

## Salem Remembers Timeline 1915

### **1915 January 2 | Salem's Chinese Heritage**

*The Oregon Daily Journal*

#### ***Sing Ding Tries to Escape Asylum***

*Sing Ding, Chinese, committed to the hospital for the insane from Multnomah county eight months ago, jumped from a bridge on East State street into Mill Creek and swam for some distance in an effort to escape today. He was recaptured by attendant S. L. Kammerer, who had a squad of patients, including Sing, out exercising.*

### **1915, January 17 | Salem's Chinese Heritage**

*The Sunday Oregonian*

#### ***63 Chinese Honor Babe's Birth***

*A rich oriental banquet was held here in celebration of the birth of a child to Dr. and Mrs. Lai H. Yick. 60 members of the Chinese families gathered at the home of the doctor to assist in making notable the occasion. The doctor is well known here, having been a resident of the city for the past 22 years. Last year he was appointed to accompany 21 patients of the insane asylum back to their native land.*



Hop pickers gather for a photograph, 1910.

### **1915, February 25 | Salem's Chinese Heritage**

## **Williams Rents Pincus Hopyard**

### **Large Chinese Lot is Bought by Johnson**

*R. E. Williams has rented the Julius Pincus hopyard at Independence and bought Pincus' quarter share of the rent at 12 1/2 cents a pound.*

*The Toy John crop of 154 bales at Salem was bought yesterday by the F. S. Johnson Company at about 13 cents.*

*H. L. Hart bought 300 bales, including two small lots from growers and the remainder from dealers, at 12 to 13 1/4 cents.*

*California advices noted the purchase by Donovan of 355 bales of Yolos from Lehman & Casseleman at 11 1/2 cents, 92 bales of Mendocinos from J. P. Bays at 11 1/4 cents and 275 bales of 1913 Sonomas from F. Brush at 10 cents.*

*The Kentish Observer of February 11 said of the English hop market:*

*"The market prices continue to advance, and there is a considerable demand for English hops, supplies of which begin to show signs of exhaustion. The few growers who are holding their hops will hardly name a price, but ask for bids, which they almost invariably refuse. Pacific coast hops are in small supply, and have advanced a further 2s to 4s per hundredweight."*

## **1915, March 27 | Salem's Irish Heritage**

*Daily Capital Journal*

### **Peggy O'Neill in "Peg O'My Heart" Tonight**

*"Peg O'My Heart" will hold the boards at the Grand tonight, and there promises to be a capacity house. Peggy O'Neill, the leading lady, is a real star and her play is clean and wholesome, cleverly interspersed with pathos and sparkling wit and humor. The Eugene Guard has this to say of the performance there Wednesday night:*

*"Peg O'My Heart", returned to the Eugene theater last night and charmed a good-sized audience with its sound common sense and quaint Irish wit and repartee.*

*The story is so old and has played to so many people that the plot is familiar and needs no repetition. Miss O'Neill as "Peg" by her delineation of the little transplanted Irish girl captured her audience quickly and completely last night. Her quick changes from comedy to pathos were well handled and the audience was in tears most of the performance – tears from laughter as well as tears of sympathy for the plight in which the love hungry little Irish lass found herself continually. The company last night was well balanced throughout, there being no weak spots from the leads to the smallest parts, including the dog Michael.*

*Four of the actors in last night's performance were members of the original company which opened the play in New York and had such a successful run, with Laurette Taylor playing "Peg". These were Miss Melville who gave a finished and satisfactory interpretation of Mrs. Chicester, "Peg's" aristocratic, narrow and conventional aunt, Mr. Reginald Mason who played Brent the will-o-wisp husband, and played it so well that the audience thoroughly detested him. Mr. Henry Stanford who played 'Jerry' last night also played the same part with the original New York company. While he was good in the earlier scenes of the play, he did not please very well in the love scenes, being too mechanical and evidently not making much of an effort. The other member of last night's cast who played with Miss Taylor in the original company was Mr. Handyside who had the role of Hawkes the solicitor. He played the part as it should be played, naturally and likably.*

*"Mr. Roland Hogue who played Alarie the son of Mrs. Chicester was good and gave a careful interpretation of an English son, the "darling" of the family to whom everyone else is sacrificed.*

*"Miss Lillian Cooper who played Ethel the selfish conventional daughter of Mrs. Chicester next to Miss O'Neill did the best bit of acting in the play.*



Salem's First Methodist Church, c. 1925.

### **1915, April 5 | Salem's Black Heritage**

Daily Capital Journal

*The Little Light Bearers of the first Methodist Church were entertained at the second of the four parties which are given each year for their pleasure, Wednesday afternoon. The affair was held in the parlors of the church, nearly 60 little folk, their mothers and chaperones being present.*

***Mrs. Charles Maxwell** gave pleasing vocal solos, and the children gave a brief program. Gould Moorehouse and Kenneth Puge gave recitations, Chrystablee and Beth Maxine, Maxwell taking part in exercises. Another group of eight also gave exercises, Marie Matney, Rosemary King, Brenda savage, Margaret Wells, Evelyn Cummings, Beatrice Lockhart, Pauline Findley, Margaret Moorehouse and Joyce Woodfin having parts.*

*Mrs. B. F. West was assisted by Edna Newberry, Myrtle Richardson, Lavina Andresen and Grace Alan in serving.*

*This meeting was the annual gift party, each of the little folk bringing offerings of money, dolls or toys to be put in the Christmas box to be sent during the summer to India. A good lease supply was received, the commendable custom assisting largely in impressing upon the minds of the children the beauty of generosity.*

*Grover Lee Bellinger, the small son of Dr. and Mrs. Grover Bellinger, was given the silver honor cup for being the youngest member present.*

### **1915, May 3 | Salem's Chinese Heritage**

The Oregon Daily Journal

#### ***Toy Hong, Salem's First Chinese Bootlegger***

*Toy Hong, Salem's first Chinese bootlegger, is serving 20 days in jail for offering to sell a bottle of Chinese brandy for \$1.50.*



The H. Steinbock Junk Company float for the 1915 Salem Cherry Fair.

### **1915, July 3 | Salem's Black and Jewish Heritage**

*Morning Oregon*

***Salem is Gay Host in Honor of Cherry***

***State Capital Turned Over to Merrymakers***

***Anne is Crowned Queen***

***Dual Celebration Includes Independence Day Observances***

***Street Pageants Varied***

***Fallsarians of Oregon City Win First Prize for Marching Clubs***

*Cherryland my Cherryland, was enshrined in thousands of hearts today as the throngs of humanity surged through the streets of Oregon's capital to the lilting tunes of half a dozen bands or halted to view magnificent pageants. It was the opening day of Salem's far-famed Cherry Fair and Fourth of July celebration, and records for attendance, cherry exhibits, floral displays and athletic contests were established.*

*It probably was Salem's greatest day, and right well did she acquit herself. Principal thoroughfares were decorated with flags and bunting, and all residents were astir early to see that the guests were given the best attention.*

### *Queen Anne is Crowned*

*Queen Anne (Miss Anne Yantis) was crowned in Wilson Park at 11 o'clock, and from then on the fun was fast and furious. The parade of civic and fraternal organizations in the afternoon was the principal pageant of the day, but the baby parade in the morning attracted equal attention.*

*The Fallsarians of Oregon City, 50 strong, led by Captain Harry Williams, captured the first prize of \$40 for the best drilled-organization, with other competitors in order as follows: Artisans, second prize. \$30; Woodmen of the World, third prize, \$20, and Pheasants of Albany, fourth prize, \$10. According to E.R. Brown, Organizer of the Fallsarians, Oregon City's booster organization came here to win first honors, and hardly had it begun executing it's various maneuvers before it was evident his boast would be fulfilled. Though others were not so well represented as the Fallsarians and the Pheasants, they made a fine showing in the parade and received rounds of applause throughout the line of March.*

*Winners of baby parade prizes were as follows:*

*Best feature — "The Doll's Wedding" group, composed of James Church, Jr., aged 3 1/2 years, bride groom; Mary Elizabeth, aged 2 1/2 years, bride; Mary Alice Gill, maid of honor, and Mary Frances Martin and Marian Shaw, maids of honor. Second prize, "The Goose Girl," Rosallie Buren.*

### *Colored Family Wins Prize.*

*Largest family group under 10 years, marching or riding together — First prize, six little children of Mr. and Mrs. **Charles Maxwell** (colored), aged 2 to 9 years; second prize, four children of Mr. and Mrs. James Nusbaum.*

*Most unique feature — First prize, "The Goose Girl," Rosallie Buren; second prize, "the Clansmen," group composed of Chandler Brown, Charles Beer, Charles K. Bishop, Thomas Lively, Jr., and Edward Marr. Most comical figure — First prize, Hanford Post; second prize, Clyde Anderson.*

### **1915, September 13 | Salem's Japanese Heritage**

*Daily Capital Journal*

### ***The Rumor of an Automobile Collision***

*The rumor of an automobile collision in West Salem in which a Japanese was killed seems to have no basis of fact. While it has been next to impossible to find out anything about it, it is certain that no one was seriously injured and no material damage done.*

### **1915, November 29 | Salem's Chinese and Japanese Heritages | Article Contains Slur**

*Daily Capital Journal*

### ***Salem Police Raid Alleged Gambling Den in Chinatown***

## ***Six Chinese and Two Japs Booked on Charge of Playing Fan Tan***

*The Salem police brought nine Chinese and two Japs to the station at noon yesterday after a raid on the rooms at 149 South High Street where they say a gambling game was in progress. Three of the Chinese were said to be mere spectators and were not booked but the other six and the two Japanese were charged with engaging in a gambling game commonly known as fan tan.*

*The officers brought the fan tan layout and \$24.80 in cash to the station where it was held as an exhibit in the trial which will be held tomorrow morning. The Chinese engaged A. O. Condit as their attorney and Mr. Condit took 24 hours to enter a plea for his clients. The Chinese were required to put up \$25 bill for each one and they immediately furnished \$200 in cash.*

*The officers decided to make the raid at 12:30 yesterday and knocked at the outer door which contained a pane of glass. A Chinese came to the door but refused admission and turned and ran for the inside room. The officers went through the door and followed in at the man's heels. According to the story of the officers, the occupants of the room were grouped around a table where are the beads, buttons, money and mysterious pasteboard slips were spread out. Three Chinese scurried out through the back door but the officers halted the other eleven and took charge of the paraphernalia.*

*The Chinese protested against their arrest with their well-known fluency but the officers consider they have a good case against them. Officers Stubbs, Nicholson and Varney made the raid.*

*The Chinese gave the names of Lem Sing, Jim, Wong, Gin, Lai and Leon Going, the two Japanese were Riu or Oyu.*