

City News Briefs

MUSIC FOR LIONS

Wives of the members will join South Salem Lions Club in a lunch program at noon Wednesday in China City restaurant. Entertainment feature will be the madrigal singers from South Salem High School.

Visit us & see our large selection of fallage plants for your modern plantings. Free parking. Pemberton's Flower Shop & Greenhouses, 1980 S. 12th. (adv.)

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES & ARRANGEMENTS

Distinctive door swags, holly wreaths, holly, other evergreens & plants. Pemberton's Flower Shop & Greenhouses, 1980 S. 12th. (adv.)

PARTY FOR VETERANS

Salem Barracks 113. Veterans of World War I will hold their annual Christmas party Wednesday night at VFW Hall, following a brief business session starting at 7:30. The party is open to all veterans. Mrs. Lela Young is chairman.

Cascade Roof Co.'s phone number is 4-8233.

Good Rummage—Coffee—donuts Sale. Greenbaum's. Thurs. Dec. 15. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mother's Club—4 Corners Sch. (adv.)

See outstanding wall papers with matching fabric and glamorizing Treasure Tone paints at Clarke's, 220 N. Com'l. (adv.)

ROAD ROLLER UNDAUNED

A car driven by A. H. Nohlgren, 970 Ratcliffe St., received slight damage in a collision at slow speed with a city road roller about 10 a.m. Monday in the 300 block of Ferry Street police said.

Need help to control your weight? WEY-BITE, scientifically proven, medically approved, inexpensive. Ph. 3-5782. If no ans. call 3-8873. (adv.)

HOW TO PAY THOSE CHRISTMAS BILLS? Simple—sell your Office Skills. See PAGENSTECHER'S Commercial Placement Agency, 494 State St., 4-3351. (adv.)

Unightly facial hair removed permanently. Price's Beauty Salon. (adv.)

CHURCH TO BE REPAIRED

A city building permit was issued Monday to Victory Chapel for repair to the church at 1232 N. Commercial St. at an estimated cost of \$100.

Lighting fixtures, an excellent gift for the home. Open evenings until Christmas. Vibbert Electric, 551 Court St. (Adv.)

Dental plates repaired while you wait at Painless Parker Dentist, 125 N. Liberty, Salem. (adv.)

GAS THEFT REPORTED

Theft of gasoline from a truck at The Crockatt Co., 515 S. Church St., was reported to police Monday morning by John Crockatt.

Flash Camera Sets, Viewmasters, Hallmark Cards, McEwan Photo Shop, Near Hollywood Post Office. (adv.)

NO DECEMBER MEETING

Baker School Mother & Dad Club will not meet in December. The next meeting will be 7:30 p.m., Jan. 18.

Now Available. Safe Deposit Boxes, \$3.60 including tax, at Pioneer Trust Co. State & Com'l. (adv.)

Cascade Roof Co. does all types of roof work.

TOWNSENDERS MEET

Townsend Club 17 will meet at 1 p.m. today at 1109 Oak St.

SMOKED TURKEYS

Order now for delivery between the 20th & 24th of Dec. Ph. 3-6024. (adv.)

Rubbish Count Brings Fine

Clarence Floyd Wolfe, 36, 1818 N. Capitol St., Monday was fined \$50 in Marion County District Court on a charge of dumping garbage near a county road. Half of the fine then was suspended.

The arrest reportedly was made Dec. 7 after deputies investigated the dumping of cans, bottles and other refuse on Fruitland road.

Marketings of Farm Cash in Polk Decline

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
Farm Editor, The Statesman
DALLAS, Ore.—Polk County's farm cash marketings are down \$100,000 in 1955 from 1954, according to estimates announced Monday by N. John Hansen, Polk County Extension agent.

Gross returns announced for the year just ending are \$10,500,000 compared to last year's \$10,600,000.

In giving the estimates, Hansen emphasized that although total gross cash marketings were down only slightly from the previous year, farm costs in the county have increased from 10 to 15 percent, thereby reducing even more the net income to farm operators.

Increased Production

Changes in selection of farm enterprises and increased production of commercial vegetable growing, along with more livestock have helped to hold the gross income up close to previous years. Like in most Willamette Valley counties, 1955 was the largest-cash marketing year. For Polk County that year totaled \$11,754,000.

Only a slight increase in marketing of fat cattle was noted, but there was an \$800,000 increase in all meat animals and wool this year over the previous year. Hansen credited this to an increased number of sheep marketed from the county, and an improved management in production for fat lambs and wool.

Also up slightly from last year, was the seed crop, at \$1,000,000 for 1955. This is credited to increased yields per acre of hairy vetch, and a substantial increase in the vetch price. Ryegrass yields were also generally higher than the previous year, but many of the farmers sold at lower prices than a year ago.

Fruits, Nuts Gain

True fruits and nuts were up slightly, with the price for walnuts substantially higher, and small fruits were up to \$650,000 because of the increased acreage of strawberries in the county.

Vegetable crops also showed a slight increase, coming up to \$1,500,000. Vegetable growing has increased steadily during the past four years, with hops changing to canner products in the Independence area.

About holding their own, in both production and gross prices received, were the specialty crops, the farm forestry marketings, poultry and dairying.

Grain, Hay

Grain and hay cash marketings were down substantially. In concluding, Hansen noted that although there was a price

College Bureau Use Okehed by Thornton Ruling

The legislative highway interim committee can hire the University of Oregon's Bureau of Municipal Research to study how highway bypasses affect the cities that are bypassed, Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton ruled Monday.

The interim committee will pay the bureau \$3,500 for the study.

In other opinions, Thornton ruled: That the Oregon National Guard can't engage the services of an architectural firm which has an employee who is an officer in the guard.

Independence Bridge Closed By High River

High water seeping across the east approach Monday forced closure of the Independence bridge by the Marion County Court.

It was the third time this fall that the bridge has been closed because of a rising Willamette River. Duration of present closure will hinge on weather conditions and in the meantime motorists will be forced to use the Salem-Dallas route to Independence or else go by the Buena Vista ferry eight miles south of the bridge.

The bridge last was closed after heavy rains early in November.

Court Eyes Elma Avenue

A request that Elma Avenue in Four Corners be made a through street was given consideration Monday by the Marion County Court.

The request from residents in the Four Corners area was believed spurred by several recent auto accidents on the avenue. Asked was placing of stop signs on all streets intersecting Elma Avenue.

Commissioner Roy Rice was of the opinion that four stop signs should be placed on the west side and three on the east side of the route.

The court asked the county engineer's office to investigate the matter.

drops during the year, Grade A dairymen generally increased the number of cows in their herd, which resulted in the income remaining at last year's \$1,150,000.

\$38,000 Sum Sought After Area Crash

An amended suit asking \$38,000 damages was filed Monday in Marion County Circuit Court, growing out of a motorcycle-car collision in the Salem area last August 11.

Plaintiff Ben F. Graves, Salem, acting as guardian for minor Ronald D. Graves, alleges that young Graves suffered permanent injuries when his motorcycle collided with a car on Liberty Road near Madrona Avenue. He further alleged that Dallas D. Shippey and Easter Shippey, operators of the car, were guilty of negligence.

Also named as a defendant was the Dairy Cooperative Association. The complaint charged that one of that firm's trucks was negligently parked, one end projecting into the road so that it obscured vision of the car.

Asked in the suit are general damages of \$35,000 and special damages of \$2,816.

Death Claims Mrs. Fletcher

Mrs. Berta Fletcher, 81, of 4351 Macleay Rd., died Monday in a Salem hospital after an illness of several years.

Born July 3, 1874, at Salem, she attended Salem schools. She lived for a time, in Tillamook and other localities but returned with her husband, Dan H. Fletcher, eight years ago to Salem. She was the daughter of William and Hulda Hiatt.

She leaves her husband, Dan H. Fletcher, and daughter, Mrs. Nova Van Houten, both of Salem; and three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Gwin, Salem; Mrs. Belle Kurke, Woodburn; and Mrs. Frankie Smith, Tillamook.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Clough-Barrick Chapel, the Rev. Joe A. Harding officiating. Burial will be in City View Cemetery.

Births

ROBERTSON—To Mr. and Mrs. Billie Robertson, Salem, Route 1, Box 25, a daughter, Monday, Dec. 12, at Salem Memorial Hospital.

WATT—To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Watt, Willamina, a son, Monday, Dec. 12, at Salem Memorial Hospital.

RIVANS—To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bivans, 2360 Maple Ave., a daughter, Sunday, Dec. 11, at Salem Memorial Hospital.

Young Voters Offered Help

An office offering help to persons approaching voting age will open Tuesday on the Senator Hotel mezzanine.

Established by the First Voters Committee, a branch of the Young Republican Federation of Oregon, its purpose is to gather names and addresses of persons 16 to 22 years old for a statewide campaign offering information and service, according to Pat Roden, committee chairman.

Subcommittees have been set up in each county and at several colleges in the state, he said. The Salem office will be state headquarters.

\$15,000 Suit Filed After Fatal Wreck

A fatal motorcycle-car accident was stated as basis for a \$15,000 damage suit filed Monday in Marion County Circuit Court.

The complaint charges defendants Iva Mae Foulks and Norman Mac Harper, both of Salem, with negligence in the accident, which resulted in fatal injuries for motorcycleist Allen John Stroh, 16, Salem. Scene of the May 6 collision was Park Avenue and Garden Road.

Plaintiff Peter Stroh, the deceased's father alleged that Iva Foulks was owner of the car and Harper the driver. The youth reportedly was going east on Garden Road and the car south on Park Avenue at the time of the collision. Young Stroh died shortly afterward.

General damages of \$15,000 and special damages of \$662 are asked in the suit.

Candidates for Office 'Should Visit Colleges'

Political candidates shouldn't confine their campaigns to television at the expense of making personal appearances throughout the country, Travis Cross, assistant to the chancellor of the Oregon System of Higher Education, said Monday.

Cross, editor of the American College Public Relations Association News Letter, said in an editorial:

"Today's college student should be given every opportunity to meet and hear candidates and discussion of issues; faculty should be free to exercise their rights and responsibilities as individual citizens.

"We should resist the trend to bypass hinterland personal visitation in favor of concentration on television appearances.

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Presbyterian Fund Climbs To \$199,169

The final report dinner in the First Presbyterian Church's building fund campaign saw the total climb to \$199,169. An appreciation dinner will be held at the church Friday night.

Canvassing in the drive, which has a goal of \$300,000, will continue until all members and friends of the church have been contacted.

While the bald eagle prefers fish as food, the golden eagle's staple diet consists of rodents.

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