

Death Takes Independence Hop Grower

(Story also on page 1.)
Statesman News Service
INDEPENDENCE — Donal P. MacCarthy, who died at his home near Independence Saturday, started in the hop business near the turn of the century with Jack Carmichael as his partner. He later started a hop-buying business at Salem.
MacCarthy was born Jan. 24, 1873, in South Africa where his father was stationed with British troops. The family returned to England when the deceased was six years old and he was educated there.
When 20, MacCarthy went to Canada where he worked on a large grain ranch and as crewman on a cattle boat.
He came to the Willamette Valley in 1894, locating at Woodburn, later buying ranches at Mulino and in Waldo Hills district.
He married Lena Bier, daughter of Salem pioneers, in 1910 and was widowed in 1934. He was a lifelong member of Salem Elks Lodge.
The deceased formed a partnership with his son, Eugene, in 1936, and remained active in management of the family enterprise. Besides his son, two grandchildren survive.
A crippled gull once swam the Atlantic in the wake of a crippled sailing ship, the sailors of which fed it.

P-TA Subject Of Stayton School Meet

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STAYTON — Reactivating the Stayton P-TA will be considered at a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Stayton Grade School.
Mrs. C. W. Patch of Salem will speak advantages of having a P-TA in the school district.
Grade pupils will demonstrate new methods of learning to write and high school students will report on experimental reading and spelling projects which were used for the first time this year.
Proposed changes in the curriculum for next year will be discussed, reports Supt. Merlin Morey. Patrons of the district are urged to attend.

Physician Will Open Office at Four Corners

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FOUR CORNERS — This community will have its first resident physician when Dr. Joseph Van Eaton opens an office in the building now under construction on North Lancaster Drive, just north of Four Corners intersection.
Van Eaton has been practicing at Waldport for the past year and previously was at Omaha, Neb., where he graduated from Creighton University medical school in 1950.
With his wife and three children he is living temporarily in Salem but said he hoped to move to Four Corners soon.

Our Valley

... By CHARLES IRELAND

Here's the latest bobcat story to cross the valley desk, and it's datelined Pioneer Loop which, of course, is over in Polk County. . . . Some folks around here reported seeing a bobcat lately (wrote Jan Overholser) so Linza Dennis from Oakdale and his cousin, Earl Crowley from Cooper Hollow, set out last Sunday morning "cat" hunting. They each took two dogs and started at the William Thiesies farm with high hopes. . . . Late that afternoon, after seeing signs of coons and foxes, the dogs finally treed the cat, only it was a nice, big yellow house cat.

Are you still following the venerable Lincoln County hassle? . . . Before he hopped off for Los Angeles yesterday, Attorney General Bob Thornton called The Statesman to say that, if he had been writing the headline for that Saturday story about Sheriff Welp, the headline would have been "Mr. Welp Yelps for Help."

Mrs. Loyd Rablin of Hayesville brought in a clipping from the Des Moines Register which she thought might interest other Statesman readers. . . . It was written by a Mrs. Woodroff, (apparently a columnist) and began, "Biting into an Oregon-grown apple this week, I was reminded of how few people realize that all the fruit industry of the Pacific Northwest started with 700 grafted fruit trees carried by wagon train 117 years ago from Salem, Iowa."

The trees crossed the plains, the column continued, with Henderson Luelling, who packed the 700 trees and burry bushes into two long boxes in the bottom of his wagon. Half of the stock survived the seven-months trip and the little trees were credited with scaring off hostile Indians who, mystified by the prairie schooner's green leafy load, apparently thought the wagon train was under the special care of the Great Spirit. . . . Luelling's first apples, produced in the Willamette Valley, sold for \$5 each in San Francisco during the early days of the Gold Rush.

Anyone who regularly drives the North Santiam Highway as far as Detroit Dam is aware that tumbling rocks pose a continual maintenance problem for the road crew in charge. . . . With the exception of the two bad slides of the past two winters, never have I seen the route so rock-strewn as last Monday. A sharp freeze the night before was blamed. The ice pushes up, dislodges the rocks and down they come. The road crew pushes them aside frequently with a snow plow; even so a good many tires have been ruined there this winter. . . . The Detroit Dam area is a good place to drive with caution.

One of the most energetic fund-raising groups in the valley is the Lincoln Community Center Association which embraces a large area north of Salem on Wallace Road. The group's recent "mystery package" sale cleared \$231 for a fund for a proposed community building. . . . The group owns a tract of land and has about \$2,000 in cash. . . . Now members are thinking about setting up a neighborhood-type of drive-in theater as a potential money-maker for this summer.

Sen. Wayne Morse, you may recall, donated a ceramic rooster to the Lincoln benefit auction. . . . Right after Morse bolted the Republican party, he received a gift which he said he planned to donate to a similar auction. . . . The gift, a pair of cuff links, came from a constituent, and Morse thinks maybe the fellow was giving him the horse laugh. . . . Each cuff link had a horse on it, but the way the horses were turned, Morse couldn't tell whether they were laughing.

While some businessmen have been singing the blues, a grocer over in Polk County has just finished enlarging his store for the third time in five years. . . . The unusual circumstance is that this store is located right out in the open country, not even at an important intersection. . . . The proprietor is Cecil Carey and his store is between Falls City and Dallas. . . . He started with a glorified pop stand and now has a junior-grade supermarket — 2,500 square feet in the latest annex. . . . Cecil said he didn't know the secret of success, but here's a tip: He works over 80 hours a week.

City Officials On Program at Hoover P-TA

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EAST SALEM — City government and aims and plans for Salem will be discussed by Mayor Al Loucks, Robert White, president of the City Council, and City Manager Franz at the Hoover P-TA meeting Monday night.
County government was discussed at the March meeting.
There will also be a discussion of the polio vaccine which is to be given to second grade children this spring with the consent of their parents.
Movies will be shown for the children.

Dog Alerts Families, Succumbs in Blaze

PITTSBURGH — Early Friday the families of Harry Staub, Harold Koch and Andrew Dudash were awakened by the frantic barking of a pet dog.
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Valley Births

WILLAMINA — Mr. and Mrs. Kent DeHutt of Grand Ronde are the parents of a son, born March 30 at McMinnville hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. Buddy J. Ellis of San Bernardino, Calif. are the parents of a son, Buddy Jess Jr., born March 17. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Millard Ellis of Port Orford, formerly of Willamina. Buddy Ellis is serving on the USS Essex, an aircraft carrier, in Korean waters.

Salmon Released Into N. Santiam

Statesman News Service
MARION FORKS — Liberation of 100,000 marked steelhead salmon has been completed. They were released in the North Santiam River below Stayton. Average size was slightly less than five inches. They were of the 1952 brood.

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Valley Obituaries

Susan Johnson
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SHERIDAN — Graveside services were held at the upper Willamina cemetery this week for Susan Sayer Johnson, 77, who died in McMinnville after an illness of three days.
Mrs. Johnson was born Nov. 15, 1876 in Manhattan, Kans., and married Roland Johnson in Kansas. They observed their 60th wedding anniversary in June of 1933.
Survivors include her husband, Roland Johnson, Sheridan; two daughters, Mrs. Vern Schultz of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Archie Brown, Sheridan; nine grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Clarinda Wood
SHERIDAN — Funeral services were held here this week for Mrs. Clarinda Jane Wood, 86, who died in a McMinnville convalescent home. Mrs. Wood was born Nov. 14, 1867, in Indiana. She married Abraham Wood in 1900 in Missouri, and they moved here in 1903. Wood died in 1919.
Surviving are three sons, Lloyd of Portland, Harl of Sheridan and Walter of San Diego, Calif.; and a daughter, Mrs. W. L. Harmon, Tillamook.

Mrs. Doris Speer
SHERIDAN — Funeral services will be held Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the Episcopal Church in McMinnville for Mrs. Doris Speer, 57, who died Wednesday after an illness of several months. Macy & Son Mortuary of McMinnville is in charge of arrangements.
Mrs. Speer operated a restaurant in Sheridan until several months ago. She was born at Spencer, Iowa, Aug. 12, 1897.
She is survived by three sons, Joe, Howard and Dick, all in the armed forces; one brother, Richard D. McCord of Sheridan; and four grandchildren.
Dick, who is stationed at Okinawa, is home on leave. His two brothers, Joe, who is stationed in Alaska; and Howard, stationed in Texas, visited their mother during the past month.

Sister Rategund Kausmann
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MT. ANGEL — Sister Rategund Kausmann, 82, died Saturday at Mt. Angel Convent where she made her religious profession on April 23, 1891.
Born in Grossdittwil, Switzerland, she came to America in 1889 and entered the Benedictine convent.
She was in charge of the Abbey kitchen for many years and had celebrated her 60th jubilee.
Requiem high mass will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Monday at the convent chapel. The Unger Funeral Home is in charge.

Ardella N. Butler
INDEPENDENCE — Ardella N. Butler, 85, passed away at the family residence Saturday, April 3, at 411 Monmouth St., Independence, after a short illness.
She was born Dec. 5, 1868, at Independence, Ore., and was a resident of the community her entire life.
She is survived by one brother, Ross H. Nelson, of Independence, and a grandson, Marlow D. Butler of Salem and a great granddaughter. Funeral services will be held from the Calvary Presbyterian Church, Independence, under the direction of the Smith Mortuary, Tuesday, April 6, at 2 p.m. Rev. Daniel B. Wessler will officiate. Adah chapter No. 34, of the O.E.S., will have their ritualistic services. Entombment will follow at Mt. Crest Abbey Mausoleum.

13TH GRANDCHILD BORN
TURNER — The Rev. and Mrs. Scott Anderson received a call from Van Nuys, Calif., announcing the birth of their thirteenth grandchild, a boy, Ronald Lee Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Anderson in that city.

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Honor Students at Falls City



FALLS CITY — Honor students of this year's graduating class at Falls City High School are pictured above. They are Charlene Wagner (left), who is valedictorian; and Lucille Riggs, salutatorian.

Silverton Folk On Sick List

Statesman News Service
SILVERTON — Mrs. Roy Brown is again at her home after several days treatment at a Salem hospital.
Otto Dickman continues to improve at his home where he has been for a week after treatment at a Salem hospital. He is able to be up brief periods of each day.
Henry Goodman is convalescing at his home in North Silverton after a stay of several weeks at the Silverton Hospital. He is now reported as slowly recuperating and able to be up and about part of each day.
E. R. Adams continues seriously ill at his home at Coolidge Street.
W. P. Scarth, who suffered severe injuries at the Scarth mill several weeks ago when a huge door blew in on him during a heavy windstorm, is recuperating at his home but will be confined to his bed for some time yet.

AWOL Soldier Pleads Guilty to Assault Charge

Statesman News Service
ALBANY — Arthur Franklin Zerkel, 21, AWOL soldier from Ft. Lewis, Wash., pleaded guilty late Friday to assault with a dangerous weapon, but Circuit Judge Victor Oliver delayed sentence until Zerkel can be examined at the Oregon State Hospital.
Zerkel, a former Lebanon resident, was accused of shooting Mrs. Virginia Brinkley, March 13, near Lebanon. The bullet from a 22 rifle struck her in the head, causing a concussion.
Mrs. Brinkley has since recovered.

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RUSS RETURN PWs

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