TEARS AND VICTORY

Belle Cooke, Salem's poetess in the Victorian era, whose slim volume, "Tears and Victory," published by E. M. Waite, local book and job printer in 1871, was favorably received by critics of distinction. The volume is now rare and the name of Salem's one distinguished poet is lost in obscurity. (Photo made by J. H. Montgomery, of the Court Street photographer, about 85 years ago, now in the Hal Patton, collection).

Story of Belle Cooke Salem's Victorian Poet

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During her early years in Sa-During her early years in Sa-lem Bellc gave music lessons, probably on the small, folding me-lodeon she had brought across the plains. At other times she was in charge of the primary department at Willamette Uni-versity, a school teacher at As-toria and, despite her loss of ola-factory perception, was an en-thusiastic student of botany.

Joaquin Miller and Minnie Myrtle Miller were frequent visitors
at the Cooke home and, after
Minnie Myrtle became estranged
from Joaquin Miller. Belle loop.

Joaquin Miller and Minnie Myr-

By BEN MAXWELL

Obscurity has been the fate of Belle Cooke, Salem poetess for a generation now old, and her modest volume, "Tears and Victory," handsomely printed by E. M. Waite in 1871, is now but rarely read or ever found in private libraries.

Life was not easy for Belle Cooke, Born Belle Walker at Meriden, Connecticut, in 1874 she contracted scarlet fever early in life and lost her sense of smell. Her father took the disease from his child and died. At the age of 17, in 1851, she traveled across the plains with an uncle, Rev, George Chandler who later became the first president of McMinnville College. During the winter of 1851 she was a teacher at Old Oregon Institutian and the following year married Joseph Cooke.

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outside."

Belle Cook left Salem for California in 1896. She returned to Oregon late in life, however, and died at Newberg January 19, 1919 at the age of 85. She is buried on the Chandler lot in Mountain View cemetery at Forest Grove.

Howard Miller To Conference

Howard F. Miller, vocal music instructor, Salem Senior High School, will leave Salem Priday, January 15, to attend an execu-tive board meeting of the Na-tional Interscholastic Music Actional Intersections a section of tivities commission, a section of the Music Educaton National Conference, at the Palmer House in Chicago, January 18-17,

January 15, to attend an executive board meeting of the National Interscholastic Music Activities commission, a section of the Music Educaton National Conference, at the Palmer House in Chicago, January 16-17.

As a member at large representing the western states and chairman of vocal music affairs, Miller will help plan the sessions of the Interscholastic Music Activities commission for the Natonal Conference of music educators to be held in Chicago, March 25-31.

The executive board will also

The executive board will also set up committees and plans for reviewing new music published since the last national recom-ment tions ini 1951. The major responsibility of this organiza-ton is to publish natonal judgng forms for music contests, lists recommended music, and sug sted plcans for music contests

Miller was elected to the exe-cutive board at the national meeting in 1950 and re-elected in 1962. He was eligible for the office because of his second vice presidency in the North West Music Educators organization.

Other members of the execu-tive board are from New York, Florida, Illinois, and Kansas.

Weather permitting, Miller will return to Salem, Monday,

Sheets Views Astoria Slide

State Civil Defense Director Arthur M. Sheets returned to-day from Astoria, where he rep-resented Gov. Paul L. Patter-son at the slide area, and praised the efficient manner in which Red Cross, police and other ag-encies carried out the relief work.

He described it as "the fin-est example of neighbor helping neighbor.

People there opened their homes to evacuees; police re-serves worked on a 24-hour ha-sis; and volunteers performed every job they could, which in-cluded helping to pack dishes and move furniture.

"It was an example of town "It was an example of town-hall democracy and it provides a lesson for all civil defense organizations," Sheets said. "This type of emergency might not compare in size to wartime destruction, but the co-ordinated manner in which city and county groups functioned proves the worth of disaster planning. It brings out an old dimension of community life—a quality of neighborly helpfulness."

Lebanon Taps Junior Citizen

LEBANON-Named as Lebanon's distinguished junior citizen for 1953 at a Monday dinner meeting of chamber and Jaycees was Jack Wentworth, Jaycee president, whose efforts in park development, traffic safety, strawberry fair ac-tivities and united fund drive, and aviation day effort won him the

Others promoted for the choice were Jack Foster, Winton Meuler, Ray Childs, Don Youngquist and Jack Davis.

Dinner speaker was Dr. U. G. Dubach, professor of political sci-ence at Lewis and Clark college. His topic was "Wake Up America." The joint dinner, held in the 100F hall, attracted a record attendance of chamber and junior chamber members.



Schools Doing Good Job Gas Turbine Serving Student Lunches Car Announced Plan to Clean Premises

By FRED ZIMMERMAN

Serving some 3.600 lunches five which to take care of other essendays a week and keeping the eattals.

There is no attempt to make

more and more patronage.

The cost? Twenty-five cents if the luncher buys a meal ticket calling for 10 meals.

The menus? Judge for yourself from the list that covered the January 11-15 period:

and butter, brownie pudding, milk.

Thursday: chili, turnip wedge, biscuits with honey butter, two tone fruit gelatine, milk.

Friday: Pineapple, cottage cheese salad, creamed or glazed carrots, buttered green beans, tuna sandwich, fruit cake with butter

With surplus commodities playing such an important part in the formation of the menus, Mrs. Wasson plans her meals around what the government makes available. This is necesary in view of the fact that a half pint of milk now costs that a half pint of milk now costs to each a savieted by number of the fact and attend regular workshops and courses of instruction. They are checked for disease and are meal served amounts to 8 cents assisted by number who are meal served amounts to 8 cent.s assisted by pupils who are tray to the proper This leaves but 8 cents with taught the necessity of cleanli-suming his food.

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Monday: American chop suey, buttered rice, any raw vegetable or fruit, whole wheat bread and butter, canned peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Meat balls in tomato sauce, buttered boiled potatees, celery sticks, whole wheat bread and butter, pears and apricots, milk.

Wednesday: Barbecued beef, buttered whole kernel corn, mixed vegetable salad, whole wheat bread and butter, brownie pudding, milk.

Thursday: chili turnin weder, buttered whole kernel corn, mixed vegetable salad, whole wheat bread and butter, brownie pudding, milk.

Thursday: this tin the numbered for funches served and it is expected this figure will be topped this year.

Garfield which had no cafeteria service in former years because to the list Monday with food being prepared at Hoover. It is transported to Garfield where it can be kept hot. Nothing but the large carried is now equipped with The Salem school lunch program

follows the outline of the Type A lunch suggested on the national And while the government sandwich, fruit cake with butter sauce, milk.

Admittedly meals of this nature could not be served at the price for which they are sold if government commodities were not such as personal services of the se contributes food it does not at-

High School Students

The first gas turbine automobile ever to be built and tested in the United States was announced today by Harlow H. Curtice, president of General Motora.

The car is purely an experimental vehicle, not intended for highway use. It has been test run at the GM proving grounds. The XP-21 Firebird, a sleek, white single seater with aerodynamic styling—will make its first public appearance at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel at New York, January 21-26.

It also will be shown at the GM Motorama of 1954 in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel at New York, January 21-26.

Constructed as an experiment te study future possibilities of the gas turbine for commercial uses, the XP-21 has undergone preliminary tests since last October at the General Motors Proving Ground at Milford Michand the GM Desert Proving Ground near Phoenix, Ariz.

Residents near North Salem Senior High School should no-tice both a cleaner campus and neighborhood as a recent student proper place; to pick up waste paper is deposited in the waste paper waste seen; and to believe waste paper wast

the proposal were seniors Betty Boehm; chairman, and Vernon Coats; juniors Jerry Berg and Shirley Blush; and sophomores Tom DeSart and Dave Merchant.

South Salem High Will Have Enrollment of 911

By FRED ZIMMERMAN

The new South Salem High citizens committee will include School will have in the neighborhood of 911 pupils, reported William J. Entress, Coburn Grabenhorst, W. L. Phillips, Elsupt. Walter Snyder to the directors Tuesday night. This will leave approximately 1100 at the North High School.

North High School.

By FRED ZIMMERMAN

Citizens committee will include tafed 8.824,801,900 kilowatthours, up 7.8 per cent over the 8,185,-429,000 in the same week a year ago, Edison Electric Institute reported Wednesday.

The revised figure for output the week before last was 8,196,-112,000 kilowatthours, the institute said.

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The registration at South High will consist of 348 sophomores, 309 juniors and 254 seniors.

The superintendent said that of the juniors living south of State Street, only 61 have expressed a desire to graduate from North High School with the class of

Formation of the 1954-55 school budget will begin in the near future with a review of the situa-tion being available for the citizens committee March 23. The

ness in connection with the serv-ing of food.

a report concerning the compara-tive costs of school buildings in Salem and other districts, on the square foot and the per pupil bases. "You get what you pay for when constructing school build-ings," remarked the superintend-ent. He added that shaving the

Power Production in Northwest Up Again

The budget election will be held April 23.

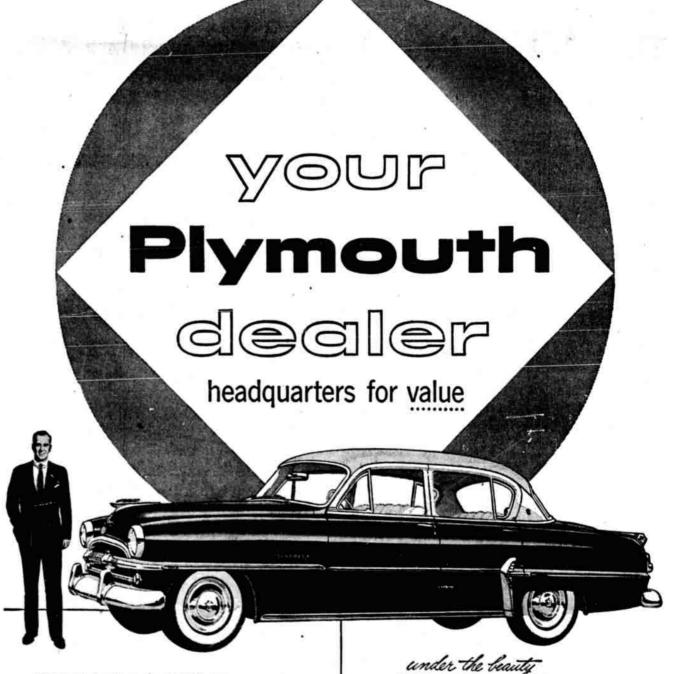
Resignations of Mrs. Virginia Gant at Morningside, and Mrs. same week of 1953. The Pacific Resignations of Mrs. Virginia
Gant at Morningside, and Mrs.
Olga M. Roberts of Englewood,
now on leave, were accepted.
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additional rooms may be added which would reduce the over all charge materially.
Miss Constance Weinman.

rector of audio-visual materials, was given permission to attend a mational convention in Chicago. March 2-5. She will pay a part of

original costs could be more than shaving the original costs could be more than original costs could be more than starting the expense.

The meals are served cafeteria offset in maintenance charges. Superintendent Snyder will attend the annual convention of the Association of School Administraty to the proper place after contract the constructed in the Salem distractors to be held in Atlantic City, N.J., providing he can get suming his food.



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