

Local Paragraphs

Will Revise Plan—The Salem long-range planning commission Tuesday night directed its engineer, C. A. McClure, to revise its arterial street plan to conform to the Baldock grid plan, and submit the altered map to the city council. The plan requires legislation by the city council relative to building setback lines on several through streets. Streets in the plan include State, Mission, 17th, Center and D streets.

Committee Completed—Russell Pratt, vice president of the Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the membership committee, has completed the appointment of members who will assist him in keeping up the chamber membership roster for the coming year. They are Judge Joseph B. Felton, Arch W. Metzger, Edward Malek, G. Carroll Meeks, Ed Schreder, Robert W. Fenix, E. Burr Miller, Walter Musgrave and Kenneth Potts.

Mr. Pendlebury Speaker—Miss Aileen Pendlebury, exchange professor of art from England, will speak at a meeting of the International Relations club at 7:30 Wednesday evening, in Cresto Cottage on the Willamette university campus. Miss Pendlebury will speak on the devaluation of the pound. This meeting will be open to the public and all townspeople are invited.

Consolidation Topic—A special meeting of residents of the Sunnyside community has been called for Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Sunnyside school 96-C to discuss the proposed consolidation of the Rosedale, Ankeny and Prospect schools with the one in Sunnyside.

Voiture Plans Frolic—The annual Christmas party of Marion county voiture 153 of the American Legion will be held at the new Legion hall at Woodburn Saturday with the Woodburn American Legion auxiliary serving the dinner and a Portland floor show providing entertainment. Transfer to Woodburn was necessary because the Salem hall is not available, according to Luther L. Jensen, chef de gare. Gene Vandenberg is general chairman. W. E. (Windy) Wilkins of La Grande, grand chef de gare and other grand voiture officers are expected.

Former Student Killed—Carl L. Krause, Jr., 20, yelp king at Willamette university during 1947-48, was killed near Orange, Tex., Tuesday when his motorcycle collided with a truck. He was on his way home to Portland from Pensacola, Fla., where he was a naval aviation cadet. Krause, a member of Beta Theta Pi, planned to return to the campus next year.

Douty Rites Thursday—Funeral services for Julia A. Douly, 81, late resident of Seaside, will be held from the Smith mortuary at Independence Thursday at 2 o'clock.

Licenses Approved—Beer license applications have been approved by the county court for Bruce Houck and J. P. Andrews, Detroit; L. L. Rynerson, Otto M. Russell and Glen E. Dryden, Detroit Tavern; George P. and Grace V. Dwyer, 3725 Portland road, Salem, and Verle Saterlee, Lone Pine Tavern.

Offers Renewal—Justice Alf O. Nelson has written the county court offering to renew an expired option for a right of way across his 36-acre farm on the proposed new route of the Silvertown road.

Hole Causes Wreck—A report to the county court says that a hole in the side of the pavement a mile east of Swegle school caused a car to be bounced off the road this week and hurtled into a nearby field.

Ask Avenue Paved—Signers representing 27 properties on Neef avenue near the "Y" at Liberty road and Pacific highway junction have petitioned the county court to pave the street under the law providing for assessments against abutting property owners. The court has set Friday at 2 p.m. as a time it will make a physical inspection of the road prior to going ahead with further proceedings. If considered practical the engineer will be directed to go ahead with estimates.

Stanford Prof Here—Dr. W. H. Cowley, professor of higher education at Stanford and former president of Hamilton college, was on the Willamette university campus Tuesday. He was entertained for lunch by Dean Robert Gregg, Dr. Robert Fenix, Dr. Raymond Withey, Jr., and Travis Cross, director of information.

BORN
The Capital Journal Welcomes the Following New Citizens:
DUMAN—To Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Duman, 509 S. E. 1st, for Salem Central hospital, a girl, Dec. 13.
MERSEH—To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Merseh, Independence, at the Salem Central hospital, a girl, Dec. 15.
REED—To Mr. and Mrs. Duane Reed at Silverton hospital, Dec. 13, a son.
COOK—At Silverton hospital Dec. 13, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cook of Mt. Ararat.

Permits Given—Log hauling permits have been issued by the county court to Delaney Paulson, Monmouth, and Rex Kinsey, route 1, Stayton.

Beck Appointed—Frank A. Beck, Woodburn, has been added to the office staff of the Willamette Production Credit association here. It was announced today by P. M. Brandt, Jr., manager of the farm agency. Beck was formerly employed by the Woodburn branch, First National Bank of Portland. Beck, who is married and has one child, will continue to live in Woodburn at the present, but plans to move to Salem at a later date.

Flying Service Change—Certificate of assumed business name for Ace Flying Service, crop dusting and all flight operations, has been filed with the county clerk by Mr. and Mrs. Leo John Demers, the name of Mrs. Demers being added as a partner.

Given Pool License—License to operate three pool tables at 148 Lancaster drive had been granted by the county court to W. G. Flood.

To Extend Line—Pole line permit has been granted the county court to Portland General Electric on county road 603.

To Sponsor Sale—Salem Art association announces a sale for the coming Friday, December 16, over Busiek's store between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. China, glass, silver, gifts, picture frames and some weaving articles will be on sale. The association recently received a collection of articles from a pioneer estate. Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Mrs. F. W. Poorman, Mrs. Ida Nestell, Mrs. E. N. Harrison, Mrs. Gordon Shattuck, Mrs. Clifford Farmer and Mrs. H. V. Compton are the committee in charge of the sale. The association recently decorated a room over Busiek's as a work place for association members and friends.

Building Permits—J. B. Woods, to alter a two-story dwelling at 570 North 14th, \$13,323. R. H. Bassett, to alter a one-story dwelling at 375 Taylor, \$400. L. F. McLaughlin, to build a one-story dwelling and garage at 1115 North 24th, \$11,500. L. Knapke, to build a one-story dwelling at 1070 Rural, \$7,000.

Pleads Innocent—Helen Stevenson, 1630 D street, who was nabbed on a reckless driving charge after narrowly missing the Salem first aid car on Center street, pleaded innocent Wednesday in police court. Officers arrested the woman in the 600 block on North Capitol street after Capt. C. M. Charlton of the first aid crew reported the near accident on Center street. Bail was \$150.

Mistletoe Hike—Chemeketa will engage in their annual mistletoe hike next Sunday. The party will leave from Greenbaum's store on North Commercial street at 1 p.m. and motor to a point about a mile west of Lincoln. The hike will be a short one. Advance registration is requested by Kenneth Jennings, the leader.

Gust Brodhagen's Body, Fendler and Rad, Ser., 265 Ferry, 297

Rummage sale over Greenbaum's, Royal Neighbors of America, Fri. and Sat. 298*

OSC Mothers club Bazaar and cooked food sale. Lunch served 11 to 2 p.m. Hot coffee all day. Fri., Dec. 16. Portland Gas & Coke Co. 297*

Art Assoc. Gift Sale, 193 N. Com'l. Fri. 299*

DuBois Barber shop, 429 N. Church, opposite Greyhound bus depot. 9*

Fresh killed young turkeys for Christmas dinner, 39c lb. C. S. Orwig, 4375 Silvertown Rd. Ph. 2-6128. 306*

Phone 22406 before 6 p.m. if you miss your Capital Journal. 9*

Decorating holly wreaths and gift boxes, Ph. 58F12. 303

Holly wreaths and decorative greens for home or mailing. The Flower Basket, 1020 Market, phone 2-4802. 301*

Jary Florist, 365 Court and The Flower Basket, 1020 Market, open Friday evenings until Christmas. 301*

IDEAL GIFTS of Bleached and Graded No. 1 Oregon Walnuts and Filberts are now available in 5 and 10-lb. burlap bags for shipping at Salem Nut Growers Cooperative, 2828 Cherry avenue. Phone 3-3568. 297*

Exclusive presentation, Imperial wallpapers R. L. Elfstrom Co. 297*

2 1/2% current rate on your savings Salem Federal, 560 State St. Salem's largest Savings association.

Extensive line of gifts in hardware, houseware, china and sporting goods Use our 10% lay-way plan Salem Hardware Co., 120 N Commercial.

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Ed. Burkhart, 58, Grocer, Dies

Funeral services will be held at the Clough-Barrick chapel Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Ed Burkhart, owner of Burkhart's Food Market at 3695 Sunnyside avenue, who died at his home at the same address Tuesday. Concluding services will be in Belerest Memorial park.

Burkhart, who came to Salem three years ago and constructed and operated the market bearing his name, suffered a stroke Thanksgiving day and another stroke last Sunday from which he never regained consciousness. Born at Casville, Mo., March 2, 1891, Burkhart had spent most of his life at Pomona, Calif. He was married October 13, 1915, to the former Osa Cox of Chandler, Okla., who survives him.

Surviving besides the wife are a son, James Purkhart of Salem; a sister, Mrs. Martha Fugua of Stroud, Okla.; a brother, Thomas Burkhart of Santa Rosa, Calif.; and one grandchild.

Rovang Rites Friday—Funeral services for Maynard Herbert Rovang, 27, of Coos Bay, who died suddenly Monday night, will be held at Coos Bay Friday at 1:30 o'clock with burial in Sunset cemetery. He was born at Fergus Falls, Minn., and had lived in Coos county eight years. He was the father of Richard Bruce Rovang, Salem, and is also survived by his parents and two sisters.

Leave Salem General—Dismissed from the Salem General hospital with recently born infants are Mrs. Edgar Davis and son, 1968 Ferry; Mrs. Leeman D. Ream and daughter, Valsetz; Mrs. Terrance O'Brien and daughter, 1315 Lee and Mrs. Rodney Fety and son 3865 D.

Swegle Plans Party—The Swegle Sunday school Christmas party will be held at the school house Friday evening, December 23, at 7:30 o'clock.

Checks Are Presented—The Gray-Y, junior high and Hi-Y clubs have presented the YMCA a check for \$34.55 for the Marion county welfare board from their Thanksgiving service program. The Englewood Gray-Y club No. 1 has presented \$3 for the YMCA world youth fund.

Lunch, Dec. 17, Elfstrom basement. Swegle Women's club. 299*

Hand crocheted Afghan, all sizes. Ph. 3-8856. 408 W. Rural. 299*

For Sale: Health foods greatly reduced. 885 N. Winter. Ph. 2-6835. 299*

If you can't read this easily—have glasses made by Semler Optical Offices to your optometrist's prescription. Pay 50c wk. Semler's, Waters-Adolph Bldg. State & Com'l. Phone 3-3311. 297*

All trees over 3 ft. for 95c under 3 ft. 50c 10-11 Drive In Market 995 S. Com'l. 300*

Let Reinholdt & Lewis show you the many advantages of the nationally advertised, easy to clean, Flexalum Metal Slat used exclusively in Salem Venetian Blinds, Phone 2-3639. 297*

Air-steamship tickets, Kugel, 153 North High Ph. 3-7694. 297*

Xmas Gift Boxes of Aufranc's Delicious Canned Fruits ready for mailing. Prepaid in the continental U. S. Ph. 3-8487. 297*

Eola Acres Florist Ph. 3-5730. 297*

Knapp shoes, Ph. 3-4320. 297*

Holly and wreaths, Hormone treated. Swags and mistletoe, greens, 2960 S. Com'l. Ph. 21993. 300*

Johns-Manville shingles applied by Manville Bros., 164 S. Com'l. Free estimate Ph. 34642.

Gift boxes, fancy holly and mistletoe postpaid anywhere in the U. S. \$2.00. (Leave the address—we do the rest.) Jary Florist, 365 Court, phone 3-7375 or The Flower Basket, 1020 Market, phone 2-4802. 301*

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Hillcrest Building Program Nears Completion—Top: New school building now being occupied. This structure, one unit in the \$640,000 construction program, contains classrooms, an auditorium that serves as a chapel and gymnasium and apartments for department heads. Lower: Dormitory for girls that will be completed sometime in January. Open house for parents of girls at the school will be held Sunday.

Taft Finds Public Debt and Big Spending Worry Voters

Washington, Dec. 14 (AP)—Senator Taft (R., Ohio) said today the greatest concern of the voters is "the size of the public debt and the spending policy of the government."

This was his finding after a 13-week campaign in which he covered 75 Ohio counties. Taft said in a statement from his office here that he is convinced there is no "slide toward socialism" among his constituents.

The Ohioian is a candidate for re-election to the senate next year and made his tour as part of that campaign. His conclusions carry national weight because of his influence in shaping republican strategy as chairman of the senate GOP republican policy committee.

"I do not think that workmen are by any means persuaded in favor of the socialistic, planned economy, hand-out state principles supported by the CIO and AFL leadership," Taft said.

He said the real danger of such proposals is that the bulk of voters will greet them with little interest.

"My own job and that of others concerned with the preservation of liberty and the American system is to bring the issues directly and forcefully to the people," he declared.

In this connection, Taft said he found that "the program of price fixing and controlled business, of deficit spending and the nationalization of medical care and other services excites little support, and not as much interest as it should."

"I do not agree at all with those who fear that the workmen are inclined to vote for anyone who promises them free services from a federal bureau," he said.

Taft said he thinks a substantial number of workers approve of the Taft-Hartley act.

He said he found Ohio farmers in a frame of mind to resist department of agriculture production controls, although they want government support prices for their crops "at some reasonable point."

Exchange Club Told Of Hoover Reforms

Press sponsorship was one of the factors cited Wednesday by Mark Hatfield, Willamette university political science professor, as a factor which may lead to adoption of government reforms advocated by the Hoover commission report.

Hatfield, speaking to members of the Salem Exchange club, pointed out that "no idea in this era has received such widespread approval by the press as the Hoover commission work."

The speaker cited many of the needed administrative changes which have been sought by the executive branch of the government for decades.

Toastmasters Speak—A demonstration in public speaking, in which four members of the Salem Toastmasters club developed unusual themes, constituted Wednesday's program of the Rotary club. Dr. Ralph Gordon spoke on the subject "There's Nothing Wrong" and Ed Boise, a Lashby farmer, discussed "Helpful Hints." George Moorehead spoke of a "Tombstone for Butch" and Ralph Nohlgren gave an historical sketch entitled "Mr. Adam."

Circuit Court
E. D. vs. W. E. James, complaint seeking to annul a marriage entered into October 22, 1949, at Hillsboro, plaintiff alleges defendant had a prior marriage still in effect. She asks restoration of her former name of E. B. Barber. 297*

Marie P. Hills vs. George Lund Jr., and George Lund, Jr., answer of defendant George Lund, Jr., alleges all terms of lease have been kept. 297*

Carl Hammond vs. Louis R. Harvey, dismissal on stipulation. 297*

The Georgia Home Insurance company vs. Alberta L. Osterland, stipulation for dismissal. 297*

Pay Freight on Bunyan Axe

Another chapter in the story concerning Willamette university's Paul Bunyan axe has been written.

Latest development in the disappearing instrument was received Wednesday through the medium of a letter from the Walla Walla Boosters club and signed by Gus S. Weathers, Jr., president of the organization.

The communication addressed to Russ Tripp, president of the Willamette university student body, enclosed a check for \$2.88 by way of reimbursement for freight charges when the axe was shipped here from Walla Walla a week or more ago.

Weathers suggests that Willamette take better care of the axe since Whitman college plans to retrieve it after the annual football game next fall.

However, the axe is not now in Willamette's possession since it disappeared from a locked student body office Monday night.

Let-down Limits For McNary Field

Minimum instrument let-down procedures for the Salem airport since the instrument landing system has been installed and tested were received from the Seattle office of the CAA Wednesday by the chief controller at the control tower, Stanley Dilatash.

The minimums as established for runway 31, the southeast and northwest runway, which is the one equipped with the ILS are 500 foot ceiling and one mile visibility. This is for a straight-in approach.

In event that high winds necessitate the substitution of runway 16, the north and south runway, the minimums remain as before, 800 feet and one mile visibility. The north-south runway is not equipped with ILS.

The minimums as listed by the CAA apply to all DC3s, DC4s, DC6s and Martin 202s, carrier type planes.

Oil Companies Attack Gas Tax

The Standard Oil Company of California and Richfield Oil corporation filed companion suits in circuit court here Wednesday naming Earl T. Newby, secretary of state for Oregon as defendant, seeking to invalidate section of the gasoline law of 1945 as amended by the laws of 1949 insofar as it purports to impose a license tax on the plaintiff based on sales or distribution of motor fuel oil or aircraft fuel to the United States of America, its agents or instrumentalities, other than sales or distributions to the armed forces for use in ships or aircraft or for export from the state.

The suits declare such law is invalid insofar as it purports to impose a license tax on or require a report with respect to such sales, uses or distributions or withdrawals or motor vehicle fuel or aircraft fuel for sale, use or distribution within areas in the state over which the United States has exclusive jurisdiction.

It is asserted such practice is against the constitution of the United States and imposes an unlawful burden on the government or its agencies in a manner beyond the power of the state of Oregon.

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Explosion

The south side of the office building was demolished and early reports said the greatest force of the explosion seemed to come from the first floor.

Walter Krebs, a spokesman for the firm, said "There is no telling how many may be dead or injured."

Caused by Gas Leak
Krebs said a natural gas leak may have caused the explosion. The gas is used in several departments, he said.

All emergency equipment and units, including the National Guard companies and the naval reserve were sent to the scene.

Acting Desk Sergeant Howard Jensen of the Sioux City police gave this report:

"Everything the city's got has been sent down there. All the ambulances in town, all the doctors available, the coroner, the naval reserve unit and the National Guard.

"They've called for gas masks. We've sent those on hand here in the department and the naval reserve and National Guard are sending some down. I understand.

"We don't know anything yet about the cause of the blast."

8 Survivors

The explosion and fire occurred about 10:45 a.m. (EST) Monday. The chief engineer said he believed the captain, chief mate, second and third mates, apprentice electrician, second and third assistant engineers and the steward were lost.

The American tanker Sparrows Point picked up the chief engineer and seven other men. The chief engineer said he last saw another lifeboat containing six men sailing in a northwesterly direction about 11 o'clock Monday night.

Sketches of Additions to 2 Schools Viewed by Board

Preliminary sketches of proposed additions at the Hayesville and Pringle suburban schools were viewed during Tuesday night's session of the Salem board. No new information concerning the scheduled betterments at McKinley, Richmond and Highland was presented.

Superintendent Frank Bennett reported that accommodations existing at Hayesville might possibly serve for another year, depending upon the growth of the district.

Pupils are already being transported away from the Pringle district although no time was set for enlargement of the building there.

Resignations of four teachers were accepted and replacements announced. Glen Leuning, assistant principal at Washington has resigned to work for his master's degree. Other resignations were Mrs. Josephine Bateman, Englewood; Mrs. Gretchen Peoples and Mrs. Lillian Todd, both of the West Salem schools.

Mrs. Janice Jane Williams will fill the position vacated by Mrs. Todd for the balance of the year and John G. Nasman, graduate of Oregon College of Education will be assigned to the post vacated at Washington. Florence Fuller will be assigned an elementary position.

In announcing his recommendations for teacher assignments, the superintendent pointed out that applications no longer are accompanied by pictures of the candidates. Neither do they contain information concerning nationality, race or creed. This is in accordance with federal fair employment practices legislation.

The board agreed to renew the application of Helen Lane of senior high school as a candidate for an exchange position with an English speaking country. No exchange was available last year.

Sunday use of the high school auditorium for a play under the sponsorship of the 20-30 club was granted, although members of the board said such activities should be frowned upon. The sponsoring agency said no other date was available.

A number of trees on school property that are casting too much shade on class rooms and others that interfere with playground activities have been marked for heavy trimming or removal. The directors will inspect the trees before final action is taken.

Death Sentences

All 10 of the other defendants admitted their guilt, some in tears and others shaken with repentance. They threw themselves upon the mercy of the court. The public prosecutor had asked for a sentence of death by hanging for all of them.

All except Kostov readily confessed they had plotted with Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia, had spied for the Anglo-American and had committed economic sabotage in an attempt to overthrow the present communist regime.

Former Finance Minister Ivan Stefanov, one of the defendants, said that the crimes he had committed also had been committed by Kostov.

Laydue Hill's Funeral Held

Independence, Dec. 14—Funeral services for Laydue Hill (Dewey) R. Hill, 91, who was born on the Henry Hill donational land claim now the site of the Independence business district, were held from the Walter L. Smith funeral home Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in charge of R. V. Carlson with full Masonic rites. Burial was in the Pioneer cemetery north of here.

Hill was the third child of Henry and Martha Hill and died Sunday at Waldport. He was educated in the Independence public schools and with the exception of a few years on stock ranches in Lincoln and Crook counties, spent his entire life in this vicinity.

With his father he established one of the first hopyards in Oregon in 1881 and continued its operation for 35 years. He was a member of the Masonic order 66 years and became a master Mason of Lyon Lodge No. 29 January 20, 1883. Hill donated a block of land for the Independence park and a tract for the Buena Vista cemetery.

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Twenty-four men were aboard the Doros when it left New York Dec. 8 for Port-au-Prince, Haiti. The two men not accounted for apparently went down with the ship, the coast guard said.

Crops Shipments—Oregon residents can take fruits, vegetables or nuts into California, the state agriculture department said today. No inspections are required until they reach California, and the California inspection isn't too severe, the department said.

Finns Reject Pravda Charge

Helsinki, Dec. 14 (AP)—Finland rejected today a Moscow accusation that Prime Minister K. A. Fagerholm violated the spirit and letter of the Soviet-Finnish treaty of friendship.

In an official reply published in the morning newspapers the government said that it was "very surprised" over the viewpoint that had been expressed in an editorial in Pravda, Soviet communist party newspaper.

Pravda charged yesterday the Finnish premier in his independence day speech on Dec. 6 suggested that the Finnish independence day be replaced as national holiday by the anniversary of the Soviet-Finnish war of 1939-40.

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