

Brother of Salem Resident, Dies

Death of Gustave B. Schunka, brother of Edward Schunka of Salem, in Seattle, Wash., Friday was reported here Saturday.

The deceased, for many years assistant superintendent of the Seattle city water department, was a frequent visitor to Salem.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter in Seattle, and two sisters, Mrs. Frieda May of Dallas and Mrs. Frank Orthner of Brooklyn, N. Y. Funeral services will be in Seattle Monday afternoon.

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Willamette U. Students To Register Tomorrow

Registration for the spring semester at Willamette university will be held the entire day at the campus tomorrow. Classes will begin at 8 a.m. Tuesday.

Registering will be all incoming freshmen and transfers and returning students who did not pre-register during January.

National Security Week Designated

Designation of the period February 12 to 22 as National Security week by the Reserve Officers association of the United States and its Oregon state department received endorsement Saturday of Gov. Douglas McKay.

Display of flags during this period and emphasis on national security problems were urged by the governor.

Job Practices Bill Ready for Senate Action

By Ralph Watson

Monday, after adjournment in the afternoon, the senate committee on labor and industries met to consider the bill which has been going on since the first day of the session over Senate Bill 6, the so-called "fair employment practices bill."



The job is going to be done through the introduction of what amounts to an entirely new bill which is being prepared by the Attorney General's office at the request of the senate committee.

According to Sen. William McAllister, chairman of the senate committee, Senate Bill 6 got off to a bad start because it was represented to be a replica of the New York fair employment code, a measure which has met with administrative success in handling the ticklish problems involved in the subject of fair labor and employment practices.

However, when Senate Bill 6 was laid along side the New York law it was discovered that there was wide divergence between the two. So the committee, since the public hearing of a couple of weeks ago, has been whittling on the bill in an attempt to get it where it would fit into the framework of the New York law. It has worked out a bunch of amendments all of which, according to Chairman McAllister, either have been prepared or have been approved by Senators Neuberger and Mahoney who were the original lead horses in the string of 18 senators and representatives who sponsored the bill as introduced.

Armed with the amendments the attorney general has been putting together a new bill which is to be as near a verbatim copy of the New York law as is possible, the differences between statutory structure and procedure of the two states considered. The administrative features of the new bill have been patterned after the New Jersey law, it is explained, because administrative procedure in the latter state fits easier into Oregon practices. Administration and enforcement of the act is placed in the hands of the department of labor while an "advisory board" of seven members, appointed by the governor, is set up. The draft of the amended measure is scheduled to be laid before the committee Monday for its final check and approval.

The fair employment practices bill has been the sizzling spud of the session so far. Senate members have been practically submerged by a continuing flood of organized demands from over the state generally but centered in Multnomah county, warning the lawmakers to "pass Senate Bill as is." The body of many of the messages is identical, in mimeographed form, the signatures being different.

Whether the flood will recede once the amended bill makes its appearance is one more circumstance the senate is wondering about, for some of the messages imply that should the recipient fail to cast his vote for Senate Bill 6 "as is," he had just as well start looking for another job.

Insurance Firm Sets Sales Record

In its 98th annual statement, Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance company of Hartford, Conn. reports 1948 sales the largest in its history, according to Sam Richardson, Willamette valley representative. New insurance sold amounted to \$101,848,000.

Insurance in force in 1948 gained \$61,896,000 to reach \$1,016,432,000. Assets increased to \$477,891,000. Payments to policy holders and beneficiaries approached a half million dollars every week with a total of \$23,085,000.

While the exact origin of mechanical clocks is not known, it is said that Pope Sylvester II invented one in about 990 A.D.

John Rohmer Rites Feb. 15

Funeral services for Tech. 5th Gr. John Age Rohmer, who died in a Japanese prison camp, will be Tuesday, February 15, at Golden Gate national cemetery in San Bruno, Calif. Members of the family will leave here next Sunday to attend the services.

Rohmer was born Oct. 23, 1918, in Aberdeen, S. D., and came to Salem in 1928. Here he attended public school and was employed by the Capital Journal circulation department. He went on active duty with the national guard in September, 1940, was captured May 6, 1942, on Corregidor and died June 4, 1942, in Camp O'Donnell, Philippine islands.

Survivors are his mother, Mrs. John C. Rohmer, 2845 Hulsey ave.; sisters, Mrs. Lyle R. Zobel of Salem and Mrs. Virgil Walsh of Glendale, Calif.; brother, Stanley Rohmer of Glendale, Calif.

Bodies of Four Service Men Returned Home

The bodies of four service men of the Salem area have arrived in the United States for burial, the army announced Saturday.

They were brought from the Mediterranean area aboard the army transport Cpl. Eric G. Gibson.

The bodies are those of 1st Lt. Lee A. McAllister, jr., and S. Sgt. Robert T. Harrington, both of Salem, Pvt. Harold E. Robbins of Turner and PFC Lyle G. McCloud of Lacombe.

McAllister, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. McAllister, sr., 1875 Fir st., was killed in Italy on Jan. 9, 1945. He was a graduate of Salem high school. After attending Oregon State college he entered the air corps in January, 1943, and was commissioned Nov. 3, 1943, and was in Corsica as a bomber pilot. He was shot down on his 30th mission and was reported missing for several months prior to notice of his death. The lieutenant was captured by the German army and was killed in an Italian prison camp.

Harrington, an air force engineer-gunner, was the son of Mrs. Martha A. Harrington, 820 N. Front st. After attending Salem schools, he enlisted in June, 1942, and was killed in Sicily, July 16, 1943. His sister, Mrs. Ray Steinke of Salem, also survives.

Robbins, killed July 17, 1944, in Italy, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. McKinley H. Robbins, Turner route 1, box 33. He had attended Aumsville high school and was serving with the army medical corps after entering the service in March, 1944.

Next of kin of McCloud, an army man, is listed as Isham G. McCloud of Lacombe.

CIO ELECTS GRIFFIN

PORTLAND, Feb. 5—(AP)—Neil Griffin was named president of the state CIO today. He was announced as the winner in statewide balloting against Robert T. Baker, Portland longshore union president. Griffin is manager of the textile workers here.

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State's Traffic Fatality Rate At New Low

Oregon's traffic fatality rate in 1948 slumped to the lowest point yet recorded to establish an average of 7.8 deaths for each one hundred miles of actual travel, Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry announced Saturday.

A drop in the number of persons killed coupled with a 10 per cent gain in travel over the year before brought the lowered death rate figure, Newberry explained. The mileage death rate for 1947 was 8.6. Traffic last year claimed 414 lives compared to 442 in 1947.

Other elements of the 1948 traffic picture were not so bright, Newberry revealed. Total accidents reached a record 66,298 or almost 3000 more than the number listed a year ago, while the number of persons injured climbed four per cent to an all time high of 12,022.

The death decrease is credited to fewer fatal accidents on rural highways, offsetting a slight increase in city traffic fatalities.

Baptist Group To Plan State Convention

Program of the Oregon Baptist state convention for the next 12 months is to be adopted and presented at meetings in Portland Monday. Dr. Charles Durden, pastor of Salem Salvary Baptist church, heads the executive committee which will outline the plans.

The Portland meeting includes the liberal wing of the church remaining after a rift in state Baptist churches last fall. The conservative wing held its state convention in Salem recently. The meetings will open at 1:30 p.m. in First Baptist church, Portland, for program discussion by pastors and other leaders, led by Dr. Reuben Nelson, New York, general director of the council on finance and promotion. The executive committee will meet at 3 p.m. to consider its recommendations for presentation to the state board at 4 p.m. At a dinner, Dr. Durbin will present the year's program.

Later that evening he will leave for Los Angeles to attend a west coast meeting of the council on finance and promotion to arrange the state's budget. He will be away about one week.

Woodburn — PFC Gordon S. Haynes, USMC, son of Mrs. Dorothy M. Haynes, 997 East First st., is serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Boxer with the Pacific fleet. The Boxer, with other units of the Pacific fleet, is scheduled to participate soon in sub-Arctic operations off the coast of Alaska.

Silverton to Name Manager Monday Night

SILVERTON, Feb. 5 — Hiring of a city manager for Silverton is expected to come before the city council Monday night, Mayor C. H. Weiby said Friday.

Silverton's present manager, Robert E. Borland, resigned in November to enter private business but later when the deal in which he was interested did not materialize, townspeople persuaded him to resubmit his application. In the meantime the council retained him on a temporary basis.

Three other applications are now on file. However, those closely associated in city affairs felt there was little likelihood that anyone but Borland will be employed.

Discussion of new fire equipment will also come before the council at the Monday night meeting, Mayor Weiby stated.

George Washington was the oldest son of Augustine Washington by a second wife.

East Salem — Mrs. Carl Snyder entered Salem General hospital this past week for surgery.

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