

Cordon Asks Investigation For Veterans

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—A "full and frank" report to the nation on complaints that servicemen returning from combat areas have been subjected to "harsh and inconsiderate treatment" in the United States was demanded today by Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore).

In letters to Secretary of Navy Forrestal and Secretary Stimson of the war department, Cordon said Gov. Snell of Oregon, a veteran of the first World war, was deeply concerned over the reports reaching him of such treatment. He said the people of the nation have a right to know what steps are being taken to correct the practices complained of.

The men who have been at the fighting fronts complained they were being refused reasonable furloughs to visit relatives, and were being assigned immediately to further foreign duty without adequate leave, reasonable rest or complete physical examination, he said.

He said the reports had it that the men frequently without a rest period were assigned to the "most menial camp duties and otherwise were made to understand the camp authorities gave them no credit whatever for the trials and danger to which they had been subjected in their country's service."

Cordon told the officials the Veterans of Foreign Wars previously had complained about the same conditions and said he believed ample time had passed for the army and navy to look into the charges.

"If the complaints are justified," Cordon said, "the people are entitled to know it, and they are entitled to know what steps are being taken to remedy the situation and give the returning sailors, marines and soldiers that consideration to which they are entitled."

Fire Destroys W. R. Gould Home, Bonds

LEBANON—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gould, who moved to Salem last winter, lost the entire contents of their home in a fire last week while they were here in Lebanon with their daughter, Mrs. W. H. Hardt. In their house they had a \$1000 in war bonds. They had driven to Lebanon with their daughter, who had been staying with them for a few days. While here the Goulds were called by phone and informed that fire of undetermined origin had destroyed everything.

MIDDLE GROVE—Mr. and Mrs. W. "Bill" Gould, who are staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schart, since their home and its contents were destroyed by fire last week, were given a shower Friday night at the Schart home.

Those present or sending gifts were Mrs. Dwight Carey and Mrs. Roy Hall, Portland; daughters, Mrs. J. T. (Ruth) Menard, Dee, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. William (Margaret) Hardt, Lebanon; Mrs. J. D. (Jean) Cochran, Coulee Dam, Wash.; and Mrs. J. E. Woodburn, Mrs. L. B. Malm, Mrs. Anna Jess, Mrs. Harvey Page, Mrs. Dan Scharf, Mrs. Lena Bartruff, Mrs. Paul Bassett, Mrs. Mary Herndon, Mrs. W. H. Schart, Mrs. Lee Dow, Mrs. John Van Laanen and hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schart. Mr. and Mrs. Gould were former residents of an adjoining community and Mr. Gould served as president of Middle Grove Community club. He is at present caretaker at the Salem armory, where they will soon take up temporary residence.

Parents Supervise Army Son's Farm

GRAND ISLAND—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tompkins have returned home after a business trip to supervise the hay harvest at the Harold Tompkins stock farm near Kerville.

Harold Tompkins, US army air corps, is in Italy. He was in the beef cattle business five years ago, and since leaving for overseas his parents have disposed of all but seven head of his cattle and now have more than 400 head of sheep on the farm of more than 200 acres of meadow land.

The hay was sold in the field except 30 tons which was chopped and blown into the barn.

The lack of desirable farm help has forced the change from cattle to sheep, Mr. Tompkins reports.

Three Men of Burglary Ring Sentenced to Pen

VALE, July 24 (AP)—A burglary ring responsible for over 50 home robberies was broken up here with the conviction and sentencing of three men to the state penitentiary.

William Hector Lovejoy, 49, was sentenced to seven years, George Allen, 34, to four years, and Virgil Kindel, 30, to 30 months when they all pleaded guilty to larceny in a dwelling.

Russians Press Warsaw Drive



Open arrows indicate Russian threat to Warsaw, heightened by the German report that German troops had abandoned Siedlce, the German report, which also told of fighting in Lwow and of the abandoning of Jaroslavl to the south, followed a Russian announcement of slashing gains toward Warsaw and the Wisla river defense line. Shaded line is approximate front. (AP Wirephoto.)

New Material Will Prevent Circus Fires

SARASOTA, Fla., July 24 (AP)—A method of fireproofing tents to prevent a repetition of the Hartford, Conn., disaster was given a public demonstration at the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey circus headquarters today.

The test indicated the method would prevent the tent material from burning spontaneously, although it still can be charred by the direct application of a flame.

For nearly a minute a blow torch was applied to a section of the chemically-treated side show tent. As the first flames touched the canvas it began to glow a bright red. The glow continued as long as the blow torch was applied but when the flame was removed the glow died out, leaving a charred-edge hole in the fabric.

General manager George Smith said efforts to obtain use of the compound for the circus had been made a year ago, but because of government priorities it was unable to get it until 1200 gallons was released for circus tents recently. Circus officials said the fireproofing material would be applied to sideshow tents to be used by the show when its tour is resumed August 4 with a stadium showing at Arkon, O. The famous "Big Top," however, will not be used and the main performances will be in open air.

Shower Party Honors Mrs. Nieger

LINCOLN—Mrs. Roy W. Hammer entertained with a social afternoon and shower in compliment to Mrs. Kasper Nieger on Thursday. Vari-tinted scabiosa and hydrangea were arranged in tall vases about the rooms.

Included in the guest list were the guest of honor, Mrs. Kasper Nieger and daughter Marcia, Mrs. L. I. Mickey, Mrs. J. D. Feller, Mrs. Joe Hackett, Mrs. Fanny Emel, Mrs. E. E. Buckles, Mrs. Chris Yungen, Mrs. H. J. Neiger, Miss Helen Neiger, Miss Jeannie Smith, Mrs. Lois Crawford, Kay Haldeman, Mrs. H. W. Ashford, Sherill Neiger, Mrs. Frank Dye and Linda Lee and the hostess, Mrs. Roy W. Hammer.

Californians Are Visiting Relatives

CLOVERDALE—Mrs. Nettie Morris and her daughter, Elizabeth Hennes of Hemet, Calif., returned last week from Portland where they visited relatives.

Early this week they are leaving for Hemet where Mrs. Morris will be a guest of her daughter.

Miss Rose Drager and her niece, Marjorie Jo Drager, left Saturday for a few days stay in Portland.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hennes of Hemet, Calif., is spending a few days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hennes and family, before going to Salem, where she will visit with another sister, then enroute for her home in Hemet.

Cloverdale 4H Club Meeting Is Announced

CLOVERDALE—A meeting of the local 4-H club will be held on Thursday night at the home of the president, Shirley Hennies.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Reese and family have as guests at their home, his father and a brother, Starling Reese of Visalia, California. Laverne Reese is getting along fine after a minor operation at a Salem hospital Friday of last week.

George C. Will Dies Sunday; Funeral Set

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street on Commercial, approximately where Perry's drug store is now located. The move which resulted in his greater success was made in 1910 when the establishment was moved to 432 State street.

Pianos were then ordered by the carload to meet the need of a growing business. The radio sales service was later added, a followup of the Victor phonograph and record business, and here again success rewarded the merchant in music, who added to his sales staff to meet demands of radio fans.

Owens Property So successful was the family business that at the time of his death Will was the owner of considerable Salem business property.

Widely known in fraternal circles, he helped establish many lodges in the valley. Will was a charter member of the Hermes lodge, Knights of Pythias at Aurora. He became affiliated with the Elks in 1907 and as a matter of habit used the same chair year after year in the lodge rooms.

Many years ago he joined the Cherrians and Salem Chamber of Commerce and was a civic booster in early Salem's business development.

Born in Missouri, March 15, 1859, he was the son of John Will and Christina Muller Will. Both his parents came from upper Bavaria, having resided near Oberammergau, village which produced the world famous Passion play.

Although they there lived only nine miles apart, they had never met until the families emigrated from Bavaria into Missouri. The Will family came across the plains in 1863 to become part of Dr. William Keil's Aurora colony. Traveling in wagons drawn by horses and mules, they were part of the fifth immigration from Bethel to Aurora.

In the colony young George Will was a blacksmith and the few hundred dollars settlement turned over by the colony when he left started him in the music store and sewing machine business.

Stars in Albany With two brothers, John William Will and Edward U. Will, he first started business in Albany. While there he met and on November 2, 1887, married Margaret Minzinger, who survives him.

In Albany their son Lowell was born. In 1889 Mr. and Mrs. Will decided to go into business for themselves in Salem, where Mr. Will already had a number of business and lodge acquaintances. Of his partners, John Will, the elder, died at Corvallis in 1894; the younger, Edward U. Will of Portland, a widely known piano tuner, died June 30 of this year.

The son, Lowell Will, died December 9, 1934, at the old family home, 1185 North Commercial street. His widow, Ruth E. Will, resides in Salem. It was at her home, 1025 North Summer street, that Mr. Will died Sunday. Although he had been in ill health the past year, his death came unexpectedly.

In addition to the widow, he is survived by the following nieces and nephews: Mrs. Sadie Scholl and Edward Wolfer, Hubbard; Laverne McGee, Seattle; Miss Henrietta Wolfer, Monmouth; Clark Will, Salem; E. Will, Seattle, and Julius Miller of Milwaukee. Interment will be in Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum.

Fried Chicken Dinner Served Two Clubs

CLOVERDALE—The consolidated Four Leaf Clover club and Turner Better Homes and Gardens club held its all day July meeting held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Hennies. A good crowd attended. Fried chicken dinner was served at noon. The afternoon business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Eula Hennies. Later in the day carpet rags were torn and sewed as the first steps in preparation for the bazaar to be held in the fall. The meeting was adjourned with an invitation to meet in August at the home of Mrs. Florence Jarmen.

It Starts Thursday!

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Car Causes Trainwreck



After striking a light sedan automobile and killing two of its four riders at a grade crossing between Glendora and Astoria, Calif., the first car of a two-car Pacific Electric train landed in a ditch beside the tracks without seriously injuring any of its 15 passengers. The train is shown after the accident (above) and (below) wreckage of the automobile in which two died and two were seriously injured. (AP Wirephoto.)

ON the HOME FRONT By ISABEL CHILDS

In a way, this ought to be in the servicemen's column.

For some Salem men in uniform are to receive citations tonight, and their outfit will be given a unit citation, too.

However, the recognition which comes from the National Safety council to Salem city bus operators is, of course, strictly a home front affair.

The unit citation carries with it a beautiful bronze plaque, the National Safety council's industrial trophy, last of its kind to be awarded until bronze is more readily available. Presented in recognition of the Salem buses' safety record in a competition with others of the Oregon Motor Stages lines (Eugene, Astoria, Portland and Corvallis).

With 580,000 accidentless miles to their credit, four drivers are to receive individual citations. Paul Baker, who has driven city buses six years without an accident; Homer Harrison and A. G. Eld, with five-year records and Harold Gwin, who has a one-year record, will receive National Safety council no-accident awards.

Two meetings have been planned for the presentation, one this afternoon for the night employees and their families and another at 7:30 tonight. Both will be at Salem chamber of commerce. State officials and persons especially interested in safety have been invited to attend.

James Plant Dies Sunday

James Plant, for more than 56 years a resident of Salem and for 35 years of that time sexton at the IOOF cemetery here, died Sunday at his home on Saginaw street after a short illness.

In Guelph, Ont., Canada, where he was born July 16, 1864, he married Mary Ann Woodhouse. With her he almost immediately set out for Salem, where they made their home together to the time of her death in August 1941.

Until the time he took the position as sexton, Plant farmed on Howell Prairie. He was a member of the Odd Fellows.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. R. E. Clark; a son Calvin Plant, and a granddaughter, Mildred Clark, all of Salem.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed this morning. They will be announced from Clough-Barrick company.

Reds Capture Lublin, Lukow To Split Nazis

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their immediate objective, Warsaw, lies only open plains leading to Germany on the shortest road to Berlin—365 airline miles from Siedlce.

Lwow, big German stronghold in the south and Poland's third largest city, appeared about to fall to the Russians who swept around on its west side and captured Jaworow, 30 miles west-northwest; Sadowawizna, 30 miles west, and Mocsyska, 40 miles west.

Capture of the last two places cut the Lwow-Kraow-German Silesia trunk railway, and the capture of Mocsyska put the Russians only 15 miles east of the stronghold of Przemyśl. Other Soviet units were sweeping down the San river on Przemyśl from the north.

Southwest of Lwow, the Russians leaped the Dnestr river and captured Halicz, 14 miles north of Stanislawow, gateway to the Carpathian mountain passes.

Coughlan Rites Set Tomorrow

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 26, from the Fortmiller Funeral home in Albany for Arthur Benson Coughlan, employed as a printer at the Capital Journal since 1934, who died in the Veterans' hospital, Portland.

Coughlan, born in Ottaway, Ont., Canada, in 1887, came to this country as a child and moved to Portland from Minnesota in 1906. During World War I he served with the first engineers overseas for 18 months.

Lydia Luther Coughlan, whom he married on November 27, 1923, and a daughter, Marian Louise Coughlan, both of Albany; a sister, Mrs. Charlotte Murray, and a brother, Bert Coughlan, together with several nieces and nephews, survive. He was a member of the Albany American Legion post, the First Methodist church of that city and of the typographical union.

Grandmother Lives In Cloverdale

CLOVERDALE—Chester Malcolm Moffitt, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moffitt, of Tillamook, formerly of Salem, who went down with the S-38 submarine on training exercises in the south Pacific, was a grandson of Mrs. Anna Schmidt of this community.

WU Telegraph Head Upholds FDR's Wire

NEW YORK, July 24 (AP)—J. L. Egan, vice-president of Western Union, today upheld his company's acceptance of President Roosevelt's congratulatory telegram to Sen. Harry S. Truman on the grounds that "presumably it constituted an exception" to an official ban on such messages.

"If the president had the authority to authorize issuance of the ban he has the authority to modify, alter or rescind it," Egan said in a statement.

The president's message to Sen. Truman, democratic vice-presidential nominee, was sent to him in Chicago last Saturday.

The ban against congratulatory telegrams was established March 6, 1942, by a presidential order delegating powers to the board of war communications.

Camp Adair Troops Hold Last Retreat

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Adair will be retained to temporarily house troops en route to ports of embarkation. About 45,000 acres of the Camp Adair reservation will be sold, leaving only 11,000 acres.

The commission estimated 120,000 Oregon men who will have entered the armed forces by the end of this year will receive \$162,489,560 in benefits from the federal GI bill of rights.

This includes \$30,943,500 in discharge pay, \$103,084,000 for the estimated 60,000 who will get loans for farm, home or business purposes, \$7,735,000 for the 15,000 who will get funds for school and \$10,726,560 for the estimated 12,000 men who will draw unemployment benefits.

Government war insurance policies on the Oregon men will range between \$500,000,000 and \$1,000,000,000.

Mrs. Ada Elgin Dies Monday

Mrs. Ada Elgin, widow of Charles Elgin, former Salem city recorder, died Monday in a Salem hospital where she had undergone major surgery last week. She was an active member of the First Congregational church of Salem and of the Order of Eastern Star.

Rev. David Nielsen will officiate at the services to be held Wednesday, July 26, and interment will be at City View cemetery under direction of the W. T. Rigdon company.

Survivors include a daughter, Florence Doherty, Washington, DC; son, Wayne Stephen Elgin, Oakland, Calif.; sisters, Stena Molander, Los Angeles; Minnie Mishler, Glendale; Sophie Jackson, Portland; Jenne Griffith, Hillsboro, and Margaret Toscano, San Rafael, and three grandchildren.

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THRILLING EXPOSURE

Mrs. Crawford Has Sunday Dinner Guests

LINCOLN—Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Lois Crawford were Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Haldeman and Kay, Lois and Jean Crawford. Jean plans to spend the week with her grandmother, Mrs. Crawford.

Lincoln Residents Visit Old Neighbors

LINCOLN—Mrs. Nels Yenckel, and Mrs. L. J. Mickey visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. McDonald to get acquainted with the baby, Cheryl Diane, born to them July 11.

McDonalds formerly lived in Lincoln and are now in Salem.

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