

TAKES VERTICAL RIDE



Joseph R. Owen, 80, of Raleigh, N.C., out for a drive recently lost control of his car on a curve, climbing the power pole guy wire. Owen was thrown free of the car but did not receive serious injury. (AP Wirephoto)

Jobless List in Oregon Gains

PORTLAND (AP)—Last week's claims for unemployment insurance totaled 47,530—3,706 more than the week before—the State Unemployment Compensation Commission reported Monday. That is 45 per cent more than for the same week last year when 32,963 workers had filed claims. The figure, however, still was considerably below the record high of 1950 when 61,601 insured workers had filed during the last week of January. The total that year rose to 64,566 in mid-February. State officials said one encouraging aspect of the report was the decline in the number of new filings last week—7,146 compared with 7,555 the week before. They said they expect unemployment to rise between 48,000 and 50,000 before declining within the next few weeks. The commission also reported that some 4,500 unemployed have exhausted their benefits for the year and that payments last month totaled \$3,576,594. Approximately two thirds of the Oregon labor force is covered by the insurance.

Woodburn PTA Founders Day

WOODBURN—At a recent meeting of the executive board of the Woodburn Parent-Teacher association plans were made for a Founders Day Observance at the regular meeting Thursday, Feb. 4, at the Washington school. The program will feature the founding and history of Woodburn's PTA. To aid in the perpetuation of the work a gift offering will be solicited. The "Founders Day" gift is a free will offering of members made for the purpose of extending PTA work. Each gift is divided equally between the state branch and the national congress. Mrs. Ralph Pickering, president, stated that among the expenses covered by the association were those for legislation, publications, parent education, workshops for teachers and parents to seek home-school cooperation, national and state conventions, national representatives to state conventions and other official meetings, publicity, office needs and service. Fourth grade mothers will serve refreshments, the committee including Mrs. Robert Ritter, Mrs. Edward Heiden, Mrs. David Cavett and Mrs. Paul Edwards. It was also announced by Mrs. Pickering that an open session will be held at the next board meeting, Feb. 22, at Woodburn high school, when plans will be made for the March carnival, an annual event of the local PTA.

DENNIS THE MENACE



Senator Proposes Deadline For Withdrawal of GI's

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R-N.J.) proposed today that the United States set a target date for withdrawal of American troops from Japan. Smith, who heads a Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee on Far Eastern affairs, said in a report on a trip to Asia last fall that it may be four or five years before all of the United States troops in Japan can be brought home. "Even so," he said, "I believe there might be some advantage in setting a target date now for that eventuality. Such a target date might accelerate (defensive) action by Japan." The New Jersey senator said that unless some new markets are opened to the Japanese "we may be faced with an unending dependence of Japan on United States aid or an expansion of Japan's trade with Communist China." "Both of these are clearly repugnant to our own interest," he declared. As one who has advocated military aid for the Chinese Nationalist government on Formosa, Smith said he believes Formosa may become "a powerful psychological base for a counteroffensive of Chinese democracy." He said Chiang Kai-shek's forces could launch any assault on China "without naval, air and logistic support from outside sources," adding: "While they are growing in strength I think it would be unrealistic for even the most ardent supporters of the Chiang government to expect any all-out attack upon the mainland, at least in the near future." Smith said he doesn't believe the Communists will start the fighting in Korea again or that President Syngman Rhee of South Korea will engage in any overt act to upset the truce.

North Marion High Activities

HUBBARD—The University of Oregon band, 65 members, will present a program of numbers at the North Marion union high school auditorium, Thursday evening, Feb. 4, starting at 8 o'clock. The concert is being given as a benefit performance by the North Marion chorus and band parents' club who will provide dinner for the members of the band before the concert. Tickets are available from the students and may be obtained at the door the night of the performance. The monthly meeting of the North Marion board of education will be Monday, Feb. 8 at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, the monthly meeting of the student body will be held. Thursday evening at 8 o'clock the Lion's club of Aurora will sponsor the FFA public speaking contest at the North Marion high school library. The Lion's club will hold a meeting at the school cafeteria, preceding the contest.

Salem Heights

SALEM HEIGHTS—Boy Scout troop 19 took a camping trip this past week end and camped at the Mt. Hood summit. The group went to ski and was given instructions in different ways of stopping without falling, climbing hills and how to do turns. No injuries were reported and the weather was very warm. On the excursion were Wayne Bryant, Gail Wright, Ward Harris, William Rector and Bill Crandall. The adults on the trip were E. W. Rector, Bruce Crandall and John Kinney, the scoutmaster. Lane Olson of the explorer troop 19, went on the Explorer's trip to Camp Pioneer last week end. He left Friday evening and spent the night at Dick Wyatts cabin at Marion Forks and broke trail on the east road to Camp Pioneer Saturday. He was the first into camp. Saturday night was spent at Camp Pioneer with the group returning Sunday. The troop will be the guest of Kingwood Legion Post 81, this week at a covered-dish dinner and will see a flag demonstration which will be put on by Explorer's troop 50. The group will leave the Community hall Saturday for an all-day hike to Joryville park and a work crew. With the beginning of Scout week on Sunday, Feb. 7, Troop 19, along with Troop 18, and Cub Pack 2, have been invited to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran church. Troop 19, also will have a window display at Raemer's Shoe store on State St., during Scout week.

EAST SALEM MEETING

EAST SALEM—The Degree of Honor Protective association will hold its first meeting of the month at Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Zeller's home, 765 South Lancaster drive, Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 8 p.m.

Household Goods Rate Jump Denied

Public Utilities Commissioner Charles H. Heltzel Tuesday denied by order the application of the Oregon Draymen and Warehousemen's association to increase transportation costs on household goods. The petitioners requested increases ranging from 4.4 per cent to 40.5 per cent in household moving charges. Commissioner Heltzel said that the proposed increases were not shown to be reasonable and therefore he denied the request. Certain accessory charges including furnishing of barrels, boxes and cartons and the labor for packaging were increased to offset additional costs. Such services, Heltzel said, does not include transportation.

Chinook Salmon On Market Again

PORTLAND (AP)—The first Columbia River Chinook salmon of the season were on sale in a few Portland food markets today. The season for commercial fishermen opened yesterday for one month. One chain store reported it had one Chinook for each of its branches in the Portland area with steaks priced at 98 cents a pound, about the same as last year. Fishermen reported light catches and not enough fish to establish a true market quotation.

A SHOE SWITCH

MIAMI (AP)—The English horse Olympic, now racing at Hialeah, has had his shoes switched. The ones that normally go on the hind feet are on the forefeet. Trainer Ivan Parke believes the slight heel on the rear shoes gives the horse the traction needed for grass racing. Early Christian chronologists often dated events from the birth of Abraham which they placed at 2016 B.C.

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