of closing at 3 p. m., the regular time.

Crowds are being handled through opening of extra mail windows, but to avoid standing in line, mail letters and packages during the less crowded hours, the postmaster suggests. Heaviest rush is at 11 a. m., 2 p. m. and 5 p. m. daily, normal lunch hours for business people.

## TRAVEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The appeal "Not to Travel" during the period December 12th to January 12th, UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, has not met with the response hoped for. We must, therefore, repeat that because of the duty and necessity of first providing for the transportation requirements of the armed services, including those on furloughs and those traveling on war or government business, it may be impossible to accommodate all who are planning to travel during the above period. To avoid chances of being unable to board trains at stations because of capacity loads and our inability to secure added equipment, it is suggested, and you are urged, if possible, to postpone your trip.

## Sprague Urges Goal-Topping

100 Millions Pledged In War Bond Sales For 1942, Oregon

Fulfillment of the pledge of the Oregon war bond staff to sell \$100,000,000 of war bonds during 1942, was urged by Gov. Charles A. Sprague in a statement issued here Friday.

The governor said he was happy to report that for the first 11 months the Oregon war bond purchases have totalled \$90,800,000.

"This outpouring of wealth is eloquent testimony of the consecration of our citizens to our country's cause and confidence in its future," Governor Sprague declared.

## WAAC Quota Raised Here

Recent authorization by congress to increase the forces of the Women's Army Auxiliary corps has raised the quota of enlistments for the Salem area. Women between the ages of 21 to 45 have an opportunity to enroll for duty by applying at the army recruiting office, room 211 in the post office.

Women in colleges and business schools may enroll in the WAACs and be placed in an inactive status allowing them to complete their current school year, according to Col. J. J. Fulmer, district recruiting officer for Oregon. Women both with or without technical and vocational skills are being sought, providing they meet age requirements, are of good moral character and physically fit.

## November Births Total 138, County

A total of 138 children were born in Marion county during the month of November, bringing the total of births for the year to 1359 as compared with 1187 by a similar date in 1941. Male babies still held their wartime predominance, although it was slight, with 70 boys and 69 girls recorded by the Marion county health department.

Total deaths for the month were 83, bringing the year's total by December 1 to 737, as compared with 715 by a similar date in 1941. Of these deaths only five were of children under one year of age.