

ONE-TIME OLYMPIC WRESTLER

Blind Pastor Leads Flock Toward the Light

Piermont, N. Y. (AP)—One of the most active clergymen in this area is a young Methodist minister who is almost totally blind and wears a 36-pound plaster cast fastened down one side of his body. He is 29-year-old Albert Windle.

Windle can't afford a car on his \$1,600 salary. He walks to visit parishioners and averages better than five miles a day. He manages trips to New York by memorizing subway, train and bus stops.

The young preacher and father of four never has babbled himself. He was selected for the U.S. Olympic wrestling team while a student at Temple university, as blind then as he is now.

Windle is usually up at five in the morning. Years ago he started delivering communion at 7:00 a.m. every Friday to all Protestant patients at the Nyack hospital; and he rises at 4:30 to hike the distance on time.

The chief complaint against Windle seems to be that he is never home. One of his favorite "leisure time activities" is to get in a row-boat given him by a church member and row up and down the Hudson river interviewing barge captains. Hudson barges carry everything from mules to coal and the men who operate them are not known particularly for their idealistic view of life.

Undaunted, Windle explains: "You know how a larger craft's crew loves to yell down things at somebody alongside in a small boat. I tell 'em I'm a Methodist minister and ask if I can come aboard. We usually end up with a worship service 'fore' or 'aft' since most of them never get to church anyway."

Every three months Windle is taken by Nyack community ambulance to a New York hospital where he undergoes experimental treatments. For besides being blind, Windle is a victim of Boeck's Sarkoid disease.

Regular visits and long periods of confinement in a hospital are no novelty to Windle. In many instances the nature of his case has demanded operations without the use of anesthetic—the severe pain of which Windle describes very matter-of-factly.

Windle has written an inter-denominational communion service used extensively by most Protestant ministers in his area.

He finds time to be director of publicity for the Nyack Ministerial association. Recently he wrote a critique of Methodist beliefs which has been printed and sent to members of the Newark, N.J., Methodist Conference by order of Bishop Bromley Oxnam. He originated and conducts a religious radio forum—and is called one of the toughest sermon critics ever encountered by graduate speech class alumni.

Windle also writes a weekly newspaper column on religious subjects. His correspondence and necessary reading is done for him by "readers" provided by various Nyack women's organizations. Windle has to memorize everything he wants to use of this nature and therefore can quote with ease from pages of biblical, ritual and source materials.

The clergyman has a wire recorder he takes to hospital patients and "shut-ins." He transcribes "vocal letters" to friends



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36 From Here U of O Graduates

University of Oregon, Eugene, June 13—Thirty-six students from Salem are candidates for degrees from the University of Oregon at the 1949 Commencement which will be held Sunday, June 19.

Candidates for Bachelor of Arts degrees are: Helen Alexander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Shepard, 750 North Summer; Shirley Lukins, daughter of W. S. Lukins, 115 Lancaster Drive; Grace Shields, daughter of Mrs. C. W. Shields, 1271 Marion; Warren Carkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Carkin, 495 North Summer; Francis Mahula, son of James L. Mahula, 1466 North Liberty; Elizabeth Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Nelson, 545 Leslie; Joseph F. Glennie; and Robert B. Sullivan.

Douglas Hay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Hay, 1415 South Liberty, is a candidate for a Bachelor of Laws degree and a candidate for a graduate master degree in business administration is Richard Lee Law.

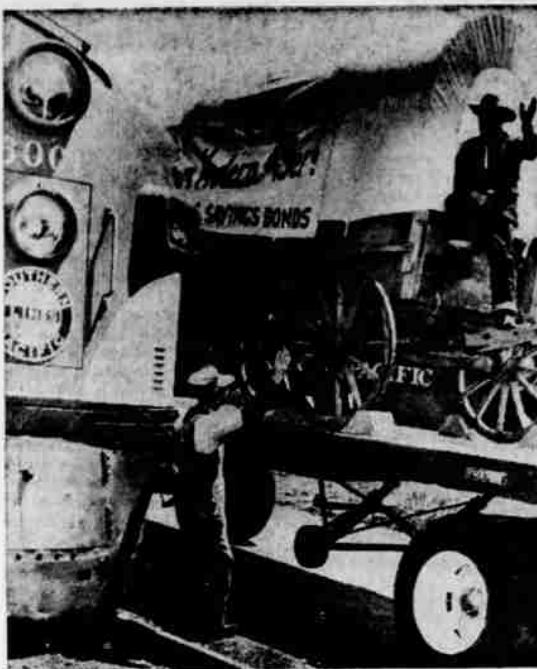
Bachelor of Science degree candidates are: Leslie Corey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Corey, 1464 Marion; Murry Schofield, son of Mrs. B. M. Schofield, 1165 Cross; Jean and George Swift, children of Rev. and Mrs. George H. Swift, 560 chemeketa; Jean Fidler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fidler, 245 South 21st; James Carson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude L. Carson, 296 Richmond; Brady and Robert Gallagher, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Gallagher, 1516 North Commercial; Robert Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Phillips, 1180 Columbia; Paul Rodgers, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Rodgers, 2040 Market; Robert Zeller, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Zeller, 1775 South Church; Victor Selman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Selman, route 9; Wilma Earnst, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Earnst, 739 North Liberty; Hazel Peterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Peterson, route 6; Vinita Howard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Howard, 563 Court; Gordon Victor Bickler; Evangeline M. Howard; Thomas B. Kay; Barbara Ann Miller; Betty Staab Porter; Albert Ray Kemp; Gordon Edward Reeves; Hazel F. Van Cleve; Carol Cook Sibulsky; and Ralph Clark Neill.

He is a graduate of the State College of Washington school of business administration, Pullman, Wash., and the University of Illinois graduate school, Urbana. Prior to becoming a staff member of the division of audits in 1942, he was on the teaching staff of the University of Illinois, the University of Oregon, and the State College of Washington. During the war he served in India and China with the army medical corps. He has recently been on the staff of the Portland office of Haskins and Sells, certified public accountants while on leave of absence from the division of audits.

Grand Island—Mrs. Roy E. Will is recovering satisfactorily from her recent operation at the McMinnville hospital.

Parkersville Club Takes Summer Rest Gervais—The Parkersville Birthday club was entertained at the home of Mrs. James Davidson to celebrate her birthday. The members attending were Mrs. Fred Manning, Mrs. James Manning, Mrs. Dennis Dutton, Mrs. William Uppendahl, Mrs. Ray McCormick, Mrs. William Davidson and Serena Manning. The club will resume meetings next October.

Moved From Silverton Hospital Silverton—Harve Smith, native of Silverton, was moved from the Silverton hospital where he has been ill for many months, to a Salem convalescent home. Smith's condition was reported as improved.



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Don Griffith Takes Position With State Liberty—Donald K. Griffith, on the staff of the division of audits, secretary of state, has recently been granted a C.P.A. certificate by the state board of accountancy.

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Publicists for Farragut Here

Mr. and Mrs. Roger H. Hodgson, publicity agents for Farragut College and Technical Institute, were in Salem over the week-end. Mr. Hodgson is a graduate of Salem high in 1938.

"Farragut is an unusual school," he said, "as it has adequate housing ranging in price and size from a dormitory room at \$9 a month, to a three bedroom furnished apartment at \$29 a month. Farragut college is located in the Bitterroot mountains on the shore of Lake Pend-Oreille, the largest body of water in Idaho.

"The school offers trade and college courses which are accredited by the University of Idaho and credits are transferable to other colleges. Although it is located near population centers such as Spokane and Coeur d'Alene, the community is self-sufficient and dependent upon the college for its service. Refrigeration students operate locker and cold storage serv-

ices. Automotive students repair local automobiles. So the students not only studies the theory of his job training. He operates a business serving the public." Mr. and Mrs. Hodgson were guests of his aunt, Mrs. Frank W. Waters in Salem.

Students of Dance Plan Woodburn Revue

Woodburn—The students of Miss Nancy Anne Lovett will

give a dance revue Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock in St. Mary's Episcopal parish hall. Pupils from the Woodburn area and a few from Oregon City will be presented.

The local group will include Charlene Blinn, Sally DeArmond, Linda, Arthur and Judy Peterson, Peggy Petshaw and Tommy and Tamara Tweed.

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