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Johnson on the Farm Problem

Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson, majority leader, told a convention of Rural Electric Cooperatives that the most important farm problem is "how to keep the farmers on the farm."

Some experts say that the solution to the farm problem is to get "surplus" farmers off the land.

The migration from farms has been continuous. Farm population has been steadily declining with the exception of some of the depression years in the 1930s. In 1910, the farm population was 32,077,000 out of a total of approximately 92,000,000. In 1940, the total population had risen to 131,000,000 but the farm population had declined to 30,500,000. The decrease since the war has been rapid, the 1955 estimate of farm population being 22,150,000 out of a total of around 160,000,000.

Who is there who would say that 18,000,000 should move from towns and cities onto farms to bring the farm population up to that of 1940? And why should persons remain on farms if they are no longer needed there to produce food and fiber, unless they are so situated that they can enjoy farm life free of worries?

If Senator Johnson had said that a very important farm problem is how to assure farmers fair treatment in the distribution of goods and service in our wonderfully productive economy, then he would have put his finger on THE farm problem. A solution to this problem is blocked if we insist that every one who likes farming shall be guaranteed a comfortable living even if he is inefficient or trying to make a living on a tract too small or infertile.

Dr. Theodore Schultz, head of the department of agricultural economics of the University of Chicago, one of the real authorities on remedies for the farm problems, thinks that more persons should quit farming and seek better economic opportunities in other vocations. This doesn't mean "plowing under" surplus farmers. It merely recognizes the trends which modern technology and science have accelerated. Over and over again we have seen the failure of politicians to solve the farm problem because they overlook or sidestep the basic economic factors involved.

Cahill Commutation

Republicans in the House have exploited the commutation of the sentence of Otto Cahill, apparently seeking to extract political ammunition from it. The incident has been blown up out of due proportion and should be dropped.

The power of the governor to grant reprives, commutations and pardons save for treason is specified in the state constitution. He must report to the Legislative Assembly when it convenes the cases in which clemency has been exercised, but his exercise of this power is complete and final. Whether he has acted wisely may be a matter of discussion but not of reversal.

Otto Cahill was tried and convicted, and the verdict was sustained on appeal. Commutation does not wipe out that record. Governor Holmes for reasons which appeared to him sufficient issued the commutation. He is under no obligation to appear before a legislative committee and state his reasons, and probably would not so appear if invited. In performance of an executive act such as this he is not responsible to the Legislative Assembly.

The Legislature should proceed to dispatch business within its own province.

Fluorides in New York City

New York City's board of estimate held a hearing on fluoridation of its water supplies. The hearing lasted from 10 in the morning until 2 a.m. next morning. Arguments offered were so conflicting the board is postponing any decision on the question—nonaction being understandable since this is the year for the city election in New York.

At the New York hearing 34 persons spoke in favor of adding fluorides to the water supply and 54 against. Among the latter were Dr. F. B. Exner of Seattle, who has been a conspicuous figure in the battle against fluoridation in the Northwest.

When the hearing was over Borough President Maniscalco of Richmond said he was confused before the hearing and "completely confused after it," what with so many doctors, dentists and scientists on each side of the fence.

Evidently the subject gets the same emotional responses among New Yorkers as among those who dwell in the hinterland. Having gone through two campaigns we know how "unsettling" they can be.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, biggest in the business, reports assets of $14.7 billion, which puts it second only to American Telephone and Telegraph Company. When we try that on for size we are apt to be appalled, but it only goes to add proof that this is a billion dollar country.

The narrower columns that newspapers affect now does things to headlines. Thus president or governor no longer "signs" a bill; he "inks" it. The letter-count is shorter.

GRIN AND BEAR IT — By Lichty

"Abdul most promising story-teller in the land! . . . few more stories and he should be ready for diplomat post at United Nations! . . ."

IT SEEMS TO ME

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receive a fair share of the energy produced there. His reason was that with Washington in large measure a public power state and Oregon a state where most distribution is by private utilities Oregon might lose out on energy produced at this dam even though part of it would be anchored to Oregon soil. When Congress was considering a bill to permit a PUD development of the Priest Rapids site in Washington, Congressman Homer Angell obtained a concession by which a share of this power is assured Oregon. In the case of the Hungry Horse Dam, Montana got a guarantee of part of its power production. Gill seeks similar protection for Oregon in the prospective development of the John Day site. Under the standard preference clause there is no such protection.

Another solution would be for Oregonians to go in for public ownership through municipally owned plants or PUDs. Almost uniformly, however, Oregon voters have rejected such proposals and there is no present indication they have changed their minds. Certainly they ought not to be forced into public ownership by this federal preference clause.

There is no basis in ethics for the federal government to discriminate among classes of users of electricity, when the resources of all have been drawn on to provide the facility. Senator Neuberger seems to acknowledge the inequity when he suggests a means of circumventing the purpose of the preference clause. He ought to move for a direct cure of the inequity. It's an iniquity.

Soviet Force Produces Industrial Might, But Finds Her People Still Want Freedom

By JOSEPH ALSOP

PARIS, March 12—The final impression left by a long sojourn in the Soviet Union can be rather shortly summed up. The two sides in the great struggle that divides the world are now engaged in a peculiar sort of race. It is a life and death race but neither side fully understands its nature.

Joseph Alsop

To describe it bluntly and even brutally, this is a race between the weakness of the one hand and the evolution of Soviet society on the other hand. The creatures in the race are considerably more oddly assorted than the hare and the tortoise. And just to make this race even stranger still, each side is backing the other's animal to win.

While I was in the Soviet Union, I often felt grave doubts about the wisdom of the Western hopes that Soviet society will somehow and sometime change in a way that will make the division of the world more bearable and less dangerous. Indeed, I feel doubts about Western hopes now, when I see a presumably respectable American professor and alleged Russian expert proclaiming the weakness of the Soviet Union's massive industry because of short visits to two characteristically antiquated textile factories. (Of course it is heavy industry that has grown so massively in the Soviet Union, not consumer industry.)

In truth it is positively frightening to hear from Washington that the professor's claptrap has been taken seriously and is regarded as a great cause for optimism in the President's own circle. Nothing on earth could be more dangerous for the West than to underestimate Soviet military might and industrial strength. Everything I saw convinced me that Soviet military-industrial power is still growing and will continue to grow, although perhaps at a reduced rate.

All the same it is also true that the evolution of Soviet society offers the West quite genuine grounds for long-range hope. This is because of the curious interaction of the major Soviet success and a serious Soviet failure.

The Soviet failure, which has only been really proven in the last year, is the failure to produce the famous "new Soviet man" so long envisaged by the Kremlin's masters. The moral laws have not been repealed in the Soviet Union, even although they were temporarily suspended by sheer terror. Men and women have not lost their desire to be free, their wish to live their own lives or their hankering to exercise their own individual judgments. People still want to be people, instead of a higher form of ant.

As for the Soviet success, it is the final attainment of the goal set long ago—the creation of a high industrial society, technically complex and advanced, with a gross product second only to that of the United States. The Soviet rulers themselves have now discovered that running such a society and insuring its continued development and progress are quite different things from constructing such a society by exhortation and by force.

As has been previously suggested in this space, successfully developing this kind of society demands a greater measure of freedom than the people of the Soviet Union have enjoyed for a very long time. But as soon as a little more freedom is granted, as it has now been granted, then the failure to produce the "new Soviet man" begins to make all sorts of trouble. People say things, people even do things that are not at all approved.

So there follows the kind of pullback toward unfreedom that is now taking place in Soviet intellectual life. You have to go to the Soviet Union to understand Plato's view that all poets are sinister subversives. In fact in the kind of society that Plato was writing about, and ten times more in Soviet society, free poets are highly subversive. That explains the current Soviet pullback.

Yet the pullback cannot go too far. It cannot in particular safely go as far as Stalinism. Thus the process of evolution of Soviet society will eventually begin again. Of course Soviet society will hardly evolve toward anything recognizable as democracy, but it should at least evolve toward a kind of modified communism in which there will be air enough for men to breathe.

That kind of aerated Communist society and the Western democratic societies might well jog along together in a reasonably comfortable way, especially if Soviet national income continues upwards. But the hitch lies in the time factor. At best it will take a very long time for the evolution of Soviet society on which the West has placed its hopeful bets.

But what about the time factor of those Western Weaknesses on which the Soviet leaders are betting so confidently? Is there any way to prevent the Western partners on this side of the Atlantic from being mortally damaged by their dependence on the troubled ex-colonial regions of the Middle and Far East? If there is no way to cure this mortal weakness, how long will it take before the weakness takes effect?

And again, what about the deep fissure that already exists in the Western alliance itself? Can it be bridged? And if not, how long before it contributes to the final upset of the world power balance?

By this upset rather than by war the Soviets expect to win the race. Thus the answers to the above questions will decide the outcome. And only bold, realistic and imaginative Western leadership will find satisfactory answers.

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Safety Valve

Publicity Gimmick?

To the Editor:

Our Congressman did not have the facts when he claimed that Mrs. Northcross, the PX co-ordinator, was paid from tax money and travelled at government expense.

Actually, she is paid from PX store profits, and her transportation is also paid by PX profits.

It seems to me that the whole episode was simply a publicity gimmick.

If Congressman Norblad really wants to do something to help the taxpayers why doesn't he work for the adoption of the Hoover Commission Report on Unification of our armed forces, which could have saved over 25 billion dollars during the time he has been on the Armed Services Committee?

Ernie Crowder,
Mt. Angel, Oregon.

Looking at Situation

To the Editor:

Looking at the situation of both our state and nation, it can be described with four outstanding words: "Lack of American Representation, means even more inflation; which leads to increased Taxation, and thereafter, more Regimentation, and don't let anyone tell you to the contrary.

George H. Holmes,
1326 Third St.

Thanks Firemen

To the Editor:

I am thankful to the fire department for the splendid job they did in putting out the chimney fire at 891 N. Commercial St.

H. G. Damon,
891 N. Commercial St.

Abstract Art Forced to Vie With Chimp

By J. M. ROBERTS
Associated Press News Analyst

The late Arthur Brisbane didn't think much of prize fighting.

He used to write dissertations in connection with just about every big fight reminding people that, when fighting, men were displaying just about their least admirable prowess.

None of them could beat a gorilla, he used to say, so why should people get excited over a display of second rate talents.

Since the columnist's death and the Scopes trial, where overexertion contributed to the death of William Jennings Bryan, the competition between man and monkeys has been somewhat quiescent.

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Now comes Betsy Anthropopithecus—Webster's says that's her family name whether she likes it or not—to stir things and nobody knows where it will lead.

Betsy, a chimpanzee, more intellectual and less ferocious than a gorilla, has gone into competition with a group of humans who particularly pride themselves on intellectuality.

It's not merely a matter of abstract painting—Betsy does it with her fingers—but of direct economic competition. Betsy's agents sell her stuff for real money, something many of the human abstractionists have trouble in doing.

Another way in which she is different is that she expresses no theories about art, claims to be no outlet of spirit through color.

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Perhaps the worst thing from the human artist's standpoint, however, is that Betsy admits to a 7-year-old mind. The abstractionists are sick and tired of hearing the comment "A daubing child could do it." An official of the Museum of Modern Art in New York once replied to this taunt—"Let them do it, it'll help the family bankroll."

Well, Betsy's agents at the Baltimore zoo are figuring on buying her a husband with the proceeds of her work.

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A friend of mine, on first hearing about Betsy, wanted to rush off to Baltimore and get one of her canvasses for anonymous entry in one of the open competitions in New York. He thought if she happened to win a prize it would be a wonderful story. But a smart promoter for a Berkeley, Calif., sidewalk show is trying to grab her off for direct, by name, competition there.

Wonder what Arthur Brisbane would say about that.

Time Flies:

From The Statesman Files

10 Years Ago

Mar. 13, 1947

A program widening South 12th Street from Bellevue to Mission Street as proposed by Engineer J. H. Davis, will be presented to the City Council. Part of the $62,000 street widening program has been sanctioned by the council.

Names of three additional Oregon national guard officers who are to attend a refresher course for elements of the 41st infantry division staff at the command and general staff college at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, are Brig. Gen. Harold G. Maison, Maj. Robert G. Brady, Jr., and Lt. Col. Charles M. Thomas, Jr.

25 Years Ago

Mar. 13, 1932

Hundreds of people went out to the airport and saw the autogyro brought from Portland by King Blair. Many took flight in the craft whose unique design attracted much attention.

K. L. Gunnell was adjudged winner of the Spa confectionery names and slogan contest for its after-theatre special. "Dine and be Merry-The Pleasant Evening Idea" took the prize. Judges were, Mrs. Roy Keene, Miss Isobelle George and H. E. Eakin.

40 Years Ago

Mar. 13, 1917

In preparation for any demand upon the army that may grow out of the German crisis, the militia bureau of the war department has sent precautionary instructions to all state adjutants outlining the plan to be followed.

The Willamette Valley High School Athletic league which will control games and contests between schools in the Willamette valley from Eugene north but not including Portland was organized at a meeting at the Salem High school. J. C. Nelson of Salem was elected president.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "The three first men will be chosen to go next week."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "acumen?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Temperment, judgment, impediment, benefited.
4. What does the word "infest" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with de that means "to lessen in price or estimated value?"

Answers

1. Say, "The FIRST THREE men." 2. Pronounce a-kyu-men, accent second syllable. 3. Temperament. 4. To trouble greatly by numbers or by frequency of presence. "The building was infested by rats." 5. Depreciate.

Road Contract Let

Statesman News Service

McMinnville, March 12 — An oiling contract for 4.17 miles of the Boyd-Dufur road in Wasco County was awarded by the State Highway Department today to J. C. Compton Co., McMinnville, on a low bid of $19,309. There were six higher bids received.

Silverton Phone Firm Issuance of Stock Approved

Public Utilities Commissioner Howard Morgan Tuesday issued an order authorizing the Valley Telephone Company, Silverton, to issue and sell 12,811 shares of its $10 per value common stock.

Proceeds from the sale of the stock will be used for the retirement of short-term notes outstanding and for the construction, extension and improvement of its operating facilities.

City Cocktail Lounge Sued For $55,000

An alleged fall in a Salem cocktail lounge last December was the basis of a $55,000 personal injury suit against the Stage Coach Lounge, City of Salem and two city first aid men, filed in Marion County Circuit Court Tuesday.

Marvin Byers asked that amount in general damages for injuries allegedly received when, he says, he slipped and fell on a rubber-covered ramp. Defendants include Walter Cline Jr., doing business as the Stage Coach Lounge, Robert Blegen and Bertram Iverson.

Myers charges that Blegen and Iverson, city first aid men, who answered the accident call, didn't take him to a hospital, moved him without consulting a physician and carried him into his home without proper equipment.

The complaint also charges Cline with negligence in directing the two first aid men to move Myers without first summoning medical aid.

Byers alleges that such treatment forced him to undergo surgery three days after the accident for a fractured bone in his thigh. Myers also charges that the ramp was wet and slippery.

An additional $1,789 is requested to cover medical expenses.

Oregon CD Chief Pleads For Peace

WASHINGTON, March 12—"The only real solution to the evacuation and shelter problem is to have peace," Col. Arthur M. Sheets, Oregon state civil defense director, told the House Government Operation subcommittee on Military Operations here recently.

The committee was considering a bill to strengthen civil defense programs and operations throughout the nation.

Col. Sheets is president of the national association of state and territorial civil defense directors. He appeared before the subcommittee to speak on behalf of H.R. 2125, a bill to reorganize the civil defense functions of the federal government and to establish a department of civil defense.

In urging passage, Sheets said government responsibility in time of disaster, in general, is the same as it is in normal times—to provide for the common defense; to protect the public peace, health and safety; and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the state and union. Such responsibility is vested in government by constitution and by law and cannot be delegated, but it progresses from cities upward to counties, states and the Federal Government, Sheets stated.

"The magnitude of the emergency, if it occurs, is beyond comprehension," said Sheets. "How do you treat 40 million casualties or bury 20 million dead, or provide homes for millions who have no homes to go back to? You just homes for millions who have no homes to go back to? You just have to deal with manageable pieces of the problem. You do what you can to keep suffering to a minimum."

On the question of evacuation versus shelter, Col. Sheets stated that evacuation is a valid concept at this time, prior to and following attack, because distance from the bomb crater is the best protection. At the same time, shelter is a valid problem to consider for planning at this time because of existing and developing enemy capabilities, he said.

Such planning and action must commence at the national level, according to Sheets.

Ex-Resident Of Salem Dies

Word has been received here of the death of Albert Benson, 59, former Salem resident, Sunday in a Boise hospital after a long illness.

Benson was born Nov. 12, 1897, in Thetford, Mich. He moved to Boise in 1952 from Salem and was employed as a tool and die maker until ill health forced his retirement last November. He was married to the former Rennie Pursley on Aug. 1, 1946, in Salem.

He was a past master and life member of Kingwood Lodge 204, AF&AM, West Salem; and a member of Scottish Rite Bodies of Salem; Mystic Star Chapter 81, Order of Eastern Star, Boise; El Korah Temple of the Shrine, Boise; Veterans of Foreign Wars, Salem.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Rennie Benson, Boise; daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Pike, Boise; son, Wilbur Purlsey, Boise; brother, Roy Benson, Munson, Alta., Canada; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held in Boise.

65 Sub-Division Plats Filed With County in 1956

Sixty-five plats for sub-division of property in the Salem area were filed with the Marion County recorder's office during 1956, recorder Herman Lanke reported Tuesday.

Although figures are not available on the financial transactions involved, Lanke said a majority of the recorded sub-divisions were for sizable projects on 10 to 15 acres of land.

"I'm sure ten years ago we didn't record one sub-division," he said. "This is certainly one indication of the growth of Marion County in the past few years and it certainly establishes a record for division and re-sale of property in the county."

Corvallis Youth Takes Over WU's Phi Sigma Tau

A Corvallis youth, David Steward, was elected president of Phi Sigma Tau at the same meeting in which he was initiated by the philosophy honorary society at Willamette University.

Other officers elected for the coming year are Merlin Hofstetter, Silverton, vice president; Ashley Rose, Dundee, treasurer; Stan Culy, Medford, secretary; Miriam Mathews, Portland, historian.

Besides Steward, Culy and Gail Sandine of North Bend were initiated at the meeting.

Police Method School Starts In City Today

The first class in a new advanced police methods school will be offered in Salem today for 50 to 60 police officers from Marion and Polk counties.

Guest lecturer will be Capt. Leland D. Weaver of the Salem police department. He will speak on "The Police Approach to Human Relations" at 12:30 and 6 p.m. in Salem's City Hall.

Future topics will include traffic, auto thefts, court procedures and juvenile problems. Speakers will be from city, state and federal agencies.

The school is sponsored by the Oregon Association of City Police Officers and the Oregon Sheriff's association with the cooperation of the FBI, Oregon state police and other governmental groups.

Henry Steger, 68, Succumbs

Statesman News Service

GERVAIS, March 12—Henry G. A. Steger, 68, died at a Brooks nursing home early today following a short illness.

Born in Nuremburg, Germany, Feb. 7, 1889, he came to the United States as a small child with his parents. He moved here from Grants Pass in 1943.

A section foreman for the Southern Pacific Railroad, he retired in 1950 after 30 years of service. He was a member of the Gervais Presbyterian Church and the Brotherhood of Railroad Employes.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Ruth E. Steger, Gervais; four daughters, Lois Rose Ann, Nadean Evelyn, Barbara Gayle Steger, and Mrs. Betty Jo Ramsey, all of Gervais; three brothers, R. DeMont, Sebold, Portland, Eugene Sebold, Grants Pass, and Rulon W. Sebold, Tormy, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Hermina Williams, and Mrs. Maybelle White, both of Cottage Grove, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services are scheduled Friday at 1:30 p.m. at Ringo-Cornwell Funeral Chapel, Woodburn. Interment will be at Forest View cemetery, Forest Grove.

Ex-Railroad Worker Dies

Leo Axsel Ahrenkiel, 66, retired railroad worker, died Tuesday morning in his home, 385 Elma Ave. He was in ill health for some time.

Born April 28, 1890, in Iowa, he was married to the former Eva Morris in 1911 in Armstrong, Iowa.

The couple lived in Wyoming and then moved to Montana where Ahrenkiel worked for the Great Northern Railroad.

He retired because of ill health and came to Oregon about 10 years ago.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Eva Ahrenkiel, Salem; daughter, Mrs. Nina Van Hess, Salem; sons, Morris Ahrenkiel, Boring; Kenneth Ahrenkiel, Idaho; Keith Ahrenkiel, Stayton; sisters, Mrs. Louisa Johnson, Iowa; Mrs. Ina Smith, Calif.; five grandchildren.

Services will be Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in Virgil T. Golden chapel, the Rev. Donald A. Hall officiating. Burial will be in City View Cemetery.

Driver Injured When Auto Flips On Slippery Turn

Statesman News Service

PEDEE, March 12 — James Mentzer, 19, suffered severe bruises and cuts Friday evening when his car overturned near Cloverdale. He is employed at the Linn Plywood plant at Albany and was accompanied by another worker from the plant, Robert Kessler, 21, of Albany.

The car went into a skid on a wet curve, left the road and overturned several times before coming to a stop in the ditch.

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101 State Workers in Salem Area Promoted

Promotions of 101 state employes in the Salem area during the month of February were announced Tuesday by the State Civil Service Commission.

Anthony R. Cardiello has been promoted public welfare program supervisor 4 and Enid Welling also was advanced to this position. Alfred T. Schefter and Robert M. Elder moved to field office manager 2 and Arnold Gagnet went to field examiner 2. Kenneth D. Gaver, M.D., was promoted to physician 2, Jack A. Horrigan to experimental farmer, Allan G. McElroy to field examiner 3, David Kuhns to county welfare administrator 1 and Barbara Ann Barrett to Caseworker Consultant.

Sally L. Rueck is now classified as key punch operator; Aaron E. Bowen, as tabulating machine operator 2; H. D. Hylton as institution worker 2 and Marietta Johnson as houseparent 1. Wilbur A. Ewert is now a hearings officer 2, while Blaine M. Cline is a collections agent. Thelma E. Benson is a new accountant 1, Delmer W. Wagner case worker and James M. Hutchison wildlife conservation aide. Caroline J. Griesel has become personnel technician 1.

Also Included

The February promotions also include Marvin Nettleton to field examiner 1, Jack J. Parks to clerk 5, Hilda L. Chapman to practical nurse 1, Ralph VanZyl to experimental farm technician, Mary C. Smirnes to dental assistant, Warren H. Cyrus to shipping point supervisor 1, V. L. Luke, E. T. Carl and Roxie T. Taylor to cook 2 and Walter Herberger to clerk 5. Birt W. Jackson moved to dairy farmer 1, Ward C. Murray to field examiner 2, Ben F. Wechsler to storekeeper 2, Mae Gillis to cook 1, Paul A. Riggs to therapist aide, and Colleen F. Lavadour to psychiatric aide 2. Charles A. Root advanced to clerk 3 and Theresa Boehm to employment security interviewer 2.

Promotions for the following people in the clerical series also took effect in February: Joyce A. Lindhe, clerk stenographer 3; Dona M. McTighe, Jean Phelps, Nellie M. Resch, Lorna L. Hoffman, Jean B. Perin, Carol A. Bjerkan, Elsa Marie Goode and Shirley J. Jessen, clerk stenographer 2; Arlene D. Jelden, Muth M. Young, Mildred Perry, Kathleen Kheun, Ethel M. Withee and Nellie Brink, clerk typist 2; Agnes M. Scherzinger and Celia E. McClelland, clerk 3; John L. Keller, clerk 5; Mercedes H. Niiranen, Fred J. Loy and Nancy E. Mogstad, clerk 4; Myrtle Wennevold, clerk 2; Marjorie J. Olson, clerk typist 1; Genieve B. Anderson, accounting clerk; Doris E. Monckton, clerk typist 3; and Irene G. McCrary, bookkeeping machine operator 1.

Road Department

Promotions in the State Highway Department include Iven Mullins, Preston J. Kelly, Wayne W. Anderson, Robert D. Munsey, Lawrence R. Mendiola, Oscar Dobbs, Donald P. Force and Arnold C. Vetter to highway maintenance man 3; Anthony L. Johnson, William W. Craig, Jeffry Conners, Harry B. Moses, Edward W. Bienapfe, Elias D. Osborn and Earl J. Saiser to highway maintenance man 2; Harold A. Miller, Kenneth Kruckenberg, David D. Harrison, Lee Follett and Arnold M. Eaker to highway maintenance man 4. Wendell E. Schwartz and Herbert N. Hoover moved to civil engineer 2; Eldon J. Dunn, David B. Hall, Ben L. Gifford and Rudolph Wellbrock to civil engineer 1; Ervin E. Littau to engineer aide 2; Max C. Buffington and Earl E. Hyde to sign foreman; and Kenneth Lee Lucas to park custodian.

Completing the promotion list of state employes for February are Joanne M. Bentley to dictating machine transcriber 1; Roderic E. Olson to accountant 1; Danny L. Eastman to game biologist 2; Rosa Scott to pratical nurse 1; Mary B. Mattison to key punch operator; Susan E. Lawrence to library assistant; and Florence C. Weekly to psychiatric aide 2.

City Marriage Clinic Plans To Meet Soon

The Salem Marriage Clinic, YMCA project, will hold its first counseling session later this week, according to Carl Greider, clinic secretary.

A new community service, the clinic proposes to "strengthen Salem family life by a fortright attack on divorce."

The attack will consist of providing a confidential panel-type counseling service for couples having marital difficulties bordering on divorce. The counseling will be free of charge and panel members will be drawn from the medical, ministerial, legal and business professions. Each panel will consist of four members.

"More sessions are being scheduled and quite a number of contacts have been made," Greider said. "This indicates to us a definite need for such service."

Couples are asked to make application for counseling through Greider at the Salem YMCA, in person. All sessions are confidential as are records of applicants. Counsel is available only when both parties will appear together, YM officials emphasized.

Permit Let For Church

A building permit for the new $360,000 St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church to be constructed at 790 Marion St. was issued Tuesday by the City Engineer's office.

The project, which will have seating for 700, was in the planning stage two years. Design includes an exterior of Colorado pink stone, Vermont marble and cut stone trim. Feature is to be a free-standing tower 65 feet in height.

Ground-breaking ceremonies for the new church were held Sunday.

Permits were also issued Tuesday to Earl A. Godeey, to side a warehouse at 695 Bassett St., for $1,200 and to Alfred Aeschlimann, to reshake a home at 1895 West Nob Hill for $1,300.

Driver Cited After Crash

A Salem motorist was cited by state police Tuesday with following too closely after a three-car collision which occurred about 5:20 p.m. on Highway 22 near Bonneville Power Station.

He was listed by police as Noel H. Dickey, Salem Rt. 3. Other drivers involved were Milford J. VanHess, 4260 Silverton Rd., and Charles Edward Riddle, Corvallis. Oficer Leonard R. Crisler said.

No injuries were reported.

May 18, 1941

Mrs. E. M. wrote . . . "Just a note to tell you how pleased the family was with your kindness and thoughtfulness. I'm sure we will speak a good word for you everytime it comes our way to do so."

The above taken from our file of unsolicited letters.

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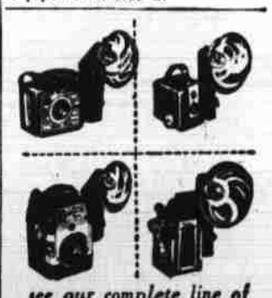

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