

Former North Bend Bar Tender Gets Diploma With Honors at Willamette

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Salem, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—The North Bend bartender who turned in his tavern and bar towel and went back to school to satisfy his thirst for knowledge graduated from Willamette university Sunday with honors.

Frank Lockman, 52 last April, 3, veteran of World War I, father of four children and grandfather of eight with one to come, gets his bachelor of arts degree cum laude at Willamette's commencement exercises Sunday.

Quite a Journey
It's quite a journey, is Frank's from tap to cap and gown. Especially since he never went further than first year in high school.

Frank, who went to grade school in Dallas, quit Salem high school after one year because he went in the army in 1916 and served in Texas during the border trouble in Mexico. Without shifting gears he went on to World War I and served 2½ years in Europe, in the signal corps. He was in the Meuse-Argonne and Chateau Thierry scraps. Then he spent several months with the army of occupation. In Coblenz and the Rhineland, his task was maintenance work in communications. He was in charge of the phone exchange in Trier, 85 miles or so west of Coblenz. Trier was the boyhood home of Karl Marx, the man the communists credit with their creed.

Worked in East
Back in the states in 1919, Frank Lockman worked for the Bell Telephone of Pennsylvania for 10 years, at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Trenton, Camden and Atlantic City.

Then he got into finance around Trenton, N. J., just before the great crash of 1929, and suddenly found himself broke. He headed west to Richmond, Cal., in 1933, cashed in his veterans' bonus and insurance and went into the cigar store business.

Then he went to North Bend in Coos county and got into the beer tavern business. He served enough Lager to loggers and Pilgrims to pile drivers and other assorted customers to retire, as he had always wanted to do while he was still young enough to enjoy leisure. In 1946, All he wanted to do was to quit working and relax.

Frank relaxed for a few

Valley Development Opportunities Told

Prospects for the economic development of the Rogue valley were discussed by Glenn Jackson, guest speaker at the meeting of the Medford Realty board Friday noon.

Jackson, prominent Medford industrialist, spoke of the potentialities of copper deposits in southwestern Oregon and was optimistic about the future of the entire region. He emphasized the importance of interesting eastern capital in southern Oregon investment opportunities and he outlined the progress of the proposed reclamation project for the basin.

The realtors unanimously agreed to offer full cooperation to the League of Women Voters in its efforts to secure a county zoning law. The need for zoning regulations outside incorporated cities and towns, they said, is becoming more acute every year.

Other speakers at the meeting were Ray Clark, chairman of the tourist and convention committee of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and Ray Schumacher, president of the Oregon Association of Real Estate boards. Schumacher reported on plans for the state convention of realtors to be held here in September.

Alfalfa Prices in Area Above 1949's

Prices paid for alfalfa in the Pacific northwest are well above those paid a year ago, according to figures released yesterday by the Oregon State college extension service.

Farmers in this area also paid around \$10 to \$13 a ton more for baled alfalfa in mid-May than the national average. Washington farmers have paid about \$2 to \$4 ton above a year ago for the past two months and Oregon farmers have averaged around 50 cents to \$2.50 a ton more than a year ago.

In California, however, the extension service reported baled hay has averaged, the past two months, \$1 to \$1.50 a ton less than the national average and \$6.50 to \$8.50 a ton less than a year ago.



weeks, doing nothing more strenuous than tending to his lawn. Then he got to talking to himself. As he recalls:

"The neighbors must have thought I was losing my mind, hearing me talking to myself like that. But there's nothing more tiring, I found, than un-mixed leisure. So I decided to go East and visit old friends I knew when I was in the telephone game there. But I found times had changed and so had faces. I had planned to stay five weeks, but I left after only a few days. I took another trip in Canada, to Calgary. But I just didn't seem satisfied with retirement."

Array of Men's Fashions Offered by Manufacturers

By Loyd Bulmur
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Seattle, June 10—(U.P.)—If "Beau" Brummell were alive today, he probably would turn green with envy (?) at the array of men's fashions being readied for fall.

Not only green, but every color and hue imaginable was on display at the Washington-Oregon men's and boys' wear fall market show as manufacturers set their autumn campaign sights.

A La College Blazer

One company (Texton), is busy making up a sports shirt-pyjama-shorts set, a la college blazer. Made of satin-rayon, the design is like the college blazer of the mid-20's: broad vertical stripes. Nine sets of color combinations are planned representing 129 colleges and universities.

Display of the new ideas displayed was a dual purpose pajama top. Made up like a sports shirt, it was complete with button collar.

An innovation in the sports shirt line was shown by several firms in making the tail of the shirt two inches or more longer. And at least one company was planning to bring out a fall line of sports shirts in collar sizes and sleeve lengths, instead of the current "large," "medium" or "small."

Canasta Shirt Offered

Manufacturers were not overlooking any bets. One company has a canasta sports shirt on the market. The shirt is studded with diamonds, spades, hearts and clubs and comes packaged complete with a set of canasta rules.

The Hawaiian motif was being widely used, one line having large scenes on the back. The wild goose and duck motifs on other sports shirts were hoped to attract sportsmen.

A simulated cowskin sports shirt was being groomed for sale especially east of the Cascades. Another "loud" line consisted of three Scotch plaid types of sports jackets.

Suede sportswear was exhibited, with a grey suede introduced for the first time. Father-and-son suede coats also were being advertised.

Children Not Forgotten

Children were not forgotten, as a jumper for the 4-to-12 age group was shown with a section of "coalfire tuckcloth" around the shoulders and on the arms. Approved by the National Safety Council (and manufactured by the Lee-Wald Garment Co.), it was claimed this jumper will be visible for more than one mile.

A boys' cap complete with ear muffs, ear and neck flaps and a

JUDGE STRIKES TWICE

Lawton, Okla. (U.P.)—Judge Lem Foster fined Clifton Minner \$20 for picking the pocket of a drinking companion in a bar. The judge then ordered the robbery victim, Daniel Clark, to pay an identical fine for public drunkenness.

And how did he happen to go back to school?

Saw Gathering

"I was passing through Salem and as I drove up State street, I noticed a bunch of guys gathered on the sidewalk in front of Willamette university. I thought there must be a fire or accident or something. But it was just the lads, who can't smoke on the campus itself, coming out for a few quick puffs between classes.

"I just sat there, reflecting on what value education might have. Then on a hunch out of nowhere I decided to see about enrolling, as I had nothing else to do.

"When I told the registrar my educational background—only one year in high school—he said—and it was quite an understatement—that my case presented a problem. I'd better see the school's president.

"So I went in to see G. Herbert Smith. After reflecting a bit he told me, 'You're case is certainly unusual but we'll let you enroll provided you maintain a grade point average of 2.5.'

So Frank Brockman, a GI from one world war back, a grandfather and former wielder of a bar towel, entered Methodist Willamette at the spring term in 1947. He barely got by at first, with a grade point average of only 2.875—just above that needed to remain under President Smith's terms. Says Frank:

Event Changes Feeling
"My reaction to entering Willamette was a feeling that possibly I was an interloper. I felt that way until an unusual event.

celluloid visor was shown. All the accessories fold up into or on top of the cap when not in use.

One leather firm displayed belt and shoe sets made in the same grain and shade of material.

Nylon continued to dominate the field in socks and hats were relatively unchanged, although one firm was advertising a "new slant" in hats. Mainly obtained through the blocking of the crown.

Williamstown, Mass. (U.P.)—Special vision and reaction tests must be taken by Williams college students who want to drive automobiles on the campus.

Bureau Forester to Head Professionals

E. K. Peterson, Medford district forester for the bureau of land management, was named chairman of the Siskiyou chapter of the Society of American Foresters at a meeting here Friday night. He succeeds Sam Taylor, forest superintendent for the Elk Lumber company, in the post.

Some 28 members of the chapter attended the meeting, which was mostly concerned with reviewing proposed amendments to the by-laws of the Columbia River section of the society, of which the local chapter is a part.

Other officers elected by mail ballot and announced Friday included Art Holmes, Prospect Timber corporation, vice-chairman; Robert Beeman, Butte Falls district United States forest ranger, secretary-treasurer; and Lloyd Bransford, forest service engineer, Medford, executive committeeman.

He used to have to listen to the gab when he was behind the bar. Now he's going to teach, he men how to talk, and be interesting, without even one under the belt.

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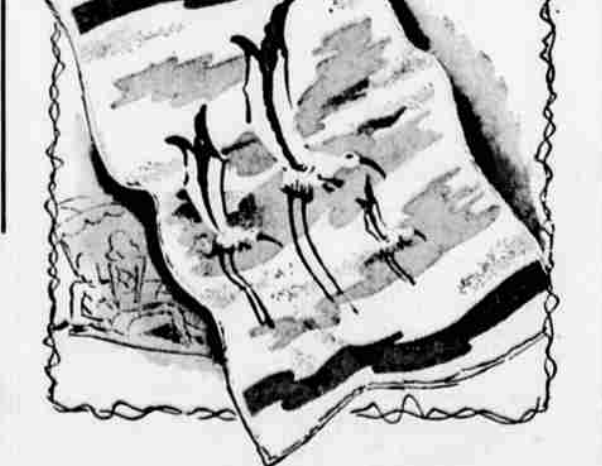


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