

War on Rats Declared By Salem's Council

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War was declared on rats by the city council Monday night. An ordinance was enacted requiring the ratproofing of buildings, and a letter was received from the Salem Woman's club asking for universal disposal of garbage in the city, and one reason for that is control of rats.

Supreme Court Reverses 3 Cases

The state supreme court ordered today a new trial in the suit of a Portland coal stoker dealer against the Iron Fireman Manufacturing company.

The dealer, Chelsea N. Howland, won \$27,564 damages against the company in the circuit court of Judge Frank J. Lonergan. But today's decision, by Justice James T. Brand, said there must be a new trial because neither party had a fair trial in the lower court.

Howland claimed that the company, in 1944, gave him an exclusive dealership for sale of home-size coal stokers in Multnomah county. He said the company later came out with a new type, which it sold through other dealers and which it also sold direct to purchasers.

Howland claimed this caused him to lose money, and brought the suit.

The high court was in a reversing mood today. At its weekly opinion day session, it had five opinions. Three of them reversed circuit judges, another upheld the lower court, and the fifth opinion threw a case out of court.

Sam Pace, 50, who was convicted and sentenced to 20 years in prison for raping his 14-year-old daughter, won a new trial when the high court reversed Circuit Judge Victor Olliver of Linn county. The opinion was by Justice Harry H. Belt. The case occurred in Albany.

Other decisions today were:

S. L. and Mary E. Rose vs. Henry Dean and others, appellants. Appeal from Douglas county. Suit over right to use a private road. Opinion by Justice George Blossman. Judge Carl E. Wimerber, affirmed.

In the matter of the estate of Annie Wells, deceased. A. J. W. Brown and others vs. Mabel Irwin, executrix of the estate, appellants. Appeal from Multnomah county. Motion allowed to dismiss appeal. Opinion by Chief Justice Hall G. Lusk.

Wilfred H. and Joy June Widmer vs. A. J. Letellier, appellant. Appeal from Multnomah county. Suit to cancel contract to sell restaurant. Opinion by Justice J. O. Bailey. Justice James R. Bain, reversed.

Blood Donor Drive to Start

The campaign to secure a long list of names for volunteer blood donors will get under way in the near future, it was decided by the board of directors of Marlon county chapter, American Red Cross, meeting last night. Date for start of the campaign will be announced in a few days.

This is a campaign that involves no money, merely the sign-up of names of persons who wish to be on the list of blood donors. It is hoped around 4000 names can be secured, thus assuring the chapter has a continuous list to call upon for each monthly visitation of the mobile unit from the Portland regional blood center to Salem.

With the visitation of the mobile unit here Tuesday the chapter exhausted its last card in lining up donors for the stop, it was pointed out. With the unit stopping here each month it is imperative that the chapter have a ready source of names to call each time, it was stated.

Rest of the board session was taken up with reports. Mrs. Mark Astrup, Junior Red Cross chairman, stated girls at Hillcrest school are to do sewing and older students at Chemawa school will be making toys, all for the benefit of the Navajo Indians.

The home service department listed a caseload of 191 for the past month with a total of \$464 extended in loans and grants to veterans and servicemen and their dependents.

Veterans Hobby Shop Contemplated

The possibility of members of the various veterans organizations setting up and operating a centrally located hobby shop has progressed beyond the talk stage, reported W. H. Baillie, manager of the Salem office for the state employment service.

Establishment of such a center where veterans who have hobbies on which they could capitalize has attracted not only the interest of the employment service but of the veterans state

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Elected King Bing—Cedric Reaney who at the Cherrian meeting Monday night was elected King Bing of the Cherrians for the coming year. (McEwan photo)

Reaney Elected 1950 King Bing

Salem Cherrians at a meeting Monday night elected Cedric Reaney as their King Bing for the coming year.

Reaney, who is manager of the Senator hotel, will succeed Deryl Myers as King Bing. Plans for the public installation of the new officers are to be announced later.

Other officers elected at the meeting were: Lord Governor Wood, Fred Starrett; Marquis of Maraschino, Vince Rodakowski; Duke of Lambert, Robert M. Fischer, Jr.; king's jester, Wallace Doerfler; Earl of Woods, Claude Bird; keeper of the orchard, Hunt Clark; Archbishop of Rickreall, Marvin VanCleave; Queen Ann's consort, Ed Randle; and chancellor of the rolls, Paul Hale.

New members of the Cherrians will be initiated at the organization's annual banquet the night of January 9.

County Districts for Testing Bangs Disease

The county court Tuesday adopted proposals increasing the number of county veterinarians testing for Bangs disease from four to six, set up six districts for them to operate in, decided each one should be a county veterinarian, rather than one county veterinarian as now with a corps of deputies, and each to be made responsible for his own district. The new set-up will become effective around January 1, but not sooner.

The new alignment adds Dr. Ernest Henkel, Silverton, and Dr. Glen Schwenke, Woodburn, to the roster of veterinarians and assigns the six to the following districts:

District No. 1, Dr. Glen Schwenke, to the east and north of Woodburn.

District No. 2, Dr. John Harahan, to the west and north of Woodburn.

District No. 3, Dr. Fred Lang, north and south of Salem, in the Salem area.

District No. 4, Dr. A. W. Simmons, north of Silverton and in an area to two miles south of Silverton.

District No. 5, Dr. Ernest Henkel, starts at the point two miles south of Silverton and on into the Stayton-Detroit-Mill City and inclusive areas.

District No. 6, Dr. Kermit Peterson, along South River road and on into Jefferson and to the Stayton area.

All of the district lines are to be subject to review later as experience would indicate.

Also a change was made in fees to be charged. Under the present setup there is a charge of \$2 for the first cow, when only one cow is tested, from two to five cows, 75 cents a head is charged and for 6 or more cows 50 cents a head. Under the change there will still be a charge of \$2 for only one cow, but the next four cows will be charged at 25 cents a head each, and the old schedule of 50 cents a cow will stand for a herd of six cows or more. These fees will be changed when the other changes become effective.

Firemen Busy
Portland, Dec. 13 (P)—Fire fighters were kept hopping as flames destroyed an office, repair shop and ammunition warehouse at the Portland Gun club east of here yesterday. About 50 cases of shotgun shells were in the flames, the shells popping like firecrackers.

Road Location Up to State

It will be up to the state highway commission to determine the location of the route for the federal aid improvement on the Silverton highway from Steffen's corners into Silverton.

This agreement was reached Monday at a conference between commission representatives, officials from the bureau of public roads and members of the county court.

Both proposed sites for the roads were viewed by the group followed by the afternoon conference.

Options have been secured on most of the rights of way for both the proposed new route and also a realignment of the old route. The county court has had a number of hearings at which each side has expressed its preferences and objections and huge petitions have been filed both for and against each of the routes.

Under the present setup the county will furnish the right of way and the road will be built by the state highway department with federal and state funds.

Goes Berserk to Enforce Peace

Snoqualmie, Wash., Dec. 13 (P)—A state patrolman was dead today and three persons nursed bullet wounds because a "meek little gray haired man" wanted his neighborhood to be "peaceful."

The neighbors said they always thought Walter Peden, 59, was quiet and harmless until he picked up his rifle yesterday and terrorized a settlement near here for three hours. But they had sought a sanity hearing for him before the trouble started.

Peden, now held at the King county jail in Seattle, killed his cat, his beloved dog and most of his 30 chickens.

Brawny George Fitzgerald, 38, Peden's neighbor and one of the victims, finally ended the little man's reign of terror. While Peden peeked for more targets, Fitzgerald circled his own house and seized the gunman from behind.

The state patrolman, Paul Johnson, 30, was shot in the head as he looked around his squad car at Peden. Seriously hurt were two other neighbors, C. F. Johnstone, 64, and Gordon L. Peters, 58. Fitzgerald was a grazed on the arm by a bullet.

State Patrolman Clare Powers said it all began when Peden went to Johnston's home and shot him in the face. After his capture he mumbled that "Johnstone had whipped my dog."

Fitzgerald, sitting in a car nearby, felt the next bullet. He rushed Johnstone to a hospital and returned to learn that Peden had shot Peters in the chest.

Powers and Johnson arrived and Peden shot the latter from a window. Sending a radio call for aid, Powers started the 25-mile trip to a Seattle hospital with the injured Johnstone, who died about 10 hours later.

Campbell Returned On Check Charges

James O. Campbell, returned from Klamath Falls Monday night by state and county law officers, was given a continuation in district court Tuesday where he was taken to answer forgery charges.

Campbell was nabbed in the southern Oregon city by police on information furnished by Salem detectives. At the same time, Robert Fries was arrested in Salem on forgery charges.

The arrests broke a check writing team which had forged some checks on a Salem area farmer's account.

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Stray Sewer Line Uncovered

In excavating for the new state highway office building in the capitol building zone the contractor's crew uncovered a city lateral sewer that does not appear on any map.

It was above the level of the bottom of the excavation bottom and in a letter to the city council Monday night R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, suggested it was a matter for city correction.

To this the council agreed, and a crew will be put on the job Wednesday by the city engineer.

The laying of about half a block of eight-inch sewer is involved.

An ordinance bill was introduced for vacation of an alley in Block 86, which will be occupied by the new building.

Colleges Seek Federal Funds

Portland, Dec. 13 (P)—The state board of higher education applied today for federal funds for use in planning two additional buildings at the University of Oregon and Oregon State college.

The federal government is offering to advance money for such advance planning of public buildings, the amount to be returned if and when the structures are built, the board was told.

Application was authorized for \$56,000 to plan an addition to and remodeling of the home economics building at OSC, and an addition to the business administration at the U of O. Each is estimated to cost about \$750,000. No funds are available now.

All other action on buildings and real estate purchases recommended by committees Monday were approved by the full board today, including approval of preliminary plans for food industries and animal industries buildings at Oregon State, a \$70,000 remodeling and moving project there, and the addition of \$100,000 to the fund to build the new combined heating and electrical generating plant at the university.

Summer session budgets for the system totaling \$384,962 for next summer were approved, based on an enrollment the same as this year but a drop in veterans. A limited budget for the marine biology station at Coos Head was approved after this had earlier been dropped for next year.

The Oregon division of the Izaak Walton League of America submitted a request through George Christenson, Silverton, for degree work in human ecology looking toward management of natural resources. The board voted to reply that most of the courses requested are already offered, mostly at Oregon State college.

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Maguire Talks On Nazi Regime

No man or no political party is wise enough to be entrusted with unlimited power, power that cannot be recalled or that the people have no recourse, warned Robert Maguire during a talk before the Salem Kiwanis club.

Maguire, a Portland attorney, who spent 18 months in Germany in connection with the war crimes trials, reviewed the circumstances and conditions that brought Hitler into power. Then he pointed out that Hitler's techniques and those of Mussolini in Italy were identical with the Caesars who brought about the destruction of Rome and those of Napoleon in France.

"I would not suggest that we are in any great danger from any single individual or any party now in power," said Maguire, but he added that the trend cannot be mistaken.

"When a country grants power with no chance of review, or compensating power to take away authority already granted we lay the foundation for the destruction of our democracy," declared the attorney. "Free government and free men exist by means of constant vigilance. If we are to remain free, you and I owe an inescapable duty of vigilance."

Maguire traced the course of events that brought Hitler into power in Germany.

Larry Moore Heads Jaycee Service Group

Larry Moore, Commercial book store employe, was elected president of the Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce Tuesday to head a slate of new candidates who will take over the service group.

Also carried into office by landslide proportions were Warren Cooley for first vice president, Mel Budsall for second vice president, Charles Lovett, secretary, and Jim Elliott, treasurer.

The vote Tuesday also named a new board of control for the organization. The new members of the board are Dick Cox, Maurice Cohn, Rev. John Goodenberger, Tom Riches, Bob Mason and George Huggins.

Frank Ward, who will retire as president of the organization, automatically became a member of the new board of control.

Wife of Santa Claus to Appear Here Friday Eve

Maybe you didn't know Santa Claus was married... Thought you didn't. Well he is, and Mrs. Santa Claus will be on the streets of Salem Friday night of this week.

And listen! If you touch her on the shoulder and say "Tag, You're Mrs. Santa Claus," you'll get a prize of \$100 in good United States money. It will be presented forthwith by Mayor Bob Elfstrom in front of the Chamber of Commerce.

This was all decided on by the Salem Retail Trade bureau on account of the success of last Friday night's Santa Claus event.

And come Friday night of this week there will be a larger number of Santa Clauses on the streets. Twenty last Friday, you remember.

"This week it will be the biggest thing you ever saw in Salem," is the word that comes out of the trade bureau.

Some stores that participated last week say the Friday night business was six times that of the previous Friday. The same procedure will be followed this week. Each of the participating stores will have its Santa on the street in plain clothes. If you see someone who has a gleam in his eye, you prod him and say "Tag, you're Santa Claus."

If you've guessed rightly he takes you to the store for your prize, worth at least \$12, and very likely more.

Coast Hop Growers Meet Next February

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