

**Weather**  
Showers today; partly cloudy with local rains Monday evening. Max. Temp. Saturday, 61. Min. 42. Southwest wind. River -1.7 feet. Rain 1.1 inch. Cloudy with light showers.

# Navy Denies US Warships on Convoy Duty

## Restricted, Loading Downtown Areas May Be Cancelled by City

### Relief of Parking Problem Expected to Be Solved by Action Monday Night

A resolution calling for blanket cancellation of all restricted parking and loading zone areas in downtown Salem will be introduced at Monday night's council meeting by the police committee, it was learned Saturday.

The resolution, designed to relieve the never solved parking problem, is expected to pass.

Businesses now holding "no parking" and loading zones will be given 30 days to apply for renewal but must prove to the council the validity of their claim for such a privilege under terms of the resolution.

It was indicated that a large number of the restricted zones would not be renewed in order to provide increased street space for public parking.

The resolution, as does any action on parking problems, is expected to stir up considerable controversy.

While the problems of what the city is to do with its garbage after the incinerator falls before airport expansion crews and of zoning about the state capital group to prevent unwanted commercial development still loom high, neither matter will come before the council Monday.

Alderman L. F. LeGarie, chairman of the special zoning committee, said that the state has made suggestions for changes in a rough draft of an ordinance submitted to the state board of control and that a meeting to discuss the changes will be held before the question goes before the whole council.

The council's bridge committee will move at Monday's meeting to spend the funds allotted in the budget for new bridge construction in 1941 by building a \$4500 reinforced concrete span over North Mill creek between Chemeketa and Center on North 18th street and a \$3000 culvert to carry the mill race under the intersection of 14th and Ferry streets.

Bids will be called for the bridge, but the culvert will be built by the city engineering department due to the necessity of completing the job in 48 hours at a time when mill race water can be shut off without discommoding the industries which use it.

The 18th street bridge will be 40 feet long with a 24 foot roadway and six feet sidewalks on each side. It replaces a 16 year old wooden bridge.

## Ward's Closes At Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., May 3-(P)—Doors of the Montgomery Ward and company Portland store were locked Saturday night as workmen filed out between lines of striking employees.

Company executives said the store was closed because the strike, which started Dec. 7, disrupted truck, rail and parcel post services.

Strikers declared they would continue to picket the building and probably would send pickets for the first time to Ward stores at McMinnville, Corvallis and the Dalles.

## Seaplane Sits On Willamette

With Salem's airport closed for remodeling Paul Franklin, local flier, Saturday brought a hydroplane to Salem and set it down on the Willamette river.

It was the first time in a number of years such a plane has set down on the Willamette at Salem.

Franklin was here about an hour Saturday morning and then departed for Newport, where he will carry passengers during the crab festival there.

Our Senators Won 1-0 Two Tonight

## Price Set for Loganberries

### Minimum, Five Cents per Pound Established by Control Board

Five cents a pound was the minimum price established for loganberries for the 1941 season by directors of the Oregon Loganberry control board when they met here Saturday afternoon. The figure is the highest that has been set for several years, according to William G. Linfoot, secretary.

Contracts are to provide that berries are cleaned, free from insect damage, mold, decay and excess moisture and if any of these conditions exist a deduction may be made from the weight except in the case of overripening of berries for canneries, when 10 per cent is allowable.

No government purchases will be made this year, Linfoot said, for the loganberry crop is unusually light and growers report prospects of a fourth to a half normal yield. Frost damage is blamed for the scarcity.

Contracts are to be made in triplicate, to be signed by the grower, the buyer and one of the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

## Eight Miners Win \$95,000 On Ice Guess

NENANA, May 3-(P)—A \$95,000 cash bonanza fell Saturday into the lap of an Alaskan mining mechanic and seven companions because they led thousands of Alaskans in guessing the time when the ice would begin to break up in the Tanana river.

The annual prize fell to Fred Miller of Lone Eagle, who guessed the first ice movement to the minute: 1:51 a. m. Saturday.

Word was received later from J. E. Nasenius, manager of the Caribou mines in the Kantishna district, that seven other men were partners with Miller in the guess. All are miners. They are: J. E. Nasenius, Arthur Erickson, Elmer Larson, Francis Anderson, Howard MacDonald, Herman Medford and N. Blach-off.

The break-up was 13 days later than last year, which was the earliest on record since the guessing bee was started in 1917. The latest recorded break-up was May 15, 1935.

## Rain Fails to Dampen Campus Ceremonies at Willamette

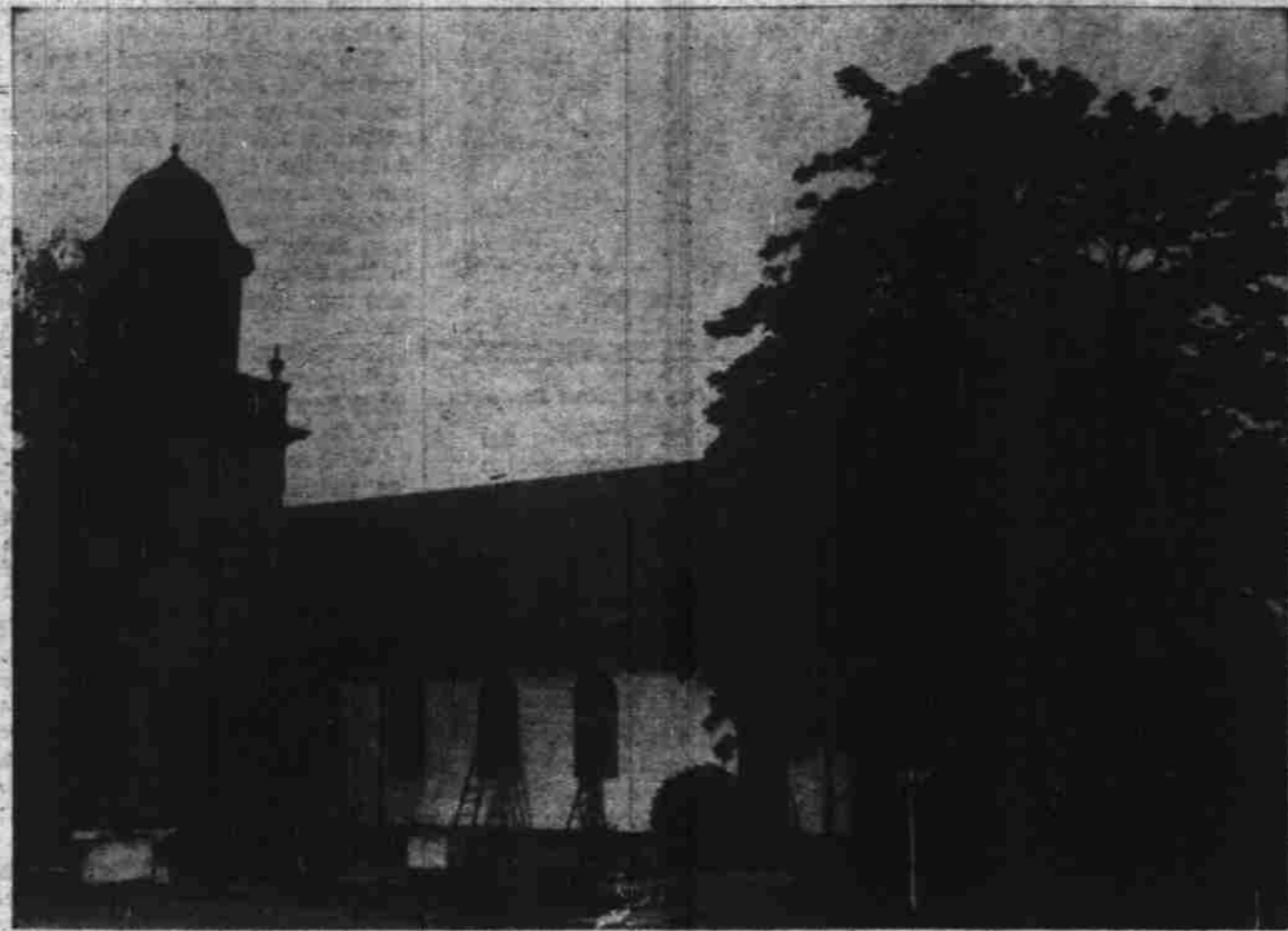
Rained out from having most of the outside events of their 35th May weekend, Willamette university students nonetheless joined with their numerous guests to enjoy the two-day celebration, highlighted by a student body dance Friday, coronation of Queen Barbara on Saturday afternoon and the junior class play Saturday night.

Although no rain fell Saturday and the sun often peeked through the clouds, grounds were too damp to conduct events outside.

About 150 attended the annual May breakfast Saturday, held in Chresto cottage and sponsored by the campus YWCA. Later in the morning, the freshmen reversed the Freshman Glee procedure and stayed out of the mill stream, while pulling the sophomores in during a tug-of-war.

The gymnasium was crowded to see Betty Starr, queen in 1940, crown Queen Barbara Young, as the flower girls out corners to reach the platform.

## Getting Ready to Stand Inspection



Getting a finishing touch before its new owner, Capital post No. 9, American Legion, moves in Monday night, the former Unitarian church, at Cottage and Chemeketa streets, is shown above. Commander Ray J. Stumbo on Saturday requested Legionnaires who can spare the time to help at 9:30 this morning in cleaning up the new home for the joint meeting of the post and auxiliary Monday. The building cost over \$31,000, including purchase price, new roof and exterior paint, complete renovation and modernization of the main floor and full excavation of the basement.

## Lindy Says US Is Unprepared

## Willkie Calls for US Convoys

WASHINGTON, May 3-(P)—Wendell L. Willkie, saying that the administration's existing sea patrol "is not adequate," declared Saturday that "We have got to get the goods delivered to Great Britain."

"The rate of sinkings is so serious that we should protect our cargoes of arms and food to England," the 1940 republican presidential nominee asserted in an interview.

It was reported authoritatively that Willkie had sent word to President Roosevelt that he would support him in any move the chief executive might make to assure the delivery of American goods to Britain. Willkie himself told reporters:

"If my information is correct, the present patrol method is not adequate to prevent our products from going to the bottom of the ocean."

Replying to reporters' questions, Willkie asserted that if he were president he would have military naval and air experts advise him regarding the best method of protecting shipments to Britain and then would proceed on their advice.

"I am absolutely in favor of delivering the goods," he said, "whether it be by convoy, airplane accompaniment or any other method deemed best."

At the capitol, meantime, there were indications that congress would hear increasing demands from some of its members for American convoys.

## Eleanor Slates Meet

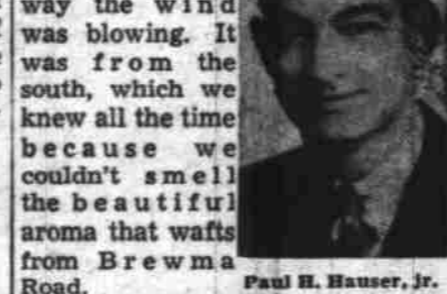
SEATTLE, May 3-(P)—Faculty and student representatives of Pacific northwest colleges and universities will meet with Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt here Sunday for a round table discussion at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Boettiger.

## In One Ear..

—Paul Hauser's Column

Saturday Evening Reverie: Stalked out of The Statesman Publishing company's tepee, hard by the wigwam of the WCTU, at 7:30 of a Saturday night. Wet our thumb and stuck it in the air to see which way the wind was blowing. It was from the south, which we knew all the time because we couldn't smell the beautiful aroma that wafts from Brewma Road.

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## Senators Say Sales Tax out

WASHINGTON, May 3-(P)—Some members of the house ways and means committee said Saturday they viewed President Roosevelt's request for a \$3,500,000,000 tax bill that would not "make the rich richer and the poor poorer" as a mandate for higher income taxes rather than new sales taxes.

Legislators charged with the task of drafting the revenue measure said they interpreted the chief executive's letter to the committee's chairman, Rep. Doughton (D-NC), broadly as a plea for enactment of the treasury's tax program which based on stiff increases in the surtaxes on middle bracket incomes.

## OPM Slashes Auto Output

WASHINGTON, May 3-(P)—Automobile manufacturers were advised by the office of production management Saturday that they could make 4,224,152 vehicles in the model year beginning August 1.

Individual allotments were assigned to each company, but officials said that the figures would not be disclosed by firms.

It was learned, however, that General Motors corporation, Chrysler and the Ford Motor company were reduced 21 1/2 per cent below their production this year.

## Seaman Given Bonus

NEW YORK, May 3-(P)—The monthly war risk bonus for seamen on ships bound for all coasts of Africa, Portugal and Spain was increased from \$30 to \$60 Saturday, under an agreement signed by representatives of the National Maritime union (CIO) and ship owners.

ST. LOUIS, May 3-(P)—Charles A. Lindbergh declared Saturday night America was not prepared to wage war abroad successfully but pleaded that we must and can defend our own nation.

He stressed particularly, in a speech prepared for an America First committee rally, what he said was our inadequacy in the air.

He said that no matter how many planes we built and sent to England, we could not make the British Isles stronger than Germany in military aviation.

"Not only is the performance of some of our vital types of service aircraft inadequate, but our total air force in the United States today, including both army and navy, both modern and obsolescent types, is not more than Germany can produce in a few weeks," he said. "It is a small fraction of her present air force. To enter a European war today with our air force would be almost as great a folly as that committed by France when she declared war on Germany in 1939."

It was Lindbergh's first speech since he resigned his colonel's commission in the air corps reserve last Monday. The resignation followed President Roosevelt's press conference statement grouping Lindbergh with appeasers of the Revolutionary war and the Copperheads of the Civil war.

Lindbergh referred to this early in his talk. He said:

"I resigned because I felt that the statements of the president left me no honorable alternative. This situation arose because I, together with millions of Americans, believe that our country (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

## Judge Raps Con Slayer

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3-(P)—Federal Judge Michael J. Riche Saturday excoriated Henri Young as a "cold-blooded murderer" in sentencing the Alcatraz convict to three years for the knife slaying of a fellow prisoner.

"You are not deserving of sympathy," declared Judge Roche as the slightly-built Young, flanked by his two attorneys, stood before the court.

"You waited an opportunity and planned a deliberate cold-blooded murder. The record shows Warden Johnston made a mistake in taking you out of isolation, in trying to rehabilitate you."

## Salem Woman Missing

Mrs. Mabel P. Benson, 52, wife of W. E. Benson of 30 Morgan avenue, was reported missing since 11 a. m. Saturday by the Marion county sheriff's office early Sunday. When last seen the missing woman was wearing a full length grey coat, black hat and black shoes. She was described as about four feet and 11 inches tall weighing around 157 pounds.

## Vichy Claims American Cargo Vessels at Suez

## Reichstag Sets Parley to Hear Report on War

### First Meeting Since July When Hitler "Asked for Peace"

BERLIN, May 4-(Sunday)-(P)—The reichstag is to meet at 6 p. m. today (8 a. m. PST) Monday to "receive a declaration of the reich's government." An official announcement said:

"The German reichstag will assemble at 6 p. m. tonight. On the day's agenda: Acceptance of a declaration of the reich's government. The session will be broadcast over all German stations."

Today's reichstag meeting will be the first since July 19 when Adolf Hitler offered Great Britain a "last chance" to withdraw from the conflict.

He outlined no conditions for a peace, but said it was senseless to prolong the war. He set no time limit for Britain's answer to his appeal "to reason."

"I prophesy destruction of a great empire, an empire it was never my intention to destroy or even harm," Hitler said then. "... I know that destruction of England will be the end of further struggle. ... My conscience (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

## Coast Lumber Units Parley On Conditions

KLAMATH FALLS, May 3-(P)—Kesterson Lumber company workers voted Friday in favor of the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers' union as bargaining agent, 122 to 77. The CIO was the other party to the election.

At the Chilcoquin Lumber company, the CIO was chosen by a vote of 143 to 24. The AFL did not participate.

TACOMA, May 3-(P)—Lumber & Sawmill Workers union men representing all the AFL mills in the Tacoma district, at a mass meeting here Saturday, voted to accept a working agreement providing for a 75-cent hourly minimum wage and an annual week's vacation of pay.

SEATTLE, May 3-(P)—Headquarters of the CIO-International Woodworkers of America issued a call Saturday night for a conference of Union locals at Olympia (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

## Independence Woman Injured in Crash

Jean Peschke, Independence, was in the Salem General hospital Saturday night suffering from a reported fractured skull received in an accident at Independence, details of which were not available at an early hour Sunday morning.

## State Junior Chamber Names Two Salem Men to Offices

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 3-(P)—Oregon Junior chamber of commerce delegates elected Don Black, Salem, president Saturday night.

Other officers named were: Hale Thompson, Eugene, first vice-president; Joe Bailey, Klamath Falls, second vice-president; C. F. Strahan, Tillamook, third vice-president; Paul Lee, Salem, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Sanford Wollin, Portland, national director.

The one-year old Tillamook chapter won the Henry Glessner memorial trophy awarded the outstanding junior chamber.

Site of next year's convention will be selected Sunday. To Present Concert Salem Y Glessner will present a concert at the state penitentiary this afternoon as part of the Music week observance.

## Fighting Spreads in Iraq; British Land Reinforcements

## Berlin Silent on Aid Call; Claims Conflict on Losses In Withdrawal From Greece

By The Associated Press  
British forces fighting spreading war in Iraq were reported early today in London to have repulsed attacking Iraq soldiers in the area of Basra, Persian gulf port, several hours after Vichy, France, sources said 26 American ships carrying war material had arrived at the Suez canal.

Two contingents of British reinforcements have landed at Basra in recent days to help protect Britain's precious Mosul oil fields. Battling near Basra indicated the small-scale war had bubbled over into a new area. For two days most of the fighting has been west of Bagdad at Habbaniyah airdrome.

Vichy Claims Warships Convoying Cargo Vessels  
The Vichy reports, coming from usually reliable diplomatic informants, said the American merchantmen were accompanied by "convoying" United States warships.

Immediately upon receipt of the reports, the navy department in Washington, DC, stated bluntly: "No United States navy ships are employed in convoy duty." These may be ships that left the United States with war material intended for Greece and Yugoslavia and were cleared for Red Sea ports after President Roosevelt's recent suspension of the neutrality ban on those waters. These were understood by maritime sources to have been Yugoslav and Greek freighters. Some informed sources suggested, however, that American vessels also might have sailed for Suez via the Cape of Good Hope.

British Losses In Greece Offset By American Aid  
Some British material losses in Greece are being offset by new equipment, much of it American-made, arriving in the middle east, British sources in Cairo said. The Vichy reports overshadowed for the moment a two-day old (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

## FDR Visits Monroe Home

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., May 3-(P)—President Roosevelt Saturday visited the home of President James Monroe, author of the famous doctrine barring further European colonization in the Americas, and then began drafting an address to dedicate as a shrine the birthplace of Woodrow Wilson, the World war president.

Roosevelt's address, to be delivered Sunday at 9 a. m. (PST) at Staunton, Va., where Wilson was born in 1856, began to command increased attention. Originally the president had planned to speak extemporaneously.

Whether he would have a major statement White House officials were unwilling to predict. But the birthplace of the man who led America through the World war would offer a fitting forum for a discussion of international affairs.

## Salem Officer Called to Duty

PORTLAND, May 3-(P)—Among 17 Pacific northwest army reserve officers ordered to active duty Saturday by Col. J. J. Fulmer, second military area executive officer, was:

To Portland: First Lieut. Chester L. Fritz, Salem.

## New Battleship Ready

PHILADELPHIA, May 3-(P)—The USS Washington, 35,000-ton battleship which experts say will be one of the most powerful afloat, will be commissioned at the Philadelphia navy yard on May 16, Captain Howard Benson, the Washington's commander, expects to take the navy's newest addition on a shakedown cruise early in July.



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