

**Hop Grower Files Suit in Contract Case**

A suit seeking to collect \$32,263 on an alleged 1947 hop crop contract was filed in Marion county circuit court Saturday by Otto L. Wellman, operator of a hop yard near Monitor.

The suit is directed against S. S. Steiner, Inc., Salem hop-buyers. The complaint alleged that in 1944 the Steiner company contracted for half the plaintiff's 1947 salable hop crop of fuggles and late cluster hops, grown on the Butte Creek Orchards hop yard.

As there was no government ceiling price, the contract called for sale of the hops at the current growers market price of 90 cents per pound for fuggles and 85 cents per pound for clusters, the complaint stated. When the hop market dropped last November, Wellman asserts in his complaint, the Steiner company found fault with the quality requirements of the hops in question and repudiated the sale agreement.

**Salem Man's Mother Dies**

Funeral services will be Monday at 10 a.m. in Portland for Mrs. Mary M. Orwig, mother of C. S. Orwig, Salem meat market operator, who died Friday at the age of 94 years in Beaverton. The rites will be at Edward Holman and Son chapel, Hawthorne boulevard and Southeast 27th avenue, with burial in Maplewood cemetery at Clatskanie.

Mrs. Orwig and her husband, Anson J. Orwig, who died in 1901, came from Kansas in 1884 and settled near Mist in the Nehalem valley. Although she had lived in recent years with a daughter, Mrs. E. J. Marvin at Beaverton, she had often been at the Orwig home here.

Other survivors are sons, Harry E. Orwig of Portland; daughter, Mrs. Charles Lovell of Portland, Mrs. Leona Graham of Clatskanie and Mrs. Arthur Hunter of Camas, Wash.; 30 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.

**Food Poisoning Hits Woman**

PRINEVILLE, Feb. 7-(P)-Two shipments of botulism serum were rushed to Prineville today for Mrs. Ella Carnagie, a ranch wife stricken by food poisoning at her home in South Junction, Ore.

Twenty thousand units of serum were flown from Portland to Redmond in a chartered plane last night, then driven over snow-packed roads to the Prineville hospital. Today, with Mrs. Carnagie improved but still in serious condition, the state board of health located more serum in San Francisco and rushed it toward Prineville.

She was stricken yesterday. Mrs. Carnagie's uncle, E. M. Daniels, 68, died of the same food poisoning attack. Home-preserved vegetables were being analyzed by health officers to see if they were responsible.

**Horticulturist Carl Schuster, 58 Succumbs**

CORVALLIS, Feb. 7—Funeral services for Carl E. Schuster, widely known agriculture horticulturist and secretary of the Western Nut Growers for two decades, will be held here Monday.

Schuster, U. S. department of agriculture horticulturist at Oregon State college, died Friday at the age of 58 years following a week's illness. He had been horticulturist for the division of fruit and vegetable crops diseases of the federal bureau of plant industry at the college since 1929.

Born in Ohio, Schuster came to Oregon in 1912 after two years at Ohio Wesleyan. He received his master's degrees at Oregon State college in 1918, and had been connected with the department of agriculture since then.

He served as a second lieutenant in the infantry during the first world war and was active in the American Legion. He was a member of Alpha Zeta, Sigma Xi and Gamma Sigma Delta honor societies, and was a member of the Evangelical and United Brethren churches.

Surviving are his wife, four children and a brother, Dr. Earl J. Schuster of Tillamok.

**Oregon State Student Shot By Hitchhiker**

EUREKA, Calif., Feb. 7-(P)-A 23-year-old student at Oregon State college was shot and wounded by a hitchhiker north of here tonight. Police Chief Basin W. Gregory said officers later arrested a suspect in the victim's car after a wild automobile chase.

The OSC student, Maurice Aasmussen, 23, of La Grande, Ore., was taken to Trinity hospital at nearby Arcata in a critical condition from a gunshot wound in the back.

Booked by Gregory on a charge of assault with intent to commit murder was a youth who gave his name as John L. Galstad, 19, of Helena, Mont.

Chief Gregory said Aasmussen, en route to Arcata to visit relatives, had told this story:

He picked up Galstad at Myrtle Creek, Ore. About 20 miles north of Eureka, Galstad pulled an automatic pistol on him and told him to stop the car. Aasmussen got out and the youth started to drive away, suddenly stopping as Aasmussen started to run, and firing twice. One shot hit Aasmussen in the back.

A passing motist rushed Aasmussen to Arcata. There police were informed. They alerted Eureka police. The latter spotted the Aasmussen car with its Oregon license and gave chase. About seven miles south of Eureka police caught up with the car and Gregory fired two shots over its top.

Galstad pulled the car to a stop and backed out, Gregory relieving him of a .32 automatic and a knife. He complained, Gregory said, that Aasmussen had made him nervous with his fast driving.

Aasmussen was en route to Arcata to visit a sister, Mrs. J. Lee Brown, and her husband.

**Waitress Hopes To Marry Kuhn**

FRANKFURT, Germany, Feb. 7-(P)-A 32-year-old blonde waitress said today she hoped to marry Fritz Kuhn, missing former German-American band leader.

Kuhn's wife, who is living in a crowded Munich suburban house with her two grown children, was quoted by a Stars and Stripes correspondent as saying "there is a clear understanding that there will be a divorce."

Military police of the four zones of Germany are looking for Kuhn who escaped from the German internment camp at Dachau last Tuesday.

**France, Spain to Reopen Border**

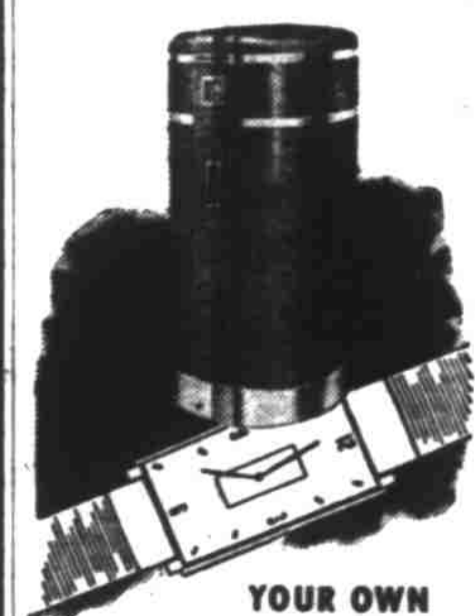
PARIS, Feb. 7-(P)-France and Spain announced tonight that their common frontier, closed nearly two years, would be reopened Monday midnight.

The socialist newspaper Le Populaire said the reopening of the borders and resumption of trade with Spain was the only policy open to France since she was supported in an anti-Franco policy by only a few other countries.

**Saltonstall to Make 3 Speeches in Oregon**

PORTLAND, Feb. 7-(P)-Senator Leverett Saltonstall (R-Mass.) will speak at The Dalles, Bend and in Portland on his appearance in Oregon for observance of Lincoln's birthday under auspices of the state republican party.

He will speak at The Dalles Tuesday, February 10, and speak at a Bend luncheon later that day. His talk in Portland will be Wednesday.



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**SHS Debate Team Scores**

McMINNVILLE, Feb. 7-(Special)-Salem high school took six winning places in finals here tonight in the Lanfield college high school speaking tournament.

Jim Elliott won the three divisions, taking first place in serious reading, second in after dinner speaking and tying with Marvin Black, Salem as colleague, for second place in varsity debate. Vivian Barham and Bob Sharp took second and third places respectively in junior impromptu speaking.

Roger Middleton received a trophy for being president of the labor relations convention in connection with the tournament.

Amanda Anderson, Salem high school speech instructor, accompanied Salem speakers to the tournament here.

**Thieves Take Typewriters At Woodburn**

The theft of two typewriters from Woodburn high school early Saturday morning is being investigated today by the Marion county sheriff's office along with a number of other recent schoolhouse burglaries over the county.

Entrance to the Woodburn school was gained through a broken north door window, according to Deputy Sheriff William DeVall, who investigated Saturday. The door to the principal's office was removed from its hinges and a typewriter taken.

From the office of Superintendent Robert E. Lantz, another typewriter was taken plus \$1 in change from the desk. The entry was reported by B. H. Heffington, janitor, who told Deputy DeVall the thefts occurred sometime Friday night.

The staff of Sheriff Young is also continuing its investigations into the burglaries at Stayton, Turner and Aumsville high schools, January 30, during which \$330 was stolen from the Stayton high school.

**Extra Overtime Pay for State Workers Ruled**

Deputy Attorney General Rex Kimmel held that state workers are entitled to time and a half pay for more than 40 hours a week, providing they are not given compensating time off.

Some state departments were reported to be working their employees 5 1/2 days a week with only straight time pay in excess of 40 hours.

**Final Rites for Pvt. Merk Set Wednesday**

Graveside services for Pvt. Lester Lloyd Merk of Salem, killed in action while serving with the army in France on July 28, 1944, will be held at Belcrest Memorial park Wednesday at 1:20 p.m.

Services will be under the direction of the Howell-Edwards chapel and the Rev. Walter S. Fredricks will officiate. The soldier's body will arrive in Salem Tuesday from the distribution center at Auburn, Wash. He was interred in France at LaCambe cemetery before being returned to the United States.

Private Merk was the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Merk, 760 S. 25th st. He was born June 26, 1925, and came to Oregon in 1931. He attended the Keizer grade school, Leslie junior high school and had completed two years in Salem high school when he was inducted

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