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Weather
Mostly fair with rising temperature today and Friday. Max. temp. Wednesday, 63. Min. 48. Northwest wind. River 7 feet. Rain .02 inch. Cloudy.

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Farm Aid Voted by Senate

Veto Possibility Seen on Plan to Help Agriculture

WASHINGTON, May 14—(AP)—By a top-heavy 75 to 2 vote, the senate Wednesday approved a measure intended to put millions of dollars into the pockets of farmers through government loans pegging the price of cotton, wheat, corn, and possibly tobacco.

The legislation, ordering government loans at 85 per cent of parity prices, now goes to President Roosevelt and some congressional leaders speculated on a possible veto.

Suggestions that the price-boosting loans might increase costs for consumers drew a chorus of rebuffs from democrats and republicans alike in senate debate of less than an hour.

The legislation also covered tobacco and rice but Senator Bank-

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14—(AP)—Veto by President Roosevelt of the 85 per cent parity wheat loan bill passed by congress Wednesday was demanded by coast bakers. William M. Foley, secretary of the California bakers institute, said he had wired the president that legislation would raise the price of wheat, flour, bread and other wheat products.

head (D-Ala), floor manager, said only corn, wheat and cotton actually were involved because tobacco and rice growers "are now above parity prices."

A parity price, Bankhead explained, was one that would give a farmer the same relative purchasing power he had in the pre-war (1909-13) period.

Bankhead said that the proposed new loans would be 13.49 cents a pound on cotton, 69.87 cents a pound on corn and 96.22 cents a bushel on wheat. This was considerably above past loans, Bankhead continued, but market prices of these crops had been climbing recently.

Senator Hatch (D-NM) first raised the question of increased costs to consumers and called attention to reports from some economists that higher loans might cause increases of 10 to 20 per cent in some foods.

"These statements are not (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Credit Group Votes Payment Plan Switch

TACOMA, May 14—(AP)—A new way to health, happiness and contentment was visualized here Wednesday by credit officials attending the annual convention of the Northwest Credit association—through skillful handling of family finances by paying more down and paying off sooner.

Attended by 500 representatives of the Pacific northwest's larger retail stores, the convention was adjourned Wednesday with passage of a resolution calling upon "all members to reverse the tendency of long terms and small down payments to a policy of shorter terms and larger down payments."

Seattle was selected as the 1942 convention city and Wells J. Huntley, Seattle, was named president to succeed Herbert J. Benson of Tacoma. Lena Blum and James Clark of Salem were elected directors.

Bear Injures Woman

CRATER LAKE, May 14—(AP)—Bears have opened their season on humans here, with Mrs. Hugh Schultz, 19, suffering an injured leg from a bruin's swat. National park officials are warning visitors against feeding the bears.

Textbook Ballot Title Attacked

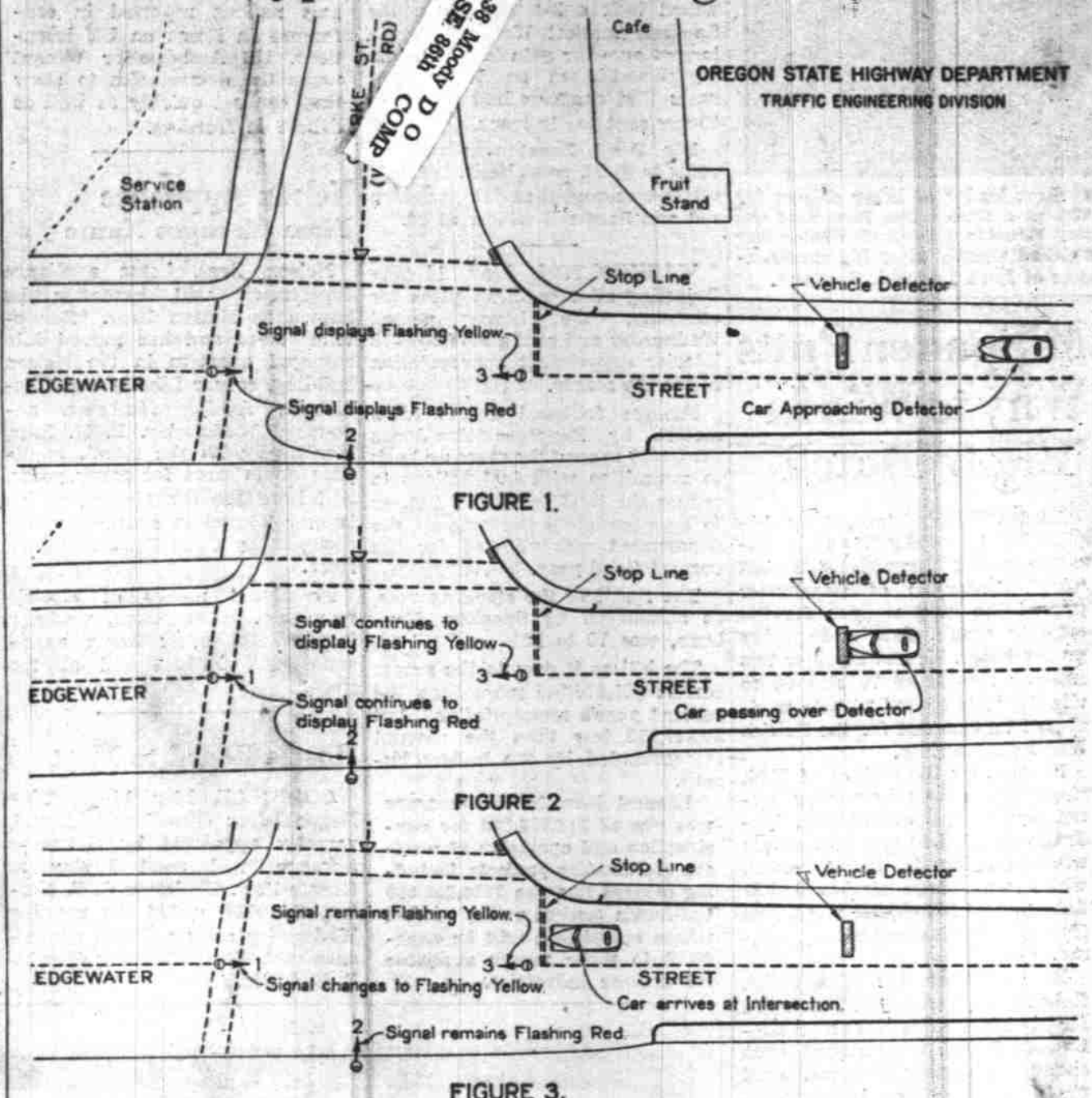
Ballot title for the referendum measure attacking the 1941 legislature's law extending use of free textbooks to private and parochial schools was appealed to the supreme court here Wednesday by Rep. Allan G. Carson of Salem and Sen. Rex Ellis, Umatilla county, authors of the bill.

Ellis and Carson charge that the entire ballot title is misleading and deceptive and intimates that the textbooks are to be given to the school districts instead of being loaned to the pupils.

Use of the name "Association Against Public Taxes for Private Schools," appearing on the referendum petitions above the bal-

Solution to 'Hess Mystery' Is Reached

How New Type West Salem Signals Will Work



These state highway department drawings show how new type traffic signals being installed at two West Salem intersections with Edgewater street (Salem-Dallas highway) will function. In Fig. 1, westbound automobile is approaching detector in pavement against a flashing red (stop before entering) signal, at Wallace road junction. Fig. 2 shows car passing over detector which starts controller mechanism so that flashing red displayed by signal No. 1 will change to flashing yellow. In Fig. 3, the auto, having approached the intersection at a reasonable speed, reaches the stop line at the time the signal changes to flashing yellow, meaning "proceed with caution." Had the car been traveling too fast, it would have arrived at the intersection before the flashing red light changed to flashing yellow. Signal No. 2, facing eastbound traffic, will always flash yellow, while signal No. 3, facing traffic from Wallace road, will always show red, meaning "stop before entering." A similar set of signals at the Kingwood drive and Edgewater intersection will regulate traffic flowing in the opposite direction.

Latest Highway Traffic Lights Are Controlled by Motorists

Senate Group Votes OPM Installation Full Sway on Priorities

Knudsen Denies Resignation Reports; Fight on Convoy Issue Postponed; Vote Reversed on Valuation

WASHINGTON, May 14—(AP)—Urged to speedy action by defense officials, the senate military committee unanimously Wednesday to give the office of production management undisputed authority to channel the flow of supplies into defense industry and to dictate which products are to be manufactured first.

The committee struck out of a house-approved bill a provision to establish a priorities division independent of the defense agency and operating under the munitions control board.

There had been reports that William S. Knudsen, OPM director, would resign if this provision were not eliminated but Knudsen smilingly denied this.

WASHINGTON, May 14—(AP)—A senate fight on the convoy issue was postponed Wednesday. A group of senators favoring a ban on US naval escorts for war supplies decided against trying to tack such a prohibition on the pending ship seizure bill.

"This involves no element of retreat at all," Senator Tobey (R-NY) told reporters after a meeting at which the decision was reached. "This issue is still very much alive and will be (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

"Constant exercise of the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

In One Ear...

We were never much of a gum chewer, but have a fine set of other habits. We chew gum maybe once every two months, so the latest pronouncement by Dr. Ales Hrdlicka of the Smithsonian institute doesn't worry us very much. But how about you? Do you chew your gum with a lateral or a transverse motion and do you use the choppers on the right side or the left side of your yaps. It makes a difference, so says Dr. Hrdlicka. If you've got lumps on your jaw that didn't come from a left jab, measles or bees that's the difference. "Constant exercise of the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

US Board Works on Deadline

Seeks to Avert Strike at GMC Set for Today

WASHINGTON, May 15—(Thursday)—(AP)—The defense mediation board worked into the early hours today to settle a threatened strike of 160,000 CIO workers at some 60 General Motors corporation plants before the union's 7 a. m. deadline.

William S. Knudsen, director of the office of production management, conferred at midnight with William H. Davis, chairman of the mediation panel and when asked for his view of the situation, said shortly: "Damn serious."

CHICAGO, May 14—(AP)—Sidney Hillman, associate director of the office of production management, arrived Wednesday for a three day series of conferences in connection with government efforts to train an increased labor supply. Hillman flew here immediately after conferring with President Roosevelt in Washington on the west coast labor situation and expressed hope of a settlement soon of a strike affecting \$500,000,000 of ship construction at San Francisco.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 14—(AP)—Hope of formulating a contract acceptable to both factions in the CIO Columbia River District Council-Columbia Basin Loggers' association negotiations has been abandoned, an employers' spokesman said Wednesday night. A sub-committee on wage differentials will meet again Friday and report its findings to two main committees next Monday.

Negotiations apparently had reached the final stage earlier in the day, following the lead of sawmill operators and workers, who agreed Tuesday night on a 7 1/2-cent an hour wage increase to a minimum of 75 cents, a closed shop, union hiring and a week's paid vacation.

MANVILLE, N.J., May 14—(AP)—Fifteen hundred Federal labor union (AFL) members at the Johns-Manville corporation plant voted to strike Monday morning at 7 o'clock to enforce demands for a 15-cent-an-hour wage increase.

The plant employs 3500 workers. John E. Begert, plant manager, said half of present orders totaling \$25,000,000 are for national defense supplies.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14—(AP)—A representative of the office of production management, who m both strikers and employers have asked to settle the walkout, Wednesday stepped into the strike situation that has closed 11 San Francisco bay shipyards employing 15,000 men.

Immediately after his arrival, Eli Oliver, special assistant to Sidney Hillman, conferred with spokesmen for both sides.

From a two-hour talk with E. F. Dillon and Harry Hook, business agents of the striking AFL International Association of Machinists, Oliver went into conference with Frank Fox, chairman of the bay area shipbuilding negotiating committee.

While Oliver was seeking a basis for ending the walkout, the AFL Bay Cities Metal Trades council asked the Bethlehem Steel company, whose plant is the largest among those struck, to open negotiations for a contract.

White House Pickets Guarded by Police

WASHINGTON, May 14—(AP)—American peace mobilization pickets paraded before the White House Wednesday night guarded by uniformed policemen, plainclothesmen and White House guards.

A soldier was arrested Monday and a marine was taken to the White House guard-room Wednesday after clashes with the pickets, and the siege-like atmosphere Wednesday night drew crowds of curious spectators, but no more belligerents.

Get Mechanical Cramp

WASHINGTON, May 14—(AP)—A puzzling ailment tentatively described as "mechanical writer's cramp," has stricken 180 girl operatives in the census bureau.

Named to Supreme Court Bench



Judge James T. Brand, Marshfield, (above) was named a justice of the Oregon supreme court by Governor Charles A. Sprague early Wednesday. As the above photo was being taken in the Marion hotel lobby Wednesday night Judge Brand remarked that he intends to make his home in Salem where his family will join him as soon as school closes.—Statesman photo.

Brand Selected for Vacant Jurist Post

Marshfield Judge to Replace Late Henry J. Bean on Supreme Court Bench, Governor Says

James T. Brand, Marshfield circuit judge, was named to succeed the late Henry J. Bean as a justice of the Oregon supreme court by Gov. Charles A. Sprague Wednesday. The appointment will run until the next general election.

Judge Brand arrived in Salem late in the afternoon to accept the appointment. He said he would confer today with the chief justice, Percy R. Kelly, to ascertain when he would take the oath as a member of the high bench.

The new justice has served as one of three justices sitting in the six-county second judicial district, consisting of Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane and Lincoln counties, since 1927. His associates in that district are Judges Carl E. Wimberly, Roseburg, and G. F. Skipworth, Eugene.

Members of the supreme court receive \$7500 a year, \$1500 more than do the judges of the second judicial district. Gov. Sprague said he based his decision on "a careful study of all factors involved." Appointment of a successor to (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Radio Leader Hits at FDR

ST. LOUIS, May 14—(AP)—Mark Ethridge, Louisville radio and newspaper executive, said Wednesday he believed President Roosevelt was deceived and almost betrayed regarding troubles in the radio industry.

He referred to the recent anti-monopoly report of the federal communications commission ordering broad revisions in the internal structure of the broadcasting business.

Simultaneously Ethridge, general manager of radio station WHAS, Louisville, and a former president of the National Association of Broadcasters, announced his resignation of a commission by President Roosevelt to make a survey of the radio industry.

Sewage Bond Vote Set Tuesday

Should Salem voters decide at the special election set for next Tuesday to issue \$200,000 in bonds for a sewage disposal plant the issue would become the eighth type of general obligation bonds on which the city is paying.

Outstanding general obligation bonds—those payable from tax revenues—now total \$573,000. Addition of another \$200,000 would not seriously affect the city finances and in the words of at least one bond expert would be "a drop in the bucket."

The sewage disposal bonds, as described in the council resolution putting the question of their issuance on the ballot, would be additionally secured by a service

War End Seen as Motive

British, Nazis Agree Purpose to Seek Peace

By The Associated Press
A solution to the mystery of Rudolf Hess' flight to Scotland—that his purpose was to meet the Duke of Hamilton and try to set off a sort of one-man peace offensive—appeared to have been reached Wednesday night.

Both Britain and Germany agreed that Hess—who had stood as No. 3 man in the Nazi party before his extraordinary departure from the homeland—had set out to talk to the young nobleman about ending the war.

The Germans called him a deluded and self-appointed messiah who apparently had thought that the duke—an RAF squadron leader—was an influential pacifist who might be somehow enlisted to try to help end the war.

The British went no farther immediately than to say that the fugitive Nazi was trying "to bring about some peace negotiations."

Prime Minister Churchill will make a statement to the house of commons today (Thursday) and informed sources said he would indicate the degree of importance the government attached to what Hess has said.

The British Press association reported that Hess not only had parachuted down to within a few miles of the duke's Scottish seat of Dungal but that his urge for a talk had been one of long standing.

The German's flying map which guided him in a Messerschmitt fighting plane from Augsburg, Germany, had Dungal ringed in blue pencil. The press association's account stated, and his first inquiry upon landing was for the way to the castle.

The Nazi original reference to the duke was not published in England for some hours. He once was described by English newspapers as a member of the Anglo-German association. That organization's stated purpose was to foster British-German friendship, (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

War News Briefs

LONDON, May 15—(Thursday)—(AP)—The ministries of air and home security issued the following communique today: "There is nothing to report."

LONDON, Thursday, May 15—(AP)—Mrs. Myrtle Farquharson, chief of the Farquharson clan and a close friend of the king and queen, is believed to have been killed during a recent London air raid, the Daily Telegraph reported today.

VALLETTA, Malta, May 14—(AP)—A small number of German bombers attacked this British island base in the Mediterranean Wednesday night, causing slight property damage and no casualties.

LONDON, Thursday, May 15—(AP)—German planes were reported in the vicinity of two towns on the east coast of Scotland early today—the only Luftwaffe activity over Britain reported thus far since night-fall.

HAMBURG, Germany, May 14—(AP)—The propaganda bureau (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Mexico Gets Copies of Lindbergh Talks

MEXICO CITY, May 14—(AP)—An informed source reported Wednesday that 200,000 copies of Charles A. Lindbergh's recent attacks on United States aid to Britain and his prediction Britain would lose the European war had been printed in Spanish and distributed throughout Mexico. The pamphlets were circulated free of charge, this source said, by pro-Nazi elements.

Air Spotters Planned

WASHINGTON, May 14—(AP)—Networks of civilian aircraft spotters will be organized by June 15 on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts to participate in air raid warning operations with the general headquarters air force, it was announced Wednesday.

Incinerator—Original issue \$40,000; outstanding \$29,000; callable this year, \$3000.

Sewers—Original issue, \$500,000; outstanding, \$204,000; callable this year, \$27,000.

Bridges—Original issue, \$350,000; outstanding, \$150,000; callable this year, \$18,000.

1935 refunding—Original issue, \$135,000; outstanding \$60,000.

D street drainage—Original issue \$22,000; outstanding, \$16,000; callable this year \$2000.

Court street sewer—Original issue \$50,000; outstanding, \$45,000; callable this year \$2500.

Interest on all general obligations for 1941 amounts to \$23,502.