

Salem's Crime Totals Dropped During Year, Police Records Show

Crime, automobile accidents and highway fatalities went on the down swing in Salem during 1953 compared with the previous year. The record is made more impressive because these categories headed in the opposite direction in most other cities in the nation. Salem police department made headlines during 1953 when it introduced radar to detect speeders. It was one of the first departments in the Northwest to do so.

Although still to be found "illegal" by the courts, Police Chief Clyde Warren believes radar is helping to reduce accidents.

Automobile accidents reported to city police during 1953 totaled 2,078—over 8 per cent less than 1952 when 2,271 were listed. But auto-train accidents jumped from 18 in 1952 to 30 last year.

Chief Warren pointed out, however, that all accidents in the city are not reported through the Salem department.

Fatalities dropped from seven in 1952 to only two last year.

In major crime categories, the chief increase came in armed robberies. In almost all other crime fields fell off.

Four Robberies

There were four robberies in Salem during 1953 and only one the year before. All were cleared. Last year's stickups included the DeLuxe Ice Cream Co., 1837 State St.; Safeway Store at Capitol Shopping Center; Western Union office; and Salem Hotel.

Each year had a homicide: the Litchfield murder case in 1952 and the Hardman slaying-suicide last year.

Three rape cases were reported in the year just ended and two the previous year. All were cleared by arrests.

Drop in Burglaries

Burglaries dropped from 177 in 1952 to 102 last year. Of these 30 were cleared in 1952 and 21 in 1953.

Larceny cases of over \$50 totaled 79 with 45 cleared in 1952 against 67 with 14 cleared in 1953.

Larcenies under \$50 tallied 496 last year and 596 the previous year.

Auto theft came down last year when 39 cars were reported stolen compared with 57 the year before.

Recovery both years was high. As a matter of fact, the department recovered more cars than were stolen because recoveries were made in Salem of cars stolen in other cities.

Fewer Bad Checks

Check artists apparently were discouraged somewhat in 1953 and passed 518 bad checks—150 fewer than the year prior. Of those passed, 321 were cleared and 63 arrests made.

Drunkenness and drunken driving arrests were higher in 1953 as were reckless driving arrests.

Number of persons in jail also climbed as indicated by money spent by the city on food for prisoners. It was \$5,501 in 1952 and \$6,415 last year.

The department collected more money in bail and fines for the city treasurer in 1953 when the

Councilman Defends One-Way Traffic Grid

Salem's one-way street grid will give better service as marking improvements are made and as the public gets used to driving it, City Alderman Robert F. White maintained Tuesday in a talk before East Salem Lions Club at the Spa Restaurant.

White gave as his personal conviction that the grid was warranted by the amount of Salem traffic congestion and that it has already increased traffic flow to the advantage of a majority of the public.

White, who is in a downtown feed and seed business, and represents South Salem Ward 7 on the Council, predicted that grid travel would become smoother as markings and driver experience lead to use of the lanes nearest the curb exclusively for turning traffic.

The grid which has become a controversial issue since protest

New York Stock Quotations		
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS		
Admiral Corporation	20	
Allied Chemical	73 3/4	
Allis Chalmers	47	
American Airlines	12	
American Power & Light	—	
American Tel. & Tel.	157	
American Tobacco	63 1/2	
Anacosta Copper	31 1/2	
Atchafalaya Railroad	94 3/4	
Bethlehem Steel	51 1/2	
Boeing Airplane Co.	48 3/4	
Borg Warner	76 1/2	
California Packing	22 1/2	
Canadian Pacific	22 1/2	
Caterpillar Tractor	49 1/2	
Celanese Corporation	20 1/2	
Chrysler Corporation	62 3/4	
Cities Service	81 3/4	
Consolidated Edison	42 3/4	
Consolidated Vultee	17 1/2	
Crown Zellerbach	35 3/4	
Dart Industries	8 1/4	
Douglas Aircraft	82 1/2	
du Pont de Nemours	106 3/4	
Eastman Kodak	47 1/2	
Emerson Radio	10 1/2	
General Electric	88 3/4	
General Foods	59 1/2	
General Motors	60 3/4	
Georgia Pac Plywood	11 1/2	
Goodyear Tire	55	
Homestake Mining Co.	34 1/4	
International Harvester	28 1/2	
International Paper	56 1/2	
Johns Manville	66 3/4	
Kaiser Aluminum	28 1/4	
Kennecott Copper	86 3/4	
Libby, McNeill	8 3/4	
Lockheed Aircraft	27 1/2	
Lowe's Incorporated	13 1/2	
Long Bell A	22 3/4	
Montgomery Ward	56 1/2	
Nash Kelvinator	17 3/4	
New York Central	19 1/2	
Northern Pacific	56 1/4	
Pacific American Fish	39 1/2	
Pacific Gas & Electric	115 1/2	
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Jaycees Plan Tourist Booths

Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce members will construct two tourist information booths in the city as one of their projects for 1954, it was announced at a meeting of the organization's board of directors Tuesday night.

Other projects include: a get out and vote campaign; assisting with the Soap Box Derby; and a Junior Chamber Americanism Week, Feb. 12-22.

Plans were discussed for the forthcoming Junior First Citizen banquet Jan. 12, and a joint luncheon with Salem Rotary Club Jan. 27 when Jaycee national president Dain J. Domich, Sacramento, Calif., will be speaker.

Portland Produce

PORTLAND (P)— Butterfat—Tentative, subject to immediate change—Premium quality, maximum to 35 to one per cent acidity, delivered in Portland, 68-71 lb; first quality, 66-69; second quality, 64-67. Valley routes and country points 2 cents less.

Butter—Wholesale, f.o.b. bulk cubes to wholesalers—Grade AA, 93 score, 66 1/2 lb; 92 score, 65 1/2; 90 score, 64 1/2; 89 score, 62.

Cheese—Selling price to Portland wholesalers—Oregon singles, 42 1/2-45 lb; Oregon 5-lb loaf, 48 1/2-51.

Eggs—To wholesalers—Candled eggs containing no loss, cases included, f.o.b. Portland—A grade, large, 54 1/2-55 1/2; A medium, 51 1/2-53 1/2; A grade, small, 47 1/2-48 1/2.

Eggs—To retailers—Grade AA, large, 58; A large, 59-60; AA medium, 57; A medium, 55; small, 49-50. Cartons 3 cents additional.

Live chickens—No. 1 quality, f.o.b. plants—Fryers, all weights, 20-21; heavy hens 24-25; roasters, 21; light hens, 16-16; old roosters, 14-15.

Rabbits—Average to growers—Live white, 3 1/2-5 lbs, 19-21; 5-6 lbs, 16-20; old does, 10-12, few higher. Fresh dressed fryers to retailers, 55-57; cut up, 59-63.

Wholesale dressed meats:

Beef, steers, choice, 500-700 lbs, 38.00-41.00; good, 36.00-39.00; commercial, 29.00-35.00; utility, 27.00-31.00; commercial cows 23.00-27.00; utility, 24.00-27.00; canners-cutters, 21.00-24.00.

Beef cuts (choice steers)—Hind quarters, 47.00-51.00; round, 45.00-48.00; full loins, trimmed, 43.00-46.00; tri-tips, 28.00-33.00; fore-quarters, 31.00-36.00; chuck, 37.00-41.00; ribs, 55.00-62.00.

Pork cuts—Loins, choice, 8-12 lbs, 53.00-62.00; shoulders, 16 lbs, 39.00-42.00; spareribs, 46.00-54.00; fresh hams, 10-14 lbs, 60.00-65.00.

Veal and calves—Good-choice, all weights, 32.00-34.00; commercial, 27.00-35.00.

Lambs—Choice-prime, 37.00-39.00; good, 34.00-38.00.

Wool—Grease basis, Willamette Valley medium, 51-55 lb; Eastern Oregon fine and half blood, 55-62; Willamette Valley lamb wool, 42; 12-month wool, 45-50.

Country-dressed meats, f.o.b. Portland:

Beef—Cows, utility, 20-24 lb; canners-cutters, 17-18.

Veal—Top quality, lightweight, 31-33; rough heavies, 20-25.

Hogs—Lean blockers, 37-38; sows, light, 31-33.

Lambs—Best, 33-35.

Fresh Produce:

Onions—50 lb sacks, Wash. yellows, med., 1.00-1.10; large, 1.10-1.25; Idaho yellows, med., 1.25-50; large, 1.75-2.00; whites, 2.25-50.

Potatoes—Ore. local Long Whites, 2.00-25; Deschutes Russets, No. 1, 2.15-25; size A, 2.50-75; 25 lb sk, 80-85; 10 lb mesh, 40-45; paper, 30-33; windows, 35-37; No. 2, 50 lbs, 70-80; Wash. Russets, No. 1-A, 2.25-50; Idaho, 3.15-25.

Hay—U. S. No. 2 green alfalfa, mostly 28.00-30.00, delivered car and truck lots, f.o.b. Portland and Seattle.

Filberts—Wholesale selling price f.o.b. Oregon plants, No. 1 jumbo Barcelonas, 29 lb; large, 27 1/2; medium, 25 1/2.

Walnuts—Wholesale selling prices: First quality Franquettes, 32-33 1/2 lb; light halves, 79-83; shelled light amber halves, 70-75.

Stocks and Bonds		
BOND AVERAGES		
Compiled by The Associated Press		
	Jan. 5	Jan. 10
Net Change	A.1	A.3
Tues. Day	94.3	97.7
Prev. Day	94.2	97.4
Week Ago	94.1	97.1
Month Ago	94.1	96.8
Year Ago	95.7	98.6

Stock Averages		
Compiled by The Associated Press		
	Jan. 5	Jan. 10
Net Change	A.1	A.3
Tues. Day	146.6	147.7
Prev. Day	146.6	147.7
Week Ago	142.9	147.5
Month Ago	144.1	147.0
Year Ago	150.8	154.9

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1954 Buick Line Goes on Display Today

FLINT, Mich.—Buick Wednesday presents a completely new line of automobiles for 1954, studded with the most revolutionary styling changes since the introduction of streamlining, company officials declare.

The new Buicks come in four series with all new, roomier bodies, beautiful new exterior and interior styling, longer wheelbases, panoramic windshields that permit up to 19 per cent more visibility, and more powerful and efficient V- engines, the company said.

The Special Series makes its debut in the V- class in 1954 with a new 150 horsepower engine modeled after the valve-in-head V- introduced in the Roadmaster and Super Series last year.

Horsepower in both the Roadmaster and Super Series has been increased, with the Roadmaster boosted from 188 to 200, and the Super from 170 to 182.

New also to the Buick line for 1954 is the Century Series, designed to sell in the price range between the Special and Super. The Century, which features a 200 horsepower Roadmaster engine mounted on a 122-inch wheelbase, has a high power-to-weight ratio and is the outstanding performer in the Buick line, officials said.

All-steel estate wagons are available for the first time this year in the Century and Special Series.

Silverton Woman Bruised in Wreck

SILVERTON—Mrs. R. A. Fish, wife of a local baker, sustained severe bruises in an auto accident at Portland late Monday night.

She was brought to Silverton Hospital where her condition Tuesday was considered "good."

Fish explained that he and his wife were driving in Portland when the collision between his auto and a city transit bus occurred. Mrs. Fish was thrown from the car, but he was uninjured. The Fish auto was badly damaged.

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Army Classes 408 Missing Soldiers as 'Presumed Dead'

WASHINGTON (P)—The long period of waiting passed and still no word, and the Army Tuesday announced as "presumed dead" the names of 498 men who have been missing for more than a year in Korea.

For relatives, the notification they received in the last several days may have brought one final heart twinge. But it could only make final the growing feeling they must have had that hope now must be abandoned for the husband, or son, or brother from whom they had heard nothing for so long.

The Army told them it could not say when, or how, the men died, but "in view of the lapse of time without information to support a continued presumption of survival" it has listed the men dead as of Dec. 31, 1953.

Tuesday's list was the first of eight which will be announced by the Defense Department for publication this week. The Army, in five more lists, will name another 2,874 men. The Air Force, with 256, and the Marine Corps, with 228, each will issue a single list.

In addition to its 228 presumed dead, the Marine Corps said its list would name 78 others now "known dead" on the basis of reports from returned prisoners and other sources.

The eight lists will have named 3,856 men declared to be presumed dead as of Dec. 31, raising the Korean battle death toll to at least 30,350. Another 3,193 men still are listed as missing, but these too eventually will be declared legally dead unless information turns up to indicate otherwise.

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Cmdr. Bunn to Leave Active Duty

Lt. Comdr. George T. Bunn, instructor-instructor at the Salem Naval Reserve unit since Dec. 16, 1950, is slated to leave active duty and go into civilian employment about Feb. 1.

Bunn explained that he plans to return to his position in the accounting division of General Petroleum Corporation at San Francisco.

He is to be replaced by Lt. Comdr. W. F. Skinner who is presently on sea duty. At one time Skinner served in the office of director of training for the 13th Naval District.

Of the 12 1/2 years Bunn has served with the Naval Reserve he served 7 1/2 years on active duty. He and his wife presently reside at 955 Fir St.

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