

400 Valley Legionnaires, Wives at Meet

More than 400 Legionnaires and auxiliary members of the mid-Willamette valley area were guests of Salem post 138 and Pioneer post 139, American Legion, at the annual conference of Legion district 2 at Legion hall Saturday.

Business session and a joint meeting of the Legion and Auxiliary were conducted during the day and a banquet at Legion hall which started at 7 p. m. concluded the conference.

District Commander Art Dresselhaus presided at the sessions in which mutual problems, programs and policies of the Legion and auxiliary were discussed and actions taken at the national convention in New York were explained. Department Commander Jack Maria of Canyonville and Auxiliary President, Mrs. Ruth Coyner, headed state officers who attended.

Mrs. Marian Miller of Seio presided at the auxiliary session. Hearing committees who were in charge of the conference and banquet were Commander Chester Fritz of post 149 and Commander Mildred Christensen of post 134. Capital post 9 provided refreshments for the day.

Annual U.S. fire losses of timber and lumber are enough to build 200,000 houses.

Mrs. Downs on Library Board

Three appointments to the Salem public library board, two of them continuing present terms, were announced Saturday by Mayor R. L. Eifstrom. All are for three-year terms, to expire January, 1951.

Mrs. J. W. Harbison and Lester Barr were reappointed to the board, and Mrs. Chester A. Downs to replace E. T. Barnes, who asked to be relieved because of poor health.

Other members are D. W. Eyr, A. A. Lee, Dr. H. K. Olinger, Mrs. F. H. Spears, Charles Helzel and Mabel Robertson.

Tavern Owner Drops Appeal of Pinball Verdict

Ethan B. Reed, owner of Playmore Park tavern at Hubbard, Saturday withdrew a notice of appeal to Marion county circuit court from a December 19 Marion county district court conviction of illegal operation of a pinball machine. Reed also paid a \$100 fine which had been levied at the time of his conviction. District Judge Joseph Felton ordered the pinball machine involved to be destroyed. Reed was arrested October 20 by Marion county sheriff's deputies on a charge of possessing, maintaining and operating a slot machine, after he allegedly accepted tokens in payment for cigarettes.

Justice Brand to Address Chamber

Justice James T. Brand of the Oregon supreme court, who spent 1947 as a member of the war crimes tribunal in Nuernberg, Germany, will address the Salem Chamber of Commerce at Monday's forum luncheon in the chamber dining hall.

Brand returned during the past month from Germany, where he was presiding judge at the trial of 15 former members of the Nazi ministry of justice.

China Is Turner Topic For Extension Members

TURNER — The Turner women's extension unit will meet with Mrs. Stanley Riches, Wednesday, January 21, at 12 o'clock. It was erroneously printed in the news letter that the club would meet elsewhere. Constance Hampton will be there and will display and discuss Chinaware. Discussion of finances will be stressed during the business meeting.

\$13½ Million Given to State By U.S. in Year

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17—(AP)—Federal grants to Oregon for health, education, welfare, vocational rehabilitation and social security totaled \$13,550,093 in the fiscal year ended last June 30, the federal security agency reported. The largest allocation in Oregon was old age assistance totaling \$5,862,000.

Oscar H. Ewing, federal security administrator, said the compilation gave only the federal share of the money spent by the state.

"To complete the picture," he said, "Oregon would have to add in its own state and local funds which its citizens also use for these purposes." The tabulation, which is preliminary, listed the following federal allocations to the state during the year:

Social security administration—welfare services to mothers and children, \$372,600; aid to dependent children, \$630,000; old age assistance, \$5,862,000; aid to needy blind, \$104,000; unemployment insurance (state funds), \$7,960,000; old age and survivors insurance, \$464,000.

The report said that under the federal-state assistance program, aid had been extended to 5,958 dependent children in 2,342 families; old age assistance to 22,216 and aid to the blind to 384.

It said that during the year, Oregon had paid \$7,960,000 in unemployment insurance to 46,668 persons from funds contributed by employers.

The report said a general health grant of \$143,870 had been made to the state to maintain its local health departments; \$93,142 had been advanced for tuberculosis work; \$61,167 for venereal disease control and \$10,000 for surveying needs for hospitals and health centers while one Oregon institution (unnamed) received \$2,500 from the research grants division of the national institute of health. The report said Oregon received \$126,944 for vocational rehabilitation, supplementing \$54,189 of local funds; \$182,164 for vocational education and \$75,689 under the land grant college program.

Elks Hold Winter Meeting in Astoria

ASTORIA, Jan. 17—(AP)—The Oregon State Elks association held its annual mid-winter meeting here today with Governor John H. Hall and Secretary of State Earl T. Newby in attendance. Both officials spoke briefly. The business session was devoted exclusively to the charitable program of the Elks, Ernest L. Scott of Ashland, state association secretary, said.

The meeting, attended by 135 delegates representing all of Oregon's 27 lodges, ended with a dance tonight.

GOP May Trim Tax Slash Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17—(AP)—A move developed among top republicans today to cut back the party's tax slashing bill to a little over \$4,000,000,000, a G.O.P. leader said today, instead of the \$5,600,000,000 proposed by Chairman Knutson (R-Minn) of the house ways and means committee.

Speaker Martin (R-Mass) told reporters meanwhile he does not know yet what final form the G.O.P. tax bill will take but predicted flatly that "whatever is sent to the White House will be passed over a veto."

One of Martin's lieutenants disclosed the move to trim down the Knutson bill.

Anti-British Riots Spread in China

HONG KONG, Jan. 17—(AP)—Anti-British demonstrations spread to Shanghai and other big Chinese cities today as British women and children fled to this crown colony from Canton, where rioters Friday burned the British consulate.

A noisy and persistent demonstration today by at least 10,000 Chinese in front of the British consulate in Shanghai lasted more than four hours but finally dissolved without violence.

Nanking university students called a three-day strike and scheduled a demonstration for Sunday.

Mass Output Held Housing Answer

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17—(AP)—Home construction by mass production methods offers "one of the basic solutions to excessively high" housing costs and congress should "make every effort" to encourage it, Senator Flanders (R-Vt.) said tonight.

In a report to the house-senate housing committee, Flanders also urged that this group "investigate the high profit margins now prevalent" in the construction industry and consider action to reduce them.

Harriman Asks Rent Controls Continued

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17—(AP)—Secretary of Commerce Harriman told senators today it would be "disruptive" to ease or end rent controls, and housing etao shrd controls, and Housing Expediter Tighe E. Woods called for their extension until March 31, 1950. The committee is studying legislation to extend rent controls, which are due to expire on February 29.



TREES BOW UNDER ICE—Ice-covered trees bend over a road at Budd Lake, N. J. The tree at the left is a large blue spruce, its top twisted into an odd shape.

Detroit Friendship Club Has Meeting on Friday

DETROIT — Friendship club, recently organized, met Friday with Mrs. Frank Steenhout, jr. Mrs. Perry Fry was awarded a prize in a guessing contest and cards were played.

Present were Mesdames Guy Wilson, Roy Morris, Thomas Albertson, Perry Fry, Dick Farrow, Ray Walter and Joe Wright.

Mrs. Steenhout served a birthday cake to the children in honor of the Farrow twins, Dickie and Darlyn, who were observing their third birthday. Children present were the twins and their brother, Freddie, Carol Morris, Nina Walter, Roland and Nancy Albertson, Perry Stephen Fry, Evelyn Ruby and Thelma Wilson and Willard and Donna Steenhout.

Keizer, PTA Elects Kleeman as President

KEIZER — Max Kleeman was elected president of the newly organized Parent Teachers Association, at a meeting this week. Other officers are Mrs. H. P. Teets, vice president; Mrs. C. B. Benson, secretary; J. C. Mount, treasurer. Mrs. Leslie Morris of Salem, county PTA president installed all

of the officers. Mrs. W. D. Staats is chairman in charge of the next meeting, Thursday, February 12. Members voted to sponsor the Camp Fire Girls group and George Durham, Mrs. Staats and Loren Stettler were named a committee to confer with other local groups. Ben Claggett discussed flood control.

California Republicans Prepare Warren 'Boom'

DEL MONTE, Calif., Jan. 17—(AP)—Top ranking California republicans meeting here today touched off an Earl Warren-for-president drive hopefully designed to boom his campaign beyond the state line.

Meanwhile, lieutenants of former Gov. Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota were given a cool reception when they requested a Stassen mass meeting under state committee auspices in Los Angeles February 25.

FLEET T OMANEUVER WASHINGTON, Jan. 17—(AP)

The U. S. Atlantic fleet will put to sea shortly to engage in 39-day training maneuvers in the western Atlantic and Caribbean areas. There will be a simulated attack and amphibious landings by marines in a key operation in the program.

Woodburn Rotary Club Polio Fund Campaign

WOODBURN—March of Dimes for 1948 in Woodburn, under the direction of William Merriott, local manager of the Portland General Electric company, opened Thursday and will continue until January 30. Contributions to the anti-infantile paralysis drive conducted under the sponsorship of the Woodburn Rotary club may be placed in milk bottles which are on display in local stores and business houses or mailed to the campaign chairman.

J. Melvin Ringo and Glenn Goulet placed the milk bottles accompanied by March of Dimes posters in the downtown shopping district and along the highway. Woodburn contributed \$611.27 to the March of Dimes campaign.

IKE BACKS MARSHAL PLAN

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17—(AP)—General Dwight D. Eisenhower called today for support of the Marshall plan and universal military training in a speech accepting the Poor Richard club's 1948 gold medal of achievement.

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Eastern Star At Silverton Molalla Host

SILVERTON — Surprise guests of Ramona chapter Order of the Eastern Star, were members of the Orchid chapter of Molalla, in the first meeting here with the new worthy matron, Mrs. J. E. Stoy and worthy patron, W. Clark Bachman, presiding.

Molalla guests specially honored were Mrs. Verona Bunke, worthy matron of Orchid chapter and William Phillips, worthy patron. Local officers, Mrs. Errol Ross, secretary; Mrs. F. E. Sylvester, treasurer; Mrs. Ruth Miller, organist; and Mrs. Virginia Loe and Mrs. R. A. Fish, star-points were installed as they had not been installed at the regular installation.

Mrs. Stoy has appointed committees: Finance, Mrs. Ronald Asboe, Mrs. Clinton Welby, Mrs. Harry Riches; visiting and relief, Mrs. Asboe; examining and instruction, Mrs. F. E. Sylvester, Mrs. W. C. Bachman and Mrs. W. P. Scarth; hospitality, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Chidley; press, Mrs. George Towle.

The Masonic and OES dancing party at the county club will be February 6, and the next Ramona club meeting at Mrs. R. A. Fish's home on February 3.

Mrs. Stoy, star-point matron, was honored with a surprise degree by her officers, and courtesy girls with a handkerchief shower, upon the occasion of her birthday. E. A. Finlay was toastmaster at the supper and selections were given by the woman's quartet composed of Mrs. Harry Riches, Mrs. Clinton Welby, Mrs. Virginia Loe and Mrs. Ronald Asboe, with Mrs. Ed Miller at the piano.

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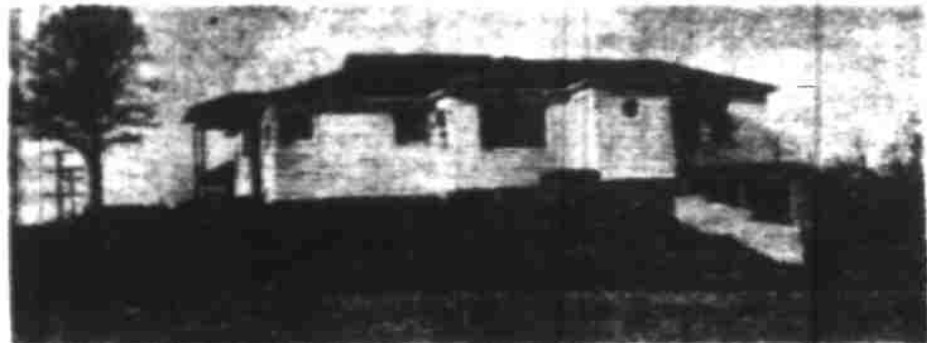
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