

Enlistments in Salem Maintain Pre-Draft Rate

Recent selective service announcements have spurred inquiries about military life but have not, as yet, boosted enlistments in the Salem area, local army, navy and marine recruiters reported Saturday.

Since President Truman's announcement earlier last week that draft registration would begin August 30, recruiting offices reported many young men are investigating various service programs.

Although enlistments in all three services have increased the past several months, the recruiters attribute it to the usual seasonal summer-time rise.

The navy office reported that this month's quota had already been filled by mid-July. It is continuing, however, to accept enlistments.

Army recruiters are accepting regular term enlistments. They reported Saturday, however, that Salem's monthly quota of six enlistments for 18-year-olds on a one-year basis has only one remaining vacancy.

Salem marine recruiters pointed out that regular recruiting is still going "full blast" despite early filling of a small quota for 18-year-olds on the single year service plan. They said applications are arriving steadily for regular three-year enlistments and there are four-year enlistments also open at present.

A group of eight prospective marine enlistees will leave here Monday morning for Portland, where they will take final examinations.

Dixiecrats to Enter Slate In All State's Elections

ATLANTA, July 24 (AP)—The issue of states' rights today drove some angry southern democrats to

form a fourth party. They will try to enter a presidential slate in all states.

Precisely how the party intends to go about obtaining places on the November general election ballots was not disclosed.

Immediately after the decision by the steering committee Gov. Strom Thurmond, South Carolina, said, "We are running for president and expect to be elected."

Band Concert Set Monday

Prof. Maurice Brennen, leader, announced the program for the Salem Municipal band concert Monday night in Willson park at 8 o'clock as follows:

1. Colossus of Columbia March Alexander
2. Il Guarany Overture—Gomez
3. Blue Bells March Buchtel
4. Smoke Gets in Your Eyes Kern
5. King Cotton March Souza
6. March of Steel Men Belsterling
7. Hit the Deck Selections Youmans
8. Mood Mauve Howland
9. Daughters of the Legion Babich

Fires Damage Eugene Mills

EUGENE, Ore., July 24 (AP)—Three industrial zone fires in the Eugene-Springfield area tonight caused damage of more than \$100,000.

The biggest loss was in the Sumnerbell Roof Structures plant in Springfield, razed by flames of undetermined origin. Superintendent Stan Foster estimated the loss at \$90,000. Two firemen were injured in battling the blaze.

A fire in the yard of the Western Timber Products Corp. burned an estimated \$25,000 worth of lumber. Another yard fire destroyed lumber at the Mogan Lumber company in Eugene. No damage estimate was made.

Average Wage Rates Climb to Record High

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—The average weekly earnings of some 13,000,000 factory workers reached a new high of \$52.21 on June 15, the bureau of labor statistics reported today.

Third round wage increases in several major industries helped push production wages to a new peak.

But prices were moving along too. The government statistical agency reported the shattering of all records in its cost of living index and in wholesale prices.

This was the picture as President Truman, aboard the presidential yacht Williamsburg, drafted a message to congress on the subject of inflation.

Death Ends Career Of Noted Publisher 'Cissy' Patterson

WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—Death wrote "30" today to the career of Mrs. Eleanor Medill Patterson, publisher of the Washington Times-Herald.

She was found dead at her home in nearby Marlboro, Md., apparently having been stricken while reading.

The lights were still on in her room when her maid, Eva Borowik, went to her bedroom about noon today to deliver a message from one of the Times-Herald editors.

Mrs. Patterson, widely known as "Cissy," had suffered a heart attack about two years ago.

Sixty three years of age, she was the daughter of Elmer Medill and Robert Wilson Patterson. She was the granddaughter of Joseph Medill, founder of the Chicago Tribune.

The late Joseph Medill Patterson, founder and publisher of the New York Daily News, was her brother. Col. Robert McCormick, publisher of the Chicago Tribune, was her cousin.

Letters Seek Meet on City Managership

(Story also on page 1)
Letters were received by Salem civic organizations Saturday under the signatures of two labor officials, requesting a meeting at the labor temple at 8 p. m. Wednesday to discuss possible repeal of the city manager form of government.

A sample letter, received by Clayton Jones, chairman of the board of directors of the South Salem Progressive club, reads as follows:

"Dear Sir:
"We as a committee are requesting the presence of yourself and your board at a meeting to be held in the Salem Labor Temple at 8 p. m. Wednesday, July 28.

"The purpose of this meeting is to determine, by a roundtable discussion, the opinion and wishes of the representative group of the Salem citizens in regard to the circulation of petitions to put on the ballot in the general election in November a measure to be decided by referendum vote, which will return the city to its original charter and rescind the present amendment in regard to the city managership form of government.

"If it is impossible for your entire board to be present, we would greatly appreciate it if you could attend this meeting with us. Hoping this will receive your favorable attention and that we may have the pleasure of meeting with you on this important civic measure, I remain very truly yours.

"H. E. Barker and C. F. Burt, committee."

Salem citizens voted in the city managership in November, 1946. J. L. Franzen, city manager of Oregon City, was appointed Jan. 3, 1947.

ROT C Students to Be Deferred on Draft Law
WASHINGTON, July 24 (AP)—The number of college students taking ROTC training who will be eligible for deferment under the new draft act during the coming school year was fixed today at 126,400.

Wild Ovarions Meet Wallace Nomination

PHILADELPHIA, July 24 (AP)—The new progressive party today unanimously nominated Henry Agard Wallace to carry the banner of the "common people" in the forthcoming November election. A few minutes after the explosion of wild enthusiasm had subsided, the delegates acclaimed the nomination of Senator Glen Taylor for the vice presidency.

That was at a long, roaring session in convention hall at which delegates didn't let their enthusiasm sag for a minute.

They whistled and whooped and sang and stamped through the aisles with banners aloft. Or they hooted or hissed or booed. It depended in which direction the orators and nominators thundered.

They adopted a constitution to make the party permanent, with a national committee and plans for annual conventions.

They received, for formal approval tomorrow, a platform that says in 7,000 words what their party stands for and promises.

And through all the speeches and action and documents ran one main theme: The cause is peace, Wallace is the great crusader for peace.

Then tonight, the convention shifted outdoors, to the Philadelphia baseball park, for Wallace and Taylor to deliver their acceptance addresses.

"A new frontier awaits us," Wallace said in the text he wrote out in advance. "No longer west to the Pacific—but forward across the wilderness of poverty and sickness and fear."

"This is the American way—to conquer the forces of nature—not our fellow men."

Wallace said there's still one world but—"frozen in one fear." "In all earnestness," he said, "I assure you that if I were president, there would be no crisis in Berlin today."

"I assure you that without sacrificing a single American prin-

ciple or public interest, we would have found agreement long before now with the Soviet government, and with our wartime allies."

Germany, Wallace said, will be the core of every world crisis until there is agreement with Russia. World peace, he said, is too fragile "to be shuttled back and forth through a narrow air corridor in freighter planes."

Flying Fort Crew Held on Violation Of Neutrality Act

NEW YORK, July 24 (AP)—Nine men who took a B-17 on a mystery flight, apparently headed for Palestine, returned from the Azores today. Their leader was immediately arrested by the FBI.

The man, Irvin R. Schindler, 32, pilot of the plane, was quickly arraigned on a charge of violating the neutrality act by illegally exporting an implement of war—the B-17.

He was released on \$1,000 bail pending federal grand jury action. The U.S. attorney's office said the charge carried a maximum penalty of \$10,000 fine and two years in jail.

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