

Salem Sergeant Decorated



Col. Roland Butten (left), senior Army instructor for Oregon Military District, pins commendation ribbon with medal pendant on Sgt. Roy Vibbert, Salem veteran of the fighting in Korea. The presentation was made during the 329th Field Artillery Battalion's open house Wednesday. (Statesman Photo)

State Drivers Licensing Program Feted

Oregon's driver licensing program was voted an outstanding achievement award by the National Safety Council, secretary of State Earl T. Newbry learned Thursday.

The award is based upon the annual inventory of state traffic safety activities conducted among the 48 states. Among the considerations are administration and personnel, driver examining standards, examination of drivers, driver improvement and control, and examples of Oregon's driver's manual, written and road tests, warning letters and reports.

Oregon's driver licensing department is headed by John S. Kerrick, manager, with Ward McReynolds, chief examiner.

During 1951, approximately 750,000 Oregonians held operator's

Merrell Christenson Promoted in Marines

Word has been received that Merrell E. Christenson was promoted to sergeant at the Marine Repair Base, Barstow Annex, California. He enlisted at Salem, Feb. 2, 1950, served in Korea in a tank crew, returned in August, 1951, and was assigned to his present station.

His aunt, and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schmidt, reside at 1360 Norway St.

Expanded Shale Tested for Use In Concrete Mix

Advantages and disadvantages of using expanded shale, a type of light-weight aggregate, in place of river sand and gravel in concrete mix have been noted in a bulletin released by the Oregon State College engineering experiment station.

The shale studied, which was mined near Banks, was prepared for use by first burning it in a rotary kiln at temperatures above 2,200 degrees Fahrenheit. At these temperatures melting begins and gases evolve, causing expansion of the softened shale by formation of innumerable cells.

Main benefits for using expanded shale are the saving of steel and the reduction of dead load in building construction. Specimens made up in the lab weighed an average of 70 pounds a cubic foot compared to 150 pounds a cubic foot for normal aggregates. Strength of this type of concrete ranges from 2000 to 4000 pounds a cubic foot, depending on the mix type.

The illustrated, 70-page publication may be obtained by writing to the station director.

BUS SERVICE RESUMED

Continental Western Trailways has resumed operations out of San Francisco and through coastwise service now is available, it was announced by the Salem Trailways Depot Thursday.

The first theater in the American colonies was built in Williamsburg in 1716.

Poppy Poster Contest Won By Salem Girl

Carol Anderson, Englewood School sixth grader, won third prize in the younger girls' division of a statewide poppy poster contest sponsored by Oregon's American Legion Auxiliary.

Salem's only prize winner, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Anderson. She receives a \$5 award for her entry—a paper cutout poster showing a large white cross against black background, with a foreground of six red poppies.

For the statewide competition, 62 auxiliaries entered 144 posters. Carol's was sponsored by Capital Unit 9. The poster contest calls attention to the Poppy Sale scheduled for May 23-24.

VFW Encampment Slated at Woodburn

SILVERTON—The annual encampment of District 20, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Woodburn, reports Commander Robert Edgerton of Silverton.

More than 100 are expected to attend. Officers will be elected.

The warmth of a fabric depends generally on its thickness and, more particularly, its thickness under a given pressure.

Ranch Ramblings

Albert Julian, widely known in valley cattle circles, has sold his 200-acre farm and Hereford commercial cattle to Fred Steinfelt of Aumsville. Albert retained his registered Herefords for, he says, his "hobby." He has lived on his farm up above Lyons for the past 18 years and plans to settle again in Linn County shortly.

Donald Davis has made the honor roll—or to be more correct, his cow, Royal Queen's May Lassie, did. She earned the Silver Medal award of the American Jersey Cattle Club when she recently completed a production record of 8,279 pounds of milk and 520 pounds of butterfat in 305 days at the age of two years and eight months. This record is more than two times as much as is produced by the average dairy cow in the United States.

Camp Fire Girls At Swegle Elect

SWEGLE — New officers were elected by members of the Camp Fire troop at the home of their leader, Mrs. Eugene Oliver.

President is Raynelle Neufeldt; vice-president, Judy Galagher; secretary, Beverly Gardner; treasurer, Carolyn Martin; hostess, Marie Jones; odds and ends, Sandra Wilkinson; crafts, Nancy Reese; news reporter, Sandra Wilkinson.

The girls made knitting baskets for the women of a rest home the past month. Sandra Everitt advanced to firemaker at the recent district meeting. A new member is Sharon Kuykendall.

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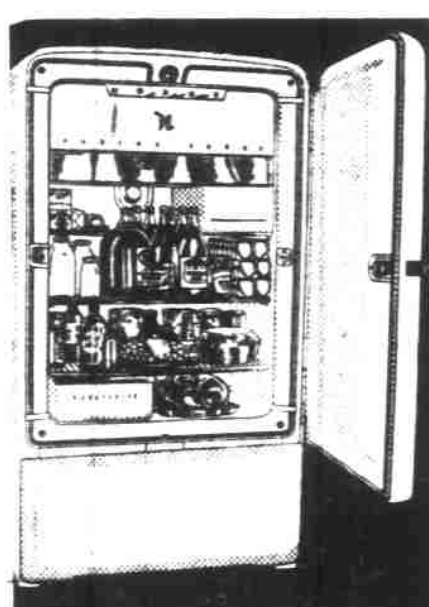
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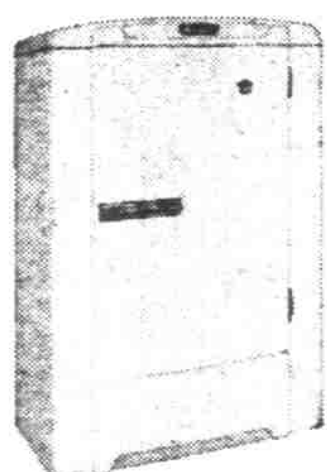
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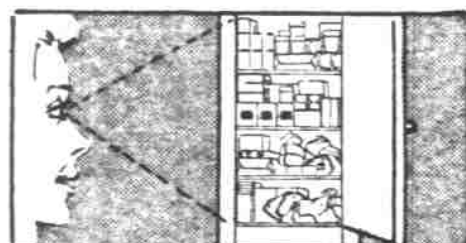
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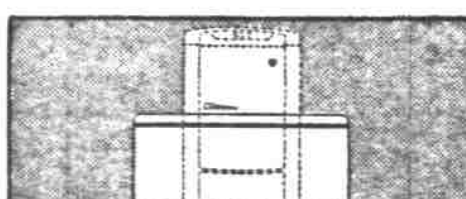
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