

### Realtors Hear City Manager Pros and Cons

Salem Realtors heard pros and cons in the council-manager form of government proposal Friday and postponed for at least a week the taking of sides. Should the organization follow the first report of its own city-planning committee it will offer neither endorsement nor opposition to the measure.

R. P. Crossland, Salem junior chamber of commerce president and chairman of the mayor's special committee which recommended the council-manager reform, took the stand in favor of the change, basing his plea upon the size of the city's business and the need for a responsible over-all head.

Opposed to the proposal, Alderman David O'Hara declared he was unprepared to present an organized address but attacked the plan as having proved unsatisfactory in "many cases," maintaining that only three per cent of the cities of the United States now operate under it. One third of the city's voters are away in the service and any major change should await their participation, he declared.

Crossland denied that many cities had found the plan unsatisfactory. Of the more than 600 that have adopted it, between 20 and 30 have abandoned the city manager form of municipal government, he said. Twenty-five per cent of the cities in Salem's population class operate under it; 30 per cent in the class just above it, and it is the system adopted by the most cities now as they change their forms of government, he said. "I'm a young man and I think I know something of what our young men want," he added.

So far as realtors were concerned the argument of the day and of next Friday's luncheon meeting may well be based upon O'Hara's contention, which is that of their own committee, that an organization like theirs should take no stand in the question.

### House Passes New Tax Bill

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wages and salaries) could use a simple table showing their entire tax. The remaining 10,000,000, with incomes over \$5000, would fill out a simpler return than the present long form.

The revised normal and surtaxes would be applicable for returns filed next March 15 on 1944 income.

Generally the bill would levy a somewhat larger tax against single persons and couples without children, while the load would be lightened for taxpayers with large families.

Chairman Doughton (D-NC) of the house ways and means committee said "as far as burdens go, the measure will not hurt anybody much, or help anybody much." He emphasized that "increased withholding is not increased tax burden."

### Gandhi Gets Out of Jail

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ment said his improvement was not fully maintained and that a further examination was being made by specialists.

The decision to release Gandhi was made by the Indian government and the viceroy, Lord Wavell, and it undoubtedly had the approval of the British cabinet.

### Men Over 26 Get New Hope

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reached in the survey said local boards under their jurisdiction were following the national order to the letter. In many cases, however, they interpreted it as permitting induction of delinquents and, as in New York City, were accepting volunteers over 26 without regard to employment.

### ON the HOME FRONT

By HANSEL CHILDS

Sherbets and sundaes vied with beautiful pies and chocolate eclairs on the dessert menu, but my lady from Norway (Paris, too, and way points) ordered simply and to the astonishment of the Salem waitress "an apple."

Adding this to the memories of sea captains who believed a fresh apple the finest finishing touch to a splendid European dinner, plus, also, the experience of observing the appetite of the tall brother, home momentarily from the sea, I came to this conclusion: Sophistication is often simple and very often the result of previous deprivation.

### Dead Woman Sent to LA In Big Trunk

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Angeles address was given and the way bill was marked "Will Call." It placed a value of \$50 on the trunk and contents.

The only possible clues police had to the grisly mystery were offered by a large quantity of blood-soaked woman's and boy's clothing, jammed into the container with the body. There were also towels, one marked "Fleetwood Hotel, 624 South State St.," and another bearing a laundry mark.

A pink girdle and brassiere were the only garments on the body. Strips of sheeting bound the arms and a slip held the legs together. The blood-clotted brown hair was done up in metal curlers.

Examination of the body at the county morgue revealed no exterior wound, Dr. Frank Webb reported. The autopsy surgeon said a test for poison would be made, along with further examination to determine whether a blow or smothering had caused death.

The woman was about 5 feet 3 1/2 inches tall, weighed about 135 pounds, and was 30 to 40 years old, Dr. Webb added. Pasted inside the lid of the old-fashioned, round-topped trunk were approximately 12 pictures, evidently clipped from magazines. All showed a black-haired woman holding an infant in her arms, with a blond young girl standing beside her.

In Chicago detectives began a search for information that would aid in solution of the mystery.

Everett Cousland, a clerk in the Fleetwood hotel, told investigators a woman who registered as Miss A. Lopez had lived there from about Nov. 12 to the middle of December last year. He added that a couple he believed was her sister and brother-in-law had stayed there from Oct. 12 to Jan. 10.

Cousland said that frequent telephone calls in the name of Lopez were put through to the rooms. Miss Lopez was described as dark haired and about 30.

### House Orders Ward Check

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and that Biddle's ruling in support of the seizure makes all private property subject to government acquisition.

Administrationists countered that the seizure was sanctioned by the Smith-Cannally anti-strike law.

As the house voted a group of employees of Montgomery Ward's Springfield, Ill., subsidiary, the Hummer Manufacturing company, were off their jobs and said they would remain idle "until the company signs a contract or the government takes over the plant." The plant was not involved in the Chicago dispute.

A company spokesman estimated 450 were involved. The workers are members of the International Association of Machinists (AFL). The plant produces farm equipment and war production parts.

### Account Filed For Lachmund Estate Funds

A semi-annual account on the estate of Louis Lachmund, covering the period from October 15, 1943, to April 11, 1944, was filed in the probate division of the circuit court Friday. The account listed receipts of \$223,218.09 and disbursements of \$294,878.43. Margaret F. Lachmund and Donald G. Roberts are the executors of the estate.

The receipts included \$100,000 in US bonds, \$8900 in stock of Salem Brewery association, \$23,000 in Joseph Schlitz Brewing company, \$9000 in Monmouth Co-op warehouse, \$14,000 from Capital Ice & Cold Storage, \$16,000 from Williams and Hart company for equipment, supplies and labor, and \$8900 from Charles Vick as balance of sales contract on land.

Collector of internal revenue received payments of \$60,000 in cash and \$106,000 in tax bonds and interest on federal income tax, and the state tax commission \$1600 for 1943 income tax. Administration fees stand at \$9003.

Affairs of the estate are in substantially the same condition as at the time of Lachmund's death. Final settlement of the estate depends upon the outcome of litigation over the attorney to handle the estate's administration.

### India Allies Start Drive Against Japs

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and caused explosions. The raiders returned to their base without loss.

Far to the southeast American planes unloaded explosives on Nauru, about 200 miles west of the Gilberts. Others hit Ponape, in the Carolines, and a Japanese position in the Marshalls.

Identified aerial bomb-bardments of Japanese positions in the Schobiten island area were reported by US advanced headquarters in the southwest Pacific.

American patrol torpedo boats destroyed or damaged 20 barges and silenced three shore batteries in the Wewak-Hansa bay area.

### Tito's Forces Throw Siege

LONDON, May 5-(AP)—Yugoslav troops have thrown a siege cord around Mrkonjgrad in western Bosnia, Marshal Josip Broz (Tito) declared today, and a separate broadcast asserted the partition in a series of victories also had cut off the port of Split and surrounded Zagreb, Yugoslav's second city.

Enemy troops at Mrkonjgrad, 75 miles northwest of Sarajevo, are offering strong resistance, the army of liberation communique said.

The Free Yugoslav radio also reported unofficially that German and Ustachi troops had been isolated in the Dalmatian port of Split.

The broadcast said the enemy in Split was becoming short of food, and that his supplies were cut off also at Zagreb.

### AAA to Re-establish District Office Here

Re-establishment of district office facilities of the Oregon State Motor association, AAA, in Salem is part of the program of expansion already underway to meet anticipated postwar travel demands, Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the association said Friday. The Salem office has been placed temporarily in the showrooms of the Valley Motor company.

### Staats' Funeral Rites Scheduled for Sunday

MOLALLA, Ore., May 5-(AP)—Funeral services for John O. Staats, former city recorder and justice of the peace, will be held Sunday. He died Wednesday at the age of 82.

### Mice Helping To Save Food

COATESVILLE, Ind., May 5-(AP)—The mice on Doc Snyder's farm hunt in pairs, but their tactics serve only to cut down bait consumption and mousetrap wear and tear.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, who operate a dairy, decided to branch out and raise rabbits, but they found their sideline had a less desirable sideline of its own—mice. Mrs. Snyder set a trap and baited it with cheese. Two mice bit, and the trap got both. Again she set the trap, and again the mice were fewer by two. A third time the trap was set, and a third pair of unwary rodents bit for the last time.

The Snyders began to wonder if the mice had a voluntary cheese rationing program.

### Reed Vollstedt New President Of State FFA

PORTLAND, Ore., May 5-(AP)—Reed Vollstedt of Albany was elected president of the Oregon association of Future Farmers of America today.

Other officers named at the conclusion of the organization's 16th annual convention: Delmer Eisert, Milwaukie, vice president; Don Tykeson, Newberg, secretary; Kenneth Logan, Hillsboro, treasurer; Delbert Pratt, Enterprise, reporter.

Approximately 200 high school students of vocational agriculture attended the two-day session. They laid plans to increase their agricultural activities in behalf of the war effort.

Among 33 members awarded "state farmer" awards were Richard Kronz and Earl Nally, Silverton; Paul Berger and Don Williams, Corvallis; Stanley Christensen, McMinnville; Don Tykeson and Stanley Schaad, Newberg; and Leighton Bohner, Kenneth Bohrer, James Magnuson, Bill Miller, Lynn Hoefler, LeRoy Parker and Reed Vollstedt, all of Albany.

### Booth Gives 2 U of O Scholarships in Will

EUGENE, Ore., May 5-(AP)—Two University of Oregon scholarships—one in science and one in public service—will be established with a \$10,000 bequest from the late Robert A. Booth. The remainder of Booth's estate, estimated in probate court at \$250,000, was bequeathed to his son, daughter, and grandchildren.

### 2 Industrial Deaths Occur During Week

Two fatalities, 933 covered accidents and 15 claims for occupational disease benefits were filed with the state industrial accident commission here during the week ended May 4.

The fatalities involved Glen Beavers, Albany, warehouse manager, and Ward Hart, Arlington, farm hand.

### Cordon Urges Federal Fund For Counties

WASHINGTON, May 5-(AP)—Senator Cordon (R, Ore) urged in a radio speech tonight enactment of a bill providing annual payments to counties in which federally owned lands are located on a sum equal to two per cent of their value.

The bill was introduced by Cordon's predecessor, the late Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon.

Cordon said that land ownership by the United States government is seriously increasing property taxes on farmers and home owners. He said the government owned more than 400,000,000 acres of land in the 48 states, and that there was federal plan to acquire an additional 200,000,000 acres.

Cordon said he was a firm believer in conservation, but he also believed in state sovereignty and asserted the nation could have conservation under government ownership and also provide the states the equivalent of taxes on the conserved resources.

### Race Equality Gets Attention Of Methodists

KANSAS CITY, May 5-(AP)—Methodists plunged into the racial discrimination question today by doing a little home work—they requested its "ultimate elimination" in their own church.

They asked that a special commission be appointed to study the problem. Most of the church's 330,000 negroes, while granted full privileges in general conferences, are segregated into one jurisdiction for administrative purposes.

The 762 delegates to the general conference, who hope to complete their work and adjourn by tomorrow night, also asked that negroes be given equality in housing, in transportation and in educational facilities, and urged the repeal of "discriminatory legislation against the immigration and naturalization of orientals or friendly nations, and as soon as possible of all nations."

Referring to anti-Semitism, the church asked that better understanding be developed through the interchange of pastors and rabbis. The church here has practiced what it preaches.

### Aurora Farmer Finds Bomb on His Farm

AURORA, Ore., May 5-(AP)—Blaine Knutson found a three-foot bomb on his nearby farm. Giving it a wide berth, he called Sheriff Fred Reaksecker. The sheriff and deputies found it to be a navy-type practice bomb, apparently dropped accidentally.

### Army Increases Size Of Its Nurse Corps

WASHINGTON, May 5-(AP)—The war department today increased the authorized strength of the army nurse corps from 40,000 to 50,000.

### May Crowning Set for WU At 1:30 Today

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the YWCA breakfast on the campus in Chresto cottage served from 9 to 11 a.m. and the tea at the University house given by Pres. and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Jerry Larson and his 11-piece orchestra will play at the student body dance to which all the high school guests and university students are invited. Hours of the dance are from 9 to 12 and women's living groups will be granted special 1 o'clock permissions for the night. Patrons and patronesses are Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Trenchedy, Dean and Mrs. D. H. Schulze, Dr. and Mrs. R. I. Lovell, Prof. and Mrs. John L. Knight, Miss Frances Doughty and Prof. Perry Spelbrink.

Two events are scheduled for Sunday. Pres. Smith will make his first appearance in the pulpit of the First Methodist church Sunday before leaving for a conference in New York concerning the navy training program that day. He will speak on "The Church's Responsibility for Education." Also representatives of the university will participate in the annual observance of Music week in the auditorium of the First Presbyterian church at 3:30 p.m.

### Stoll Speaks Here Monday

L. C. Stoll, Portland, state manpower director, will speak on "Over-all Manpower Problems for the State of Oregon Which Must Be Solved to Win the War" at

Monday noon's meeting of the Salem chamber of commerce. Former director of the US employment service, Stoll is not a stranger to Salem business and professional men's organizations, to which he has frequently spoken. New members of the chamber listed in this week's bulletin are Mike Steinbock, Albert J. Torgerson, Commercial Sand & Gravel company and Fieener's Storage garage.

### US Works Out Better Terms On Canol Use

WASHINGTON, May 5-(AP)—The war department today announced a new agreement it said would give the United States lower-cost petroleum and postwar production rights in the \$130,000,000 Canol project in Canada—criticized by the senate's Truman committee.

The United States "will receive far better terms than under the original agreements," said Sen. Kilgore (D-WV) and Ferguson (R-Mich). They were members of the Truman subcommittee which investigated Canol and declared the original agreements with Canada and Imperial Oil Ltd. were "improvidently drawn, without even an effort to obtain fair and reasonable terms" for this country.

Under the first contract Imperial Oil would have supplied oil to the United States army at \$1.25 per barrel, plus production costs, Canadian currency, for the first 1,500,000 barrels.

The revision provides that the Canadian firm will supply the army with crude oil at 20 cents a barrel, plus production costs, and this country will be entitled to get up to 60,000,000 barrels of the field's production after the war.

### Mayor Gives Facts About City Manager

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far as I know, no councilman is so committed. In fact, if this amendment is adopted the council which will select the first manager will not be elected until next November.

"The council, by majority vote, may discharge the manager at any time. If ever the city should have a manager not acceptable to the people, they, the people, through their aldermen can soon rid the city of the manager."

"It is my firm and sincere belief, fortified by my experience as mayor that the city manager form of city government will provide the city better municipal administration and at less cost," Doughton concluded.

**GRAND**  
—Continues from 1 P. M.—  
Last Times Today

With Bare Knuckles He Bopped The Gold Coast!

**GENE RUTTY**  
ROOTIN' TOOTHIN' RHYTHM  
Smiley Burnette

**LIBERTY**  
—Continues from 1 P. M.—

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Robert Taylor  
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Starts Tomorrow!  
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**STATE**  
—Cont. Shows from 1 P. M.—

Ending Today!  
Errol Flynn  
"Northern Pursuit"

Laurel & Hardy  
"Air Raid Wardens"

Tomorrow!  
Two Really Big Hits!

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CHAS. BOYER and FONTAINE  
ALEXIS SMITH  
The Constant Nymph

Charles COBURN  
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and  
Rumphrey Bogart's  
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**GRAND**  
—Continues from 1 P. M.—

Midnite Preview

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