

Salvation Army Man Addresses Lions Club

Some comments on conditions in the countries of Norway, Denmark, Sweden, and Finland were presented to the Lions club Wednesday by Com. Karl Larsson, commissioner for Sweden in the Salvation Army.

The commissioner has been touring the United States the past few months on a mission to cement friendships between these countries and the United States and to work in building up greater understanding among the nations. He is in his 55th year as an officer in the Salvation Army.

Larsson declared Norway needs help desperately this winter, say-

ing it is hard for this country to realize the destruction that has been received there and of the suffering the people of that country are undergoing. Finland has suffered terribly, too, he said, and he briefly discussed the great feeling for freedom and independence in that country. Denmark has suffered less than the other two countries, but it is living under conditions unbearable because of the German domination. Sweden has come through so far the easiest of the four, but there are certain severe shortages in the country. Larsson mentioned the great work Sweden has carried on for refugees and in extending help to other nations; and he likewise spoke of the defense program Sweden has tried to build up.

Looks To Peace

Looking toward the peace, Commissioner Larsson said there are many grave problems ahead but said, as a church leader, that unless the spirit of Christ prevails in studying those problems and in looking to build the future, there can be little hope for the future.

With Commissioner Larsson at the Lions meeting were Co. James Dee, division commander of the Salvation Army, Portland; Adjutant Ivar Sorman, who is travelling with the commissioner, and who sang songs for the club, accompanying himself on the concertina; and Major I. J. Torgerson of the local Salvation Army.

Other Programs Listed

At the club meeting, Lion president, Oluf A. Houglum announced programs for the next 3 meetings this month. Next Wednesday, Dr. W. C. Giersbach, president of Pacific university, Forest Grove, will be speaker, this to be an open meeting for all interested. Those outside the club wishing to attend are asked to make reservations at the hotel. On December 20, the club will entertain the blind people of the community. Dr. J. D. Tye, chairman of the club committee on the blind, will have charge.

Gov. Earl Snell is to come to address the Lions on Dec. 27. He is a member of the Lions club in Salem. This meeting also will be open to the public. Because the Christmas holiday is on Monday, the Eugene Kiwanis club members will meet with the Lions that day to hear Gov. Snell.

Wrestlers in Japan sometimes weight 300-350 pounds.

McMorran—

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in California, and after Gage's election, he returned to San Francisco to a position in the state insurance department.

Believing, however, that merchandising held brighter promise for the future, he left this position and returned to the retail selling field in San Francisco. In the fall of 1902, he left that city for Eugene, to assume management of the S. H. Friendly store.

Partner of Washburne
Eight years later, in partnership with Carl G. Washburne, he bought the Oscar Campbell store in the Cherry building. The firm later occupied the Warner building, before purchasing the Cockerline and Fraley store in the Cockerline-Wetherbee building on the corner of Eighth and Willamette streets, and moving to this location. The store here occupied two floors and basement.

Later, McMorran and Washburne bought this building. In 1927, the firm erected and moved into a new building on the corner of Broadway and Willamette. In 1933, Mr. McMorran retired from active business because of ill health.

He was married to Nettie Thompson Dressler, July 3, 1902; she died in 1931, and the following year he was married to Eleanor Riley, who survives. He also is survived by two stepsons, DeMott McMorran of Portland, and Ensign William Riley, U. S. navy; a step-daughter, Mrs. Curtis Whiting of Portland; a step grand-daughter, Jean McMorran, serving in the women's army corps; four brothers, John H., Oscar S. and Reuben, all of Vancouver, B. C., and Samuel A., of Michigan.

Mr. McMorran was a member of St. Mary's Episcopal church, and of the Kiwanis club and the Eugene lodge of Elks; also a charter and later honorary member of the Eugene Gleemen.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later through the Bransetter-Simon mortuary.

Noted Negro—

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Thinking Today." He is accompanied by William Genne, traveling student secretary.

In Eugene, where he arrived at 10 a. m. from Salem, his program called for an 11 a. m. appearance at Gerlinger hall, before an assembly of students of the University of Oregon. At noon, an informal fellowship luncheon had been arranged, with Roy Morse, president of the city YMCA presiding, as a forum on current questions.

At 8 p. m., he was to address the Little Town Hall at First Congregational church, at an open meeting, Dr. George P. Winchell presiding.

"I am stressing in my talks the significance to the world of the right solution of America's race problems," Mr. Tobias said. "It is not so much that I plead for the

improvement of conditions as regards the tenth of the nation that is colored, for their own sakes, as for the good of the soul of America. How can this nation assume, with clean hands, the place of leadership which she should take at the end of this war, unless she is able to free herself from the blot of racial prejudice?"

"Outside the states of the deep south, where laws of segregation prevail, one does not meet with this discrimination against race and color openly expressed; however, there are rules on housing which subtly but strongly convey it, and let a colored person try to get a room in a hotel, he is met with the suggestion, 'Try the other place, we are full.' In communities where colored workers have been brought in for defense plants, I am told, conditions are almost as intolerant as in the south itself.

"While the colored race supposedly has the general right to vote, the poll tax is used in the south as an instrument to discourage them from this privilege, and there also is intimidation. It is interesting to note that in the borderline states, such as West Virginia, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky and North Carolina, where sometimes a republican can be elected, and in two of which there actually is a republican congressman, negroes are more fairly treated and have better educational facilities, fairer distribution of public funds. It is to be hoped that a two-party system will grow through all the south, and that through education of children away from prejudice, the races may learn harmonious living."

Pearl Harbor—

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far behind our old ships. In battle problems before Pearl Harbor, the carriers usually were spotted a hundred miles behind the battle-line and some of their planes carried smoke tanks in the bomb bay. The purpose of the carrier planes, an admiral explained, was mainly "to do the spotting, put down smoke screens, engage enemy spotters and perhaps harass

the enemy."

In November, 1942 our battleships fired their main battery at an enemy surface force for the first time since the Spanish-American war, 1898—44 years before.

Likewise, we had not fought a modern night action until August, 1942, when at Savo island a small Japanese cruiser force almost wiped out our Guadalcanal screening forces. We lost four cruisers within minutes without inflicting any appreciable damage to the Japanese.

Supply Lines Fall

At our first amphibious landing at Guadalcanal, supply lines failed, our men were bombarded almost nightly, reinforcements and replacements did not come, air coverage was lacking.

At Attu in the Aleutians our California-trained men were not equipped with the right Jap-killing tools and the right clothes. Casualties as a result were high.

And yet, all these—Pearl Harbor, Savo island, Attu, Guadalcanal, Tarawa—paid off because we learned the know-how of jungle fighting, carrier battles, night fighting.

Because these men died in the past three years—from Pearl Harbor to Leyte—we've learned the know-how. Succeeding victories will be cheaper.

GOP SPEAKERS NAMED

SALEM, Dec. 7.—(AP)—State Sen. Howard Belton, Canby, and Rep. Eugene E. Marsh, McMinnville, will speak at the fifth annual convention of the Young Re-

publican federation here Saturday. Delegates from 16 Oregon counties are expected.

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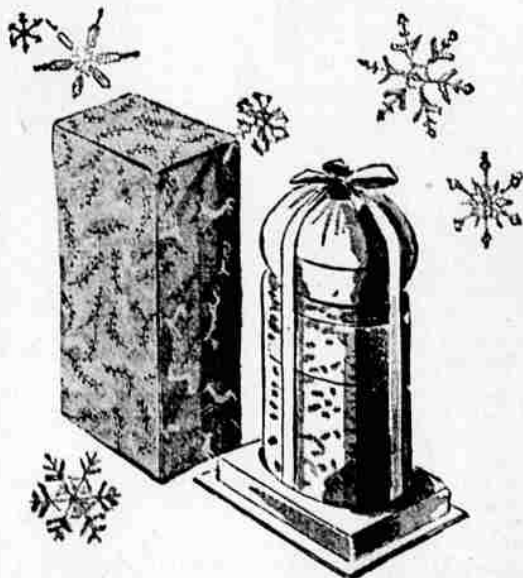
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