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## Harnessing the Atom for Peace

With the confirmation of the commission to administer atomic energy research and development in this country progress should go forward steadily and as rapidly as the intricate problems involved will permit.

The major installations set up for making atom bombs remain in use. The Oak Ridge, Tenn. plant is now operated for the government by Monsanto Chemical Co. which participated in the original research. The plant in Washington state which was built and operated during the war by DuPont for the government is now the Hanford Engineer Works, managed by General Electric. In addition the government maintains and uses its laboratories at Los Alamos, New Mexico, and has special research in progress at universities.

The main objective now is to harness the energy of atomic fission for civilian use. The problems are:

1st. To package the power, that is, reduce it to quantities for practical use.

2nd. To give full protection against evil effects of radiation.

3rd. To refine the processes so that costs will be competitive with other forms of power.

How to get bridges on atomic energy so it can run units from hair clippers to steel mills is not an easy question to answer. In the production of this great heat is given off. At Hanford it was found that the water taken out of the Columbia and used in cooling the apparatus raised the temperature of the whole river a degree or two when returned to the river. This heat might be used in boilers to generate steam like the conventional boiler.

Huge piles of graphite are used to prevent the vagrant neutrons from running loose all over the place. Their bulk makes small installations impractical on the present methods of manufacturing atomic energy. Experimenters undoubtedly will try some other way to provide the required insulation.

Henry A. Winne, vice president of GE and head of its neucleonics project, thinks that ship propulsion may be the first practical use of the newly released energy. We may quote what he says as really authentic information on this important matter, calling particular attention to his last paragraph which discounts any hope of quick revolution in power generation:

"The range of an atomic-powered ship on one fuel charge may be of the order of a million miles. The low volume of atomic fuel makes it possible to obtain this range without the use of even the normal space for shipboard fuel storage and eliminates entirely the need for the support of a continuing merchant operation or a task force with a supply train of oil tankers. Since the weight and volume of fuel are not critical, it may be economical to increase the power and speed of any class of merchant or naval vessel.

"Use of atomic power plants for public utilities will depend primarily on economic and national policy factors, but with the limited information now generally available it is impossible to make an accurate analysis of the economics of atomic fuel. However, it is known that the atomic energy released by a complete fission of a pound of fissionable material is equivalent to that from the burning of 1500 tons of coal.

"On this basis, if we assume that efficiency of use, fixed charges, and other items are equal for both fuels, then the fuel cost for coal at \$4 per ton is about the same as for fissionable material at \$6000 per pound. It is only surmise, but it would seem as though this latter figure should be reached or bettered in the course of lengthy research and development.

"Of the many conceivable systems for producing power from the fission of uranium or plutonium, one that seems favorable for an early practical solution is that in which a liquid heated in the 'pile' or nuclear reactor is conducted to a heat exchanger and there used to generate steam for use in a standard turbine-generator set. However, there are many engineering problems to be solved to achieve efficient heat transfer.

"The development and widespread use of any new such source of power is going to take a long time and occur very gradually."

## Newsprint Distribution

The Gazette-Times at Corvallis, we note, will skip two days this week, Friday and Saturday, which is one day more than its usual practice of dropping publication on a holiday. The reason is given as lack of newsprint. It says that the Hawley mill has notified it that its supply will be nine tons a month for the remainder of the year, whereas the GT had been using 10 tons.

Why didn't the GT go on and tell the truth that the Portland dailies, also supplied by the Hawley mill, are using about twice as much paper as they did prewar. They have greatly expanded their circulations and are running big papers daily. They get this by virtue of a preferential type of contract which calls for meeting "their requirements." While they gorge, the upstate papers are held back. While the latter may be getting somewhat more newsprint than prewar, the increase is a mere trickle compared to what the Oregonian and Willamette are getting.

The Salem dailies buy from Crown Willamette so have nothing to say on the way Hawley divides its tonnage. So far as the Statesman is concerned its increase is painfully low, all of which and a little more has gone to serve additional subscribers.

The complaint over the country is general that while there has been marked increase in newsprint manufacture in North America, most of the increase has gone to the big metropolitan dailies.

## Loss of Moral Purpose

Really we aren't at all proud of some things in this USA. Here is a 16-year old boy who confesses to killing four of his playmates, and explains: "I always kinda wondered what it would be like to kill somebody." Now he knows. His curiosity is gratified at a terrific cost.

And the papers have been full of attacks based on passions of sex. Los Angeles has had a series of most revolting criminal attacks and murders. Portland police warn parents to guard children against pervers. Salem police have had some problems in this respect also.

We think we are smart because we can make millions of automobiles a year, can pay high wages, go to picture shows, have plenty to eat, enjoy more leisure time than former generations. But we haven't learned as a nation certain elements of decency, certain personal controls that are fundamental in civilized society.

With the emphasis on creature comforts has come the erosion of moral purpose. And what good will it do our country to get all the gadgets and lose its moral respectability?

Tuesday morning the Oregonian began its medicine man chant for rain, and before customers got as far as the editorial page a shower came to Portland. Salem got only a few drops. This proves how poor the Ogn's "coverage" of Oregon is. National advertisers please note.

An 18-year-old boy who so far has eloped with two married women is reported ready to "straighten things out" with the California Youth Authority. It might be well if he had a good story for a couple of irate husbands, too.

Wonder if the seagulls feasting on Mormon crickets get a pain in their craws if they eat a few that have just dusted in chlordane.

Anyway, no ball games have been rained out so far this year.

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a national guard. Since we do not have universal military training in this country (Britain's labor government has just voted for it) these supplementary components to our regular navy and army are of great importance. As our risks and our obligations now pretty much cover the globe more attention needs to be paid to a naval reserve.

In short the appeal of the naval reserve is first, to patriotic duty; second, to the chance to get specialized training that would be of great value in case of mobilization for war; and third, the opportunity to work up in the naval reserve and so merit advanced rating if called into active service.

Oregon has taken a great interest in the navy. Enlistments here during the war ranked very high in proportion to population. There is a good backlog of men discharged from the navy who by now should have their land-legs back and be getting a bit homesick for a touch of navy again. Here is a chance, not to "join the navy and see the world," they saw large chunks of land and water in their late service. The chance is to keep up the navy tie and to help train their younger brothers in navy crafts.

Of course we all hope the last war was the last. But we have to maintain in these troubled times a competent force, both active and on reserve. Salem, long noted for its patriotism, should encourage the establishment of a naval reserve unit here and then continue its support and interest so the unit may thrive.

## Patricia Noble Outstanding Nurse

PORTLAND, May 27.—(Special) Patricia M. Noble of Salem was presented the Dr. Thomas M. Joyce Memorial award for the student nurse outstanding in surgical nursing as one of the highlights of the annual University of Portland commencement May 25. The Most Rev. Edward D. Howard, D.D., archbishop of Portland in Oregon, conferred degrees upon Miss Noble and 128 other seniors.

## Obituary

**WATFIELD**  
William Grant Hatfield, 1045 Judson st., at a local hospital, Saturday, May 24, at the age of 84 years. Surviving are the wife, Mrs. Alma Hatfield of Salem, three step-daughters, Mrs. Greta Field of Calgary, Alberta, Canada; Mrs. Edna Hatfield of West St. Louis; two sisters in the middle west; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Services will be held Wednesday, May 28, at 1:30 p.m. at Clough-Barrick chapel, with interment at Mt. Hope cemetery.

**LEE**  
Adella Bell Lee, late resident of 2220 N. Commercial st., at a local hospital, Saturday, May 24, at the age of 84 years. Surviving are the husband, Archie R. Lee of Salem; children, Mrs. Roy, Robert Marion, Clara Mae, Cordelia, Alfred, Jack Dale, Phil Don, Darlene Marie Linda Mary, all of Salem; two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Moore and Mrs. F. E. Sunday of Stockton, Calif.; four brothers, Claude Patterson of Berkeley, Calif.; Joe and Milo Patterson, both of Stockton, and Dolph Patterson of Newberg. Services will be at the Howell-Edwards chapel Saturday, May 25, at 10:30 a.m. with the Rev. S. Raynor Smith officiating, concluding at IOOF cemetery.

**THOMAS**  
Albert Franklin Thomas, late resident of 1905 N. Capitol st., at a local hospital Sunday, May 25, at the age of 81 years. Surviving are his wife, Alpha Thomas of Salem; daughter, Mrs. Doris Thomas of Salem; sister, Mrs. Clara Lamb of Salem, and two brothers, J. W. Thomas of Salem and Arthur Thomas of Lacombe. Services will be held at the City View cemetery, Thursday, May 29, at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Sam P. Neufeldt officiating. Services and shipment in charge of the Gardner Funeral home of White Salmon, Wash.

**BATES**  
Clinton F. Bates, late resident of route 1, Woodburn, in this city Monday, May 26, at the age of 88 years. Survived by his wife, Pearl Bates of Salem; a daughter, Mrs. Walter Lierman of Independence; four sons, Lowell Bates of Bellflower, Calif.; Alfred Bates of Bend and Carl Bates of Los Angeles, Calif.; and Wendell Bates of Ames; two brothers, Floyd Bates of Salem and L. H. Bates of Bell, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. J. L. Knight of Three Rivers, Mich., and C. E. Coppock of Lynnwood, Calif.; and eight grandchildren. Services will be held Thursday, May 29, at 3 p.m. at the Clough-Barrick chapel.

**HOOVER**  
Charles Albert Hoover, 1920 N. Capitol, at the residence, Tuesday, May 27, at the age of 79 years. Husband of Mrs. M. Hoover and the father of Mrs. Aaron (Rosale) Dumbuck; brother of Frank Hoover, Ingleside, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Robert Grube of Ingleside and Mrs. Clara Gentiles of Ruthersford, N.J. Belonged to Gervais A.F. and A.M. Fidelity lodge, 54, Woodburn chapter No. 29, Royal Arch Masons, St. Elmon commandery No. 20 of Woodburn. Life member of Al Kader temple of Portland. Funeral services will be Thursday, May 29, at 3 p.m. from the W. T. Rigdon chapel, with the Rev. S. Raynor Smith officiating. Interment in Pioneer cemetery.

**FINN**  
At the residence, 1897 Center st., Tuesday, May 27, at the age of 83 years, Mildred E. Finn, wife of Alvin L. Finn of Salem, daughter of Mrs. Hazel Arnold of Salem, wife of Mrs. Arlie Bean of Salem and Mrs. Eugene Logan of Arlington, Ore.; and granddaughter of Mrs. Belle Seelye of Portland. Funeral services will be Saturday, May 31, at 10:30 a.m. in the W. T. Rigdon chapel, with interment at Belcrest Memorial Park.

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## Public Records

### JUSTICE COURT

B. J. Kosse, 1462 N. Commercial st., charged with assault and battery, pleaded innocent and posted \$250 bail, trial set for June 17.

Robert Charles Stackman, Vancouver, Wash., driving while intoxicated, found guilty by jury trial, 30-day jail sentence suspended on payment of \$250 fine and costs.

### MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS

Daniel Pantovich, 28, truck driver, and Lois Faye DeBow, 19, stenographer, both of Salem.

Walter A. Hill, 22, laborer, Rickreall, and Gladys Baker, 24, clerk, Salem.

Everett L. Dickens, 24, warehouseman, and Clarine I. Nelson, 18, domestic, both of 1144 Market st., Salem.

Charles Hogate, 34, seed company employe, Brooks, and Katherine Schlechter, 23, bookkeeper, 532 N. High st., Salem.

Martin J. Krieg, jr., 22, professional baseball player, Glendale, Calif., and Dorothy E. Bosmajian, 20, dental assistant, Fresno, Calif.

James Walter Stilson, 23, warehouseman, 430 Wayne dr., and Wilda Colleen Hunt, 18, domestic, 1885 N. Commercial st., both of Salem.

Maynard C. Drawson, 21, electrician's helper, and Dorothy J. Dawson, 19, cannery worker, both of Salem.

Benjamin Bente, baker, Galt, Calif., and Irene Helen Isakk, office clerk, 1420 N. Summer st., Salem.

### CIRCUIT COURT

Thelma Crawford vs. Ralph Crawford: Order of default.

Juanita Luella Bair vs. Kenneth A. Bair: Order of default.

Ethel Virginia Schiel vs. Kenneth Schiel, Mike Perd and Hazel Perd: Answer of defendants containing complete denial.

Ellis Richards vs. R. E. Heckenbottom and Helen Comer: case dismissed with prejudice to plaintiff.

Lester D. Goodall vs. Walter P. Conboy: Case dismissed with prejudice.

E. V. Gwaltney vs. Pioneer Trust Co. and others: Notice of appeal filed by plaintiff.

Earl Sharp vs. Margaret Mae Sharp: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment. Married Jan. 4, 1941, at Vancouver, Wash.

Leonard Gouge vs. Vick David: Motion for new trial.

Jessie L. Romilly vs. Eugene H. Romilly: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment. Married Jan. 11, 1943, in Seattle, Wash.

Bernard John Kosse vs. Leona I. Kosse: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks that custody of a minor child be awarded to defendant plus \$40 per month support money until further court order.

William C. Welch, jr., by Sybil V. Teusaw, guardian, vs. Victor Knuth and Robert Knuth: Sybil V. Teusaw appointed guardian.

Gerald L. Crawford vs. Mary I. Crawford: Suit to void marriage on grounds of prior marriage. Married Feb. 21, 1947, at Stevens, Wash.

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John T. Hoblitt estate: Order closing estate.

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## K. of C. Re-elect Salem Officers

COOS BAY, May 27.—(AP)—The Knights of Columbus re-elected state officers last night and named Bend as the 1948 convention city.

Those reelected at the close of the annual state convention: William J. LaRoche, Salem, deputy; Fred Muhs, McMinnville, secretary; Carl Bendscheidt, Tillamook, treasurer; L. A. O'Neill, Portland, advocate, and Vern Collier, Reedsport, warden.

Delegates named of the supreme convention at Boston were: Clarence Brown, Eugene; Dr. A. L. Elvin, Salem; Ed Stolle, Mt. Angel, and LaRoche.

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## Births

**COREY**—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Corey, 2107 Center st., a son, Tuesday, May 27, at Salem General hospital.

**BERRY**—To Mr. and Mrs. Eldon E. Berry, 2261 Hazel ave., a son, Tuesday, May 27, at Salem General hospital.

**DOEFLER**—To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Doefler, 2295 Broadway st., a daughter, Monday, May 26, at Salem General hospital.

**ALLEY**—To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Alley, 1085 Erixon st., a son, Tuesday, May 27, at Salem Deaconess hospital.

**KREUSE**—To Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Kreuse, a son, Monday, May 26, at Salem Deaconess hospital.

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Our first house "The Adams" will appear in this paper on Friday, May 30, and the series will continue each week thereafter. A complete floor plan together with the architect's rendering of the elevation and a detailed description of the livability features of the house will be shown. Arrangements have now been completed with Housing Plan Service of New York to supply blueprints and specifications to our readers, not only at a very nominal cost but within 24 hours after your request is received.

Among the series is a minimum house specially designed to meet the G. I. regulations; a story and a half expandable where the second floor can be finished later, if desired, making available two more bedrooms and another bath upstairs; a very up-to-the-minute hipped-roof one story with a play area for the children who can be watched from the kitchen window, and a handsome two story brick-ender for the larger family or those desiring plenty of elbow room.

The first one will appear Friday.

## Night School Classes Near Summer Finale

Salem adult education and night school classes will close for the summer on May 29 after the largest enrollment year in its history, Director George Porter announced Tuesday.

Enrollment in adult education and night classes, exclusive of the Oregon system of higher education extension courses, totaled 789 over the past school year.

This is an increase of about 100 per cent over last year, Porter said. Thirty-five courses have been taught by 30 teachers since October 7, 1946.

Total enrollment in the extension courses reached 250 and although figures are not available for last year, Porter indicated that this also represents an increase. Twenty-two classes were taught by about 15 teachers. The extension classes will hold their examinations the week of June 1.

When the classes close Thursday after completion of the third term, details will be arranged for reopening in the fall, Porter said. It is hoped that classes will open earlier this fall than last—probably immediately after regular schools open in Salem.

Porter indicated that his office is always open to suggestions for new courses. He will remain through the summer at his office in room 316 in the public school office building.

## FESTIVAL BOARD TO MEET

Members of the Salem Chamber of Commerce festival association board and chairmen of committees planning for the July 17-18-19 celebration are to meet at the Cherrian room of Salem Chamber of Commerce at 8 o'clock tonight.

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