

MID-WEST STRUCK BY SPRING BLIZZARD

ST. LOUIS, May 6—(AP)—A spring blizzard whipped across Missouri and Illinois last week and left behind it three to six inches of snow which weighted down felled trees, leveled telephone and

telegraph lines, congested traffic, and caused crop damage the extent of which was yet to be determined. No loss of life was reported. Tonight the fruit and berry crops faced a new crisis, the threat of destructive frost which was forecast for the entire middle Mississippi valley by the United States weather bureau. Should a heavy frost occur, it was regarded as virtually certain that most of the fruit belt would be laid to ruin with losses into

millions of dollars. The weird storm, the worst winter blast this region has experienced in May for more than fifty years, came in the wake of a series of varied disturbances yesterday and last night in the middle-west, raging from heavy rain and thunder storms to hail, wind and tornadoes. It sent the temperature down to the freezing point but because it did not go below freezing experts held out hopes that crops had not been ruined. The snow was heaviest at

Springfield, Mo., where a fall of six inches was reported. The storm laid a blanket of snow over south central and east central Missouri, southern Illinois, and as far north as Springfield, Ill. Most of it had melted off tonight. **DRILL THROUGH SHALE** The drill at the Southern Oregon Oil company's well near Bonanza is now working at the 1300-foot level in a blue shale, a favorable indication that oil will be found.

British Strike Situation Taken Up By Owners

MANCHESTER, Eng., May 6—(AP)—within two weeks unless a small local strike is ended, 300,000 cotton mill operators will be locked out of 560 plants. The federation of master cotton spinners association voted today to close

their mills on May 18 until the strike of card room operatives at the Alma mills in Oldham is brought to an end. The strike has been under way for some time over a complicated wage dispute.

Tire Covers For Legion Are Sold

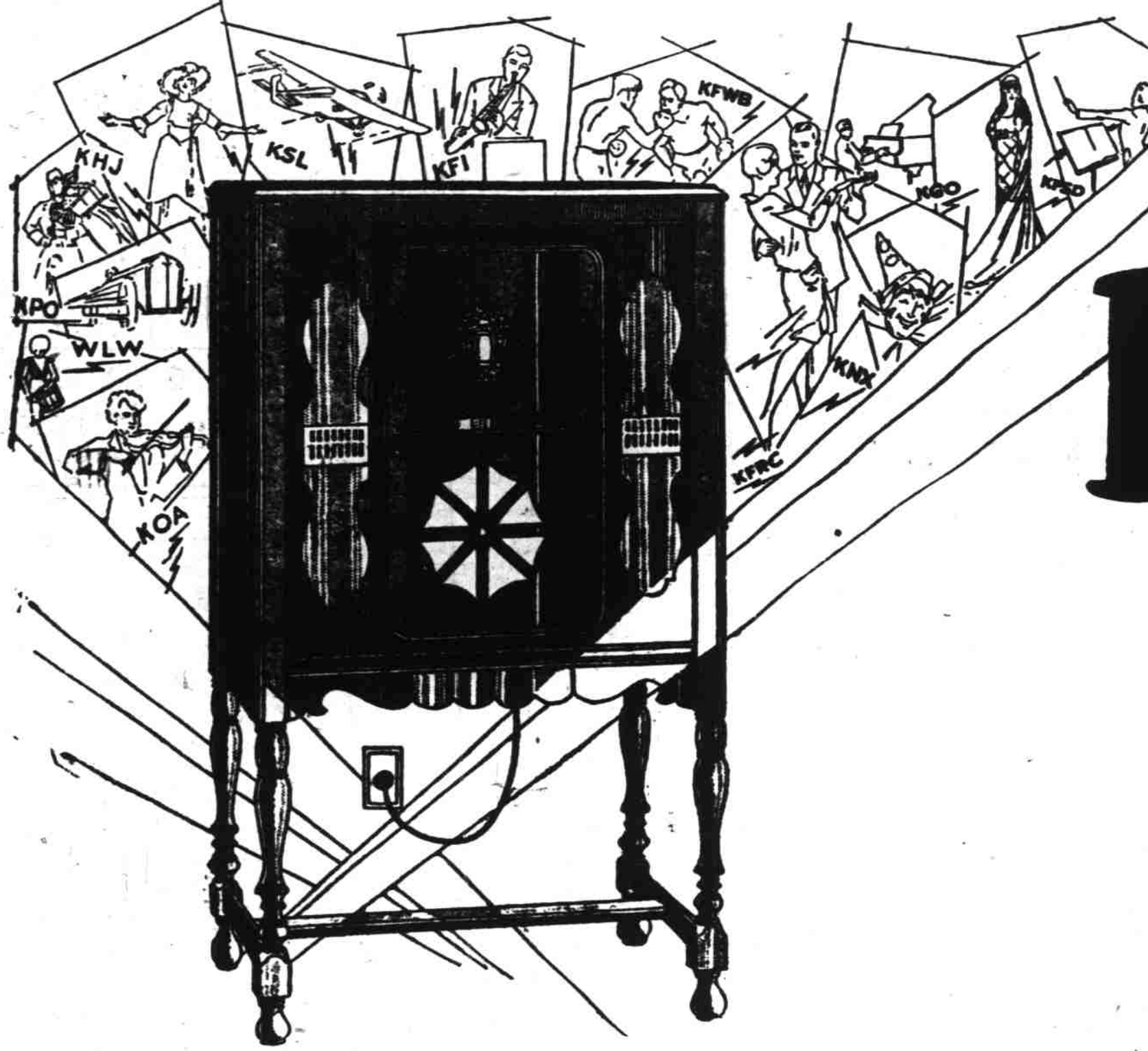
Tire covers displaying the dates

of the American Legion convention in Salem August 8, 9 and 10, and also the slogan "Trail 'Em to Salem," have been received by the convention commission and are being sold at cost by Bert Victor at the tire shop at Ferry and High streets. Not only American Legion members, but any other Salem citizens who wish to help advertise the convention, may purchase these tire covers.

40 High Schools Enter Track Meet

CORVALLIS, May 6—Forty Oregon high schools including the eight from Portland, are entered in the third annual state interscholastic track and field meet at Oregon State college. This large entry list a week in advance of the meet, to be May 11, insures the largest group of contestants in history, say officials.

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