

# Local News Briefs

**Plan Training Program**—Employees in the Salem office of Railway Express will participate in educational courses to be arranged by Rodolph J. Tetreault, just appointed supervisor of training in the company's Pacific department, according to H. E. Brown, local agent. Instruction of new employees who have replaced more than 13,000 experienced expressmen who are now in the armed services, is one of the objectives of the company's nation-wide educational program.

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**Students Get Physicals**—Salem children reaching the school age of six are being urged to come to the Marion county health department in the Masonic building for their pre-school physical examination which are given each Wednesday from 10 to 12 a.m. and from 2 to 4 p.m. Examinations may be by appointment.

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**Red Cross Worker Resigns**—Mrs. Edwin Geller, volunteer staff assistant at the Red Cross office for the past year and a half, as well as doing the secretarial work for the camp and hospital committee, has resigned from her assignment and will make her home in Portland while her husband is serving in the armed forces.

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**Smith Here**—Elbert Smith, jr., returned to Salem recently from Hamline college, Minn., where he is an assistant chemistry professor. He will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Smith, while he is in the city.

**"Mark Twain" sport shirts**—\$2.95, the shirt for school. \$1.95 to \$2.95. A. A. Clothing, 121 N. High.

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**Investigations to Be Held**—One representative of the naturalization department in Portland will come to Salem next Monday to hold special investigations, word from the department revealed.

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**Wednesday maximum temperature 81, minimum 46. Thursday river -3.1 feet. Weather data restricted by army request.**

**Office Moved**—Following a meeting of the Willamette university student council recently, members of the executive committee announced that the office of the general manager will be moved to the basement of Waller hall from the second floor of the university gymnasium. Dr. Robert E. Lantz, general manager succeeding Leslie Sparks, will make his headquarters in the new office.

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**Raised seam metal roofing for sale at 164 S. Com'l. Ph. 4642.**

**Fledging Off**—Dr. R. M. Gatke, president of the interfraternity council of Willamette university, announced that members of Willamette fraternities would not pledge new members for the duration. Members of the interfraternity met recently and decided that pledging new members among navy men would be impractical because no activities could be carried out in the fraternity houses on the campus which are now reserved for women.

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

**Hardy Resting Well**—William G. Hardy, Salem realtor who was struck by a hit-and-run driver Wednesday night near his home on Glen Creek road, was reported resting well at the Salem General hospital Thursday. So far as had been determined his injuries were limited to bruises and contusions. He was unconscious when found after the accident.

**August Clearance. The Fashionette.**

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

**Articles Filed**—Thomas O. Toon, Clayton Shary and L. V. Weiser have filed articles of incorporation for the Oregon Aircraft association in the Marion county probate court Thursday. According to the articles filed by the firm, the corporation will design, manufacture, fabricate and assemble airplanes.

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# The Victor



A British Tommy walks down the main street of Catania, Sicily, with flowers given him by the welcoming residents. The 8th army was deluged with flowers and fruit when it entered the city.

# USO Seminar Sessions End

Interesting examples illustrated Dr. Charles T. Holman's discussion of behavior patterns at the last session of a three-day seminar on personal counseling yesterday. Sessions were held at the YMCA, sponsored by the Chemeketa street USO. Rev. David Nielsen acted as chairman. Rev. J. Kenneth Wisheart gave the invocation.

Excerpts from Dean Holman's address were:

"Patterns of behavior are created by environment as much as by inheritance."

"The attitude 'I want what I want when I want it' is infantile because that's just what a baby wants."

"Growing up means overcoming egocentricity. A baby is completely self-centered."

"Fear never made anyone good. The good life must be shown to be desirable."

"A human being is not only an animal. Man must adjust to his meaning of the universe."

"He who finds his life in harmony with the will of God has the most stable life."

"Integration is achieved by finding some cause to which one commits oneself, about which all the forces of one's personality are organized."

General discussion followed Dean Holman's lectures and a vote of thanks was given him at the conclusion of the course. He was sent from the University of Chicago by the army and navy YMCA in cooperation with the Federal council of churches.

# Herbert Howe Rites Sunday

Funeral services for Herbert Howe, former Salem resident who died this week at Clatskanie, will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. from the Clatskanie Presbyterian church.

Surviving relatives include his widow, Vella Howe of Clatskanie; a son, Treston Howe of Portland; his father and mother in Salem; three sisters, Mrs. J. W. Goode of Sanders, Idaho, Mrs. J. F. Goode and Nellie Howe of Salem, and a brother, Clarence Howe of Salem.

# MUNICIPAL COURT

John J. Hopp; violation of basic rule; bail \$7.50.

Thomas Gibson of Portland; vagrancy; suspension of ten days sentence on condition Gibson leave town within 30 minutes.

John Mandick of San Pedro, Calif.; illegal reverse turn; fined \$2.50; no driver's license, fined \$5.

John E. Beebe of Salem air base; four in driver's seat; bail \$2.50.

# MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS

Gilbert A. Martin, legal, US army, Jefferson, and Irene Pratt, legal, Jefferson.

Joseph F. Wind, 22, US army, Salem air base, and Leaneore A. Wadle, 17, of 1200 Center street, Salem.

Albert Austin Holloway, 27, US army, Camp Adair, and Rhoda M. Magel, 20, weaver, Salem.

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# Merit System Proposed for State Workers

Investigation of the question of instituting a merit system of civil service for Oregon's state employees will be launched by a 1943 legislative interim committee, appointed for the purpose, at a meeting in Portland at the Multnomah county courthouse August 30, it was announced Thursday by Rep. W. W. Chadwick of Salem, a member of the committee.

Some preliminary work already has been done. Each member of the committee has received a list of state employees together with their classifications and salaries, as well as some material containing information on other states' experiences with civil service.

At the August 30 meeting the committee will be organized in the forenoon, then hear George Aiken, budget director, and his assistant, Vern Young, explain the status of state employees who are not now under a merit system.

At the afternoon session Dr. William C. Jones, merit system supervisor for the state public welfare commission, will explain the operation of the existing merit system in that department, the state board of health and the state unemployment compensation commission.

The committee will set a later date to hear the views of citizens who wish to be heard, and the spokesmen for any organizations which are interested.

# Sound Sleeper Loses \$80

If John D. Hinkle of 265 North Commercial street had been one of his friends \$80 that he was a sound sleeper, he would not be any richer today but at least would have proved his point.

According to police reports, a thief entered Hinkle's bedroom from a window onto the roof and stole \$80 which Hinkle had placed under his mattress before going to bed.

# Butchers Asked To Indicate Wish On New Lamb Kill

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 19—(P)—Slaughtermen and butchers of western Oregon were asked by State Meat Marketing Supervisor S. R. Tully tonight to notify him immediately if they wish to participate in a slaughter increase of 20,000 lambs granted by the food distribution administration today.

Tully said letters would be mailed tonight advising them of the increase and of the appointment of an advisory committee to the FDA which will meet here August 24 to complete allocation of the new quota.

Some requests for increased quotas already are on hand and will be granted at once, he said. Other requests must be made to his office in the Mayer building here before next Tuesday's meeting.

The unlimited lend-lease market outlet for frozen lamb also announced by the FDA is expected to relieve Oregon sheep raisers of many of the remaining 280,000 lambs which they claim are ready for market, Tully said.

"Marketing of these lambs depends on the ability of the federally inspected slaughter houses in western Oregon to handle the increased business," he said.

# Riverboat Fire Loss \$100,000

PORTLAND, Aug. 19—(P)—Fire Investigator William Goetz estimated at \$100,000 the loss in a blaze which swept the sternwheel riverboat Cascades as she made a Willamette river run Thursday.

Capt. H. B. Davis was forced to beach the craft on Swan Island after the flames spread from the engine room. Navy boats took off the crew.

Only the hull of the steamer, owned by the Shaver Transportation company, is salvagable, Goetz said.

# Capture of New Georgia Puts Old Military Axioms on Shelf

MUNDA AIRPORT, New Georgia—(P)—Old military axioms have it that, whatever precedes a victory, the actual winning of any campaign is gained by dint of infantry action.

Today all military axioms are in the discard. No trite observation can be made. The infantry drill regulation manual of 1916, on which much of our military training has been predicated, is as outmoded as one of Queen Mother Mary's hats.

The capture of New Georgia by our troops—the stars and stripes were officially unfurled over Munda airport August 5th at 2 p.m. local time—has knocked into a cocked hat the infantry idea.

True, infantry or ground troops, won through to the field, but it was the naval shelling, land based artillery and high altitude and dive-bombing that softened the Japanese to the point where our ground troops could get through.

Long before the initial landing on Rendova, June 30, our air strikes had pounded the Nips into a state of mental collapse, a bordering on terror, and had them panicky so that what ground fighting there was, was done in desperation.

Constant air bombing, repeated naval shelling—and of the latter is by far the most nerve wracking—plus starvation through the medium of having task forces patrolling the supply routes, brought the best of the Japanese had—the emperor's own 13th regiment—to their knees.

The infantry and heavy weapon companies finished them off. To understand the Munda campaign one must be acquainted with what faced our boys. No one of the army units involved in the New Georgia campaign had combat experience in dense jungle fighting.

On New Georgia we faced more trying conditions than we ever experienced on Guadalcanal. I know for I took part in both campaigns. The jungles of New Georgia, matted, twisted, dense underbrush behind which lurked sudden death, were nerve-wracking in both Flora and Fauna.

Insect life was more predominant. Snakes were an added deterrent we did not face on Guadalcanal.

Rain was constant. Trails could not be used because every one was of Japanese origin and booby-trapped, mined and guarded.

Infantry was useless in such conditions. It was necessary to bring into play the heavies, air strikes, naval shelling and artillery. And with our troops within a hundred or so yards of the enemy at all times, the most meticulous pattern had to be carried out. Planes manned by the most marvellous kids imaginable tore into the Munda plain and dropped bombs 50 yards from our foxholes. Thirty-five yards would have caused us casualties from our own bombs. Yet we suffered not a single casualty from these air strikes.

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# Geist Heads USO Music Committee

Dean Melvin Geist of Willamette university was elected chairman of the planning committee of the new Salem advisory committee on music for the USO which met Thursday with Oren Lathrop Brown, national USO advisor. The two members who will serve with him are Mrs. Mary Hughes and Vernon L. Wiscarsin.

Members of the committee of the whole include also Adj. C. H. Thomas, Mrs. V. A. Douglas, Miss Marion Bretz, Lewis Pankaski, Miss Margaret Simms and Mrs. Priscilla Meisinger.

The first project planned was the song leaders' workshop which will be held Tuesday night at the music building which is at the northwest corner of Willamette university. This will be a class at which Mr. Brown will train song-leaders and pianists in the skills of community singing.

One of the first tasks of the committee will be to compile a list of talent in Salem and vicinity. Homes where music-loving service men may share instruments or enjoy recordings also will be listed. Men will be sent to such homes only when referred.

Donations of sheet music will be received at either USO with appreciation, the committee stated.

Brown is kept busy among the soldiers at the air base and at the fairgrounds as well as the USOs in this area. He is teaching three classes of selected song leaders at the air base. At the fairgrounds, selected men are at-

# Story Hour To Feature Puppet Show

The puppet show, delight of children since the origin of Punch and Judy, will feature the "Story Hour" Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the children's room of the Salem public library, Elizabeth Gardner, children's librarian, announced this week.

Three ten-year-old boys will present the show, having designed and constructed all of the scenery and built their own stage. In addition they made up one of the stories which they will dramatize. The three are Harland Brock, 565 Oxford street; David Rhoten, 1845 South Church, and Wayne Rogers, 1995 South Cottage. Puppet production has been a hobby of the boys for the last few years, Miss Gardner revealed.

Sure to interest the babies, and the show is open to any and all children, including pre-school age,