

Kansas Editor Passes Away In Home Town

EMPORIA, Kas., Jan. 29—(P) William Allen White, who grew into a journalistic giant in his home town, died today. He would have been 76 years old February 10.

The world-famous editor of the Emporia Gazette had been in declining health for more than a year. He underwent an operation at Rochester, Minn., last October, but failed to improve.

At his bedside were his almost equally famous wife, Sally Lindsay White, and his son William L. White, himself a writer of note.

White died on the 83rd birthday of his native state while republican notables were gathered at Topeka, the capital, for the annual political love-feast at which he frequently was a central figure, although not always a party regular.

He entered the newspaper field through the back shop, learning the printing trade in his teens. He attended the University of Kansas from 1886 to 1890, but did not graduate.

After working on the Kansas City Star for three years as an editorial writer, White returned to Emporia in 1895 and bought the Gazette with a borrowed \$3000. Success came early. A year later he began a career as a magazine story writer and author which earned his debt and put his paper on a paying basis.

A political editorial, "What's the matter with Kansas?" threw him into national prominence in 1896. A Lamson on the Populist movement which arose in Kansas, it was used widely in the republican national campaign of that year.

"Mark Hanna took me to a high mountain and offered me my choice of any profitable office under the incoming McKinley administration," White once wrote. "I refused to consider any office. He wrote me a letter of introduction to McKinley which I have framed in my office in which he says: 'This young man wants no office.'"

That was the keynote of White's political life. He never held an elective office. He ran for governor in 1924 as an independent candidate "in order to have my say against the Ku Klux Klan." Although he had no organization and spent little more than traveling expenses, his unsuccessful campaign produced more votes than were cast in Kansas that year for John W. Davi, the democratic presidential candidate.

Allies Approach Rome Outskirts

north of Anzio placed allied troops within eight miles of Castel Gondolfo, summer home of Pope Pius XII and brought up the possibility of the fighting damaging papal or church property.

Since the invasion of Italy all allied troops have had standing orders not to use church property as military cover and to avoid damaging religious shrines wherever possible. However, the Germans have used church steeples as observation towers and fortified other property.

On the main Fifth army front the French recaptured two hills north of Mount Belvedere. The Americans north of Cassino lunged out with the support of tanks against the Gustav line. The British on the west side of the Carigliano river made a short advance northeast of Suio.

(The German communiqué said the allies had taken Mt. Rotondo, a mile and a half beyond Castel-forte and about five miles inland on the Carigliano front.) Both the British and the American navies took an important part in the battle of the beachhead, shelling the enemy from the sea with their long range guns.

Count 'Em—Three Girls

The wartime production rate soared in one Salem family on Saturday, when Mrs. John Hutto presented her husband with not one baby girl — not two baby girls — but three squawling feminine additions to the Hutto family, all in a period of less than a quarter of an hour. The babies, born at Salem General hospital beginning at 7:19 a. m., weighed 4 pounds 12 ounces, 4 pounds 13 ounces and 4 pounds 9 1/2 ounces, in the order of their appearance.

Mrs. Hutto and the girls are reported well by hospital authorities. Although the father had not been contacted up to a late hour, he is reported to be recovering as well as can be expected.

The couple has another child, a two-year old boy. Hutto is employed at the Western Paper Converting company and the family lives on route 2, Salem.

Obituary

Nelson James C. Nelson. Survived by wife, Anna Nelson; one son, Thomas N. Nelson of Chico, Calif., and two grandchildren, James Thomas Nelson and Jerry Nelson. Announcements later by W. T. Rigdon company.

White Dies



WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE



Have you heard the stories from the south Pacific about how the reserve between officers and men is broken on the battlefield?

Listen to the story of the softening influence which may be felt even on the homefront: The narrator should rightly be Cpl. Charles Donald Tungate, Salem, who came home wounded and decorated after four months on Guadalcanal. But I heard it from a man who heard it from him and I can't put the words into his mouth.

Cpl. Tungate had a short leave at home and then was sent to Seattle for hospitalization, because he was still feeling the effects of malaria, shrapnel, etc.

Friday night he left Seattle for another 48-hour leave with the homefolk and girl friend in Salem. Among other knowledge he has gained is that the fastest way to travel is to leave where you're leaving and start for where you're going on foot. Just outside Seattle he caught a ride with a Washington state policeman.

North of Olympia he observed that the car just ahead of them carried Oregon license plates. Knowing his chauffeur of the moment would travel only as far as Olympia, Cpl. Charles Don remarked that if he could only hook a ride with the car ahead it would possibly take him at least to Portland.

Courtesy patrolman immediately pulled up alongside and touched his siren. When the Oregon car had stopped, the policeman explained to the pair of august gentlemen in the front seat that a certain young marine corporal would appreciate a ride to Portland. Meanwhile, the corporal was making a vain attempt to crawl under the seat of the police car. For the pair of august gentlemen wore sleeves filled with the widest stripes and, my informant declares, "hat brims covered with gold scrambled eggs."

They were admirals of the US navy.

But that does not complete the story. Despite his remonstrances, Tungate was taken into the Oregon car. They rode in silence to Chehalis, where they got out for coffee, sat on stools at a counter, side by side, the boy who had been on Guadalcanal and the two admirals. The rest of the trip was not made in silence.

Meisinger Students To Be Featured At Polio Dance

Additional attractions for the infantile paralysis benefit dance, Monday night at the armory, arranged late Saturday, will include special numbers by Betty Pierce and accordion numbers by the Princess Pat sextet, both groups from the Priscilla Meisinger studio, it was announced.

Tom Hill will be master of ceremonies. The dance, sponsored by the American Legion and 40 et 8, will start at 9 p. m.



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Reds Suffer Setbacks In Ukraine

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Other soviet forces held the Germans from their last hold on the double track Moscow-Leningrad railway line by taking the town of Chudovo.

The Russians also captured the railway station of Viritsa, 33 miles south of Leningrad on the Vitebsk line, capturing important war material.

In an area about 200 miles south of this northernmost fighting, the Second Baltic army of Gen. Markian M. Popov captured the rail junction of Novosokolinki in a surprise attack.

To the north in the Novgorod area, the left wing of Gen. Kyrill A. Meretskov's forces killed 1700 Germans and captured three heavily fortified points in their drive toward the Leningrad-Pskov-Warsaw railroad, the Germans' last retreat line from the north.

More than 80 towns were liberated by the Russians in the day's advances.

Three Salem Men Throw Hats in Ring

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amendment of the charter to provide modest compensation for city officials who should succeed the present mayor and council; equalization of city employees' pay with regard to the services performed, and a retirement system for city employees.

Studies in connection with some of these recommendations have been made or begun. The mayor later initiated a postwar planning program on which substantial progress has been made in organization and research.

Whether any heat is developed in the campaign or not, the city ballot will be a bit longer than the charter contemplates. Mayor, recorder and treasurer are elected every two years; theoretically only seven aldermen are to be elected at one time, but this year due to resignations and appointments there will be nine. Aldermen must be elected for two-year terms to the positions now filled by appointment by Kenneth C. Perry in the first ward and Elmer O. Berg in the sixth.

Aldermen whose four-year terms expire are James H. Nicholson, first ward; L. F. LeGarde, second; Lloyd T. Rigdon, third; Mrs. G. L. Lobdell, fourth; Ross Goodman, fifth; Tom Armstrong, sixth; Daniel J. Fry, seventh.

Of the nine, only one has indicated whether or not he will seek reelection; Alderman Fry has made it known that he will not run but will, as a matter of fact, resign sometime this spring on removing to a different ward.

Holdover members of the council are Albert H. Gille, second ward; Claude W. Jorgensen, third; R. O. Lewis, fourth; David O'Hara, fifth; C. F. French, seventh.

Three places on the city water commission also are to be filled; those of Chairman Howard Jenks, W. L. Phillips and Ed Rostein.

Dr. Bee to Lead Relations Forum

Dr. Lawrence Bee of the University of Oregon faculty will lead a forum discussion on family relations at the YMCA on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock to which the parents of Hi-Y members are invited.

The Hi-Y mothers will meet at the YMCA Tuesday afternoon, also at 2 o'clock. Miss Marcia Hunt of the state library staff will talk on new books, and important business is scheduled, officers of the group announce.

Baby Boom

MEDFORD, Jan. 29—(P)—A baby boom was reported in Jackson county today, with the 1012 births in 1943 nearly triple the number recorded in 1941.

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Sidney-Talbot Paces Bond Purchasing

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of Japanese souvenirs from Kiaka and Attu and other articles from the Fiji Islands and New Caledonia, sent home by Bud Abney who is in the navy and explained by his mother, Mrs. Ray Abney.

There were musical numbers by Mrs. Gilbert Bellnap, Mrs. Elmo Brown, Dona Zehner, Leon Hampton and Mrs. Clint Hampton, and sleight-of-hand and ventriloquism demonstrations by D. D. Dotson of the Salem party.

County Chairman Gard introduced other representatives of the county committee; Dave Scott, Rex Gibson and Arthur Smith.

The regular meeting of the Sidney-Talbot Farmers Union local was shortened to afford time for the bony rally through courtesy of George Potts, Jr., president.

The Schools at War program is making great headway, it was reported Saturday, and the goal has been increased to \$62,515 for pupils alone; to date they have bought bonds and stamps amounting to \$35,411.66.

Miss Mathilda Gilles, Salem chairman, reports a total of \$22,236.21 against a quota of \$28,820. Schools over the top include Parrish, Englewood, Washington, Grant, Highland and McKinley; Bush made its original \$1165 quota but has raised it to \$3000. Salem high is making rapid strides toward its \$15,000 goal.

Teachers and employes in the Salem schools also are making a great showing, having invested over \$12,000 toward a \$12,600 goal.

For the territory outside Salem, Chairman Carmalite Weddle reports that the goal has been raised to \$33,695, toward which \$13,175.45 has been sold. Nearly every school has picked an item of war equipment to sponsor.

Schools reaching their goals, in addition to those reported earlier, are St. Paul, Johnston, Lincoln of Woodburn, Fruitland, Auburn, Salem Heights, Clear Lake and Keizer.

Roy Mills, secretary of the state board of control, reports that 11 more state departments, making a total of 21, have gone over the top, and that against a \$389,100 goal \$139,992 had been raised, or more than one-third in ten days. This is \$50,000 more than was raised in the third war loan.

Large subscriptions to be included in the total after February 1 include the Salem water commission's purchase of \$40,000 of treasury notes, and purchases by Marion county, Associated Oil company, Blake, Moffitt and Towne, Arden Farms and F. W. Woolworth company.

The committee expressed appreciation for aid of Burket Advertising company, Foster and Kleiser company and many firms which have donated space, in connection with outdoor advertising.

30 Couples Attend Hi-Y Coed Party

Thirty couples attended the Hi-Y coed party held at the YMCA Saturday night. The occasion, third of a series, featured dancing, swimming and lobby games. Guests met before a roaring fire in the fireplace in the boys' lobby, with atmosphere added by decorations about the room. Refreshments were served by the Hi-Y Mothers' club.

Cattle Club Members Oppose Subsidies, Dumping of Surplus; Tibbles Elected President

Resolutions opposing subsidies and rollbacks on food products, and opposing repeal of the 10c tax on colored margarine, together with a warning against dumping of surplus foodstuffs after the war were adopted by the Oregon Jersey Cattle club at its annual meeting held at the Marion hotel yesterday.

M. N. Tibbles of Independence was elected president to succeed T. J. Law, of Gresham, and Jens Svith, assistant county agent in Washington county was elected secretary to succeed Oscar Mikesell of Albany. M. G. Gunderson of Silverton was elected vice president.

Clackamas county club again won first in the county achievement contest with Polk county second and Linn-Benton club third. Clackamas county club, which was first last year, also won first in the national contest in 1943. Marion county club was awarded the Hulbert trophy for 1943. William Richards of Linn county was the 4H club youth winning the Jersey heifer offered this year by R. A. Forester of Tangent.

The noon luncheon was addressed by E. L. Peterson, director of agriculture and himself an Oregon dairyman. He declared that consumer acceptance of dairy products is based on quality and quality depends on sanitary standards. In this respect he said that the war had forced some lowering of standards, but he regarded that as temporary.

On the margarine issue Director Peterson stated that the yellow color which should not be infringed, but he urged producers to make butter so good it will be preferred by consumers. The director said that supply of protein feeds was inadequate to maintain production, but expressed his confidence in the long-term outlook for dairying in Oregon.

Walter C. Leth, western director of the American Jersey Cattle club, reported on matters before the national organization. The group voted to ask the national organization to retain Ted Warren as state field agent, Warren having resigned recently to enter business.

About a hundred dairymen and friends attended the meeting and luncheon, which by custom, is held at Salem.

Dethrone King Cry Italian Parties

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—(P)—The all-party congress of six Italian political parties at Bari unanimously adopted today a resolution calling for abdication of King Vittorio Emanuele, the Bari radio said tonight in a broadcast recorded by US government monitors.

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FDR Observes Birthday

By D. HAROLD OLIVER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29—(P)—President and Mrs. Roosevelt invited Crown Prince Olaf and Crown Princess Martha of Norway to the "cuff link" dinner at the intimate family affair that has been held each year since 1921 to observe the President's birthday.

The chief executive will be 62 tomorrow, but he did most of his celebrating today. After dinner he had arranged to make a midnight broadcast, his customary brief address to the nation to express his thanks for donations to the infantile paralysis eradication campaign.

Tomorrow the President and first lady will receive at luncheon some of the movie, stage and radio stars participating in tonight's birthday ball program, including a series of hotel dances visited by Mrs. Roosevelt, to promote the raising of funds for the paralysis fight.

Washington state for two years before coming to Salem.

He married Anna Van Horsen in Orange City, Iowa, July 23, 1904. She survives, as well as one son, Thomas N. Nelson of Chico, Calif., and two grandchildren. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

She wound up at the Statter hotel where a group of movie actors and actresses, including Jinx Falkenburg, Lucille Ball and Red Skelton watched her cut a giant birthday cake.

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Just a Little Late

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Pre-Induction Physicals Create Task

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will not be renewed. College students will find deferment more difficult under the new regulations.

Biggest headache for the draft boards is the vast change-over to pre-induction physical examinations. Throughout January the boards had to furnish about 300,000 men under the old system and at the same time order some men to report for pre-induction physicals in preparation for the February 1 deadline.

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Crabtree Woman's Grandson Killed on Anniversary Eve

ALBANY, Jan. 29—(P)—Mrs. Roy Thompson of Crabtree was happily preparing today for her birthday celebration tomorrow. Her grandson, Richard Bernard Mary, 8, went across the road to get the mail.

Mrs. Thompson looked out of her window just as Richard was crushed to death under a grocery truck.

Coroner E. C. Fisher said there would be no inquest. The father, in the army air service, the mother, a brother, a sister and four grandparents survive.

Two Cars Stolen

City police reported two cars stolen Saturday night. A DeSoto coupe belonging to Orval's used car lot was stolen from a parking space at Rigdon's Mortuary at 10 p.m. and a Ford coach belonging to Max V. Osborne was stolen from his residence at 1057 Oak street at 9:30.

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