

# Valley Briefs

**Hayesville** — Three life scouts, Robert and Dave Cooley and John Henning of troop 20 were the honored guests of the Maynard Cottrons at a dinner party given at the Friendly Farm Thursday. Additional guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Strozout and Junior.

**Pedee** — Bobby O'Neal has returned from Ashland where he accompanied his grandparents Mr.

and Mrs. Charles O'Neal and his grandfather is a patient in the Ashland hospital. They went south for the benefit of his health and for a time he appeared to be improving.

**Jefferson** — Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sturgis of South Gate, Calif., are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Glover. The group spent Tuesday and Wednesday at Clear Lake.

**Mill City** — Guests of Mrs. A. A. Holthouse are Mary Holthouse of Corvallis, and Mrs. Pearl Carter of Kansas City, Mo.

**Pedee** — Mr. and Mrs. Merle Reynolds of Emmett, Idaho visited at the J. W. McCormacks this week.

**Mill City** — Mr. and Mrs. James Dowling and two children and Mrs. H. R. Brown of Portland visited the Henry Baltimores last week.

**Jefferson** — Mrs. W. D. Watkins underwent major surgery at a McMinnville hospital Tuesday. Her sister, Mrs. Linnie McCallam of Olympia, Wash., is here with her.

**Pringle** — Guests of the Del Binkleys are Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Short of Portland.

**Pringle** — Mr. and Mrs. Dwyn A. Miller have sold their place on Pringle Road to the F. M. Wyleys.

**Jefferson** — Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hoevet visited a nephew, Donnie Pence, critically ill in the Salem General hospital, this week.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pence of Salem, former owners of the Texaco Dinetta here.

**Rosedale** — Mrs. John J. Trachsel will have charge of the Sunday services at the local church. She expects to leave September 19 for China to join her husband who has been there since February 1945.

**Jefferson** — Mrs. Hal Reeves is the new clerk of school district No. 14, having been appointed to take the place of Mrs. Marvin Hutchings, who resigned.

**Silverton** — The Willamette Laymen Intermission will meet Sunday at 2 p. m. at Calvary Lutheran church at Silverton with the Rev. James J. Tofte as pastor.

**Mill City** — Betty Craven and Lyle Fleetwood are at Westminster Fellowship Junior Hi Camp at Silver Creek Falls this week.

**Four Corners** — Teen Kanteen club plans a beach party for Sunday, September 7, with more detailed plans to be announced.

## Valley Obituaries

**Nicholas W. Schmidt**  
LEBANON — Nicholas W. Schmidt, 70, born in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, died at the Lebanon hospital Wednesday. Funeral was held Saturday after services at St. Edward's Catholic church at 9 a. m. Rosary was recited at the chapel Friday. Resident of this community for 27 years, he is survived by ten children: Norman, U.S. army; Lawrence, Peter, Leo and Nicholas, Jr., Agnes DeRush, Catherine Schmidt, Isabel Schmidt, all of Lebanon; Grace Campbell of Michigan and Sister Mary Bernice of Albany. Mrs. Anna Meyers, Olive Schmidt of Mt. Angel and Mrs. Catherine Redding of Woodburn are sisters; also eight grandchildren.

**Curtis Calvin Johnson**  
LEBANON — Curtis Calvin Johnson, 61, was buried in the Lebanon IOOF cemetery Wednesday after services at Sweet Home. He died August 17 at his home in Holley neighborhood. Born in Missouri in 1888, and had farmed in this vicinity for the last 11 years. Survived by the widow, two daughters and five sons and 11 grandchildren.

**CORVALLIS RADIO ON AIR**  
CORVALLIS, Aug. 23 (AP)—Radio station KRUL, the first commercial station in Benton county, began broadcasting tonight on a frequency of 1,340 kilocycles.

## Taxi Spaces Open Today

Chief of Police Frank Minto announced Saturday that hoods from parking meters at downtown taxi stands would be removed today. This will make those parking areas subject to payment the same as any other metered parking space downtown.

In connection with the loss of free parking spaces, Chris Kunkel, manager of the Valley Cab company, said that he is presently making negotiations for off-street parking but has not obtained a definite location yet.

The Salem Taxi service has established off-street parking for its cabs at 394 N. Church st., on the auto service lot occupied by Smith's Clipper service.

For cab companies, Capitol and Deluxe, gave no statements Saturday in regard to their plans for parking space.

## Mrs. Brand at Beyreuth

## Oregonians Hear 'Marriage of Figaro' In Festival at Birthplace of Mozart

(Editor's Note—Following is another of a series of stories written for exclusive use of The Statesman by Mrs. James T. Brand, wife of the Oregon supreme court justice now sitting with a military tribunal at Nuernberg, Germany, in which she recounts a visit of "Jim" (Judge Brand) and herself to a German opera.)

**NUERNBERG**—Because we feared his musical education was being neglected we dragged Jim out from behind the law books and bore him away, Saturday afternoon, to Beyreuth, to the music festival. Beyreuth is the birthplace of Mozart and celebrates that fact every year with a month's festival in its 200-year-old opera house. We enjoyed the "Marriage of Figaro" just as much as though we had understood the German and the complicated plot.

The voices of the main characters were clear, sweet and true but not phenomenal (so I think). The choruses, though small were melodious and the dancers trod the boards gracefully. We were never quite sure when Suzzamale or the page or the countess, was in disguise, or why? When the pretty maid slapped Figaro because she thought he thought she was the countess it came as a shock, because the poor valet had told everybody at the top of his lungs just a minute before that he recognized her in spite of her white wig and court dress! Then, too, even in the dimmed lights we had known who she was all along!

Perhaps opera, being opera, does not lend itself to originality in presentation—perhaps it's laws like those of the Medes and

## Lowell Stockman Defends Stand on Bonneville Funds

PENDLETON, Ore., Aug. 23 (AP)—Rep. Lowell Stockman (R-Ore) offered an explanation last night of why he opposed higher Bonneville administration appropriations at the last congressional session.

He told a Rotary-Kiwanis dinner meeting: That Bonneville did not have electricity to supply the additional power lines it proposed to construct and "it would be ridiculous to spend public tax money on new installations years before these installations can be put to use."

He added that his request for the resignation of Paul J. Raver, Bonneville administrator, was not personal, but resulted from his feeling that the administrator was withholding information.

in the five narrow balconies, which accommodate only one row each and ring the sides and rear of the theater, one directly above the other. The whole interior is in soft grey-green, with a great deal of golden leaf. Green polished marble columns entwined with golden vines support the ceiling which is adorned with goddesses and cupids in gorgeous coloring and seductive poses! All the balconies and the two royal boxes which flank the stage are heavily ornamented with wood carvings and jeweled gods and heroes. It is perfectly preserved and completely beautiful.

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## Annual Caller at Grave Of Valentino Identified

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 23 (AP)—The "lady in black" who has been visiting Rudolph Valentino's tomb on each anniversary of the silent screen lover's death 21 years ago appeared at the Hollywood cemetery mausoleum again today — and finally identified herself. She said she is Ditra Flame (accent on the "e") and this time she wore a white hat. Beside Valentino's crypt she placed a large bouquet of marigolds and asters.

## 700-Hour Fighter Pilot Dies in Crash

SEATTLE, Aug. 23 (AP)—A Tacoma pilot with 700 hours experience in fighter planes lost control of his plane during a routine air drill today and crashed to his death five miles southeast of Kirkland. The navy announced he was Lt. (j.g.) A. H. Brynstad, 29, whose wife, Mina Virginia, lives at Tacoma.

Navy air reserve training officials said Brynstad was on a "familiarization flight" and was in a "tail chase"—a regular navy drill—when his gull-winged Corsair went out of control at 8,000 feet in a tight turn.

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