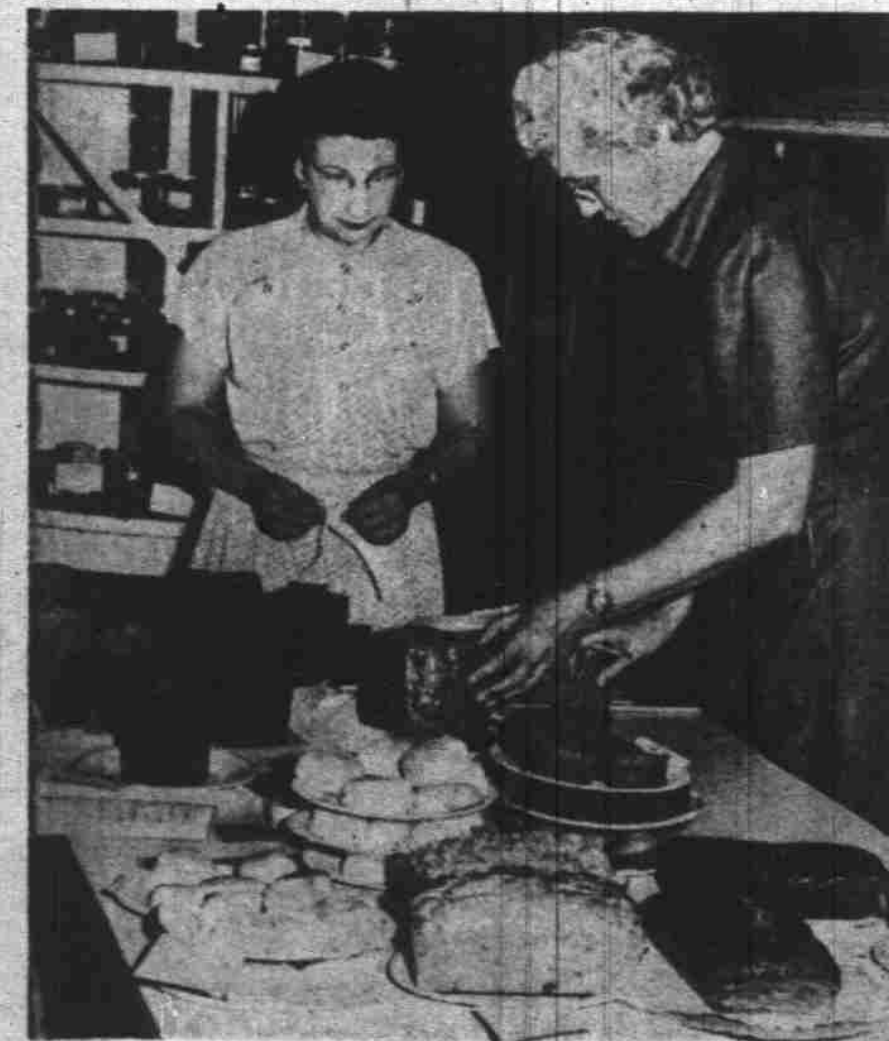


The nightly fireworks display is quite a thing at the Oregon State fair. Shown here in daily preparation for the exhibition, which has Dutch windmill and tulips as its motif, are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hardesty of Gresham.



The base relief map of Oregon attracts considerable interest in the forestry department exhibit at the Oregon State fair.



Judging of breads and cakes proceeds apace at the state fair. Judge is Mrs. A. B. Widby (right) of Salem route 4. Attendant is Mrs. A. M. Johnson of 985 Imperial dr., Salem. (Photos by Don Dill.)

## French Fine Cooks, People Individualistic

(Editor's note: The following story on impressions of Europe is from letters and writings of Dick Unruh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Unruh, 222 D st., Salem. He is on a tour of the continent, including a month's study at University of Grenoble, France.)

In a short month in France, vague preconceptions have given way to some kind of a working knowledge of the people and their customs.

As part of the university program, it was arranged for the tour group to divide and live with French families. This has been, for me, an outstanding feature.

With the help of the family and a beginning French course at the university, communication came quite rapidly. There were six other students besides four members of the family and myself, in the house.

The university itself is especially organized for foreign students. The faculty and students organize relatively cheap entertainment. There is a student center, a movie club and many student dances. With such activities, it is very easy to form friendships.

**Perspective Possible**  
Inquiring into the attitudes and ideas of the various peoples gives a much deeper perspective of world conditions than one could hope to gain otherwise.

The students and the people of the city are very conscious of Americans, because of our importance in the world picture, and they judge our nation by the attitudes and actions of relatively few. There is much anti-American propaganda, and it is up to the American abroad to refute it.

Grenoble is a beautifully-situated city of 75,000, nestled at the base of snow-capped Alps in the valley of the Isere river.

The food has been wonderful and I am convinced the French know more about cooking than we do. This family serves a very modest meal with little meat. Their seasoning and cheeses are excellent.

In the town, crowds of people glide to and fro on bicycles, and little French-made cars honk their way through the streets.

**People Easy-Going**  
The people seem very easy-going. To illustrate, this is an average daily schedule for us—arise at 8, have our bread, jam and coffee



Dick Unruh, Salem youth who finds French cooking "excellent" and people "individualistic."

and are in class until lunch at 12:30; lunch lasts until about 2; class from 3 to 4 is followed by swimming until 6; at 7:45 we eat supper, which isn't finished until 9.

Of the foreign students, the Swedish have given me the best impression. They seem to speak five or six languages.

This region of France seems fairly communistic, although there have been no actual demonstrations. The people are very individualistic and cherish self-assertion when their actions and thoughts clash with others.

**Climbs Mt. Blanc**  
The week end of our departure from Grenoble, my roommate from Harvard and I ascended Mont Blanc, highest mountain in the Alps. We figure it to be just a little under 16,000 feet. It was a long grind and we were both very tired of rope, crampons and ice axes when we finally finished. It was a great adventure and an esthetic experience as well.

In Rome, a fascinating city, the most pleasing thing was the opera, given outdoors among the ruins—the Amphitheatre has a capacity of 20,000 people.

Of the Italian people, I have as yet very little impression, because we have been traveling too fast. But they have made a marvelous comeback from the war.

Stentor, a native of early Greece, was said to have a voice as loud as that of 50 men. The word, "stentorian," derives from him.

## Salem Woman Tells of Huge 'Experiment' in Intermediate Institution for Erring Youths

(Editor's note: Is a detention home for juvenile delinquents the best answer for a community's problem children? An intermediary institution something short of Elmer's (girl's correctional) or Woodburn (boys) and a long step from the county jail or the state penitentiary—has been suggested for Marion county. To find out how one of the nation's most up-to-date juvenile detention homes is working out, and to learn something of the latest thinking on the teenage crime problem, The Statesman interviewed a Salem woman who is now associated with the Youth Guidance center in San Francisco. This is the first of a four-part series.)

By Marguerite Wright  
Staff Writer, The Statesman

Look at him, the tough young punk: Slouching in his blue jeans and T-shirt, biting his fingernails; short, flat-footed, pimple-faced; with tattooed arms, sweaty palms, warts on his fingers, cavities in his teeth, enlarged tonsils, defective vision and average intelligence; loveless, unwanted, and aimless.

For him, a typical juvenile delinquent (according to medical clinic reports), and for the thousands of other disturbed boys and girls of their city, San Francisco county taxpayers put up \$4,500,000 to build an institution that costs an additional \$2,000,000 a year to run.

Are they getting their money's worth?

With its resort-hotel layout, unbarred windows, fireplaces and television sets in every cottage, dancing lessons from Arthur Murray, is San Francisco's Youth Guidance center paying off in fewer instances of probation violations, in better adjustments to family, school and community living by the young misfits, in a new and useful body of knowledge about the plague of postwar America?

Is rehabilitation instead of punishment proving practical?

The answers all add up to "maybe," for YGC is an experiment, and there hasn't been time yet to determine how successful, explains Barbara Compton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Compton of 1010 N. Summer st.

A graduate of Willamette university, with additional teacher training at Washington State college and a master's degree from San Francisco State college, Miss Compton is a school psychologist employed as probation officer and teacher of delinquent girls at the center.

She served with the Marion county public welfare department during World War II, and later

taught in a San Francisco junior high school.

The median age of the problem children at the Youth Guidance center is 15, Miss Compton reports. Boys are most often brought in for auto theft or burglary, girls (accounting for 25 per cent of the cases) for waywardness and incorrigibility.

Cases are referred to the YGC from the traffic department, truant officers and the district attorney's office (acting against adults charged with contributing to the delinquency of minors—mostly sex offenses).

The young offenders referred to the spanking-new-with-a-hilltop-view Juvenile Guidance center is greeted by the intake division.

There the staff decides on which cases to file petitions for a court hearing, which will be dismissed, which referred to other agencies such as the state youth authority and which (usually first offenders) will be assigned to social workers for informal casework.

Meanwhile, the child has been assigned to one of the boy or girl cottages, where he gets a room of his own or perhaps with one roommate. Each cottage accommodates up to 40 children; has its own classroom, dining room, fireplace, TV set, barbed-wire-fenced playyard, isolation room (that's the only punishment allowed) and one supervisor.

There are no bars at the windows ("unbreakable" glass) and the atmosphere is anything but penal.

Once there, the child starts going through the routine. He gets a thorough medical and dental examination at the YGA's two complete clinics (dentists, two doctors, four nurses). Psychologists and psychiatrists (four full-time, others part-time) give him intelligence, personality, achievement and vocational interest tests.

A probation officer, compiling a dossier on the case, follows each



Barbara Compton, formerly of Salem and now on the staff of the new Youth Guidance center in San Francisco.

step, interviews the child's parents, neighbors, teachers and so on.

While he waits for his case to come up on the docket, the child joins one of the work crews (they do their own janitorial work), goes to school, takes part in the activities at the handicraft shops, gym, recreation rooms.

(Next: What happens when a guidance center case goes to court?)

## Dr. McAlister Dies at Eugene

EUGENE, Sept. 1—(AP)—Dr. Edward Hiram McAlister, 64, former professor at Oregon State college and the University of Oregon, died in a hospital here today after a heart attack.

A member of a pioneer Oregon family, he was born at Hillsboro. He taught engineering at the University until 1932 when he went to Oregon State. He retired from there about 15 years ago.

His wife, two daughters and a son survive.

### PRINCIPAL APPOINTED

HOOD RIVER, Sept. 1—(AP)—Benjamin C. Forsythe, former principal of Ashland high school, has been appointed principal of the new Yeast high school near Odell, Ore.

## Truman Asks 'Sacrifices to Build Defense'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1—(AP)—President Truman, in a Labor Day statement, today called for equality of sacrifice in building defenses against "totalitarian enemies of freedom."

Extending greetings to "the great labor movement," he said: "Our domestic responsibility at this critical period in the nation's history is three-fold.

"First, we must develop our productive and military resources to such a peak that the totalitarian enemies of freedom will eventually see the madness of their monstrous program of world domination.

Secretary of Defense Marshall guaranteed equality of sacrifice in the defense mobilization program.

"And last, it is our purpose to achieve these two objectives democratically and cooperatively."

Secretary of Defense Marshall issued a statement saying that "our success in rebuilding free world defenses and in repelling threats to our security depends in large measure upon the productivity of American labor."

Marshall added: "American labor has consistently stressed its stake in the free way of life and has made great contributions to the preservation of that life. The past record of its men and women is the firmest assurance that they will meet the needs of these critical times."

Washington became a half empty town today as countless thousands of government workers headed for beaches, and other destinations. The senate was in recess until Sept. 4 and the house until Sept. 12.

President Truman will spend a large part of Labor Day in the air, flying to the Japanese peace conference at San Francisco.

## School Graduates Blind Newberg Man, Guide Dog

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Sept. 1—George Roy McClure, 46, of Newberg, Ore. route 1 graduated Saturday from the training school for Guide Dogs for the Blind. He received as his guide and companion a German shepherd dog, Sally.

McClure has a small acreage, but for 10 years was a ranch hand and cowboy. Although suffering from impaired vision since childhood, it was not until he was thrown on his head at a rodeo that his eyesight failed completely.

With Sally's help, he expects to extend his farming and put in a rabbitry.

## Philanthropist Story Told

ABILENE, Tex. (AP)—The life story of Arthur Lee Wasson, Big Spring rancher, oil man and philanthropist, is told in a new book, "Adventuring with a Purpose."

The book was written by Dr. Rupert N. Richardson, president of Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene. It was published by the Naylor Co. of San Antonio.

Wasson and the late Mrs. Wasson have donated about \$2,500,000 to southern Baptist institutions. Wasson has cattle and oil interests in Texas, Montana, Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Colorado and northern Mexico.

## Skeletons of Soldiers in Napoleon's Army Found

GENOVA, Italy, Sept. 1—(AP)—A farmer digging in his fields near Nervi found two human skeletons today. With them were remnants of military buttons and insignia indicating the men were French soldiers.

A University of Genoa expert examined them and said they were soldiers all right—of Napoleon's army 150 years ago.

**RUSSIANS COME**  
OAKLAND, Calif., Sept. 1—(AP)—The Soviet delegation to the Japanese peace conference left its train at 5:10 p.m. today at the Oakland mole and immediately left by car for its rented mansion at Hillsborough, 20 miles south of San Francisco. Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, head of the 39-member delegation was the first off the Russians' special car.

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