

Yuletide Mail Ahead of Last Year in Salem

Both incoming and outgoing Christmas mail are ahead of last year's at Salem postoffice, Postmaster Albert C. Cragg said Thursday. He announced additional services for the coming week end to assure that all mail here by noon Monday will be delivered that day.

Predicting a 5 to 10 per cent increase in December's business, the postmaster said about 150,000 more items have been canceled so far this month than in December, 1950. However, the flow has been steadier, with the busiest day, Tuesday, recording only 226,000 cancellations compared to the all-time one-day record of 256,000 on Dec. 18, 1950. The count was down to 202,500 Wednesday.

Two deliveries are slated for today, Saturday and Monday, with one on Sunday and none Christmas day. Other extra services or changes scheduled include:

Saturday — Stamp and general delivery windows open 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. All others closed at noon. No parcels accepted for mailing after noon. Parcels for which notices have been left by carriers may be picked up at general delivery window.

Sunday — One delivery of all classes of mail on all city residential and mounted routes, none on rural routes. General delivery window open from 2 to 5 p. m. for pickup of packages for which notices have been left prior to Sunday noon.

Monday — Regular service, closing at 5 p. m.

The peak of extra holiday employees was reached Thursday, when 94 special clerks and carriers were on duty. The list was being cut as the outgoing mail passed its peak. The incoming peak is expected today and Saturday.

Blind Organist Presents Daily Musical Hour

Prof. T. S. Roberts, the well-known blind organist, has arranged to produce programs of Christmas music for the pleasure of the public at his home, 505 North Summer street, for the days remaining before Christmas.

From four to five each afternoon and 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. each evening through Monday music from his pipe organ and vocal music will be given, with loud speakers carrying the music outside the house that passers-by may hear. A number of local singers will assist in the programs.

Mt. Angel Merchants Host to Kids Saturday

MT. ANGEL, Dec. 20 — The big day of the Christmas season for the children of Mt. Angel will be Saturday, when the Business Men's club plays host to Mr. Angel and the surrounding farm communities.

There will be free movies for the youngsters, starting at 2 p. m. and after the show Santa, with the aid of several business men will pass out bags of candy and nuts to children.

For Lunch Today --- and for Dinner Tonight! Baked Chinook

Salmon
And
Roast Turkey

With Dressing and Cranberry Sauce
All You Can Eat

For **99c**
(Kids Under 10—Just 44c)
Nohlgrén's
FAMOUS BUFFET
With Mary Barton at the Organ
Buffet Service Every Weekday From 11:30 A. M. to 8:30 P. M. SUNDAYS From 12 Noon to 8 P. M.

Convicts Donate Blood for Red Cross



Inmates of the Oregon state penitentiary offered their pint of blood for the armed forces Thursday during a visit of the Red Cross mobile-blood unit. Attending the convicts on the cot are nurses Pat Johnson (left), and Rosemary Bulch, both Portland; while looking on are Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry (left); Mrs. Ralph Moody, local chairman; and Mrs. Ralph Southwick, 1195 N. 15th st., nurse's aid. (Statesman photo.)

Convicts Give 228 Pints of Blood in Drive

State prison donations of 228 pints of blood Thursday swelled the Marion county totals for December to an all-time high of 663 pints, it was announced Thursday by Frank Parcher, chapter chairman.

The prison appearance of the mobile blood unit was the last drawing scheduled for this month. A total of 264 prisoners turned out to donate blood Thursday. Other totals donated earlier in the month were 316 pints in Salem, 50 pints at St. Paul, and 69 at Detroit, Parcher said.

Opera Singer Entertains Salem Lions

Soprano Sharon Currier, fresh from a breaking-in season with the San Francisco Opera, sang for Salem Lions club members and wives Thursday in a Christmas luncheon program at the Marion hotel.

The young singer, a Willamette university graduate, is in Salem for a few weeks before going to New York to continue her work in music. She is the daughter of Mrs. Sam Ruhl.

She treated the club audience to several selections Thursday including the seasonal "Twelve Days of Christmas" and "Christmas in Killarney."

A Christmas theme featured the talk by the Rev. Dudley Strain, pastor of First Christian church and a member of the club. He said Christmas should remind everybody that the goodness of heart associated with that day can, and should, be continued throughout the year.

The program chairman was Oscar D. Olson.

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Annual Homecoming Assembly Held at SHS; Recording Made

The annual homecoming assembly was presented Thursday afternoon to students and alumni at Salem high school.

A quarter-hour radio program, part of the assembly program, was transcribed for broadcast at 9:30 p. m. Sunday over KSLM. Paul Ward as Santa Claus, Bob Weiss and Doris Frohn were the main characters of a skit. The girls chorus and the Salem high "A" choir, accompanied by the orchestra, completed the program.

Sue Conrath was in charge of the broadcast and Jack Wilkoff was the technician.

Following the broadcast, the "Salem Swingers," a dance band composed of Salem high alumni, played a few numbers with Betty Brinkley vocalizing on one. Coralie Doughton and Bruce King sang a duet, followed by several more Christmas selections by the "A" choir.

Associated student body president Don Davis introduced presidents of the classes back to 1910 and other alumni. Gilbert Bateson, president of the class of '51, and Merlin Schulze, '50 class president, gave short talks.

The assembly was concluded with "Christmas on Broadway," a musical production by students. The main characters were Al Graham as Dancing Dan, a gambler;

HOLLYWOOD
"Your Friendly Theatre"
Now Showing - Open 6:45
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'Til 2 A. M.
(Closed Sundays)

Mary Jane Rud as Muriel O'Neil, a night club singer, and Kaye Brand.

Other characters were George Matter, Joe Irwin, Bill Nelson, Ron Morgall, John Prince, Jim Hill, Dick Smith, Bill Dunsforth, Dick Meyer, Greta Schreengost, Bev Young, Dave Morgan, Jody Ricketts, Joyce Wright, Joyce Younger, Beth Proebstel, Pat Shields, Roger Weaver, Gaylord Hall, Doug Raines and Pete Van-Horn.

Dave Rhoten, first vice president, was general chairman of the assembly. Helen Callaghan and Nancy Rust adapted the story for the program and Al Heston and JoAnn Wenger arranged the program. Nadine Gilman accompanied the vocal numbers on the piano. Pat Rath was in charge of the auditorium decorations.

In the "sky survey" being made at the California Institute of Technology, adjoining sections of sky are captured on 14x14-inch photographic plates.

Major Studio
SNEAK PREVIEW
at the
Capitol Theatre
TONIGHT
At 8:30 P. M. I

CAPITOL
Continuous!
"THE LADY FROM TEXAS"
--- And! ---
"JUNGLE MANHUNT"

ELSINORE
Stewart Grainger
"THE LIGHT TOUCH"
--- And! ---
Walter Pidgeon
"UNKNOWN MAN"

GRAND
Jeff Chandler
"IRON MAN"
--- And! ---
Geo. Montgomery
"THE TEXAS RANGERS"

STATE
Robert Mitchum
"NEVADA"
--- And! ---
ROY ROGERS in
"GAY RANCHERO"

LIBERTY
TOMORROW!
East Side Kids
"LET'S GET TOUGH"
--- And! ---
"BOSS OF BOOM TOWN"

Beekeeping Costs Threat To Fruit Crops

(Story also on page 1.)
The high cost of buzzing may have a serious effect on Oregon's seed and fruit crops, the state board of agriculture decided Wednesday.

Members said the increased fees for beekeepers approved by the 1951 legislature already are burdening some so that they will drop out of the business. This will work a hardship on orchardists and agriculturists who depend on bees for pollinization of their crops, it was said.

The board suggested that beekeepers, seed growers and horticultural farmers get together to formulate a policy for consideration by the next legislature.

The higher fees are part of the plan for control and eradication of diseases of bees. The new fees are \$2 for registration plus 25 cents per hive, and 25 cents per colony for moving permits.

The board said the fees would come close to providing adequate funds for inspection purposes if they were fully collectible and if the bee population remained unchanged. Members felt, however, that the numbers will be reduced and out-of-state apiarists will be reluctant to bring in bees for pollinization, resulting in a serious reduction of both seed and horticultural crops.

Juveniles Blamed For Trash Blaze

Investigations by city police and juvenile officers into a fire this month on the porch of a partially completed house have led to the belief that it was the work of juvenile vandals, it was reported Thursday by Juvenile Officer Kenneth H. Seipp.

The house, located at 2000 Court st. and owned by Mrs. H. L. Ness, was damaged when trash in a wheelbarrow on the front porch ignited the night of December 8. Mahogany siding was charred by the blaze before arrival of firemen. Police reports show that the wheelbarrow may have been moved onto the porch after workmen had departed.

NEW YORK BUDGET VOTED

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (AP)—The city council today adopted the biggest budget in New York's history, a whopping \$505,483,395 for 1952.

Jam Session
Sunday 2 p.m.
Village Inn
3057 Portland Rd.

Carl Awarded Shop Contract

Henry G. Carl, Salem contractor, Thursday was awarded a contract by the state highway commission to construct a paint shop building at the state highway shops in Salem.

Announcement of the contract was made from Portland where the commission met to open bids on several high way and related projects.

Carl was low bidder at \$63,381 on the 48 by 76 foot reinforced concrete building.

Among other contracts, one was awarded to J. C. Compton of McMinnville, at \$182,352, for grading and paving 2.3 miles of the Salem river highway east of Sheridan.

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The brightly colored velvet ants in California are found mostly in desert areas.

Tonight
4-Sharps
Featuring Jean Hackett
Village Inn
Fine Food — No Cover

Cottonwoods Dance

December 25

Tommy Kizziah and His
WEST COAST RAMBLERS

Dancing 9 to 12:30

Admission \$1.00

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