

Salem Yule Shoppers Ask More Credit

Salem Christmas shoppers this year are asking for credit in greater amounts than ever before, C. E. Schmitz, reporting manager of Credit Bureaus, said Saturday. Schmitz said credit purchases are hitting an all-time high and requests for credit are steadily mounting as Christmas shopping gets into full swing. "This increased use of credit," Schmitz said, "isn't alarming if customers don't get completely carried away with the Christmas spirit."

credit picture by the Associated Credit Bureaus of America indicates that credit customers are still within bounds. While credit outstanding is at an all-time high, its ratio to the present total national income is not as large as the ratio in 1941. Schmitz suggested the following rules to keep purchases in line with incomes: Remember that you are going to have to pay for merchandise you buy; keep track of credit purchases; work out a budget system to pay bills as agreed; and cooperate with busy credit offices.

Polk County Chorus Will Give Messiah

MONMOUTH—The Polk county Chorus will present George Handel's oratorio "The Messiah" at the Monmouth Christian church, Sunday night, December 13, at 8 o'clock. The 29-voice chorus is directed by Ronald Craven of Salem, and the group has been singing together for nearly five years. Accompanists are Mrs. Ronald Craven, at piano; and Miss Ruth Bedford, Salem, at the organ. Chorus members are: Sopranos, Lora Butler, Mary Gladys Turner, Marjorie Stewart, Alda Smith, Vera Kester, Mary Hood, Lillian Miller, Iva Nahouse, Lucille Barnhart, Trudy Marble and Ruth Lierman. Altos, Ellen Davis, Hope Huntley, Ann Van Otten, Vivian Brown, Minnie Andrews, Lydia Carmichael, Betty Karel and Ina Shields. Tenors, John Cerny, Larry McDuffee and Paul Dodd. Basses, Claude Larkin, John Hood, Wilmer Powell, William Howe, Walter Heck, Lester Nahouse and Ivan Marble.

Camera Counter Opens at Miller's Department Store

A new camera department was opened Saturday at Miller's department store, in charge of Jack Mitchell, a newcomer to Salem.



Jack Mitchell

A veteran of four years' navy photographic service during World War II, Mitchell has had experience in managing a camera store and buying photographic supplies for a department store. The new department, located near the main entrance, will handle several lines of cameras and equipment, as well as film and other supplies, and will operate a film developing and printing service.

Five Polk Granges Install Officers At Brush College

BRUSH COLLEGE—Fifty-one representatives from five Polk county granges, Monmouth, Rickreall, Fort Hill, West Salem and Oak Grove attended a visitation night at Brush college grange December 3. Installation of officers of Brush college, West Salem and Oak Grove was conducted. State Deputy Mildred Norman, installing officer. Re-elected as Brush College grange master and lecturer were H. P. Peterson and Mrs. Karl W. Harritt. As a committee on arrangements for men's night January 7 Peterson appointed Ralph C. Shepard, C. L. Smith, Glenn L. Adams and L. J. Mitchell.

Woodburn High To Present Play Monday Night

WOODBURN—A Christmas program for the general public will be given by Woodburn high school students on Monday night, December 20, in the school auditorium. The same program will be presented for students on Wednesday, December 22 at 2:30 p. m. Music will feature the high school band, orchestra and chorus, living statues and a tableau directed by Miss Jane Pearmain with costumes by Miss Virginia Wohler. Mrs. Alice Rose Jones, music teacher, is in charge of the program.

Little Garden Club Plans for Christmas

SALEM HEIGHTS—Little Garden club of Salem Heights met Thursday with Mrs. Virgil Sexton, Mrs. L. L. Bennett and Mrs. Robert Hawkins assisting. Christmas arrangements were displayed, and a gift exchange for the members held. Mrs. Virgil Sexton demonstrated the making of Christmas wreaths. The next meeting will be January 13th at the home of Mrs. C. A. Kells.

Junior Woman's Club Plans for Meetings

SILVERTON—Mrs. Jack Eastman will entertain the Junior Woman's club, December 15. Mrs. Alan Foster is club president and new members added during the month are Mrs. Edward Handy, Mrs. Lowell Hoblitt, Mrs. Jerry Gastineau, Mrs. James Nelson, and Mrs. M. C. McMillan.

France, Britain Bicker Over Trade Policies

PARIS, Dec. 11—(AP)—France bluntly blamed Britain tonight for one of the snags on which European recovery planning is stuck. A Foreign Office statement said Britain is trying to dominate western European trading "in order to make the Pound Sterling a rare money."

In London, a Treasury spokesman expressed surprise at the French statement and declined to comment except to say it "will receive careful consideration."

Britain, the French statement said, presented her plan for co-operation with the European Recovery Program (ERP) under which she "would reduce nearly to nothing her purchases in western Europe and would, on the contrary, enormously increase her exports."

Coal Output Tops Demand

NEW YORK, Dec. 11—(AP)—The New York Times says soft coal production is so far ahead of demand that mine operators will not care if miners take an extended "holiday."

In a dispatch from Washington by Joseph A. Loftus, the Times said stockpiles of soft coal were reported at 69,000,000 tons November 1, the highest since before the war.

Many mines in eastern Kentucky and southern West Virginia are working only three or four days a week now, the Times said, and the six-day week has been dropped in most areas.

Jefferson Women Hold Christmas Party Wednesday

JEFFERSON—Christmas was the theme of the Wednesday meeting of the Jefferson Woman's club. The Christmas music was planned by Mrs. Gilbert Looney, president, and included group singing of "O Come All Ye Faithful," solo, "The Birthday of the King" by Mrs. George Richardson, accompaniment by Mrs. Looney, "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring," Bach number by Mrs. Robert Magart; trio, "Christmas Folk Song" and "Silent Night, Holy Night," Mrs. Looney, Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Virgil Bailes. Little Town of Bethlehem," by group. A covered dish luncheon was served at 1 o'clock.

During the business meeting, \$27 was reported by the library benefit committee, and \$21.34 was received to buy a gift for the Children's Farm Home at Corvallis. Mrs. Virgil Bailes was admitted to membership. The club also discussed buying chairs and the possibility of members donating chairs for the club's use.

The club will next meet on January 12 when Mrs. Charles Hart, Mrs. Marvin Hutchings and Mrs. Guy Applegate will be hostesses. Guest speaker will be Miss Eleanor Stevens, Oregon state librarian.

Dallas High to Repeat Production

DALLAS—For the first time in many years a Dallas high school play will be presented for a second time due to popular demand. The associated students will repeat "Our Town" Tuesday, December 14, at 8 p. m. As there will be no advance sale of tickets, those attending must procure tickets at the door. In order to make this presentation, the Dallas-Williamina basketball game scheduled for that night had to be moved up to Wednesday night, December 15.

Car 'Stolen' For Tune-Up

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 11—(AP)—Harry D. Strause was glum this morning when he reported his car stolen, but now he is happy.

It came back this afternoon with new sparkplugs and all tuned up. Strause parked the car to do some shopping. About the same time, a customer of garage operator James Cornelius called up and asked for a tow and repair job.

The models and the address were the same. Cornelius towed away and tuned up the wrong car. After police broadcast the missing car report, Cornelius himself telephoned to say: "I have just stolen a car." He also left in the new sparkplugs, police officer Oscar Schuler reported.

Mt. Jefferson Rebekahs Meet

JEFFERSON—Mt. Jefferson Rebekahs admitted three members at their regular meeting Tuesday night. Mrs. Hazel Hindsdale was given the initiatory degree, Mrs. Bernice Skelton, reinstated, and Mrs. Maude Davis, by transfer from Ashland.

Plans were completed for the IOOF-Rebekah Christmas party in the hall December 16. A covered dish supper will be served at 7 o'clock followed by a program and tree. Mrs. Maurice Townsend, Mrs. George Mills and Mrs. Charles Smith are the general committee. Joint installation with the IOOF lodge will be held January 7. A covered dish supper followed the business meeting Tuesday night.

Baby Clinic to Visit Woodburn

WOODBURN—A well-baby clinic is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, December 14, at the city library with hours from 1 to 3.

Mothers wishing to have their children examined by the doctor are asked to make an appointment by calling Mrs. M. M. Hicks at Black 67. No appointment is necessary for immunizations. Local women will assist a doctor from the Marion county health department and health nurse.

Pressmen Name New President

Salem members of the International Pressmen and Assistants' union were notified Saturday that J. H. de la Rosa of San Mateo, Calif., had been elected the union's president to fill out the unexpired term of George L. Berry, deceased. De la Rosa has been a frequent visitor in Salem. He was vice president of the union for the west coast prior to his election as president.

The notification was received by O. E. McCarty, secretary of Salem local 247.

Keizer Woman's Club Plans Gift Exchange

KEIZER—Mrs. Roy Nelson was hostess to 12 members of Keizer Woman's Sewing club Thursday at an all-day quilting. Mrs. Elmer Ideen assisted the hostess with serving luncheon at noon.

Mrs. J. E. Whitehead's mother, Mrs. Nettie Morris was a guest. Mrs. H. M. Broadbent has invited the club for December 16 when members will meet for regular work meeting followed by Christmas gift exchange.

The federal and state governments spent more than \$17,000,000 to reduce forest fire losses last year.

Lions Auxiliary Plans Christmas Aid for Clubs

SILVERTON—The Lions auxiliary voted to contribute \$20 toward the treat and hall rent fund for the annual Christmas turkey dinner being sponsored by the Lions club for members and their families, December 18, at the Knights of Pythias hall. The auxiliary will contribute a like sum for Christmas baskets to be distributed locally.

Mrs. Harry Sherwood, president, named a number of committees to assist in the affair. Mrs. Ralph Adams, Mrs. Clarence Morley and Mrs. William Bloch will arrange tables and help serve the dinner; celery, Mrs. C. E. Higginbotham, Mrs. C. B. Anderson, Mrs. Eugene Smith and Mrs. Clyde Ramsby; cranberries, Mrs. A. A. Taylor, Mrs. Wilson Johnson, Mrs. W. Robinson, Mrs. V. V. Runyan, Mrs. B. B. Howell, Mrs. Howard Egginah; salads, Mrs. William Adams, Mrs. John Becker, Mrs. R. M. Gattion, Mrs. Walter Leisy, Mrs. A. L. V. Smith, Mrs. Bruce Billings; sweet potatoes, Mrs. Lloyd Fry and Mrs. Ralph Schmidt; to roast turkeys, Mrs. John Bertelson, Mrs. Ted Buriean, Mrs. George Christensen, Mrs. Harry Sherwood and Mrs. Lawrence Carpenter.

Mrs. Lloyd Fry and Mrs. B. B. Howell were named a committee to buy a scrapbook for the Girl Scouts troop sponsored by the auxiliary.

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Turner Residents Go On California Trip
TURNER—Tom Webb and Jim Coats have gone to San Francisco. Mrs. Herman Lewis of Eugene visited this week at the home

of Mrs. Hester Crume. Mrs. Vivian Eichendorf of Klamath Falls was a guest at the E. S. Prather home this week. Cloverdale—J. T. Norris who underwent major operation in a Portland hospital recently, will be home this week. He is improved.

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