



Badges for Salem Junior Patrolmen—Clyde Warren, chief of police, presents badges and identification cards to 26 junior patrolmen from Salem schools. Front row, all captains, from left: Gary Braden, Wayne Olson, Leo Demers, Ronald Johnson, Billy McDonald, Jerry Walden and Donald Sim (receiving his badge). Second row: Jack Kinney, Robert Tom, Donald Kranser, Kenneth Allmer. Third row: Gordon Charlene Cushing and Fritz Manbeck. Third row: Gordon Fromm, Michael Skaling, James Boisberry and Bill Baleh. Fourth row: Bobby Miller, Wayne Baker, Tom Lovell, Milburn Earls, Douglas McKeever, James Gordon, Eddie Syring, John Tracy and Dale Suran. The chief and assistant chief E. C. Charlton went into uniform for the occasion Saturday, and will continue to follow that dress during duty hours.

State Reforest Laws Upheld

Washington, Nov. 7 (AP)—The supreme court today upheld the power of a state to compel persons engaged in commercial logging operations to make provision for reforestation over areas.

The authority of the state of Washington to enforce such a requirement was challenged by Avery Dexter, owner of 320 acres of timberland in Bend Oreille county, Wash. He appealed from a decision by the state supreme court upholding constitutionality of the requirement.

The supreme court in a two line order affirmed the state court. It gave no reasons. Justice Douglas took no part.

Dexter contended the owner of timberland may do as he pleases with his property. But the state court said an unwritten compact between the dead, the living, and the unborn "requires that we leave to the unborn something more than debts and depleted natural resources."

The Washington law requires every land owner or operator to leave reserve trees in a quantity sufficient to maintain continuous forest growth, or to provide adequate restocking to insure future forest protection.

Adult School Adds Course

The adult education program sponsored by the Salem public schools under the direction of George D. Porter will add a course in upholstery during the current fall term. The first meeting will be held in the old Washington building at 7:15 Tuesday night for registration and a discussion of projects. Because advance registration has been heavy, it is expected formation of a second class will be necessary.

Preliminary steps are being taken toward the formation of an adult education advisory council which will study projects.

A class in clothing selection, with the first lesson scheduled for November 23 has been added. This course will be a short one, operating only five nights. Also tentatively scheduled are courses in showcard writing, window display, ceramics and industrial relations.

The winter term will open December 23. In this connection questionnaires have been sent out in an effort to determine just what projects would prove the most popular.

Reynolds Fails in Global Flight Trip

San Francisco, Nov. 7 (AP)—Milton Reynolds arrived at San Francisco airport at 6:30 a. m. PST today, conceding failure in his attempt to set a new flight record around the earth.

He used commercial plane schedules, reaching here on a Pan American flight. He was to continue to Los Angeles at once. Engine trouble on a flight from Guam delayed him.

The record is six days, three hours and 15 minutes.

Reynolds' time on his arrival here was six days, seven hours and 15 minutes. But his total time must be figured upon his arrival at Los Angeles, where he started his trip Oct. 31.

5 Story Building Ransacked

Portland, Nov. 7 (AP)—Office workers at the Sherlock building found their doors open when they arrived today. Police said the five-story building had been ransacked systematically over the week-end. An office to office check for missing valuables kept officers busy throughout the day.

Wm. F. Neptune Butcher, Dies

William Frederick Neptune, resident of Salem since 1912 and in the butcher business in Salem for many years, died suddenly at the home of his step-son, Everett Wood, early Sunday evening from a heart attack.

Neptune had suffered from a heart ailment for several years and in 1944 was forced to retire from business because of ill health.

Born at Barnesville, Ohio, November 28, 1874, Neptune was the son of Samuel and Eliza Neptune. He left Ohio to come to Oregon in 1910 and first settled in Silverton, moving to Salem two years later. His first wife, the former Alice Boettcher to whom he was married in Ohio October 24, 1900, died in June, 1944, and in 1946 he was married to Emma Wood, who survives him.

On first coming to Salem he was employed at Flesher's Meat Market. He also worked for a time for a packing firm here and after farming for a few years opened his own butcher shop in Salem, operating it for 17 years. His latest location before retirement was Neptune's Market in the 1900 block of State street, a meat market and grocery store.

An ardent baseball fan Neptune in his younger days played semi-professional baseball in the east.

Several years ago Neptune served one term as a member of the Salem school board. He was a member of the Knight Memorial church and had served as a trustee and for a number of years was chairman of the church's building committee.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Emma Neptune of Salem; a daughter, Mrs. Doris Ransom of Turner; a sister, Mrs. A. J. Plinckston of Seaside, Ore.; three stepsons, Carl A. Wood, Everett T. Wood and Emory F. Wood, all of Salem; and five grandchildren.

Services will be held Wednesday, November 9, at 1:30 p.m. at the Clough-Barrick chapel with Rev. Louis White officiating. Interment will be in the City View cemetery.

Last Meeting Of W S Council

A historic meeting of the West Salem city council will take place Monday night. It will be the last meeting before merger of West Salem and Salem.

Attending will be City Manager J. L. Franzen and City Attorney Chris J. Kowitz of Salem. They will present a resolution which will authorize the turning over to Salem by West Salem of all city funds, and other transfers necessary to the merger.

The resolution also will authorize Mayor Walter Musgrave and City Recorder R. E. Pattison to sign all necessary papers in the transfer.

Next Monday night, the regular meeting of the Salem city council will start in the City hall of West Salem, and at that time Mayor Musgrave will surrender to Mayor Robert L. Elstrom of Salem the charter of the city of West Salem.

Next Monday, November 14, is the effective date of the merger.

Planes Get in Hours Regardless of Fog

Planes at Salem's Naval Air Facility spent 28.2 hours in the air over the week-end, despite fog and haze that hovered over the area most of the time.

During the two days the volunteer naval air reserve pilots, most of them from the Eugene-Corvallis area, had the SNJs in the air for 19.6 hours and the SNBs for 8.6 hours.

It was not until 11 a.m. Sunday that the fog lifted from McNary field enough to permit the men to even fly in the vicinity of the field and Saturday it was 1 p.m. before the fog lifted. Even then haze blanketed the area, leaving 10 hours for marginal weather for the two days.

A total of 17 pilots took to the air during the two days seven making five hops Saturday and 10 making 12 flights on Sunday. During the week-end four more volunteers were cleared by the faculty for flying, bringing the total number to 32 pilots.

Columbia Highway Accident Madhouse

Bridal Veil, Ore., Nov. 7 (AP)—The new Columbia river "water level" highway was a "madhouse" of accidents yesterday, police said, with five smashups in one 20-minute period.

The worst was a head-on crash in which eight persons were injured. Most seriously hurt was Brendon McLoughlin, 32, Vancouver, Wash., who was riding in a car driven by Lee Johnson, 33, Pasco, Wash. McLoughlin had a hip dislocation and internal injuries. Johnson suffered a compound knee fracture.

Deputy Sheriff Jack Elliott said balmy weather drew such heavy traffic along the scenic gorge highway that in some sections there were accidents every 15 feet during the day and early evening.

Dorothy Lee Recall Admitted a Flop

Portland, Nov. 5 (AP)—Sponsors of a recall movement against Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee admitted today their proposal faces defeat unless more "vigorous support" is pledged.

Maxwell Donnelly, attorney for the recall committee, said the fate of the movement would likely be determined at a public rally planned at Red Men hall Wednesday night.

He said petitions were not being signed at a rate fast enough to meet the deadline prescribed by law. He added the committee's treasury had \$33. Signatures of 26,095 are needed by Dec. 12 to have the issue placed on a special election ballot.

Donnelly said only 1,734 of 2,188 signatures have proved valid when checked by the city auditor's office.



Charged—Prosecutor James Munro of Bremerton, Wash., accused Mrs. Margaret Platt, 31, (right) of paying \$324 to Hollis D. Scott, 23, (left) with understanding he was to have her husband killed. Mrs. Platt was charged with attempted murder; Scott with embezzlement. (AP Wirephoto)

Ticket Sale for Symphony

A season ticket scale ranging from \$4.40 down to \$1.30 was announced today as 20 women volunteers took to the field to promote the sale of seats for the two Salem appearances of the Portland Symphony orchestra, Jan. 10 and March 21.

Mrs. George Schwarz, head of the Salem Symphony society's ticket committee, said that the price range included about 450 seats at \$4.40, 800 at \$2.50 and 430 in the \$1.30 bracket. The two Salem engagements of the 70-piece Portland ensemble will be presented at the Salem high school auditorium.

Arrangements completed at the first meeting of the ticket committee this fall call for the selling of dummy tickets or scrip during the sale that began today, Mrs. Schwarz said. The scrip may be exchanged for actual tickets at a booth which will be set up in the lobby of the Ladd & Bush branch of the United States National bank next month. The exchange period will begin Dec. 3 and continue until Dec. 10, according to Mrs. Schwarz.

Preferential seating will be offered concert-goers who hold season tickets for last winter's concerts, it was disclosed. About 500 persons will be enabled to choose their seat locations under this procedure.

The major portion of the season sale will close Dec. 3, but Mrs. Schwarz said that tickets will again be made available "three or four days" before the first concert.

Lincoln County Tax Highest on Record

Property owners at Delake will have a higher tax bill than usual with the total tax to be raised in Lincoln county the highest on record.

Average tax at Delake this year is listed at \$79.31 per \$1000 valuation. It was \$65.83 in 1948 and \$54.02 in 1947.

Total taxes in Lincoln county totaled \$1,339,954 while in 1948 they reached \$1,093,039 and in 1947 were only \$822,420. Assessed valuation was listed this year, reaching \$86 as compared with \$72.50 in 1948 and \$66.20 in 1947. The city levy, however, was .2 mills under last year.

Cordon, McKay Billed

Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore) and Gov. Douglas McKay will be speakers at the annual meeting of the Willamette basin project committee here Dec. 1.

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Wins Plea for Cut in Taxes

Jennie R. Loveall Monday won her plea to the county court to have figures on the assessment roll covering Miller's Beauty salon cut because an error was made when she submitted her statement as to personal property valuations of the salon's equipment. She said that an item appeared on the roll of \$2500 covering "small miscellaneous articles" in the salon when it should have been \$25. She said she forgot to put in the decimal point.

At a hearing before the court it was indicated this was an error. However, County Judge Grant Murphy pointed out that the error was such a one not apt to be detected by the force in the assessor's office and that it was her sworn statement to be taken at face value.

County Assessor Shelton stated that a previously published statement her taxes would be reduced by \$178.44 was in error. Her entire taxes, he said, were \$100.94. Judge Murphy said he had figured the tax cut and failed to take into account that it should be on a basis of 45 percent of the valuation. Total valuation shown on the roll was \$3104, which should have been reduced by \$2500 less the \$25. Assessment is made on a 45 percent of the sworn valuation.

Average Worker Wage Increases

Nearly half of Oregon's 240,000 covered workers averaged more than \$250 a month in wages during 1948, the state unemployment compensation commission reported today. The figures were made from a tabulation of more than 17,500 employers' reports.

Average earnings of employees subject to the unemployment law rose to \$2,957 last year, compared with \$2,703 in 1947 and with the wartime high of \$2,510 in 1944. The average was only \$1,832 in 1942 when the first study of individual returns was made.

Of the 287,000 classified as irregular workers, with earnings in less than four quarters, nearly half had earnings under \$400, which would disqualify them for unemployment compensation during the 1949-50 benefit year.

Despite the record earnings, only about 40 percent of the 390,000 workers eligible for 1949-50 benefits would be entitled to the maximum compensation of \$25 for 26 weeks, the commission said. It added that a tabulation of the first 42,000 claims filed after the new law took effect at the opening of the benefit year last July, shows only 29.6 percent were allowed the maximum figure.

More than 50,000 covered workers were in the \$4,000 and over group last year. And 1,360 of them found it necessary to work only a part of the year.

Two-thirds of the regular workers made over \$200 a month last year.

Pay rolls so far reported for 1948 are close to \$975,000,000 compared with \$867,000,000 for 1947, the commission said. It added that although reports for the third quarter of 1949 have not yet been tabulated, indications are that 1949 totals may approach last year's record.

3 Hotly Fought Elections Seen

In a preview of the 1950 struggle for control of congress, voters pckered across the nation picked one senator, two house members, two governors and many local officials tomorrow.

A special senate race in New York overshadows all others in interest.

In that contest and in certain others, labor as well as the major political parties will have something at stake.

The AFL and CIO have put their chips down together on democratic former Gov. Herbert H. Lehman in the New York election to round out the term—expiring in January, 1951—of Senator Wagner (D-N.Y.) who resigned.

Republican Senator John Foster Dulles, an appointee of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, has made President Truman's "Fair Deal" program an issue by his attacks on it. He has come out for a modified version of the Taft-Hartley act.

The president spoke out against Dulles Saturday night in a radio broadcast urging the election of Lehman.

Across the river in New Jersey, Labor has split apart in the hotly contested race for governor. The AFL has endorsed democratic State Senator Elmer H. Wene, who is trying to unseat republican Gov. Alfred E. Driscoll.

The CIO, on the other hand, has issued a report criticizing Wene severely, linking him with the old Frank Hague organization of Jersey City. However, the CIO hasn't backed Driscoll.

Labor also has split in the mayor's race in Detroit, one of the local elections that will be watched closely for possible national trends.

Straus Coming to Oregon

Portland, Nov. 7 (AP)—Federal Reclamation Commission member Michael W. Straus, Washington, D.C., was expected here today for a tour of Oregon irrigation districts.

11 Governors At Salt Lake

Salt Lake City, Nov. 7 (AP)—Governors of 11 western states and Alaska met today to discuss industrial, financial and educational problems—many of which developed during and after the war.

Regional education, including plans for cooperation among western states in the matters of higher education, was debated in the opening session under leadership of Gov. Lee Knous of Colorado.

Gov. Arthur Langlie of Washington led a discussion on defense plans and their effects upon western industry.

Gov. Earl Warren of California will be principal speaker at a dinner tonight.

Fear of encroachment by the federal government in state affairs was expressed by Langlie in a pre-conference interview last night.

"We are not backward people out here," Langlie declared, "always waiting for a handout. We don't expect someone to step in to our affairs where we can establish them on a local basis."

Moving of airplane production to inland states has resulted in considerable unemployment in his state, he added.

Gov. Douglas McKay of Oregon said he is vitally interested in developing industry to take care of the increased population of his state.

While Oregon has more people employed right now than it did at the height of shipyard activity, McKay said seasonal unemployment still is a problem.

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