

Dallas Scouts Keep Birthday

**Observation Started
With Group Attendance
At Church Service**

DALLAS — The Boys Scouts began their observance of Scout week by attending church in a body at the Methodist church Sunday morning. Rev. E. M. Tilton chose "Christ, The Way" for his sermon subject and the choir provided special music.

During the week attractive displays were placed by the scouts in the Mountain States Power company window and the Adolf Electric company.

Friday night the Mothers' club served a covered dish dinner to all Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, their immediate families and those who are connected with the scout movement. Lyle Leighton, executive of the Cascade area, and Donald Lundberg, assistant, were present.

Otto Adolf, of the district committee, presented the program, which followed the dinner. The program included: Introduction of Lyle Leighton who explained the purpose of scouting and what is expected of a scout. He introduced the scoutmasters and those who work on committees.

At the court of honor Charles Miller, Byron Hodgson, Lewis Simon, Delbert Fredricks, Donald Graves, DeWayne Theissen, Howard Lanyon and Arthur Van Alstine. Merit badges were awarded to Donald Yeager for firemanship; Donald Dunn, star scout; Alvin Adolf, personal health. An investiture ceremony was held for Richard Reddig, Raymond Hiebert, Billy Urie and Bobby Thatcher.

Johnson Rites Are Tuesday

SILVERTON—Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 o'clock at the Zoar Lutheran church at Canby for Mrs. Agnete Johnson, 83, who died Friday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. E. Hussett, 2024 North Webster Street, Portland. Interment will be at Evens Valley cemetery at Silvertown.

Mrs. Johnson was born in Norway, September 27, 1860 and came to the United States 35 years ago. She lived for a short time in Boston, then came to Canby where she was a charter member of the Lutheran church which observed its 50th anniversary two years ago. The family moved to Evens Valley in May, 1899, where they became pioneer members of the Immanuel Lutheran church at Silvertown. In June, 1925, Mrs. Johnson moved back to Canby and her son, Oscar J. Johnson, took over the old home place. For the past five months Mrs. Johnson had made her home with her daughter at Portland. A paralytic stroke about two weeks ago was the contributing cause of her death.

Her husband died at Silvertown in 1920. Survivors are three daughters, Minda Ringness of Canby, Tilda Hussett of Portland, Anna Mitchell of Zig Zag; one son, Oscar of Silvertown; five grandchildren, Olive Hussett, Edward and Elen Mitchell, and Daryl and Ardell Johnson.

Eliason Leads Skiers

ALTA, Utah, Feb. 14—(AP)—Sid Eliason, Salt Lake City youth, took the lead in opening events of the Intermountain junior four-way ski championships.



Charles Boyer and Barbara Stanwick as they appear in "Flash" starting Tuesday at the Elsinore theatre. Co-starring these are Edward G. Robinson, Betty Field, Robert Cummings, Robert Beachley, Thomas Mitchell, Charles Wininger and Anna Lee. The swing happy co-hit is "Moonlight in Vermont," starring Gloria Jean.

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Birds Return To Scio Area

**Forecasts of Spring
Make Appearance
In Northern Linn**

SCIO — Robins, meadowlarks and other feathered harbingers of spring have been chirping cheerfully in Scio this week. Bluebirds are due from the south about March 1, according to those who have studied birds' habits.

A large quantity of used clothing was sent to the county salvage chairman, Roscoe Ames, at Albany this week. N. I. Morrison, local chairman, reported. The waste paper campaign is still on, and the paper already delivered requires packaging for delivery.

Scio ambulance corps dance Saturday night grossed \$125, according to Barbara Pennell, second lieutenant of the local unit. Net proceeds will be applied on the current infantile paralysis drive.

Mrs. Waldo DeMoy visited relatives and friends in Portland this week.

Approximately 100 people attended the get-together meeting at Scio Baptist church last Thursday. Dinner was followed by a brief program of instrumental and vocal music. Nine new members have recently affiliated with the church.

Roy Tharp, formerly of Scio but now of Portland, is improved. He is in the hospital under a physician's care and unable to resume employment. He is a pipefitter. Four months ago his eyes were severely burned while using a blow torch. Mrs. Tharp is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Finegan of Scio and Mrs. Finegan has been visiting the family this week.

Portlander Visits Amity

AMITY—Mrs. Clara Broadwell of Portland is spending the week at her home in Amity. She is staying through the winter at the home of her son, H. C. Broadwell in Portland.

Mrs. Emma Allen visited last week in Portland with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Marsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Heaton and nephew of Hillsboro and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Stephens of Salem visited at the Homer Fitzgerald home in the southeast part of town Sunday. Mrs. Fitzgerald is a sister of Mr. Stephens and Mrs. Heaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Kola McClellan and baby daughter of Salem were guests Thursday at the home of Mrs. McClellan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Nott.

Mrs. Olive Hoffman of Westington Springs, SD, visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schaeffer east of town recently.

Mrs. E. R. Polhemus visited in Portland with relatives and friends last week. Her husband, Rev. E. R. Polhemus is the pastor of the Amity Methodist church.

Polk Schools Exceed Quota

DALLAS — When all the rural school of Polk county have reported on the fourth war loan they will have exceeded the quota 1½ times, according to Josiah Willis, county superintendent of schools. The quota was \$11,794 and \$13,741.73 has been sold to date. Ten schools are still unreported.

Accident Filing Order Revoked By George Flagg

Saving of a good many costly man-hours of labor for the 6000 or more operators of trucks and other motor vehicles engaged in transportation of property and persons over state highways is expected as a result of an order of Public Utilities Commissioner George H. Flagg, which sets aside the old rule requiring that copies of all accident reports be filed in his department.

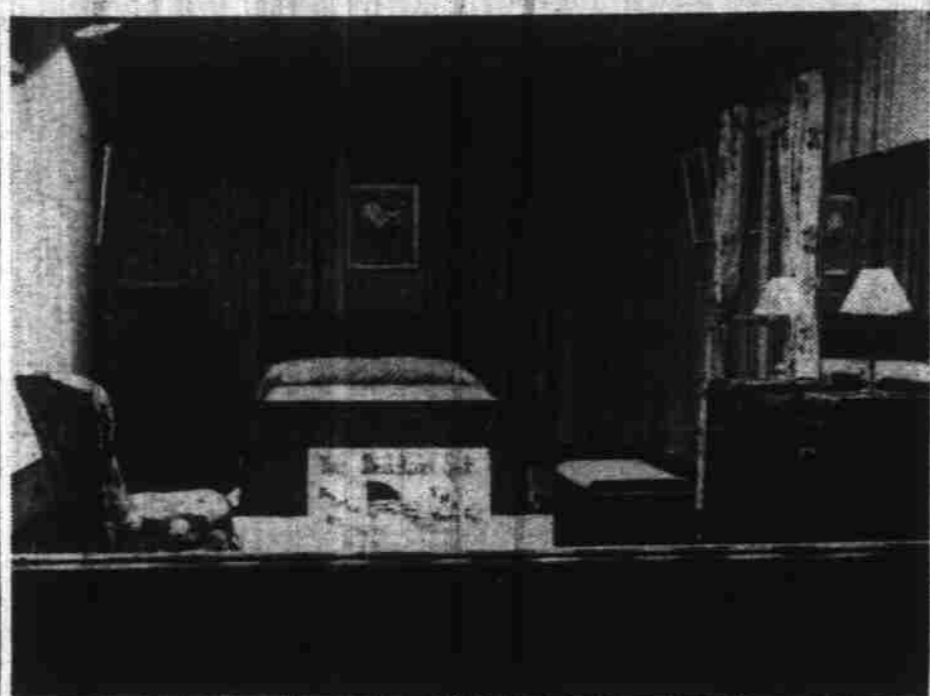
Drivers of trucks must now notify the secretary of state, the sheriff of the county and the chief of police in the territory where an accident inflicts injury to persons or property.

Such public records will provide for the needs of the commissioner, he thinks.

Commissioner Flagg has filed copies of his order with Oregon county clerks as notice to all persons concerned.

CAMP BLANDING, Fla.—(AP)—A negro boy applied for work at Camp Blanding but when it was discovered he was under age he was sent home to get a note from his mother stating he had her permission to work. He returned with the following note: "Dear Lieutenant, I love my son. You will love him too. Let him go to work for you."

This and More for a Bond Buyer



The bedroom set above is part of the furniture ensemble to be given away at tonight's fourth war loan victory rally in the Salem high school auditorium. The show starts at 8 o'clock. Donors participating in this feature of the show are Gevarts Furniture company, Good Housekeeping, Hamilton's, Hagg Brothers, Woodry Furniture company, Sears, Roebuck company, and Stiff Furniture company in whose window the furniture is on display.

Speculation Rife Over Route Postwar Salem Silvertown Road

SILVERTON—Silvertown-Salem's new postwar highway was actually faked to take shape this week when surveyors were at work placing stakes in various farmers' fields and removing trees which happened to come in their line of vision.

Indications are that the Silvertown end of the highway would take off from the Stefan corner on the west side of the Pudding River bridge, come in to the south side of the C. Lorenson farm in Brush creek district, converge with the Santiam highway somewhere in the neighborhood of the Harmon - Stadeli corner, swing north through the L. H. Meyer pasture and Alfred Jensen fields.

From there it would strike through the Albin Davis woods and A. Tokstar farm, coming in south of the Silvertown cemetery and crossing the present Silvertown-Salem highway somewhere in the neighborhood of the Don Hutton home on McClaine street, crossing Silver creek immediately south of the present Southern Pacific railway bridge and going north to strike the Monitor road.

While it is understood that plans are not definite, it is noted that stakes have appeared in fields and pastures along this route. The surveyors have been working in this vicinity during the past week.

Valley Births

SILVERTON — Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Benton of Phoenix, Ariz., have announced the birth of a daughter February 12. This is their second daughter. Mr. Benton is a son of O. B. Benton of Silvertown and was for many years employed at the Coolidge & McClaine bank at Silvertown.

Silvertown friends have received word of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Boileau, formerly of Silvertown but now of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Van Hatten are announcing the birth of a daughter at the Silvertown hospital February 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Pitman are announcing the birth of a son at the Silvertown hospital February 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Coch of route 2, Silvertown, are announcing the birth of a daughter at the local hospital on February 11.

AMITY — Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosenbalm are the parents of a son, Douglas Lee, born February 2.

Amity WSCS Group Plans Church Work

AMITY—The WSCS of the Amity Methodist church met Wednesday in the social rooms of the church. Mrs. E. Waddell led the opening worship and praise service. Her topic was "Spiritual Certainties in Our World." Plans were discussed for the buying of furnishings for the church and parsonage. During the social hour refreshments were served. The hostesses were Mrs. George Paty, Mrs. J. Fitch, Mrs. A. Christensen and Mrs. A. J. Loop.

Auburn 4H Club Makes Reports

AUBURN—The members of the Happy Home Makers 4H club have finished three articles in their project, a covered handkerchief box, a hose box and a dresser scarf.

The Rabbitsers, the 4H rabbit club, visited Harder's rabbit farm on the North River road at the last meeting. The club was entertained February 13 at the home of Mrs. G. L. Meisner, with a Valentine party.

Astoria Gets Gym

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14—(AP)—Sen. Charles L. McNary (R-Ore) was notified by the navy Friday of approval of \$60,000 to construct a gymnasium, ship service store and library at the Astoria, Ore., naval station.

Mrs. Rinehart New Leader

**Waldo Hills Community
Club President
Resigns From Post**

SILVERTON — The Waldo Hills community club held its February meeting Friday night at the club house with Robert Riches presiding and Miss Lois Anne Riches as secretary of the group.

The Home Economics club of the Silvertown Hills accepted the resignation of Mrs. Josie Mires as president, at the meeting Thursday. Mrs. John Rinehart was elected to fill out the remainder of the term and will choose an assistant to serve as vice president. Plans are now being made for the March meeting at the home of Mrs. Zina Tschant, when Miss Frances Clinton, HDA, will speak on "On Understanding Ourselves."

Miss Ruby LeRud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LeRud of the Evens Valley community, is now employed with the Commercial Credit corporation in Portland.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson is reported as quite ill at Portland where she is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Hussett. Mrs. Johnson is the mother of Oscar Johnson of the Evens Valley community.

Four Corners Club Elects

AUBURN — The Business Mens association of the Four Corners, which includes Auburn and Rick-ey districts, has elected Floyd Boyington president, Dwight Richie secretary, Russel Millet treasurer, Frank Hershfield fire chief. It was decided to sponsor a scout troop, at the Four Corners.

Auburn School Gives Program

AUBURN—A Lincoln day program was given by the school. The flag salute was led by Lela Beach; a story of the life of Lincoln was read by Mayetta Sutter, Lambert Feskens, Glenna Dodson, June Bond, Shirley Medill, Walter Hart, Alice Engleque, Jerry Smith and Richard Strawn.

Poems were given by Bobby Payne, Elinor Mulvihill, Wilda Cable. Readings by Shirley Utting, "When Lincoln Was a Boy," "Oh Captain, My Captain" by Robert Feskens were given. A play, "The Wooden Fire Shovel," was given by David Thieson, Claralya Lee, Virginia Hilton, Victor Johns and Phillis Shrake.

"The Star Spangled Banner," "Dixie," "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp the Boys Are Marching" and "America" were sung by the school.

Amity Lodge Elects Officers

AMITY — Myrtle Circle of Neighbors of Woodcraft lodge elected Jessie Wood guardian neighbor at the last meeting. Other officers are: Rose Wood, advisor; Marie Vincen., banker; Della Twete, attendant; Elona Wood, magician; Arlene Rhode, musician; Pearl Vincent, inner sentinel; Irene Panek, outer sentinel; Faye Morrison, captain of guards; John Mahood, Verna Mekkers and Eleanor Grabel, managers; Neta Mekkers, correspondent; Gordia Morrison, senior guardian; Bertie M. Richter, clerk; Dr. Herwiger, physician; Edna Giddings, installing officer.

Installation will be held at the April meeting. After the close of lodge refreshments were served.

Sewing Club Meets With Several Guests

AMITY—Mrs. Daphne Shields entertained the East Side Sewing club Thursday. The afternoon was spent in sewing and visiting. Refreshments were served. Mrs. Elvira Turner joined the club at this meeting. Guests present included Mrs. Nellie Whitney of Hillsboro, Mrs. L. E. Whitney, Mrs. Bertha Riha and daughter, Gail, and Leslie Turner.

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**Commerce Secretaries
To Meet in Eugene**

EUGENE, Feb. 14—(AP)—Chamber of commerce officials throughout the state will convene at the University of Oregon February 14-15 for the annual meeting of the Oregon Commercial Secretaries. Postwar planning will be emphasized in a program arranged by Dr. Victor P. Morris, dean of the school of business administration.

Fortresses, Debutantes Watch Weight

SEATTLE, Feb. 14—(AP)—The weight of a Flying Fortress is watched as closely as the poundage of any trim-lined debutante.

With the four-engine bomber, as with the deb, the close check is to insure against any addition of weight in the wrong places.

The Boeing Aircraft company told today how every 100th plane is weighed with meticulous care, before being towed out for its first flight, to make certain the center of gravity falls within a prescribed limit.

"When engineers design a plane," explained Berger Anderson, Boeing weights unit chief, "They decide where the center of gravity must fall in order to insure stability in flight. In the completed airplane, that point must be where it was intended to be."

The gravity center in a Flying Fortress is approximately one-third back from the leading wing edge, which is why the heavy bomb loads are slung just about there.

When a plane is loaded for flight, the gravity center may shift moderately without interfering with flight stability, but the shift must be within limits prescribed in designing the plane.

When an alteration is made after battle tests, engineers deter-

mine whether it will affect the center of gravity. If it does, other weight is shifted to compensate for the change.

The Boeing company designed special scales for the weighing process. Three are used. Two are placed under the wings; the third just ahead of the rear landing wheel. Jacks from each scale lift the big plane. The total weight recorded on the three scales is the plane's tonnage. From there a mathematician picks up the poundage to determine the center of gravity.

Snow, Rain Needed To Improve Range

PORTLAND, Feb. 14—(AP)—Spring and summer grazing on Oregon ranges will be poor unless the next two months bring heavy snow and rain, the federal department of agriculture said today.

Conditions on the ranges are slightly better than last year but below the 20-year average, the department said. However, feed supplies conserved by ranchers during an unusually mild winter should enable them to carry livestock through the rest of the season, the department added.

FFA Chapters Cited

CORVALLIS, Feb. 14—(AP)—Future Farmers of America groups in Corvallis, Albany, Adrian and Pendleton were selected today as the four outstanding chapters in Oregon in the "Food for Victory" drive.

Argentina Is Spy Center

By E. J. ALMEN
BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 14—(AP) — Argentina has been converted into a world center for espionage, with spies from all belligerent nations operating there, Col. Enrique Gonzales, presidential secretary, declared.

Suggesting still further that allied agents were involved, Col. Gonzales said at a press conference that after the Argentine investigation is concluded, "other countries—which are not Japan and Germany—will receive interesting information about espionage, which they will have to investigate."

He said much information collected in Argentina was sent to "a neutral country in Europe."

Reiterating his position, he went on, "nationals both of European and American countries have been operating as spies, and other nations will have to bring to light activities of their nationals who violated the confidence our government placed in them."

Speech Teachers Meet
CORVALLIS, Feb. 14—(AP)—The Northwest Association of Teachers of speech will hold its northwest divisional conference in Salem March 15-17, with the theme, "Speech in War and Reconstruction."



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