

# Abraham Lincoln Rally Set Tonight

Grateful tribute to Abraham Lincoln will be paid by hundreds of valley residents at 8 o'clock tonight at an old-time rally, complete with cider and fiddlers, at the Salem armory.

The sweet cider will be served to everyone attending, and each also will be given an unusual scroll picture of the former president whose birthday anniversary is Sunday.

Roy Harland, chairman of the Lincoln Anniversary committee, said last night the program "is all set—and it will be a fast one." Numbers will include the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by Mrs. Edith Fairham Gunner and rendition of the

Gettysburg address by Elliott Motschenbacher of Roseburg.

Principal speaker will be Frank Branch Riley of Portland, rated as one of the top speakers in the nation.

Harland stressed that "there is no admission and there is nothing to buy; the rally is planned as an informal tribute to a great American and we hope the armory is jammed to the roof; we have obtained the finest speaker possible, and the entire program is set to go off in rapid-fire order under Master of Ceremonies Gene Malecki."

Doors of the armory will be open at 7:30 p.m.

# Non-Stop Revival Meet At College in 27th Hour

WHEATON, Ill., Feb. 9—(AP)—All students and teachers at Wheaton college quit classes today and joined in a non-stop prayer meeting. Tonight it passed its 27th consecutive hour with no sign of ending.

A public outburst of religious fervor swept the campus of the non-secular college. It fired a marathon testimony session.

Fifteen hundred students went to chapel at 7 o'clock last night to hear an evangelist give a talk.

He finally got to speak 26 hours later. Until 9 o'clock tonight his audience held the floor. Even then the evangelist, the Rev. Edwin S. Johnson of Seattle, Wash., spoke only briefly.

Then more students came forward with testimonials. By 10:30 others still were waiting for the chance to talk.

Before introducing the preacher, Dr. V. Raymond Edman, the president of the college asked whether any of the students wanted to give a word of testimony or praise "on the blessings of the week."

Ten students got up. After they got through, others wanted to have their say.

This kept up for hours. Midnight passed. At 3 a.m. the crowd of 1,500 dwindled to 600. But by dawn the word spread, and after breakfast all seats in the chapel were filled again.

Classrooms were empty all day. The teachers were in the chapel, too.

The college, 35 miles west of Chicago, offers liberal arts courses to 1,500 students. One of the faculty members is Gil Dodds, famed miller who quit the track to preach the gospel. Students are of 30 different protestant denominations.



When the war ended the Joint Organization of British commonwealth nations held more than three billion pounds of wool, produced chiefly in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. The U.S. CCC held 495 million pounds. The huge stockpiles were a worry to governments and to producers. The JO figured its stocks would last for a dozen years. Already, however, the wool stores have melted like the late snow when the south winds came. The British stocks will be down to 200 million pounds by midsummer and the CCC has cut down its holdings.

The absorption of these wools has resulted in higher prices. Last year the Russians entered the Australian auctions and gobbled up big quantities of wool at premium prices. This year the Australian price on fine wools has gone from 40 cents a pound three months ago to 75¢ a pound, according to Business Week.

Wool prices in 1946 are up a few cents from a year ago, with the market very firm. The valley produces chiefly coarse grades which take a much lower price than fine wools. The U.S. price on fine wools has risen sharply.

The reason for the price markup has been the heavy postwar consumption of wool. The United States used an average of 281 million pounds in the years 1935-39, but consumption jumped to 609 million pounds in 1946. It declined steadily after that to 320 million pounds in 1949 when mills, suffered a slump in buying orders. That trend has

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Morgan Seeks Office of Labor Commissioner

A democratic nominee for state labor commissioner was definitely in the field Thursday as former state legislator Howard Morgan filed his candidacy at the elections bureau in the capitol.

Morgan, whose candidacy was predicted by The Statesman earlier this week, represented Multnomah county in the state house of representatives at the last legislature, but recently moved to the Monmouth area.

Incumbent labor commissioner is republican W. E. Kimsey, who is expected to seek re-election.

In other political filings at the statehouse State Rep. Ralph T. Moore of Coos Bay, republican and a veteran of several legislative sessions, declared himself a candidate.

William G. East, Eugene, filed for re-election as circuit judge of the 4th judicial district which comprises Lane, Douglas, Coos and Curry counties. Candidates for circuit judge run non-partisan.

G. Cyrus Bishop of Portland, who urges tax reduction by reducing expenditures, filed for Republican nomination for state representative from Multnomah county.

# Valley Flood Threat Looms

MEDFORD, Feb. 9—(AP)—The federal-state cooperative snow survey today reported "generally excellent" prospects for irrigation water in Oregon this year.

Flooding seems possible in the Willamette valley in the spring, the surveys added. A heavy snow blanket in the Cascades, with above average water content, could produce "extremely high" stream flows in case of heavy rains and melting.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

This Year	Last Year	Normal

# Double Crew Works to Patch Holes in City Streets



Winter freezes which caused teeth-jolting holes to appear in Salem streets and bared old street car rails are in a lot of patching by road crews in the next month. Above is state highway crew recovering street car rails at Liberty and Court streets, the state being responsible for maintenance of highway routes through Salem. (Statesman photo.)

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Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	55	38	07
Portland	51	40	06
San Francisco	51	40	06
Chicago	41	33	trace
New York	41	34	00

Willamette river 10.5 feet.

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Cloudy with rain today becoming showery in late afternoon and tonight. High today near 47; low tonight near 31.

# House Votes Death Knell for Penny Postcard Turnabout Vote Passes Korea, Formosa Aid

## Reversal by House Sends Bill to Senate

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—(AP)—The house approved a multi-million dollar economic aid program for Korea and Formosa today designed to strengthen anti-communist defenses in the orient.

The house action, on a roll call vote of 240 to 134, was a sharp reversal of its stand two weeks ago when it rejected by one vote the administration's plea to continue Korean aid.

The earlier vote was considered a reflection of dissatisfaction in congress with the administration's far eastern policy, especially its refusal to grant military backing to the Chinese nationalists on Formosa. The new bill wrapped up economic aid to Formosa with help for Korea. This was believed to have gained it some votes.

The new measure would provide \$60,000,000 in economic help for the little far eastern republic of Korea as a supplement to a similar amount congress approved last year. It also would make available for use on Formosa a part of a \$103,000,000 China aid fund which the economic cooperation administration is now holding.

The combined bill now goes to the senate where approval is expected.

## WU Founders Day Brings Out Caps, Gowns



## Hop Growers Warned Against Price Supports

By Lillie L. Madsen Farm Editor, The Statesman

S. R. Smith, who is here from the USDA in Washington, D. C., found himself somewhat between two fires Thursday afternoon on the program at the fourth annual hop growers convention. The three day meeting opened here Thursday and will close Saturday noon. Sessions are being held at Crystal Gardens ballroom, including the Friday night Hopper's banquet.

Smith, director of the fruit and vegetable branch of the U.S. production and marketing administration, spoke on the government's part in the hop industry. He appeared on the program between E. L. Peterson, Oregon director of agriculture, and Lowell Steen, president of the Oregon Farm Bureau, both of whom stressed the need for less government support and more ability "to stand on our own."

The question farmer are going to have to answer, Peterson said, is "Are we willing to trade our freedom of action for a few dollars out of the federal treasury which we ourselves are going to have to dig up?"

Support prices are not possible, he elaborated, without willing-

## Judge Labels Demands by Lewis Illegal

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—(AP)—A federal judge labelled four of John L. Lewis' major contract demands illegal today and drafted an injunction against them, but the ruling does not halt the nationwide soft coal strike.

However, the decision was considered a major setback for Lewis and operators were jubilant. The ruling deprived Lewis of some of his trading cards at the bargaining table.

A fact finding board meanwhile rushed work on its report to president Truman.

The court's action means that Lewis will run afoul of the federal court injunction if he insists on:

1. A union shop.
2. Use of the miners' welfare fund for members of his union exclusively.
3. A clause saying that the miners work only when "able and willing."
4. Provision for "memorial periods" under which nationwide strikes have been called in the past.

## Egg Prices Jump 2 Cents

Egg prices are up two cents a dozen on all grades today following increases on the wholesale market Thursday.

Salem wholesalers are buying large AAs for 37 cents a dozen; large As for 34 cents; medium AAs for 35 cents and medium As for 33 cents. Retail prices are about 10 cents a dozen higher.

## ATTENDING CONVENTION

DONALD—Several ranchers and their families from this area were in Salem Thursday attending the 4th annual Hop Growers' convention.

## Mrs. Roy Mills Succumbs at Local Hospital

Mrs. Beulah M. Mills, wife of Roy H. Mills, secretary of the state board of control, died Thursday night at a local hospital where she had been confined since January 24 with coronary thrombosis. She was 60.

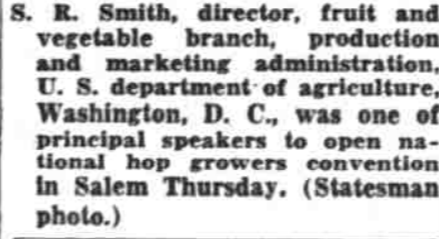
Born Oct. 6, 1889, in Newberg, the daughter of the late State Senator Charles K. and Lorah Spaulding, Mrs. Mills attended Newberg schools and Pacific college.

She was married in 1910 in Newberg to Roy Mills. The couple moved to Salem the same year and have resided here since that time. They have lived recently at 425 Fawk ave.

Funeral services will be held at one o'clock Saturday afternoon at the W. T. Rigdon chapel with Dr. Chester Hamblin of the First Presbyterian church, of which Mrs. Mills was a member, officiating.

Private entombment will follow at Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum. The casket will be open to friends until noon Saturday.

Surviving, besides the widower, are two daughters, Mrs. Elliott Price, Washougal, Wash., and Mrs. Kenneth Hanson, Stayton; a son, Charles K. Mills, Berkeley, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Lewis Griffith, Salem; and a brother, H. C. Spaulding, Newberg.



S. R. Smith, director, fruit and vegetable branch, production and marketing administration, U. S. department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., was one of principal speakers to open national hop growers convention in Salem Thursday. (Statesman photo.)

ness "to give the government the right to tell you how much you can produce and when."

"When we attempt to solve our problems through legislature we can easily be carried too far," he added.

In direct reference to hops Peterson said that Oregon had been leading in production but now Washington is ahead. He foresaw decrease in hop production in this state.

That less talk about pensions, retirements and subsidy and more talk on "full production per man" would be in order, Steen stressed. Any government program should be merely a stop-gap, he said. Both Oregon men stressed the need for individual efficiency.

Secondary Thought

Smith, although he indicated that hops might be eligible for support upon the discretion of the secretary of agriculture, he said that he thought "the eligibility of hops for price support under the agricultural act of 1949 should be completely a secondary thought, since the aim of that act basically is to attempt to level out the supply and demand situation." He added that the target of leveling off the supply and demand situation is one the hop growers already have at hand and is already being done through the market-price act.

(Additional details on pages 2, 3)

## Bill to Increase Postal Rates Falls Short of Truman's Aim

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—(AP)—The house voted today to raise postal rates \$130,000,000 a year—less than half the amount President Truman said is urgently needed to bring them in line with other prices.

The senate still has to pass on the question, and it appears unlikely that any new scale of charges will be tacked up in postoffices for several weeks.

The bill which the house approved by a voice vote calls for increases in every class of service except first-class. Letters still could be sent for three cents an ounce ordinary mail, six cents air mail.

The penny post card would pass out of the picture. The rates for both cards ("Jenkins creek in moonlight") and postal cards (the undecorated government model) would rise to two cents. The increase from this source was estimated at \$36,000,000 a year.

Second class mail, which includes newspapers and magazines, would pay \$15,000,000 more annually; third class matter up to 8 ounces) \$23,000,000; fourth class (parcel post) \$40,000,000; registered mail \$4,000,000. Miscellaneous other services would provide the balance of the increase.

President Truman paid particular attention to the post office department's fiscal problems in this year's budget message. He said that postal rates have not kept pace with rising post-war costs and that the department's operating deficit has reached "excessive proportions." He estimated the department would go \$55,000,000 in the red in the coming year unless the rates were raised.



Gowned instructors and honored guests formed a colorful procession marking beginning of Willamette university Founders day ceremonies Thursday morning, as pictured above. The crowd of students and alumni heard Jason Lee, distant relative of founder Jason Lee, tell personal details of the pioneer's life. In picture at right, on rostrum, left to right, are President G. Herbert Smith, Jack Gunn, and Dean Melvin Geist. (Photos by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.) (Story on page 6.)

## Amundson, Hauser File As Candidates

Elmer M. Amundson and Paul Hauser Thursday became the first two Salem residents to file for municipal offices.

Amundson, local attorney and realtor, entered the 1950 race for municipal judge. In his statements filed with City Recorder Alfred Mundy, the candidate pledged "justice without prejudice or favoritism and traffic safety through education for violators."

Hauser, city treasurer since 1937, filed for re-election. "The word 'incumbent' on my filing papers tell my story," he said. (Additional details on page 5.)

## Oregon Gold Mine Enthusiast Asks For Free Sample

That "gold mine in the sky, far away" sounds like Salem, Ore., to a North Weymouth, Mass., man.

Writing to inquire of gold mining hereabouts, the man asked Salem Chamber of Commerce for information and a sample.

His letter received here Thursday read: "Would you please send me some information about gold mines in your state. I'd like pictures, etc. I would be very pleased if you could send me a bit of gold. Yours very truly, \_\_\_\_\_"

## Jobless Claims Melt Quickly

PORTLAND, Feb. 9—(AP)—The worst of the winter unemployment appeared over today.

The state employment office here said jobless claims have dropped to 20,000 over a week, some 4000 below the rate prevalent at this time last year.

There are fewer applicants for jobs right now than in previous weeks, too. The improved situation was attributed to mills and construction jobs resuming operations after a cold wave shutdown.

## Contract Confirms Plans for West Salem Branch Postoffice

Plans for a West Salem postoffice, first branch of its type for the Salem postoffice area, were confirmed Thursday with the announcement of a building contract.

Col. C. A. Robertson, westside property owner, received a telegram from the postmaster general confirming his contract to provide the postal facilities for government lease. Robertson said construction would start immediately at Kingwood and 2nd streets.

Salem Postmaster Albert C. Gragg said the building would be a classified station, staffed by two regular employees, including a postal clerk, handling all postal business as in the main office, except for cancellation.

Three city carriers and two rural routes (1 and 8) will operate from the office to serve the

entire Polk county portion of Salem postal area.

Robertson, who was low of two bidders, said the structure would be completed by July 1 at a cost of about \$25,000. It is to face Kingwood street on property owned by Robertson. Garages formerly there were rebuilt across the street.

The one-story building also will have an 18 by 54-foot store space, which is not yet leased. Of pumice block construction, stuccoed, it will measure 63 feet at the front, 40 feet at the back and 58 feet along 2nd street. Its exterior will include modernistic glass block. Interior plans include the lobby, a work room and a locker room.

Designer was H. T. Heaton of Salem, and contractor will be Robert Forster of Salem.

## Animal Crackers



"Care to step out in the alley and say that?"