## **Farm Labor Office to Close On Jan. 1; Wartime, Postwar Record of Recruiting Cited**

#### **By Conrad Prange** Staff Writer, The Statesman

At the end of this year another familiar wartime emergency agency will leave the local scene when the Marion county farm labor office, 361 Chemeketa st., closes its doors and its activities are returned to the state employment service.

The Salem office is one of thousands over the nation set up in 1944 by the federal government as recruiting and placement centers to help save and harvest farm

food crops. Originally a part of every civic, church, patriotic, sothe U.S. employment service, the farm labor employment division was separated from its parent body and established as a separate hearted support and cooperation agency by the U.S. department of agriculture.

In Oregon the program was placed in the hands of the Oregon failed." state college extension service with J. R. Beck of Corvallis as state supervisor. It was handled in each individual county by the county agent's office, which in turn appointed a county farm labor assistant.

Mrs. Turnbull Appointed Mrs. Gladys Turnbull was ap- out.

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labor assistant April 1, 1944, by A feature of that first year, Mrs.

Omans, a four-year navy veter- en were recruited from their an, was appointed in February of kitchens and gave odd hours of 1946 and assisted in the last two the day to harvesting beans. harvest seasons, which proved to be record-breakers for the office. operation, the Salem office placed

men and women went into the of farm placements. services and war plants."

#### **Organized** Communities

Although she had no pattern or previous program to rely on, Mrs. Turnbull said, the girst goal of her office was to organize the communities in the county into effective farm labor recruiting agenvesting crops was our main task a harvest field. -at first," she recalled.

Ray Glatt of Woodburn headed Melchoir, OSB.

#### **Reduced** to 2 Offices

Salem's chairman was Mrs. Herbert Rahe, and West Salem, Mrs. mendous organizational coopera-

cial and service group was overwhelming," Mrs. Turnbull related. "If it had not been for the wholeof these groups and the teachers' organizations, the farm labor recruiting program would have In addition to committees, the program was carried into the schools where students were

taught the various crops harvested in this county. House to house canvasses were made to sign up housewives for field work. Radio and press programs were carried

pointed as the Marion county farm Housewives Recruited

the acting county agent, W. J. Turnbull remembers was the Keizer Scout shop in the Chemeketa street of- gained nation-wide publicity. It fice. Mrs. Turnbull is an Oregon was organized here to take care State college graduate in econom- of the 1944 bean crop which was threatened with a lack of har-Mrs. Turnbull's assistant, Dean vesters. Thousands of Salem wom-

During the first full year of

"It was my job," Mrs. Turnbull 28,485 men, women and children recounted this week, "to recruit on harvest jobs. The placement women into the harvest fields. has increased each year since, Mrs. Farmers had been encouraged by Turnbull said. Marion county for the government to increase their the past four years has been seccrop acreages. At the same time ond each year among counties of the labor supply was dwindling as the United States in the number

#### **Gasoline Rationing**

"The biggest headache of all, during that first year," the farm labor assistant said, "was the ra-O'Connor and George Durham, sr. tioning of gasoline coupons to farm Guests of the court included Lyle laborers. Separate records had to Leighton, Cascade area council be kept for each individual and a scout executive, and Elmer lot of red tape was involved in Kleinke, district chairman. cies. "Stirring up interest in har- getting enough gas to drive out to

At first many growers were Roger Morse, Fred Rose, Claude skeptical of women and children Goldsby, Owen Stockard and the county farm labor advisory workers and also of women re- Charles McClenny. Merit badge committees in other towns in the cruiters and organizers. "But," county. These towns and their says Mrs. Turnbull, "the women Willard Moore, George Durham, committee chairmen included and children literally saved this Dwayne Snook, Gary Hisel, Rich-Woodburn, Mrs. Walter Miller; county's food crops during those and Vaughan and John Rehfuss. Silverton, Mrs. Wendell Heath: years. Farmers soon came to rec-Stayton, Lawrence Spraker; and ognize this, and last spring many for Robert Engle, second class Mt. Angel, the Rev. Hildebrand voluntarily placed orders with this Kenneth Pringle, Snook and office for school children platoons Vaughan, and women workers."

Recalling experiences of the tre- life.

life "

ine Singer.

## 12-The Statesman, Salem, Oregon, Friday, November 28, 1947 Farm Recruiters to Cease Work High Content of Pinball Press

## Leaves, Stems **In Hop Bales**

gon hop analytical laboratory, cov- pers on gambling or were reluc- and Marion of Baltimore are vis- other relatives later. ering its 1947 operations, based on Idaho) handled up to November had read any of the barrage of on a Victory ship early next year 80,675 bales (including 1,905 from 13, shows that hop pickers got recent accounts of the pinball as junior engineer while Mrs. more stems and leaves in the basket than in 1946. Of these 80,675 bales, the

stem content of 1 per cent. Other bales, numbering 8359, showed skimmed through the rest of the and Mrs. Joe Camillo and Mike, Mrs. Ira Fisher and Inez, Iris, leaf and stem content of 12 per cent or over. A few bales ran as

high as 21 per cent. The Oregon average of 8.09 per on the 1947 Washington crop and per. 6.17 per cent on the California crop. All three states showed higher

leaf and stem percentages than in 1946. Officials of the Oregon agricultural department which operates the hop laboratory under joint agreement with the federal gov-

ernment, said the higher percentage of leaf and stem content in Oregon probably was due to wider use of hand picking than in the other two Pacific coast states. Mechanical pickers are used ex-

tensively in Washington and Cali-The laboratory work is a self-

**Community Club Hall** 

ployed at the Pohle-Staver Imp-At Middle Grove lement Co. for six years and for MIDDLE GROVE - Monday the last several years has owned

cannot succeed fully in its task tives of clubs and organizations of Highland avenue. unless supervisors maintain har- Middle Grove community met at While living in Keizer they have the home of Robert Pickeral to been active in community affairs hear about an offer made by and Waldorf is now serving as George Hardy, local business man, chairman of the school board, and who will donate a plot of ground is a member of the Salem Sadnear Lancaster drive and Silver- dle club.

ton road for the building of a They plan to move about De-ROBERTS - Mothers club community hall. A general discus- cember 1, with their son Jimmie members will buy football and sion meeting for the community who is a fifth grade pupil. Their soccer balls for the school. Recent will be held at the Middle Grove daughter Betty, a senior in Salem rummage sale netted \$135. Mr. school Monday, December 1, at 8 high school, will remain with reland Mrs. Lee Eyerly presented the p.m. to determine whether the atives to finish school here.

The Rhine river is navigable for 800 miles asked to attend this meeting.

and horses.

### Stories Fail to Impress Jury is in California to be with her

Several jurors on a pinball case ndicated Wednesday they either ing.

didn't read much in the newspatant to admit it if they did. The jurors were asked if they Tracy Walling. He plans to return machine controversy here and Walling and Marion will remain

over the state. Of four women questioned, two weighted average leaf and stem said they had read nothing of the hosts for the annual Thanksgiving content was 8.09 per cent as press accounts, one admitted she family dinner. The guest list inagainst 7.67 per cent in 1946. The had "read very little" on the sub- cludes Mr. and Mrs. George Wall-Oregon laboratory in Salem found ject and the fourth testified "she ing and Marion; Mr. and Mrs. A. only 263 bales with a leaf and only noticed the headlines and C. Upham, Linda and Gary; Mr.

One of the men jurors said that he had read "some" of the newspaper accounts while the other answered that he had noticed a cent compares with 5.28 per cent few stories in an out-of-town pa-

> All jurors live in Marion county. The questions came during jury interrogation of the trial of Ethan B. Reed, Hubbard, charged with possessing, operating and maintaining a slot pinball machine.

**Keizer Man Buys** 

John Day Ranch



Jean and Peggy Crawford of Portland, were guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Lois Crawford last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Meissner had

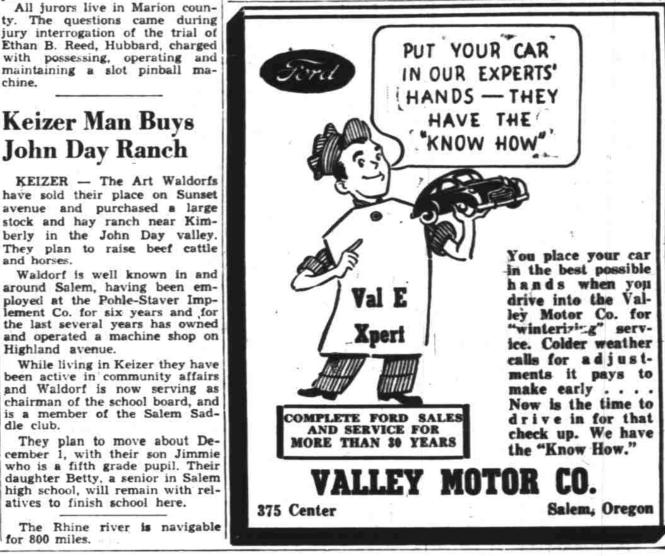
as their house guests for four days recutly his cousin and his son and his family for Thanksgivwife, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Ritthaler, Perry, Okla. They went Mr. and Mrs. George Walling to Eugene and Roseburg to visit

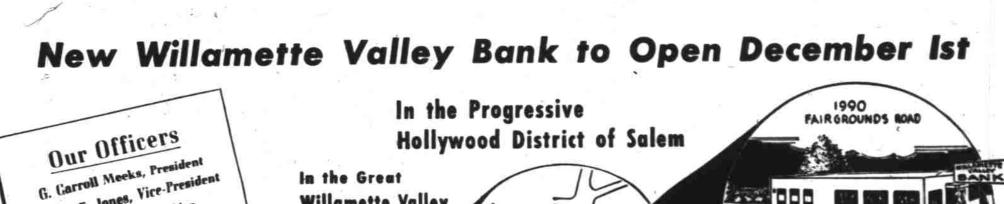
iting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Walling are

Richard Smith and Julie and Dick, John Walling, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walling.

STATE Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hackett will be Thanksgiving hosts for Mr. and





**Hears Ellenwood** 

James Lee Ellenwood, national YMCA staff member from New fornia. York City, discussed "The Man and His Job" at the Salem Indus- sustaining activity. trial Supervisors club banquet at the YMCA Wednesday night.

wives attended the banquet. Music Will Be Considered for the gathering was furnished by the Wonder Valley orchestra.

ican industry can make any type of product in large volumes, but night, November 24, representa- and operated a machine shop on mony with their employes.

members who included Hickman **Roberts Mothers Club Buys Balls for Play** 

> school with a new electric range community is in favor of such a for the noon lunch program. Mrs. project. All who are interested are

awards went to Gary Nessing, Scout rank pins were approved first class; Durham, star, and Nessing and Durham,

**New Members** 

Grange hall.

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One year service stars were Drew Michaels. Gradually, how- tion of "all citizens of the coun- given to Kenneth Lawrence, Lewis ever, the community committees ty", Mrs. Turnbull said this week Schroeder, Glendon Geil, Vernon outside Salem were dropped, as that the job "was one of the most Luke, Engle, Snook and Moore. the movement became better or- interesting and fascinating of my Perfect attendance pins were said she "thorough] nce, Luke enjoyed every minute of it.' gle, Nessing and Durham. **Boys Born at Officer** Staff Mill City BRUSH COLLEGE - A 4-H MILL CITY - Mr. and Mrs. Sewing club was held at Brush Harvey Kanoff are the parents of College schoolhouse November 25. a second son, born Nov. 21 at the Members are Donna Kron, Nancy Salem General hospital. Osterberg, Sandra Larson, Suz-Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Catherwood anne Mathis, Elizabeth Jakubec, are the parents of an 8 pound 2 Patsy Morarty, Katherine Singer ounce son, Arthur Franklin, born their leader, Mrs. Oliver Sargent, Nov. 24 at the Salem Memorial Elected to office were: President, hospital. Sandra Larson; vice president, nancy Osterberg; secretary, Eliza-beth Jakubec; publicity, Kather-Stephen, born Nov. 13 at the Salem Memorial hospital. Mrs. Beck Next meeting will be at the is the former Eva Short and Mr. ome of Mrs. Oliver Sargent on Beck is coach of the Mill City Tuesday, December 2. high school.

turn as a function of the state employment service. Chief of the special office at 361 Chemeketa st. since April, 1944, has been Mrs. Gladys Turnbull, pictured above with her assistant, Dean Omans. (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.) **Supervisors** Club **Troop Inducts** 

"Pitch in" to get those crops harvested has been the cry for Salem's

farm labor office which soon will lose its separate status and re-

Seven new members were inducted into the Keizer Boy Scout

troop 4 at a scout court of honor About 100 supervisors and their Tuesday night in the Keizer Seven scout advancements and

16 merit badges were awarded at Ellenwood stressed that Amerthe ceremonies, followed by a bassocial which netted \$76 for the troop fund. Chairman of the court was Paul Geil, assisted by Scoutmaster Michael Hickman. Awards were made by court

Tenderfoot scouts invested were Kenneth Wulf, Richard Schmidt,

Roach and Mrs. Barker served.

nzea this summer only Salem and Woodburn offices functioned.

"The response I received from 4-H Club Has New LAND CLEARING BULLDOZING With D-8 Cat. Willard Sloper Albany, Oregon 310 W. 7th St Phone 917

### WAR SURPLUS

# **Clearance Sale** Approximately \$100,000 worth of

**Office Furniture** TO BE SOLD TO WORPD WAR II VETERANS ONLY

### Sale starts Dec. 3, 1947 at SWAN ISLAND SHIPYARD MOLD LOFT BUILDING, PORTLAND, OREGON

### What Is For Sale:

**DESKS: Office Executive, Steno-typist** and Receptionist. CHAIRS: Swivel, Streight back, Steno-typist. FILES: Letter and Legal Size. STOOLS: Various, Drafting and Office. **TABLES:** Various Sizes. COSTUMERS: Wood.

Who May Buy:

Veterans of World War II only (discharge papers or photostats are only re-quired certification).

What Quantities May be Purchased:

One of each individual type.

Fixed price, "where is, as is", facilities platform.

#### Dates of Sale:

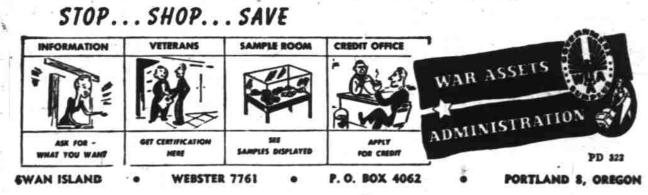
Starting 9:00 e.m., Dec. 8, 1947, until 3:30 p.m., and will continue each following work day at the same hours until all merchandise is sold.

### HOW AWARDS WILL BE MADE

The office equipment listed above, samples of which will be on display in the Mold Loft Building on Dec. 3, will be sold on a first come, first served basis to all prospective purchasers who will be registered upon entrance to the Mold Loft Building. Prospective purchasers must attend the sale prepared to make immediate settlement and take immediate delivery.

The furniture will be offered to Veterans of World War II only upon presentation of discharge papers or facsimile, and by signing certification that the furniture will be used for personal, busin professional or agricultural use and not for tesale.

Additional information about PDO-1361 may be obtained from . . .



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### November 29, from 2 to 7 p.m.

Salem's independent bank will open for business on Monday morning, December 1, at 10 o'clock.

This Saturday afternoon, before we get down to the routine of daily banking operations, we want to show you through our new bank. The building itself isn't elaborate or large, but it will serve the bank for sometime and will be a pleasant place in which to do business. The interior is neatly arranged and a bank's various functions are well-provided for. The roomy lobby contains especially-designed fixtures, and excellent lighting arrangements for both the public lobby and work sections.

Behind the counters is the newest and most modern banking equipment, including recently-perfected automatic teller's machines. These machines will be demonstrated during Open House. When in operation, each teller will issue machine-printed deposit receipts for all checking account deposits . . . speeding up service to customers and making the bank's accounting procedures more accurate.

### FREE PARKING FOR BANK CUSTOMERS

A paved parking lot for the convenience of customers adjoins the bank building. Located at the corner of Hunt Street and Fairgrounds Road, it is readily-accessible with double driveways from either street.

The Officers and Directors foresee a great future for the Willamette Valley. We are proud of our new bank and know it will fill a definite need in a growing community. As business demands, we will expand our facilities. Our policy will be to give complete banking services and credit facilities which will contribute to the progress and development of our trading area.

If you are in business, in farming, or need some personal banking service, we think you'll like to do business with a friendly bank where you will receive personal attention at all times.

Come in and visit us at Open House and see Salem's newest bank. If you can't make it then, we'll welcome you any time after we open on Monday, December 1sta

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