

Mr. and Mrs. Conway Tell Friends of Morocco Life

Sublimity — Friends of Capt. and Mrs. Grant Conway (Ione Warren) have received Christmas greetings from the two from Morocco, where the captain, a Navy man, is stationed. Mrs. Conway formerly lived here and in Salem.

Since the Christmas letter friends have had word that Mrs. Conway's mother, Mrs. Lillian Warren, who formerly lived near here, has arrived in Morocco to be with the Conways.

The Christmas letter from the Conways reads:

We write you this Christmas season from North Africa, where the whims of the Air Force sent Grant in the middle of May, 1952 to take over the Base Exchange at Nouasseur AFB. It is the largest Exchange in Africa and his duties are so numerous he has never counted them all. He left the states in February, landing at Bremerhaven, Germany, from where he went south in easy stages, through France, Spain and Tangier, driving alone in our own car, to arrive on the Moroccan plains before hot weather.

Ione remained in Washington, DC., resuming her job with Senator Connally, while awaiting clearance to join Grant overseas.

On September 13, Ione was whisked out of the states with magical military efficiency, to fly all the way to French Morocco, via Grand, Newfoundland and the Azores, where she was delayed two days, but we finally met at Nouasseur Air Field in the early dawn of September 18, after being apart seven months.

Our roomy comfortable apartment has large French doors opening onto a balcony facing the Atlantic, located in Ain Sabaa Plage, an Arab beach town, suburb of Casablanca, about 25 miles from the Nouasseur AFB. Life in Morocco is different and a little overwhelming at first, but we grow accustomed now to such things as the strange, terrible smells, the harsh sputter of Arabic, and the sudden bursts of weird Arabian music with wild drums in the night.

Despite their primitive and rather filthy living habits, the Moorish Arabs are people of considerable charm. They have a gracious courtesy and immense dignity, but our greatest surprise came with the discovery that they possess a superb sense of humor.

When local customs perplex us, we rely upon our Moroccan seers to explain about veiled women, extra wives (most Arabs are too poor to afford more than one) tattoo marks, local holidays, history, etc.

The village barber (barber) sits in an open pup tent near our house, to shave heads in the latest fringe fashion, also letting blood or prescribing a talisman to wear around the neck for any physical or mental ailment.

Small children wear shaved hair, with one long lock retained as a convenience for their guardian angel to use for pulling them out of mischief, or into heaven, as the case may be.

Ione goes freely about, without fear, sketching and painting local scenes and people, encouraged by a large audience of friendly, interested Arabs. She has painted country mosques, and Arab women bathers. The latter shed their veils, djallababs and numerous undergarments casually, to bathe nude in the sea pools, as graceful and unselfconscious as any Polynesian.

We have both met only the finest courtesy from Arabs at all times and there have been no disturbing incidents during our sojourn here. We're enjoying a warm winter in sunny Africa. Ione's mother is now enroute by ship to join us for the holidays. We hope this finds you enjoying the happiest of Christmas seasons.

In an earlier letter the Conways told something of the country in which they are making their home.

Sections of the letter are: "En route to Mageran, we stopped at an Arab bazaar. It was the real stuff. A cluster of Arab merchants arrived and set

Bids to Be Opened Friday on Berg Market

Bids for the construction of Berg's market to be erected at the intersection of Cherry avenue and North River road in the Keizer district will be opened at 8 o'clock the night of January 16, John G. Groom, Salem architect has drawn the plans for the structure.

Salem contractors who have taken plans for the building include Smith and Nelson, Barham Brothers, Myron Downey, Newman, Browning and Randolph, H. Gordon Carl and Erwin Batterman.

The 100 by 120 structure will be reinforced concrete with full basement and concrete first floor. Roof will be built up, supported by bowstring trusses. A mezzanine floor will house offices, and storage space. Asphalt tile will be laid on floors and insulating tile on ceilings.

Lighting will be by cathode tube and heating through projection type heaters.

It has been estimated that a flash involves the equivalent of about 3,000 kilowatt hours of electricity.



Movie Pioneer's Reward — Adolph Zukor, 80 years old and still an active leader in the film industry, gets birthday hugs from Dorothy Lamour (left) and Elizabeth Scott as he "starred" at a film industry dinner in Hollywood, celebrating his birthday and his forthcoming 50th anniversary as a film producer. More than a thousand filmtown notables attended, including many who movie careers he launched. Zukor, board chairman of Paramount Pictures, says he has no plans to retire. (AP Wirephoto.)

Mercy Flight For Bird Fails

Nashville, Tenn. (AP) — Ruby, a woodcock refugee from the frigid north whose southbound flight was aided by airplane and sympathetic handlers, died yesterday while en route to its winter home in Louisiana.

A combination of aerial flight, automobile riding and hamburger failed to perk up the wayward woodcock.

The long-beaked timber doodle was a special passenger aboard an American Airlines plane which whisked it from Syracuse, N. Y., after it fell to earth, half frozen and starved.

Ruby postponed its annual flight long after its outfit had swooped southward. When Ruby did start, the wintry weather grounded its flight at a Syracuse service station.

A university professor and bird authority arranged the flight to Nashville. Mrs. Fred Laskey, a local bird lover, who was going to care for Ruby until it was able to continue migrating under its own power, said the bird would be stuffed and mounted in her bird room.

Claims New World Record After 79-Day Fast in Cage

Frankfurt, Germany (AP) — A professional hunger artist, Willy Schmitz, claimed a new world record for fasting today after 79 days and 3 hours in a glass cage without food.

Police last night broke the seal on his cage while hundreds of spectators, who had paid 1 mark (23.8 cents) admission, watched.

Doctors let Schmitz, thin and pale but smiling, sip a little champagne and fruit juice. Solid food will not be given him for several days.

The faster will enter a hospital, seeking to regain the 78 pounds he lost. A doctor said Schmitz was in surprisingly good health but that he probably would have died if he had tried existing three or four more days on nothing but water and cigarettes.

It was Schmitz' ninth long fast in 26 years. He said his next performance probably will be in North or South America.

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experience and thorough knowledge of the Fire Department Study Manual. PAY: \$175.00 per month. DUTIES: Supervision of Fire Department equipment and personnel assigned to Station Chief's jurisdiction, and transmission of orders of superior officers and directing their enforcement. EXPERIENCE: Not less than one year continuous service under permanent appointment as Captain in the Salem Fire Department.

POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONAL CAPTAIN, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1953, 9:00 a.m.

GENERAL SCOPE OF EXAMINATION: Exercise executive ability and knowledge of laws and ordinances. PAY: \$185.00 per month. DUTIES: Supervision of activities of sergeants and patrolmen and transmission of orders of superior officers and directing their enforcement.

EXPERIENCE: Not less than one year continuous service under permanent appointment as Sergeant in the Salem Police Department.

APPLICANTS will be required to take a physical examination from the city physician. Each applicant shall cause to be filed with the Secretary of the Commission a statement from the city physician certifying that the applicant is mentally and physically fit for the position he seeks. In the absence of such a certificate an applicant will not be permitted to take the examination.

APPLICATION BLANKS may be obtained at the office of the City Recorder, second floor, City Hall, must be filed in person and will not be accepted for filing after the following date: THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1953. DATED at Salem, Oregon, January 10, 1953.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION Alfred M. Munn, Secretary and Chief Examiner, Jan. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 1953

LEGALS

NOTICE OF EXAMINATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Civil Service Examinations for FIREMEN'S ENTRANCE, for FIREMEN'S PROMOTIONAL-BATTALION CHIEF and for POLICE PROMOTIONAL-CAPTAIN shall be held at the City Hall, Salem, Oregon, as follows: FIRE DEPARTMENT ENTRANCE, FEBRUARY 6, 1953, 9:00 a.m.

GENERAL SCOPE OF EXAMINATION: In addition to physical examination by the city physician: knowledge of observation, reading comprehension, ability to follow directions, relations with others, physical ability to meet fire department requirements.

PAY: \$175.00 for beginners. PHYSICAL tests as would be ordinarily used in fire fighting.

REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must have been bona fide residents of the city of Salem, Oregon, for at least one year immediately prior to the date of the examination and must be registered voters. AGE LIMITS: 21 to 31 years.

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