"No Favor Sway Us; No Fear Shall Awe" From Wirst Statesman, March 28, 1851 CHARLES A. SPRAGUE - - Editor and Publisher

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Moral Monitors

The county grand jury chides the newspapers for not reporting an obscene show held at the armory some months journey across the plains, deserts, ago, saying:

There was no mention made at the time in either of the Salem daily papers of this affair, although the public feels that it is one of the first duties of newspapers to be alert to the moral needs of a city, and by honest publicity make known and help correct any grave condition that might arise. With the organization that a city newspaper has, it is not possible to think that they did not know of this show and we feel they were remiss in ignoring it."

It is rare that a newspaper boasts-of its ignorance, but for greater usefulness in the serso far as this paper is concerned it did not learn of the ex- vice of the Indians to whom he hibition until some time after it occurred. It employs no had brought the gospel of Chris-"vice squad"; and no one solicited us to buy tickets to the which he visualized a great and affair. Perhaps if the newspapers had publicized it the at-rich extension of empire, Jason tendance might have been doubled, assuming no interference Lee had the picture of a new genfrom the authorities. This paper then promptly publicized the eral headquarters. investigation as soon as it learned of the matter.

Newspapers have no "police powers" for keeping the dream was fulfilled the location of community's feet set in the path of virtue. While they do the Oregon territorial and state assume a degree of responsibility for preservation of a heal- capital. thy moral tone it is always a question how iar they should go as substitutes for the town police, particularly in the case power carried in North Mill creek. of private affairs in home or clubrooms or hotels.

The grand jury does a commendable public service in ily developed in reasonable proxcondemning the indecency of recent exhibitions held in this imity to the parent mission, on county, and notes how the shows became progressively more vulgar. It is noted however that the jury neither returned the east bank of the Willamette, of the williamette, in that day, in every pioneer indictments nor mentioned names of sponsoring organiza- settlement of America, the first tions, revealing a reluctance which publishers likewise feel to desideratum was a grist mill, the be the town tattletale. Undoubtedly the grand jury feels that second and complementary one a the public scolding it gives (which receives its wide publicity through the newspapers) may effect a cure. This pa- that wherever man had built a per hopes it will. It is willing to do its share of work on the town or city. God had provided a "morals" beat, but has no ambition to be a village scandal- stream or a harbor by the side of monger.

Steiwer Proposes Action

Senator Frederick Steiwer proposes to Attorney General for a source of great power, com-Cummings the one method of ending the lumber mill stale-would suffice for the saw and mate in Portland which is wracking the business life of the grist mills of the dream which was city. He asks the attorney general to investigate and if he in Lee's mind. finds the facts are as generally outlined, to seek court injunction against labor organizations which picket and boy-came true after the arrival on the cott because workers have chosen another organization for their collective bargaining. Steiwer says such action would "make the labor relations act effective for the benefit of "great reinforcement." the many against the monopolistic conspiracies of the few.' He says further: "In my judgment as a friend of labor it is far more important for labor to maintain its right to selforganization and the right to bargain collectively than is the could be carried by boat down the 11:00-American Lutheran church. privilege of maintaining any secondary boycott."

CIO organization as well as the attorney general. It is a safe assumption the attorney general will not act,—he will side-step the issue like he did the sale of democratic companion. step the issue like he did the sale of democratic campaign Encampment, near where Chambooks. The mill owners do not seem disposed to go into court, poeg state park stands. possibly because they still hope to wear out the CIO.

At least this seems true, that the means of lawfully ending the boycott (whose efficacy is subject to some ques- and North Liberty streets in prestion), has not been exhausted. The principals seem to prefer ent Salem, was built the Jason Lee to endure the losses rather than seek legal redress.

No Time to Preach Class Strife

Governor Clarence D. Martin of Washington is a demo- Broadway, though it had no numcrat; but like Oregon's Governor Martin he can't stomach all ber until Salem's buildings were the new deal. Gov. Clarence protested against the Ickes given numbers, about 50 years speech and urged a better understanding of the problems and difficulties of industry and business. He is quoted as saying about as it was when erected, 98 "this is no time to preach class strife, no time to belittle suc- years ago. One of the first things cess, and no time to indict the business man who happens to Salem should do, in order to prehave a dollar and a half in his pocket."

We believe the country will react against the intemper-ance of the Ickes speech. He cannot name any 60 families who should be paid for it. If more than have "caused" the recession. He cannot prove any conspiracy a fair price is asked, the legislato stage a business strike, because it is quite inconceivable ture at its 1939 session ought to that any such exists. Business suffered too heavy losses in the er such cases.

last depression to invite any fresh disaster.

Pres. Roosevelt in his press conference Friday sought to pull the sting of the Ickes speech by limiting his attacks to years later. in 1842, standing now only a "small minority" in the business world, but refused to be acquired. The location is catalog the "malefactors of great wealth," originally blast- near its original site. It was erected by his fifth cousin, Roosevelt I. For the sake of the coun- ed where the Kay woolen mill watry it is hoped the president will be "more constructive" than ter tower now stands. It was the Ickes was, in his address to congress Monday. The times call for skilled surgery, not verbal bludgeoning.

Power Demand at Bonneville

Mr. J. D. Ross, Bonneville administrator, says "In my first few months on this job it is very apparent that the entire ultimate capacity of 432,000 (kw) can be sold as fast as the lines can be built '

That is good news, if it means there is a new and economical market for this power. It will represent no economic gain if it merely displaces power already being generated herein recommended to be acand distributed on an economical basis, or if the cost of dis-

tributing to new markets will be excessive.

The initial output of 86,400 kw can be disposed of without much trouble, meeting existing demand and replacing in territory and the state, and even part generation in costly or near-obsolete plants. It may be before the Oregon provisional govthat growth of demand will absorb all of the energy that can ernment. be produced there, within the time limit for building the transmission lines. But there are many signs indicating a Salem, is in Willamette univerflattening of the curve of electric demand, so it may not sity. continue to double every six years.

Ross is a star salesman however, an excellent promoter; and he knows he has to get his goods shipped to customers in merce ought to be busy, now, in large quantities if he is going to make the enterprise pay. He great celebration here in 1940. is going to build load, and we wouldn't be at all surprised if he didn't sell power to big industries the same as TVA is doneglected. It will not come again 11:30—Stringtime. ing, in order to sell all of Bonneville's energy in short order. for 100 years.

The Coos Bay Times remarks: "The most satisfactory stretch of new road in Oregon is the five miles of straightaway north of Har- attempt to trace it, soon. risburg on the Pacific highway . . . its surface is sufficiently scarified to make it nearly no-skid and much more pleasing than wider, superhighways made of concrete."

One hundred sheep at Klamath Falls died after eating dynamite. Bid they get into some of the stock the politicians down there have on enving for 1938?

What a piker was the old senator who used to send packages of sectle to itie farmer constituents. Even that came to be regarded as a form of "graft" and was abolished.

Christmas candies, - better distribution ever the calendar.

New Year's eve on Friday night gives two days for recovery.

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

Another year after this one, and Salem will be 100 years old: time to prepare for big celebration: . . .

Early in 1838, 100 years ago, ason Lee, head of the then only Christian mission west of the Rockies and the Cascades, was planning for "the great reinforce-

He was preparing for a return United States"—yes, to the United States, for this was then foreign territory, a no man's land, occupied jointly by two nations, owned by none, coveted by five; proposing to retrace his steps taken in

In his new dream of expansion

It was to be where Salem now stands. In the realization of that

Jason Lee had noted the water It was the nearest and most eas-

it. The cart before the horse, conceded to Mark's philosophical nonsense, in which great truths were often wrapped.

North Mill creek wasn't much

And which, under one roof, Lausanne at Fort Vancouver June 1, 1840, carrying the machinery for the mills, together with the

The mills started Salem, immediately thereafter-work on them 10:15-The Four Keyboards, MBS. starting as soon as the machinery 10:30-The Gotham string quartet, MBS. Columbia, up the Willamette, por- 12:00-Sweet Rhythm. This course of action is open to the mill owners or to the taged around the falls where Ore- 12:15-On a Sunday afternoon, MBS.

With the first fumber from the mills, across what is now Broadway, the extension of North High house. Only the small glass window panes had been brought on the Lausanne.

That house stands yet, on its original site, at present 960 later; about 1890. All of the house but the L is

pare for the centennary celebration of her founding in 1940, is to

"The parsonage," erected two

third residence erected in Salem. It was intended for the men in charge of the Indian manual labor school of the Lee mission, located in the building that became the Oregon Institute which by change of name became Willamette university, near where Willamette's gymnasium is now.

Then it became the parsonage of the First Methodist church of Salem, the pioneer church of this

The titles of the properties quired might be in the city. Or they might be in Willamette university, the beginnings of which were before the city; before the

The title to the Jason Lee mission site, 10 miles by water below

The Salem Chamber of Com-The opportunity should not be

The preparations for the return journey of Jason Lee, being made 100 years ago, sum up into an interesting story. This column will

SPECIAL, FINIS: The \$52.65. to redeem the washing machine of the poor and deserving woman has all been pledged. She will have possession of the machine tomorrow, for a New Year present, Full report in this column Wednesday

Seattle Folks Leave

LIBERTY - Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Blaco and small son Foel, who were guests at the home of Mrs. Blace's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Dasch, returned to Seattle the middle of this week. Miss Carol Dasch accompanied them and will return Sunday for the new term at Oregon State college.

| 10:00 - Pissunday For the 10:25 - Hallywood moles 10:25 - Jon Carbor and 11:00 - Door to the Man

"Nize Baby"



Radio Programs

KSLM-MONDAY-1370 Kc. KSLM-SUNDAY-1370 Kc. 7:15—News.
7:30—Sunrise sermonetts.
7:45—American Family Robinson.
8:00—The Merrymakers, MBS.
8:30—Today's tunes. 8:30-Morning meditation. 9:00-Salon melodies. 9:30-American wildlife, MBS. 9:45-Pietro Frasini, accordionist, MES 8:45—News. 9:00—The Pastor's Call. 9:15—The Friendly Circle. 10:00-Sands of time, MBS. 9:45-Coral Strands. 11:00-News. 11:15-The variety show. 11:45-Leo Freudberg's orch., MBS. 12:00-The value parade. 12:15-News. 3:00-Thirty Minutes in Hollywood, MPS. 12:30-Musical memories. 12:45-Streamline Swing, MPS. 3:30-Re-union of the states, MBS. 1:00-National emergency council, MBS. 1:15-Lucky Girl, MBS. 4:00-WOR forum, MBS. 4:30-Streamline Swing, MBS. 1:30—Popular salute. 1:45—Frank Sortino's orch., MBS. 2:00—The Johnson Family, MBS.

5:30—Sammy Kaye's orch. MB 6:00—1937 in review, MBS. 6:30—News testers, MBS. 6:45—News. 2:15-Rhumba Rhythm, 30-Katz on the keys, MBS. 3:00-Feminine Fancies, MBS. 6:45—News.
7:00—Today's tunes.
7:15—Herbie Kay's orch., MBS.
7:30—Old fashioned revival, MES.
8:30—The Hancock ensemble, MBS.
9:00—Newspaper of the air, MBS.
9:15—Herbie Kay's orch., MBS. 3:30-News. 3:45-Anthony Candeleri's orch., MBS 4:00-Fulton Lewis, Washington, MBS. 4:15-Backyard astronomer, MES. 4:30-Henry Weber's orch. MBS. 4:45-Radio campus, MBS 9:30-Salem Mennonite church. 5:00-Morton Gould's orch., MBS. 10:00-Dick Jurgens' orch., MBS. 5:30—The Freshest Thing in Town. 5:45—Lawrence Welk's orch., MBS. 6:00—Swingtime. 6:15-The Phantom Pilot, MBS.

4:45-Hollwood doings, MBS.

.00-Epic of America, MBS.

3:00-Drama.

3:30-Peryl Cammeron and Four Pages

11:15-Charles Runyan, organist,

12:00-Weather and police reports.

:30-Sports Bullseyes, MBS. KEX-SUNDAY-1180 Kc. 6:45-News. 8:00-The Quiet Hour. 7:00-Waltztime. 7:15-STATESMAN OF THE AIR Sports review, Ron Gemmell, 7:30-Hits of today. 9:00-Prophetic hour. 9:30-Radio City music hall 8:00-Pageant of melody, MES. 10:30—Spelling bee.
11:00—Magic Key to RCA.
12:00—There Was a Woman.
12:30—Fishface and Figsbottle. 8:15-News 8:30-Will Osborn's orch., MBS. 8:35-Vocal varieties. 9:00-Newspaper of the air, MBS. 1:00-Family altar hour. 9:15-Tommy Dorsey's orch., MBS. 1:30-The World Is Yours. 9:30-Sinfonnietta, MBS. ::00-Metropolitan opera auditions. 10:00-Kay Kyser's college, MBS. 2:35-Galloping Gallions. 2:45-George Hessberger orch. KGW-MONDAY-620 Kc.

7:00-Just About Time.

11:10-Hollywood news flashes.

9:30—Vox Pop. 10:00—News flashes. 10:15—Glenn Shelley, organist. 10:30—Reveries.

11:00-Ambassador hotel orch.

KEX-MONDAY-1180 Kc.

11:36-Vogue ballroom orch.

12:00-Weather reports.

6:30-Musical clock.

7:00—Family altar hour. 7:30—Over the breakfast 7:45—Viennese ensemble.

8:00-Financial service.

8:15—Josh Higgins.
8:30—Dr. Brock.
9:00—Hame institute.
9:15—Jackie Heller.
9:30—The New World.

11:00

10:00—Lost and found items. 10:02—Crosscuts. 10:30—News.

12:45 Market raports.
12:50 Rochester Civic erch.
1:00 Forum luncheon.
1:30 Club matinee.
2:00 Neighbor Nell.
2:10 Irms Glen, organist.
2:15 Don Winslew.

3:29—Press Sadio pews.
3:25—Charles Seare.
3:25—bitt You Like That!
4:35—bitt You Like That!
4:35—FRC oregion.
4:35—Spec. Charm.

19:39—News.
10:36—Jack and Loretts.
11:30—Great moments in history.
11:15—Radio show window.
11:30—Western farm and home.
12:30—News.
12:45—Market reports.

2:30 Pinancial and grain report 2:35 Julmes Pelletier. 2:45 Glass Hat Room orch.

7:30-Keeping time. 7:45-News. 8:00-Stars of today. 1:15-15 tuolie Truth hour 8:30-The World Goes By. 8:45-Gospel singer. 4:45-Silent to KOB. 9:00-Virginia Lee and Sunbeam, 9:15-Cadets' quartet, 10:00-Jean Ellington, 10:15-Mrs. Wiggs of Cabbage Patch. 3:00-Irene Rich. 3:15-Rev. Richard M. Steiner -Beaux Arts trio. 10:30-John's Other Wife. :00-Everybody sing. 0:00-Rio Del Mar club orch. 0:30-Calvary tabernacle jubilee 10:45-Just Plain Bill 00-Grace and Eddie. 05-Musical interlude.

11:15-Norman Cloutier orch. 11:30—How to be charming.
11:45—Girls of the West.
12:00—Fepper Young's Family.
12:15—Ma Perkins.
12:30—Vic and Sade. KGW-SUNDAY-620 Kc. 8:00-Press Radio news. 8:05-Silver Flute. 8:30-Sunday sunrise program. 9:00 -Denver string quartet, 2:45-The O'Neills. 9:30-Chicago round table. 1:00-Ray Towers, troubadour. 1:15-Guiding Light. 1:30-Story of Mary Marlin. :00-Stars of today. 0:30-Morning concert 11:30-Gale Page and Charles Sears. 1:45—Refreshment time, Singin' Sam. 2:00—Wife vs. Secretary. 2:15—Curbstone quis. 2:30—Monday blue chasers. 2:00-Eddie Swartout's music. 3:30—Sunday drivers. 1:00—Ray Towers, troubadour. 2:45-Gloria Gale. 3:15-Rhythmaires. 1:30-Stars of tomorrow.

2:00-Marion Talley, 2:30-Time of your life 3:30-Woman's magazine of the air. 4:00—Lady of Millions. 4:15—Back Seat Driver. 4:30—News. 3:00—Posey playlets. 3:15—News. 4:45-Top Haters. 3:30-Argentine trio. 3:45-Southern harmony four. 4:55-Cocktail hour. 4:00-Professor Puzzlewit. 5:00—Stars of today. 5:30—Grand Hotel. 6:00—Paul Martin's music. 4:30-Sunday special. 08-Coffee 6:00-Manhattan Merry Go-Round. 6:15-Glen Gray's orch. 6:36-Hour of charm. 6:30-American album familiar music :00-Contented hour. :30-Burns and Allen. 7:00-Hawthorne House. 7:30-Carefree carnival 8:00—Amos 'n' Andy. 8:15—Uncle Ezra's radio station, 9:00—Fibber McGee and Molly.

8:30-Jack Benny. 9:00-Night Editor. 9:15-Treasure Island. 9:30-One Man's Family. 10:00-News flashe 10:15-Bridge to Dreamland. 12:00-Weather reports.

KOIN-SUNDAY-949 Kc. 8:50—West coast theatre, 8:30—Sunday comics breakfast club, 9:00—Major Bowes' Capitol theatre family. -Salt Lake tabernacle. 10:00 Church of the air. 10:30 Hector Belitho, talk. 10:45 Poet's Gold.

11:09-Clark Ross and Marshall Grant,

organist.

11:45—Portland Symphony orch., talk.

12:00—New York Philharmonic orch.

2:00—Magazine of the air.

2:30—Dr. Christian. \$:00—Evening song. 3:15—California string quartet. 3:30—Dauble everything. Old songs of the church. 4:30—Old songs of the church. 5:500—People's choice. 5:30—Firmide quartet. 5:45—Romance of transportation. 6:06—Sunday evening hour. 7:06—Zenith foundation. 7:00—Zenith foundation. 1:30—My Secret Ambition. 8:30—Joe Phaner. 8:30—Sunday news review.

10:00—Oddities in the news. 10:15—Carson Robinson Buckeroos, MBS. 10:30—Myra Kingsley, astrologer, MBS. 10:45-The Voice of Experience, MBS.

10:15-Story hour for adults. 11:00-School of the air. 11:30-Music of the masters. 12:00-News. 12:15-Noon farm hour. 1:15-Variety. 2:00-Home visits with the extension staff. "What Builds Babies, Lucy A. Case, extension specialist in nutrition

8:00-Land of the Whatsit.

8:30-Sports by Bill Mock.

10:36-Stetaon varieties. 10:36-Eiltmore hotel orch.

9:00-Today's programs.

9:03—The homemakers' hour. 9:05—''Time Out.'' 10:08—Weather forecast.

11:00-News. 11:15-Paul Carson, organist.

11:45-Dance hour. 12:00-Weather and police reports.

KOAC-MONDAY-550 Ke.

8:15-Lum and Abner,

9:90-Homicide Squad,

9:30-Memory Lane. 10:00-Wrestling bouts.

8:45-News.

2:45—Travei's radio review.
3:15—Your health.
3:45—The Monitor views the news. 4:00—The symphonic half hour. 4:30—Stories for boys and girls, 5:00—On the campuses. 6:15-News. 30-Farm hour. 30-4 H club meeting. 8:15-The business hour.

KOIN-MONDAY-940 Kc. 6:30-KOIN Klock, Ivan, Walter and Frankie. 8:15-This and That with Art Kirkham. 9:00-Mary Margaret MacBride, radio 9:15-Edwin C. Hill. 9:30 Romance of Helen Trent. 9:45 Our Gal Sunday. 10:00 Betty and Bob. 10:15—Hymns of all churches.
10:30—Arnold Grimm's Daughter.
10:45—Hollywood in person.
11:00—Big Sister.
11:15—Aunt Jenny's real life stories.

11:30-American school of the air. 2:00—Ann Leaf at the organ. 2:30—Jennie Pcabody. 2:45—The Newlyweds. 1:00—Myrt and Marge. 1:15-Pretty Kitty Kelly. 1:45-Homemaker's institute. 2:00-KOIN news service. 2:05-Studio. 2:15-Mary Cullen. 2:30-News through a woman's eyes. 2:43-Hillton House. 15-In-Laws.
30-Judy and Jane.

3:45-Newspaper of the air. 4:45-Leon F. Drews, organist. 5:00-Eyes of the world. 5:15-Maurice orch. 5:45-Charlie Chan. 6:00-Radio theatre, Claudette Colbert and Fred McMurray and Walter Connelly in "Alice Adams."

:00-Wayne King's orch. 7:30-Brave new world. 8:00-Scattergood Baines. 8:15-Around the World with Poake Carter. 8:30-Pick and Pat.

9:00—George Hamilton orch. 9:30—Modern Strings. 10:00-Five Star Final. 10:15-White Fires. 10:45-Jan Garber erch. 11:15-Del Milne orch.

Purge Victim



Latest purge in the Soviet Union resulted in execution of eight Turkey and former secretary of the Central Communist commitsonal friend of Dictator Josef Stalin until his arrest on charges of "tervoristic activities and systematic espise ge" for an unnamed Breign nation.

On the Record

By DOROTHY THOMPSON

have handled the Panay incident admirably. The Japanese have fulfilled all the de-

mands of the A m e rican note, and fully recognized the justice of those demands. They have apologized, agreed to pay indem nities, and have taken the unprecedented step of recalling

Adm iral Mitsunami, commander of Japanese naval flying forces in China. They have also given assurances that there will be no more such inci-

The tension arising from this

incident is dissipated but there will continue to be tension until peace is restored in China. As this column has pointed out before, the Panay incident was certainly not the result of a policy on the part of the Japanese government, but was in the sharpest contradiction to that policy. Neither was it an accident, however, such as might happen to any neutral in any form of war. It was a planned attack by elements in the Japanese armed forces, made for reasons which we can only speculate about. The United States has not accepted the official Japanese point of view that the attack was not deliberately made, but has merely refrained from pressing the point. The last paragraph of Mr. Hull's last note closes the incident, but does not end the situation. He says, "It is the earnest hope of the Governsteps which the Japanese Governtive toward preventing any further attacks upon, or unlawful interference by Japanese authorities or forces with American nationals, interests, or property in China." This is a warning.

And it would be a mistake on would be much more serious than chinery for arbitration and conthe Panay incident itself.

The tone which has been maintained in the United States, by the press and all other organs of public opinion, throughout the whole affair is admirable. It has been quiet, dignified, non-inflammatory and, at the same time, firm and reasonable. It must be apparent to the government of Japan that this country wishes peace with Japan and with all t he rest of the world. But it also ought to be apparent that we are not prepared to step off the face of the earth by yielding to the blackmail of anarchy.

There are people who believe that we ought to withdraw entirely from China and thus preserve in marriage with J. William Milourselves against any possibility ler in 1907 at Condon. The young of such incidents. Actually, our moral position would be much better at this moment if we had, before the outbreak of the present hostilities, voluntarily relinquished our own extra-territorial rights in China. For by the maintenance of those rights we ourselves imply an agreement with the Japanese-that the Chinese near Salem, Mrs. Agnes Rhoten are incapable of maintaining a of Salem and Eleanor and Helen stable government able to protect | Miller; also two brothers, T. J. and to deal justly with the rights Gibbons of Albany and Leonard of foreigners. To retire voluntar- of Salem. ily, however, is one thing. To retire by the armed pressure of another foreign government, which is a guarantor with us and other her husband. powers of the territorial sovereignty of China, is to repudiate before all the world everything that might ever be the basis of any kind of international law.

It is very important, it seems to me, to keep before our eyes these days what it is that we really care about, and what, if anything, we are willing to take some risks for. The great danger of the Panay incident was that it involved what is called our "national honor." I detest the interpretation usually put upon this word. It implies that one's honor depends, not on one's own behavior, but on the treatment which one receives from biguous phrase, used to whip up populations into the temper of violence and revenge. It was effectively used in 1898 around the cry of "Remember the Maine!" to put this country into war with Spain, when Spain had already acceded to every demand made upon it by the United States govern-

At the first Hague convention, over a generation ago, the phrase "national honor" was used to ham-string the convention, the nations agreeing to submit all questions to arbitration except those involving "national honor" -which simply meant except those that any nation might want to use as a pretext, for going to war. And it is exactly in that groove that we now may find ourselves if we do not watch our step, and if there is a repetition of such incidents as the Panay affair.

We still remain without a foreign policy, because we remain without a clear public opinion. Our interests, material and cultural, are scattered around a dangerous and disturbed world, in which wars may conceivably occur anywhere and at any time. What rights we will insist on maintaining in such a world are entirely unclear. And this is the most dangerous possible condition of affairs. For it encourages adventures against us, in the expectation that they will meet no oppo-

The division in public opinion here, made it impossible for our representatives to take as firm and clear a stand as they might otherwise have taken in Brumels. and the Japanese were openly yesterday in parlors of Commer-aware of it. The Panay incident cial club, Election of officers held

We would, and must regard any od vice president. ar as a calamity for us. whether or not we are engaged in

The President and Mr. Hull although there has been a great propaganda in this country which might easily lead other nations to believe that we will stand for anything short of actual invasion of our shores. If this assumption is not correct-and the way we met the Panay incident would seem to indicate that it is not-then we are contributing, as much as any nation in the world today, to the danger of a general conflagration. For no country contemplating war can disregard the United States, the mightiest single power in the world, nor would disregard it, except under an illusion about our public opinion, which we ourselves may be helping to foster.

> The world situation is not improving. Expenditures for armaments continue to mount. The British Army is being reorganized, and it is believed that Winston Churchill, who first aroused Parliament to a recognition of German rearmament, is to become Air Minister. And the British Navy is creating three great fleets, for the Mediterranean, the North Atlantic and the Far East. Relations between Britain and Italy constantly grow worse. The world is now mobilized for instant warand every nation in the world knows that war would bring it catastrophe, no matter what the

In all probability 1938 will be year of increasing tensions between the nations. To live in this world without any policy at all is the most dangerous of all possible attitudes. It is tragic enough to go into war, whatever the circumstances; it adds folly to tragedy to drift into a war through mudment of the United States that the dle. We have actually only one of two choices for positive action: ment has taken will prove effect Either whole-heartedly to adopt isolation, and begin immediately to reorganize the social and economic life of this country, in order to make an isolationism which will function, no matter what the cost; or to take a positive position, clear to the world, that the the part of the people of the United States is prepared to de-United States to feet complete as- fend her rights in harmony with surance that there may not be a international law, and with existrepetition of this sort of incident ing treaties, and be prepared to which, coming on top of this extend at the same time the ma-

Mary E. Miller Passes Shelburn

SHELBURN - Mrs. Mary E. Miller, 54, passed away at the family home Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Miller had been gravely ill for the last two weeks.

Mary E. Gibbons was born in Gilliam county near Mayville the oldest daughter of George and Ellen Gibbons. She was united couple came immediately to Albany where Mr. Miller was then county clerk, Mrs. Miller has spent all of her married life in Albany and Shelburn.

Mr. Miller passed away in 1924. Mrs. Miller leaves seven children: Buell, Leland and Keith Miller, Mrs. Wilma McIntosh of

Mrs. Miller was a member of the Catholic church and the burial will be in Miller cemetery beside

Hardings Close Farm Home to Spend Rest Of Winter in South

BETHANY-Mr. and Mrs. R. M Harding have closed their farm home here for the winter and have gone to Los Angeles where they will remain until spring. Last year the Hardings spent

the winter months in Phoenix, Arizona. Some years ago, the Hardings

made their home for the greater part of each year in California, others. It is an alluring and am- where Mr. Harding was one of the state's leading jewelry auctioneers.

Son Born to Lees MONMOUTH - A son, Charles

Lee, was born December 23 at a Eugene hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Drullinger, formerly of Monmouth. Mrs. Drullinger is a daughter of Paul Riley, and is well known here.

Ten Years Ago

January 2, 1928 Cornerstone of the First Presbyterian church was laid Sunday afternoon and Dr. Norman K. Tully talked briefly.

Rev. James Elvin, former pastor of the First Congregational church of Salem has accepted a call from the Presbyterian church at Lewiston, Montana.

Annual banquet of the Labish Meadows Celery union held last night at Marion hotel with Roy K. Fukuda, president, presiding.

I wenty Years Ago

January 2, 1918 Nearly two blocks in the heart of Norfolk, West Virginia's business district including the Monticello hotel were destroyed in a series of explosions and fires to-

Annual tournament of Oregon State Checkers' association held with D. G. Drager of Salem elect-

YMCA commercial baskethail it. Yet, though we hate war, we deague will open its season at the have no positive program for YMCA sym tonight, Ray C. Baker peace. Nebody, not even we our-will play for Capital bank feam selves, know what we stand for, when they meet Hauser brothers.