Salem's 1949 **Insured Fire** Toll \$105,845

Salem's 1949 fires involving in-sured property caused damage totaling about \$105,845, Fire Chief W. P. Roble said Thursday. "The figure will increase a bit

when all returns on December fires are in," he added.
Off to a bad start with January's losses exceeding \$50,000, the year wound up with a total loss just about the same as for 1948 and 1949, said Roble.

"The fire that leveled Chuck's Steakhouse on Portland road last January accounted for most of that month's total," he said. "Except for the spectacular hospital fire at Fairview Home, it was the worst we were out on all year." Institutional Fires

That fire and other institutional fires are not included in the above figures. The state has a restoration fund instead of insurance on

its property.
Salem had eight malicious false alarms and three arson cases during the year. alarms. "Smoke in the house and

other well-meaning false alarms," Roble called them. All of the arson cases were

cleared by arrests. They were the Fairview Home hospital fire, at Paulus Brothers cannery and a small jewelry shop.

128 Unreported Fires

".t will probably surprise most

people to learn there were 128 fires in Salem we weren't called on to put out," said Roble. "We hear about them after they file insurance claims. One of them was 1 \$809 loss. Another, a house fire, was \$561."

Defective chimneys caused 162 of the 569 fires to which Salem firemen were summoned last year. Careless smoking caused 62. Others ran the gamut from auto as many happened during the daytime as at night.

"And be sure to mention that little boys playing with matches caused another 20," said Roble.

Moose to Open Lodge Building In Corvallis

H. E. Hedine, secretary of Salem's Moose lodge, will be among officials assisting in the formal dedication Saturday and Sunday of the new \$100,000 Moose lodge in Corvallis.

The new lodge hall is the first to be constructed entirely for fraternal purposes by the Moose in Oregon. Clifford Gee, mayor of Philo-

math and past president of the Oregon Moose association, will conduct dedication ceremonies, association, will assisted by officials of 22 lodges throughout the state.

The two-story building, under construction the past 10 months, will serve a membership of 1,100. Pacilities include an auditorium, banquet room, club room, kitchen and lounge rooms.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION CHICAGO-(INS)-All of the state legislatures that met in regular session in 1949 enacted measures to improve their workmen's compensation laws, according to the American Public Welfare association. A roundup of workmen's compensation legislation in 1949, cited by the association, shows that most of the 44 legislatures that met in regular sessions last year liberalized benefits while in many the amount of the benefit was increased substantially. Others revised administrative pro-

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Gorgeous Rhonda Fleming seems to be taking the initiative in this scene from the new Bob Hope comedy, "The Great Lover," which starts today at the Elsinore. This would give rise to the opinion that the Elsinore's "love insurance" policy, reportedly protecting the men of Salem against loss of wife or sweetheart to "The Great Lover," may not have too many takers.

British Ship Will Explore Sea Mysteries

By Fred Smith

LONDON (INS)-Two mysteries of the deep will be probed when the British research ship William Scoresby leaves London soon on a ten month tour of the

Most important mystery scientists aboard the ship hope to solve brakes to Xmas tree lights. Twice is the breeding and migratory habits of whales, especially those of the humpback variety.

Off the northwest coast of Australia thousands of whales will be marked by the scientists. This will be done during July and August land. when the whales are migrating towards the equator.

It is hoped that data obtained campus, Withey said. from markings will enable scientists to fix quotas to be killed in annual whale hunts. This will prevent extinction of the humpback

Second mystery to be solved by research workers is the movement of freak cold currents off the coast of Southwest Africa where cold water from the depths rises up to

the ocean surface. In earlier years the William Scoresby had surveyed a similar region off the west coast of South America where a spring of deep fect is produced off the African

In addition to whales and ocean current probes, scientists also will undertake various types of oceanographical research in shallow and deep waters. Observations will be made of the water masses and currents of the Indian Ocean

about which little is known. New methods of catching fish in deep waters will be tested and it is hoped that unknown species will be found.

NO SMOKING

MANILA-(INS)-A Manila doctor has asked Mayor Manuel de la Fuente to ban smoking in Manila theaters because it is harmful to pregnant women. The doctor Cesar Ongpin, lodged the strange results a formal letter. The mayor or then pointed out that smoking already has been prohibited in theaters that are not fire proof-

A ton may be 2,000 pounds (U.

Marshmallow Milk Shake

Young People's Religious Meet **Slated for Salem**

1 and 2 in Salem.

Dates of the conference were announced Thursday night by Dr. Raymond A. Withey, dean of students at Willamette university. Withey attended a meeting of the Methodist Commission on Christian Vocations in Portland earlier in the day when the Salem conference was scheduled.

Pre - conference registration is slated at churches throughout the state during the next two months and at the state conclave of young Methodists February 17 in Port-

on the Willamette university

New Late Bus

A south Salem bus schedule change is expected to iron out a complaint on behalf of swing shift ago favoring the retention of UAL workers, beginning this Sunday, service in Salem. But chamber water brings certain nutrient salts it was stated Thursday by Robert board members have indicated

Davidson said the South Commercial bus route will be extended on its final night run, leaving downtown Salem at 11:45 p.m., to loop around South High, Howard, Berry, Hoyt and 12th streets before returning to the bus garage.

Claude Hall was spokesman before the city council on behalf of a later bus to return them from Union are sponsoring a pie social bus formerly was included in the 12th street schedule.

theaters that are not "fire proofd" But the suggestion has been forwarded by the mayor to Ma-S.), 2,240 pounds (long tons) or nila's health department for "com-2,204.6 pounds (metric tons). ment and recommendation."

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80-Year-Old Weston Leader Editor to Retire

WESTON, Jan. 26 -(AP)- An 80year - old country editor, whose sparkling short paragraphs were among the most quoted of the na-tion, is retiring after 67 years in

His famous editorial quips-he always wrote editorials just a para-graph long—were reprinted by the thousands in the Literary Digest during its heydey of the 1920s and

early 1930s.

They said things like this: "We usually think of Uncle Sam as tall, but this year he is about fifteen hundred millions short."

He sold the Weston Leader four years ago, but stayed on until now as associated editor. He had been with that paper-with a few years out to see if he liked a big city better (he didn't)—since he was 13 years old. He went to work on the Leader then as a printer's devil, and bought it 14 years later.

CAB Hearing A state - wide conference of young people interested in following any field related to religion will be held March 31 and April C

At least part of the airlines public hearing affecting Salem service will be held in Salem, it developed Thursday in word from the Oregon congressional delegation to The Statesman and the Salem Chamber of Commerce.

ing West Coast Airlines here.

elaboration later this week.

Schedule to Aid cause funds would not permit all CAB members to make the trip in Washington, D. C.

The Salem chamber, which has urged a local hearing on the subject, went on record several months velopment of marine life. It is thought possible that a similar ef-

Orchard Heights Slates Benefit Pie **Auction Friday**

night workers who petitioned for Mountain View Community club downtown to their homes in the to be held Friday night at 8 p. m., South 12th street area. The late January 27 at the Mountain View

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school, with the proceeds to go to the March of Dimes. The public City Building Word has been received of the death of Carl Lepley at a Spokane hospital, Saturday, January 21. Private services will be held in Spokane with interment in the

Hiawatha, Kansas, cemetery.

fresh water springs.

the newspaper game. Clark Wood, long time owner of the weekly Weston Leader, was feted at a retirement banquet last night. Next month he will enter the Pythian home at Vancouver

Or: "Longer trousers will be worn this year according to master tailors. Some of us have already worn them as long as we can."

Cordon Wires

U. S. Sen. Guy Cordon wired that hearings will start in Salem February 27 in the civil aeronautics board's show-cause order to United Air Lines which poses the possibility of substituting or add-

Cordon's telegram left the impression that the entire hearing may be held in Salem, but Salem Chamber officials were expecting

Earlier Thursday U. S. Rep. Walter Norblad had wired that behere, an examiner would take testimony in Salem and the board would then continue the hearing

ORCHARD HEIGHTS - The and the Orchard Heights Farmers

Permits Revive

City building permits, down to Mr. Lepley has been in poor bounced back Thursday when health for several years. He is survived by two sons, Cecil and James Lepley of Puyallup, Wash., and three granddaughters. Two

brothers and one sister live in Permits listed: Donald Cren-Kansas. The Lepley family were shaw, erect \$11,500 dwelling on an former residents of this commuunnamed street between 9th street and Glencreek road; Dale Bolden, erect \$7,900 dwelling and garage Water sellers at Bahrien, on the at 1505 Karen way; Gavin Hill, Persian Gulf, dive to the bottom of erect dwellings at 675 and 677 Catthe gulf and fill goatskins from terlin ave. at estimated cost of \$4,800 each; Leonard Hewitt, \$400

Judson st.; Oregon Farm Bureau federation, alter boiler room at 444 Marion st., \$900.

FLORAL FUND COLUMBIA, Mo .- (INS) - A grant of \$500 from the Missouri State Florists' association to the a trickle during the cold snap, University of Missouri has been bounced back Thursday when accepted by the board of curators, plans for four new homes were The grant establishes the "Floriculture Research and service fund"



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