

Junior First Citizen Active In Youth Work

Howard Higby, 26, who has been named Salem's junior first citizen by the local Junior Chamber of Commerce, has been active in youth work since coming to Salem nearly four years ago.

Higby was chosen by a secret citizens' committee for his work in juvenile activity. Higby is a field executive in the Salem headquarters office of the Cascade area Boy Scout council. Prior to that he was city juvenile officer with the police department.

Higby was born in Colorado and came to Salem in 1945 soon after discharge from the U. S. navy. He had served for over three years part of that time in the Pacific area on a ship repair unit.

When he arrived in Salem Higby became a patrolman on the Salem police force. He also continued his career in scouting which he began 14 years ago. He became assistant scoutmaster and then scoutmaster of Salem's (Rotary) troop 1. He is married, and with his four-month-old daughter, Catherine, and his wife, Doris, lives at 1509 N. 5th st.

His duties as scout field executive give him jurisdiction over the Polk and Silver Falls areas in the council.

Since the junior first citizen award was first presented in 1939 those receiving it have included Don Douris (1939), Donald Black, George McLeod, Roy Harland, Ralph Johnson, Douglas Yeater, Carlton Greider, Clay Pothero and Steve Anderson.

Psychiatrists To Examine 3 Brothers

ALBANY, Jan. 26.—(Special)—Psychiatric examinations will be given Thursday to three Silverton area brothers who are held in Linn county jail on charges of rape, according to District Attorney Melvin Goode. The three wanted grand jury investigation and preliminary hearing Wednesday afternoon and are slated to enter pleas at 1:30 p.m. next Tuesday.

William John Perkins, Jr., 24, Cletus Perkins, 19, and Merle Clayton Perkins, 16, are the youths charged with one or more rapes in Monmouth, Albany and Brownsville.

They will be examined in Albany by state hospital authorities. The trio were arraigned in justice court here today. Following their waivers, informations were filed by the district attorney, charging them with the assaults.

They were about to enter pleas in Linn county circuit court when a Salem lawyer, retained by the defendants' parents, arrived and moved the court to grant the tests of mental competency. The request was granted.

The oldest and youngest youths are charged with rape of a Monmouth girl last May and of a Brownsville girl on January 17. The two oldest are charged with raping an Albany woman last June 30.

Valley Births

TURNER—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Petersen (Eva Staples) are the parents of a son, Steven Leslie, born January 24, at Salem General hospital. The boy weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Petersen and Mrs. Maud Staples of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Francis are announcing the birth of a son, born January 23 at Salem Memorial hospital. The baby has an older brother and sister. Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Showers of Stayton are the grandparents.

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Magazine subscription sales sponsored by Salem unit 136, American Legion auxiliary, are responsible for a new polio heat pack unit for use in Marion county. The unit, which is portable, processes steam heat packs used in heat therapy treatments for polio victims. Shown above at presentation of the unit Tuesday night are, left to right, Mrs. D. E. Lovell, an auxiliary magazine committee; Mrs. David Wright, in charge of distribution of finances for the Marion county infantile paralysis committee; Mrs. Harlan Judd, chairman of auxiliary committee; and committee members Mrs. Sam Harbison and Mrs. Bert A. Walker. (Statesman photo).

Teamsters Back from Meet; Claim Support for Local Strike

Officials of Salem and Oregon teamster unions, who returned Wednesday from a national conference of teamsters in Chicago, Ill., announced the 121-day-old dispute between teamsters and the Pacific Fruit and Produce Co. had "developed into a national issue."

Ward Graham, secretary of the Salem teamster local 324, said he returned with pledges of moral and financial support for local teamster unions from other locals throughout the nation.

Dave Beck, executive vice president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, charged the Pacific company with using Oregon "as a test battle-ground to destroy labor's historic five-day week."

Graham said the Chicago meetings, held for the purposes of perfecting the organizations of nationwide teamster trade divisions, passed a strongly worded resolution condemning the Pacific company and recommended a "final conference" between labor and management representatives.

Beck appointed a committee to confer with high officials of the company in Minneapolis, Minn., soon, Graham said. If this conference fails, the Chicago resolution urges the "entire resources of

the international teamster brotherhood be swung into the fight."

In Salem the local plant of the Pacific Fruit and Produce Co. was struck nearly four months ago. About half the strikers returned to their jobs, later and were expelled from the union. About 17 union members are still out on strike. The strike was called over the state when, during contract negotiations, when the company sought to eliminate a clause calling for a five-day work week, which the union had for the past several years.

The bureau of agricultural economics reported that a sample survey showed five persons reported injured during the first four months of 1948 for every 100 farms.

Damage Suit Involves Sale Of Timberland

A suit seeking judgment totaling \$48,000 and charging alleged breach of contract involving California timber lands was filed here Wednesday against Lee U. Eyerly, Salem.

W. R. Thomas, Nevada City, Calif., filed the suit in Marion county circuit court. He alleges that a contract was transferred to him entitling him to purchase timber on lands owned by Eyerly in Sierra county, California.

Since the contract was originally signed in 1947, Thomas charges in his complaint, Eyerly sold the land to another party. The new owners refused to admit Thomas on the land to harvest about 11,000,000 feet of timber.

Because Eyerly sold the lands and cannot honor the alleged timber contract, Thomas demands \$3,000 on the lost timber and \$45,000 on allegedly lost profits.

Innocent Plea To Charge of Animal Cruelty

Mathilda Oakman, 948 Norway st., pleaded innocent to a charge of cruelty to animals in Marion county district court Wednesday and trial was set for February 2.

Ervin A. Ward, Marion county dog control officer, said he found two dogs "in an undesirable condition" at an empty house belonging to Mrs. Oakman on Cunningham lane along Salem route 5 north of the city. One of the dogs, Ward said, was found locked in a shed and the other was deprived of "adequate shelter."

In other district court action Wednesday Willard Alton Roscoe, 3955 E. State st., was fined \$250 on a charge of aiding in the escape of an inmate from the state Hillcrest school for girls last November.

County Court Backs Flood Control Plan

Recent army engineer proposals for improvements and river control in the Columbia river basin, including the Willamette river valley, were approved Wednesday by Marion county court.

In a communication to the army engineer, the court said it endorsed the Willamette river project in its entirety because Marion county will be affected by any flood control project south of this county.

Marion county also favored the Columbia basin power and flood projects, the court said, "for the reason of its bearing on the future development of the northwest."

Flagg Leaves for Tacoma Meeting of Power Committee

Public Utilities Commissioner George H. Flagg left here Wednesday night for Tacoma, Wash., where he will attend a meeting of the Northwest power committee Thursday.

Flagg said the committee would discuss the power situation which, according to latest reports, is showing little or no improvement. The northwest power committee's membership represents Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

New Officers Are Elected At 4 Corners

FOUR CORNERS — The Community Center association elected Fred Smith, president; Dale Jeffries, vice president; Mrs. Harvey Meyer, secretary; Lawrence Lee, treasurer to replace Pete Austin.

Representatives from the sponsoring organizations forming the association are Mrs. Ervin Sunderland, Home Extension unit; Mrs. Waldo Miller, Firemen's Auxiliary; Mrs. Harvey Meyer, Rickey Garden club; Mrs. L. G. Gordy, Auburn Woman's club; Dale Jeffries, Rod and Gun club; Fred Smith, Business Men's association.

Entertainment committees to work with the association Mrs. Frank Hershfelt, chairman; Mrs. W. R. Cartright, secretary; Mrs. Clifford La Valley, Mrs. W. R. Cartright, Rickey Garden club; Mrs. Ralph King, Home Extension unit; Mrs. Fred Frier, Mrs. George Starr, Auburn Woman's club; William Futrell, Firemen; Mrs. Frank Hershfelt, Mrs. Waldo Miller, Firemen's Auxiliary; Frank Hershfelt, Henry Benz, Business Men's association; Floyd Green, Jess McInlay, Rod and Gun club.

Churches Sponsor Youth Meeting

A Salem youth people's meeting Sunday at 3 p.m. in the First Congregational church, with a talk, group singing and fellowship, will be sponsored by several church youth councils.

Trevor Hauske is in charge of arrangements. David Poindexter, Willamette university student and vice president of the Oregon Christian Youth movement, will speak on the meeting's theme of "Let God Speak Through a United Church."

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Buren, Jens to List Laws for County Court

Charles Jens, Salem attorney and special lecturer at Willamette university law school, is associated with Attorney Peery Buren in preparing and studying current legislation affecting counties in various population groupings.

Jens is a graduate of University of Michigan law school. He will assist Buren in cataloging the laws at the request of the Marion county court. Laws being compiled are those which may relate to Marion county when it reaches the 100,000 population mark.

"It is anticipated that it might be necessary to enact new statutes after the study has been completed," Buren said.

Cutler City Man Dies After Fall

AMITY, Jan. 26 — Mark Blodgett, Cutler City, died in a McMinnville hospital Tuesday night. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Blodgett, who was over 80 years of age, fell Saturday while carrying an arm-load of wood at his home. He is survived by his wife and by one sister, Mrs. Minnie Howard.

The deceased was the brother-in-law of Mrs. George Patty and uncle of Mrs. E. W. Groves, both of Amity.

Rites Today for Thomas James

Funeral services are set for today at Rainier, Ore., for a former Salem man, Thomas C. James, 86, an early Oregon settler who died Sunday in Newport. He was in the hop business with T. A. Livesley for some 40 years.

Surviving are a son, W. E. James of Horton, and two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Ellis of Portland and Mrs. A. L. Thomas of Newport.

New Turner Home Burns

TURNER, Jan. 26—Members of the Richard Chapman family, whose new home on North Second street burned to the ground Tuesday afternoon, were living in the Chapman Grocery store Wednesday.

The home, recently completed at a cost of \$10,000, was completely destroyed with all its contents at about 3:30 p.m. Tuesday when an oil stove exploded. Frozen water hydrants also proved a handicap in combating the blaze.

Chapman said the loss is partially covered by insurance. The Chapmans have four small children, three of them in school.

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