

Salem Man Held After Albany Fight

John McCleary, former resident of the Dever community but now of Salem, is in the Linn county jail in default of \$1000 bond awaiting a preliminary hearing on a charge of assault with intent to kill, the outgrowth of an encounter between McCleary and Zach Linville, Dever, on Second street in front of the Sears store and Beam Insurance agency.

McCleary was arraigned in justice court Tuesday but through his attorney demanded a preliminary hearing, which is scheduled for today.

Linville, who swore out the warrant for McCleary's arrest, alleged he was severely cut about the face and arms.

McCleary denied using a knife, in justice court, but maintained that he had struck Linville with his fist only and that the wounds were caused by a ring.

Passersby separated the two batters and McCleary left the scene and proceeded to his home in Salem, where he was arrested.

According to statements of Linville to District Attorney Harold Weinstock, the altercation arose as the aftermath of a property trade whereby Linville had exchanged an eastern Oregon farm for McCleary's Dever property.

The disagreement arose, Linville said, over disposition of AAA soil conservation benefit payments, which Linville claimed went with the property but which McCleary claimed rightfully should have been paid to him.

Savings Plan Offered by Water Bureau

Approval of a proposed savings system was given unanimously last night by employees of the City of Salem water department, who met at the water offices. The plan was outlined by Van Wieder, chairman of the water commission. The movement results from the national administration's announcement of a credit tightening policy and curbing of small loan activities. Included in the plan is a proposed creation of an old-age retirement fund.

Wieder explained that private industry pays a tax of from 2 to 4 per cent for employee benefits under state and federal laws, a plan not available to state, county and municipal employees. Also, he explained, employees contribute to the old-age and unemployment insurance funds. He said the commission had not taken earlier action because it had been expected that the 1941 legislature would make similar benefits available to public employees.

Mr. Wieder said details had not been worked out, but that in some way the commission proposed to match dollars with the employees. It was suggested that the savings be managed by a non-profit corporation comprised of employees, that the money be invested in government defense bonds, and that the savings be made available to beneficiaries at retirement, the amount to be the total saved from salaries plus that added by the commission and the interest accumulation.

In event of illness or emergency before retirement age, Wieder said, short-term loans might be made from the fund to the members at less than commercial interest rates. Following the explanation the employees met by themselves and reported their approval to Carl E. Guenther, manager of the department, who in turn reported to the commission. Guenther said he believed the water department was the first public enterprise to make an offer of this kind.

The 21 employees selected L. A. Harlilton, Hauser Siefarth and Clark Will to work with Guenther and the commission in preparing a detailed plan.

750,000 Indian Troops
Simla, India, Aug. 13 (AP)—Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell, commander in chief of British forces in India, said in a radio broadcast today that nearly 750,000 Indians were under arms and that recruits were rushing to join the colors.



Slaughter Is Out for The Season—Enos Slaughter, hard hitting St. Louis Cardinal outfielder, out for the season with a broken left clavicle, is being well cared for in a St. Louis hospital by two nurses, Miss Mary Lee Brehm (left) and Miss Dorothy Mae Repp. Slaughter was injured in action.—Associated Press Photo.

Japan in Calm Before Storm

Tokyo, Aug. 13 (AP)—Japan is in "the calm before a storm" and hostile nations that underestimate Japanese strength are "inviting unfortunate results," a naval spokesman warned today as restrictions on exports from Indo-China tightened the diplomatic crisis in the Pacific. Japanese newspapers warned Thailand not to accept Anglo-American guarantees on the grounds that nations which had done so "now are dead."

Japan would not tolerate any Thailand submission to Britain. The newspaper Nichi Nichi said it was for that reason Thailand had declared her neutrality.

"Now is not the time to fuss over whether Japan should enter the war," the spokesman, Hideo Hirai, told the Japanese press. "The present is merely the calm before the storm and the people must be prepared."

Hirai said that the Japanese were peace-loving but that there was a limit to their patience and that after that limit was reached there would be an explosion.

The Japanese people, he said, would not be discouraged by pressure. (Previously, the United States and Britain were understood to have expressed grave concern in regard to a possible Japanese move against Thailand, due to the concentration of Japanese troops occupying Indo-China on the Thai frontier.)

Mt. Rainier Receives Ashes of Climber

Seattle, Aug. 13 (AP)—The family of Leon Brigham, Jr., arranged today to have his ashes scattered over Mt. Rainier—where the University of Washington football player lost his life in a climbing accident Sunday. Funeral services for young Brigham will be held tomorrow afternoon.

"Junie once said that if anything happened to him he would like his ashes to be placed on the mountain. That's what he wanted and that's what we will do," his father, Leon Brigham, Sr., football coach at Seattle's Garfield high school, said. He also disclosed young Brigham twice sought to climb Mt. Rainier and planned another attempt next week. Last Sunday, however, he fell through a snow bridge over a treacherous crevasse and was buried beneath the snow 85 feet down the chasm.

Evanston, Ill., Aug. 13 (AP)—The Women's Christian Temperance Union said Tuesday that the nation "was slightly more sober" in the year ended last July 1 than in the preceding year.

It reported national consumption of legally-sold liquor at 1,634,392,741 gallons for the 1941 fiscal year compared with 1,649,970,467 in 1940, a decline of 15,577,726 gallons. Per capita consumption dropped from 14.077 gallons to 13.96.

Landing Gears Prove Defective

Spokane, Aug. 13 (AP)—Failure of retractable landing gears on North American B-25 medium bombers to function properly may force cancellation of plans to use the ships in maneuvers in Louisiana and Mississippi next month, air force officers at Felt field said yesterday.

Mechanical changes on the landing gear of the 75 planes now in service will have to be made before normal flight operations can be continued, Major J. J. O'Hara, executive officer of the 17th bombardment squadron, disclosed while discussing the landing of two of the ships on their bellies within a 48-hour period last week.

Meanwhile, the ships will be flown with the tricycle gear down, a practice which decreases speed, increases gasoline consumption and reduces maneuverability of the ships. If necessary changes can be effected in time the ships will be flown in the maneuvers, Maj. O'Hara said, although it is not known how long it will take to make the repairs.

The faulty plane is being redesigned at the factory so all future planes delivered to the army will have improved models.

Continuation of—Two More Bridges

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The Hobson bridge was condemned some time ago and on one end there is one support said to be practically gone. However, a few people are reported to still use the bridge in face of the danger. Court members figure it would cost about \$5000 to replace the structure and that the service given isn't worth more than a small piece of such money.

Before the bridge crew moves to replace the bridge on the Mt. Angel-Gervais road, a portion of the crew will be put to work on erecting a small 23-foot bridge on the Marion-Jefferson road at Jefferson. This work will probably be done next week and the wooden timbers will be treated before being used for construction. The court secured figures on the cost of a metal culvert instead of the bridge and then decided to erect the bridge of wood because of the materially lower cost.

San Francisco, Aug. 13 (AP)—Los Angeles maintained its lead over 98 Pacific coast cities in building permits issued during July, a month in which the total value of permits declined slightly from the June level, the western monthly building survey reported.

Los Angeles Leads In July Building

Building permits issued during July in the 98 cities totaled \$38,957,747, a gain of 14.2 percent over the \$34,083,847 reported in July, 1940, but down 1.85 percent from the \$39,694,001 reported in June, 1941. The survey, prepared by H. R. Baker and company, said.

Reports of Seattle and Honolulu reflected intense defense activity, the survey indicated. Seattle advanced to third place with permits of \$2,417,883 as against \$1,220,950 for the same month in the preceding year and \$1,872,600 for the preceding period, showing \$1,705,876 for July, 1941, against \$981,491 for July, 1940, and \$909,774 for June, 1941.

The value of scrap materials now being used in American industrial production is estimated in excess of a billion dollars.



Captain A. A. Nicholson

Lions Will Hear Captain Nicholson

Captain A. A. Nicholson, personnel director of the Texas company, will be the principal speaker for the Salem Lions club luncheon at the Marion hotel Thursday noon. Captain Nicholson will speak on the subject, "America Must Remain America."

Captain Nicholson was educated at the Columbia University school of journalism, but later entered upon an industrial career. He has been connected with industry for the past 27 years, most of the time with the Texas company. He served in the World War, enlisting as a private and emerging with the rank of major. He saw service in practically every sector of the western front and was awarded the croix de guerre by the French government and two citations by the United States.

In his present position, Captain Nicholson has contacted virtually every important industrial plant in the United States. He is a staunch devotee of the principles and objective of American business and industry.

Food Reserves Needed by Nation

Washington, Aug. 13 (AP)—President Roosevelt declared in a letter made public Tuesday by Secretary Wickard that the country needed food reserves "to meet emergencies which can as yet be only dimly foreseen."

Addressed to the secretary, it was in acknowledgment of a report on the agriculture department's program to encourage production of pork, dairy products, poultry products, and other foods. It was dated July 25.

Mr. Roosevelt said that in this time of crisis, "food is a weapon against Hitlerism just as much as munitions and food will continue to be a weapon in all efforts toward insuring a more orderly, prosperous and peaceful world."

He recalled that in the first World War, it became necessary to establish a food administration, but added that in this war he saw no reason to believe such an agency would be needed.

Civilian Defense Sign-Up Continued

Woodburn—Winton J. Hunt, chairman of registration for civilian defense, has announced that another registration will be held in the council rooms at the city hall Monday, August 18. The same group of women who served on the registration board August 4 have been requested to serve again. All those who did not register in the first registration should register at this time.

Suwer—Miss Helen DeArmond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. DeArmond, who has spent the past six weeks attending summer school at Berkeley, Calif., has returned home. Miss DeArmond teaches in the Portland schools.

Elsinore Shows Splendid Film, Stirring Drama

To her "Mrs. Chips" of "Good-bye, Mr. Chips" and Elizabeth Bennett of "Pride and Prejudice," Greer Garson has added another brilliant and heart-warming performance as a woman who falls in love with 2000 babies in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Blossoms in the Dust," now showing at the Elsinore theatre.

The story was inspired by the life of Mrs. Edna Gladney of Fort Worth, superintendent of the Texas Children's Home and Aid Society, who has devoted 39 years to finding happy homes for babies. Both Miss Garson's portrayal of Mrs. Gladney and the film's powerful and fascinating theme can only be compared with Spencer Tracy's interpretation of Father Edward J. Flanagan in "Men of Boys Town."

Walter Pidgeon has been ideally cast opposite Miss Garson as Sam Gladney in depicting the colorful lives of a man and woman who, having lost their own child, fill the void in their hearts with thousands of babies.

Supporting performances are uniformly good. Marsha Hunt is outstanding in a brief but unforgettable role as Miss Garson's girlhood friend who is a tragic suicide when she learns that she was an illegitimate child. Also excellent are Felix Bressart, playing a gruff but kindly country doctor, and Fay Holden of Hardy Family fame, and Samuel S. Hinds, as Miss Garson's parents. The babies and children do their share of scene stealing, particularly Pat Barker and Richard Nichols.

The companion film, "Three Sons O' Guns" with Wayne Morris, Tom Brown and Marjorie Rameau is a highly humorous sketch of three mother-pampered boys and their screwy antics in an effort to avoid the army draft.

For archery enthusiasts, "Hunting the Herd Way," the short subject on the program, is packed with thrills and information.

Convict Slays Prison Guard

McAlester, Okla., Aug. 13 (AP)—The body of W. R. Benningfield was found today in a weed-filled ditch, hammered to death by a convict the 60-year-old state employee was taking to a physician.

The death brought to six the number this week in which McAlester prison convicts figured. Ward on Fred Hunt, aroused by the latest killing, ordered immediate closing of the state's two prison camps at Atoka and McAlester.

James David Parrish, 37, serving a brief sentence for grand larceny, was quoted after his capture last night at Shawnee as admitting he killed Benningfield Monday and dumped his body from a car 14 miles north of Durant. Parrish, a trusty, had been at the Atoka prison camp.

Four convicts died as a result of a bloody attempt last Sunday to break out of the penitentiary. Before they died, they killed Hunt's predecessor, Warden Jess Dunn, who had been seized as a hostage.

Second Lend-Lease Bill for \$6 Billions

Washington, Aug. 13 (AP)—The administration's second lend-lease program, calling for appropriation of approximately \$6,000,000,000, will be submitted to congress shortly after President Roosevelt returns to the capital, informed sources said today.

The new funds will be sought even though less than \$6,000,000,000 of the original \$7,000,000,000 lend-lease appropriation has been allocated to federal agencies which contract for war-aid supplies.

Grange Plans Social

McClary — The regular Grange social night will be held at the Grange hall Saturday night. This social night will be the annual overall and print dress night.

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K. P. 'Honeymoon' for Coogan—Jackie Coogan, former movie star and now an army selectee at Fort Ord, Calif., was washing dishes when he came back to his army post six hours late after his surprise marriage to Flower Parry, 19-year-old Hollywood night club flower girl. Coogan was assigned to kitchen police duty for unauthorized extension of his brief honeymoon.—Associated Press Photo.

Mythical Fleet Invades Washington

Fort Lewis, Wash., Aug. 13 (AP)—A huge mythical enemy fleet theoretically invaded the coast of Washington at dawn today, officially starting the biggest war maneuvers in west coast history. First enemy troops theoretically landed by parachute from transport planes at Aberdeen and Raymond, Wash., in the Grays Harbor area. Transports pulled into the harbor and prepared to unload under cover of the guns of mythical warships standing off shore.

Parachute troops also landed at North Head and Camp Clatsop. Fort Worden, one of the main Puget Sound defense outposts, was destroyed after only 15 minutes of battle with the make-believe enemy fleet.

The new \$12,000,000 McChord Field air base, near Tacoma, was bombed, half its planes destroyed before they could get into the air and its runways blasted to bits.

Four hours after the attack, the cities of Port Townsend, Port Angeles, Aberdeen, Hoquiam, Raymond, Seaside, Ore., Canby, Ore., Warrington, Ore., and the mouth of the Columbia river had been theoretically captured by the enemy. Two squadrons of planes from Fort Lewis took off to scout the enemy to determine which of the thrusts was the main attack so the 8th army corps could act in a specific area instead of spreading its forces.

All this was part of the paper maneuvers of the war games which will involve about 100,000 troops. The 50,000 men and officers of the fort were expected to go into action any moment to repel the mythical attack.

The actual theoretical attack followed two days of a "war of nerves," which kept officers on the alert day and night awaiting developments as army umpires made them up.

Even the highest army officers did not know when the mythical enemy would strike; only the umpires held the secrets. All this was planned in order to hold the war games under close to actual war conditions.

For the past two days, there had been reports from up and down the west coast of mythical feints by the make-believe attacker. This kept officers in a state of harassment and uncertainty.

Only yesterday the enemy fleet was reported to have bombed points in the Los Angeles area and retired into a dense fog off the coast. Officers said this feint was made by only a few ships of the mythical fleet in order to throw the concentra-

Only Eight Smokes Left In Famous Valley

Juneau, Alaska, Aug. 13 (AP)—The valley of ten thousand smokes, relic of America's most fearsome natural phenomena, is losing its punch. In fact, there are only eight smokes left.

This startling information was relayed here today by J. C. Roehm, a mining engineer, after a trip across the Aleutian peninsula. Roehm, offering no explanation for disappearance of thousands of steam jets which made the valley like something out of a Dante-created inferno, radioed that the remaining jets are small, mild and apparently growing smaller. Lush Alaskan vegetation is creeping over once-molten sands, and Roehm predicted the smokes would soon stop entirely, allowing the valley to return to its peaceful character of before 1912.

Before 1912, the little valley was merely a backdrop for lofty Mt. Katmai, a quiescent volcano. Seventeen miles by four, the valley, like the surrounding peninsula, was uninhabited, but ancient Indian trails showed it had been a favorite hunting ground.

Suddenly, one section upended and a new volcano, since named Nova Rupta, spewed incandescent and which consumed every bush and tree. Snowdrifts remained intact under a sand cover. Vents—tiny cracks and holes 150 feet wide—spouted steam.

Then, in an awesome climax, Mt. Katmai exploded. Its snowy crown vanished, leaving a crater three miles wide and at least 3700 feet deep. Ashes covered Kodiak Island, 150 miles away. Cordova, 360 miles east, had acid rain. Fumes tarnished brass in Victoria, B. C., 1500 miles south, and haze was visible in Washington, D. C. Scientists calculated that dust in the air robbed the north temperate zone of 10 per cent of the sun's heat.

When it was over, only a lake in the crater and the valley of ten thousand smokes remained. Discovered three years later, they were incorporated in a national monument.

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Find Beauty on Broadway—A motion picture of rare beauty, despite the cynicism of its protagonists, Columbia's "Angels Over Broadway," stars Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., at the Hollywood theatre, starts tomorrow through Saturday. As a Broadway "critter," he is shown about with lovely Rita Hayworth, who is featured as a cafe entertainer. Thomas Mitchell and John Qualen and others in the cast. With "Angels Over Broadway" is "The Great Train Robbery," starring Bob Steele and Claire Cullen.