

## Death Claims Cannery Industry Dean

(Story also on page 1)  
William G. Allen, 77, of 901 N. Capitol St., a leading cannery of the Northwest and industry pioneer, died Friday in a Salem hospital.

He first came to Salem in 1900 and took over Salem Cannery Co. Shortly afterwards he went to Eugene and started the Allen Fruit Co., which later became Eugene Fruit Growers.

Returning to Salem in 1911, he managed the California Fruit Cannery Association, now California Packing Co. In 1914 he built the Hunt Brothers plant and managed it for 21 years until 1935. He was also the Northwest manager for the firm.

Allen left Hunt Brothers to manage his own businesses which included plants in Salem, Newberg and Dundee.

He had been active in business almost until his death, but had been in poor health for some time.

Allen was a member of the Northwest Cannery Association, National Cannery Association, Salem Rotary Club and First Presbyterian Church of Salem.

Surviving are his widow, Elsie M. Allen, his second wife, whom he married in 1939; three sons, Wayne Allen, Kennewick, Wash., Kenneth Allen, Newberg, (manager of the family business) and Harold Allen, San Francisco; one sister, Mrs. Edna Metcalf, Baltimore, Md.; two step-daughters, Mrs. Helen Huxel, Seattle, and Mrs. Eva Birchfield, Tacoma; step-granddaughter, Miss Royella Tucker, Salem; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be announced later by Virgil T. Golden Co.

## Tired Eagle Becomes Pet, Due for Zoo

HOUGHTON, Mich. (AP)—A bald eagle, found exhausted on the ice of Chassell Bay in Michigan's upper peninsula, took off by plane Friday night for Washington, D.C.

Called "Jocko," the big bird will be given sanctuary in the National Zoological Park. "Jocko" has a wing spread of 6 feet 4 inches and stands almost three feet high.

Why "Jocko" had to make a forced landing in Chassell Bay last Monday is not known. He was walking lopsided when ice fishermen saw him.

He wanted to be left alone. But Otto Ruotsi, a Chassell shoemaker, wooed him by feeding him raw rabbit meat. They became fast friends after Ruotsi gave him some whiskey.

Then it was that "Jocko" let himself be captured. Bald eagles in captivity are rare. "Jocko" has been nursed back to health by the shoemaker but not enough to go it alone again in the rugged Lake Superior weather.

Dr. William M. Mann, director of the National Zoological Park, agreed to accept "Jocko."

## Sacramento Men Construct, Operate TV Station in 34 Days

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (INS)—The phenomenal story of how a dedicated group of men in Sacramento overcame the virtually impossible by transforming a bare plot of ground into an operating television station in 34 days is amazing veteran TV experts.

This smashing victory over time was accomplished by the Capital City TV Corporation when it aired, over its station KCC-TV, the first game of the World Series last Sept. 30th to climax a hectic period of construction that began with ground-breaking ceremonies Aug. 28th.

The men responsible for the remarkable record-breaking achievement were KCC-TV's president, Frank W. McCarty, vice president, Harry E. Hurd, secretary-treasurer and general manager, Ashley L. Robison, and chief engineer, Paul E. Leake.

The accomplishment of these men can best be judged when it is realized that they did it in 34 days that it takes the average television broadcasting organization to do in from six to nine months or longer.

Previous Record  
Robison said the previous TV record for getting into operation, as far as he knows, was held by a station that made it in 59 days. But this was done by an organization that was converting from conventional radio broadcasting and already was equipped with a transmitting tower and a studio.

The amazing story of KCC-TV is a story of speed—day in and day out.

## Firemen Called To Two Blazes

Firemen were called to two chimney fires in the city Friday night, but reported no damage at either one.

Central station went out at 9:25 p.m. to the residence of Samuel Sorenson, 1188 N. Commercial St., and East Salem firemen were called at 10:16 p.m. to the home of P. E. Holloway, 1120 N. 15th St.

## Five Babies Greet New Year in Area

(Photos on page 1.)

The stock delivered five babies to mid-valley parents on the first day of 1954. Two of them are from Salem.

First Salem baby of the New Year was David Cleon Crutchfield, 7 pound, 14 ounce son of Mr. and Mrs. Cleon Crutchfield, 3393 Brown Rd.

David arrived at Salem Memorial Hospital at 6:57 a.m. Crutchfield, a mill worker, and his wife and a daughter, Luana, 2.

Salem General Hospital's one and only baby of the first day of '54 was delivered at 9:29 a.m. to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Riley, 5015 Windsor Island Rd.

Suzanne Rita Riley weighed 9 pounds, 10½ ounces and has four brothers and sisters.

Winner of the mid-valley stork race was an 11 pound, 2 ounce boy born to Mr. and Mrs. William Eason, Albany, at Albany General Hospital when the New Year was two minutes old.

At Bartell Hospital, Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Drew, Independence, Route 1, became parents of a 6 pound, 10 ounce boy at 10:15 p.m. Friday.

Jeffery Horton Drew is eligible for numerous prizes of food, clothing and cash from Dallas merchants.

Others eligible for Dallas stork prizes will be the first girl of 1954, the second and third babies regardless of sex, the first child of a family, and the first twins.

Silverton Hospital came in for a first-day-of-the-year winner when Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brack, Woodburn, became parents of a 10 pound, ¼ ounce boy at 3:15 p.m.

It is believed the Bracks will be eligible for the annual Woodburn "First Baby of the New Year" contest sponsored by Woodburn merchants.

A wide variety of gifts are given to the first baby born in 1954 to parents living within the city limits and to the first baby born to parents living in the Woodburn trading area.

**FAMINE STRIKES**  
HONG KONG (AP)—Radio Peiping stopped putting out claims of bumper crops for Red China long enough this month to issue a "directive on relief work in famine areas."

The directive didn't tell much. It gave no figures on the extent of the famine.

The non-Communist Chinese press in Hong Kong which has many news sources still inside China said recently there were 200,000 famine victims within Kwangtung province alone. The Reds never admitted such a figure.

## Mishap Keeps Police Car From Mishap

A Salem city police patrol car bound for an accident had one of its own Friday evening in a three-car collision which also involved a parked auto.

The accident occurred at the intersection of N. Winter and Marion Streets.

Police said Miss Blanche Marguerite Cornu, 795 N. Summer St., going north on Winter collided with the police car which was going west on Marion under siren. The force of the impact spun Miss Cornu's auto into a parked sedan belonging to David Nelson, 501 N. Winter St.

No injuries were reported, although Miss Cornu was considerably shaken up.

The front end of the police car was smashed and the car was towed away. Right side of the Cornu auto was considerably damaged.

## 1953 Traffic Toll Expected To Match '52

CHICAGO (AP)—The National Safety Council said Friday the 1953 traffic death toll would approximate the 38,000 in 1952.

"It was the first year since 1949 that traffic deaths have not gone up," even though road travel continued to rise, the council said.

A principal reason why 1952 and 1953 ended with about the same totals was that last November showed the biggest monthly drop in traffic deaths since May, 1949, the council reported.

As a result of 1953's about-face, the year had the lowest mileage death rate in the history of traffic accident records. Mileage was estimated to be 5 per cent higher last year than in 1952. The mileage death rate has declined for six straight years.

The 38,000 traffic deaths gave 1953 a mileage death rate of 6.9; that is, the number of deaths per 100 million miles.

The figures for the two years were based on a projection for the whole of 1953 from the first 11 months of the year.

During those 11 months there were 18 states which showed fewer deaths than in 1952. Utah led with a decline of 20 per cent.

Others were Oregon 18 per cent, Washington 13, Colorado 12, New Jersey 10; Oklahoma and Idaho 8 each, Texas, Georgia, South Carolina and Mississippi 6 each; California, Virginia and Arkansas 5 each; Wisconsin and Wyoming 2 each and Pennsylvania and Missouri 1 each.

By population groups, the three leading cities when ranked according to the number of deaths per 10,000 registered vehicles included: 350,000-500,000—Denver 1.3, Seattle 1.7, Portland, Ore., 2.9.

In the smaller groups the leading cities showed a zero rate. These included Kingsport, Tenn., Walla Walla, Wash., and Salisbury, N. C., in the 10,000-25,000 group.

## 1-Man Rockets Seen in Future

LONDON (INS)—Rocket-ships slicing through space with a pilot lying prone in the nose may be part of Britain's air defense in the future.

This prediction was made in the semi-official R.A.F. Flying Review.

The periodical said that the rocket ships will fly at 1500 mph and take a minute to reach an invading bomber flying at 50,000 ft.

When the bomber has been located the pilot will have about a minute or so to make two attacks. The rocket ship will be able to carry 32 radar-guided rockets which will be fired in two salvos of 16.

Glides to Earth  
After the attack the pilot will then glide back to earth.

In an emergency the pilot would be able to explode the ship and parachute to the ground in stages. The nose section, which is pressurized, would be driven away from the rocket motor section by an explosive cartridge, and a parachute would then lower the cabin to a height where air pressure was safe.

The pilot would then release the escape hatch and his seat would pivot downwards. He would then slide out and come down by parachute.

The journal explained that the rocket ship is not an airplane as the air does not give it "lift." They would have wings in which the explosive rockets would be carried. The wings would also allow it to glide and give the pilot some measure of control.

An advantage over the guided missile is that if the enemy interfered with the radio waves the pilot would be able to take over control.

It could also be used many times and could make at least two attacks while in flight. It could also be launched from mobile launchers.

## Hometowners Hold Decision On Batchelor

KERMIT, Tex. (AP)—Cpl. Claude Batchelor, mother will welcome him home from Communism as she would "a lost child."

How the people of this little West Texas oil town will greet the 22-year-old POW who temporarily threw his lot with his Communist captors in Korea is more elusive.

"If he can come back home and behave himself it's okay," said oil field pumper Tom Marion.

Batchelor's New Year's resolution to leave the Red compound at Panmunjom and rejoin the United States was a surprise to service station owner C. M. Menzer. He said he'll "wait and see" how it turns out.

Reporters found most Kermit citizens reserved on the subject, but the most common attitude seemed to be: "We'll give Claude every chance."

There won't be a big celebration when Claude does come back. "It just isn't appropriate," his mother, Mrs. O. L. Batchelor, said.

It was hard to find anybody who wasn't discussing Batchelor's return in the public places of this town of 8,000 persons. Small groups gathered over coffee. They argued some, elaborated their views, conceded points.

But the arguments were quiet, and a lot of people claimed they'd set up drinks for Batchelor when he gets back.

"We'll just let things work themselves out," his mother said. "We wait for Claude with questions. We'll just welcome him home as we would a lost child."

Mrs. Batchelor slept only 30 minutes last night after learning the young corporal had decided to come home more than two years after he was captured while fighting with the 1st Cavalry Division in Korea.

Batchelor's father, an oil well pumper, worked his regular tour Thursday night and didn't sleep at all. He felt "mighty good" Friday.

Mrs. Batchelor described her son as a "quiet, serious boy who caused no trouble" and quit his third year in high school to work at odd jobs and help pay the family bills.

She said he enlisted in 1948, when he was 16, hoping to be trained in a trade but was made a bandsman.

She believes he stayed with the Communists possibly because of "his inexperience" and because "the pressures were too great."

## Tremor Hits Tennessee; No Damage

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—An earth tremor alarmed residents throughout a large area of mountains to the east and north of Knoxville Friday night, but no injuries or property damage were reported.

Telephone calls originating in neighboring counties in every direction jammed newspaper, radio station and police switchboards immediately after the shock.

An amateur radio operator reported he had received queries from as far as Middleboro, Ky., about 50 miles to the north. Asheville, N.C., also reported earth tremors heavy enough to shake houses.

Many callers had jumped to the conclusion that there had been an atomic explosion at nearby Oak Ridge. Others thought their furnaces had exploded.

On questioning, however, all of the callers recalled that they had felt, rather than heard the jar. One caller told the Knoxville Journal "the tremor came all through my home. It seemed to start at one side of the building and spread through the house."

## Grandson of 1776 War Vet Lives On

BEDFORD, Ind. (AP)—The Rev. Ray Banks, 77, a Baptist minister here, says he's a grandson of a Revolutionary War soldier—one of the few left in the country.

The minister's father, John Banks, born in Barrett County, Ky., in 1820, was a son of William Banks, who enlisted in colonial forces in 1778 at the age of 16 and served until the end of the American Revolution.

The William Banks family eventually moved to Greencastle, Indiana.

## THIS OLDER GENERATION

WACO, Neb. (AP)—To test the attitude of his customers toward the penny, Bill Graf, a filling station operator, leaves some copper coins around his station where they are likely to be spotted.

Graf says a lot of young folks spot the coins without bothering to pick them up. Some even kick at the coins in a gesture of annoyance.

Those who bother to retrieve the pennies generally belong to "the older generation," Graf says.

## Named



HOLLYWOOD—Hollywood starlet Kathleen Hughes has been named Miss Cheesecake of 1953 by Army newspaper Stars and Stripes in Darmstadt, Germany. The hazel eyed blonde is 5 feet 8, weighs 125 pounds and has a 38-inch bust, 36½ inch hips and 24½ inch waist. She's 25 and a native of Hollywood. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

## Duff Cooper, Diplomat of Britain Dies

LONDON (AP)—Lord Norwich, 63, who served in Britain's Parliament, government and diplomatic service over three decades as Alfred Duff Cooper, died Friday aboard the French steamship Colombie, his son announced.

Lord Norwich was the husband of a noted stage beauty, the former Dianna Manners. She was with him aboard the Colombie.

Their son, John Julius Cooper, who succeeds to the title, said he had been advised that the death occurred as the ship was off the port of Vigo, on Spain's Atlantic Coast.

Duff Cooper, a Conservative who was British war minister and a first lord of the Admiralty in the troubled years that led up to Munich, was knighted by King George VI in 1949. He was made a viscount by Queen Elizabeth II in her birthday honors list of June 4, 1952 and entered the peerage as Viscount Norwich of Aldwick.

A gifted writer and historian, he was minister of information in Prime Minister Churchill's war cabinet from 1940 to 1943, then became the British government's representative with the French Committee of National Liberation. From 1944 to 1947 he was ambassador to France.

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## Eisenhower, Aides Work On Message

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP)—President Eisenhower and top advisers worked four and a half hours this New Year's Day on his State of the Union Message and "quite a lot of progress" was reported.

The holiday conference in the President's office above the pro shop at the Augusta National Golf Club got started at 8 a.m.

At the break for lunch, James C. Hagerty, presidential press secretary told newsmen the message Eisenhower will deliver to Congress in person next Thursday was shaping up speedily.

"They made quite a lot of progress," Hagerty said.

The team of administration advisers assisting the President met again in the afternoon and evening for more work on various sections of the document but Eisenhower left for a round of golf. They will meet with the President again Saturday.

The team which flew here from Washington Thursday includes Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations; Budget Director Joseph M. Dodge; Sherman Adams, Eisenhower's top aide at the White House; and Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, head of the Office of Defense Mobilization.

## Old Kremlin Echoes to Tiny Feet's Patter

By RICHARD KASISCHKE  
MOSCOW (AP)—The old Kremlin on New Year's Day echoed to an unusual sound—the patter of many tiny feet.

The guarded gates opened for children to attend the big fir tree party in the grand Kremlin palace organized by the Central Council of Trade Unions.

For ten days there are to be parties and tours of the Kremlin's churches and museums for the kids and even a masquerade ball inside the walls for youths Friday night.

Things seem to be thawing around those old battlements in Red Square—at least for some people.

The announcement of the unprecedented children's parties was front-paged Friday morning in the Moscow press. It coincided with other new era gestures of sweetness and light.

Also to the Kremlin Friday night went seven American student editors invited to a dinner dance by the Komsomols (the Communist youth league).

Going to the Kremlin Sunday are the Stockholm "Aik" Hockey Club, who are also being wined and dined during their weeks stay here, though on the ice the Russians are trouncing them.

The hockeyists and students also got fine treatment at banquets, operas, and New Year's Eve parties. The hockeyists had their bills paid at expensive tables in the Metropole Hotel restaurant and some even got dances with a Russian woman, although some of her companions objected.

The American students spent New Year's Eve at a big banquet at Moscow University where there were so many toasts, especially to peace.

Some Russian students' toasts expressed hope that their beautiful university "won't be atom-bombed." The Americans responded that they hoped their schools would not be atom-bombed either.

The American students hope to take off over the weekend in two groups to tour the interior—one going to Leningrad and Kiev, the other to Baku and central Asia.

Foreigners are somewhat mystified at this velvet carpet treatment. The Swedish hockeyists on their way in at midweek met the Norwegian speed skating team leaving Russia. They said the Norwegians were still goggle-eyed.

One thing seems certain. The Russians are going to open themselves up for more international sports competition and they are going to give the visiting boys a fine time.

For instance correspondents accompanying visiting sports teams don't have to go to the central telegraph and submit copy to the censor. They have an easy way of just telephoning anything they want to their papers direct from their hotel rooms. Resident correspondents cannot do this.

## Mrs. March Succumbs To Pneumonia

FALLS CITY—Mrs. Lula Mae March, longtime Falls City resident, died Thursday at Bartell Hospital. She was 86. Death was attributed to pneumonia.

Surviving are her husband, J. C. March, Falls City; a daughter, Mrs. Laverne Ferguson, Falls City; step-sons, Jeff March, Tacoma, Wash., and Charles March, Carington, N. D.; also three sisters, five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be announced by Bollman Mortuary at Dallas.

## Army Chefs Get Training

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (INS)—Army chow is not what it used to be.

At least it won't be if a new plan worked out by the Lackland Air Force Chefs and Bakers school and the mayor of San Antonio works as intended.

Under the agreement, students at the Lackland Army school are training under chefs from the Alamo City's swank hotels—by working in the hotel kitchens.

The army hopes its trainees pick up the knack of making good food attractive to add to meal-appreciation of thousands of airmen and WAFS in the base dining halls throughout the country.

So far, more than 200 airmen have completed the two-month course, and the waiting lists for admission into the unique school are filled long ahead of time.

## COTTONWOODS

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## Two Youths Charged On Reckless Driving

Two Salem youths were arrested on reckless driving charges Friday by city police. Both were cited to Municipal Court.

Larry V. Eyerly, 16, Route 3, Box 678, was stopped shortly before 5 p.m. in the 700 block of Mission street.

About 9 p.m., Albert Ernest Anderson Jr., 21, of 325 Jefferson St., was arrested.

Police said they were called to a disturbance in the 900 block of North Commercial street in which Anderson was involved shortly before the traffic arrest. No charges were made on the first incident.

## Rebels Pose New Threat To Thailand

By LARRY ALLEN

HANOI, Indochina (AP)—Strong rebel reinforcements are joining the Vietnam Iron Division in a menacing encirclement of Dien Bien Phu and a full scale assault may develop there in a few days, French military sources said Friday.

Dien Bien Phu is the last big French stronghold in the Thai country of northwest Viet Nam and a guardian of mountain passes into the sister state of Laos.

Rebel units ringing the French-held Red River delta presumably are contributing troops to swell the ranks of the Iron Division, No. 316, which the Moscow-trained Ho Chi Minh has equipped with some of the best and heaviest weapons he receives from Communist China.

The French speculated that levies were made on Vietnamese divisions 308 and 312, which have been massed in the area of Thai Nguyen, 40 miles north of Hanoi, and Tuyen Quang, 65 miles northwest of this French headquarters city. Thousands of French troops have been airlifted to fortify the broad plain of Dien Bien Phu since parachute forces wrested the town from its Vietnamese garrison Nov. 20.

The French are not saying just how many troops man the guns there, but they are known to be outnumbered. Ho Chi Minh may be able to throw 20,000 or more men into the fight.

The French garrison is supplied by transport planes. The rebels use coolies to pack in supplies.

Dien Bien Phu lies in the heart of the only big rice-growing area in the Thai country and the rebels may have hoped to augment their scanty provisions with their winter rice. But the Thais harvested the crop and hauled it away before the division closed in.

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## Salem Man to Face Embezzlement Charge

A 39-year-old Salem man was arrested by Marion County Sheriff's deputies Thursday on a Lane County warrant charging embezzlement.

The sheriff's office identified him as Orville Jay Moorhead of 590 Union St. He was held here in lieu of \$2,500 bail and was scheduled to be returned to Lane County Saturday.

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## Probers Still Boycotting Senate Group

By G. MILTON KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. McClellan (D-Ark.), who led the Democratic walkout from the Senate investigations subcommittee last July, said today "I do not anticipate returning to it."

The subcommittee, headed by Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.), has had no Democratic members since McClellan and Sens. Symington (D-Mo.) and Jackson (D-Wash.) resigned from it in a row with McCarthy.