Fire Hits Dance Hall in Canada; At Least 4 Die

HAMILTON, Ont., Wednesday, May 24 -(AP)- A flash fire swept parent duplication of special through a crowded dance hall here at midnight last night and know is this: Are the kids going to two hours later hospital attendants said they believed "at least four or buy them neckties for Poppy day five" were dead, with more bodies and again for Fathers day? probably still in the ruins,

About 60 other persons were in "the general hospital -- where vir-'tually all the injured were taken '-- and it was said a number were "in very grave condition." " 'It seemed the death toll would

be higher.

Firemen searching through the still smoking remains of the building, said they feared the number of dead might be as high as ten. : All the injured were identified

as Hamilton residents. Scores of persons were reported

to have jumped from second or third story windows as the blaze swept through the Moose dance hall at the corner of Wilson and Cathcart streets while some 100 dancers were in the building.

Many vere badly burned before they managed to get out. Others suffered broken bones in their leaps to safety. Still others

suffered from the effects of smoke. Dr. M. G. Brown, medical superintendent at the General hospital termed the blaze "the worst disaster this hospital has ever had to cope with."

Not a bed was empty at the hospital before the fire, crowded through normal illnesss among Hamilton's war-swollen population.

The frame hall was destroyed by the blaze, which broke out at midnght and spread so quickly that by 1:30 a.m. only embers remained.

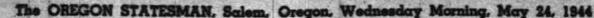
Texas Demos Split in Two A (Continued from Page 1) A temporary chairman did not join

the bolt. Johnson, however, conferred

frequently with pro-Roosevelt leaders during the off-shoot session.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey, meantime, picked up still more delegate support for the republican presidential nomination.

Maryland's 16 plumped into ev column of pledged or



bandied about among many people for the past few days." Bridges said he was heartily in of lend-lease operations favor which sent tanks, planes, guns, ammunition, food and other sup-plies to Russia, but added that the transfer of any part of the

navy "is a wholly different story." Salem's community cannery which last year held the state rec-President Roosevelt announced ord with cheapest operating cost several weeks ago that Russia would be assigned ships equivalper canned unit yet produced the ent to one-third of the number second largest pack in the state, of vessels seized when the allies will operate again this year. Continuance of the cannery project took over the Italian navy.

was voted by Salem school direct-Rep. Hebert (D-La), a member of the house naval affairs committee, told the house that this

country has not turned over any of its fighting ships to Russia. He said he received the information ley's bid of \$934 for re-roofing the from Navy Secretary Forrestal. east wing of the administration

building was accepted, final payment on the 1934 bond issue for Englewood and Highland addi- State Agencies tions was made, and the list of 368 members of this year's Salem Urged to Save tions was made, and the list of proved for graduation. A full list More Gasoline page 7 of today's Statesman.

The board also approved re-A saving of 40 per cent in gasplacement of present accoustical oline consumption in 1944, when work on the ceiling of Leslie juncompared with the usage in 1941 ior high school auditorium with was urged upon state agencies at foot - squareblocks. Material rea meeting here Tuesday attendmoved from the auditorium will ed by elective heads of all state be used in hallways of the building. The board authorized the calldepartments and two representaing of hids on the job and gave the tives of the federal mileage ra-

buildings and grounds committee tioning board. Representing the federal agen-Supt. Frank B. Bennett was authorized to attend the National Ed-ucation association maating in McNeil, both of Portland.

ucation association meeting in It was pointed out at the meeting that the present gasoline sav-Assignments of two of the four teachers to whom the board is ing by Oregon state agencies is approximately 19 per cent when proffering contracts are still incompared with the 1941 figures. definite. Ruth M. Peterson, now at Office of price control officials said the demand for gasoline by the military forces is increasing as the war progresses and that by mid-summer the civilian supply probably will be at its lowest lev-

would be accomplished. The rationing committee will be appointed later.

hasis would be 8 000 000

Allies Launch Budget Group Twin Drives Sets Net Levy At \$401.968 For Rome

H (Continued from Page 1) H terns on the ancient Appian Way. Daniel de Luce of the Associated Press wrote from a forward field post:

"Trained especially with tanks tants in the schools, supervisors for the past month, the doughboys of work in the over-all program swarmed across the flat, green supplies and other miscellanes no-man's land in the wake of items connected with this work. scores of Shermans, their guns blasting German foxholes and weapon pits at point-blank range. With a heavy advantage in armor and artillery, the cooped up beachhead troops went into battle vowing they would fight through to Rome before they finished.

"Despite scattered clouds and a low mist which combined with mately \$180. the smoke from guns and chemical machines to reduce visibility to less than a mile, allied planes flew in at almost strafing height to bomb the entrenched enemy."

Cisterna is at about the center the beachhead perimeter and the labor scale. on the Appian Way, main communications route for all German forces in the Terracina area. When today's assault began allied lines were approximately a mile and a half from the town. Veteran American infantry-

men and hundreds of armored vehicles smashed directly at the from the improved facilities plansmoke-shrouded German defenses there after massed artillery had laid down a half-hour barrage and light bombers had rained explosives on forward enemy targets.

British tommies, supported by from last year. Capital outlays are fire of American warships the offshore. stormed into German positions along Moleta creek. northwest of Anzio and directly toward Rome.

At the first light of dawn flights of Boston bombers swooped low over a large concentration of enemy troops north of Cisterna. showering them with fragmentation and smoke bombs. Later, between 500 and 750 Flying Fortresses and Liberators rained destruction on enemy concentrations at Nemi, nine miles north of the

beachhead and 15 miles southeast of Rome, and other vital points in a 50-mile radius of the Italian capital. Although they started today's

big attack only 24 miles apart, a Officials also were told that the quick junction between the fifth tire schedule for 1944, on a na- army troops on the beachhead and

ented two well received tap dance As the main feature of the pro-gram, Jim Loder showed techni-color movies of the Wallowa mountains in eastern Oregon and the Snake river canyon. Loder took both films himself, the for-

mer on a pack-horse trip to the summit of the "Switzerland of B (Continued from Page 1) B America" and the latter on a mail boat trip on the Snake river. for instruction-supervision work, an increase of \$8,51 over the pre-

Lumber Strike salaries of principals, office assis-Grows in NW

The instruction item of \$393,827 I (Continued from Page 1) I represents the largest increaseworking concessions by both CIO \$27,896 over that of the current year. Practically the whole amount and AFL unions.

represents increases in salary to SEATTLE, May 23-(AP)-The teachers, in accordance with the action taken by the school board number of lumber mills closed in in March to increase the salary the Pacific northwest passed the schedule of all teachers approxi- 50 mark today and another serious threat to a general shutdown Maintenance and repairs are set of the entire billion-dollar yital at \$36,509, an increase of \$9,813 war materials industry loomed toover the preceding year. Most of night.

this increase, too, is salary in-Boom men - workers handling creases to janitors and other emlogs going to mills by waterployees to bring their salaries to a walked off their jobs at Tacoms par with the minimum wage of to join the estimated 15,000 mill workers who quit in protest McNary. The budget for auxiliary agenagainst the war labor board's de-

cies is set at \$34,311-\$8,000 for nial of wage increases. health work, \$11,535 for transpor-One lumber mill executive foretation needs, \$14,776 for recreacast a complete logging shutdown tion facilities, but nothing for the in the Puget Sound area by tocafeterias which are self-support- morrow night. This automatically ing. The net increase in this item would shut down logging camps of \$7,191 comes almost wholly shipping the logs to mills.

Volunteers may appear in per

son at the board offices, corner of

may telephone to offer their serv-

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Heavy destroyer fire joined with

the American artillery in knock-

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weight of bombs was the 150-ton

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ices, it was said.

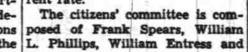
ned for the summer recreation program. The city of Salem mat-ches funds with the school district OPA Requests program. The city of Salem maton this item. **New Helpers**

Fixed charges have been allocated \$5,146, a decrease of \$1800 G (Continued from Page 1) G

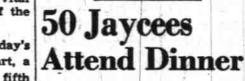
set at \$17,004, a decrease of \$4,000 cery stores, restaurants, shoe refrom last year. The emergency pair establishments and women's fund has been reduced from \$30,ready-to-wear concerns, have been 000 to \$10,000. Some \$20,000, allocated in the 1943-44 budget for conducted and the next survey in line may be of some services, price war emergencies, have been omitcontrol personnel explained.

vious year. This figure includes

ted from the proposed budget. Superintendent Frank Bennett estimated that the bonded issues now outstanding would be retired at the end of five years at the current rate.



Mrs. Elmer Berg.



the coastal end of the main front their wives attended a dinner at

ing out the Japanese mortar posi-Close to 50 Salem Junior Cham-American forces thrusting along ber of Commerce members and

Stolz Funeral Will Be Today

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. today from the Clough Barrick chapel for Richard M. Stolz, native of Salem and son of a long-prominent Salem family, who died Sunday in a Portland hospital.

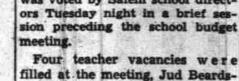
Born June 2, 1908, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Stolz, he was graduated from Salem high school and attended University of Washington, where he became affiliated with Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

After the death of his father in January, 1940, he became manager of the soft drink bottling firm founded by his grandfather. Gideon Stolz, in 1879. He was a member of the Salem Elks lodge and the Baptist church.

Survivors include the widow. Elizabeth Merriam Stolz, whom he married in Spokane in July, 1931. and his mother, Mrs. Walter T. Stolz, and his sister, Mrs. Willard Marshall of Salem. He was a nephew of the late US Senator Charles L. McNary and the late Federal District Judge John H.

THE HOUSE THAT HITS BUILT IBERT -OPENS 6:45 P.M.-NOW SHOWING TARZAN'S MOST EXCITING ADVENTURE TARZANS New York adventive Chemeketa and Liberty streets, or Johney WEISSMULLER Newrose O'SULLIVAN CO-FEATURE! **Ray Crash Corrigan** Max Terhune





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ON the HOME FROM

By ISABEL CHILDS

The lads in the statehouse press-

room are worried about the ap-

"days." What they really want to

passenger trains were cancelled as time tables throughout the country were put on a virtual day-to-day basis to facilitate movement of troops. Invasion was mentioned in the

house of commons as being imminent, although it was done in the restrained language of officialdom. Asked about the clothing to be provided discharged soldiers, War Secretary Sir James Grigg replied that all such matters had to be planned "consistent with prepaning for future operations which are now imminent."

The English channel again saw pre-battle skirmishing, the Germans reporting two attacks by British motor torpedo boats on German ships, and the na-

zis continued their almost nightly spy-raids on British coastal areas. The tightness of Britain's defenses was reflected by last night's toll of six German planes. While Gen. Eisenhower has appealed to Europe's patriots to be

ready to act as guides for allied troops, the German radio revealed today that the only road signs left in France are in code.

Chinese Cut

Burma Road

tinued attacks on enemy forces

surrounded at two points north

of the Burma road - at Chai-

kungtang and Tatangtzu, where

scribed as "critically low."

a steel hedgehog now, with forti- of the year for Muriel Wilson, who fied villages, barricaded roads and is on leave because of illness. Mrs. soldiers everywhere."

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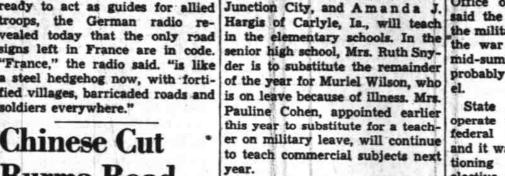


power to act.

Pittsburgh, Pa., in July.

If Reds Get Yank Cruiser

Japanese supplies were de-WASHINGTON, May 23-(AP) Sen. Bridges (R-NH) asserted to-On the Myitkyina front 90 day that the Russian government miles to the west in Burma heavy



State officials agreed to cooperate wholeheartedly with the agency representatives and it was decided to create a rationing committee composed of elective officials who will work

hand in hand with Floyd Cook. state government mileage administrator. Cook said he was certain that

the further reduction in gasoline use, asked by the federal officials,

claimed votes when the state republican convention adopted a resolution recommending that the delegation support the New York governor. Technically, the delegation will go unpledged since this was the decision of the voters in the presidential preference primary in which Dewey was not a candidate.

Maryland's 16 raised the Dewey total to 373 with 530 convention votes required to nominate.

A factional republican fight developed in Georgia, resulting in two separate conventions yesternational convention. One group lon.) instructed 14 delegates for Dewey. The other chose four uninstructed delegates-at-large. The issue between the groups was reported to be solely the question of control of the state party.

Texas republicans, in convention, voted to send an uninstructed delegation of 33 to the national convention, and the delegates in caucus agreed to depart from the unit rule.

Prospects were that in the earlier national convention balloting the vote would be split between Dewey and Governor John W. Bricker of Ohio, a speaker at the Texas convention.

Big Changes Set for Radio E (Continued from Page 1) E swer radio speakers who raise political or public issues. 3. Limit radio stations to the use of 50-000 watts for broadcasting, except for experiment.

controversial issues.



has violated its agreements for monsoon rains again delayed allied operations aimed at finally reducing the base, the Chinese announced.

On the Mogaung valley Chinese troops repulsed renewed Japanese attempts to reinforce units isolated in Warong, 30

ments, especially in the Bishenpur sector, and were trying to regain the initiative, said the allied southeast Asia command com-

miles northwest of Myitkyina, (In the Imphal area of India, 220 miles west of Myitkyina, there were indications that the Japanese had received some reinforce-

day and rival delegations to the munique, issued at Kandy, Cey-

County Plans for War Chest Drive

Representatives from different sections of the county met last night at the United War Chest office and organized the Marion County War Chest in preparation for the annual war chest campaign next fall. The organization will be incorporated with direc-

tors chosen from all parts of the county. The plan of campaign will be the same as formerly with local committees or organizations in each district.

Temporary officers named last hight are: Ronald Jones, Brooks, president; S. Parzy Rose, Aurora, first vice president; Walter Bell, Stayton, second vice president; H. L. Braden, Salem, secretary; Guy Hickok, Salem, treasurer.

THE LITTLE HOUSE WITH THE BIL HITS

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ferred to the soviets "as part of ing Russia." "Reports have reached me that one or more units of the American

navy have been transferred to Russia," the New Hampshire senator told the senate. "I have heard of one particular cruiser and at-

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either a confirmation or a denial

less than in 1941. international collaboration, and demanded to know whether an

American cruiser had been trans- Five Counties Send our patchwork policy of appeas- In Complete Returns

Official canvass of the votes at the recent primary election got under way here Tuesday in the state election bureau. Five counties had reported their returns up to last Tuesday.

would require a month to comof this information which has been plete the canvass.

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"Fifth

Avenue Girl"

Tim Holt - Kathryn Adams

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