

Hoyt Elected on Post Directorate

Denver, Feb. 21 (AP)—Edwin Palmer Hoyt, publisher of the Portland Oregonian for the past eight years and one-time director of the office of war information, Wednesday assumed his new duties as editor and publisher of the Denver Post.

He succeeds W. C. Shepherd, veteran executive associated with the Post for almost 40 years, who remains in an advisory capacity.

Post Printing and Publishing company stockholders at their annual meeting today elected Hoyt to the board of directors, with Helen S. Bonfils and E. Ray Campbell. The directors then chose Campbell, attorney who represents the interests of the estate of H. H. Tammen, former co-owner of the Post with F. G. Bonfils, as president of the company.



Rev. James P. Beason, D.D., will speak at the Lutheran World Action rally to be held at St. Mark's Lutheran church, February 24, at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Beason was recently elected full-time president of the California Synod of the United Lutheran church in America for the next five years. He has held the presidency for the last three years in addition to his pastorate of First Lutheran church, Glendale, Calif.

Salem has been chosen as one of the 500 communities in the United States in which rallies will be conducted, and Dr. Beason is one of 62 leading Lutheran churchmen who will present the vital needs of Lutheran world action. At the present time he is also president of the Southern California Lutheran welfare council, giving unsparingly of his time to ease the burden of suffering among his fellowmen.

Pensioner Home Fire Fatal to One

Aberdeen, Feb. 21 (AP)—One man was killed and nine others managed to escape flames which quickly consumed a three-story, frame rooming house, used by old-age pensioners here last night. The victim, in whose room the fire originated about 11:30 p.m., was Elmer Anderson, 45, who has no known relatives. Julia C. Allen, the proprietress, and others attempted to rescue Anderson, but were thwarted by the raging flames.

Veterans Return to State Agricultural Department

With the return this month of three key men, the state department of agriculture swelled to 31 the number of servicemen and women assisting its work. Nine of these were with the department when they entered the service and the remainder have assumed department posts since re-entering civilian status. A tenth employee of pre-war days, Howard Graham of La Grande, will soon be released from the navy and return to the department, which makes only two former employees, Wayne C. Cook and Roe D. Crabtree, still in the army, to be checked back into their civilian jobs.

Every war theater is represented in the service ribbons of the department veterans and on the service flag there is one

gold star, for Clarence L. Pinkley, navy, killed in action in the North Sea. He worked for the department shipping point service in Milton and Portland.

The veterans returning this month include Clinton R. "Bud" Jester, last of the servicemen to return to the division of foods and dairies. He went to work February 15 as division representative in Josephine, Jackson and Klamath counties and is stationed at Grants Pass. Virgil Hiatt, chemist, and Don Duffield, deputy state sealer of

weights and measures, returned to their work in Salem headquarters earlier this month. Joe Gray, now in charge of the grading program for dairy manufacturing plants, returned in January.

Some New Ones Hired

Other veterans of both war and department service back are M. E. Roberts, with the grain division office in Pendleton; Floyd Markham and W. N. Kanipe, with the produce inspection in Portland, and Clifton T. Nielsen, with the same work in the Ontario district; and Dr. R. C. McCornack, Salem, assistant state veterinarian with the division of animal industry.

Nine men on the department payroll when they entered the service have taken up other pursuits, chiefly business and farm-

ing, or have gone back to school.

New to department service since their discharge are these veterans: R. H. Sarver, R. H. Griffith, W. E. Rohrbach, Victor J. Guthrie, J. H. Aston and J. A. Howard, all with the division of grain inspection in Portland; Bernard H. Arnold, Corvallis, poultry and turkey improvement program work; R. M. Smith, Baker, foods and dairies division representative in northeastern Oregon; John E. Davis, Salem, senior entomologist and plant pathologist, division of plant industry; and 10 men and one woman, Margaret Bell, who is in the Salem office, with the shipping point inspection service. These ten men are Lane Pitts, Medford area; Jack Williams, Ontario district; Clifford L. Smith, Portland; A. C. Best, Redmond district; F. D. Duncan, F. M. Elsberry and D. N. MacKnight, Klamath Falls district; Orville Ott and Randall Miller, Salem district; and Charles H. Stewart, Ontario man working in the Klamath Falls area.

Diphtheria Shows Marked Increase

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—Only one disease—diphtheria—increased sharply in Oregon last year, the state board of health reported today.

The diphtheria rise from 173 to 253 cases was attributed by Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer, to a wartime decrease in immunization, and incoming residents from non-immunized areas.

Tropical diseases have proved no hazard in Oregon's temperate climate, the board reported, although returning veterans may carry malaria and dysentery.

Measles topped the disease roster during the past week, with 144 cases—almost three times the total during the corresponding week last year.

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