

Salem Bridge Players Win Honors in Northwest Event

Salem contract bridge players won a big share of the honors at the northwest regional championships in Portland, which attracted more than 500 persons from 47 towns in California, Washington, Montana, Idaho and Oregon.

Members of the local Elks Bridge club walked away with 11 first places, including one overall, many top ratings in major events, and between 80 and 90 master points.

Simple Surgery Fixes Flat Feet

By PAUL F. ELLIS (United Press Science Editor)

New York, Feb. 15 (U.P.)—A comparatively simple operation will correct many cases of inherited flat feet, a group of west coast physicians reported today.

The best results, doctors said, can be obtained when the operation is performed in the child's early life. Their study shows that some of the patients passed army physical examinations and served in the infantry in the last war.

The work was reported by Drs. John C. Manning, C. W. Lambert and Ralph B. Miller, of the Los Angeles, Calif., Orthopaedic hospital, in connection with the opening of the 17th annual meeting of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. The nation's top bone experts are attending the sessions.

Results of the Los Angeles doctors' work were shown for the first time in the east in an exhibit. They reported on a survey of 74 flat foot surgical operations in a ten-year period, involving 38 patients who cooperated in a follow-up examination program.

Of the 38 cases, 35 patients reported they "feel better," and most of them said they "play all games desired."

The operation, according to Dr. Lambert, usually involves making only one incision on the inside of the foot below the ankle. The anterior tibial, the main tendon that you can feel on the top of the foot just above the ankle, is stretched and looped as though a sling through a small slot that is cut into the ankle bone. The technique reinforces the muscles that ordinarily hold up the arch.

In some cases, it was explained, the achilles tendon is lengthened by severing it, and then sewing it together again.

Bank Talk Heard In Willamina Area

Willamina—The feature of the Kiwanis luncheon was a first aid demonstration and a boxing match put on by several members of the Boy Scout troop, who were: David Kolla, Bill Felton, Bill Yoast, Darrel Stacer, Tony Schuerch, Jerry Van Drew and Ross Bailey. The number of Scouts in the troop now total about 30.

A board of directors meeting was held in Hap Parrett's office, and after regular business matters were taken care of there was a considerable discussion about establishing a bank here. One firm is presently considering and investigating the community with the idea of opening a bank. They have agreed to meet with interested persons here in the near future to discuss the matter.

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Takes Last Salute—Shri C. Rajagopalachari, last of India's governor generals, takes salute from guard of honor during a send-off as he left New Delhi for his home in Madras.

Seattle Woman Claims to Be Fourth Cousin of Abe Lincoln

Seattle, Feb. 15 (U.P.)—Mrs. Amy Prouty Sunday celebrated the birthday of a relative—Abraham Lincoln.

She sat in her Capitol Hill apartment reading over yellowed but treasured clippings that had been passed down from generation to generation.

Widow of a Bellingham newspaperman, Mrs. Prouty traces her relationship to the great emancipator through the great-grandfather of the president, Robert Shipley of Lunenburg, Va.

Shipley had five daughters. One of them, Mary Shipley, married Abraham Lincoln, the president's grandfather and namesake.

Another of Shipley's daughters, Nancy, was the mother of Nancy Hanks, Lincoln's mother.

"My father's grandmother, Sarah Mitchell, was an 'own cousin' of Nancy Hanks," Mrs. Prouty said. "So I'm a fourth cousin of President Lincoln."

Some humming birds are natives of America, not originating in the eastern hemisphere.

Seattle Bans Bergman Film

Seattle, Feb. 15 (U.P.)—Roberto Rossellini's motion picture "Stromboli" starring Ingrid Bergman was banned here today by Acting Mayor David Levine.

The movie, billed locally as "a violent explosion of raging passions," Levine said was "offensive to the moral sense and tends to corrupt public morals."

He instructed Chief of Police George D. Eastman to prohibit showing of the picture anywhere within the city limits. Levine acted after more than 436 protesting letters and postcards were received within 24 hours, asking that the picture be banned.

Protest came mainly from church groups but there was a liberal sprinkling of private and business letterheads.

Gilbert Wourms will build a one-story one-room storage addition at his home on West Ida street. Estimated cost was given at \$200. It will be of frame construction with a shingle roof.

Allied Navies to Meet Off China

Manila, Feb. 15 (U.P.)—The United States and Britain will parade their Far Eastern naval might within 600 miles of communist China next month, the Philippine customs bureau reported tonight.

It said the American Western Pacific fleet and British Far Eastern fleet will hold joint maneuvers off the west coast of Luzon March 3 to 10.

Although U.S. naval headquarters at Sangley Point, Manila Bay, said it was not ready to make any announcement, the report was believed to be true because the Philippine government necessarily would have to be informed of such maneuvers.

Informed sources said they believed the maneuvers were designed to impress Russia and the Chinese communists with Anglo-American naval strength off their Pacific shores.

The composition of the American fleet was not known here. But it was speculated that it would include the newly arrived aircraft carrier Boxer.

Holecheks Open Store

Independence — Mr. and Mrs. John Holechek, former Independence residents, have completed building a new grocery store in Redmond and had their grand opening on February 11. The health of their son has been much improved in the eastern Oregon climate. Mr. Holechek formerly owned the City Meat Market here.

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Bids Asked On Library

Bids for the construction of a library building at the Oregon College of Education at Monmouth have been called for by the state board of higher education, according to Dr. Charles D. Byrne, secretary. The bids will be opened on the Monmouth structure at 4 o'clock March 13.

The Monmouth building is estimated to cost \$235,000 and will be a two-story structure of concrete frame construction with brick and cast stone exterior. It will have aluminum sash with double glazing and composition roof with the floors to be terrazzo, asphalt tile and rubber tile on concrete slab.

The ceiling will have acoustical tile and acoustical plaster. Walls will be plastered with hardwood trim and paneling.

Necessary steel stacks will be furnished by the college. A split-system heating system which

will connect to the central heating system will be installed. Lighting will be incandescent, recessed, with ring-type fixtures. Considerable black-topping is necessary. Some remodeling of the present system will be included.

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