



George Birrell, left, and Harry Broadbent of the Salem high school faculty were presented Hi-Y pins at assembly Friday. The presentation was in recognition of their seven years of service as advisers.

Death Penalty For Sex Crimes

Sacramento, Calif., Dec. 17 (AP)—The state legislature decided today to invoke stricter penalties—including the death sentence—against sex criminals. The senate gave unopposed approval to a series of bills aimed at psychopaths who prey on women and children. The assembly already has passed similar or identical measures. Under these bills the death of a child under 14 as a result of a sex offense could be defined as first degree murder. As such it could be punishable by death in the gas chamber. Prosecutors would not be required to prove premeditation as a necessary factor in the first degree murder. These measures also would require registration of sex criminals, send second-offense molesters of children to prison for five years and double the present 10 year sentence for crimes against nature.

Confesses to Theft of Wool

Salem detectives were reminded of the nursery rhyme about "Ba Ba, Black Sheep" Saturday as they studied the records of the arrest of William Hector Lovejoy, 675 South 12th, on charges of grand larceny. But instead of a story of "Yes Sir, Yes Sir, Three Bags Full," detectives were confronted with a case dealing with the theft of wool valued at approximately \$200 from the Nelson and Fitzmaurice firm at 350 North Front street. Lovejoy admitted the thefts in a signed statement. Detectives were called in on the case when the firm noted that the wool had disappeared. Detective Wayne Parker, told only that the wool had disappeared and that some of it had been in a hop sack with K383 stenciled on it, set out to solve the case. He found the sack at another wool buying firm and the name of the man who sold it. The name was Lovejoy. When he returned to Nelson and Fitzmaurice, he found that the suspect was employed there and had been considered a good worker. At police headquarters, Lovejoy's record was found to date to 1920 when he received his first penitentiary sentence. He received others in 1927, 1929, 1935, 1939, 1942 and 1944 in Idaho, Washington and Oregon. He was released from the Oregon state penitentiary in March, 1949, after serving four years and eight months for larceny.

London Power Strikers Return to Work

London, Dec. 17 (AP)—Workers at London's Littlebrook power station returned to work today after a 48-hour strike.

Palace Theatre, Silverton, Oregon. Last Times Tonight. **OH, YOU BEAUTIFUL DOLL** with June Haver and Mark Stevens. **THE WINDOW** with Barbara Hall, Bobby Driscoll, Arthur Kennedy, Paul Stewart, Ruth Roman. **APARTMENT FOR PEGGY** with Jeanne Crain, William Holden, Edmund Gwenn.

Tree Lights on Next Tuesday

Plans were completed Saturday for the lighting of the Cherrian Christmas tree on the courthouse lawn Tuesday night. Committee Chairman Fred G. Starrett said the Howard Miller Most Worshipful Brother Shalor would sing. There will be music by the Elks quartet, and a historical talk by Judge Rex Kimmell. While candy canes are being distributed recordings will be made of the music. The ceremonies will be opened by County Judge Grant Murphy. The program will start at 7:30. Starrett said many contributions of labor and effort have been made in preparing for the event. The Walton-Brown Electric contributed labor Friday. On Saturday Robert Baker, Harold Alderlin, Samuel Saunders, Lee Cline, Arnold Fast, Arnold Finseth, Paul W. Silke, Jack Schiller and Clarence Bueller, all of Walton-Brown, donated labor on Saturday.

A new star at the top of the tree was designed by Silke, and built and donated by Silke, Alderlin and Baker. Also Friday and Saturday four men from the Portland General Electric company donated their services. They were E. H. Barnholt, C. T. Klingler, W. T. Buzbee and A. F. Boytana. Cherrians are to attend the ceremony in uniform.

Schools Close Next Thursday

The Salem public schools will suspend class work for the Christmas holidays next Thursday afternoon and will not resume until January 3. Next week's curricular program will include a number of Christmas assemblies and the annual homecoming at senior high. This latter event is slated for 1:45 Wednesday afternoon. Monday's activity schedule calls for the pantomime "Why the Chimes Rang" at 1:10 p. m. at Leslie; Christmas program at Richmond, 1:15 p. m. P. T. A. meeting and Christmas party at Richmond at 7:30 p. m. and a band dinner at Senior high at 8 p. m. Christmas assemblies and programs for Tuesday will include: Grant, 10:45 a. m.; Highland and Bush 1 p. m.; Auburn, Washington and Garfield, 1:30 p. m. Parish and Pringle, 2 p. m.; Swedge at 7:30 p. m. and Englewood P. T. A. meeting at 8 p. m. Grant will hold its Christmas party at 10:45 a. m. Wednesday, Garfield at 1:30 p. m., Middlegrove at 7:30 p. m. Liberty at 8 p. m. and senior high at 8:15 p. m. Thursday's observance will consist of an elementary Christmas party at West Salem at 10:15 a. m., Leslie at 1:10 p. m., Lincoln at 1:15 p. m. and Hayesville at 8 p. m. The high school honorary society will hold a dinner at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening.

20 Years Prison For 10 Rapists

Tacoma, Dec. 17 (AP)—All 10 defendants in the Tacoma mass rape case today received maximum sentences of 20 years in the state reformatory. Sentences were passed by Judge Max Church of Jefferson-Challain superior court. Nine of the defendants, most of whom are in their early 20s were found guilty of the rape of Mrs. Marie Charlton, mentally ill Tacoma housewife, since deceased. The 10th, Harry Christel, was found guilty of attempted rape. A shocked gasp and a curse echoed throughout the courtroom as Judge Church slowly read the first sentence to Lawrence Meyer. Parents burst into tears as each defendant rose from the bench and stood before Judge Church of their sentence. Preceding the sentences, Judge Church emphasized that the state statute prohibited deferring or suspending sentences in cases involving rape. The 20-year term is the lowest maximum term that can be imposed, Judge Church informed the spectators. The jurist denied an appeal by Defense Attorney Frank Bannion to defer the sentence of Christel. Judge Church remarked, however, that he would recommend to the parole board special consideration in Christel's case. Maximum terms will be set by the state board of prison terms and paroles. Attorney General Smith Troy has said his office is divided over whether the minimum term would be at least five years or whether it could go lower. The parole board can review the cases within three years after the term is begun.

Patricia Percy Dies in Portland

Silverton—Patricia Lee Percy, 19-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis M. Percy of 806 South Water street, Silverton, former residents of Salem, died late Friday at the Doernbecher hospital in Portland. Besides her parents the child is survived by a brother, William Percy of Silverton and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Knight E. Percy of Salem and Mrs. Philene Putnam of Huntington N. Y. Funeral services for Patricia will be held at the Clough-Barrick chapel in Salem Monday, December 19, at 1:30 p. m. Interment will follow in Belcrest Memorial park, Salem.



Cubs Sell Trees—Members of West Salem's pack 15, Cub Scouts, line up with Santa Claus for a picture before launching their sale of Christmas trees. Holding forth at Kerber's West Side Market, the youngsters are, from left, Allen Hadley, Sandy McGregor, William Perkins, David Bell and Dale Karnes. The man behind the whiskers is actually Cubmaster Ed Williams.

Little Boy Victim of Pervert Started on Redemption Road

A little blue-eyed blond boy, with tears of gratitude in his eyes, was started on the road to rehabilitation Saturday by Juvenile Officer Allan McRae. The youngster, who scarcely looked old enough to be in his early teens, tried to hold back his emotion as he was fitted with a brand new pair of shoes, purchased for him out of the juvenile fund created by members of the Salem police department. Left behind at the shoe store were his wet and tattered footwear. And from the look in his eye, it was easy to see he was eager to leave behind the sordid life into which he had been led by a 29-year-old man. The man was identified as Burrell A. Raphael. He was arrested Friday evening on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Saturday morning, a charge of sodomy was added. His total bail was \$6000. The child was one of a family which included 13 children, and was considered by sympathetic officers as an easy target for favors and money offered by an adult. Raphael, known as "Swede" lived at 797 South 25th street. He was employed by the Pacific Rendering company. In a two-page typewritten account of his perverted activities, he told of meeting boys in Salem and Independence. He lured youths to his apartment with offers of money. Ages of the boys ranged from 11 to 15. His confession told how he had a life-long urge toward unnatural acts, yet he said he only began turning to little boys after he had acquired a general dis-ease. Raphael said his mother resided in Beaverton and that his father was living in California. In his long account, he told of picking berries in the Silverton area and of working in Independence. He said he came to Salem to live only after field work ended. He told officers he had been honorably discharged from military service after serving four years and seven months. He had operated as a Browning automatic rifleman as well as an air force cook.

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Health Clinics For Next Week

Immunization clinics will predominate in next week's activity program of the Marion county health association. Most of them will be held in the interest of school pupils. The schedule: Monday: Immunization at Clear Lake in the morning; McKinley school 9 to 9:30 a. m. and at health department for children, 9 to 11 a. m. and 2 to 4 p. m. Tuesday: Immunization at Mission Bottom, Eldridge and St. Louis schools, 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.; Richmond school, 9 a. m. to 11 a. m. Wednesday: Immunization at Lincoln school 9 a. m.; Mill City grade school, 10 a. m. to noon; chest fluoroscope by appointment; child guidance clinic, health dept. by appointment. Thursday: Well child conference, health dept. 9 a. m. to noon. Friday: Clinics for food and milk handlers, beauty operators and immunizations for adults at health dept. 9 to 11:30 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. Saturday: Immunizations, adults and children, health dept., 9 to 11:30 a. m.

New Citizens Guests Of Honor, Y Dinner

A number of persons who became citizens during recent weeks will be guests of honor during a dinner to be held Saturday night at the YMCA. The new citizens will receive their certificate from Mrs. Chester Mulkey of the county clerk's office who will represent Harlan Judd who cannot be present on account of illness. Carle Abrams will preside as master of ceremonies and C. A.

Ivan B. White U. S. Adviser

Ivan B. White of Salem is announced by the state department at Washington as having assumed the duties of economic and labor adviser for the bureau of inter-American affairs. White will be immediate adviser to Edward G. Miller, Jr., assistant secretary for inter-American affairs. He was born in Salem in 1907. He graduated from Salem high school and received his AB degree from Willamette in 1929. He is a foreign service officer of many years standing. White has just completed an assignment in the free territory of Trieste where he was director of finance and economics for the allied military government. In the international field White participated in the Bretton Woods conference of 1944 as special assistant to the secretary general. He was a U.S. delegate to the Paris reparations conference in 1946. He was an adviser to the meetings of the International Bank and the International Monetary Fund in Savannah, Ga. His foreign assignments include Mexico City, Yokohama, Paris and Trieste.

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Two Bodies in Wrecked Plane

Redding, Calif., Dec. 17 (AP)—The bodies of two young fliers were found today in shattered wreckage of a small private plane. The ship crashed and broke to bits among the lava rocks north of Glen Burn late yesterday. Sheriff John Balma said it bore the registration numbers—568-65—carried by the plane in which two Washington State college students left yesterday on a flight south. It was a two-place converted training plane, a BT-13. At the college at Pullman, Wash., it was said Tommy Dye, 24, of Clearwater, Calif., owner of the plane, was accompanied southward by Robert W. Finch, 23, of Phoenix, Ariz. They were on their way home for the holidays.

Mrs. Knepper Leaves For Holiday Visit

Liberty, Dec. 17 — Mrs. Ada Knepper on Hruebetz Road has left on a trip to the east where she will visit friends and family. She will visit her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Browne in Omaha, Neb. A son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Knepper, and Marcella of Schuyler, Neb. Mrs. Knepper

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