

This is special election day in Salem. Polls in seven wards are open from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. Issues: Sewage disposal plant and extension of terms of appointive city officers.

French Act to Regain African Colonies City 'Invaded' by 4000 US Troops

As First Units of Third Division Bivouac at Salem

Mechanized Forces Camp Overnight in State Fair Buildings

Army Units Enroute South to Maneuvers Leave at Dawn; Other Groups Follow Daily

Salem today experiences something of the feeling of European cities as heavy khaki-covered lorries, lighter trucks and low-slung "jeeps" lumber through her streets carrying more than 4000 of Uncle Sam's army officers and men from their last night's encampment at the state fairgrounds south toward Roseburg, where they are to spend tonight.

First and largest section of the army on the march to spend the night here, the sub-column that bivouacked on the outskirts of Salem Monday, was to start moving its 600 vehicles at 4:30 a. m. today en route to Hunter-Liggett reservation at Jolan, Calif.

Moving in six serials, as it traveled Monday from Fort Lewis, Wash., to Salem, it will occupy most of the morning hours in leaving the capital city.

Scarcely will it have moved out before another party arrives to make arrangements for the 2150 officers and men who are slated to spend tonight at the fairgrounds.

By Friday more than 3400 vehicles carrying approximately 22,000 men will be traveling over two routes between Fort Lewis and Jolan. On that day, too, the first of 27 troop trains, carrying more than 15,000 unmechanized soldiers will begin leaving the Washington post.

Similar Columns Will Follow Each Day To Friday

Sub-columns similar to tonight's encampments will occupy the grounds each night through Friday, all part of the first great troop movement that the Pacific northwest has seen.

By the end of May more than 35,000 soldiers will have been moved by highway and rail from Fort Lewis to Jolan, there to engage in war games through the month of June with the seventh division of the eighth army corps. The movement itself is no small feat, comparable to moving residents of a city larger than Salem from Berlin to Salonika in Greece.

Commander of the sub-column of the motorized portion of the third division of the IX army corps (in other words the 4000 uniformed men who spent last night at the fairgrounds) is Colonel Harrison McAlpine, who described the first day's movement as highly successful.

Thirty percent of the 4000 are selectees; 70 percent are enlisted for a three-year period. Their trek will be completed May 25; returning they will travel through central Oregon while men going south by that route will return north through Salem. National guardsmen from Salem are among the troops traveling south through central Oregon.

Covering 74 miles of highway the six serials of traveling units, spaced to cause the least possible traffic confusion, began arriving at the fairgrounds at noon and continued to come in until after 5 o'clock, every arrival being within 20 minutes of time estimated.

Salem Y Gleemen Schedule Second Annual Concert

The Salem Y Gleemen are appearing in Leslie auditorium tonight at 8:15 in their second annual concert. The chorus, one of the youngest musical organizations in the city, boasts some of the finest men's voices in the Willamette valley.

Edouard Hurlimann, Oregon's outstanding director-conductor, is directing the Gleemen this year. According to those who have heard the singing group at the Inter-American concert during national music week, the progress made since organizing has been remarkable.

The Y Gleemen were organized last year for the purpose of bringing together men singers of the community, to produce worthwhile music.

They gained experience last summer during Salem's birthday celebration when appearing as the Centennial singers, they sang at the pageant and on several occasions during the week. This winter the Y Gleemen have sung at meetings of patriotic

City Votes on Sewage Today

Citizens to Decide on \$200,000 Bond Issue, Office Term Change

Salem voters go to the polls today to decide whether the city should bond itself for \$200,000 for its share of constructing a sewage disposal plant and needed intercepting sewers.

They will also vote in the special city election on whether the

Polling Places

(See Map on Page 5)

- Ward 1, Parrish Junior high school.
Ward 2, courthouse.
Ward 3, city hall.
Ward 4, Salem Youth Center in Pringle Creek park.
Ward 5, Highland school.
Ward 6, Englewood school.
Ward 7, Leslie Junior high school.
Polls open from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.

terms of appointive city officers should be extended from one to two years.

Under existing law the city council appoints at the beginning of each year a city attorney, en-

Driver 'Cuts' All Lights

Joe Krebs, 1080 Cascade drive, didn't exactly go through a red light at 4:14 a. m. Sunday morning, but he did a good job of cutting the red, green and yellow lights off at the base.

Krebs' car bounced from a fire hydrant against the lamp standard supporting traffic lights at the northeast corner of Commercial and State streets, shearing it off clean two feet from the pavement.

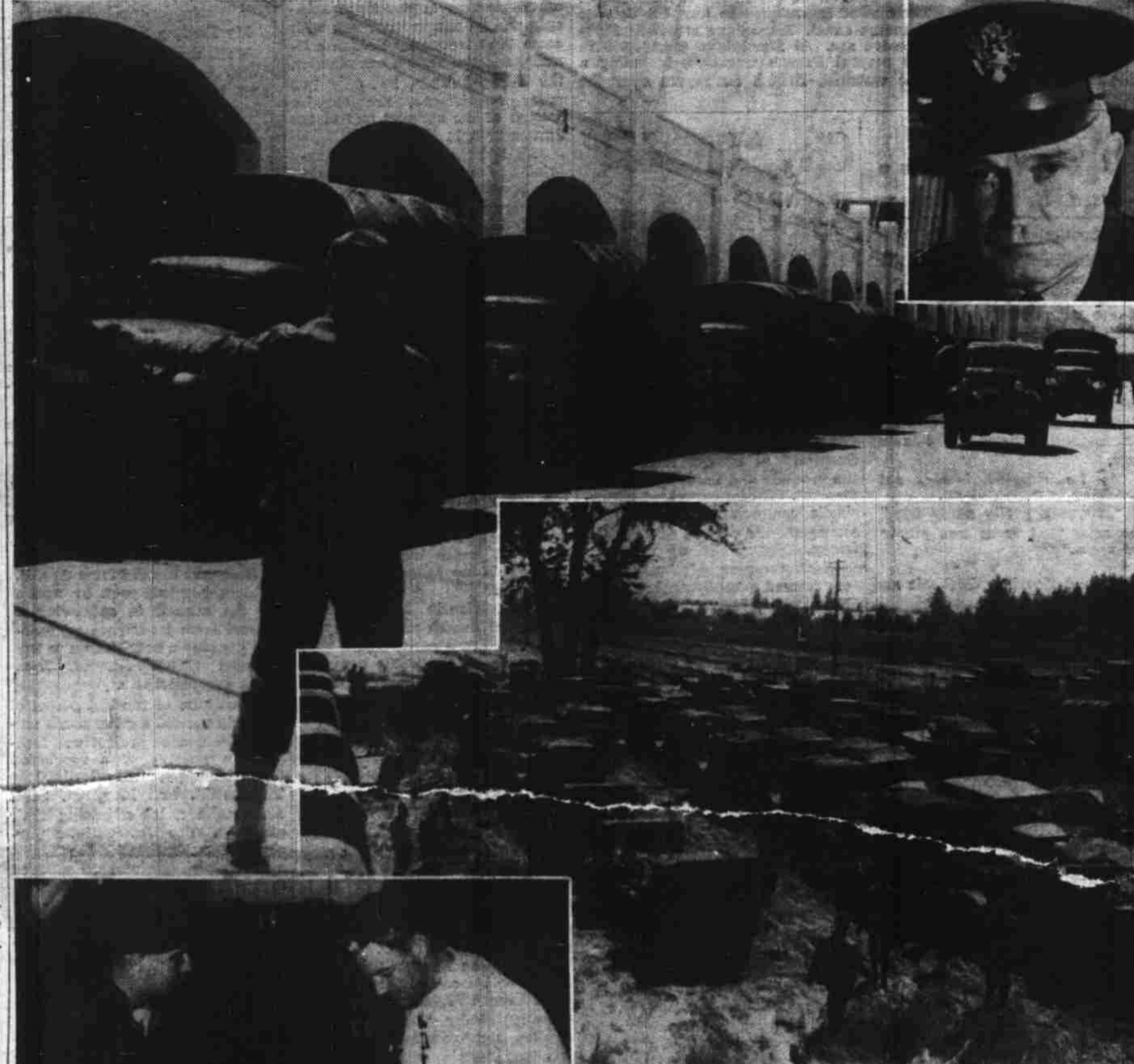
Police charged Krebs with having no driver's license.

Girl Editor On NY Radio

Dorothy Hobson, young editor of the Valseur Star who has made herself famous through the newspaper which she edits, will appear on 'We The People' tonight at 8 o'clock over station KOIN.

Dorothy left by plane from Portland Monday for Hollywood, from where the broadcast originates.

She is being accompanied by her mother.



Traffic was a problem Monday afternoon at the state fairgrounds where (upper left) members of the IX army corps directed the stationing of 600 olive-drab vehicles that ranged from commanding officers' cars to heavy trucks. Colonel Harrison McAlpine is commander of the first sub-column that stopped in Salem last night, largest unit of the greatest military migration in the far west's history. Row on row they lined up for the night, in the center picture the 'jeeps' or 'blitz-buggies,' light, fast cars designed to travel over open country with or without surveyed roads, and the heavy trucks carrying personnel and fighting equipment. No longer punishment, kitchen police duty (left, below) is a regular army duty; in every company someone has to peel the potatoes and ladle out the fresh milk. Statesman staff photos.

War News Briefs

NEW YORK, May 20-(Tuesday)-(P)-The German radio in a broadcast heard today by CBS said French chaser planes shot down their first British bomber over Syria Monday.

LONDON, Tuesday, May 20-(P)-German planes bombed southwestern and eastern sections of England Monday night, causing some damage to civilian property, but no large scale raid developed.

BERLIN, May 20-(Tuesday)-(P)-Reports that Atlanta pententary inmates had doubled their production of defense items today caused the Voelcker-Beschachter to headline a bitter editorial 'Roosevelt mobilizes convicts against Hitler-murderers and thieves arm in arm with USA president.'

Dewey Slated For Address At GOP Club

The Marion county chapter of the Oregon Republican clubs issued an invitation Monday night to the general public to attend a forum luncheon at the Marion hotel Saturday noon to hear party leaders discuss their program for the next year.

Principal speaker, if he can be here that day, will be Thomas E. Dewey, New York's fiery district attorney and candidate last summer for the republican nomination for president.

Ralph H. Cate, republican national committeeman for Oregon, recently returned from a conference with national party leaders in the east, is expected to lead the forum discussion, according to Frederick S. Lampert, president of the local club.

Reservations for the luncheon may be made by telephoning 5022.

Salem Woman Elected

PORTLAND, May 19-(P)-The Oregon Business and Professional Women's club reelected Miss Evangeline Philbin, Portland, president, at their convention here. Other officers included Hil-da Swenson, Salem, first vice-president.

Start Shooting War as British Raid Over Syria

Vichy Promised Aid By Nazis to Restore Empire, Is Reported

Rome Reveals Fall of Fort in Ethiopia; Surrender by Aosta Speeds Offensive

Two actions of the French government—an undeclared shooting war against the British over Syria and a stated threat to recapture the great colonial areas which have gone over to the 'Free French' forces—suggested late (Monday) night that Vichy's new 'collaboration' with Germany would be close to an all-the-way agreement.

The challenge in effect made—and it was issued officially through the French information office—was that offensive action would be taken soon to regain old French territory, such as vast French equatorial Africa, which has broken with Vichy and is following General Charles De Gaulle, the French officer whose forces are fighting on at Britain's side.

138 Americans Lost on Ship

Six Northwest People on Ill-Fated Zamzam in South Atlantic

NEW YORK, May 20-(Tuesday)-(P)-A British Broadcasting company announcement that it was learned with regret of the loss of the Egyptian steamer Zamzam in the South Atlantic early today minimized previous radio reports from London indicating the liner, carrying many Americans, might be safe.

The National Broadcasting company, Columbia Broadcasting system and Mutual networks carried the statement by the official British announcer shortly after midnight.

The report added that 60 American citizens and 23 Canadians were on board, as well as the British-American ambulance unit, which was being carried to the free French forces in the middle east.

This unit included 20 vehicles (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

Ex-Service Men Exempt

WASHINGTON, May 19-(P)-Congress sent to the White House Monday a bill exempting from the draft men who have served three year enlistments in the navy, marine corps or the coast guard.

It provides for discharges from the army for former navy, marine or coast guard enlisted men who already have been inducted under the selective service law.

Parking Meters Resolution Tabled for Second Time

Parking meters made no trouble for the Salem city council Monday night as a resolution authorizing calling of bids for the controversial machines was tabled for the second time.

Election of Dr. Harold M. Olinger to the Salem water commission to succeed E. B. Gabriel, whose resignation was accepted, and authorization of a five year contract with the Salem Sanitary Service company for garbage disposal, was the chief business the council accomplished in a short 35 minute session.

Dr. Olinger, a former council member, was elected without contest. His election was recommended by the water commission.

The contract with the Salem Sanitary Service company provides that within a month of execution of the contract by the mayor and city recorder the firm shall purchase a garbage disposal site to be used instead of present dumping grounds around the city incinerator.

Treasury Urges Solons To Stiffen US Taxes

Implied Approval of Roosevelt Given Plan to Soften Proposed Levies on Commodities; LaGuardia Named

WASHINGTON, May 19-(P)-With the implied approval of President Roosevelt, the treasury urged congress Monday to stiffen the excess profits tax to help finance the defense program.

John L. Sullivan, assistant secretary, estimated before the house ways and means committee that by means of such a levy and 6 per cent corporation surtax previously proposed, \$1,098,000,000 of a new \$2,500,000,000 tax program could be raised from the earnings of corporations.

He said that if the new departmental recommendations were adopted congress might be able to readjust excise taxes, in such a way as to soften proposed levies on some commodities which do not compete with defense.

At the same time, the official department spokesmen concurred in recommendations by other administration officials ten days ago that heavier levies might be applied to such consumer durable goods as automobiles and mechanical refrigerators.

Both a stiffer excess profits tax and levies higher than the treasury originally had suggested on consumer durable goods were proposed to the committee week before last by Leon Henderson, federal price control administrator, and Marriner S. Eccles, chairman of the federal reserve board.

On the basis of the differences between the first treasury plan and the Henderson-Eccles proposals, republican committee members tried to draw from Sullivan a statement that a rift existed in the administration over taxes.

The assistant secretary replied by saying that he thought the record (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

In One Ear..

Paul Hauser's Column

If you are one of those people who go around saying 'Can't be done' every time you think about the whale swallowing Jonah just take the word of Dr. Eugene Maximilian Karl Gelling that it can be done.

Dr. Eugene M. K. Gelling knows that it can be done. He did it. No, he didn't swallow a Jonah or a whale, either, but he climbed through a whale's gullet.

Dr. Gelling, who is a professor of pharmacology at the University of Chicago when he isn't going around crawling through whale's gullets, admits that the whale was dead.

Cattle Show Delayed

Because south-bound army units are using the fairgrounds for nightly bivouacs this week, the Marion County Jersey Cattle club announced Monday that the show originally slated today has been postponed until Saturday, May 24.