

YOUNGSTERS REALLY LIKED THIS



Salem Downtown Merchants Association knew today that one of the best things they have done this Christmas season was the candy truck that cruised the streets Monday night...

Molalla C of C Elects Officers

MOLALLA—New officers were elected at this Monday's Chamber of Commerce meeting. To take office at the Jan. 17 meeting will be Dick Welle, president...

Dick Welle reported on the Christmas decorations and program committee. It was voted that any money left from the Christmas fund be used to purchase permanent street decorations.

A program was instituted whereby a committee will phone each member of the Molalla Chamber of Commerce on each meeting day, thus trying to increase attendance.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC



Each evening this week Mrs. Lyle Glazier (above) is playing Christmas music by electronic organ at her home, 885 Piedmont, in West Salem.

Variety of Yule Programs Scheduled at Sweet Home

SWEET HOME — Christmas observances in schools and churches will be held this week. The grade school children of District No. 55 will present their program for their parents' entertainment.

Mennonite church, a 25 mixed-voice chorus will provide an evening of religious selections especially suited for the Christmas season.

At the community church, Methodist, a children's program will be followed by a movie especially for children.

On Wednesday, Dec. 22, the children of the First Baptist church will present their program and at the Church of the Nazarene the annual program will also be on Wednesday night at 7:30.

The high school will present a six-part Christmas program of music and dramatic presentations on Thursday, Dec. 23, at 8 p.m.

In the church program at the

an church on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

Midnight mass will be said Christmas Eve at St. Helen's Catholic church with mass also being said Christmas day at 8:30 a.m. and again at 10 a.m.

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Singing Star Enjoys Her Supporting Role to Dog

By WAYNE OLIVER

NEW YORK — You'd think a glamorous singing star of musical comedy might be hesitant about

playing a supporting role to a dog star but pretty Jan Clayton says "I love it."

It was a complete change of pace for Miss Clayton when she took the part of the widowed mother of a small boy in the filmed "Lassie" show on CBS television, after a succession of film and stage musicals.

But slender, vivacious Jan is enthusiastic about the transition because "acting always was my first love."

"I know I'm a better actress than a singer," she continues. "And besides, I've been signing since I was 4, and I'm tired."

"It's hard to convince anyone in show business that a singer can act," she said on a trip here from Hollywood, where the film is made.

"I've been my favorite actress for years," she added with a grin. Another reason she doesn't mind playing second fiddle to Lassie is "I love the darn dog so much," although she says, "I know that with a dog and a darling boy like Tommy (Rettig) in the program, not even my mother would look at me."

Miss Clayton, born in New Mexico, got to Hollywood first by winning a beauty contest but failed to win a contract with the studio that sponsored it. She did get a week's singing engagement along with Maxie Rosenbloom in a supper club and that resulted in roles in several Hopalong Cassidy movies.

During the war she did a USO tour of the Aleutians and on her return was signed for a lead role with Wallace Beery in "This Man's Navy." Following further overseas tours giving performances for servicemen, she was signed by the Theatre Guild for the part of Julie in "Carousel" on Broadway.

She played in "Carousel" for nine months and the night after closing in that one she opened in the revival of "Showboat" and had been cast in musical roles since, until "Lassie" came to TV.

But playing the role of a mother was no great change for Jan. She and her husband Robert Lerner, an attorney, have four children of their own — Sandra, 14; Robin, 6; Karen, 2; and Joe, 4.

St. Mark's Planning For New Building

Definite planning of a new building for St. Mark's Lutheran church to be located on a quarter block of land at the southwest corner of Marion and North Winter streets, is expected to get under way next spring, reports Rev. John Cauble, pastor.

It is the intention of the congregation to employ a church architect of Philadelphia, who will work with a local architect, said the minister.

The present church plant, located between Chermeketa and Center streets, has been sold to the new Commercial bank. The congregation must vacate this property in approximately a half year and it is probable a temporary location will have to be located while the new building is being constructed.

Columbus had red hair.

Recognition for Two Salem Y Men

National recognition in YMCA work has been accorded two members of the Salem Y staff.

Robert Wilder, 690 North 17th, connected with H-Y work, has been informed that he has full-delegate status for the World Alliance of YMCA, which meets next summer in Paris, France.

Earlier Wilder had been named alternate delegate. Full-delegate status brings him some financing for the trip from the Salem H-Y Council and the district Y organization.

Robert Hamilton, 2900 South Summer, has been appointed to the national committee on youth work of the YMCA. He is an adviser of H-Y Clubs and a mem-

ber of youth committees for the Salem YWCA and the Pacific Northwest area. He is the second Salem man named for national YMCA responsibility, the first being Tinkham Gilbert, who is a member of the National Council.

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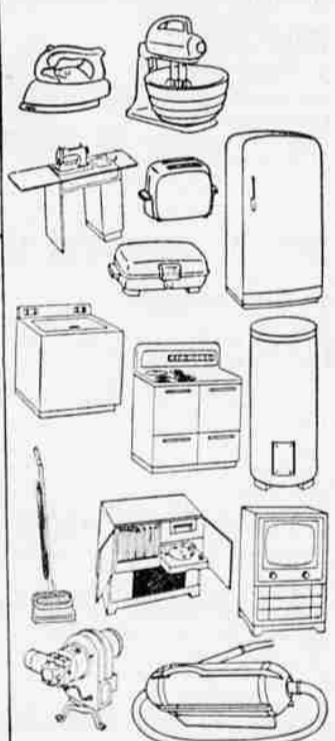
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