

### City News Briefs

**CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS**  
Examinations for positions on the corps of engineers floating plants and on sea-going hopper dredges operating in the Willamette and Columbia rivers and on the Oregon coast were announced Sunday by the U.S. civil service commission. The jobs include wiper, quartermaster, dragtender, boatswain, leverman, and fourth and second assistant engineers. Information is available from William Fischer, civil service secretary in Salem postoffice building.

Insured savings earn more than two per cent at Salem Federal Savings Association, 560 State st.

**DRIVERS ARRESTED**  
Two reckless driving charges were filed by city police Sunday. George L. Fredericksen, 754 Perry st., posted \$25 bail and Paul R. Vergets, 1535 Broadway st., \$150, following their arrest in separate incidents Sunday morning.

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**FELTON TO TALK**  
Marion County District Judge Joseph Felton will speak at the Tuesday noon luncheon meeting of Salem Kiwanis club in the Marion hotel.

We have closed The Flower Basket, 1020 Market. Watch for Grand Opening soon at 590 N. Capitol. Jary Florist.

**TOWNSENDITE MEET**  
Central Townsend club 6 will meet tonight at 259 Court st., when an open forum will be held.

John-Manville shingles applied by Mathis Bros., 164 S. Com'l. Free estimates. Ph. 34642.

**DRAFT BOARDS CLOSED**  
Marion and Polk county selective service boards 9 and 10, with headquarters in Salem will be closed today.

Wheel chairs, Hospital beds for rent. Buren. Phone 3-7775.

**Arthur Putnam Statue to Go on Display Here**  
A bronze statue by a former Salem resident, Arthur Putnam, will be on display this month at Willamette university, officials announced Saturday. The work is "Santa Combat," picturing a fight between two tigers.

Loaned by Marilyn Walkey of Santa Monica, Calif., granddaughter of the sculptor, the statue is similar to Putnam's "Combat," well-known here, which depicts a fight involving a tiger, python and deer.

Putnam, a brother of George Putnam of Salem, resided here from 1873 to 1930.

**Births**  
NICHOLS—To Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols, 1015 Terrace dr., a daughter, Sunday, January 1, at Salem Memorial hospital.

PRICE—To Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Price, 1655 Berry st., a son, Sunday, January 1, at Salem General hospital.

KLOPP—To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Klopp, 2895 Roger ln., a daughter, Sunday, January 1, at Salem General hospital.

MANNING—To Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Manning, Gervais, a son, Sunday, January 1, at Salem General hospital.

**Democrats May Boost Party's Power on Congress Committee**  
By Edwin B. Haakinson  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 (AP)—Senator Myers (D-Pa) was reported today in line for a coveted assignment to the tax-writing finance committee.

The democratic steering committee will decide Wednesday whether to take the place away from a republican. The present ratio on the finance is seven democrats and six republicans. It is proposed to make it 8 to 5.

It is one of a series of changes upcoming in the senate's important committees as congress reassembles.

Aiding Myers' chances to get the finance place are his service as assistant democratic floor leader and his campaign for reelection this year in the important state of Pennsylvania.

**Increase Forecast**  
Majority Leader Lucas (D-Ill) previously told reporters that the tax-writing committee's majority would be increased if the democratic steering committee agrees.

Senator Millikin (R-Colo.), top-ranking republican and former finance chairman, said this would prove unfortunate for the democrats.

Millikin said that the group retained a 7-6 ratio when republicans controlled the senate "and we have worked as a harmonious unit in the past."

**Proportionate Strength**  
In general the party in power seeks to relate the number of committee memberships to the proportionate strength of the parties in the senate.

The move to increase democratic strength on the group coincides with expected recommendations from President Truman on expanding social security and revising federal excise and corporation taxes.

Both matters would come before the committee and Myers has been

**HIT AND RUN CHARGED**  
Frederick B. Nowack, 3410 Livingstone ave., was charged with failure to remain at the scene of an accident following his arrest by city police early Sunday. Police said the accident happened in the 1000 block of South 12th street and resulted in damage to a 1949 Plymouth.

1950 Calendars—Homer Smith's • Mimeographing & Typing. Poe's, 865 N. 16th St. ph. 3-3643.

**HAWAII PROGRAM SET**  
The Christmas transcription made by Willamette university's 14 Hawaiian students for broadcast in their homeland will be aired tonight at 9 o'clock over station KOCO in the university's weekly Fireside hour. The program includes messages and songs by the students and a message from Gov. Douglas McKay.

**NOTICE! Hearing Aid Users.** Our new office hours are from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. including the noon hour, every day except Saturday, when we close at 3 p.m. Come in and let's get acquainted. Batteries for all kinds of hearing aids. James N. Taft & Associates, 225 Oregon Building, Salem.

**State Board Says Checks Unclaimed**  
A total of 238 checks amounting to \$6,110.67 have been returned unclaimed to the state industrial accident commission during the past year.

Chairman Paul N. Gursak said the commission is anxious to get the checks to the payees, persons injured or partially disabled as the result of industrial accidents. The checks range from \$1.28 to \$421.17 and will revert to the general accident fund if unclaimed after seven years.

The commission asked that everyone knowing the location of these Marion county payees notify either them or the commission:

Raymond R. Barnes, Salem route 8, box 492; Anne J. Bentley, route 1, box 177, Jefferson; Helen E. Collins, 1820 Cross st., Salem; Bruce W. Galloway, Salem; Joseph A. Gray, state agricultural experiment station, Salem; Don Hibbs, Mill City hotel; William F. Kelly, route 7, box 78, Salem; Robinson O. Mion, 392 S. High st., Salem; William A. Morrow, Detroit; Clinton W. Peterson, Jefferson; Albert Lee Richardson, Jefferson; Stanley K. Stensley, 325 E. Madison ave., Salem; Orbie R. Salyer, Mill City hotel; Francis J. Sasek, route 2, Salem; Mrs. Alfrida Sheythe, 498 S. 24th st., Salem; Orville M. Strode, box 354, Mill City.

A new section of the Denver building code covers multi-level parking garages.

**Public Records**

**MUNICIPAL COURT**  
Paul R. Vergets, 1535 Broadway st., charged with reckless driving; posted \$150 bail.  
Raymond Lewis Hall, Silvertown, charged with driving while intoxicated; posted \$250 bail.  
George L. Fredericksen, 754 Perry st., charged with reckless driving; posted \$25 bail.  
Frederick B. Nowack, 3410 Livingstone ave., charged with failure to remain at scene of an accident; posted \$25 bail.

**14 Residents Of County on Hoover Board**  
Naming of 14 Marion county residents to the Citizens' Committee for the Hoover Report in this area was announced this week end by Mark O. Hatfield, county chairman.

Chosen to emphasize the bipartisan theme of the entire Hoover commission effort, representatives of business, labor, agriculture, clergy and the two major political parties appear on the committee.

Work of the group will consist of organizing a "people's lobby" to work for passage of Hoover commission economy recommendation in the 1950 session of congress, Hatfield declared.

Chairman of the over-all citizens' committee is Dr. Robert Johnson, president of Temple university. E. B. McNaughton of Portland is Oregon chairman and Mrs. Ralph Moody of Salem is directing first congressional district operations.

Hatfield, an instructor in political science at Willamette, wrote his doctor's thesis on the life and activities of ex-President Herbert Hoover.

Named to the county committee were Herbert Baker, Salem Trades and Labor council; Warren Cooley, Junior Chamber of Commerce; Luis Martine-Lally, chairman of county democratic central committee; T. M. Medford, district manager of Safeway; George Putnam, publisher Capital Journal; Dean Seward P. Reese, college of law, Willamette university; Josephine Albert Spaulding, civic leader; Charles A. Sprague, publisher Oregon Statesman and former governor of Oregon; the Rev. George Swift, Episcopal pastor; Mona Yoder, business and professional women's club, all of Salem; Harry Humphreys, Stayton, real estate; William Merriott, Woodburn, PGE manager; Al O. Nelson, Silverton, justice of the peace; E. B. Stolle, Mt. Angel, editor.

**Immunizations To Keep Health Officials Busy**  
Immunization clinics at Marion county schools this week will occupy most of the time of the Marion county health department staff. The schedule, beginning Tuesday, includes:

Tuesday—Immunization clinics at Monitor school, 9:30 a.m. to noon and at Eugene Field school, 1 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday—Immunization clinic at St. Mary's school in Mt. Angel, 9:30 a.m. to noon; child guidance clinic and a chest fluoroscopic clinic, both by appointment.

Thursday—Immunization clinics at Riverside, Halls Ferry, Roberts, McKee and North Howell schools, 9:30 a.m. to noon, and child health conference, by appointment.

Friday—Immunization clinic, Labich Center school, 2 p.m. to clinic for adults, health department office in Masonic building, 9 to 11:30 a.m. and from 2 to 4 p.m.

Saturday—Immunization for children and adults 9 to 11:30 a.m.

**Off-Street Parking In Capitol Area On Discussion List**  
Off-street parking for the state capitol area will be one of the considerations before a plan development committee of the state capitol planning commission at a meeting early this month, it was disclosed Saturday.

The lack of facilities for off-street parking of vehicles owned by the state and its employees often has been criticized, as new buildings were added to the concentration of state activities.

Meanwhile, the commission chairman informed Mayor R. L. Elstrom of Salem that approximately one year will be needed before the full development plan is in shape to present to the state legislature and the city council. The word came from Robert W. Sawyer of Bend in reply to Elstrom's statement opposing portions of the tentative plan.

**BALL SHOWS PROFIT**  
IDANHA—Citizens in this area celebrated New Year's eve by attending the annual Firemen's ball held at the local high school Saturday night. The affair grossed \$400.



**WELLES PLAYS 'OTHELLO'**—Orson Welles (right), as "Othello," and Nicholas Bruce (left), as "Ludovico," welcome Elaine Shepard (center), American actress, who visited them at Palace of the Doges, Venice, where picture is being filmed.

### 1908 New Year's Day Paper Told Tale of Prosperity, Growth

It was a year of high prosperity, which left Salem "better equipped than ever before" for a new year. That was the keynote 42 years ago in The Statesman's New Year's day edition in 1908.

While the figures of that prosperity generally appear picayunish alongside 1949's statistics, they betray the pattern of growth that was then, as now, characteristic of the capital city. Also, many of the activities of that smaller Salem were similar to today's.

The newspaper was unearthed last week by J. W. Goebel in his home at 1430 D st.

Some of the evidences of prosperity it relates:

Salem postoffice receipts had climbed steadily for five straight years, as they have for the past five, to \$37,881 (now \$805,234).

The postoffice was hoping to become first class soon.

A visitor pleased Salem with the statement that "a family can live here cheaper, enjoy themselves better for the money and have more freedom than any place else that I know of."

New stoves at the Auditorium skating rink were heated all January 1 to assure comfort for the masquerade that night. Tickets were 25 cents, but \$50 was given in prizes for costumes.

Land development companies and railroads were advertising generously to attract residents and property buyers to Bay City and the Willamette, Umpqua and Rogue River valleys.

The now-gone Chicago store was crowding its already-expanded quarters and was advertising its annual clearing sale, including outing flannel at 3 and 6 cents per yard, men's heavy winter underwear for 39 cents, men's overalls for 39 cents.

The perfect way to get a New Year's day appetite was a buggy ride from a local livery stable.

Among the businesses and institutions The Statesman's special edition of the day lauded in outline were:

Ladd and Bush bank, then still operated by Asahel Bush, founder of that business and of The Statesman.

Salem State bank, whose assistant cashier was D. W. Eyre, now vice president of U.S. National Bank of Portland and head of its Ladd and Bush-Salem branch.

The well-established Thomas Kay Woolen Mill company, Gideon Stolz company (then processing apples as well as bottling beverages), D. A. White and Sons feed and seed, T. A. Livesley and Company hop growers and buyers, Salem Iron Works, Theodore M. Barr plumber, F. E. Shafer harness, Joseph Meyers and Sons (Milton and Henry) department store, Salem Woolen Mill store (now Bishop's), Price Shoe company, Buren (Max) and Hamilton (C.S.) furniture, the Spa confectionery with its long-time owner, the late Frank G. Myers.

In for a large play was the Indian school at Chemawa, which then had 600 pupils, nearly equal to present enrollment.

One of the outstanding changes to be noted is in the YMCA, then on the northwest corner of Commercial and Chemeketa streets. But its activities were much the same as today—various cultural

**Jerseys Plan Comeback Bid Over Oregon**  
By Lillie L. Madsen  
Farm Editor, The Statesman

Oregon Jerseys, which at one time topped all other breeds in popularity in the Willamette valley, are making a bid for a strong comeback in their 1950 program.

The proposed program of work will be considered at the annual meeting of the state club which has been set for January 28 at the Keizer Grange hall. Floyd Bates, Salem, is state president and Jern Svith, formerly Salem but now of Grants Pass, is the secretary.

First on the list of objectives in the new year is to get a fieldman for the state underway. At present the national club maintains a western fieldman, but as he serves in a number of states, very little time can be devoted to the problems of any one state. In addition to the western fieldman, the Oregon club proposes to maintain one for its own use.

Milk programs which have been a matter of controversy in the past few years wherever a group of Jersey people have been gathered, will take on a new phase under the suggested 1950 program. Plans call for the development of a coordinated milk program with all dairy breeds. Encouragement is to be given in the use of the Creamline trade mark.

A strong youth program has also been incorporated in the proposed plans. The state club suggests sponsoring and supporting sales for 4-H and Future Farmers, continuing to award a registered Jersey heifer to an outstanding 4-H dairy club member, and also to a FFA member carrying a dairy project.

Holding spring shows in each of the 14 county clubs is also to be recommended, as are also to promote 10 new members in the American Jersey Cattle club and maintain a membership of 500 or more in the Oregon club.

One of the big items will be the election of officers. More interest is being shown this year in presidential election for the state club than has been evident for a number of years. Interest in the valley is particularly strong as the race is between two Willamette breeders, George Gentemann of Independence and Marlin Fox of Molalla.

**Tree-Topper at Work in Salem**  
Motorists and pedestrians were stopped in their tracks Saturday as high-climbing John Brennan topped a 110-foot fir tree in the back yard of H. A. Harrington, 1249 S. Commercial st.

Brennan, a professional tree surgeon, 1823 Broadway st., cut about 25 feet off the tree's top. The big fir and another smaller one in front of the Harrington residence are being removed as a safety measure.



**DR. ROBERT L. PURBRICK Assigned Research Project**

### Research on Molecules Due At Willamette

Research in the structure of molecules, which may lead to increased efficiency in the field of light, will be enabled at Willamette university through a grant of \$2,500, announced this week end by Dr. Robert W. Fenix, vice president.

Dr. Robert L. Purbrick, 30, specialist in nuclear physics, was assigned the project here. The grant is one of several set up by Chemist Frederick Gardner Cottrell and will permit Willamette to purchase special equipment and offer advanced students opportunities for original research.

Purbrick said he did not know the exact course the research will take but he hopes to spend considerable time analyzing light given off by molecules. The practical application might lead to revolutionary changes and increased efficiency in the field of light.

Purbrick did extensive research for the atomic bomb project at the Argonne laboratory at University of Chicago. It was at Argonne that the first sustained reaction involving fissionable materials was carried out.

Many of Purbrick's papers on atomic energy are not yet published. A graduate of Salem high school, he earned his bachelor's degree at Willamette in 1942. His master's and doctor's degree—both in physics—were awarded by the University of Wisconsin, where he was a Wisconsin Alumni Research foundation fellow.

Chief personal desire of the Willamette professor, however, is to confirm his hunch that there are more existing molecules than have been discovered. Once found and confirmed, and that is the chief aim of the research grant, the next step would be analysis of their

**Legion Asks 'Tide of Toys' Contribution**  
An appeal for Christmas toys went out Saturday from Salem's American Legion posts in a nationwide project, sponsored by the Legion, to collect toys for overseas shipment.

John Kerrick, commander of Capital post 9, asked that parents, whether Legion members or not, urge their children to donate a new toy to the "Tide of Toys" Christmas collection campaign.

"Overseas distribution of these toys will be made by CARE, which is already officially organized in most European countries. No doubt local youngsters have received many toys which they would gladly give to children in other countries who are not as fortunate as children in America," he said.

Kerrick said the toys may be dropped off any day or night at Legion headquarters on South Commercial street. It is requested that each child who contributes a toy accompany it with a letter of greeting for the junior recipient.

A number of toys already have been collected, said Kerrick who emphasized the toys should be new ones.

Officials of Salem's other two Legion posts, 136 and 149, the all-women group, said their organizations were collaborating with Capital post on the project. They too asked that toys intended for their posts be left at Legion headquarters.

Henry Clay imported the first purebred Herefords to the United States in 1817.

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Purchase of special spectrographic equipment by the university has begun, school officials announced.

The research grant is the second in as many months for Willamette. Prof. James Nichol is directing research concerning proteins under a \$2,500 grant, also from the Research Corporation of New York.

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