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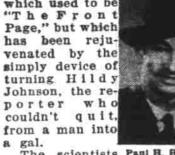
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## Rain Is Torrential On Anniversary of Worst River Flood

## In One Ear..

-Paul Hauser's Column We went to Mr. Loring

Schmidt's opera house the other which used to be "The Front Page," but which has been rejuvenated by the



The scientists Paul H. Hauser, ir. have a word for this sex reversal, usually applied only to chickens and guinea pigs, but the only word we have for it is that Miss Rosalind Russell is a good enough Hildy Johnson for our money. We mean no offense to Pat O'Brien, who was Hildy Johnson in the former or male version of the Ben Hecht-Charles McArthur

We were, in fact, thoroughly pleased by the whole play. There was only one thing that stuck in our craw (or epiglottis, if, as some people say, humans are crawless). That was at the very beginning when it was flashed on the screen that "this all happened in the good old days. None of the characters depicted here are like newspapermen you may happen to

That's our personal war with Hollywood today. Here they go in a hundred pictures and build up Britain Will Free us reporters as a happy-go-unlucky bunch, yet meeting deadlines on the quarter-hour despite all perils; drunken, mayhap, but loveable in a slimy sort of way.

And now what do they do? They deny it all and in one flicker on the screen ditempt to take away all they gave us! Can't they leave well enough alone, we ask? Yah, Hollywood. Indian giv-

fashion, gave us glamor.

Carl Charlton, Chief Minto's right bower, addressed a Parrish junior high civics class on Policemen and How They Get That Way" the other day. Charlton said he experienced no difficulty in discipline, "All you have to do," he said, "is lay a gun on one side of the table and a sap on the other."

paign, despite its dislike of dou- manded." bles in anything, especially doufrom membership.

City police were yesterday examining with interest a live barnacle, which Radio Operator Clive Scott claimed he found on the street. There are, however, no vacancies on the force at

#### It's Pringle Creek Park Now; old Camp Gets Name

Pringle Creek park was last night approved by the city coun- proper. cil as a name for the recreation grounds between South Church ever, Arita said, that some of the and South Winter streets former- prisoners "were short in their milly known as the municipal auto itary service and adaptability." park. The name of Highland park Aparently the foreign minister was approved for the newly cre- meant that not all those seized ated park opposite the Highland could be considered eligible for school.

German war service.

Troller Is Rescued After two Pays In Heavy

night to see "His Girl Friday," a Downpou In Sales offore Rain

> ASTORIA, Feb. 5-(AP)-The coastguard cutter Onondaga towed the missing 48-foot troller Sea Waif into port tonight, completing the rescue of the craft and its two crewmen.

> The boat was battered and waterlogged after a two-day buffeting in heavy storms. It left Newport last Friday for the Columbia river. An earlier report that there were three men aboard proved incorrect.

Capt. W. E. Nichols, Portland, said only the fact that the inter coastal freighter Willmoto sighted the boat's distress signals at coast guard cutter saved the sraft from going into the surf. The boat became disabled Saturday. W. O. Gordon also was aboard the Waif, which is owned by A. Began of Portland.

It rained in Salem yesterday. The steady downpour after 2 p. m, brought down 1.60 inches, according to the weather bureau, which forecast rain again for today and Wednesday. Old-timers recall that 50 years ago Sunday (Turn to Page 3, Col. 7)

## Nine of 21 Nazis

Yes, Hollywood in its sweet Compromise on Japanese Protest Announced; Case not Closed

> TOKYO, Feb. 6-(Tuesday)-(A) Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita had agreed to return nine of 21 German seamen seized January 20 from the Japanese liner Asama Maru, but "I cannot say that the case is entirely settled."

The foreign minister said Japan would continue to negotiate for surrender of all the seamen and

ernment does not fail to apprecisettlement of the Asama Maru case, it cannot express satisfac-With the opening of a new tion because the number of Gertheatre the You Can't Do That mans to be delivered to Japanto Me Twice club has doubled its ese authorities is only part of efforts in its membership cam- those whose extradition was de-

ble features. The club considered that Japanese shippers had been started. offering two memberships for the instructed to refuse to accept as price of one, but vetoed the plan passengers belligerent nationals as against public policy. The who have "enlisted in military group also voted to exclude twins services, and those who may possibly be enlisted."

Arita expressed the belief this action would prevent a recurrence of a similar incident. The Germans were taken from

the Japanese liner 35 miles off Yokohama after the vessel had been halted by a British warship with a shot across her bow. They were interned at Hongkong, British crown colony.

Tracing the diplomatic exchange that resulted—consisting British answer, a Japanese reply to the answer and finally the settlement-Arita said Britain insisted the seizure was legal and

The British acknowledged, how-

# Citizens Spurn Latest Plan for Prettying Up Postoffice

mous disapproval of landscaping fere with the maples already plans for the postoffice grounds, growing. Three in each group a group of interested residents would be enough, he said. meeting at the chamber of commerce last night authorized Post- of the park board, said that she master H. R. Crawford to ask believed maintenance costs on Washington officials if an associ- the hedge of glossy abelia, planate landscape architect from Sa- ned to encircle the grounds, would lem might be appointed to work be too high. Such a hedge would

with government planners. Main objection to the plan, the year, she said. second sent from Washington, D C for local approval, was that it extensive planting which the govcontemplates too heavy planting ernment is willing to do is appreand that it is not in harmony clated, easterners probably do not with the plan of landscaping in realize how rapidly things grow the adjoining Wilson and Waver- in this climate and soil and so ly parks. The first plan was dis- have planned too extensively.

approved because plants used were not suited to this climate. An ivy ground covering at the 1060 ivy, 36 white rhododendron, entrance of the building, using 66 holly osananthus, eight Nor-1060 ivy plants in a strip 14 feet | way maple, 20 Japanese skimmia, wide, was another point unani- 77 Mexican orange, 54 white ca-

George Otten, landscape architect in the state highway depart- landscape gardeners, nurserymen ment, expressed the opinion that and others interested, attended the seven red oaks planned for the meeting, called by Manager each of the two front corners of F. D. Thielsen of the chamber

After expressing almost unani- streets corner they would inter-

Miss Elizabeth Lord, chairman

require clipping three times a Several stated that, while the

Called for in the plan are 108 laurustinus, 11 English holly, disapproved in the new melia, 679 abelia, 14 red cak, six sweet gum and 56 firethorn.

About 15 people, representing the ground were too heavy and of commerce at the suggestion of that on the Church and Court Postmaster Crawford.

#### Jefferson Mayor Called by Death



#### **Dentist-Musician** Well Known Here

Song Leader Prominent in mediately available, Church Work; Funeral Will Be Saturday

Dr. H. C. Epley, 71, mayor of efferson and former Salem dentist, died at his Jefferson residence at 10:40 last night following an illness for which he had recently been under care at a Salem hospital.

On moving from Salem to Jef- Over Half of Crew ferson two years ago, Dr. Epley Is Feared Lost was elected mayor and carried hotel converted into a city hall and library.

During his many year's residence in Salem, Dr. Epley attained prominence as a song leader and worker in the First Christian church. He served as choir director at the church and song leader for the Salem Rotary club for many years and also was long superintendent of the Christian church Sunday school.

He was former president of member of the Salem Elks, the

home, an institution provided for by the estate

Henry Clifford Epley was born in Scio, April 8, 1868. He was to have ready at the opening of first married to Minnie N. Shaw, the legislative session, bills which daughter of pioneer Judge J. T. (Turn to Page 8, Col. 5)

#### "Although the Japanese gov-nment does not fail to appreciate the desire on the part of the British government to seek speedy On India's Demand

NEW DELHI, India, Feb. 5-(AP) roy Lord Linlithgow failed today to agree on Indian demands for independence, the third such outline of all department bills Arita disclosed at the same time stalemate since the European war should be ready for review by his

Gandhi apparently stood firm on the congress (nationalist) party demand for immediate con-Britain's stand to postpone final his material for the legislature. action until after the war.

The tall British statesman and the wry little leader of India's Finns Deny Russ millions of Hindus conferred two and a half hours but a communique indicated the only point of agreement was "to defer for the present further discussions."

The communique said the viceroy repeated British assurances India's independence would be considered "when the time came" while at present in suspense afforded the swiftest stepping stone by a headquarters representative. towards dominion status."

### **Odd Fellows Are** Thanked by Craig

George Craig sent Prineville Odd Fellows a note of thanks today for the fine funeral they gave

him Saturday. Startled lodge men checked up, found that Craig, patient in a local hospital, was both alive and stranded there.

Craig's relatives were erroneous-

### British Losses Municipal Power Issue Study At Sea Mount; Big Ship Sinks

Canadian Beaverburn Is Torpedo Victim; Crew Is Believed Saved

Minesweeper Also Down and Fear Expressed Half Crew Gone

LONDON, Feb. 6-(Tuesday)-(AP)-Britain counted new losses today in the relentless war at sea as the 9,874-ton Canadian Pacific steamer Beaverburn was reported torpedoed off the Irish coast a few hours after the minesweeper Sphinx, crippled by German air raiders, sank as she was being towed to port.

Mystery shrouded the sinking of the Beaverburn, which was announced in a terse bulletin by the authoritative British press association. No details on the number of casualties was im-

Shipping circles said it was unlikely that full details would be known until rescue vessels had picked up survivors. Owners of the ship,

freighter plying between Liverpool and St. John, New Brunswick, said she carried a crew of between 100 and 200 men. A competent source said there was reason to believe that all except one had been rescued.

The foundering of the Sphinx, on a vigorous, successful cam- a vessel of 875 tons, brought to paign to have the pioneer Conser 24 the number of British naval (Turn to page 2, col. 8)

#### Call for Budgets For '41-'42 Given

State Heads Asked to Turn in Requests and Draft Their Bills Early

In a move toward speeding L. Kuensting, housewife, St. Paul; Odd Fellows, Rebekans, and a proceedings for the 1941 legis- Floria A. Crittenden, housewife, charter member of the Salem lative session, Governor Charles Englewood; Helen M. Pemberton, A. Sprague yesterday sent out Also interested in the affairs letters urging all state departof the Cornelia A. Davis estate ment heads to complete by Deat Turner, Dr. Epley was at the cember 15 any bills they may time of his death president of the have to present and to turn in told the diet today Great Britain board of the Turner Memorial their 1941-42 budget requests by August 1.

"In there has been complaint that executive departments failed they wished to have enacted, with the result that the legislature was delayed in its work," the governor's letter explained.

"I want there to be no cause for such criticism in connection with the next legislative session. Accordingly, I request that all deheads schedule their work in 1940 so that material they desire to present to the next -Mohandas K. Gandhi and Vice- legislature will be ready for that body when it convenes." Governor Sprague said

office not later than September 1. The governor indicated that prompt action by department heads in connection with preparsideration of India's independence ing their budgets would assist while Lord Linlithgow reiterated the budget director in completing

## Unit Annihilated

(AP)-Finnish soldiers watched the Karelian isthmus and the Lake Ladoga regions today for the next major development in the war -presumably after the war-and with Russia, but reports abroad suggested "the federal scheme act that the Russian 18th division had been destroyed were denied

The spokesman said the report of the annihilation of the division apparently arose from the fact that a decisive development north of Lake Ladoga, in the Kitela area, had been awaited for days since the soviet offensive there donation of approximately \$2000 through the government rather For Fine Funeral since the soviet offensive there had been stalled and many Russians were cut off from their sup- here today.

Some observers interpreted a on the Karelian isthmus, as a Russian attempt to divert the 50 years in the United States, Finns from the Ladoga region and with a passbook on a bank in relieve the two divisions reported

Instead, the Finns have been boring into Russian positions people." north of the lake and yesterday's ly notified after Al Nichols, old- communique announced the taktime Prineville resident, died last ing of a new stronghold, the kill-The mistake was dis- ing of 500 Russians and the capcovered before Nichols' body was ture of seven tanks and other war

## Is Launched by City Council 9 More Jurors Hannah Martin Eying Called in for City, County Clerks' To Be Drafted

Uncompleted Monday, Resumes at 9:30

County Treasurer Faces Charge of Larceny of \$23.520 Sum

Drawing of nine special jurors was ordered by Judge L. H. Mc-Mahan when it became apparent yesterday afternoon that the regular January term venire yet ready to decide what office would be exhausted before a jury could be agreed upon to hear the case of David G. Drager, county reasurer indicted on a charge of larceny of \$23,520 in county which opened yesterday

in circuit court. The order for a special venire, which marked the end of a long and tedious day spent in interrogation of prospective jurors by both sides, became when the number of jurors remaining on the list shrank below the number of challenges still held by counsel for both sides. Five Women Drawn

In Special Venire In consequence County Clerk U. G. Boyer and Sheriff A. C. Burk presided at the drawing of the nine "good and lawful persons," some of whom, attorneys agreed, will probably become jurors when the panel is completed today. The nine chosen included Fae

C. Branch, truck driver, Salem; Stella N. Alsman, housewife, Saborer, Salem; Jessie M. Davidson, housewife, Pringle; Phillip J. May, farmer, East Mt. Angel, and Bergsvik, superintendent (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1.)

#### Violence Occurs In Toledo Strike

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 5-(AP)-Armed guards at the West Central avenue plant of the Ohio Fuel Gas company were stoned tonight in the first outbreak of violence in Toledo's five-day gas workers'

No injuries were reported. Police Capt. Charles Hennesy attributed the stoning to the appearance of the guards with shotguns. A picket line had been maintained around the fenced property since the strike was called last Wednesday but the guards had not been armed prior to today. Police reserves were called out

as the first stones were hurled, but there were no arrests. The plant has been operating with the Hennesy reported three guards were stationed in a small tower inside the plant enclosure and several others were nearby. Picketing, prior to their appearance, had been orderly, he said. The dozen policemen sent to the scene were able to restore order in three

#### **Carpenter Gives** \$2000 to Finland

SEATTLE, Feb. 5-(AP)-A humto Fiffnish relief was disclosed

Alaric W. Quist, Finnish vice consul here, received a letter from Finland. The letter expressed the wish that the funds "be paid out for civilian relief or for needy

Quist said Gull, a naturalized island in Puget sound, inherited the money and never had removed it from the bank at Wasa, 200 miles northwest of Helsinki.

# Drager's Trial Positions; Undecided By Committee

Drawing of Trial Panel, Only Duncan, Steelhammer Expected to Run for Reelection to Lower House: North End Legislative Material Sought

By STEPHEN C. MERGLER

Hannah Martin, one of Marion county's four state representatives, probably will not seek reelection to her present position but two fellow members of the last session, George R. Duncan of Stayton and John F. Steelhammer, of Salem, will, it appeared yesterday.

Mrs. Martin does not, however, intend to quit public office; she is 'shopping around," not -

#### Beer Licenses in she may seek. Queried yesterday, Mrs. Martin School Vicinities said persistent reports that she would file for the republican nomination for county clerk were in-Protested, Board exact in that she had not decided to do so. She might instead seek the Salem city recordership or

looking over the likely offices, reports come in that a candidate from the north end of the county, not necessarily one of the ex-legislators there, is being sought, aside from the efforts of the committee of farmers and business men which has been meeting weekly to sift out election material with the avowed intention

of promoting good government. Steelhammer is keeping silent on the question of his again seeking election to the lower house of the legislature but it is considered certain that not much urging, from within or from without tax foreclosures; the court has not filled the vacancy he left be-

Duncan is known to intend putting up his name again. The fourth lower house member repsession, Walter Fuhrer, has moved to San Francisco and is out of the picture for the coming elec-

H. R. "Farmer" Jones will take another try at the legislative race but Ed R. Jory, who has run several times, plans this year to skip the primaries and run as an independent at the November general election.

First to enter the republican

nomination ring formally is L. M.

Ramage of Salem, who filed his

#### notice of intention Saturday. Frank P. Murphy Seated on Bench

Frank Murphy of Michigan, 46year-old bachelor, took his seat on the supreme court today, giving it a majority of Roosevelt-appointed justices.

As the newest justice, the former attorney general took the chair at the extreme left of the bench while Justice William O. Douglas moved over to the right flank. Murphy was appointed to the vacancy created by the death of Pierce Butler and became President Roosevelt's fifth appointee to the nine-man tribunal.

The session produced only one

decision-a unanimous ruling delivered by Justice Reed, that private users of the mails who suffered loss can not sue to collect on a postmaster's surety bond. The court held that postmasters' bonds were primarily to protect the government and that "congress intended that claims on ble Washington state carpenter's the bonds would be handled

A letter protesting issuance of beer licenses to establishments in residential districts and near schools was sent by the Salem school board to the city council yesterday morning following a special board

The meeting was called after it was learned that the city council would consider the transfer of the beer license of Eugene Hart from a downtown location on High street to 1210 Broadway. In the protesting letter, the particular case was not mentioned but a general statement was made.

In part the letter read, "It to oppose issuance of permits which provide for such extension and that it shall vigorously remonstrate the licensing of such places when in proximity to our public schools."

#### **Mott Takes Issue** With Peace Lobby

Resents Implications of Frederick J. Libby of National Council

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 - (AP) -Members of the house naval affairs committee, holding hearings Restoration Voted sion bill, fell into loud argument today as to whether an opposition witness had implied the com-

Rep. Mott (R, Ore.) accused Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War, of making that implication.

committee was working "in the dark" because it did not know for new bids. ple actually want. He proposed the creation of a joint congres- Polkas" with the protest of a sional committee which would answer that question and not serve and Broadway streets to the transas a "rubber stamp" for army and navy proposals.

When Rep. Church (R, III.) attempted to defend Libby from what he said were Mott's "aspersions," a sharp exchange ensued Chairman Vinson (D, Ga.) interposed to say he did not helical posed to say he did not believe Mott's accusation was justified. "That's a matter of opinion," Mott replied.

Another member of the council, Jeanette Rankin of Montana, the nation's first congresswoman. proposed that the committee sponsor a resolution in congress to

#### heavy Russian attack at Summa, on the Karelian isthmus, as a who has lived 20 of his more than Democrats Choose Chicago; 3rd Term Queries Irk FDR would carry their battle to the US supreme court on the ground

bers from western states who had Farley, Garner referred to him as

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5-(P)- vored taking the convention to The democrats chose Chicago, a Chicago. He indicated he would

These decisions were reached at an excited and sometimes tur- dential nomination in 1932, is bulent meeting of th party's na- also the home of the powerful ner's own state, vainly offer \$200,000 for the convention, \$50,000 more than Chicago's bid. Chicago's nearest competitor, also offered \$150,000. For a mo- is widely regarded as a presi-ment, it appeared that Phila- dential aspirant, and Garner, an

cast their, votes for San Fran- the most efficient national chaircisco and, in some cases for man in fifty years and praised Houston, switched to the Illinois him as "the most agreeable felcity. The final count was Chi- low to cago 48, Philadelphia 38, San known. Garner himself.

center of pro-third term activity, announce the date for the big citizen who resides on Whidby as their 1940 convention city to- party meeting after the repubday and left it to National Chair- lican national committee selects tive January 1 for one year as an man James A. Farley to set the its time and city at a meeting "emergency" measure. It is ex-date, presumably after he learns here on February 16. Chicago, the scene of President Roosevelt's original presi-

> committee, which saw Kelly-Nash democratic organiza-Houston, in Vice President Gar- tion which has taken a foremost position in the move to draft Mr. Roosevelt for an additional term. Today's meeting was notable too, for a warm exchange of in fact, was Philadelphia, which felicitations between Farley, who delphia might win, but then mem- outright candidate. Introducing

Francisco 7 and Houston 2. One Farley returned the compilof the last two votes was cast by ment in a nationally broadcast time of the May primaries to Garner himself. After the meeting, Farley told members of the committee for

# **Definite Plan**

O'Hara Resolution Gets Support; Bonneville People Offer Aid

One-Hour Parking to Be Resumed; Reserve of Police Approved

Municipal ownership of electric power facilities again became a live issue for the city council last night as it passed a resolution introduced by Alderman David O'Hara authorizing its public utilities committee to investigate and determine the cost of erecting or acquiring a municipal power sys-

The resolution also called on the committee to submit to the council a proposal for such acquisition which may in turn be submitted to the people.

Alderman O'Hara, in presenting the resolution, reviewed the case of public power before the council, recalling that about a year ago Bonneville authority representatives agreed to make a survey of the cost of installing a public utility but that the survey was dropped when the Portland General Electric company agreed to furnish the information. Contract With PGE Will Expire Soon

O'Hara said he had lately investigated the letter in which the power company made its survey offer and found that no time limit had been mentioned.

"It could take five years ever," he said. Reminding the council that the

city's five-year contract for street lighting with the Portland General Electric company expires soon, O'Hara said: "I don't think this city will progress as it ought to progress while it is under the domination of this power company. . . . It is now in bankruptcy court under two or three different proceedings. Its affairs are hopelessly involved. I'd like to see the city have a municipal plant and I'd like to see an estimate of costs

as soon as possible." Mayor Chadwick said that a representative of Bonneville called on him recently and promised to furnish soon data on public power costs applicable to Salem.

One-Hour Parking The council passed, without debate, a resolution changing the downtown parking limit from 45 minutes to one hour and another mitteemen were "incompetent police committee resolution establishing a city police reserve of vol-

unteer citizens. The managership of the sirport was left on a temporary basis as the council accepted the recomtee to reject bids on leases of both Libby had asserted that the Lee U. Eyerly of Salem and Howard Burleson of Albany and call

> The council became involved in one of its recurring "Beer Barrel number of residents near Market ference of a beer license to a location in that neighborhood. With the council jammed with interested residents, who inter-

(Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

## **Upheld by Court**

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5-(P)-The Pennsylvania supreme court upheld today the right of Philadelphia to impose a 11/2 per cent tax on wages and earned income, than through suits by individ- limit the navy to purely defensive but failed to end a fight which labor groups shave waged against

the levy since its inception. Counsel for a \$10-a-week widowed shirt factory worker, whose attack on the validity of the tax was dismissed, announced they the federal constitution was vie

in the city 1940 "pay-as-you-go" financial program-became effec-

#### **Bill for Repeal** Of City Stadium Act Introduced

The municipal stadium for which Salem citizens voted a \$50,-600 bond issue in 1938, will probably never be built.

Introduced into the city coun-

cil last night by Alderman David O'Hara was an ordinance calling for repeal of the charter amendment providing for the issuance of the \$50,000 in bonds. Another ordinance provided for calling a special city election at the time of the May primaries to vote

The stadium bond issue was newspaper men he understood past assistance he included originally passed by the margin of only a few votes.

SOUTHERN CAL. EXPERIENCES DELUGE



Forrents of rain, accompanied by freak electrical storms, smashed the face of southern California again recently in one of the section's wettest winters in years. Lightning struck two homes, injured a Los Angeles woman. Photo shows hub-deep roads near Van Nuys, in which going appears to be tough for mired meterists.—IIN photo.