Historic Giant Falls

Workmen peer over the butt of one of the oldest black walnut trees in Salem, which was cut down last week in the back yard of the home of Miss Mirpah Blair, 875 Marion st. Miss Blair said that personal family history had it that the historical tree was planted in 1846, a fact corroborated by the workmen who felled the giant and who estimated its age at about 100 years. The tree stood 110 feet tall and measured 5 feet, 3 inches by 4 feet, 8 inches through the cut. The tree was said to have been planted by Alex Settlemeir, a Woodburn nurseryman. Workmen are (from the left) J. E. Derry, 1795 N. 5th st.; J .C. Murphy, 425 S. 20th st., and G. L. Cargill, 425 S. 20th st. The felling was contracted by Derry and Murphy company.

Naturalization Eased for Alien War Veterans

Veterans of World War II who are not citizens of the United States should file their applications for naturalization before December 31, Harlan Judd, Marion county clerk said Wednesday.

Much of the naturalization procedure has been simplified so as to permit veterans to become citizens as quickly and as simply as possible, Judd said. All that is required of a veterans is that he file application for naturalization at the county clerk's office along with proof of his war-time service. Proof of service may be given either in the form of affidavits of at least two citizens of the United States; members or former members during World War II of the armed forces, of noncommissioned or warrant officer grade or higher; or by an authenticated copy of the record of the executive department having custody of the veteran's service record.

Prove Lawful Admission

After filing his preliminary application the veteran, in some cases, must prove lawful admission to the United States, and obtain his service record. This will take two to three weeks, according to information received by Judd, after which the veteran may file his petition for naturalization. No fees are charged for naturalization of veterans.

Persons who were citizens of the United States but lost their citizenship due to service in the armed forces of an ally may regain their U. S. citizenship by appearing before a naturalization court and taking an oath of allegiance to the United States. An applicant may prove his former citizenship by presenting a birth or baptismal certificate, or may show the original certificate of naturalization or furnish information as to the time and place of the naturalization.

Wives Benefit

All wives of citizens of the U. S. are entitled to special naturalization benefits if they are of a race eligible for naturalization, and information concerning these benefits may be obtained from the county clerk's office.

At the present time there are 21 persons applying for naturalization with the Marion county clerk. Of these, five are veterans of the last war who are taking advantage of the special benefits allowed them before the December 31 deadline. A naturalization court will be held sometime early in December, though no specific date has been set as yet, Judd said.

Teen Kanteen has Election Officers

FOUR CORNERS — The Teen Kanteen elected officers Saturday night. Bob Brant was elected president; Verlaine Walker and Barbara Rickman, first and second vice presidents; Jean Allen, secretary; Lawrence Cherry, treasurer; Terry Gannon, publicity; Harold Sohn, sergeant at arms; Ted Miller, advisor.

It was decided that the age limits would be 13 to 19 and that a party would be given every other Saturday night, the next to be November 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Gannon were hosts and refreshments were prepared and served by Explorer post No. 64. Motion pictures were shown by Bob Brant.

Funeral Friday for Accident Victim

The funeral of Albert Clinton Moore, 73 year old Independence man who died shortly after his car was struck by a truck in Salem Tuesday morning, will be conducted at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon at the Clough-Barrick chapel with Dr. Chester W. Hamblin officiating. Interment will be in Belcrest Memorial park.

Final Rites Friday For Six-Year-Old Girl

The funeral of Marion Louise Weinman, 6 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Weinman of 2107 N. Commercial st., who died Tuesday, will be at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at the Howell-Edwards chapel, with concluding services at Belcrest Memorial park.

A majority of some thousand species of cacti, ranging in size from diminutive types the size of a button to the giant saguro stretching to a height of 40 feet, are native of Arizona.

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Suit Starts Today on Question Of City Water Rights on Santiam

By DON DILL

(Pictures on Page 1)

The first hearing in the Marion county circuit court of the suit initiated by Gardner Bennett, Stayton, against the city of Salem in which Bennett seeks to restrain the city from diverting water from the Santiam river will be heard today. Any fears that the proceedings might disrupt the city's water supply were discounted by Carl Guenther, city water manager, when he pointed out Wednesday that the city has the privilege of condemning the Bennett rights in the amount needed to supply the city.

Bennett's suit was filed September 21 after the city refused to comply with a letter from Bennett to the city water commission asking that the city stop diverting water from the Santiam during the seasonal low period this summer. Little action is expected to be taken in the first hearing today, except that the city of Salem, represented by Carson and Carson, will ask that certain portions of the complaint be made more definite and certain, and that certain parts be stricken.

Dates Back to 1866

Prior water rights of Gardner Bennett dates back to 1866 when A. D. Gardner of Stayton filed for water rights on the Santiam, according to a Marion county circuit court decree of February 1, 1945, and the Salem city rights as of a 1923 agreement. However, the Oregon Woolen Mills and the Oregon Pulp and Paper Co. and the city of Salem have power water rights dating back to 1856, according to the state water reclamation commission and hydroelectric commission. These water rights are all superseded by a state law requiring a flow of 50 cubic feet per second of water for the preservation of fish life.

Under the water rights Bennett is allowed 812 cubic feet per second, the Oregon Pulp and Paper Co. 254 feet, and the city of Salem water commission 22 feet. The Santiam river in periods of high water has a high of 30,000 feet per second to a low of 500 feet during the summer. Consequently, Bennett contends, the city of Salem should not divert any water from the river when the flow is below that allotted Bennett.

Salem Uses 3 Wells

The city of Salem in establishing its water works at Minot Island just north of Stayton on the Santiam prepared three 60-foot wells each of which has a maximum capacity of two million gallons of water per day. Also a series of seepage lines controlled with headgates, much like horizontal wells, provides a normal flow of eight million gallons of water per day. All this water is taken in one line to settling basins where foreign materials are separated from the water, and then through screens which remove any particles of dirt or debris. The water then goes directly by pipeline to Salem where it is purified and chlorinated. None of this water comes directly out of the river, but is from natural seepage.

In summer during the dry period water from the Santiam is diverted into a channel on the west end of the island and allowed to run down the island to two more channels where it flows back into the north and south branches of the Santiam, according to Carl Guenther, Salem water manager. The water thus diverted seeps into the gravel of the island maintaining the water level of the wells, Guenther pointed out. The water diverted in this manner, however, does not exceed ten cubic feet per second, according to estimates by Guenther. The water from the seepage wells is almost entirely adequate to take care of Salem's requirements, and only a few hours of pumping by one pump is done during the day.

Rises in Hot Days

The average daily consumption of water by residents of Salem is about five million gallons. In the dry summer months consumption of water will reach 11 million gallons for two or three of the hottest days. With two pumps and the seepage wells maximum production of water is easily held to 12 million gallons. This leaves an adequate reserve without the use of the extra pump.

Thus the water supply of Salem would seem to be assured in any eventuality, what with the right of the city to condemn any property adjacent to the island, and the offer of hte paper mills to sell a portion of their water to the city in an emergency, Guenther said.

Idanha Man Escapes Injury In Accident

IDANHA—Chester Storey escaped serious injury Thursday when struck a glancing blow on the head by a falling limb. His immediate reaction to warnings from fellow loggers probably saved his life, it is believed. He was taken to Mill City for treatment and resumed work the following day.

Mrs. Noyes Whitten is spending several days in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Bates of Aumsville were at the Gwyn Gates Sunday.

Gates Cochrans' carpenters are back on the job at the CCC camp.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Collins visited the Don Baxters' at Lebanon Sunday.

Little Raymond Gulliford had the misfortune to fall out of his parents' car Saturday. He received abrasions on his face and was considerably frightened, but otherwise uninjured.

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