

East Salem Schools Ready To Resume Monday Morning

East Salem, Sept. 10—All East Salem schools are ready for the new school term beginning Monday. Boundary lines are established and teachers have been on duty several days this week getting ready for classes as usual Monday morning.

Jobs Open in Marion County

The low point in unemployment in the Salem area apparently was reached at the end of August when an estimated 150 persons were on the jobless list as compared with 2150 a month earlier.

This estimate is made by the Salem office of the state employment service with W. H. Baillie as manager. A total of 57 non-agricultural job openings remained unfilled at the month's end, the report states. In addition to these, orders were on hand for large numbers of seasonal agricultural workers. "The remaining unemployed appeared to be so because of choice, or because of physical inability to meet requirements of jobs offered, or because they were temporarily between jobs," concludes the employment office statement.

Farm activity accounted largely for the peak in employment although food processing played an important part in taking up the slack. Canneries and similar plants employed 4500 persons during August and additional workers were being placed as the month ended.

Approximately 500 persons were employed on the Detroit dam project. While the strong demand for seasonal workers is expected to continue well into September, the employment service predicts a labor surplus by the end of the month.

Bank Seeking To Clean Books

Silverton—In an effort to effect a final report in making disposition of the remaining assets of the former Colledge and McClaine Bank, a meeting of all depositors is called for Tuesday evening September 13, in the Washington Irving building. The old bank has been in liquidation for the past ten years.

The business folk asking for the meeting are announcing their purpose is to select a secretary of the trustees, a position made vacant by the unexpected death of M. G. Gunderson, in order to complete the necessities of a final report.

E. L. Starr and C. E. Jorgenson are the only two trustees remaining, with Starr submitting his resignation some time ago which was not acted upon and Jorgenson absent from the city. Neither, it is reported, wish to assume the responsibility. At the meeting plans will be formulated to "make final distribution and final report of the trusteeship." Other members of the board of trustees, now deceased, were Otto Legard, G. D. Bowen and J. J. Moe.

Recruit Given Life
Stuttgart, Germany, Sept. 10 (AP)—Recruit Russell Jones, of Fall River, Mass., was sentenced to life imprisonment today for killing three Germans in a drunken foray last May 1. The U. S. military court spared Jones from death by finding he committed the killings without premeditation.

At the same time the court rejected a defense plea that the 21-year-old soldier was insane when he shot a German girl and two German men while careening around Stuttgart in a Jeep.

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Engagement Announced—The betrothal of Miss Rosemary Bronson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bronson, to Ross Chrisman, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Chrisman, was announced recently. The wedding is planned for this fall. (Kennell-Ellis studio picture)



Engagement Announced—At a recent party the engagement of Miss Shirley Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Clark, to Fred Sproule was announced. No date is set for the wedding. Mr. Sproule is a nephew of Mrs. Kathryn Daniel of Salem and will attend Oregon College of Education at Monmouth this year. (Kennell-Ellis studio picture)

Joyce Tops As Bread Maker

Best bread baker among the 32 contestants in the 4-H club division of the state fair is Joyce Keunzi, 16, of Silverton, who has a \$100 college scholarship from the Sears Roebuck foundation to prove it.

Joan Smith, 15, Corvallis, winner in the junior division, receives a \$50 down payment on her college education.

Contestants were judged on accuracy in measuring, mixing dexterity and personal neatness. The finished product, a loaf of homemade bread, was rated as to appearance, texture and flavor.

All contestants have had at least three years activity in club work and in addition to the bread the senior contestants were required to bake a pan of rolls from the bread dough.

Janice Siddall, Marion county, won a red award in the contest as did Donald Foster, 13, of Portland, the only boy entrant in either division, who scored in the junior section.

Flood Projects to Continue
Washington, Sept. 10 (AP)—The army said today that engineer field offices have been notified they may continue until Oct. 1 obligating funds on river and harbor and flood control projects.

Extension of the obligation deadline from Sept. 15 was authorized by a congressional resolution which President Truman signed yesterday.

Polk County Storm Damage Most Severe in History

Dallas, Sept. 10—Reports of damage from Friday's early morning electrical storm, described by old-timers as the most severe here in their recollection, continued to come in from residents of Dallas and rural areas through the day Friday.

A bolt struck a barn on the place owned by Miss Helena Rempel at Polk Station. It ripped two holes in the roof and splintered rafters. Another struck a large oak tree on the old Remington place back of Bernard Quiring's barn about two miles north of Dallas.

On the Falls City line a bolt splintered a power pole of the Mountain States Power company, but service was not disrupted. Crews replaced the pole later in the day. Many transformer fuses were burned out in Dallas, causing some residents to be out of service while replacements were made.

One Dallas resident reported that only steam issued from his hot water faucets when he turned them on after getting up in the morning. A bolt of lightning apparently had traveled through electric wiring and welded the thermostat so that the unit continued heating.

Children were terrified by the storm which continued from about 2 a.m. until 3:30. Virtually all residents were awakened. The fire department was on the alert for possible alarms but none came. Forestry headquarters of the Polk-Benton district had been notified of three spot fires by noon. Overcast conditions may have prevented look-

Sandy Prisoner Escapes
Portland, Ore., Sept. 10 (AP)—State police today looked for Charles P. Duncan, 37, who slipped through a window of the Sandy, Ore., city jail a few feet from the chief of police's desk.

Duncan was awaiting arraignment on a bad check charge. Chief Charles Keith was out of

outs from seeing others. With five fires set by Thursday morning's storm, crews of the district spent a sleepless night. Largest of all the fires was the 15-acre blaze on Mary's peak, set Thursday morning.

At the peak of the Friday storm, brilliant lightning flashes vividly illuminated the earth and crashing thunder was almost deafening. Its sharp cracking brought the illusion of continuous strikes in the city itself, but the dawn revealed no signs of severe damage in Dallas.

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Mack of Salem Champ Fiddler

Ray Mack of Salem, 64 years old, was adjudged champion old-time fiddler of the northwest when the third annual contest closed Friday night at the Hollywood theater.

A trophy and \$25 in cash were the prizes won by Mack. Second place went to C. C. Mitchell, 61, of Tiernan, and third to John Belding, 79, of Grants Pass.

Jack Barrett of Eugene won the prize for best fiddler under 50 years old, but he was the only entrant. Ed Cowden, 79,

won the award for being the oldest fiddler in the contest.

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