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#### Hoover on Military Alliances

The Statesman has previously professed admiration for the contributions being made by Ex-President Herbert Hoover and his literary associate, Hugh Gibson, toward the development of public understanding of the problems of the peace. This is increased by their joint article in the current Colliers Weekly and by Mr. Hoover's address Thursday night in Kansas City. The article and the address dealt with the important subject of "military alliances."

This topic is the more timely since Walter Lippman's recent book dealing with the foreign policy of the United States plunks hard for a military alliance with Great Britain, a thesis which Governor Dewey snapped at and endorsed at the Mackinac meeting of republicans. Mr. Hoover said at Kansas City: "We should discard all proposals of military alliances as an instrument of peace." The Colliers' article gives ample supporting reasons for this dictum. After reciting the sorry history of military alliances for a century and a half Hoover and Gibson say:

Anyone who wishes to follow the history of such alliances will find that they reek with militarism, balance of power, power politics and imperialism-the whole concepts of which must be abandoned if the world is to have a

Inevitably an alliance between two or several great powers provokes fears and jealousies in other nations and some counter-alliance is formed. The old "entente cordiale" between Britain and France, along with France's treaty with Russia forced the "triple entente" between Germany. Austria and Italy prior to the first world war. Collision was merely a matter of time and place. The military alliance of Britain, the United States and Russia would invite opposition from other powers which would coalesce around some promising national leadership-Germany or France or Japan.

What Hoover and Gibson propose is peace by four successive steps:

First, creation of Trustees of Peace. Second, a Provisional Regime to get the world moving forward. Third, a Transitional Period to settle the long-view problems. Fourth, a World Institution to preserve peace.

He emphasized in his address Thursday night that the world institution or authority should be the "last step." This is correct. There is danger now of bogging down in disagreement over the frame or constitution of an international organization. While that should be the final goal, the litter and waste of war affairs needs to be cleared away first. Nations must practice cooperation rather than merely promise

The Statesman has expressed before its wish that Mr. Hoover might be given large and important duties in studying and writing the peace program. Such is the narrowness of American politics that this will probably be denied. The third termer undoubtedly is saving that assignment for the fourth termer. But Mr. Hoover can by his speaking and writing inform the public and build the force of public opinion to support the fine ideas which he has.

### Robot Armies? Not Yet!

Failure of mechanized warfare to develop along the lines blueprinted by yesteryear's imaginative Sunday supplement artists and writers has been noted previously. Unfortunately for flesh and blood, which might thereby have been spared the shock of combat, the robot chapter of that futuristic drama has scarcely materialized at all. Nearest aproaches have been magnetic and acoustic mines, torpedoes whose aim can be corrected by radio control after launching, and certain of the wonders of radar.

The impracticability of robot infantry regiments scarcely needs elucidation, but it may be that some readers have wondered why radiocontrolled, unmanned bombing planes have not made their appearance. Leslie W. Orton, British radio technician, explains why in the November issue of Radio News.

Such bombers could be built and flown almost as readily as miniature model planes are flown by amateurs. Rigging them for radio control would be no greater a technical problem than construction of the teletypes which, for more than 15 years, have brought Associated Press news into this office.

A primary difficulty is that the bombers, once out of sight of the control stations, would fall easy prey to defending fighter planes. If, to overcome that weakness, they were made to fly at altitudes beyond the range of existing fighters, a second and irremediable difficulty would immediately develop.

Any radio wave can be "jammed" by the enemy. Defense technicians would quickly discover the wavelength used in guiding the bombers, jam it and send them to destruction-or even bring them down unharmed, to add to the enemy's stock of munitions.

More technical marvels in the way of destructive machines will appear but-though we hesitate to set limits-it will be a long time before man will be privileged to sit in comfort and safety while controlling them. More hopeful, though admittedly not too hopeful, is the prospect that man will learn to get along with his neighbors without the frequent necessity of fighting them.

### Hedge on Death

The sale of some \$26 millions in oil stocks by John D. Rockefeller was called off without explanation. The reason for the selling was never cleared, but one guess was that it was in anticipation of death taxes. The recent issue of 21/2 per cent bonds are cashable at par in settlement of inheritance taxes. Perhaps Rockefeller, now 69, looking ahead, thought he should get his house in order for the tax collector.

Not a bad idea for men of means, for inherstance taxes are heavy, and property in estates often doesn't liquidate to advantage. These 21/2 nds offer a fine investment, and make a practical "hedge" against death taxes."

### Prices on Oil

The governor of Oklahoma recently made a trek to Washington seeking to get prices for crude oil raised. Secretary Ickes has been urging price increases for a long time, to stimulate wildcatting, he says. OPA resists these and other powerful pressures. Earnings reports of the large oil companies are excellent. As far as new drilling goes the report in California is that 1371 notices to drill new wells have been made thus far in 1943, against 610 to the corresponding date in 1942. In the matter of wildcatting, Phillips Petroleum is doing just that in southwest Oregon, on a substantial scale, and other big companies are taking leases in the region. Civilian consumption has been curtailed, and that without perceptible hardship. If the oil price can be held through the war there will be full resumption of drilling and development after the war when labor will be more abundant and costs probably lower. It may be a good thing not to be so eager to consume our underground stores of petroleum.

### Inflation Tinder

With rejection of the sales tax proposal the house ways and means committee virtually kills any chance of realizing the \$10.5 billions of new revenues sought by the treasury. Previously it had eliminated numerous recommendations in the treasury proposals, so there is little left but jacking up the whiskey tax and hiking the excess profits on corporations.

Rejection of the sales tax leaves the tinder of inflation in the way of earnings generally far in excess of pre-war incomes. Bond-buying will not absorb all these earnings. They will continue to compete in a market getting more bare of goods all the time.

No, Geraldine, the Dnieper bend is not the same as the Grecian bend affected by the Gibson

### **News Behind** The News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28-The strikes, wage actions and economic debates from the labor and food subsidy fronts must seem wholly beyond the under-In truth, some developments are beyond the full

understanding of the participants who are splitting statistical hairs and pulling political ones. The controlling forces behind the developments, however, can be set

forth with an undentable assurance which should enable readers to understand the implications of current news. A real national economic crisis has arisen from the campaign of labor leaders to break

the loose economic bounds fixed by the administration on Paul Mallon wages and prices. The unauthorized coal strikes, the threatened railroad strike, and similar developments must be traced to that labor initiative.

The seriousness of the situation apparently is not fully understood. Nor has the public been informed of the depth of White House perplexity in trying to find compromise solutions.

The White House plan, however, is clearly discernible between recent developments. The Vinson decision against a full eight cents an hour rail increase to non-operating employes and the war labor board split decision (7 to 5) in the Illinois coal contract granting a possible \$10 a week raise, show the administration is ready to bend, if not officially break the ceilings of the little steel formula.

But it obviously wants to hold down the break to a point that will not again throw prices into any higher inflationary ground than necessary.

At the same time, its talented mobilizer Jimmy Byrnes is soft-shoeing his way around inside congress trying to get some arrangement for continuance of the Commodity Credit corporation food subsidies which will make the consumer and wage earner think prices are not as high as they are, by making the treasury stand some of the increase. In short, the White House method is to compro-

mise at whatever negotiable point it can find, in order to stave off another general wage and price increase. Weeks will be required to work it out. if it can be worked out, and the effectiveness of the results cannot even be guessed. The crisis has war and political aspects as well

as economic significance.

Coal production already has broken down to the point where suffering in many localities can be expected this winter. Production initiative was disturbed long before the recent crisis by the fact that sons and friends of miners were able to find other war work paying higher wages.

Then, also the railroad brotherhoods are a powerful group, which usually gets what it wants. A rail strike obviously cannot be allowed in view of war necessity, even if it is voted.

The rest of union leadership obviously is holding back to see how these two vanguards come out, before bringing forward again their pressure for a general wage increase. All this agitation is, of course, being used by

Byrnes to frighten congress into a compromise on a food subsidy, but apparently without much effect. Even if Mr. Roosevelt's compromise plan is successful, it probably will lead the nation into higher inflationary ground, but apparently he hopes the ground will be beclouded so as not to scare anyone. Also, such negotiated decisions must be temporary.

Both labor leaders and farm leaders apparently justify their existence by planned successive campaigns to increase wage and conditions without end.

or accept one which conflicts with theirs. Nor have they overlooked the fact that a critical presidential election is in the offing next year, having recently modified their national political pledges at their conventions to the point of practically inviting the president to fish for their votes if he wants them-and to use bigger and better bait.

Their organizational set-ups are such that they can-

not afford to take a national economic viewpoint-

An overall, arbitrary freezing of both prices and wages at the outset of this war (as Baruch demanded) might have obviated the existing difficulties. But with a policy of negotiation and adjustment having proceeded as far as it has, no one seems to be able even to suggest a wholly satisfactory or guaranteed solution.



'Remember the Maine!'

## Today's Radio Programs

KSLM—SATURDAY—1396 Kc. 7:00—Cherry City News. 7:05—Rise 'N Shine. 7:30—News. 7:15—Texas Rangers. 7:30—Memory Timekeeper. 8:00—Haven of Rest. 8:30—News. 8:45—Market Melodies :45-Morning Moods. 9:00—Marketing With Merediti 9:15—The Women's Side of 8:05—Program Parade. 8:10—Eaton Boys & Texas Jim Lewis. -Tango Time,
-Pastor's Call.
-It's the Truth.
-Popular Music 9:30-Hello Mom. 10:00—News. 10:15—Stars of Today. 9:30—Popular Music. 10:00—Cherry City News. 10:05—Jack Feeny, Tenor. 10:30—Alvino Rey. 11:00—Cherry City News. 10:30—This & That. 11:00—Journal Juniors. 11:30—Concert Gems. 1:45-Buyer's Parade. 12:00—News 12:15—Luncheon Concert. 1:05—Campus Freshmen, 1:30—Hits of Yesteryear, 12:45-On the Farm Front, 12:00—Organalit 12:15—News 12:50-Melody Time. 1:00-TBA, MBS. 4:30—Texas Rangers. 4:45—News 5:30—Music. 1:00—Henry King's Orchestra. :15—Charlie Bernett's Orchestra. 1:30—Miladies Melodies. 6:00-Chicago Theatre of the Air. chestra. 2:00—Isle of Paradise 7:15-Movie Parade. 7:30—Churchman's 8:00—Jerry Sears. Saturday Night. 2:15-Sincerely Yours. 2:30—Evelyn Tyner's Orchestra. 2:45—Broadway Band Wagon. 8:15—Orchestra. 8:30—Halls of Montezuma.

3:00—Concert Hour. 4:00—Harry Horlick's Tango Or-9:30—Faces & Places in the News. 9:45—Johnny Messner Orchestra. 10:15—Henry King Orchestra. chestra. :30-Teatime Tunes. 5:00—The Oleanders. 5:15—Let's Reminisce, 5:30—Bertrand Hirsch & Magic Vio-10:45—Rews. 10:45—Gus Arnheim Orchestra. 11:30—Saturday Night Bandwagon. 11:30—Hawaii Calls. 5:45—Junior Church of the Air. KOIN-CBS-SATURDAY-970 Ke.

6:00-Northwest Farm Reporter. Evening Serenade.

War Fronts in Review. 6:20—Texas Rangers, 6:45—KOIN Klock. 7:15—Aunt Jemima. 7:15—Wake Up News, Joe Weiner. 7:20—Bob Green, News. 7:45—Consumer News. 8:00—Warren Sweeney, News. 8:00—News. 8:15—Carl Ledel & Alpin Troubs-8:30—Skitch Henderson. :00-News. :05-Let's Pretend. 9:45—Galilean Hour, 9:45—Johnny Messner's Orchestra. 10:00—Serenade in Swingtime, 8:30—Fashions in Rations, Servel. 9:00—Theatre of Today, Armstrong 9:00—Theatre of Today, Arr Cork. 9:20—Sonny Days, 9:45—Kid Critics. 10:25—Melody Time. 10:25—Melody Time. 10:30—Orchestra. 11:15—News, 11:30—Football Game, 1:45—William Winter, Bexel. 10:30—News. 10:45—Sign Off,

KEX-BN-SATURDAY-1190 Ko, 6:00—Musical Clock. 6:15—National Farm and Home Hour. 7:00—Mirandy of Persimmon Holler, 7:15—Andrini Continentals, 7:30—Clete Roberts, News, 7:45—Top of the Morning. 9:00—Breakfast Club, 9:00—Christian Science Program, 9:15—Rhythm and Reason, 9:30—Breakfast at Sardi's, 10:15-Edward Jorgenson, 10:30—What's Your War Job? 11:30—The Marshalls. 11:30—Kneass With the News. 11:45—Eastern Football Game.

2:30—Roseland Baliroom Orchestra. 3:30—Message of Israel. 3:30—Music. 4:00—What's New. -Ambassador Hotel Orchestra.
-Boston Symphony Orchestra.
-Edw. Tomlinson, Commentato
-Spotlight Bands. John Gunther, Remember. John
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Roy Porter, News.

Jorgenson and Roberts.

Leon Henderson, News.

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KGW-NBC-SATURDAY-620 Kg.

lights.
7:30—Edna Fischer, Singer.
7:45—Sam Hayes.
8:00—Organ Reveries.
8:15—Kneass With the News.
8:30—Last Night in the Rose Room.
8:45—Vegetables and Victory.
9:00—Pet Parade.
9:15—Consumer's Time. 9:30—Pet Parade.
9:35—Consumer's Time.
9:30—Mirth and Madness.
10:30—That They Might Live.
10:30—All Out for Victory.
10:45—War Telescope.
11:30—Stars of Tomorrow.
12:30—Eastern Football Game.
2:30—O. K. for Release.
2:45—Visiting Nurse of ir.
3:30—I Sustain the Wings.
3:30—Curt Massey & Co.
3:48—Rupert Hughes.
4:30—For This We Fight.
4:30—Perpetual Emotion.
5:30—Hollywood Open House.
5:30—Music.
5:45—Louis P. Lochner. 0—National Barn Danc 0—Can You Top This? 0—Million Dollar Band 0—Grand Ol' Opry. 0—Truth or Consequence

11:30—Hotel Biltmore Orche 11:30—Music, 11:45—News. 12:30-3 A. M.—Swing Shift. KALE-MBS-SATURDAY-1230 Ec.

2:30 Mother and Dad. 3:00 News. 3:15 People's Platform. 3:45 World Today. 3:25 Chet Huntley, News. 4:00 Man Behind the Gun. 30—Traffic Safety. 35—Of Men and Books. 35—Of Men and Busse Orchestra :45—News. :55—Ned Calmer, News. :00—Music. 6:30—Music.
6:35—Beauty Talk.
6:45—Saturday Night Serenade.
7:15—Music We Remember.
7:30—South American Music.
7:45—Deane Dickason, News.
8:09—Thanks to the Yanks. 9:45—Don't You Believe It, 10:00—Five Star Final, 10:15—Soldiers of the Press.

11:30—Orchestra.
11:30—Manny Strand Orchestra.
11:45—Air-Fig of the Air.
11:55—News.
12:30 to 6:00 a. m.—Music & News.

KOAC-SATURDAY-550 Ke. 10:00—United Press News.
10:15—The Homemakers' Hour.
11:00—Co-ed Half Hour.
11:30—Concert Hall.
12:00—United Press News.
12:15—Noon Farm Hour.
1:00—Ridin' the Range. 1:15—UP Chronicle.
1:30—Variety Time.
-2:00—Books and Authors.
2:15—America Marches. 2:15—America Marches.
2:30—Memory Book of Music.
3:00—News.
3:15—Music of the Masters.
4:00—Traffic Safety Quiz.
4:15—Treasury Star Parade.
4:30—Studio Party.
5:00—On the Upbeat,
5:30—Jesting With the Jesters.
5:45—It's Oregon's War.
6:15—News.
6:30—Evening Farm Hour.
7:30—A to Z Novelty.
7:45—Marching to Victory.
8:00—Southland Singing.
8:15—Artists in Recital.
8:30—Music That Endures.
9:30—News.
9:45—Evening Meditations.
10:00—Sign Off.

### Sunday's Radio Programs

KSLM—SUNDAY—1396 Rc. 8:30—Langworth Foursome 8:30—Gospel. 9:30—News in Brief. 9:05—Music. 9:05-Music. 9:30-Popular Salute, 10:00-World in Review. 10:15-Moonbeam Trio 10:00—World in Review.
10:15—Moonbeam Trio.
10:30—Hit Tunes of Tomorrow.
11:00—American Lutheran Church.
12:00—Sunset Trio.
12:15—War Commentary.
12:20—Golden Melody.
1:00—Young People's Church.
1:20—Music.
2:00—Isle of Paradise.
2:15—Voice of Restoration .
2:00—Wings of Healing.
3:00—Wings of Healing.
3:00—Wings of Healing.
3:00—Bible Quiz.
5:00—Did Fashioned Revival Hour.
6:00—Tonight's Headlines.
6:15—Anita and Tom Boyer.
6:20—Del Courtney Orchestra.
7:00—Bob Hamilton's Quintones.
7:20—Langworth Novelty and Salon Group. Group. 8:00—First Presbyterian Church 8:30—Music. 9:15—Organalities. 9:30—Back Home Hour. 10:00—News. 10:15—Dream Time.

KEX-BN-SUNDAY-1196 Kc.
8:30-Soldiers of Production.
8:30-Dr. Ralph Walker.
8:45-Seagle and Trinity Choir.
9:30-Sammy Kaye Serenade.
10:00-Wake Up. America.
10:00-Wake Up. America.
10:00-Chaptain Jim. USA.
11:30-Sunday Vespers.
12:00-Those Good Old Days.
12:15-Hanson W. Baldwin.
12:30-Hot Copy.
1:00-Al Pearce's Pun Valley.
1:30-Sunday Serenade.
1:45-And It Is Written.
2:00-Where Do We Stand?
2:30-Musical Steelmakers.
3:50-News 3:30—The Green Hornet, 3:15—Songs. 4:00—Songs by Elleen Wils Lou Br

6:30—The Melody's the Thing.
7:30—National Radio Pulpit.
7:30—Words and Music.
8:00—The Church in Your Home,
8:30—OK for Release,
8:45—The Dinning Sisters.
9:00—Carveth Wells, Commentator
9:15—News in Advertising. News in Adv.

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10:00 Rupert Hughes.

10:15 Labor for Victory.

20 Chicago Round Table.

Those We Love.

Ohn Charles Thomphington Res The Army Hour.
Land of the Free. 7:30—Hour of Charm.
7:30—Bob Crosby & Co.
30—The Great Gildersleeve,
30—Francis Craig Orchestra.
5—Musical Interlude.
7-News Flori 10:30—Symphonette, 11:30—St. Francis Hotal Orchestra. 11:35—Charles LaVere, Singer, 11:45—News. 12:30-2:30 a.m.—Swing Shift. EALE—MBS—SUNDAY—1330 Ec. 8:30—Wesley Radio League, 8:30—Voice of Prophecy, 9:30—Detroit Bible Classes, 9:30—Early Morning News. 9:45—Salon Swing. Romance of the Hi-Ways.

### Interpreting The War News

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The sweep of events in the global war points up this Hal-lowe'en season for what is left of the dismembered nazi-fascist-Nipponese triple axis with grisly specters of approaching doom. In Russia the spirits of an army of German and satellite, dead, left behind in a nazi retreat to the Dnieper and beyond, must haunt the dreams of surviving comrades and of relatives at home with questioning as to why their blood was so ruthlessly and futilely shed. It calls out for German vengeance on Hitler and Hitlerism, for their ultimate

people.

The axis debacle in Europe began a year ago in Africa and at Stalingrad. And now it is certainly beginning for Japan in the Pacific. While destruction of German power still stands first on the strategy books, there is every indication that in the Pacific events are shaping toward early fulfillment of the prophecy to congresy many months ago of Prime Minister Winston Churchill that the "supreme challenge" of sea power will confront Japan.

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Mussolini and all he stood for

was swept into the discard by

the will of a war-sick Italian

The challenge of the wide-based American-Australian assault against the southeast sector of the Japanese insular defense ring has gone ignored by the Tokyo high command. Step by step it had given ground rather than risk a major sea fight until the Rabaul anchor of the line on New Britain has been exposed to final amphibious attack to convert it into an allied advance base.

There has been no effort to conceal preparations for a synchronized advance eastward in the center of the long Pacific

At which of the many Japanese-held outposts its first surges will be aimed can only be conjectured; but it is coming.

And from the recaptured Aleutians other operations are clearly in prospect that must fill Japanese minds with haunting dread of long range air bombardment. There has been no revelation of the range and power of American super-bombers long in preparation, but it seems obvious they are primarlly intended for direct attack of

#### Today's Garden By LILLIE L. MADSEN

Mrs. W.M.B. asks about the care of raspberries.

Answer: A soil on which potatoes grow well is said to be the ideal soil for the red raspberries. Organic matter from the stables forms by far the best fertilizer. If this cannot be obtained then a cover crop is a prime requisite. Good drainage Armistice Day

The bushes should be se about five feet apart, unless you use the hedge row system, then distance.

The raspberry canes are in reality biennial and the canes spring cut back the fruiting courthouse. canes to a height of about five set out new bushes.

6:45 God's Country. 7:00 Church of the Air. 7:20 Wings Over Jordan. 8:00 Warren Sweeney No. 8:05 Great Lakes Naval Training Station Choir. Invitation to Learning.
Salt Lake Tabernacle. 4:15—Songs. 4:30—Round Table. News.
Songs for Sunday.
William Winter, News.
Solars of Today.
Ned Calmer.
No-Radio Readers' Digest.
Solars of the Third Calmer.
Color Take It or Leave It.
Color Take It or Leave It. 11:55-News. 12:00-6:00 a.m. Music and News.

Japan itself and its island re-Europe. From Britain and central Italy the so-called "small bombers," the Flying Fortresses and Liberators of today can now

criss-cross nazi skies. Thus, a year from the date of the allied landings in French Africs to change the whole face of the war in Europe, the attack on Japan seems destined to be stepped up in tempo on the oth-

er side of the world. And besides threats of eventual drives from China via Burma there is still another factor for Tokyo's contemplation in viewing the tightening allied encirclement ring. This ring has only one real gap even now. That is northward.

Japan and Russia still are at peace, but it is a peace born only of Russian involvements in the west and Japanese over-extension in the south. It is a feeble security reed for Japanese hopes to lean upon in view of Russian victories in the west and the closer integration of war efforts obviously sought in the Moscow tri-partite conversations.

That Washington and London now know what to expect of Russia in the Asiatic theatre, and when, is wholly probable. There can be no comfort for Tokyo in

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elaborate measures of domestic protection took place after the period of primary risk, and when the military situation was improving steadily. Jerrold Owen, civilian defense administrator, kept his feet on the ground, and did his utmost to keep Oregon operations practical and still not be clear out of step with the federal military and civilian defense authorities.

The present situation would seem to call for fewer regional conferences, retention of protective units like auxiliary firelief basis in the larger cities, with greater emphasis on the community service end of civilian defense. As I understand it, this is Owen's program, shrinking civilian defense organization and projects on the basis of "calculated risks" and without the delay that marked modifying of the dimout.

# **VFW Plan for**

Details of the Armistice day celebration planned by the Veterabout two feet is a sufficient ans of Foreign Wars were announced Friday by Dr. Roy S. Scofield, general chairman.

Following the flag raising at 9 which have born fruit, should a.m. at the VFW hall, the membe removed as soon as the crop bers will participate in the Armiis harvested. Cut these off at stice day parade at 10 a.m. and the ground. Then in early the program at the Marion county

At noon there will be a no-host feet. Spring is the best time to luncheon at the hall, Frank Prince and Dave Furlough being in charge of the buffet. Games will follow, with Casey Jones and B. Redfern in charge. The auxiliary will serve a cafeteria luncheon at 6 p.m.

The observance will close with a dance at 9 p.m. with Virgil Bolton in charge.

### County Lists New Disease Cases

Three new cases of meningococcic meningitis, two of syphilis, one each of scarlet fever, whooping cough, tuberculosis and chicken pox and none of poliomyelitis were reported in Marion county for the week ending October 23, the bulletin issued by the state board of health this week reveals. Thirty six per cent of the county's physicians reported.

Over the state poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis, which had its beginnings as an Oregon epidemic this year in Marion county) was at its highest peak for the year, with 36 cases, most of them in Lane and Multnomah counties.

