



Edna Marie Hill, 17, will be a featured soloist with the Salem senior high school orchestra tonight at 8 o'clock when the orchestra and chorus will present a concert under the direction of Victor Palmason. Miss Hill, senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hill, 1869 Fir st., has been studying the piano since six years old. She is an outstanding student at the high school, being feature editor of the Clarion; president of the Vikettes pep club; member of the Crescendo and civics club, the national honor society and the senior class council. She also plays cello in the orchestra and sings in the choir. Her ambition is to be a college level music instructor. (Statesman photo.)

Oregon Fruit, Nut Markets To Improve

Oregon and fruit men may have to do a bit of telling the world about their product, but with that, Oregon's fruit and nut crops are expected to find somewhat better market conditions in 1950 than existed in 1949, market viewers of the United States Department of Agriculture indicated Monday.

What happens to the national income will have much effect on prices, but prospects beyond 1950 are more favorable for fruits than for nut crops because nut production will increase faster, L. R. Brethaupt, market economist, extension division at the state college, stated.

Production to Drop
Large crops in Oregon and the nation sent prices tumbling in 1949 but production in 1950 is likely to be smaller. Carryover of canned and frozen fruits at the start of the processing season is also expected to be less than last spring.

Fruit production in this country has almost doubled in the last 30 years but the bearing acreage declined a little. A sharp decline in apple and prune acreage is now being reflected in smaller crops. Further increases in national production of pears, peaches, cherries, oranges and all kinds of tree nuts are expected.

Indications at meetings during the past week were that strawberry market prospects were considered favorable but production may soon be back to prewar level. The strawberry meeting held at Salem Friday drew the largest number of producers at any one crop meeting in several months.

Above Average
Except for gooseberries, production of other small fruits is up to or above the prewar average.

One encouraging fact now is that the second most important fruit and vegetable market in this country is located on the Pacific Coast, eliminating much of the high shipping costs to the eastern markets. Los Angeles earned this position in 1949 when more than 98,000 cars of fresh fruit and vegetables were unloaded in that city. New York still leads with more than 200,000 cars, so Los Angeles will not promptly capture first place. Her margin over Chicago last year was a comfortable 10,000 cars. Onions, potatoes, sweet corn, cabbage, caneberrys, peaches and pears were included among the arrivals from Oregon.

Slot Machine Raids Result In \$25 Fines
ENTERPRISE, March 6 (AP)—A state police raid on slot machines here over the week end resulted in \$25 fines each for four Enterprise residents today.

They pleaded guilty in justice court to playing the machines, which had been licensed by the city in an attempt to augment income. The machines were in cafes here.

A co-owner of one of the establishments, Mrs. Irene Babic, was given 24 hours in which to enter a plea to a charge of possessing slot machines.

The four fined were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cox, John E. Cox and Steed Trump.

The seized machines are held under lock in the sheriff's office.

Awards Given to Cub Pack 102
Award badges and other honors were presented recently to 16 Cub Scouts of Pack 102, which is sponsored by the McKinley school mothers' club.

Honored were Pete Melin, Larry McCaspar, Arthur Erickson, Vernon Hill, Don Cooper, Judson Smith, Jimmy Roethlin, Bill Ringnald, Bobby Burris, Johnny Wenger, Gerald Johnson, Wayne Robinson, Stewart Smith, Bill Wright, Loring Schmidt and Mike Roth.

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Delake 'Sea Monster' Merely Piece of Blubber



DELAKE, Ore., March 6—Curiosity over the above "sea monster" drew hundreds of people to this coastal community over the week end. The four-tailed "creature," shown above on the beach where it washed ashore, was discovered to be merely a dilapidated piece of whale blubber. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

'Monster' Just Dilapidated Piece of Whale

NEWPORT, March 6 (AP)—No wonder Tubby, the toothless sea monster, had no teeth.

The marine what-is-it that floated ashore at Delake, Ore., Saturday was no sea monster, a biologist said today. It was just a dilapidated part of a whale.

Tubby, so-named because of his rotund, 1500-pound appearance,

underwent serious testing by Roger Tollefson, state fish commission biologist.

Tollefson cut a hunk off the body, which appeared to have four tails, a mouth and no teeth. He put the chunk through laboratory tests here and reported:

It was the blubbery flesh of a vertebrate. It did not have the variations in structure that would exist in a complete organism. Therefore, it was part of an animal, most probably a whale.

He got backing from R. E. Dimick, Oregon State college professor of fish and game management, who said Tubby didn't have the structural characteristics of a complete animal.

The so-called mouth, they said,

probably was just a tear in the flesh.

The hair and feathers that were reported covering Tubby's body were nothing more than decomposed blubber, seaweed and gull feathers that became embedded as the object was rolled ashore by the waves, Tollefson concluded.

TOWNSEND MEET TONIGHT
Townsend Victory club 17 will meet at 8 o'clock tonight at the home of Mrs. Olive Reddaway, 1421 N. Church st.

Radio's first loudspeaker was an almost identical copy of the phonograph horn of the time, the only difference being that it generated sound.

The so-called mouth, they said, really was upright.

Tests Slated For Census Enumerators

Examinations for census enumerators in the Salem district will be given late this week, District Supervisor Cornelius Bateson announced Monday.

Notifications have been sent to all of about 550 applicants who are to compete. About 280 will be hired.

Bateson also announced selection of the final crew leaders for the district—Audrey Kessler of Corvallis for Benton county, James M. Howes of Newport for Lincoln county and Harry W. Chambers of Newport for parts of both counties.

Crew leaders will administer the examinations and give brief appraisals to applicants. To be employed they must attain a specified minimum score.

In Salem and other parts of Marion county, said Bateson, applications were so numerous that some selectivity was required, in

order to get the examinations within the time and space available. Tests still will be given to nearly twice the number to be employed.

The tests will be given this Thursday and Friday in Salem at the senior high and Bush schools and on these days or Saturday in schools or other public buildings in Woodburn, Canby, Milwaukie, Sandy, Aumsville, Stayton, Oregon City, Newport, Taft, Corvallis, Mt. Angel, Dallas, Independence and westside Salem.

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27 Republicans File for County Precinct Posts

Twenty-seven more Marion county republicans Monday filed for precinct committeeman or committeewoman with the county clerk.

Committeeman filings by precinct included: John O. Farr, Salem route 3, 158; James H. Linsay, Woodburn, 114; P. J. Gilles, Salem route 2, 106; Earl DeSart, Salem route 3, 130; James M. Hartley, 30 Beech ave., 32; Kenneth E. Brown, 504 W. Main st., 142; Fred Dickman, Aumsville, 174; Chris J. Kovitz, 1961 Center st., 19; Ralph R. Dent, Salem route 9, 168; Wilber Miller, Salem route 5, 152; Theodore I. Stevens, Gervais, 104; and Don D. Craig, 3255 Liberty rd., 46.

Women filing, with precinct numbers listed, were: Marian L. Fischer, 1780 Fairmount st., 41; Ruth Beutell, 4651 Harcourt ave., 77; Mary L. Ashby, 230 S. 19th st., 30; Pearl W. Talmage, 60 Duncan ave., 32; Ruth Wood, Stayton, 178; Lucille Bigler, Mt. Angel, 120; Tillie Mickel, Mt. Angel, 118; Jean H. Nohlgren, 375 W. Salem Heights ave., 46; Minnie M. Jenks, 2785 N. River rd., 35; Regina Moody, 285 S. 16th st., 4; Edith Beugli, Silverton, 148; Esther Hartley, Jefferson, 158; Laura C. Erickson, Woodburn, 106; Hallie M. Nelson, 545 Leslie st., 12; and Maude E. Williams, 441 N. 24th st., 20.

Unemployment Hits New High

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—For every dozen Americans with jobs last month, one was looking for work. The unemployment total of 4,684,000 was the largest since August, 1941.

But in reporting this today, the commerce department noted that 56,953,000 had regular jobs in February, including those not actually laboring because of strikes.

Secretary of Commerce Sawyer attributed a 204,000 increase in the jobless list since January principally to a seasonal increase in the total labor force, rather than any cutbacks in employment.

The first television network comprised three cities, New York, Philadelphia and Schenectady, N. Y.

Morse Condemns Attack on Potato Price Supports

U. S. Sen. Wayne Morse has condemned recent congressional attack on price support for potato growers as "piecemeal" farm legislation, he telegraphed the Oregon Farm federation here Monday.

"This type of farm legislation," Senator Morse said, "would increase our problems rather than solve them."

The farm bureau requested withdrawal of the potato measure on grounds of discrimination against potato growers who have a good record of cooperation with the farm program.

Permits Given For 3 Houses, 2 Duplexes

Permits to build three houses and two duplexes contributed to \$55,000 worth of new construction listed at the city engineer's office Monday.

Bernard Ahrendt obtained permits for the two duplexes to be erected in the 900 block of Mill street at an estimated cost of \$8,400 each.

Permits to erect dwellings and garages were issued to Earl Seamster, for construction at 2495 D st., \$10,500; E. F. Blazey, 2855 Brooks ave., \$6,400; and G. W. Unrein, 1975 Maple st., \$7,600.

The city issued itself a permit for altering the main floor of the city hall, on which work was started last week. Cost was listed as \$9,000.

A permit for \$2,250 alterations to a store and office at 495 State st., was issued to the Masonic temple, and a permit for \$850 alterations to a house at 1695 Chemekeketa st., was issued to H. B. Largent.

Salem Guardsmen To Attend Special California School

Three Salem national guardsmen were authorized Monday by Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea, state adjutant general, to attend army amphibious intelligence school at Coronado, Calif.

They are 2nd Lt. Harvey L. Latham, Jerry S. Anderson and Paul R. Benage.

Rilea announced the appointment of Sgt. John P. Quinn of Albany as second lieutenant.

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