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Dolores Picha, 5, demonstrates, more or less, how she routed the "stick burglar" Sunday night at the E. J. Church residence, 755 North 16th street, where she and her parents were guests. Dolores' timely appearance averted thefts of her mother's and other guests' purses. Actually she didn't, as it appears here, take the "stick" away from the burglar; he hastily dropped it and fled. Dolores' curls are

Salem Girl Routs Man Stealing Mama's Purse

Dolores Picha, Enroute to Bed, During Party, Grabs Stick Dropped by Sneak Thief: Wasn't Scared, She Said

By RALPH C. CURTIS

If there are three or more automobiles parked in front of a Salem residence in the early hours of night, it's almost a

which have been placed the coats, of 126,000 tons by U-boats supwraps-and purses-of the women ported by battleships - a new

The Statesman These simple facts are known to Tells History the "stick burglar." They make his business easy and profitable.

More often than not, even if the Of Sports house has two stories, the bedare placed is on the first floor. It War news, no matter how important, will share honors is a simple matter to cut a tiny tons. hole in a window screen and unwith baseball in the May 2 edilatch it, open the window and, tion of The Statesman, The with a long stick, "fish" for purses. most conservative of newspa-Often they contain valuables that per readers would consider that are well worth the stick burglar's a safe bet. But 'twas not always time and effort.

Chattering Guests Leave Sports-writing, an outstand-Way Open for Sneak Thief ing feature of the American newspaper scene, has grown up The danger of apprehension with The Statesman, When this

ago this week, there was no

such as will open here May 1.

team organized in Salem? Who

pitched the first curve ball?

What about early football, prize

fights, track? Many a sports

fan will find the history of

sports in Salem published in

The Statesman's 90th anniver-

sary edition Sunday, March 30,

as fascinating as the daily

the anniversary edition,

Two Planes Missing

Bombers Land Safe

adverse weather.

sports page.

When was the first baseball

not great. Usually the guests are paper was founded, 90 years chatting volubly enough to cover up any accidental noise the burglar makes, or concentrating on professional baseball season their bidding so they won't notice it. The stick burglar watches until all are settled, then goes to work. He seldom is disturbed.

On Sunday night however five-year-old Dolores Picha routed the stick burglar when he visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Church, 755 North 16th street. Dolores' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Picha, were among the guests and Dolores was curled up on the davenport.

Orders for extra copies of the But almost on the stroke of 10 special edition are pouring into o. m., Dolores arose and walked The Statesman's circulation deback through the dining room on partment, where would-be purher way to the kitchen for a drink chasers are advised that only of water. Glancing into the bedby making reservations early room, she saw a long, narrow pole can they be assured of getting extending from the bed to the window. One end had been thrust beneath the strap of the purse belonging to Dolores' mother, and was slowly dragging it across the TUCUMCARI, NM, March 24bed. And the other end-well, all (P)-Two airplanes being ferried Dolores could see was a hand and missing Monday night in the remissing Monday night in the re-gion of Anton Chico, 70 miles stick dropped to the floor as the west of here. Pilot Don Bertram, hand disappeared. Hanford, Calif., flying a third of

Dolores Didn't Scream the planes, landed hereabout 2 She Just Grabbed Stick p.m. (MST) after turning back

Dolores didn't scream. when the ships encountered a seized the "stick" which later proved to be ten feet long and quickly carried it to her mother, exclaiming that "this fell in the bedroom." There was a rapid ap-SALT LAKE CITY, March 24- praisal of the situation and almost (A)-Three Boeing four-motored simultaneously a telephone call for route to Canada for the British, made his getaway, empty-handed.

were still here Monday because of Outside was a short ladder, used (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Germans, Greeks in Clashes on Frontier

Red Curls Scare Stick-Thief viet Confirms Aid reaty With Turkey; Yugoslavians Bitter

Nazis Show Awareness, Changed Russ **View by Rushing Rumanian Troops** to Red's Border; Greeks Victorious

BELGRADE, March 25-(Tuesday)-(A)-Unconfirmed reports reaching here from Bulgaria today said Greek and German sentries already had engaged in several clashes on the Bulgarian-Greek

Other reports reaching here today said Russian war materials began moving across the Caucasus frontier into Turkey a few hours after announcement of the Russo-Turk friendship agreement.

By The Associated Press

Uneasy soviet Russia took a hand Tuesday in the course of the world by giving Turkey a pledge of benevolent and helpful neutrality in case the Turks are attacked by Germany. Diplomatic quarters in Ankara, Turkey's capital, said an-

nouncement of this Russo-Turk declaration of friendliness was deliberately timed to coincide with the departure of Yugoslav government leaders for Vienna to sign up as a junior partner in the

War News Briefs VIENNA, March 25-(Tues-

day)-(A)-Premier Dragisa Cvetkevic and Foreign Minister Alksander Cincar-Markovic of Yugoslavia arrived in Vienna by special train this morning and were welcomed by German Foreign Miinster Joachim Von Rib-

The Japanese ambassador to Berlin, Lieut. Gen. Hiroshi Oshima, arrived in Vienna at the same time.

Von Ribbentrop, who escorted the Yugoslavs to their hotel, had come to Vienna only a matter of minutes before. Up to this time, there had been

no formal confirmation of Bel-grade dispatches that the Yugoslav premier and foreign minister were making the trip to add their mation to the axis

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Under its terms, the Russians apparently are ready to send material aid to Turkey if the Turks have to fight to defend the Dardanelles. Germany Rushes Troops

To Rumanian-Russ Border

That Germany was acutely aware of a changing Russian attitude to nazi expansion was evident in reports that Rumanian troops were being mobilized again and sent to take up position along the Prut river facing the soviet. Quickly, the soviet countered this by increasing her land and sea forces which stand opposite Germany's southeastern Europe con-

Russia considered her vital interests at stake with Germany's armies less than 100 miles from the Dardanelles, with the nazis in control of the en-(Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Germany Reveals Battleships **Operating Against Convoys**

BERLIN, March 24-(P)-The Germans officially reported cinch that there's a party going on. And if there's a party, the Monday the destruction of at least 30,000 additional tons of Brit- (Tuesday) confronted by four machances are almost as good that in a bedroom somewhere in ish shipping, and issued an avowed eye-witness account of how jor developments: that house there is a bed upon a long earlier "cat and mouse" drama had ended in the sinking

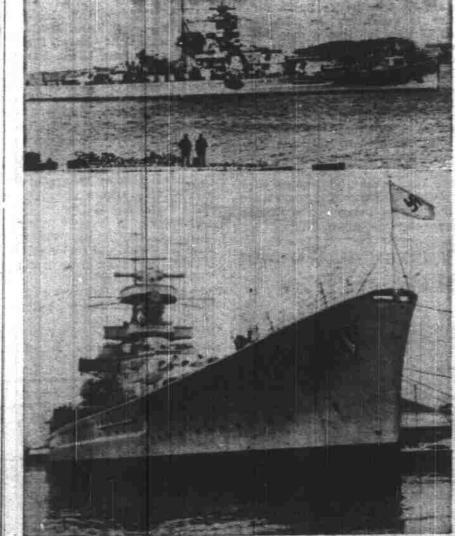
> raiding technique. The nazi story of the war at sea thus was in two sections. The first, dealing with current actions and issued by the high command itself, declared that Uboats operating in the north At-

however, which told the longer that many times that great vessel enter. The company makes parts and more spectacular story - a aimed her guns, but kept them for defense contractors. The union story in elaboration of previous silent, showing "no inclination to seeks recognition, abolition of and less detailed announcements. fight." (Pictured below are two piece work and other demands.

was said to have begun about at an unaffiliated union.

This engagement, which the of Germany's battleships believed Germans termed historic in that involved in the above story.)

Nazi Raiders off US Coast



long-range bombers, flown here the police and a search of the villast week from McChord field en cinity. But the stick buarglar had ing on British shipping and avewedly awaiting American supply ships of the Atlantic seaboard. (Top) is the German battleship hospital Monday night. Berkey's the vessel was abandoned. State of Oregon. He mentioned day sessions were all attended time Saturday. the battleship Scharnhorst.

Willamette Students Pay Glee Debts



Bets were novel as always at Willamette university Monday as students pald up to members of other classes after losing in the 33rd annual Freshman Glee. All wagers were paid to higher classmen because judges placed the seniors first, juniors second, sophomores third and "poor, poor '44" last. In the picture a few of the freshmen boys are sloshing through the campus mill stream. A larger number went in than have for some years, for this is the second largest class in the university's history. They replace this year's winners, who "ducked" the three previous years. At the lower left, Robinson Spencer, school librarian, to whom the Glee was dedicated, proves himself a "crooner" as he pays his bet to a senior girl. At the upper right, Dolly Cullens, freshman, is the "bird in a gilded cage." She was not the only student who were headdress to compete with designers' craziest.—Statesman photos,

Bishop Speaks

To a chorus of applause from

honor of the occasion, McKay

touched a match to a piece of pa-

per representing the \$5032 debt in-

and redecoration of the chamber

quarters, and E. H. Bingenheimer,

another ex-president, held it in a

Realization that a group of

citizens could meet for such a

"glad occasion" should bring

realization that there are things

"right with the world," as well

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past 60 days, members of the Sa-

lem Restaurant association, meet-

ing in called session Monday

night, agreed. That the rise in

accepted although no definite

was adopted. Committees ap-

pointed to make a closer study of

NEW YORK, March 25-

(Tuesday)-(P)-The coast guard reported today that the Cities

service oil tanker Denver had

caught fire south of Cape Hat-teras and that 18 or 19 crew

Oil Tanker Afire

Meal Prices

tray until only ashes remained.

Monday night.

Strike Peace

New Mediation Body Will Act on Four Major Tieups

(See strike story P. 2-Mediation board picture on editorial page.) By The Associated Press

The new federal mediation board appointed by President Roosevelt to deal with strikes in defense industries will hold its organization meeting in Washington today C of C Burns Mortgage

1. A CIO strike called late Monday at the Bethlehem Steel comit was "probably the first suc- pany, Bethlehem, Pa., which has cess by cooperation of battleships more than \$1,000,000,000 of deand U-boats in ocean warfare," fense contracts, in a dispute over

2. The International Harvester The eve-witness narrative; as plant at Chicago, which had been it was officially described, said closed since Feb. 28 by a CIO that upon the approach to the strike, reopened Monday under lantic had just knocked out 27,500 British convoy "we sighted ene- police guard but a CIO leader my fighting craft including a bat- called for a "mass mobilization" It was the second account, tleship of the Malaya class," and Monday and that "no one" would that's what it amounted to. the large audience of members and guests attending the banquet in

> 3. The two-week old CIO strike at the Midland Steel Products (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Airport Bids Open Today

Bids for private contracting work on Salem municipal airport improvements under the \$160,000 civil aeronautics authority project will be opened today at CAA northwest headquarters in Seattle, while preliminary work to Cafes to Hike the airport expansion program here is apparently moving swift-

City Engineer J. H. Davis reported Monday that no difficulty is being found in getting permission to cut down trees conjoining the airport.

Viewers of the 61 acres of additional land the city must ac- cost of commodities will be require for the project have com- flected shortly in boosted prices pleted their appraisals of the land for the consumer was generally involved and it is believed the city may be able to acquire it scale nor time for the increase within a few weeks.

The WPA, which will do a large share of work not handled the problem were asked to report under CAA specifications, is with recommendations to the ready to begin work on receiving membership within the next a certificate of necessity to avia- week. Thirty of the 42 member tion from the CAA. The WPA restaurants were represented at will pave two runways and the CAA one.

Flier's Condition Fair

Willis Berkey, pilot of the plane in which Garfield Voget met death near Woodburn several weeks ago, was reported in "fair"

Court Demands Issues Before Pinball Trial

Lewelling Sets Deadline in Dissolving Injunction Obtained Against Police and City Attorney by Barber

The case of Beryl Burch vs. Salem Chief of Police Frank Minto and City Attorney Lawrence Brown will be tried as early Circuit Judge J. G. Lewelling said Monday when he dissolved as possible provided the issues are stated by next Tuesday,

an injunction obtained several weeks ago when the case was filed. The injunction prevented seizure

and destruction by city authorities of certain devices alleged by the plaintiff to be games of skill located in his barber shop in Salem. Judge Lewelling ordered dis- old mill stream, \$5032 Debt Payment on solution of the injunction on the did not sit and Remodeling Celebrated; ground that the complaint showed dream down by that no devices of the type speci- the old mill fied were on the plaintiff's prem- stream yester-

ises at the time of filing of the suit, day. At least not The Salem chamber of comand stated, "the court cannot pro- while we were merce "burned the mortgage" tect a prospective business from watching them. irreparable damage." That was the way Sen. Doug-City Attorney Brown, arguing little doings up las McKay, ex-president in charge before the court, maintained that there on "Toof the ceremony, described it and no adjudication had been made as Baxter Road"

to the legality of the city's ordin- Saturday n ight ances against operation of pinball and the freshmer devices, and stated that the order- lost. When it was Paul H. Hauser, Ir (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

curred in 1938 for the remodeling Late Sports

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24-(A)-Ray Lanny, lightweight who has never lost a professional boxing bout, kept his record clean Monday night by punching out a clear-cut decision over Georgie Hansford, of Los Angeles, in ten

VANCOUVER, BC, March 24-(CP) - Vancouver Lions took a one-game lead in the best-of-five Food costs in Salem have mounted 18 per cent during the

Aid Fund Approved By Senate

Final Vote on Appropriation Is 67 to 9

WASHINGTON, March 24-(AP) The senate passed the \$7,000,-000,000 lease-lend appropriation bill Monday by a national-unity vote of 67 to 9 and plans were laid to fly it Tuesday to President Roosevelt, vacationing in the Caribbean.

The action came after less than wo hours' discussions and the opposition did not so much as offer an amendment. The debate, in fact, consisted largely of statements of position from some of the many senators who had voted against the original lease-lend authorization bill, but voted for the appropriation.

Among these were Senators Adams (D-Colo), Vandenberg (R-Mich), Brooks (-III), Willis (R-Ind) and Taft (R-Ohio). For the most part they said that since helping England and other nations resisting the axis powers had been approved by congress, it was the duty of the national legislature to provide funds for giving that pol-

cy effect. The \$7,000,000,000 fund, the nation's largest peacetime appropriation, would provide, among other things:

\$2,054,000,000 for aircraft and \$1,343,000,000 for ordnance

and ordnance supplies. \$1,350,000,000 for the purchase and industrial articles.

Lesser sums were included for tanks, for repairing and outfitting belligerent vessels in American ports, for building or otherwise equiring factories or factory sites for the manufacture of war supplies, and for the expenses of (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

-Paul Hauser's Column

The boys and girls up at Willamette U who keep singing they love to sit and dream down by the

They had their

freshmen were told by their victorious seniors that, "confidentially, you sink" so the freshmen obligingly went out Monday and

It was the wettest aftermath of Freshman Glee we have ever attended. Usually there is enough water in the mill stream to douse the male members of the freshman class thoroughly and efficiently, but some seemed to think otherwise this year. They called on the city water

supply to help out.

The staid old buildings of Willamette looked like a hotel holdfinal series for the Pacific Coast ing a visiting high school football hockey league title by defeating team. There were water-laden pa-Spokane Bombers 2-1 in a fast, per bags coming out of the winaction-packed game here Monday dows like bombs on Rotterdam (Turn to Page 10, Column 2)

First Methodist Church Ends **Centennial Celebration**

Roles taken by the church in of Church and State streets, with tennial celebration with worship in wholesome neighb services Sunday morning.

The church lives because it has District Superintendents J. Ed-Gov. Sprague spoke of the close Calvary," to close the four-direction-First church has had dur-observance. A dinner and pro-

the world were described and State street having on one side commended by Bishop Bruce R. two great Methodist institutions Baxter and Gov. Charles A. and on the other the home of Sprague as Salem's First Meth- county, federal and state governodist church concluded its cen- ment. "We hope they may stay tion."

served, said Bishop Baxter, who gar Purdy and Sydney W. Hall quoted, from a second century and Dr. J. C. Harrison, pastor, letter, "These Christians hold the participated in the service. The world together." To do this, he cathedral choir sang Gounod's reminded, principles must find anthem, "Sanctus," with Director expression in conduct. He advised Melvin H. Geist as tenor soloist. Christians to "take a long look Sunday night the choir song ahead . . a deep look within." Maunder's cantata, "Olivet to