

Permission Sought to Change Home into W. U. Sorority House

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A sorority house, confusing street names and proposed building variations occupied the attention of Salem planning and zoning commission in a "right session" Tuesday night at city hall.

Alpha Chi Omega's local sorority chapter has initiated local option petitions for converting a home at 610 N. 15th st. to a sorority house, it was reported by City Engineer J. N. Davis who said the special property use would be granted automatically if no remonstrance from 50 per cent or more of affected property owners is received within 10 days and the new use starts within six months.

Phone Company Report Shows Firm's Growth

Pacific Telephone's president, Mark E. Sullivan, said Tuesday in the company's 1950 annual report that as a result of five years of record construction the company is in better shape than ever to meet the communication service demands of the national emergency.

The report was released here by E. A. Berglund, telephone company manager for Salem.

Sullivan said Pacific Telephone raised \$567,000,000 of new permanent capital in the past five years to finance a postwar construction program reputedly the largest ever executed by any public utility operating company. This is 41 per cent more than was raised by the company in the previous 68 years of its history.

Citing the present 43 per cent bonded indebtedness as being too high, Sullivan emphasized that the money needed to continue expansion must come from the sale of stock. He said the company's earnings are still too low to attract common stock investors.

Pacific Telephone revenues in 1950 were \$431,304,313, of which \$258,260,888 came from local telephone service. Operating expenses were \$306,869,330. Wages and associated employee costs made up 69 per cent of the total operating expenses.

Additional construction during 1950 involved expenditures of over \$122,100,000, exclusive of \$26,500,000 of reused material put back into the plant.

Operating taxes amounted to \$66,008,164 and were nearly 50 per cent higher than in 1949. The total telephone taxes, including federal excise taxes paid by the customer, amounted to \$2.63 per telephone per month.

Walker Named Asst. Manager At Shrock's

Howard G. Walker is new assistant manager at the Shrock Motor Co., according to an announcement by Clarence Shrock Tuesday.

Walker returns to Salem after three years spent in the automobile business in Walla Walla, Wash. He was with the Shrock company for four years prior to leaving Salem. Mr. and Mrs. Walker and their two-year-old daughter will reside at 760 S. Liberty st. where they have purchased a home. He is a past president of the Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Walker

Leland Birtchet Dies in Chicago

Death of Leland Birtchet, 29, former Salem resident, in Chicago on February 2 was learned Tuesday by Salem friends.

Birtchet was the son of Mrs. Grover C. Birtchet and the late Dr. Birtchet, who was pastor of First Presbyterian church here during the 1930s. They resided in Chicago at 10737 Wabash ave.

The state flower of Mississippi is the magnolia.

City Obituaries

SHAFER
Denver City Shafer, late resident of 289 N. Cottage st., in this city, February 17, at the age of 83. Survived by wife, Mrs. Edith Shafer of Salem; two sons, Phillip Shafer of Des Moines, Iowa, and Lloyd Lenhart of Cody, Wyo., and a daughter, Mrs. Winnett Selmers of Oakland, Calif. Shipment has been made to Des Moines, Iowa, by W. T. Rigdon company for services and entombment.

WILSON
Kenneth Albert Wilson, former resident of Centralia, Wash., at Salem route 3, box 82E, February 17 at the age of 48 years. Survived by parents, Mr. and Mrs. Estill Wilson, Centralia; brothers, Floyd and Velmer Wilson, Centralia; three sons, Donald, Jimmy and Richard Wilson, all of Centralia; and a daughter, Lois Wilson, Centralia. Services will be held at Centralia Wednesday, February 21, at 1 p.m. Interment at Stricklyn cemetery under direction of the Howell-Edwards chapel.

FETTER
Baby boy Fetter, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Fetter, Lebanon, at a local hospital, February 19. Announcement of services later by Clough-Barrick company.

WEEKLY
Clive M. Weekly, in this city, February 18, at the age of 47 years. Shipment has been made by the W. T. Rigdon chapel to Portland for services and interment.

SEDLMAKER
John P. Sedlmayr, late resident of Centralia, in this city, February 17 at the age of 89 years. Survived by stepson, Phillip Sedlmayr, Farmersburg, Iowa. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 21, at 10 a.m. from the W. T. Rigdon chapel with Father A. J. Gelineau officiating. Interment in St. Barbara's cemetery.

DORAN
Joseph Doran, late resident of Salem, in this city, February 19. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 21, at 10 a.m. from the W. T. Rigdon chapel with Father A. J. Gelineau of-

It's Rev. Swift and You'd Never Guess Why!



The Rev. George Swift bows his head for a royal award after receiving the dubious honor of being named Salem Kiwanis club's biggest liar Tuesday noon. Bestowing the wampum is Queen Martina Quampis of Chemawa, who, with her court, was on hand at the luncheon to mark the 71st anniversary of the Indian school (February 25). The Rev. Mr. Swift was winner of the club's liars contest. From left are Joan Smith, New Mexico; Mitsi Charley, Yakima, Wash.; Isabelle Patchpe, Nespelem, Wash.; Swift; Queen Martina and Loretta Quampis, both of Pendleton. (Statesman photo.)

Champion Liar Prize Goes To Rev. Swift

When the mayor, superintendent of schools, a professor and a lawyer try to outlie each other, Salem residents might wonder what the city's coming to—but a minister topped them all Tuesday.

That was the outcome of the Salem Kiwanis club liars' contest, which the Rev. George H. Swift won from a field of seven entrants.

Almost the entire meeting was a succession of fibs and whoppers, spurred on by President Robert White and Dr. S. A. Wheatley, stunt committee chairman who acted as master of ceremonies.

Swift, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, said as youths he and a companion headed from Minnesota to Montana by train but were thrown off the train in mid-desert. Trying to reach a distant farmhouse, they became famished and ate what they thought to be turtle eggs. Soon they became sick, and up came tiny rattlesnakes. That night, said Swift, both had delirium tremens and went insane. The "liar" claimed his friend never recovered but that he (Swift) did and went into the ministry.

Other entrants were Mayor Alfred W. Loucks, Superintendent Frank B. Bennett, Prof. M. E. Peck, Forrest W. Breakey, Lawrence Osterman and Ethan Grant. Judges were Edwin Schreder, Clay Cochran and Harold F. Boss, president, manager and assistant manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

Banquet Set for Keizer Cubs

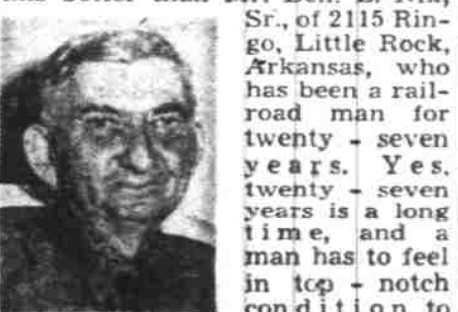
Plans for Keizer Cub scouts' annual Blue and Gold banquet this Friday were formulated by members of the Keizer Cub Mothers club Tuesday afternoon.

Meeting at the home of Mrs. Floyd McNeil, the club finished plans for the banquet to be held at the Keizer school at 6:30 p.m. A court of honor for advancing Cubs will be held after the banquet.

FISHING BAN REMAINS
PORTLAND, Feb. 20—(AP)—The Oregon fish commission refused to open Tillamook bay to commercial fishing today. It also imposed a week end closure for commercial smelt fishing, running from Thursday noon to Saturday noon.

Railroading Is Exacting Job

Railroading is indeed a man's life... it's a hard, exacting, but satisfying job. And no one knows this better than Mr. Ben E. Nix,



Ben E. Nix, Sr., of 2115 Ringo, Little Rock, Arkansas, who has been a railroad man for twenty-seven years. Yes, twenty-seven years is a long time, and a man has to feel in top-notch condition to keep going. For a while Mr. Nix didn't feel much like eating, and was just generally run-down. He had heard a lot about HADACOL, but just didn't quite believe it. Finally, he decided to give it a trial and was amazed at the results. He started feeling better after the first bottle and says he is going to continue taking HADACOL. Mr. Nix found that HADACOL contained Vitamins B1, B2, Niacin and Iron which his system lacked.

Here is Mr. Nix's own statement: "Sometime ago a friend of mine recommended HADACOL very highly to me. At the beginning I was very much amused at the thought of HADACOL. However, I did decide to give it a fair trial, and to my amazement, it helped me greatly. I was run-down, tired and had no appetite. After the first bottle of HADACOL, I felt better. My appetite had picked up, and I really felt like eating at mealtime for the first time in a long time. I feel that the Vitamins and Minerals, which HADACOL contains, have built up my run-down condition, and I intend to continue using HADACOL." Copyright 1951, The LeBlanc Corporation.—(Pd. Adv.)

Donald Lamb Succumbs in Monastery

Donald E. Lamb, 35, former Salem resident and son of F. F. Lamb of Salem, died Saturday in a Catholic monastery in Mississippi. It was reported here Tuesday by relatives.

Lamb was a member of the Cistercian order of Rose Hill, Miss. Funeral services were held there Monday. He was born at Albion, Neb., in 1915.

He spent his early years in Nebraska and came to Oregon in 1936 with his parents. Later he resided in California and went to Rose Hill in September of last year.

Surviving besides the father are sisters, Mrs. A. J. Biegler and Mrs. Arthur Warner, both of Salem, and Mrs. Ernest Stotzer of Stockton, Calif.; and brothers, Sgt. R. G. Lamb of Ft. Ord, Calif., and Louis J. Lamb of Bloomingberg, N. Y.

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West Salem P-TA Plans Magic Show

A magic show and pie social will be sponsored by West Salem Parent-Teacher association Saturday night at the schoolhouse.

Arthur White, aided by Nita Drake, will present a 1½-hour program, according to Gus Moore,

P-TA president. Following the show will be the pie social in the school cafeteria, served by men members of P-TA. This event is to take the place of the carnival held as a money-raising project last year. Proceeds will go toward completing payment on the loud-speaking system purchased for the school by the P-TA.

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