



Minus the snow, this Douglas fir is now en route to President Truman's home in Independence, Mo., with Christmas greetings from the bureau of land management through Salem district Forester Rodney O. Fletch (pictured with tree). The tree was cut on Laurel mountain in Clatsop county.

Violinist Menuhin Highlights Winter Concert Series Here

Highlight of Salem's winter music season thus far was the program given Thursday night at Salem high school auditorium by Yehudi Menuhin, violinist. The audience, which comfortably filled the auditorium listened fascinated while Menuhin brought delightful music from his violin. One woman said, "I could listen to him play Beethoven all night" but that was before she had heard his Mendelssohn and Bartok and Paganini.

Beginning with Tartini's Sonata in G Minor, called The Devil's Trill, the violinist played the brilliant Sonata No. 9 in A Major, Opus 47 by Beethoven, followed by the familiar and exquisite Concerto in E Minor by Mendelssohn. Six vigorous Roumanian Dances by Bartok came next, followed by the concluding programmed number, I Palpitii by Paganini.

For encores, Menuhin played Habanera by Ravel, a fascinating number, the old familiar Caprice Viennois by Kreisler and finally Perpetuum Mobile by Novacek. Unlike many violinists, Menuhin stands quietly, with almost no mannerisms, but the music which comes from his instrument is warm and sensuous and alive. He is unburdened, easy and gives his listeners the feeling that they have pleased him as he pleased them.

This second in Willamette university's series of winter programs certainly brought us the best violinist Salem has heard, and the remainder of the series bids fair to be of equal interest. Solomon the pianist will appear in the series January 17.

Adolph Baller recalled that he had appeared in Salem with a string trio some years ago, but our programs file revealed that he was accompanist for Igor Gorin's concert here.

Actors Chased By Hotel Fire

YUMA, Ariz., Dec. 20-(AP)—Fire broke out in a fifth floor suite of the San Carlos hotel here early today, chasing Broderick Crawford and 60 other members of a movie company into the lobby in their night clothes.

Crawford, who occupied the rooms where the blaze originated, lost all his personal belongings, including most of the clothes he was to wear in a picture being filmed in sand dunes 15 miles away.

He was unhurt as were other members of the cast, who had to spend the rest of the night in the lobby. They included Actress Barbara Hale and Actor Lloyd Bridges.

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Rotation Ships Return 24 Of Valley Men

Twenty-four valley marines and army men including 12 from Salem, are expected to be home for Christmas as ships bring them to the United States this week on rotation leave from Korean action.

Salem marines due to land at San Francisco, Calif., aboard the transport Gen. John Pope included:

- Cpl. Ross C. Chrisman, Jr., 410 S. Lancaster dr.; Cpl. Joseph G. Ehl, 2062 McCoy ave.; PFC James J. Flowers, 2765 Hollywood dr.; Cpl. Benjamin E. Gipson, 2745 N. River rd.; PFC Frank C. Hills, 461 N. High st.; PFC Edson G. LaValley, 2458 Claude st.; Cpl. Vernon D. Luke, 3580 Pleasant View dr.; Cpl. James A. Maddox, 3210 Lancaster dr.; PFC Daryl E. Van Cleave, Salem route 7, box 244B; Cpl. David L. Weber, 1616 Court st.; and Sgt. Edward W. Williams, 860 Hoyt st.

One Salem army man is due to land at Seattle aboard a transport delayed by stormy seas. He is Sgt. 1/c Wayne L. Sherman, Salem route 9, box 548. Others are Sgt. 1/c Arthur E. Bilyeu, Woodburn, and Maj. Oswald W. Webb, Corvallis.

On another transport due in Seattle today are listed Capt. Ignatius Bachmeier, Salem, and Cpl. Orin R. Cook, Dallas route 2, box 2194.

Valley marines aboard the Gen. Pope which was slated to arrive yesterday in San Francisco are: PFC Ralph O. Barker, Albany; Cpl. Robert H. Mullen, Aumsville; Harold D. Staneley, Turner; Cpl. Ralph G. Bochsler, Mt. Angel, and Sgt. George A. Brown, Dallas. Calvin O. Goodrich, c/o army engineers, Detroit; Cpl. William E. Gross, Canby, and PFC Louis O. Lucas, Aumsville.

The valley men are among 4,068 veterans being returned aboard the two ships.

Frosh Glee Head Named

Ruben Menashe, Willamette university freshman from Portland, will supervise plans for the 1952 Froshman Glee on the local campus March 29.

He was elected this week by the freshman class to take charge of the interclass musical competition which is one of the year's traditional highlights at Willamette.

Menashe is a former student body president of Grant high school in Portland. His opponent in the final election was Fred Schmale, also of Portland.

STEEL TALKS DEADLOCKED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20-(AP)—Government mediators reported no progress today after all-day conferences seeking to avert a threatened New Year's day strike in the steel industry. Hopes for any agreement continued dim.

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Eleven Face Charges in Circuit Court; Escape Cases Continued

Four state prison inmates, charged with prison escape, were among 11 persons appearing in circuit court Thursday on charges ranging from violation of parole to prison escape.

James Russell Frost, charged with escape from the penitentiary November 10, was continued to January 7 so he could secure counsel. He is serving for conviction of receiving and concealing stolen property.

William Theodore Russell, charged with escape July 7, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. He is serving on a burglary conviction.

Leonard Hugh Hainey, charged with escape November 10, was continued for plea January 7. He is serving for forgery.

James Quentin Anderson, charged with escape May 18, also was continued to January 7 for plea. He is serving for manslaughter.

Alfred H. Jacobsen, Vancouver, charged with violation of probation on a previous non-support conviction, was sentenced to one year in Marion county jail with credit for time awaiting his hearing. His original jail sentence was suspended November 3.

Emmert A. Sharp, Springfield, also had his probation on a non-support charge revoked, and was sentenced to one year in the state prison with credit for time on the violation November 30 from an original conviction Oct. 4, 1950.

Willie Jones, 734 Front st., was placed on two years probation with one year sentence to the state prison suspended on plea of guilty to a motor vehicle. Restitution was ordered within two months. The charge was reduced from a charge of larceny, involving alleged theft of a car from H. O. Beasley of Salem on September 28.

John Taylor, 18, of 137 E. Nebraska ave. was continued to January 7 for sentence after pleading guilty to a charge of burglary not in a dwelling. The charge involves a break-in November 16 at a small store at 17th and Market streets.

Ted Macomber, state prison inmate, was denied his freedom in habeas corpus proceedings. Macomber is serving a 40-year term on a habitual criminal conviction.

James Edward Stanley, 20, of Redmond, charged with obtaining property by false pretenses, was ordered held for release to army authorities after a plea of guilty. He was arrested December 5 by Salem city police in connection with a series of forgeries.

Donald Dean Douglas, 20, of 1215 Hoffman road, and Robert Everett Hoover, 23, of 4670 Portland rd., charged with larceny of a heavy equipment part, were continued to December 21 to secure counsel.

Hoover and Douglas were indicted Wednesday by Marion county grand jury.

Others indicted were William Bolling Spencer, 510 Judson st., charged with bilking a fairgrounds ticket taker of \$500 during the 1950 state fair; Reed Loveless, about 45, Seattle, and Edna Moore, 29, Yakima, both charged with adultery; Lewis Dutton, Detroit, charged with threatening to commit a felony involving an alleged threat to shoot another person.

Two secret indictments also were returned by the grand jury.

300 Catholic Leaders at KC Meeting

Approximately 300 Catholic leaders gathered in Salem Thursday evening for the annual district Christmas meeting of Knights of Columbus.

A feature of the get-together was the conferring of life membership on Walter G. Cruise, member of Salem council of the lodge for some 30 years.

District Grand Knight Vincent Mertz, Sublimity, conducted the meeting after it was opened by the host grand knight, Roy Green of Salem. Visiting grand knights included Ralph Lulay, Sublimity; Thomas Gorman, Woodburn, and John Jennings, Mt. Angel. Other councils represented were Lebanon, Baker, Eugene and Milwaukie.

The Rev. Tius Baer of Lebanon was principal speaker.

Salem Obituaries

PINSON
William David Pinson, late resident of 409 Jefferson st., Silverton, in that city December 18, at the age of 75. Survived by widow, Bessie Anna Pinson of Silverton; mother, Susan Paulie Pinson, Rupert, Idaho; nine sons and daughters, William Lawrence Pinson, Gold Beach; James Paul Pinson, Reedsport; Ruth E. Pinson, Eugene; Mrs. Elizabeth Wimer, Portland; Mrs. Alta Boyd, Kellogg, Idaho; Mrs. Verlee Bellmer, Tacoma; Mrs. H. H. (Bessie) Holland, Silverton; Victor Pinson, Astoria; Mrs. Phyllis Cross, Salem; 24 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Edgar and Oscar in California and Luther of Lewiston, Idaho; four sisters, Mrs. Mary Schwartz, Vancouver, B. C.; Mrs. Jenny Gheen, Mrs. Nan Gheen and Mrs. Jane Gheen, all of Wheeling, W. Va. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, December 22, at W. T. Rigdon funeral parlor at Belmont Memorial park.

MICKY
Mrs. Lenora Marks Micky, at the residence, 87 S. 17th st., December 20, at the age of 84. Survived by children, Kenneth E. Micky of Cottage Grove, Lawrence I. of Salem, Hale M. of Salem, Miss Rena M. Micky of Salem, Mrs. May Martha Hadley of Albany, Mrs. Edith E. Mix of Salem; nine grandsons, one granddaughter, and eight great-grandsons; two brothers, Daniel L. Marks of Fairbury, Neb., Leonard J. Marks of Troy, Idaho; sister, Mrs. Marie Delano of Covina, Calif. Member of 1st Methodist church. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, December 22 in the W. T. Rigdon chapel.

SHORT
Jessie Leigh Short, at a local hospital, December 20. Late resident of 1108 S. Liberty st. Survived by mother, Mrs. Flora Short of Salem; a sister and a niece, both of Salem. Announcement of services later by the Virgil T. Golden company.

HINKLE
Mrs. Annabelle Hinkle, late resident of Portland, in this city December 20 at the age of 84 years. Buried by a sister-in-law, Mrs. Jessie M. Sanders, Salem. Announcement of services later by W. T. Rigdon company.

Firemen Votes On Retirement Won't Count

The opinion of Salem city firemen doesn't count in regard to retirement plans for other city workers.

This was gist of an Oregon attorney general's ruling Thursday, in response to a state retirement board query about parts of the public employees' retirement law at issue in a move by some Salem city employees to transfer from state of federal social security plans.

Firemen have their own pension plan, set up several years ago by voters of the city. When the possible change in pension plans was talked recently by other city department workers, the question arose as to whether the firemen should be included in the petitioning process in which 75 per cent of "all employees" must sign if a change is to be made.

Attorney General George Neuner said the meaning of the law is such that this provision refers to only those employees actually covered by state retirement plan. Nevertheless, he added, the city would have to file a list of all its employees, regardless of pension plan. Further, the petition for change must come from the city council, although it may act on the advice of the city employees.

PATIENCE, HOT WATER FREE Iced Tongue

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 20-(AP)—The bronze guardrail on the post office steps this morning, glistening in zero degree cold, looked good enough to eat. That's what a nine-year-old thought. So, out came his tongue and wrapped around the guardrail. And there it remained, frozen to the metal. Two men with a pall of hot water and patience heated the rail until the youngster's tongue could be freed.

CHIROPRACTORS HOLD Christmas Meeting

About 50 Willamette valley chiropractors held a Christmas meeting and program for district members of Oregon Association of Chiropractic Physicians at Newberg last week end, it was announced Thursday.

Representatives attended from Salem, Stayton, Dallas, Willamina, Woodburn, Silverton, Molalla, Estacada, McMinnville, Newberg, Portland and Oswego. A program of Christmas music, novelty numbers and exchange of gifts closed the meeting, OACP Secretary Robert E. Brinker said.

Public Records

PROBATE COURT

Pearl Schlesinger estate: Final hearing set January 21.
Martha K. Frankhauser estate: Final hearing set January 21.
Alvina Barrett estate: Final order.
Anna C. Ackley estate: Closing order.

DISTRICT COURT

Howard B. Hansen, Portland, charged with attempt to introduce drugs into the state penitentiary, continued to 9:30 a.m. Friday to secure counsel, held in lieu of \$500 bail.

MUNICIPAL COURT

Charles Albert Curry, 1815 N. 5th st., reckless driving, fined \$10 and driver's license suspended \$50 days.
James F. Sexton, Salem route 8, box 14, pleaded innocent to charge of reckless driving; trial set December 21, posted \$75 bail.

CIRCUIT COURT

M. E. Haynes vs Marvin V. Langford: Cause transferred to Multnomah county.
Dorothy Briley vs Cecil T. Bradley: Divorce decree to plaintiff awards custody of minor child to plaintiff with matter of support money held in abeyance until further order.

William E. Merryman vs Stella Georgia Merryman: Divorce decree to plaintiff with restoration of defendant's prior name of Cone.
Maxine Harriet Jacobson vs Harry Burl Jacobson, Jr.: Divorce decree to plaintiff.

State through public utilities commissioner vs V. C. Alexander: Default judgment of \$257 to plaintiff.
State through public utilities commissioner, vs T. L. McGinnis: Default judgment of \$168 to plaintiff.

State through public utilities commissioner vs Jim Lahann and Ray G. DeWalt: Default judgment of \$322 to plaintiff.

Anna Stevens vs D. R. Stevens: Divorce decree to defendant with property settlement, custody of minor child and \$50 monthly support money to plaintiff.

State vs James Edward Stanley: Defendant waives counsel and grand jury, pleads guilty to charge of obtaining property by false pretenses, held for release to army authorities.

State vs John Taylor: Defendant waives grand jury, pleads guilty to charge of burglary not in a dwelling, continued January 7 for sentence.

State vs Donald Dean Douglas and Robert Everett Hoover: Continued to December 21 to allow defendants to secure counsel on charges of grand larceny.

State vs Leonard Hugh Hainey: Continued for plea to January 7 on charge of escape from the penitentiary.

State vs James Quentin Anderson: Reading of indictment waived, continued to January 7 for plea on charge of escape from penitentiary.

State vs William Theodore Russell: Sentenced to one year in the state prison after pleading guilty to charge of escape from the penitentiary.

State vs James Russell Frost: Continued to January 7 to secure counsel on charge of escape from the penitentiary.

State vs Francis McConnell: Defendant pleads guilty to charge of aiding an imprisoned person to attempt escape from the penitentiary; pre-sentence investigation granted on request by counsel.

State vs Willie Jones: Placed on two years probation with restitution in two months on reduced charge of unlawful use of a motor vehicle to which defendant pleaded guilty. One year sentence to state penitentiary suspended.

State vs Emmert A. Sharp: Probation on non-support conviction revoked, sentenced to one year in state prison.

State vs Alfred H. Jacobsen: Probation on non-support conviction revoked, sentenced to one year in Marion county jail with credit for time awaiting hearing.

State vs Ted Macomber: Habeas corpus proceedings dismissed.

STALIN 72 TODAY

MOSCOW, Dec. 20-(AP)—Prime Minister Stalin will be 72 tomorrow. He probably will observe the birthday as he has in years past—at his desk in the Kremlin.

West Virginia has nearly 120 different coal seams.

Jet Jockeys—27 1/2 Kills Among Them



SOMEWHERE IN KOREA, Dec. 20—Some of the nation's top jet flyers are shown at an air base in Korea. From left with number of MIG's downed are: Maj. Richard Creighton, Boston Route, Ia. (5); Maj. Winton W. Marshall, Manhattan Beach, Calif. (4 1/2); George A. Davis, Lubbock, Tex. (3); Col. Benjamin S. Preston, Jr., Hollywood, Fla. (3); Capt. Theodore S. Coberly, Seattle, Wash. (2); Lt. Alfred W. Dymock, Jr., Grants Pass, Ore. (2); and Lt. Claude C. Mitson, Coeur d'Alene, Ida. (2). (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Babies Sleep As Ship Makes Crash Landing

COBOURG, Ont., Dec. 20-(AP)—A transcontinental plane, lost in a snowstorm, barely missed plunging in Lake Ontario today as it made a forced belly landing near here with both engines dead.

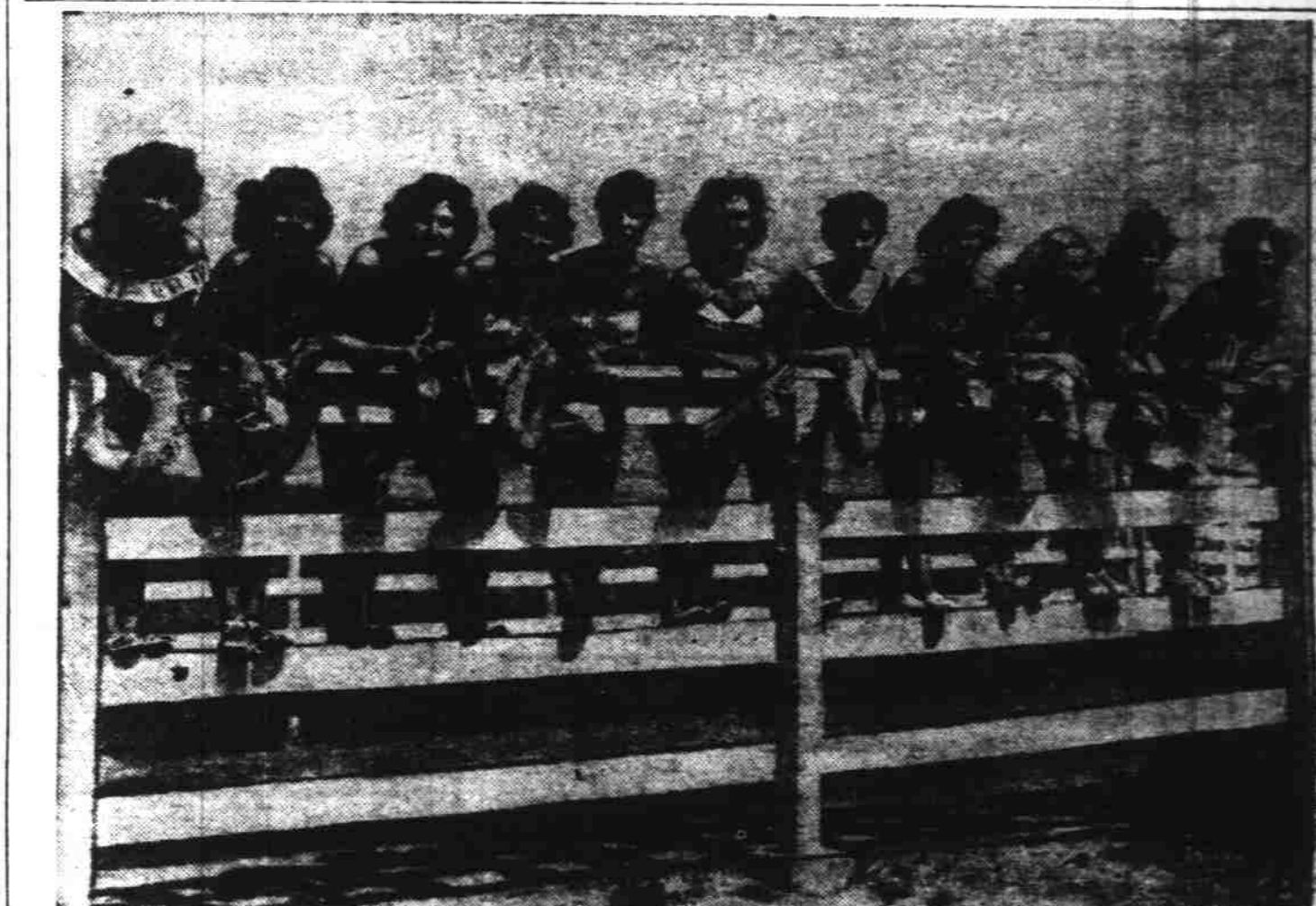
The landing in a farmer's pasture was so smooth, however that none of the 47 persons aboard was injured and two babies in arms slept on.

The twin-engine C-46 of the unscheduled major air coach system was off its course on a flight between Burbank, Calif., and Newark, N. J., when one engine went dead and the radio went out. It was losing altitude as it crossed 70-mile-wide Lake Ontario. The second engine went out just as Pilot Bruce L. Smeiser of Burbank spotted land.

A veteran of 10,000 hours in the

air, Smeiser brought the plane down only half a mile from the lake and a mile west of Cobourg. The plane cleared a house safely, carried away a fence and skidded wheels up in the snow to within a few yards of the farm home of Charles Wilson.

The passengers included American servicemen on their way east for Christmas, businessmen and their wives, and four children. They stayed in the Wilson farmhouse until they were taken by bus to Trenton, 30 miles east of Cobourg, where arrangements were being made for them to continue their flight.



ONE WILL REIGN — The Queen of the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona, Cal., will be selected from these eleven finalists, all students at Mount San Antonio College, Pomona.



SHIPS UNDER GLASS — Henry Lorentson, 72, retired Huntington Park, Cal., son captain, is shown at work on his hobby, making sailing ship models which he fits into bottles.



SOMETHING NEW IS ADDED — Curved ribs of a radical design lift this German racing boat clear of the water at bow and stern as it makes its maiden run on Wesser River.

Octogenarians Play Mrs. Santa, Give Out Five Fifty Dollar Bills

A total of 400 years was represented in the ages of the five woman Santas who roamed the downtown area Thursday night as an attraction of the final night of the Downtown Merchants association's "Tag You're Santa" event.

The five shoppers who spotted the Santas were the recipients of \$50 bills. The Santas each were presented with a box of candy, and went home thrilled at the fun they'd had during the two hours or so they had walked around their "block."

The two oldest of the five were Mrs. F. A. English, 2680 Cherry ave., and Mrs. George F. Litchfield, 1335 Waller st. They are both 82. Mrs. English was born in Baden, Germany, of 11 children, and has been prominent in Salem social, church, welfare and political circles for many years. She was tagged by Robert Norton, 1455 N. 19th st.

Mrs. Litchfield, the widow of a rural mail carrier is from a pioneer Oregon family. She was during her husband's lifetime she carried the mail for him when he was ill. She was tagged by George Wyant, 1020 N. 16th st.

Next oldest is Mrs. Nancy Johnson, 1905 N. Church st., the descendant of pioneer Oregon families, which came to this area in

1852. She herself has lived in Marion county since 1904, moving to Salem from Woodburn. She was tagged by Fred Ecker, 365 N. 14th st.

The exact octogenarian of the five, Mrs. Narcisse La Rout, 80, is the widow of a long time state employe. Both she and her husband's families settled in pioneer days near Roseburg. Mrs. Fred Hildebrand, 1621 Cross st., tagged her.

Last of the group was Mrs. W. W. Moore, 75, a longtime resident of Salem, and the widow of one of the area's prominent businessmen and owner of several downtown buildings. She was tagged by Mrs. R. E. Barton of 715 Locust st.

None of the five went unidentified for very long. Most were tagged by 7:30 p. m. barely a half hour after they had begun their job. Three of the five were tagged within minutes after they started walking their area.

But they enjoyed it. In the words of Mrs. Litchfield, they said, "I only wish I could have been a Santa for all those people who tagged me."

William H. Baillie made the arrangements for the women to be present. The prizes were presented by Harvey Beard, secretary-treasurer of the association.