

# Local Paragraphs

**Smith Goes East**—G. Herbert Smith, president of Willamette university, will leave tomorrow for Washington, D. C., to attend the annual convention of the Association of American Colleges and Universities. He will attend other conventions on his trip, including religious conferences, before returning late in January.

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**Father-Son Banquet**—The DeMolay father-son annual banquet will be held Monday, January 14, according to announcement by Mrs. L. J. Stewart, president of the DeMolay Mothers' club. All DeMolay members and their fathers will be guests, and especially honored will be all past dad advisors and master counsellors.

## Widows Sue United Airlines

San Francisco (AP)—The widows of four Portland men, who were killed in a California airplane crash have sued United Airlines for \$1,450,000.

The men were among 50 persons killed Aug. 24 when an air liner crashed near Decolo, Alameda county. Their widows charge in the suit that the plane was operated recklessly and was flying below the minimum altitude prescribed by the CAA.

The women who filed the suits on behalf of themselves and their children are:

Mrs. Edith M. Johnson and her two children, \$400,000, for the death of Ernest E. Johnson.  
Mrs. Ruth Robertson Johnson and two children, \$350,000, for the death of Dean Johnson.  
Mrs. Lucy R. Van and three children, \$500,000, for the death of Eric J. Van.  
Mrs. Lillian L. Petrie, and four children, \$200,000, for the death of Robert T. Petrie.

## Women Over 21 Top Men in Ratio

Washington (AP)—The 1950 census showed there are only 96.6 men aged 21 and over for each 100 women of the same age group.  
Ten years ago the ratio was 100 men for every 100 women.  
The census bureau reported Sunday the 1950 count showed a total of 97,418,365 in the 21-and-over group, a gain of 16 per cent over 1940.

The female population in this bracket increased by 7,564,324 or 18 per cent during 1940-50, while the male population rose 5,855,412, or 13.9 per cent.

## Night Baffle

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The flare-up came after Premier Mustapha El Nahas Pasha again threatened to use force to throw the British out of the canal zone. He said his government would not even consider entering a Middle East defense system proposed by the West, until all the British are gone.  
But the British were adamant about staying. Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British Middle East commander in chief, said "neither passage of time nor mercurial episodes" would force them out.

## Kenneth Beebe, 68 Dies in Portland

Portland (AP)—Kenneth Beebe, 68, died unexpectedly early New Year's Day at Good Samaritan hospital. He was president of the Beebe Co., marine supply firm.  
Born in New York, the son of Gen. and Mrs. Charles F. Beebe, he was brought to Portland when a small child. In 1900 he joined the firm founded by his father and in 1908 he was elected president.

## MILITARY MEN AND VETERANS

**Finishes School**  
With U. S. Forces in Japan—Second Lt. Dewey A. Rand Jr., whose wife resides at 631 S. Commercial St., Salem, Ore., recently graduated from the Far East Command Chemical school at Camp Gifu, Japan.

## BORN

**The Capital Journal Welcomes the Following New Citizens:**

**SALEM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
PETERSON—To Mr. and Mrs. William Peterson, 6445 Sunnyside street, a boy, Dec. 31.  
DUBOIS—To Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dubois, 1320 Broadway, a boy, Dec. 31.  
GATLIN—To Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gatlin, 1985 Prairie road, a girl, Dec. 31.  
BARKER—To Mr. and Mrs. Eddie C. Barker, 107 11th street, McMinnville, a girl, Jan. 1.  
**SILVERTON HOSPITAL**  
SCHMIDT—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Schmidt, Salem, a boy, Dec. 30.  
ORRIS—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Orris, 4000 S. Main, a boy, Dec. 30.  
SHARRIS—To Mr. and Mrs. William R. Sharris, a girl, Dec. 30.  
DUBANTIS—To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dubantis, a boy, Dec. 30.  
WILLIAMS—To Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Williams, a girl, Dec. 30.  
SCHAEFER—To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schaefer, Woodburn, a boy, Dec. 31.

**Two Booked**—Sheriff's deputies new year's eve made two arrests. They were George Lee Geoman, Jr., of Marion, booked on a charge of driving while under the influence of liquor, and Frank Edward Geomans, also of Marion, charged with being drunk on a public highway. The former was held in lieu of \$250 bail and the latter was held in lieu of \$50 bail.

## 40,000 Fewer Portland Voters

Portland (AP)—There were 41,000 fewer registered voters in Portland at the end of 1951 than during the previous year. But the city grew in other ways.

Here are some measurements:  
Power customers—Increase of 4,605 for Portland General Electric and about 100 for Pacific Power and Light.  
Telephone—Increase of 6,608 for a total of 210,520.  
School enrollment—Increase of 3,000 for a total of 45,000.  
Water meters—Increase of 26 for a total of 393,179.  
Elections Registrar James Gleason said the reason for the drop in registrations was that 1951 was an off-year for elections.

## One Cheats Death, Second Killed

Placerville Calif. (AP)—Frank Kerk, 28-year-old highway worker, was buried under an avalanche two hours and came out alive.

James S. Swafford, 37, was crushed to death by the same slide Sunday in a blustering snowstorm 50 miles east of Placerville.

Rescuers who dug Kerk out of the snow and mud theorized that the slide left an air space, permitting the trapped man to breathe.

## New Years Din Aids Hold-up for \$5000

San Francisco (AP)—The hilarious din during the first minutes of 1952 at the Cigar Box Restaurant, was just what the stranger counted on.

Miss Betty Blackwell, cashier, later told police the stranger used the noisy period to intercept her on the way to the office with the night's receipts, plus more from the safe, for a total of more than \$5,000.  
And if she had screamed—it would have been just one more sound in the hubbub.



**Champ Liar**—Rev. Arthur R. Kirk (above), 34, pastor of the Biggs, Calif., Community Church, has been named winner of the annual tall-tale contest conducted by the Burlington, Wis., Liars club for his story of rapidly growing melon vines which damaged them along the ground. Rev. Kirk wins the title of "World Champion Liar" for his imaginative narrative. (AP Wirephoto)

Safe deposit boxes are now available, \$3 and up per year. Pioneer Trust Company, 109 North Commercial street, Salem, Oregon.

Castle Permanent Wavers, 305 Livesley building, phone 3-3663. Permanents \$5 and up. Ruth Ford and Eulela Arnold.

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## Honor Bestowed By King George

London (AP)—Four members of Winston Churchill's wartime cabinet were made Viscounts Tuesday by King George VI in his traditional New Year's honors list.

Honoring hundreds of British and Commonwealth citizens for their service, the King's Palm fell upon scientists, two of his doctors, pilots who have flown his wife and daughters overseas, the men with the longest unbroken service in the House of Commons, and the man who signs the Monarch's checks.

The four new Viscounts are Robert S. Hudson, war-time minister of Agriculture; Sir John Anderson, chairman of the port of London authority who was chancellor of the exchequer 1943-45; Sir Archibald Sinclair, boss of the wartime RAF as air minister, and Brendan Bracken, publisher of the influential "Financial Times" who was minister of information 1941-45.

## 3 Guesses on Green Fire Balls

Albuquerque (AP)—Dr. Lincoln La Paz said Tuesday the unusual green fireballs observed over the Southwest recently could be guided missiles—our own or somebody else's.

The meteor specialist of the University of New Mexico gave three possible explanations of the fireballs that startled residents of the Southwest over a two-week period.

In a statement to the Associated Press, Dr. La Paz said: "They may be simply an unconventional kind of meteorite fireball. They may be guided missiles undergoing a test in the area which they are designed to defend, or they may be guided missiles of foreign origin."

Dr. La Paz said the latter two explanations should "not be cast aside too hastily in the Buck Rogers era which mankind has entered."

## 2 High School Girls Strangled

Detroit (AP)—The bodies of two Pontiac high school girls were found in a suburban Royal Oak snowbank early Tuesday a short time after the girls reportedly left a New Year's eve party.

Physicians said both girls "appear to have been strangled." Deputy Coroner I. C. Privette of Oakland county said neither body bore such marks "as usually are found on auto accident victims." He ordered immediate autopsies.

The girls, whose bodies were found 10 feet of heavily-traveled Woodward avenue were identified as Jessica Anastos, 15, and Barbara Holloway, 17.

Royal Oak police said preliminary investigation indicated the girls had been at a party in suburban Ferndale but left about 11 p.m.

Ernest McLaren, 22, of Ferndale, a guest at the party, said the girls told him they did not like the party and intended to hike-hike to Pontiac to attend another.

## Mrs. Roosevelt Urges Patience With Russia

New York (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt says Americans must be patient during 1952 in dealing with the Russians.

We must not get the idea, she adds, that "things will happen immediately." Instead, she says, "We have to learn to live with uncertainty."

Mrs. Roosevelt, home for the holidays, made her remarks as she left Monday by plane for Paris and the United Nations General Assembly, to which she is a delegate.

**First Fine This Year**—Harold C. Damon of 445 South 16th street wanted to start the new year off right, he told city police Tuesday morning. So, he put fifty cents on the line to pay for illegal parking violation—thus becoming the number one payer for such a violation of 1952 in Salem.

## COURT NEWS

**Circuit Court**  
Nonia Whitelade vs. Dallas Whitesides: Divorce complaint, silverware and human treatment. Also \$150 monthly support for plaintiff and minor child during pendency of suit and \$50 monthly support for child thereafter. Married November 1, 1949 in Salem.

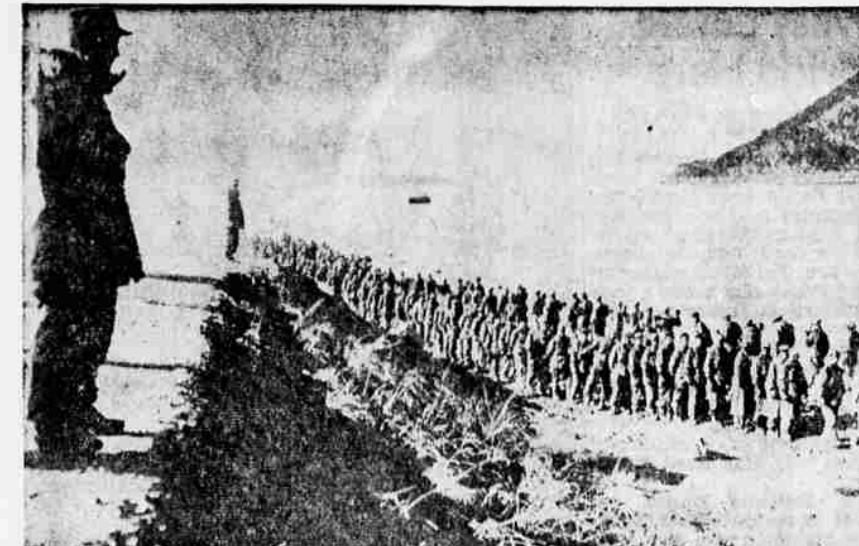
Helen Holford vs. Royal C. Holford: Divorce suit, charging cruel and inhuman treatment. Also \$30 monthly support for each of two minor children. Married July 2, 1941 in Salem.

Robert R. Ladd vs. George Hale and Jewel Thorpe: Plaintiff gives \$285.00 damages as the outgrowth of automobile accident May 15, 1951.

Elbert Root vs. State Industrial Accident Commission: January 7 date set for hearing of defendant's demurrer.

**Marriage License**  
David L. Escuse, 20, 2000 Broadway, 1920 Beach street, and Maxine Wankler, 17, 2280 Knalwood avenue, both Salem.

Donald C. Crosby, 24, farmer, Woodburn, and Dorothy A. Meininger, 21, Woodburn.



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At mid-morning Tuesday, not a single violent death had been reported in the state. In Portland there hadn't been even a very bad accident. A few cracked ribs suffered by one motorist was the most serious injury.

Perhaps the cold slowed things down. The only reporting station in Oregon to fail to drop to freezing was North Bend, on the coast, at 45 degrees.

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## Supreme Citation From Pup Tent 6

Whenever a committee from Pup Tent No. 6, Military Order of the Cooties, goes from Salem to Veterans hospital in Portland to give gifts to the inmates, a stop is always made at Carl Christensen's place in Oregon City.

That's by Christensen's request. For a long time he has been in the habit of donating cigarettes and tobacco to the hospitalized veterans, and his generosity has been recognized widely.

In the current National VFW Magazine a picture shows Christensen receiving a Supreme Citation from Harry Allen, Oregon grand commander of the Cooties, in behalf of Pup Tent 6.

The U. S. Army is resuming its formal training of dogs for military use for the first time since World War II.

## 'I Swan,' the Man Says, 'It's Leap Year'

By RON GEMMELL  
Well, I swan.

Didn't know it was leap year until I leaped out of bed New Year's morning and took a squint at the calendar.  
And when I say "squint," brother, I mean SQUINT.

While I, personally, have nothing to fear from this year of the femme fatale, some of you guys better be wary. It says here that the female of the species this year can legally be the aggressor.

Of course, all of us males know that they've always been that, (including Adam), but we must go along with custom and let them think there is something special about this year that occurs whenever a year is divisible by four.

## First By-Pass

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Eventually the highway will be a four-lane route, but for the time being two lanes will be constructed, Baldoek explained. The first phase of the project is expected to cost approximately \$1,500,000.

The right-of-way division of the highway department has contacted all owners of property on the right-of-way to State street with one exception. Most of the options offered for the property by the department have been accepted but it is expected that there will be six or seven lawsuits to settle the price of the property.

Work of contacting property owners on the route south of State street will begin immediately.

It is probable that the by-pass highway will connect at the north with the proposed express roadway to be constructed between Salem and Portland. As soon as the southern route of this fast highway is definitely determined the northern terminus of the by-pass roadway will also be decided.

When completed, the by-pass highway will provide a route which all through trucks and other vehicular traffic can utilize, and will materially reduce the volume of heavy truck traffic which now travels through downtown Salem.

## New Lead

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Clearing weather was expected to aid the search for the military plane that vanished in mist and rain near Phoenix. It was on a flight from Hamilton Air Force Base, Calif., to Goodfellow A. F. Base, Texas.

Rescue parties reached the crash of the C-46, near Little Valley, N. Y., after an injured passenger struggled to a farm house. The Pittsburgh to Buffalo Continental Charters Inc., plane crashed Saturday night.

Another C-46 transport, belonging to Transocean Airlines, has been missing since Sunday night on a Point Barrow to Fairbanks flight in Alaska. The airline said two crewmen were aboard, but that it had not determined whether there were any passengers.

Flashing signal lights Monday night gave hope to search parties. But early Tuesday a helicopter pilot, who made a hazardous night flight up Chena River, reported that the signals were from a trapper in need of food.

## Weather in 1951 Not Too Extreme Records Reveal

The year 1951 was not too extreme with its weather, except for a comparatively dry spell in the late spring and fore part of the summer, the yearly statistics reveal.

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The highest temperature for 1951 was 99 degrees registered on June 29 and July 11. The highest temperature on record here was the 108 mark reached in June of 1927.

The lowest temperature for 1951 was 16 degrees, recorded on January 30—and that compared with the all-time record low of 10 degrees below zero here, recorded in January of 1950.

The average high temperature for 1951 was 63.6, against a normal of 62.9, and the average low temperature was 40.7 with the normal 42.5, making 1951 both warmer and colder in its averages compared with normal.

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## Seward Reese Made Chairman

Dean Seward P. Reese of Willamette university's law college was named chairman of the law school committee of the Association of American Law Schools at the organization's annual meeting held recently in Denver, Colo.

Serving with Dean Reese on the law school committee for the coming year will be Professor Russell N. Sullivan of the University of Illinois; Gordon Johnston of the University of Denver, and Charles W. Fornoff of the University of Toledo.

Robert Mathews of Oregon State was elected president of the association and the next annual meeting will be held in Chicago.

## Year Opening

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"Time is the price you pay for progress," Joy said in the tape recorded statement, broadcast to the U.S. "Unless you are prepared to spend time, you only short change yourself and cheat those who depend on you."

**Rhee Criticizes Allies**  
In a New Year statement President Syngman Rhee of South Korea expressed concern "over possible agreement on an armistice before unification of our country has been achieved." He criticized the Allies for not trying to unite Korea by force of arms and said:

"The year 1952 may be a grim one not only because of our enemies, but also because of our friends."

## Buying in Salem

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We hope the coming year brings fulfillment of your fondest hopes.

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