South Salem Growth to Mean 'Sharp Hike' in School Pupils

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Sharp increases in enrollment on the south skirts of Salem can be expected in the near future, School Supt. Charles Schmidt told the Salem School Board Thursday night. Schmidt said this is a certainty because of the mushroom-like growth of new housing projects.

The board, heeding the warnings of increasing congestion, approved a six-room addition at Liberty School and a project at Salem Heights School which will include four classrooms and a multi-purpose room.

Schmidt said he expected 20 rooms to be a need at Liberty School within six years. That school at present has 11 rooms.

Liberty Addition

The board, after viewing preliminary drawings by Architect James Payne, voted that the addition at Liberty School be joined to the north side of the structure. Northside construction would not encroach upon the playing area, it was explained.

Schmidt said that in another year additions will be needed at Hoover and McKinley Schools. Also ticketed for completion this year are two unfinished rooms at Morningside School.

The board heard a report from Clerk Connell Ward that a one-room addition ot Brush College cost $10,327. The addition was open to pupils last Nov. 19.

Ward said final computations from a district census taken last October showed an increase of 977 children between ages of four and 19 in the district since the year before. Figures showed 17,843 children in that age bracket in the Marion County portion of the district and 1,549 in Polk County or an over-all total of 19,392.

Officials Concerned

What particularly concerns officials is that figures in the four and five-year age groups (next year's and 1958's first graders) considerably exceed the 17 and 18-year-olds who will be graduating in the next two years. That means further strain on facilities.

Donald Seburn, member of the district's curriculum advisory committee, told the board the committee feels the district shbuld put more money in its gifted child program to bring it on an equal allotment basis with the retarted child program. The state currently gives a greater amount to the retarded program of each district.

Right-of-Way Given

The board, upon request of the Marion County court, gave the county 10 feet of right of way on each side of Jones Road for purposes of widening the road at site of the pending new Judson Junior High School south of Salem. Transfer of $6,000 to the district emergency fund was voted to take care of added fuel oil costs in the school system.

Judith Morrow was hired as an instructor in tailoring in the Adult Education Program.

The board also voted to add a class in practical nursing to the adult education curriculum.

The board turned down a request by the West Salem Lions Club for purchase of a portion of the old West Salem School site. Reason for the rejection was the board's reluctance to dispose of the property "a bit at a time."

Schmidt said construction of the budget will be started in about a month. He said equipment requests are due into his office by Feb. 1 and all supply requests must be in by March 1st. Salaries of certain employes will be up for discussion when budget talks commence.

Operatic Tenor's Art Song Pleases Audience in Salem

By STANLEY BUTLER
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Cesare Valletti, operatic tenor, gave a concert last evening in the Willamette Auditorium largely devoted to the Art Song. The singer used his richly-coloured voice for lavish expression. His is the type of singing which spontaneously arouses enthusiasm. No recent local concert, I dare say, would have pleased more people, yet the hall was no more than a third filled.

Mr. Valletti impresses one with his love for singing, and it's pleasant to soar along emotionally with his attractive sincerity. The lamenting aria from the 19th century Italian composer Cilea, together with the encore by Donizetti, were declaimed in an authentic manner. Expressive exaggerations of all sorts are standard and convincing with such numbers.

Italian Numbers

However, Mr. Valletti sang very few operatic selections. Instead he sang examples of early bel canto Italian numbers, where simple purity of production is at a premium. He sang five Schumann lieder, miniatures whose intensity is intimate. For instance, in "Mondnacht" he started out serenely but then immeliately an unbecoming urgency had to creep in as he hurried to the top notes of his first phrase. This is an operatic liberty, and as such out of place.

After the intermission there were modern French songs, where elegance is required. Yet again, for example in Faure's "Dans les Ruines d'une Abbaye," where the best tradition calls for simplicity, Mr. Valletti chose to land loudly on a tone and then immediately softened it in a manner approaching melodrama.

'Necessary Detachment'

Let me not exaggerate these mannerisms. It seemed to me that in the first Poulenc number, "Les Ponts de C," the singer was approaching the necessary detachment. Mr. Valletti just might someday successfully make the difficult leap from the dramatic operatic stage to the sophistication of the concert hall and the Art Song. He certainly has the voice.

Mr. Valletti sang in five languages, and I thought his diction good. The program notes gave a literal translation of most of the poems. I'm not certain whether or not I'd prefer just a summary. I do know that someday I'd give an eyetooth for both the original text and its translation. I'm approaching the age of bifocals, so then I'd need the lights on a bit. Who wouldn't?

The program omitted the name of the assisting pianist, Henry Holt. He was a discreet accompanist.

Mr. Valletti generously sang four encores for the warmly enthusiastic audience.

Man Queried In Death of Chicago Girls

CHICAGO, Jan. 24 (AP)—A Tennesseean with an Elvis Presley-type haircut told police today he went night spot gadding with two girls the night of Dec. 28 but denied they were the Grimes sisters.

Sheriff Joseph Lohman said four other persons have contended that the then-missing Grimes girls were the companions of the man, Bennie Bedwill, 21-year-ol drill press operator and part-time dishwasher.

Bedwell, who comes from Paris, Tenn., said one of his girl companions that night was named Carol, but that he didn't know the name of the other. He said the girls left him in the lobby of a W. Madison St. movie the afternoon of Saturday, Dec. 29 and that he hasn't seen them since.

The nude bodies of the Grimes girls, Barbara, 15, and Particia, 13, were found Tuesday near a ditch southwest of Chicago. They disappeared Dec. 28 after attending an Elvis Presley movie near their South Side home. They had seen the same picture several times before.

After almost 15 hours of continuous questioning, Bedwill stuck to his original story, Lohman reported, and kept insisting that he "didn't kill anybody."

Traffic Plan May Settle Fountain Row

PORTLAND, Jan. 24 (AP) — The noted Skidmore Fountain eventually will have to be moved because of traffic developments in Portland.

That was the report from Fred Fowler, city traffic planner, today.

He said ramps leading to the Burnside Bridge would be built in the S.W. First and Pine St. area in about five years.

"There wouldn't be any harm in putting the fountain back there until these other developments are made. It won't be expensive to put it back where it was for the time being," he told the Portland Art Commission.

The fountain recently was removed from the First and Pine location to be cleaned. Since there has been controversy on whether the fountain should go back to its original setting, or be moved elsewhere.

The fountain presently is resting in a warehouse.

Hungarian Arrests Mount

BUDAPEST, Jan. 24 (AP) — Communist police spreading a dragnet across Hungary today announced more than a dozen new arrests in a drive to wipe out revolution

But numerous arrests, sentences and executions were not made public. This includes seizure of eight Hungarian newsmen.

The afternoon newspaper Estihirlap said a raid in Budakessi, northwest suburb of the capital, bagged 16 "who had taken part in the counterrevolutionary action of October."

Ignition Key Too Helpful

A Salem policeman's private car was accidentally mistaken for another car, city police said Thursday.

Officers said an inmate in the city jail had given the keys of his car to his friend to drive home. Somehow, police added, the friend entered the policeman's car instead and drove off with it.

The key to the policeman's car and the inmate's car fit both ignitions, officers said.

The car was later found in the 1300 block of North Church Street.

No charges were filed, police added.

Slides Postpone Highway Opening

ROSEBURG, Jan. 24 (AP)—Slides in a deep mountain cut have delayed opening of the new section of the Pacific Highway south of here.

State Highway Dept. division engineer Frank Morgan said it may be June before the slides can be cleared from the highway that was to have been opened this month.

Envoy Selection Due

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP) — Amory Houghton, chairman of the board of Corning Glass Works, is due to be nominated to succeed C. Douglas Dillon as ambassador to France, diplomatic authories said tonight.

GOP Picks Lawyer

PORTLAND, Jan. 24 (AP) — Dwight L. Schwab, Portland attorney, has been reelected president of the Oregon Republican Club.

Wreckage of Plane Sighted

ROME, N.Y., Jan. 24 (AP)—The wreckage of an Air Force tanker plane in which seven men died was spotted today in the Adirondack wilderness but heavy snow, the rugged terrain and finally darkness halted efforts of ground parties to reach the scene.

The KC97 crashed into the mountainside Tuesday night. It sheared off trees for approximately 400 feet before nosing into the snow. Both wings were torn off and parts of the plane were scattered 300 feet from the fuselage, which was partially burned.

Holmes to Address Chamber at Eugene

EUGENE, Jan. 24 (AP) — Gov. Robert Holmes will speak at the annual meeting of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce here tomorrow noon.

He is expected to elaborate on several points he covered in his Jan. 14 inaugural address.

Dog Victim Of Poisoning

Examination by a veterinarian of a dog which died in Salem Thursday revealed that his death was caused by strychnine, city police said. Officers are also investigating the possibility that another dog's death was also caused by poisoning.

Leo A. Poppe, 1740 N. Church St., owner of the dog killed by strychnine, told police that about 3:45 p.m., he noticed his dog was sick and that it began having convlusions. Poppe later took the dog to a veterinarian who said the dog was given poison.

Mrs. Dorothy Percival, 625 Jefferson St., told officers that her son's dog was found dead about 5 p.m. The dog was five-months-old, she said, and was in good health yesterday morning.

Russia, West Join In Disarmament Talk Resolution

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 24 (AP)—Russia and the Western powers joined today in submitting a resolution that would avoid a showdown now on controversial disarmament proposals and refer them to private talks for early action.

Twelve countries sponsored the resolution for consideration in the 80-nation Political Committee of the General Assembly.

Sweater Girl at Leslie

"Can this be my sweater?" six-footer Charles Hudkins of Leslie Junior High School seems to be asking Susie Feiring. She and other girls at Leslie observed annual Sweater Day yesterday by wearing boys' sweaters to school. (Statesman Photo.)

Junior First Citizen Soon To Leave Post in Salem

(Story also on page 1)

Although Salem's 1956 Junior First Citizen at 29 is five years short of the age limit, his selection Thursday may have been his last chance to receive the honor in Salem.

The winner, Frank M. (Scotty) Washburn, is preparing to leave Salem for a bigger job in a bigger city. He announced recently that he will become director of YMCA adult activities in Seattle in April.

Washburn has been boys work secretary at Salem YMCA for five years. He came to Salem from Portland in 1947 to attend Willamette University and has been here ever since except for a year at YMCA College in Massachusetts.

2,500 Boys

He directs the activities of more than 2,500 YMCA boys with a high degree of cooperation with schools, churches, service clubs and other youth agencies. He also has served as chairman of the Salem Youth Agencies coordinating council and on the Governor's Youth Council.

He is currently president of Pacific Northwest YMCA Boys Work Secretaries, and Oregon section of American Camping Association.

The Junior Citizen is youth work chairman for the Rotary Club and is credited with inspiring the club to sponsor the swimming pool constructed at Camp Silver Creek last summer. He also is a member of the Presbyterian Church board of deacons and has instructed YMCA training classes in the Willamette University sociology department.

Many Offers

Stanley Schofield, 1955 Junior First Citizen, in making the presentation said Washburn has received "many attractive offers to try his wings in broader fields" but chose to remain at the Salem "Y" during planning and fund-raising for the recently completed Youth Wing.

"His work in Salem has been an inspiration to other youth workers in churches, schools and youth agencies and earned him the true affection of countless lads who make the YMCA their headquarters," Schofield said.

Washburn was born in Portland Feb. 28, 1926. He served in the Air Force during World War II and was a member of occupational forces in Japan in 1946.

His wife is the former Buena Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Stewart of Salem. They have three daughters, all under school age.

Olinger Service Planned Friday

Services for James Henry Olinger, 88, 1109 Mill St., who died of a cerebral hemorrhage Wednesday in a Salem hospital, will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the W. T. Rigdon Chapel. The Rev. George H. Swift will officiate.

The Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Astoria	35	26	trace
Baker	17	2	trace
Bend-Redmond	13	3	.14
Eugene			
Klamath Falls	30	18	.03
Medford	41	31	.09
Newport	35	26	.09
North Bend	43	35	.53
Portland	30	20	trace
Salem	31	22	.01

By The Associated Press

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Anchorage	13	1	T
Albuquerque	49	30	--
Atlanta	47	37	--
Boise	31	21	.15
Boston	23	16	--
Chicago	27	17	--
Cleveland	26	10	--
Denver	17	7	.01
Detroit	23	9	--
Fairbanks	-5	-23	--
Fargo	9	-22	.01
Ft. Worth	48	33	.01
Galveston	48	43	.09
Helena	9	-17	.06
Honolulu	81	73	--
Kan. City	32	15	.12
Las Vegas	56	30	--
Los Angeles	56	48	.12
Miami	78	65	--
Mnpls St. Paul	8	1	--
New Orleans	54	45	.03
New York	28	15	--
Pmaha	15	7	.06
Phoenix	63	40	--
Reno	9	15	T
Sacramento	53	37	T
Salt Lake	31	22	--
San Diego	60	50	.03
San Francisco	54	40	.02
Washington	29	21	--

Today's forecast (from U.S. Weather Bureau, McNary Field, Salem): Mostly cloudy with light snow flurries today. High temperature 28. Partial clearing tonight with low near 15.

Willamette River: 1.7 feet.
Temp. 12:01 a.m. today 22.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

Since Start of Weather Year To Date	Last Year	Sept. 1 Normal
13.75	41.09	22.80

1,200 Jam Into White House for Gala Reception

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP)—Diplomats from all parts of the world gathered tonight with President and Mrs. Eisenhower at the first official White House reception in two years.

An estimated 1,200 persons jammed the formal parlors, state dining room and East Ballroom for the event, which opened the curtailed social season for 1957.

Nurserymen Pick Portland Man

PORTLAND, Jan. 24 (AP) — Paul Van Allen, Portland, today was elected president of the Oregon Assn. of Nurserymen.

A highlight of today's session was an address by Mark Astrup of the state Highway Department. He urged nurserymen to grow more native plant material for use in landscaping highway right-of-ways.

Russ Military Experts Flock Into Egypt

CAIRO, Jan. 24 (AP)— New arrivals of Soviet "experts" to train Egyptian troops in the use of Russian-supplied arms were reported today. This came as the controlled press lashed out with steadily mounting belligerency at Israel's refusal to yield unconditionally the Gaza Strip and the Sinai area controlling the Gulf of Aqaba.

An official Egyptian source declared the next move was up to the United Nations. He added that his country probably would have to order Suez Canal clearance operations halted as a means of persuading the big powers to bring sufficient pressure on Israel to withdraw.

Eyewitnesses said they saw 15 Soviet technicians arrive last night at Cairo airport. They were greeted by Egyptian officials and hustled through passport and customs formalities ahead of other arrivals.

The number of Soviet experts is increasing steadily. Most of them are young men, all wearing civilian attire. There is no official figure on how many have come here, but unofficial estimates run into the thousands.

Reliable sources say they have been dispersed in military centers throughout the country. Casual observation on Cairo streets discloses many men in typical Soviet civilian suits, featuring bell-bottom trousers.

The amount of Soviet arms coming into Egypt is a closely guarded secret. Some informants say a trickle has continued without interruption since the halting of the British-French attacks early in November.

The kingdom of Jordan includes the Biblical lands of Edom, Ammon and Moab through which the Children of Israel passed.

Theater Time Table

ELSINORE
"BABY DOLL": 8:35
"MIAMI EXPOSE": 7:00, 10:24

CAPITOL
(Continuous from 1 p.m.)
"WESTWARD HO! THE WAGONS": 1:44, 4:37, 7:30, 10:23
"DISNEYLAND U.S.A.": 1:00, 3:53, 6:46, 9:39

HOLLYWOOD
"LUST FOR LIFE": 7:00, 9:56
"SIAM": 9:17

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