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NINETYETH YEAR

In One Ear

—Paul Hauser's Column

Ever since Zetta Schlador, the Silvertown modiste and bowler, was elected mayor of Marion county's second city on a platform of doling up the Silvertown gendarmerie we have had an interest in the Silvertown police force.

We heard not long ago that the Silvertown cops had their new uniforms Paul E. Hauser, Jr. and then that Mayor Zetta, her goal accomplished, was going to leave off muzzling for less strenuous activities. So we decided we had better see the Silvertown police force while its uniforms were still new and the brass buttons still shiny.

Yesterday we set out in search of the Silvertown police force. This is the first time we have ever looked for a police force, the situation usually being just the opposite.

Sixteen miles flew by and there we were going by McClaine street, looking to right and left for a uniform. Not a policeman was in sight. We obeyed the traffic laws anyway and came to a full stop at Center street before turning, rolling over the bridge and onto the main drag called Water. There were a lot of people sitting around and stirring around, but none of them were policemen.

Well, we thought, there must be a baseball game and all the cops are down at McGinnis field dodging pop bottles. So we went down to McGinnis field and found all was quiet, but while we weren't looking something had popped up hard by. It was the new Silvertown high school.

The high school was locked up, but one of the janitors, Mr. Lermo, let us in and took us around and we found out that the Silvertown high school is the only one we know of around these parts to have two auditoriums, a big one and a little one. The big one doubles in brass as gymnasium and auditorium.

Mr. Lermo showed us everything, even the girls' dressing room. We walked in and found you could buy most anything you wanted from Mr. Ames, but didn't want to buy anything, so walked out again. There weren't any policemen there, either.

We went up to the city hall and found L.I. Mundy, The Statesman's correspondent and copy expert, ranning the library on the second floor. We asked her about the policemen and she said they wouldn't pose for pictures in their uniforms.

From there we toured around the alleys and side streets and saw lots of flowers, but no policemen. So we thought they might be hiding out in the park, but the park seemed pretty desolate and not quite ready for the summer picnic business.

We went back down town past where Mayor Zetta Schlador is closing out her women's wear shop. Things looked pretty busy, so we didn't think it wise to bother her by asking her where her cops were. After all, a mayor can't keep tab on every vanishing policeman.

We mused a while and thought of shouting "Help, Police!" but thought better of it and went home, thinking that that's the way with policemen, when you want one one's never around.

Shorthand Title

Is Won by Salem

CORVALLIS, April 20.—(AP)—Franklin high school of Portland took four first places in the 18th annual state typing contest at Oregon State college today.

Salem high won the state shorthand championship for the second consecutive year. Tigard won first in the radio shorthand contest and was runner-up in championship typing.

The third place team trophy went to the girls' polytechnic team of Portland. Salem's winning shorthand team included Florence Nelson, state individual champion, Adella Frey, Ruth Cherry and Mary Virginia Hanfield. Tigard was second and Albany third.

Other results: Individual shorthand: Won by Florence Nelson, Salem; Jean Yelgren, McMinnville, second; Doris Engstrom, Tigard, third.

Census Accepts

Mehren's Claim
His Age Is 128

CHICAGO, April 20.—(AP)—Sayed Mehren told a census taker that he was 128 years old.

George W. Schreoch, director of the census in this area, reported that Mehren presented books and documents as evidence of his long life span and that the astonished enumerator inscribed 128 on the official form.

He related that he had lost his birth certificate in Alexandria, Egypt, about 120 years ago.

Pick Liberals, Advice of FDR To Democrats

Avoid Sticky Fly Paper in November, Warns Young Bourbons

Mentions no Names, F no Third Term Hint in Georgia Talk

By DOUGLAS B. COR

WARM SPRINGS, Ga.

(AP)—President Roosevelt again tonight that he choose a "liberal pair of candidates" and at the same time waded into the republican opposition for "seeking to frighten the country" by declaring the present administration "is deliberately trying to put this nation into war."

It was an out-and-out political talk that Mr. Roosevelt made by radio to a series of country-wide dinners of Young Democrats' clubs. And while it carried an obvious bid for continuance of the new deal it offered no tangible clue to the outstanding political question of the day: Will the president seek a third term?

Asserting that America faces this year much the same kind of campaign as it did in 1932 and 1936, the chief executive added:

"It seems to be very obvious that if the democratic party is to defeat the republican party next November we must nominate a liberal pair of candidates, running on a liberal and forward-looking platform."

Hits Isolationism of one Candidate

Not once did Mr. Roosevelt mention names. He came closest to it, when he said:

"I am not speaking tonight of world affairs. Our government is keeping a cool head and a steady hand."

"We are keeping out of the wars that are going on in Europe and in Asia, but I do not subscribe to the preaching of a republican aspirant for the presidency who tells you, in effect, that the United States should do nothing to try to bring about a better order, a more secure order, of world peace when the time comes."

Of the campaign itself, the president said he was sorry, speaking as an American, that a campaign which should be pitched on a level of intelligent argument, had "fallen into such low estate as early as this."

Voters Are Tired of Alarmists, Belief

And, speaking as a partisan, Mr. Roosevelt voiced confidence (Turn to Page 14, Col. 3)

Marjorie Boon Is State Head of CE

Salem People Participate in Program; Services Scheduled Today

DALLAS, April 20.—Members of the Christian Endeavor society, in the Oregon state convention being held here, elected Saturday morning as president for the coming year Marjorie Boon of Portland, and as vice-president, Kenneth Stuart of Tillamook.

Sunday morning the delegates, numbering over 1000, will attend church services. In the afternoon Albert Arends of Spokane, regional vice-president of the international society, will install the new officers. Arlene Johansen will lead in a worship service and an address will be given by Dr. Clarence Kieker, pastor of Westminister Presbyterian church in Sacramento, Calif.

A communion service will be held at 6:30 p. m., with Dr. W. E. Van Nuy, former field secretary of the Presbyterian board of Christian education, followed by (Turn to Page 14, Col. 5)

Human Skin Case Is Closed

As Not-True Bill Returned

Salem's "human skin" case died a quiet death yesterday when the Marion county grand jury exonerated Orin McDowell, Jr., and William Parker of a charge of unlawful use of the remains of a deceased person.

The jury in its first report after several weeks of intermittent meetings, returned three other not true bills and five true bills, two of which were secret.

In finding Parker and McDowell innocent of any criminal offense, the grand jury placed an effective quietus on a bizarre story which came to light early last month when authorities at Napa, Calif., identified the contents of a package sent to a tannery there as human skin.

Return address on the parcel was that of a Salem tanning concern, and authorities here were asked to investigate the source of the contents of the package.

Brief interrogations by Sgt. Farley Morgan of the state police disclosed that the skin had apparently been obtained from the waste can in the anatomy laboratory of a Portland dental college where Parker is a student. According to later reports, the skin had been sent by him to Me-

Foes Come to Grips in Norway

Families Flee Before Ohio's Rising Waters

Flood Stage Is Reached at Pittsburgh but no Damage Forecast

Nearly Third of State's Rural Area Is Under Water; Record Set

PITTSBURGH, April 21.—(Sunday)—(AP)—Muddy flood waters spilled from Pittsburgh's three rivers early today as they rose to 23.3 feet at the "golden triangle," but forecasters expected a quick drop with little damage, due to prolonged rains the Allegheny and Monongahela, which meet here to form the Ohio, surged up rapidly yesterday. But the rate of rise slackened as the 26-foot flood stage was passed and Weather Observer W. S. Brotzman predicted the crest had been reached. It would take a "lot more rain" to "cause serious damage here," he said.

MARIETTA, O., April 20.—(AP)—Floods gripped the Ohio valley from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati to night and turned southern Ohio into a maze of lakes, isolating entire towns. Thousands were homeless.

Water rose menacingly around Pittsburgh's "golden triangle," downtown business area, poured down from the three final days of their campaign to raise enough funds to represent Oregon at the national debate tournament in Decatur, Ill.

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"But we'll surely find a way to raise the rest," Emogene Russell, members of the squad, told a Statesman reporter yesterday. Emogene has special interest in the trip since she will not only enter the debate contest, but will also enter the extemporaneous contest. She won the right to enter this contest by taking first place in extemporaneous speaking at the statewide tournament held at Willamette university March 8 and 9.

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Latest contributions to be received are \$5 from Douglas Kay and \$5 from Hawkins & Roberts, Inc.

Canter Continues To Elude Search

Fred J. Canter, 34-year-old trusty who escaped from guards quarters at the state penitentiary Friday night, is still at large and no trace has been found of him since he left Dewey Hamm, Salem man he forced to drive him to Portland, it was reported last night.

Canter commandeered Hamm's car and forced the Salem man to act as his chauffeur by threatening him with a knife.

Canadian Seamen Call off Strike

TORONTO, April 20.—(AP)—The Canadian seamen's union called off its strike late today and agreed to submit its quarrel with Great Lakes ship operators to conciliation, Labor Minister Norman A. McLarty announced.

McLarty said a mediation board consisting of an impartial chairman and one representative each of the union and the companies would be established at Ottawa immediately.

Meanwhile, the seamen agreed to return to work at once and the companies said they would pay \$7.50 monthly wage increases, which they previously had offered.

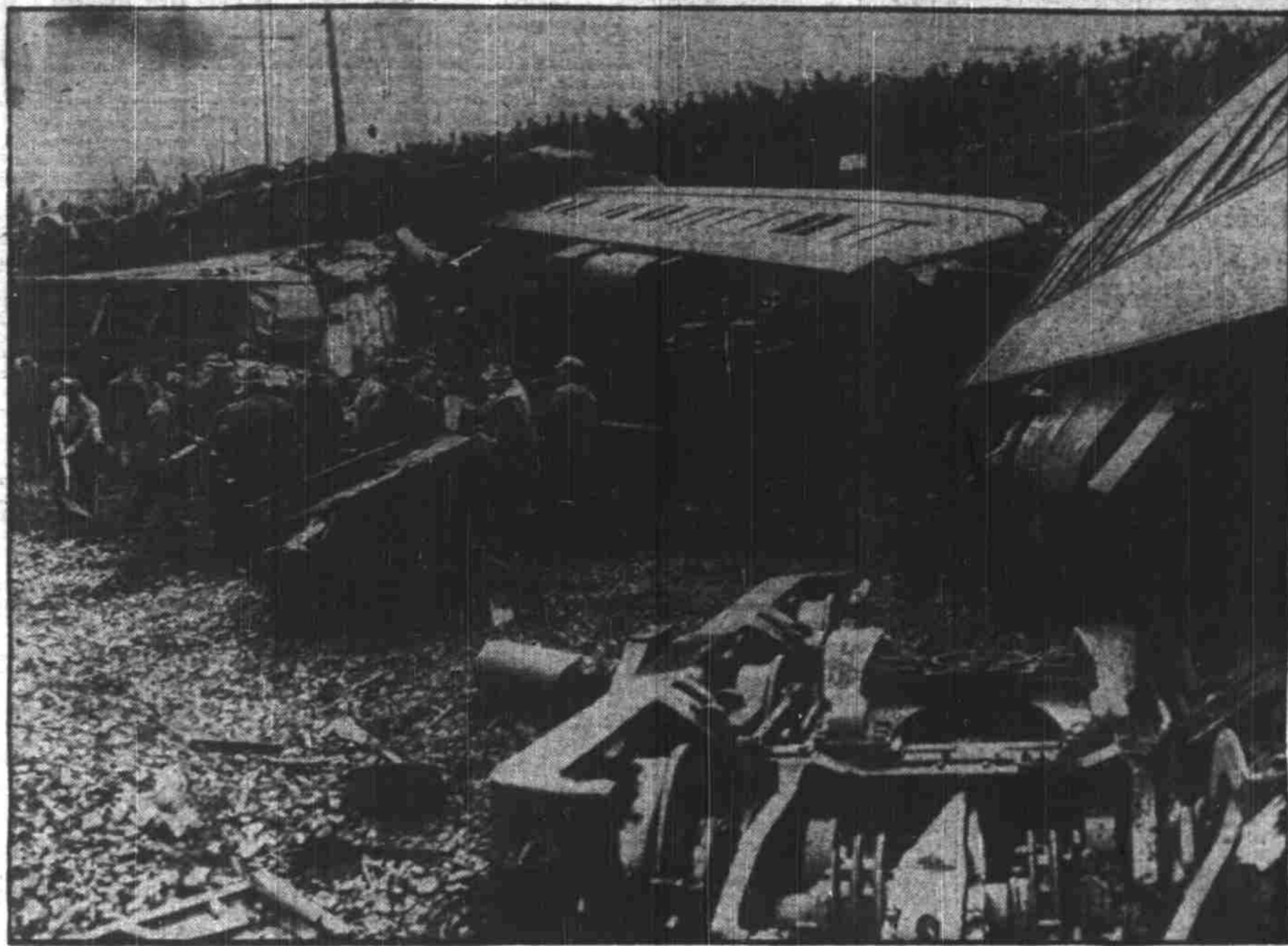
Neither side is pledged, however, to accept the mediators' findings.

Widow of Judge Sibley Dies in Portland, 67

PORTLAND, April 20.—(AP)—Harriet Ersson Sibley, 67, widow of Folk County Judge Joseph E. Sibley, died here today. Mrs. Sibley was a Helong resident of Polk county.

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TWENTY FIVE DIE IN WRECK OF FAST NEW YORK TRAIN



The known death toll remained at 25 Saturday night as rescue workers pried through this mass of broken, twisted wreckage, result of the derailment of the New York Central Shore Limited train which went into a ditch near Little Falls, N.Y. One hundred passengers were injured.—AP Teletext.

Debaters Trip Fund Is Short

Salem High Squad Has 3 Days to Raise \$300; Donations Sought

Too plucky to admit defeat but becoming increasingly anxious as the deadline approaches, four Salem high school debaters yesterday made plans for the three final days of their campaign to raise enough funds to represent Oregon at the national debate tournament in Decatur, Ill.

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Soap and Tobacco High 85 Years Ago

General Store Records in Murphy Building Show Eggs at 20 Cents

Eggs were 20 cents a dozen, butter 35 cents a pound and spectacles 75 cents in Salem in 1855, old accounts found in razing the old Murphy block at Commercial and Streets show.

No indication as to the name of the general store for which the accounts were kept are given on the tattered, but still clearly legible records. The accounts were found by Ralph L. Harlan, contractor who is wrecking the building.

The price paid for a bushel of wheat, the accounts show, was approximately the same as paid today, 75 cents.

Sugar came high at 20 cents a pound and tea was a luxury at \$1 a pound. A plug of tobacco cost 20 cents and soap was 25 cents a bar.

Among customers of the store in 1855 the heaviest purchasers were the quartermasters department, Oregon Territory, and the Washington Territory, which made one purchase of \$54.21. The Marion House, famous hostelry of the time, was also a good customer.

The accounts include names of (Turn to Page 14, Col. 1)

Wreck's Toll Still 25

But May Be Increased

Three Believed Missing, Some of Injured Near Death; Disaster Cause Not Established Though Speed Was Above Rating

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., April 20.—(AP)—Rescue workers pried tonight into tons of twisted sheet-covered steel, once the New York Central's proud Lake Shore limited, seeking possible additions to a known wreck death toll of 25 persons.

Traveling 59 miles an hour, the New York-Chicago passenger train last night jumped the track at a 6-degree curve, the most abrupt on the system, and crashed with terrific and death-dealing force into a massive stone embankment.

Three hundred passengers, most of whom were asleep in pullmans on the 16-car train, were hurled from their beds into an inferno of shrieks, hissing steam and the groans of the dying.

The bodies of 23 victims, most of them badly mangled, had been identified by midnight. The identity of two others was unknown. Railway employes continued to search the twisted steel cars by the flickering light of torches for others.

Approximately 100 others went to hospitals with broken bones, cuts and bruises, and physicians feared some of them may be added to the death toll of one of the nation's worst railway disasters. Examination of wreckage still is incomplete, and Coroner Fred C. Sabin said he expected (Turn to Page 14, Col. 2)

Statesman Cooking School's Theme Is "Song in Kitchen"

"A Song in the Kitchen" will be the theme of the cooking school which The Oregon Statesman will conduct for the housewives of Salem and vicinity on May 1, 2 and 3.

Miss Barbara Miller, home economist who will conduct the cooking school, says, "This isn't going to be just another cooking school,—no indeed! There will, of course, be many new and unusual ideas for planning menus, entertaining and home management, but primarily we want to find the way to put song and laughter in the kitchen. With the help of Salem housewives, we will hunt out and drive away all the old drudgery and bugaboos that have haunted the kitchen for years.

"What if you do have to cook three meals a day—for 365 days a year? If you have to do it, let's get together and plan ways to make it a gay and happy job.

"And the whole secret," continues Miss Miller, "is to put a song in the kitchen."

Miss Miller is a great believer in what she calls "kitchen psychology."

"How," she asks, "can you possibly expect light dumplings when you make them with a heart as heavy as lead? Beat a song into your dumplings—they'll probably pop right out of the pan in surprise!"

Italy Revives Claim on Sea

Possible French Entente Linked up; Rumania Gets Concession

ROME, April 20.—(AP)—Authoritative fascist spokesmen renewed tonight their insistence upon freedom from British and French control of the Mediterranean as a necessary condition of lasting peace.

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Although apparently not directly evoked by Reynaud's statement, the fascist expressions indicated their attitude toward an understanding (Turn to Page 14, Col. 3)

Goudy President, Social Workers

PORTLAND, April 20.—(AP)—The Oregon conference of social workers renamed State Relief Administrator Elmer Goudy as president yesterday.

Others reelected were Robert Lang, vice-president, and Grace Brubaker, secretary-treasurer. New directors include Mrs. Mary Merrick, Mrs. Hillmann Luedemann, Mrs. Marguerite Thomason, Mrs. Esther Rodinsky, Clare Johnson and Major H. A. R. Carleton, all of Portland; Mrs. T. W. Edmunds, Newberg; Carl Solde, The Dalles; Mrs. Maybelle Romig, Baker, and Mrs. Irene Lundell, Pendleton.

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"Laugh when the cake falls and cover it up with a grand caramel sauce and give it a French name. "When hubby brings his old college pal home on wash day, without a minute's notice, tuck a piece of parsley on the hash, powder your nose and laugh it off!"

Miss Miller will cook dozens of dishes for use in "every day" menus, as well as propound some interesting ideas for entertaining and "company" meals. She has many helpful short cuts to tell housewives, to help speed up the time when the kitchen will be a place of song and think will move along easily and happily.

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British Attack Dane Airdrome Held by Nazis

Taunt Germany in Claim Army Is Transported With no Life Loss

Norwegians Say Combining now Fighting; Some Gains Reported

LONDON, April 21.—(Sunday)—(AP)—British warplanes "successfully" raided Aalborg airdrome in northern Denmark last night, the air ministry announced, in an effort to cut off German reinforcements by air to Norway.

The raid, first reported attack on Danish soil since the German occupation April 9, came as Britain and France continued to land troops along the Norse coast to help stem the Nazi invasion.

Great Britain reported successful operations on land and sea and in the air as she taunted Germany with the declaration that an allied fighting force had been transported across 400 miles of North sea and landed on the unfamiliar Norwegian coast without the loss of a single life.

The vanguard of the allied expedition, consisting of two British divisions and one French, was reported to have advanced southward through the snowclad mountain terrain toward the German outposts, while the main allied body continues to assemble unhampered at bases along the coast.

Transport Sinking Story Is Doubtful

The admiralty and war office, in a joint communique, branded as "quite untrue" a German claim that a transport had been sunk.

(The Germans claimed to have sunk one transport after having scored direct hits with heavy bombs on three transports and an allied cruiser.)

The army gave the royal navy full credit for the success of the transport operation. Warship guns kept covered landings while royal air force planes overhead reported to have seen the transport bombers or warships.

The allied force was believed to be at least partly mechanized and equipped with heavy artillery. To reach what is reported as a rapidly-forming German line running from the seaport of Trondheim, this force must penetrate a crazy and difficult terrain.

The French troops which have landed in Norway and are taking part in the operations, according to a statement from the French high command, probably include some of France's crack mountain fighters.

STOCKHOLM, April 21.—(Sunday)—(AP)—British troops have penetrated to eastern Norway and are participating with the Norwegians in fighting the German invaders, the Norwegian army reported early today in a communique from "somewhere in Norway" (Turn to Page 14, Col. 1)

Japanese to Buy Oil From Mexico

MEXICO CITY, April 20.—(AP)—It was learned authoritatively today that the Laguna Petroleum company, a Japanese firm, has signed a \$3,000,000 contract to purchase Mexican oil, gasoline and kerosene—an agreement which the Mexican government was awaiting before replying to a United States suggestion to arbitrate the petroleum controversy.

It is understood the government would consider its economic position greatly strengthened by a contract with the Japanese, and would make much of this point in replying to the suggestion of Secretary of State Cordell Hull for settlement of Mexico's seizure of the vast foreign-owned oil industry.

An official source said the reply likely would be a firm rejection of the arbitration proposal.

Gemmell Will Go On Senators' First Road Jaunt

Salem's in the baseball swim, with its entry this week in the Western International League, and The Oregon Statesman as usual is abreast of the news the new Salem Senators team will provide for local sports fans.

Ron Gemmell, Statesman sports editor, will be there when the Senators open the league season against the Spokane Indians at Spokane Tuesday night. Don't miss his first-hand stories of the Senators' first games in The Statesman Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.

Mr. Gemmell will return to Salem Friday to prepare for the Senators' first home game at George E. Waters park, 7:30 p.m. of April 20, against the Yakima Pippins.

BARBARA MILLER