

### Valley Hop Growers Organize To Sell Remainder of '47 Crop

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"Willamette valley hop growers who are still holding 1947-crop unsold hops have taken first steps toward an organization whose stated purpose will be to sell such hops "for the best and highest price obtainable. Hope of the growers promoting the move are eventually to get hops out of a "gamble" basis onto a normal industrial basis.

Tentative plans have been laid to hold a meeting on January 23, 2 p. m. at the Salem Chamber of Commerce rooms at which an agreement will be considered. The meeting will be open to all growers still in possession of unsold 1947 hops. Estimates indicate approximately 10,000 bushels in the valley.

When an agreement is reached and organization effected, three trustees, not more than one from any one district, will be selected from the membership to handle, manage and sell the hops.

Trust Agreement  
The trust agreement to be discussed at the Salem meeting will include, on the growers' side, a bill of sale or growers' warehouse receipt furnished to the trustees and covering and describing their entire unsold 1947 hop crop.

### Frat Alumni Elect Wilson

Otto J. Wilson, Jr. was elected president of the Salem chapter of the Sigma Chi Alumni association at a meeting of the fraternity at the Gold Arrow cafe Wednesday night.

Other new officers elected were Frank Waller, vice president, and Homer Goulet, Jr., secretary-treasurer. Officers retiring from the year-old organization were Win Jenks, president; Otto J. Wilson, Jr., vice president, and Dorsey Moore, secretary-treasurer.

Members also discussed coming initiation of the Beta Iota chapter of Sigma Chi at the University of Oregon which will take place on the weekend of January 17-18. Several Salem members will attend the event.

### Grazing Limit Plans Continue

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.-(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Anderson declined today to suspend a program calling for a slight reduction in cattle and sheep grazing on publicly owned national forest land in the west.

He had been requested to do so by a house public lands subcommittee headed by Rep. Barrett (R-Wyo.). The department's forest service plans a grazing program for the 1948-50 period which, Anderson said, would make an over-all reduction of two percent a year in the number of sheep and cattle grazed.

Anderson said this reduction is necessary to "correct over-grazing" of the forest land. States in which grazing land would be affected are Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Arizona, New Mexico, California, Oregon, Washington and Montana.

### Local Postal Employees Eye Salary Bill

Approximately 150 Salem post-office employees are watching news from Washington, D. C., today where the much-debated postal salary increase legislation goes to a Senate sub-committee.

A Salem local 604, national federation of post office clerks, has sent telegrams and letters to Oregon Senators Wayne Morse and Guy Cordon, urging favorable consideration of the Senate bill.

Local postal union officials said here Wednesday night that the bill calls for an \$800 per year increase for annual-salaried clerks and a 40 cents per hour boost for hourly workers. Most of Salem's postal employees are on annual salaries, it was reported.

Average weekly salary here for postal clerks now is approximately \$44 per week, local officials said. They pointed out that the beginning rate of \$2,100 per year is in the lower income brackets.

James Lucas is president of the Salem postal clerks local and Frank Albrich, secretary. Retirement legislation, affecting postal clerks, is also slated to come before congress later this month, they said.

### Fire Hazard Replaces Floods in Oregon

PORTLAND, Jan. 14.-(AP)—Oregon's flooded Willamette valley and rain drenched hills were no longer a disaster as a new weather hazard popped up.

The Mount Hood national forest district ranger issued a fire warning — explaining that clear skies the past few days and east winds in the gorge have dried out the fern areas of the forest.

### Reservists Hear Maj. Carl

Members of Salem's Marine reserve corps unit received a rare treat at Wednesday night's drill session when Maj. Marion E. Carl, Hubbard native and marine corps flying ace spent more than an hour answering questions from members regarding jet planes and the marine air corps.

During the question period Maj. Carl told the reservists that jet planes now have a definite place in modern ground and naval warfare. Helicopters have also been perfected to a stage where they now can play an important part in spotting enemy positions for artillery, he said.

Thirteen new members were added to the rapidly growing howitzer division at the session. Signing were Kenneth E. Stewart, Donald L. Graves, Robert M. Baker, Wayne P. Champion and Charles F. Patterson, all of Salem; Stanley E. Brown, Gilbert E. Hermann and William F. Carleton, all of Stayton; Robert F. Babcock, Independence; Job J. Pinkney, Westport; and Bethel M. Leewright, Hubbard, and Bethel M. Leewright, Aumsville.

### 'Marshall Plan, Or Else' Says Philip Parrish

It's the Marshall plan "or else," Philip Parrish, Portland newspaper man just home from Europe, told members of the Salem Rotary club and their guests at the annual "farmers day" luncheon meeting Wednesday in the Marion hotel.

The Marshall plan or its equivalent is necessary so that European people may have sufficient calories to be able to work and provide the goods which are needed for replacement of those destroyed in the war, Parrish declared.

People are not working hard in Germany because they can not get work, Parrish said. Crops were good in Russia, rain seeming to have stopped at the iron curtain, but conditions otherwise in the Russian zone are not good, the speaker said in answer to a question.

Among the guests Wednesday were Justice James T. Brand, recently home from the United States war crimes trials at Nuernberg. In opening his talk Parrish said he felt "very humble in the presence of those who have spent so much more time in Germany than I have."

He said that while he had been unable to see Justice Brand while in Germany he heard the Oregon senator refer to the "beast brains on the court at Nuernberg" by U. S. Rep. Phil LaFollette of Wisconsin who visited Europe during the congressional recess.

### Congressional Aide Admits Grain Trading

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.-(AP)—A congressional aide who acknowledged a number of transactions in the grain market to a senate committee inquiring into speculation today that he never had access to "inside information."

John Kerr Rose, a geographer for the library of congress, told a senate appropriations subcommittee that he made more than a dozen oats and wheat transactions during 1947 and that he suffered a net loss of \$1,744.75.

Rose, whose name appeared on a list of traders made public about week ago by the department of agriculture, told reporters he bought and sold 1,000 bushels of wheat futures last September 20 while working on a report for the Herter committee on foreign aid. He said he made a small profit, but added that he saw "nothing unethical" in the transaction.

William Yandle Elliott, chief director of the house foreign affairs committee, said the disclosure that Rose was in the commodity market at the same time he was working on the Herter report "came as quite a surprise to me." He said that Rose helped to prepare statistics and some of the text of the portions of the Herter committee report dealing with grain and fertilizers.

Most of the figures he worked with, Elliott continued, were not confidential but some of the material was so classified by the international emergency food council.

MADE LINDY HOP  
CHICAGO, Jan. 14.-(AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh was treated at Billings Memorial hospital today for a toe injury suffered when he dropped a large flashlight on his right foot.

### Marine Flying Ace Spends Day in Salem

(Interview on page 1)  
Maj. Marion E. Carl, native of Hubbard, World War II flying ace and holder of the world's fighter plane speed record, was in Salem Wednesday for his first real visit in five years.

Carl, now commander of a night fighter squadron, camped mostly of jet planes, at Cherry Point, N.C., arrived in Salem Wednesday afternoon by auto for a one-night speaking tour. He flew from Cherry Point to the Dalles Sunday and on to Portland Tuesday where he spoke at two high schools.

In his short visit here Maj. Carl addressed officers of Salem's Marine reserve unit and members of the civilian Marine reserve recruiting committee at a luncheon at the Marion hotel.

Attending the dinner were Maj. Leonard Hick, commandant of Salem's marine reserve unit; Sgt. Maj. Lloyd W. Barker, local marine reserve recruiting head; Col. Roland Davis, Portland, battalion commander of Salem's marine reserve unit; Maj. H. E. W. Barnes, Oregon marine corps reserve instructor; and Capt. Harold Montgomery, Portland, Oregon marine corps reserve public relations chief.

Following the dinner, Carl visited the marine corps armory at the Salem airport where he spent an hour answering questions put by members of Salem's Marine reserve corps during a drill session.

Last August Carl set the world's speed record for jet planes by piloting a Douglas Skystrak 650-796 miles an hour over a mile course at Murdoco Dry Lake, Calif. The record still stands. He recently completed two years duty at the naval test center at Patuxent River, Md., where he flew all the latest type conventional, jet and helicopter aircraft. A year ago last November Carl made one of the first carrier landings in a jet plane, landing a P-80 Shooting Star on a carrier off the east coast.

Born at Hubbard  
Carl was born at Hubbard Nov. 1, 1915, in Portland. He received his preliminary education in Hubbard and was graduated from Oregon State college in 1936 with a degree in mechanical engineering with an aeronautical option. Following graduation he was appointed a second lieutenant in the army. In August, 1938, Maj. Carl resigned his commission in the army and was appointed an aviation cadet in the Marine air corps.

He completed his flight training at Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 1, 1939, receiving the rank of second lieutenant in the corps.

On USS Saratoga  
During the first part of World War II, Carl served aboard the old carrier, USS Saratoga and participated in the Battle of Midway and Guadalcanal. He downed 18 1/2 Japanese planes during his combat flying in the South Pacific. Off Guadalcanal, he was shot down, saved by natives who picked him up in a canoe and walked five miles back to his base through jungles.

After his first tour of duty, Carl returned to the United States and went on a 14-month bond sabbatical. In July, 1943, returned to overseas duty. His second trip took him through the Hawaiian islands, New Hebrides, Vella LaVella in the Solomons, and Emirau. In his first flight over Rabaul he shot down a Jap plane.

### Men to Attend Guard School

Three members of Salem's company B, 162nd infantry regiment, will go to Portland Friday where they will attend a three-day school of the Oregon national guard on supply, maintenance, training and personnel administration.

Salem men going are Capt. Burl Cox, regiment commander, S/Sgt. Lawrence Baker and 1st Sgt. Wilton St. Claire. A total of 207 officers and enlisted men will attend the sessions.

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### Northwestern Oregon ARC Officials Meet

General problems confronting county Red Cross units were discussed at a meeting of American Red Cross executives from nine Oregon counties at Salem Chamber of Commerce rooms Wednesday afternoon.

Richard Gordon of San Francisco, area disaster preparedness and relief director, praised the work of the local Marion county disaster committee and other groups in the recent Willamette valley floods.

He pointed out that the preparedness program of the committee cut down flood loss measurably.

Other speakers included N. C. Novak of Portland, claims director of the veterans administration office there, who spoke on the Red Cross cooperation with the VA on veterans claims and other activities.

Ray Early of Portland, fund campaign chairman of the Multnomah county chapter of the Red Cross, led a round-table discussion on fund raising methods.

The Marion county chapter, represented by Susan Faherty, executive manager, was the host chapter at noon luncheon at the Marion hotel. Present at the sessions were executive secretaries and other representatives from Lane, Benton, Linn, Polk, Yamhill, Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah counties.

Gordon also led an informal discussion meeting of the Marion county disaster and relief committee in the Red Cross office at which 23 communities over the county were represented.

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### Water Control District Vote Wins Favor

CENTRAL HOWELL — Approximately 75 landowners of this area met in the schoolhouse here Wednesday night to discuss the proposed Pudding river water control district, and many expressed their endorsement of petitioning for an election to determine whether such a district should be formed in order to seek federal aid for flood control and related projects.

Salem Attorney Peery Buren explained the 1947 state law authorizing such water control districts. Similar meetings on the proposed district will be held this Thursday night at Bethany school and next Tuesday night at Aurora grange hall.

### DISTRESSED PLANE LANDS

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.-(AP)—A four-engine DC-4 plane, which sent out a distress message early today while flying near Jacksonville, Fla., landed safely at Nassau in the Bahamas at 1:42 a. m. The coast guard office here reported.

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### Private Industry To Enter Richland

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David H. Laidler, works manager for the General Electric company at the Hanford project, announced the new policy in a speech here today.

Under the new policy, business operators will be able to obtain leases from the federal government if approved by the management of the community.

### Col. Abrams To Head Local Defense Group

Col. Carl Abrams, Spanish-American war veteran long associated with Salem patriotic, civic and veterans' activities, will head a Salem area citizens advisory committee on national defense.

Appointment was made Wednesday by Gen. Mark Clark, Sixth army commander, and announced in Salem by Col. John M. Hamilton of Portland, Oregon's senior national guard instructor who had just returned from conference with General Clark and his staff in San Francisco.

Hamilton said Abrams will form a committee which will keep Sixth army headquarters advised on Salem area developments pertaining to defense. The committee will include religious, education, service and civic organizations, health and labor representatives. Similar committees are being formed in other western cities.

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