



Outstanding Entrance Features Remodeled Marion—Commercial street entrance for Marion hotel now being remodeled features Virginia marble and doors costing approximately \$2000 each. When completed sometime next week this outstanding entrance will represent an investment of near \$7000.

Marion Hotel Taking on 'New Look' With Changes

Salem's Marion hotel has taken on that new look with most of the remodeling of the interior completed. Workmen now are busy completing the renovation of the coffee shop and dining room and constructing a cocktail lounge. This part of the remodeling will be completed about the first of the year under present plans.

Pageant Night At Rickreall

Capacity attendance for the ninth annual Christmas pageant at Rickreall is expected both Friday and Saturday night with approximately all the 1200 advance tickets distributed. No admission is charged but ticket holders will be given first opportunity at seats.

Soloists this year will be Ronald Craven, Salem; Ivan Marble, Independence and Eva Jean Miller and Claude Larkin. Miss Louise Woodruff is again director of the chorus.

Appearing for the first time this year will be Ronald Hogg and his trained sheep dog. The little burro, belonging to the Flickingers, of Suver Junction, who has appeared during the last few years, will be back again.

Pupils of training schools at Independence and Monmouth were guests of the pageant committee at the dress rehearsal this week.

Seek to Quash Writ In Slot Machine Case

District Attorney E. O. Stadter has filed a motion in circuit court here to quash the writ of review sought in the case of Emory Saunders and others, directors of the local Eagles lodge, against the and Justice Alf O. Nelson, justice of the peace at Silverton.

The writ of review involves several slot machines, punch boards and other articles of amusement seized at the Eagles lodge here and which were ordered destroyed by Justice Nelson, but he gave a 30-day leeway for the directors of the lodge to appeal which they did by way of the requested writ of review. Stadter in his motion avers that the petition for the writ was not properly verified and that it does not state facts to warrant the issuance of the writ.

Palace Theatre Silverton Oregon
WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY
JUNE HAYES MARK STEVENS
OH, YOU BEAUTIFUL DOLL

When You DANCE at CRYSTAL GARDENS

You get two floors and two bands for one price. You dance on a floating floor, specially constructed to make your dancing more enjoyable. Heated and air conditioned. Properly supervised to assure your happiness.

2 Floors 2 Bands 1 Price
Dance either modern or old time — or mix it up if you wish.
BILL DeSOUZA Modern Music
POP EDWARDS Old Timers
74c Includes Tax
And Admits to Both Floors

Building to Keep Booming

There is little indication of a slackening in building activities for the next two years at least, according to opinion expressed Friday by representatives attending the annual meeting of the Oregon chapter, Pacific Coast Building Officials conference.

Some 30 or 35 men, including a number of municipal building inspectors from western Oregon cities took part in the deliberations of the conference following a noon luncheon. Hal Collins, Los Angeles, managing secretary of the conference, was here to give reports on a coast wide basis. Collins said that building costs were fairly stable, although the recent tilt in the price of steel would probably be reflected in the near future.

Labor, except in a few instances, isn't seeking increased pay, many of the leaders taking the attitude that further advances would tend to restrict building operations.

The conference was attended by Arthur J. Hoefler, first vice president of the group and chief building inspector of Spokane.

Skilled Workers Seeking Jobs

Skilled and qualified workers in nearly every line are available in the Salem area in greater numbers than at any time since the war, states W. H. Baillie, manager of the local office of the Oregon state employment service.

Jobs are not only hard to find for seasonal employees laid off during the winter months but also for mechanics, mill men, building trades workers and many others. Home owners and employers with part time work are urged to provide employment during the next three months until spring activity begins.

Baillie points out that the population of this area has been increasing rapidly. "Possibly we can't find work for every one of the newcomers who need a regular income, but we should provide for our steady, skilled workers who are part of the community."

While stressing that the state employment service is not a relief agency, Baillie states that unless jobs are found for family heads and other able workers, welfare expenditures will increase greatly.

11,000 Fail to Reply On Christmas Seals

While residents have responded generously to the 1949 Christmas seal sale, there still remain some 11,000 letters to be acknowledged, according to a report Friday of the Marion County Tuberculosis and Health association. Receipts to date total \$10,292.

The campaign opened November 21 and will officially close Christmas day. Purchase of the seals may be made at booths maintained at the post office, Ladd & Bush bank, and Sears Roebuck. They are operated under the direction of Chadwick chapter, O.E.S., Salem chapter, O.E.S., Council of Church Women, Amaranth lodge and Rebekah lodge.

Salem Merchants To Close Monday

Salem merchants will close their places of business Monday, Dec. 26, which will be observed as the Christmas holiday for the reason that Christmas falls on Sunday. Also they will be closed

HOLLYWOOD
NOW SHOWING—OPEN 6:45
M-G-M's virile romantic drama
CLARK GABLE-ALEXIS SMITH
Any Number Can Play

SECOND FEATURE
"SAVAGE SPLENDOR" in Technicolor

TOMORROW
HOLLYWOOD KIDS CLUB
Doors Open 2:00 P. M. For Special Kids' Matinee
Stage Program—Prizes
3 Cartoons—Serial
Special Matinee Feature:
"GREAT STAGE-COACH ROBBERY" with Red Ryder and Little Beaver
Also
BENSON'S BIRTHDAY CAKE
Lawauna Lyle
Peggy Jewell
Buddy Kingman
Sharon Odem
Delores Kirchmann
Mike Thumkens
John Kraft
Diane Emigh
Lila Jean Sylvester
John Beard
Dale Whitehurst
David Forrester
Billy Schlitt
Jerry Ann Whitehurst
Gary Mehnerky
Carole Warren
Marilyn Ripp
Judith Ann Herber
Lougene Layton
Darlene Meyer
Sat. Eve. Show Cont. After 5:30

30 Named for Honor Society

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Route Cement Through Albany

Cement delivered by the Southern Pacific company to the Detroit dam project probably will be hauled from Portland to Albany and moved from there to Mill City, rather than being moved out of Salem, it was said at the SP freight office here today.

That, however, is a matter yet to be decided. Also to be solved are a number of problems that are now being considered both by the railroad company and Consolidated Builders.

The cement probably will originate at the Kaiser plant at Permanate, Calif. Also probably is water shipment to Portland, and upon arrival at Portland it will move either to Albany or Salem.

Albany is considered favorably because of a better grade to Mill City. If, instead, it moves out of Salem, it will go by the Geer line, connecting with the Woodburn-Springfield line at Geer, then move south to Shellburn, then to Mill City or Gates.

One matter yet to be settled is whether the Southern Pacific will carry it beyond Gates, or whether the Consolidated Builders will acquire a small locomotive and take it on from there.

Keizer Resident For Many Years

Sydney H. Francisco, a resident of Keizer district for the past 30 years, died in the Southern Pacific hospital in San Francisco, December 9 following a prolonged illness.

Mr. Francisco was born in Tulare, Calif., Aug. 11, 1888, and lived in California until 1919 when he came to Oregon to make his home. Surviving are the widow Nan Francisco; a son, Sydney Hudson Francisco, and daughter, Eleanor F. Neufeldt, all of Salem; a son, Don S. Francisco of Glendale, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Phil Harris of Los Angeles and nieces, Dorothy VanDerbeck and Marion Thieme of Oakland, Calif.

Francisco was a member of Chemeketa lodge No. 1 IOOF Salem No. 4 AF & AM; the Order of Railroad Telegraphers and Telegraphers club of Portland; of St. Paul's Episcopal church and was a veteran of World War I.

Funeral services were held December 12 at Halsted & Co. Funeral parlors in San Francisco, the Very Rev. Bernard N. Lovgren, dean of Grace cathedral, reading the service and committal which was concluded with interment in the Niche of the Benediction, in the Chapel of the Chimes, in Oakland, Calif.

DANCE
SATURDAY NITE
Aumsville Pavilion
Music by Tommy Kezziab and His West Coast Ramblers
In Aumsville
10 Miles S. E. of Salem
9:30-12:30

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The new members include: Donna Beard, Marvin Brokke, Leslyn Burdette, Dorothy Cannon, Don Engdahl, Mary Lee Feike, Beverly Forston, Layton Gilson, Alice Girod, Ed Knapp, Doris Lane, Alice Lehman, Jo Ann Majek, Carol McLeod, Kent Myers, Marilyn Myers, Eugene Poindexter, Marilyn Powers, Joyce Raulenkrantz, Jim Rock, Doug Rogers, James Sandifer, Susan Steed, Bonnie Stewart, Richard Strong, Nancy Taylor, Jim Todd, Dorothy Tanning, Frank Vitaris, Howard Wilson.

More Chairmen for USO Are Selected

Selection of chairmen to head USO committees in six additional counties was announced here Thursday by Mrs. Mason Ehrman, Oregon national USO committeeman, and R. R. Boardman, state director.

The new appointees are Don Edwards, chairman, and Morris Schmidt, co-chairman for Tillamook county; Earl Seawright of St. Helens, Columbia county; Charles Erwin of Pendleton, Umatilla; Parker Gies of Madras, Jefferson; Ned Johnson,

Detroit Land Titles at Stake

In answering the inquiry raised as to how to straighten out titles to lands being sold to the government for Detroit dam purposes but on which a cloud as to the title might exist because they had been reclassified as reforestation lands, District Attorney Ed Stadter advised the county court Friday that each of these cases should be handled individually.

He suggested that as fast as the title insurance company ascertained these lands had been reclassified as reforestation lands the assessor should be notified in each individual case and the assessor would then determine whether any taxes are still due the county on them and, if so, assess such taxes and impose a lien on the property. This tax could then be collected before the title company would guaranty the title.

Under the present law when land has been classified as reforestation lands and is returned to another use, it loses its reforestation privileges as to classification and shall be assessed on an ad valorem basis for all the

Hood River; Wesley Brownton of LaGrande, Union. The state now has nine county chairmen for USO.

The Oregon State USO council will hold its first meeting in Portland in January.

For That Superb
BARBECUED CRAB

years it has been classified for reforestation. Then the tax paid under the reforestation classification shall be deducted from what the ad valorem tax would have been and the balance assessed against the property. It is stated the county has a chance of collecting rather substantial tax payments on some of the pieces of land being sold to the government for dam purposes.

To Light 161-Foot Tree
Portland, Dec. 16 (AP)—Portland will light its 161-foot Christmas tree tonight. If it isn't the country's tallest, maybe it will be next year—it's still growing.

ELSINORE
LAST DAY!
"Intruder in the Dust"
"Mysterious Desperado"
NEW TOMORROW!
Robert CUMMINGS
Ann BYTH
FREE FOR ALL!
with Percy KILBRIDE
ABANDONED
starring
WENIG O'KEEFE GALE STORM
and JEFF CHANDLER

WARNERS CAPITOL
NEW TODAY • 2 MAJOR TREATS!

BING AND WALT
ride herd on The Headless Horseman!

Walt Disney
THE ADVENTURES OF ICHABOD AND MISTER TOAD
SUNG AND TOLD BY BING CROSBY
AND TOLD BY BASIL RATHBONE
Color by TECHNICOLOR
TWO TALL TALES by the world's top storytellers in one hilarious ALL-CARTOON FEATURE!

JOHN WAYNE
KING OF THE SCREEN as THE FIGHTING KENTUCKIAN
co-starring VERA RALSTON • PHILIP DORN OLIVER HARDY
featuring MARIE WINDSOR JOHN HOWARD
EXTRA Color Cartoon
Warner News

the Gayest Gifts
on your holiday shoe tree
gay and modest in price
2.95 and 3.95

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