

Teamsters' Union Given Thanks For Salvage Aid; Sales \$1000

Members of the Salem Teamsters' union who gave their services in hauling away currently non-acceptable metals collected in the area's scrap salvage have helped the Salem War Chest start the new year right, the committee on scrap sale declared Monday as it saw receipts from salvage sales amount to approximately \$1000.

Fifth carload of the salable metal from the fall drive was sent out last weekend by Sam Kline. Two or three more carloads are left for sorting and shipping, members of the war chest committee believed Monday.

Teamsters' union men working Sunday on a volunteer basis hauled the light metals, which comprised two-thirds of the collection inside the city, from Capitol and Market streets to Oregon Gravel company grounds at the foot of Hood street. Later, if baling equipment is available, that collection is to be sold.

Union members who gave their services Sunday were Henry Woodbury, Jud Baker, Elmer Johnson, Lowell Roeseke, Lou Elliott, Bob Sneddon and Lew Harkins, secretary of the Salem local. Trucks were provided without charge by Schryder Transfer company and Pacific Transport company.

Members of the chest committee in charge of the scrap are W. M. Hamilton, A. C. Haag and Gene Vandenberg.

Russians Put Two Columns Near Junction

G (Continued from Page 1) G created several more villages, inflicting heavy losses. Central front troops were said to have "consolidated newly captured positions," repulsing counterattacks.

The Mordok sector has been a battlefield since August 26 when the Germans reached that region in an offensive across the Caucasus foothills toward the Caspian sea. They succeeded in taking Mordok only two months later, on October 25, after a bitter battle, but their drive on to the east was checked.

Mordok fell suddenly. There had been no reports of recent battles there until the announcement Sunday night of the reoccupation of the town and railway station, as well as Malsobek, 15 miles southeast.

Japs Probably Landed Help

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4. (AP) A navy communique indicated Monday the Japanese had made their most successful attempt in six weeks to get supplies to their forces on Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands.

Eight enemy destroyers reached the vicinity of the northwestern end of Guadalcanal Saturday. They were attacked by torpedo boats which scored a hit on one and possibly three hits on two others. Enemy airplanes in turn bombed the PT boats but inflicted only slight damage.

The communique did not say whether any of the destroyers got through to Guadalcanal but since only one was definitely reported damaged it was entirely possible, unless there was further American action not yet reported, that some of them at least did land supplies and even some reinforcements.

Group Seeks Halt on Fees

Complete abandonment of the fee system of remunerating justices of the peace in Oregon was recommended by the legislative committee of the local magistrates' state association here Sunday, Justice Joseph B. Felton, chairman, of Salem, reported.

The committee's recommendation will be presented before a meeting of the association at the Marlborough hotel next Sunday afternoon.

The committee supported the principle set down in House Bill 481 which was introduced in the 1941 legislature, that all justices of the peace should be paid salaries, the amount to depend on the population of their respective districts.

Justice Alf O. Nelson, Silverton, president of the association, said it had been erroneously reported that he favored retention of the fee system.

Building Expense Drops to Fourth

A slim one-fourth of 1941's total in building expenses as represented by building permits issued from the city building inspector's office was the 1942 tabulation. Largest drop was in new buildings erected, but even repairs held to one-third of last year's. Wartime restrictions and scarcity of materials and labor were blamed for the change.

Figures for the year were \$230,066.40 total, as against \$907,214.18 in 1941; for new buildings in 1942, \$99,970 against \$533,883 in 1941; and for alterations and repairs, \$141,096.40 against \$373,331 in 1941.

Council Selects New Officials

Rostein on Water Board; Magazine Bill Changed

B (Continued from Page 1) B route, he said. The matter was referred to the committee for investigation.

Urgent needs of the city first aid service are for a second assistant, straps for the car to hold down delirious patients, cutting tools and equipment, and a trailer for a boat to be used in drowning cases. Alderman Gettrude Lobdell told the council, declaring she was taking the opportunity to speak before work began on the new budget.

Annual report of City Sanitary Inspector, E. H. Cooper, showed 392 nuisances abated; 653 field visits to private premises; 68 visits to barber and beauty shops; 41 school visits; registration of 157 food handling establishments; 709 field visits to food handlers and 451 laboratory samples of food. Received also was the year-end report of City Treasurer Paul Hauser showing fund totals of \$503,460.32.

Re-elected without opposition were: Lawrence N. Brown, city attorney; J. H. Davis, city engineer and street commissioner; Batty Cooper, sanitary inspector; E. C. Bushnell, building inspector; Milton L. Meyers to membership on the park board.

Few Changes Made, City Committees

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Other council committees are: Police, traffic regulations and licenses—Daniel J. Fry, LeGarie and Gille.

Streets—L. T. Rigdon, R. O. Lewis and C. W. Jorgensen.

Public buildings and incinerator—C. F. French, J. H. Nicholson and Ross Goodman.

Lights and electric signs—E. B. Perrine, Rigdon and Nicholson.

Bridges and approaches—Jorgensen, Nicholson and Rigdon.

Rules and revision of minutes—Mrs. G. R. Lobdell, Fry and Armstrong.

Accounts and current expenses—LeGarie, Goodman and L. L. Moore.

Sewerage and drainage—Moore, Fry and Armstrong.

Health and sanitation—Mrs. Lobdell, Rigdon and French.

Printing—Goodman, Perrine and Mrs. Lobdell.

Real property—O'Hara, Fry and Perrine.

Codification—LeGarie, Armstrong and Mrs. Lobdell.

Building regulations—Nicholson, Goodman and Rigdon.

Public parks, playgrounds and band—French, Lewis and O'Hara.

Public utilities—Gille, Fry and Nicholson.

Fire Hits Store

PORTLAND, Jan. 4. (AP) Fire Investigator Norman Howard estimated a fire Monday at the Upstairs Furniture company caused \$8000 damage.

Forecasting the aims of his administration, Mayor I. M. Doughton's initial address to the Salem city council Monday night contained the following recommendations:

"MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT DURING THE WAR. Primarily, the first duty of the city government is to serve the city and its inhabitants. That is why we have city government.

"At this time, however, our nation is actively engaged in a struggle for the existence of our nation, and the freedom, the liberty, and the rights of our people are at stake. It is our duty to support the war effort in every way possible.

"We should recognize the fact that we are a heavy financial or tax burden upon every citizen, and the city ought not to add to that burden except for essential municipal functions.

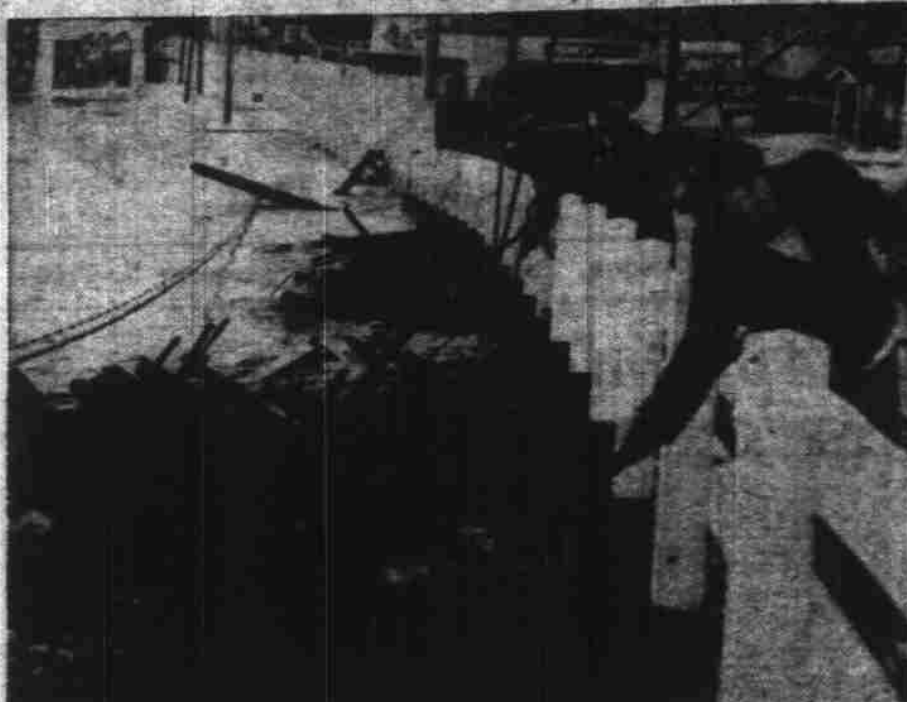
"Wise use of municipal funds, and the expenditure thereof within budget limitations, dictates observance of the laws pertaining to municipal finances, and I recommend that all department executives and city officers observe and follow such provisions of the city charter, the local budget and the ordinances governing municipal government.

"EXTENSION OF CITY LIMITS. The population of Salem has steadily increased, and both residential and business districts have gradually been extending beyond the present city limits. No change has been made in the city boundaries for twenty years, and now many districts, bordering on the city limits and for all practical purposes a part of the city, are outside of the city limits.

"The inhabitants of such districts are not included in the official census of the city and are not entitled to the services rendered by the city. I recommend a survey be made to ascertain the feasibility of extending the city limits.

"CITY GOVERNMENT. There are at least three general types of forms of city government, the mayor-council, the city manager, and the commission form. I am not convinced that the city of Salem has the type best suited for its government. Perhaps more efficiency, better service, and at less expense, may be had by the adoption of one of the other forms, or even by changes and improvements in the present form. Therefore, a suggest and recommend that a committee of the council, augmented by citizens, be authorized for the purpose of investi-

Workmen Clear Flood Debris



Another Willamette river flood scene, workmen trying to free west approach of Salem-West Salem bridge of debris. Photographed Saturday, the scene was duplicated Monday, except in that the workmen had to reach farther to get at the assorted flooring, siding, brush and logs below.

New Governor Expected To Raise Tax Question

E (Continued from Page 1) E in its record, or so the chairman indicates.

It is understood that independent surveys of Oregon's assessment and taxation system, bitterly assailed by Multnomah county political leaders last year, have been put in progress at the behest of the new governor, to serve as a guide for any suggestions of change he may offer.

The new state executive, facing fewer jobseekers as well as fewer hot issues, because of the focus of public attention on the war and the fact that his rise represents no political change of administration, is keeping close counsel as to any appointments he may make following the legislative session. His pre-session appointments consist of Douglas Mullarky, Burns newspaperman, as private secretary; Grover Henderson, Portland, as legal advisor, and Alene Phillips, his office secretary for eight years, as assistant private secretary. Miss Phillips will have as her assistants Leolyn Barnett and Irene Berning.

Probably number four on the list of appointments will be that of budget director, now held by George K. Aiken, Ontario newspaper publisher. Snell has invited Aiken to stay on the job at least for the duration of the legislative proceedings.

George Flagg, deputy secretary of state, undoubtedly will be called upstairs after the session to receive a new assignment, possibly that of budget director and executive secretary at \$5000 a year, or to the best-paying position at the governor's command, the \$7500 utilities commissionership which Ormond R. Bean, Sprague appointee, now holds. Bean's term expires next June 1. Meanwhile, Flagg will continue in his present position at the request of Robert S. Farrell, jr., who moved Monday into the office of secretary of state.

Political circles have heard gossip to the effect that William "Bill" Allen, \$6000-a-year state liquor administrator, is headed out to make way for Hugh Ross, ex-University of Oregon graduate manager, lawyer, and safe-driving director, who served Snell during the campaign.

Then there is Jerry Saylor of Oswego, close friend and advisor of the new governor who may be wishing to come to Salem. There are also to be considered Walter C. Winslow, Salem attorney who managed Snell's local campaign office and at least four other staunch workers, W. G. Hare of Hillsboro, George Neuner, J. W. McInturff of Marshfield, and Banks Mortimer.

The governor-elect has given no intimation of whether or not he may make any early changes in the directorship of agriculture, \$5000 job held at the pleasure of the executive, at present J. D. Mickler, banking superintendent, also \$5000, named by the board of control members serving as the banking board; corporation commissioner, \$4800, to which Gov. Sprague has just reappointed Lloyd R. Smith; industrial accident commissioners, \$5600 apiece, term positions.

If there is a change eventually in the banking superintendent, it would not be surprising to see Frederick S. Lampert, Marion county pro tem senator, as the designee; he was in-terested in the post four years ago and last year campaigned for Snell.

The new secretary of state, who professes to have no intention of making many changes in the staff he has inherited, may find vacancies not of his own making for supporters to fill, since additional promotions to the executive department are expected from that quarter.

But it's a case of "Let's get this legislature out of the way first."

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Yank Bombers Blast Crete; French Hold

F (Continued from Page 1) F beaten back after gaining some initial successes. Fondouk is about 20 miles west of the railroad-highway junction of Kairouan in central Tunisia.

Allied fighters and light bombers roared overhead making "heavy and effective attacks" on the enemy armored forces, the communique said.

The allied communique said the French ground forces used American tank destroyer equipment which had been turned over to them, although an earlier French communique reported the counterattack was supported by "American anti-tank units."

Two of the attacking German tanks were smashed, four others burned out and many more damaged, the French reported. An allied spokesman said the tanks presumably had been unloaded at the port of Sousse, east of Kairouan.

The enemy's heavy ground attack in the Fondouk area was thrown in against positions held by French infantry, motorized cavalry, some artillery and some anti-tank units. With the effective support of American anti-tank units and planes, the French commander reported, the axis was hurled back and both German and Italian prisoners were seized.

Upper Ohio Area Freed

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 4. (AP) The Ohio river crept to a flood crest just shy of 61 feet in the Ohio-Indiana-Kentucky area Monday while war-busy communities upstream strove for a quick return to normalcy.

The weather bureau estimated the river would begin its recession from 60.8 feet here by morning and by Thursday should be below the 52-foot flood stage.

For six hours Monday the stream held steadily at 60.5 feet at Cincinnati.

The river was falling all the way from its Pennsylvania headwaters to below Portsmouth, O., and was rising slowly from below Cincinnati to dam 39 at Carrollton, Ky., 55 miles southeast.

Go-Ahead Given On Two Bridges

As its bridge-building and maintenance projects threatened to rise to an unexpected high because of flood, Marion county court Monday received from the war production board authority to proceed with construction of two bridges it had requested in the fall.

Some stock lumber for the two spans was made available at the same time, County Judge Grant Murphy said.

The new bridges are to replace old structures on the Buena Vista ferry road and on the Turner-Jefferson road.

LeRoy Casey Flies

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Jan. 4. (AP)—Lt. LeRoy V. Casey, Salem, was among seven Oregon men who took part in the big aerial attack on axis-held Tunisia Sunday.

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ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

Running a rescue party of his own, Joey Bartosz (who, in case you don't know him, is 12 years old, smiling, well-freckled and in the seventh grade at Sacred Heart school) took an old canner's heart, plugged the places where the pipe used to fit and set out to get his grandfather.

If you don't know Joey, you more than likely know his grandfather, who is also Joe Bartosz, a Salem property owner who has a twinkle in his eye but is sometimes a little stubborn. He wasn't going to move out, the last thing I heard of him, although water was lapping around the porch of his South Cottage street dwelling.

However, Joey picked him up in his tank boat, he says, and took him to his own home, not far away on Winter street.

But he wasn't content with that; he paddled around the neighborhood, knocking on walls and windows and asking who wanted groceries. I understand the list was long when Joey showed up at the store, but he kept the marooned residents of the area fed and cheerful—sort of did the Red Cross out of a job.

Speaking of the Red Cross: The biggest single food ration in recent weeks was that issued to the Red Cross from the office of the Salem war price and rationing board. Five hundred pounds of coffee and 500 pounds of sugar were made available through that organization to families whose ration books were left in flood-surrounded homes.

Don't get excited. The Red Cross personnel is responsible and if any is left they can't let you or me in on it because it has to go back to the rationing board.

County Roads Loss Unknown

C (Continued from Page 1) C curve in the road, the flood left just enough roadbed to accommodate one-way traffic.

Still undetermined Monday was the ownership of a garage deposited on the South River road.

One covered bridge was added to the county's possessions, just when it was believed that this typical Oregon highway scene was disappearing from the landscape. Hubbs said. He proposed to send a crew down into the Clearlake district to remove drift and debris which has reportedly covered entirely a bridge on road 604.

Westland ferry and Newberg bridge roads were still impassable Monday as was a portion of the South River and other roads across from Independence, where damage was supposed to be considerable.

Repair of Flood Damage Needed For Art Center

No estimate of flood damage to the Salem Art and Recreation center in Pringle park has yet been made. When nearby Pringle creek rose to a depth of two feet within the building itself, the piano, coke machine, davenport and other large pieces of furniture were severely injured by the water. The interior of the building is in need of refinishing because of the flood.

Late Saturday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Anderson and Barbara Kurtz Smith, recreation director, went by boat to the center and removed rugs and lighter pieces of furniture. Drapes and small goods were raised above the region where water was expected to come.

Some small buildings at the center were tipped over during the flood stage, but none had floated away by Saturday. The center's juke box was in the armory and therefore escaped damage. Some other equipment is still stored in the old Salem high school building.

The center will be prepared for use again as soon as possible. Some furniture supplied by the WPA must be handled through government action first, however.

Loss in Crops May Be Large

Bridge Probably Open For Walking Friday; Bodies Unrecovered

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Both Salem and West Salem were rapidly returning to normal in flood-affected districts Monday. The Southern Pacific company began a Monday providing frequent passenger service between the two communities at the request of Gov. Charles A. Sprague, as a substitute for the inter-county bridge. Half-hourly ferry service was being operated from the Salem boathouse by Ivan Cutsforth with the twin-engineered tow launch, Rainbow.

The damaged highway bridge will probably be reopened to pedestrian traffic by Friday and to motor vehicle by next Monday, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, announced. He estimated damage to the structure at \$20,000. As a rough guess, he placed his department's losses in road and bridge damage throughout the valley at \$100,000, of which \$5000 was caused by washouts of an overflow channel on the approach to Sanderson bridge on the Albany-Crabtree road.

The bodies of the two highway crewmen who were swept downstream here Saturday night when debris they were helping dislodge broke away had not been recovered Monday. The two men, Archie Cook, 33, of Woodburn, and Mike Mauer, 27, of Stayton, were not wearing lifejackets, Engineer Baldock declared.

West Salem schools remained closed Monday, but Salem schools operated at nearly normal attendance levels, with pupils from the county across the river being transported by both bus and train. Absences at Salem high school numbered only 115, not an unusually high figure, E. A. Carleton, assistant principal, reported. But to get to school, many of the students hitch-hiked, others came by boat, by train, by horseback and in private cars.

West Salem's main street was still covered by water Sunday morning when its water mains, fed for two days from reservoirs alone, ran dry. Emergency pumping service was started by 3 p. m., with a fire hydrant across from the city hall as the feeding pint, Mayor Guy Newgent reported. The water receded from Edgewater street Sunday night. City Recorder R. E. Pattison said it was imperative for West Salem residents to boil all water until further notice.

Behind it in West Salem the river left soil-covered floors and walls in many waterfront dwellings and stores. The community's property loss was estimated at least \$50,000 by Earl C. Burk, most severely hit victim.

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