



FLOATING 'CIRCUS TENT'—This new 20-man life raft, developed by Air Force's Air Materiel Command at Dayton, Ohio's Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, can support more than 5,000 pounds without sinking. Top, raft is inflated, canopy raised to provide aided ventilation. Bottom, canopy is closed. Raft's designed especially for use in ditching operations.

Salem Marine Provides Account of Withdrawal

An eye-witness account of marine corps fighting in the Hagaru area of north Korea was received this week from a Salem marine who participated in the battle and came out alive.

The marine, Cpl. Darrell Burt, 635 N. High st., told of the fighting in a letter to his wife in Salem. Burt was a member of Salem's organized marine reserve unit that was activated last summer. The corporal is now hospitalized in Japan with frozen feet and wounds incurred during the Hagaru withdrawal.

Mrs. Entress Succumbs at Local Hospital

Mrs. Mary Caroline Entress, 68, wife of William J. Entress, chairman of the Salem civil service commission, died Wednesday at a local hospital.

Born Mary Caroline MacMamar, June 30, 1882, in Hiawatha, Kan., she was educated in Nebraska schools and taught at the deaf school at Omaha, Neb., and a blind school in Iowa, as well as in St. Augustine, Fla., and Charleston, S.C., before coming to Oregon in 1907.

Mrs. Entress also taught at the deaf school in Salem for a short time. She was married June 10, 1909, to William J. Entress, who survives at 1865 S. Commercial st.

The deceased was a past president of the Oregon department, Daughters of Civil War Veterans, a member of Knight Memorial Congregational church and of several other Salem organizations.

Surviving, besides the widower, are two daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Evans and Mrs. Mary Frances Langford, both of Salem; three sisters, Mrs. Georgia Woodard, Sheridan, Wyo.; Mrs. Bertha Cardwell, Malvern, Iowa; and Mrs. Lena Jones, Shenandoah, Iowa; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday from the Virgil T. Golden chapel.

"I got a machine gun, but the mortar was too well hidden and we couldn't see him. My two buddies were on the third truck and they hopped off with a machine gun, but they were cut down before they could get it set up. So I got off and took over. I didn't know anything about a machine gun up until then, but it didn't take long to learn.

Burned Out Barrel

"It seems that whenever I was firing the Chinese wouldn't fire—and I was firing constantly. I burned the barrel out of the machine gun, but it was worth it and I saved a lot of casualties.

"After the convoy had passed they opened up and there were six of us there with P-shooters and carbines and one no-good machine gun. I ran out of ammunition and just as I stood up to get the other box a mortar shell lit right beside me, and I was lucky and didn't get any fragments in me. That, along with frozen feet, bought me my ticket to Japan.

3,000 in Hospital

"It's nice here in the hospital, or should I say recreation auditorium. The hospital is equipped for 500 and there are 3,000 here, so you can imagine how crowded it is. But, even so, they give us towels, shaving gear, cigarettes, etc., every day. They have a big ship-store and everything but, best of all, it is warm and that counts most.

"I am glad I am not up on that rock now, over in Korea."

Burt's brother, Sgt. Donald Burt, who was a member of the inspector-instructor's staff at the marine unit in Salem, leaves today for Salt Lake City and a recruiting assignment. Burt has been home on leave this week.

The two marines are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Keith G. Burt, 635 N. High st.

UCC Employees Plan Christmas Party Tonight

Employees of the state unemployment compensation commission in Salem will gather for a Christmas party with their wives and guests tonight at the Legion club. Attendance of 200 is expected.

Sponsor of the party is chapter 22 of the state employees association, Jack Spang is general chairman, with Trudy Emerson in charge of tickets and publicity, Grace Sherman of table decorations and Vera Beecroft, program.

The party will start with dinner at 7 p.m. Entertainment will include dinner music, piano-bass numbers by Dewey Robinson and Dave Brody, dance-comedy routines by Tom Grimm and partner and songs by Joyce Rowland.

Dancing and card playing are planned for later in the evening.

Age of chickens can roughly be determined by pressing the breast bone. The more rigid it is, the older the fowl.

Burglars Take New Mercury

Burglars stole a new 1951 Mercury sedan in an overnight break-in at the Warner Motor Co., 430 N. Commercial st., city police reported Wednesday.

The prowlers entered the garage by breaking a rear window. A set of mechanic's tools also was taken. The burglary was detected about 7:15 a. m. Wednesday.

Wisconsin Asks Extradition of Donald Steele

Request for extradition from Wisconsin of Donald E. Steele, wanted on forgery charges, is being made, Marion County Sheriff Denver Young said Wednesday.

Young said Steele has just completed a prison term for forgery in Wisconsin and this county has requested he be held for extradition. He allegedly passed forged checks worth several hundred dollars in the county in 1947, before returning to Wisconsin, where a parole was revoked.

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