Dr. Donald H. Andrews, professor of chemistry at Johns Hopkins and co-discoverer of the new broadcast reception method, said there was no way of telling just what the strip's commercial possibilities were, if any, but that scientists were engaged in extensive research on it. We have hopes in its poten-

SHAMS

Properly to understand and ap-

praise the report of the interim

commission to study Oregon's tax

system the public should know

something of the background

which led to its creation, Tax-

ation is a constant problem, one

never solved. Not only is there

heavy argument over how much

money should be extracted from

the people but there is also sharp

The shelf of books on taxation

would be much longer than that

Oregon system of property-in-

pansion. The Portland Chamber

to have acquired an inferiority

Washington, such as the Alcoa

and Reynolds aluminum ingot

plants. But according to the best

the principal reason for the loca-

tion was better access to water

transportation and availability of

sought the tax shelter of Wash-

ington state for residence, though

retaining their business in Ore-

gon, thus escaping the personal

income tax; but this number has

been made comparing Oregon's

system of taxation with that of

(Continued on Editorial Page)

Mail Continues

Extra Heavy at

City Postoffice

Cancellations in Salem post-

office totaled 132,000 for Wednes-

This was 4,000 less than the figure

for Dec. 18, 1945 when 136,000

Day by day cancellation counts

of the day of the week, E. B.

Daugherty, superintendent of

ed 276,200 while this year the

first three days cancellation total

comparison is not exact in some

Last year cancellations on Dec-

nt drop below 100,000 until Dec-

ember 21. Daugherty said, and

ventured the opinion that today's

cancellations will total around

is being dipatched from Salem

each day, Postmaster Albert

A full carload of Christmas mail

128,000 or 132,000.

day. December 18, when the days By Airplane

cancellations were marked down. Santa Claus flies through the sky

for an all time record in the local for the hundred youngsters at St.

Last year the first three days at the North Pole. "Aren't you

Washington. Sometimes it seemed

not been large.

Studies without

the results depended

Some individuals have

information I was able to obtain

The focus of tax disaffection

for the Harvard classic.

contention over who should pay.

tialities, but no belief as yet," he explained.

"Perhaps in another two or three months, we will be able to tell just what we have here.' He said the tiny strip of columbium needed cost less than one-tenth of a cent, that it was attached to about a penny's worth of copper, and that it presented a new and unusual refrigeration problem, but one he

noped would not prove serious. Andrews said reception from the tiny strip of metal "is as clear as most ordinary radios" and when it was hooked up to the regulation public address system needed to amplify, "it overloaded the speaker." The scientist explained the re-

Christmas Tree on

Courthouse Lawn

To Shine Tonight

More than 1000 lights will

flash on tonight with the an-

nual illumination of the Christ-

mas tree on the courthouse

The lighting, sponsored by

the Cherrians annually since

1913 with the exception of

three black-out years during

World War II, is set for 8:53

p.m., shortly before the end of

the half hour program to be

given by the Willamette uni-

versity choir over KSLM start-

of the Cherrians, is to give a

short talk on the program, at

the studios in the Senator hotel,

and County Judge Grant Mur-

phy is to flip the switch light-

committee are Sid McNeil,

chairman; Marty Boesch. Wally

Doerfler and E. H. Bingen-

It is true that some industries A call to soft coal operators to on Wednesday, is a freshman at

government to turn back 2500 land.

government or the operators.

agers for the government during

Krug, with whom Lewis made the

contract under which the mines

are working, has emphatically re-

fused to negotiate any new agree-

ment, saying that it is up to the

PORTLAND, Ore., Oec. 18-(AP)

Complete to tassel can and

for the holiday season have been flowing white beard, the Christ- the petitions for rent increases

kept in the Salem office for a mas saint descended from the filed by landlords. Lee said that

number of years and the count clouds today at the Huber, Ore, about 100 such petitions are

One lad on the skeptical side

381,000. Since the first day of the looked at the marbles, whistles, was elected new president of the

series last year was Sunday, the candy, rubber balls and toys com- Oregon Guernsey Breeders asso-

ember 19 totaled 128,000 and did Jack R. Moore of Western Sky- president. Charles Evans of In-

RUSSIA TO RETURN JAPS

Secretary of Interior J. A.

the federal operation.

Santa Visits

Boys' Home

Mary's home for boys.

is started December 16 regardless playground with an airplane full processed each day.

cancellations, 16, 17 and 18 total- going to use the reindeer any Breeders Meet

more?" inquired a toddler.

bled: "My gosh, it IS him!"

on duty is Ernie Helms.

private owners.

rating since last spring's strike.

soft coal mines it has been ope- Salem Man Wins

The latter have been mine man- Marceil Wallaert, Estacada.

have located across the river in meet in Washington tomorrow for Oregon State college and the son

On the Cherrians' program

W. W. Chadwick, King Bing

ing at 8:30.

has been Portland. Many persons prominent in its life have felt the Coal Operators

come-corporation excise taxes Called to Talk's

of Commerce has had this idea so In Washington strongly that it sometimes seems

Workers.

ing the huge tree.

ception was based on an entirely different principle from that of a crystal set.

Unofficial sources close to the university and the experiment, who declined to be quoted by name, said the discovery might

H. Andrews, Johns Hopkins professor of chemistry and Dr. Chester Clark of the university staff.

\$2,000,000 in

Farms to Vets

Uncle Sam today.

Falls armory.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 -(AP) divisions made at Klamath Falls

unexplained "talks" led tonight of Mr. and Mrs. William Schwarz

to some speculation that contract of 650 Thompson st., Salem. He

negotiations may be sought with is taking an engineering course

A contract between Lewis and academy in 1944 and was in the

Lewis, calling off the recent 17- Kenneth S. Buckingham, 495 Cot-

First Man from Banks

Banks, Ore., who will have first

choice of the 86 homesteads. The

Herbert J. Schwarz, who was

awarded a tract of land in the

land is on the smallest units.

OPA Moves to

New Quarters

mory, so the new offices are now

located in the old high school

At present the staff of the local

rent control office is working on

R. M. Lyons of Junction City

the Marion hotel and Fred Rudat,

president, succeeds C. A. Smith

A new constitution and by-laws

It finally happened

ing new offices.

Bus Crash Truman Reproves China; distance radio sending and receiving because of the treated metal's great potentialities for sensitivity to wave impulses. The discovery came about by accident recently, the university said in a special announcement, during a course of experiments being carried out by Dr. Donald H. Andrews, Johns Hopkins pro-Children

NINETY-SIXTH YEAR

14 PAGES

President

Strife End

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18-(AP)-

Here are the chief points of the

China as laid down today by

1. Hands off China's internal

civil strife must stop as a threat

3. Continued recognition of

Chiang Kal-shek's national gov-

ernment, but with a broader base

to include the rival Communist

4. Economic help for Chipa on

broad basis once peace returns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18-(AP)-

President Truman called upon

China today to quell its civil

strife, served notice the United

States stands firm in its recog-

nition of Chiang Kai-shek's na-

tional government, and pledged

American aid in speeding Chi-

nese economic recovery once

In a lengthy exposition of this

country's policy toward China, the

chief executive formally ex-

pressed "deep regret" that peace

and unity have not been achieved

in that country and asserted that

China "was a clear responsibility

to the other United Nations to

Just what prompted issuance

appeared likely that it constituted

the groundwork for a newly con-

centratedand perhaps last ditch

-effort to bring Chiang's govern-

ment and the Communist forces

the formal statement, paid trib-

eliminate armed conflict."

New Drive Possible

things cleaned up.

To Reduce U. S. Forces

however,

President Truman:

2 Insistence.

world peace.

peace returns.

affairs.

NEWBERRY, S.C., Dec. 18-(AP)-A loaded school bus and a South-**Drawing Gives** ern Railway passenger train collided on a fog-shrouded crossing near Silverstreet, seven miles southwest of here, today, killing southwest of here, today, killing ten small school children and the bus driver, and sending eleven other pupils to a hospital, most of them with critical injuries.

The pre-Christmas tragedy occurred on a dirt road that rises KLAMATH FALLS. Ore., Dec. sharply to a blind crossing at Dead 18-(A)-Eighty-five men and one Fall junction. Officers suggested girl-all veterans of World War that the driver, Richard S. San-II-received two million dollars ders, was not expecting the train United States policy toward worth of Christmas presents from at the time because it was running about two hours late. What they got were rich farms Family Loses Three Sons

that once lay at the floor of Tule | Victims of the accident ranged lake and now are covered with in age from 7 to 12 or 13 years. black, rich earth whose fertility One family lost three sons, Robhas been compared to the ancient ert, Jack and Harold Lancaster. Two other lost sons and daugh-The 86 veterans' names were ters. Peggy Joyce Riser and Johntaken from among 1305 names in ny Wyman Riser, and Libby Long

an old glass pickle jar, in the and Bobby Long. governments' first postwarh ome- State highway patrolmen who stead drawing. A veteran of the investigated said the train, bound faction first world war, himself a home- from Greenville to Columbia, apsteader from an earlier U. S. parently struck the bus in the side reclamation bureau project, drew and dragged it for nearly a quarter forth the first capsule in a boxing of a mile. The door was the only ring at the jammed Klamath part of the 10-year-old bus that was not demolished.

Some bodies were found under The name was Robert L. Smith, the locomotive. Others were on the cowcatcher, and still others. were strewn along the right of farms, bared after sprawling Tule way, together with books, pieces lake was drained, range from 69.8 of clothing, and other articles. to 141.3 acres. The most valuable Dead Listed

The dead, besides those named, were: Charleen Garner, Jerry Padgett, and Donald Brannon. Two girls and a boy were thrown clear of the bus at the time of impact. One of the girls, Alberta Moates, walked with Conductor O. C. Crouch to the nearby home of R. E. Hanna to telephone for ambulances. She was later admitted to the hospital

John L. Lewis' United Mine and is unmarried. Schwarz was The train and bus collided about graduated from the Sacred Heart 8:10 a.m. It was not until several of the statement at this time was hours afterward that all the dead not spelled out officially, but it the operators would permit the army two years, on the mainwere identified.

The other Salem winner is Comic-Loving Tot out broad hints he would be glad to talk things over either with cluded Renismin Bathes and Reads to talk things over either with cluded Benjamin E. Hamlin, the government or the operators, Canby: John S. Wynn, Corvallis; As House Burns

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Dec. 18-(AP) Even a fire in his own house would remain there as long as couldn't pull seven year old Bernard Burke away from his comic

Seeking the door to the basement, where the fire had broken the out, Fire Chief R. W. Alsip open-Salem office of OPA rent control ed the bathroom door by miswas evicted and forced to find take. He found Bernard in the new quarters. But, according to bathtub reading a comic book. Clare A. Lee, local district man- Alsip said the conversation ager of OPA rent control, the went like this:

OPA was more fortunate in find-"Sonny, don't you know the house is on fire?" The state department division "Yep. of audits is to have the space used "What are you doing here?" by OPA rent control in the ar-

"I'm busy. The firemen will put it out. Bernard went on with his building, 460 N. Liberty st., in comic book and the firemen put

MAJOR GRAND PRIZE

Seventeen-jewel wristwatch, choice of men's or women's (Stevens & Son)

GRAND PRIZES

Service) Znd: Dishes, service for \$ (Salem

Hardware).
3rd: Sandwich grill and fly

(Sears Roebuck)

Ist: New tire and tube (State Tire

4th: Permanent wave (Larsen's Beau-

5th: Wool auto robe (Bishop's Cloth-

6th: Airplane suitcase (Miller Mer-

7th: Table lamp (Elfstrom's). 8th: Electric room heater (McKay

DAILY PRIZES

1st: Cameilia (F. A. Doerfler & Sons).

2nd: Three pair nylons (Army &

Chevrolet).
9th: Table lamp (Court Street Radio).
10th: Andirons (Doughton Hardware).

Navy store).

Brd: Ten gallons gasoline, oil change, lubrication (General Petroleum).

4th: Umbrella (J. C. Penney co.)

5th: Car vacuum (Hamilton Furni-

ture). 6th: Album of records (Heider Ra-

dio). 7th: Auto flashlight (Yeater Appli-

Pike).

9th: Two tickets Elsinore theatre.

10th: Two tickets Elsinore theatre.

In addition, every one of the prize winners (daily and grand) will receive a certificate entitling him or her

All prizes are being made

available at The Statesman office.

with the exception that certifi-

cates instead of actual merchan-

dise will be issued for the photo-

graphs, gasoline-oil, the perma-

nent wave and ice cream.

Half gallon ice cream (The

x 10 browntone photograph

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 18-(AP)-The room 320 on the third floor. The out the fire. When they left he telephone number there is 2-4131. was still reading. CIO United Steel Workers, through its international wagepolicy committee, today voted to **Courtesy Driving** demand a "ubstantial wage increase" of the steel industry when Campaign Prizes negotiations for new contracts

open next month. Philip Murray, president of the Following is the list of prizes USW, declined to state what the in The Oregon Statesman-Warsteel workers considered a "subner Brothers Courtesy Driving stantial increase" but added: "I firmly believe that the steel industry can meet our demands

products." Contracts with between 70 and uary 1. 86 basic steel companies expire Feb. 15, according to Murray. least 30 days before then. The

Negotiations will be opened at PERMITTED TO BUILD steel workers head also said the Even Melby, Salem, was granted ernment troops had shot "hununion, acting under the Smith- veterans' HH priorities for the dreds" of persons in Azerbaijan Connally act, would file strike construction of five homes to sell province and had instigated "atnotices at least 30 days before at \$6,850 each, the Oregon FHA tacks" on Soviet citizens in the the expiration of the agreements. office reported.

Bilbo's Secretary Testifies

Salem, Oregon, Thursday Morning, December 19, 1946

The Oregon Statesman



WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18-Edward P. Terry (left), former secretary to Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo (D-Miss), who refused to testify on the disposal of a \$15.000 'Beat Bilbo' fund, before the senate war investigating committee in Washington today. (AP

Terry Keeps Silence On 'Beat Bilbo' Fund

Mr. Truman, in commenting on custodian of a \$15,000 "beat Bilbo" fund, refused today to tell senate ernment giving support in a "stiminvestigators what he did with it and was threatened with contempt ute to the work of General George and perjury prosecution. C. Marshall, his personal repre-His stand threw into an uproar a senate war investigating comsentative in China, and said he

mittee hearing. It had been startled a few minutes earlier by an

assertion from Terry that a phy-

sician told him Senator Theodore G. Bilbo accepted \$1500 to get U. S. Seeking

contractors.

of any understanding that con- tier.

Terry was Bilbo's secretary. They manent members of the security without increasing the price of its had frequent quarrels and he left

Recession In 1947

Possible

Today's Winners

Prizes in The Oregon Statesman - Warner Brothers Courteous Driving Campaign await

drivers of cars wit'. these li-

censes, at The Statesman office.

379-813

265-616

257-548 29-510

236-476

No. 227

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.-(AP)-The president's economic council tonight predicted prosperity for "some years" shead, except for a possible "dip" in 1947-and Mr. Truman quickly added that even his dip could be avoided if everybody stayed on the Job.

The council, in its first report under the employment act of 1946, declared that while 1947 might bring a shirt-lived business recession, the long-term outlook is for sustained high employment and production.

Disagreeing sharply concerning next year. Mr. Truman told his news conference that he did not Admit such a possibility as a 1947 slump. He said that he had not studied the report. Outlook Good

He has made the statement repeatedly, Mr. Truman replied to questions, that the outlook for the country is good and will continue to be good if we can only get people to go to work! When asked if he was referring to strikes, he amended this to say if only people stay at work Nobody wants strikes, the presi-

dent went on, and those that interrupted the nation's reconversion drive-presumably the great steel, railroad, auto and coal shutdowns - were not necessary. The council's report to Mr. Tru-

man predicted "some years of high production, employment and purchasing power. Beyond this, the report said,

the country can: If it uses those years for wise and vigorous planning, rid itself of serious depressions for a future of unprecedented prosperity. Competition Must be Basis

"Free competitive enterprise" must be the base of such a perulating and guiding economic body headed by Edwin G. Nourse, who formerly guided private research for the Brookings Institution.

Essentially, its position on the 1947 outlook did not differ greatly from Mr. Truman's, for the council said the possibility of a recession was raised by the current "misunderstanding and tension" among business, labor and other vital elements of the econ-

Street Parking

Off-street parking accommoda-tions-one of mayor-elect R. L. Elfstrom's prime goals-may be ator indicated anticipation that step toward settling the difference Elistrom's prime gains may be the contractors would do favors ences between Greece and her augmented by finding space for the contractors would do favors ences between Greece and her augmented by finding space for the contractors. another 150 cars on the streets

themselves. Elfstrom said he contemplated recommending to his new council that six blocks of streets in downtown Salem be widened so that cars could park at an angle instead of curb-side on Liberty between Court and Chemeketa, and between State and Ferry; on High between Ferry and Chemekets, and on Court between High and Church.

The plan would call for 150 parking meters in addition to the 450 expected to be installed within the next few weeks.

Rooms More Plentiful For State Legislators, Apartments Still Scarce

Sleeping rooms for legislators and legislative help for the 1947 nession, starting January 13, are now becoming more plentiful, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell reported here Wednesday, Farrell has been listing rooms for several weeks.

Apartments and houses still are scarce and most of the Salem hotels have ceased accepting reservations for the session. Room prices in private homes were said to be considerably higher than at previous legislative sessions. In some cases \$3.50 a night is being charged for rooms far away from the statehouse.



Gragg said Wednesday. **Animal Crackers**



"Beats me, Mac—he's been following the ship for two

host to the parent organization. Talbot School Remains Closed **As Flood Damages Count Rises**

Small boys rushed up to the Oregon Guernsev

ing out of the plane and mum- ciation at last night's meeting in

The gifts were the donation of Jr., of Astoria, was elected vice

ways - and Santa Claus, well, dependence was re-elected secre-

he is a chief pilot on the line, who tary-treasurer. Lyons, 1946 vice

TOKYO, Thursday, Dec. 19-(AP) were adopted and the board of

Russia and General MacArthur's directors was increased from 2

headquarters signed an agreement to 12. Plans were initiated for the

today to return to Japan monthly 1948 American Guernsey Cattle 50,000 Japanese war prisoners and club national convention, when

nationals "who desire repatria- the Oregon association will be

* Seaside.

By Marguerite Gleeson

Belated flood stories are coming in from various parts of the valley cause it seems the furnace was the flood, Mrs. Booth said. given a river bath, Mrs. Agnes Primary pupils at Rickey had Booth, county school superinten- vacation Monday because the ap-

Pupils in the Talbot school num- munity hall was difficult to travel. Weather ber 40 and the two teachers are Because of overcrowded condi-Winifred Eyre Walker and Janet tions in the Rickey school the Belknap Brown. How soon the primary pupils attend in the comschool will be ready to resume is munity hall at Four Corners. somewhat dependent upon the fur-

Mission Bottom school has been fences were left down as the flood closed so far this week but is waters subsided and farmers scheduled to reopen today. The counted their losses.

Christmas program originally planned for tonight will be given Saturday instead. Keizer pupils as the Willamette and Santiam had one day off because of the rivers subside and losses are flood, and were sent home after counted. Talbot school in the pep- they arrived Monday morning for permint country, where water gets that day and Roberts school also high quick and fast, is closed be- was in recess one day, thanks to

> proach to the Four Corners Com-Gullies were cut in some Mis-

Portland San Francisco Chicago 18 5 trace
New York 43 36 trace
Willamette river 20 feet.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau. McNary field, Salem): Mostly cloudy today and tonight. Highest temperature 45, lowest 38. sion Bottom orchards, many

Augmented by the Salem high H. A. Shute, 2175 N. Liberty. All 379-813-Dec. 17; N. Winter and Marschool safety council, observers prize winners also receive cer-

in The Oregon Statesman-War- tificates for 8 by 10 photographs. ner Brothers Courtesy Driving (The complete list of daily and numbers of courteous deeds Wed- appears elsewhere on this page.) nesday to keep judges in the sec- Certificates for a half gallon of retary of state's office busy sort- ice cream and a photograph also ing out the top 10 for prizes. Police, too, renewed their ef- of Freewater.

forts after a several-day lag. All manner of good deeds were recorded, but discourtesy and carelessness on the streets still were "all too prevalent," observers said. However, both official and unofficial sources have commented that there seemed to be a distinct improvement and that ceeding well in making more persons driving-conscious.

Wednesday at The Statesman office, where all awards are available, three pairs of nylons to R. E. Vincent of Doolittle's Service station; umbrellas to Roy Cheek, route 3, box 710, Salem, and H. street.
283-766-Dec. 16; Center and 13th: W. Salmon, 267 N. Cottage, Salem, and two theatre tickets to stopped car to let children cross.

were mailed to C. R. Wallingford

Today's 10 winners, as judged by the secretary of state's office"

a distinct improvement and that Commercial, Center; 12:10 p.m.; driver the courtesy campaign was sucsignalled for stop, waited for pedeseeding well in making more perons driving-conscious.

Several prizes were issued
Vednesday at The Statesman ofice, where all awards are availket; 3:45 p.m.; driver stopped to let school children cross street at busy time. 339-601-Dec. 17: Highland and Myr-

ket; 3:30 p.m.; stopped to let children take in school-zone sign from street. 263-784-Dec. 18. State and High; campaign turned in increasing grand prizes, with their donors, and plainly, appeared very careful

205-616-Dec. 18. High and State. 10.15 am moderate speed, proper lanes, distinct hand signals, yielded right of way to speed traffic 257-548 Dec. 18. Court and Commercial, 11 15 a m : driver appeared care-ful and considerate, waited for safe clearance, made correct signals and

by the secretary of state's office from license numbers turned in by observers, are as follows (traffic conditions, weather, location, etc., considered in making awards:

29-567 (1947 license)—Dec. 17, Court. Commercial, Center; 12:10 p.m.; driver blocked across street, then turned so so not be seed to block traffic behind him.

as not to block traffic behind him.

(All numbers 1946 unless otherwise indicated).

(Repeating Wednesday's winners: 264-850, 399-488, 50-022, 233-330, 6-189, 9-606, 329-521, 399-437, 336-053.) Another 10 numbers winning

11 grand prizes.

be announced the winners of the

necessary in the hope of getting a narcotics "prescription or license" for a constituent.

Simultaneously, the statement stressed anew this nations pledge

drawn on July 10, 1946.

of non-interference in China's inthe Mississippi democratic senaternal affairs, and the size of United States armed forces in Chitor and had been called as a key na is being reduced from a peak witness in the committee's inquiry of 113,000 to "less than 12,000." ated previous assertions that he earliest possible moment" send to Steel Men to had received warnings of death the Balkans a seven-member com- Plan to Increase if he told what he knew about mission to investigate conditions Ask Pay Boost

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18-(AP)-Edward P. Terry, self-declared manent prosperity, with the gov-

Terry is a former secretary to Greek Probe LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Dec.

Bilbo. Terry said he never heard on both sides of the Greek frontractors were to make any pay- The American proposal was ments to Bilbo but he told of hailed promptly by Britain, Ausincidents where, he said, the sen- tralia and Brazil as a concrete

Earlier in the hearings the committee had obtained bank records showing a \$14,300 deposit was added to Terry's account in 7, 1945, and \$15,000 was with-

the senator's employ last Jan-

into Bilbo's relations with war 18-(AP)-The United States pro-Twitching nervously, he reiter- tions security council "at the Elfstrom May Urge ted previous assertions that he earliest possible moment" send to

posed today that the United Na-

neighbors.

If the American suggestion is adopted, it will be the first time the security council will have ora Jackson, Miss., bank on Sept. dered investigators into any country involved in complaints before it. Adoption, however, will re-At the time of the deposit quire unanimity of the five per-

REDS ACCUSE IRANIANS

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 19 (A)-The Moscow radio charged PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.-(AP) today that Iranian central govprovincial capital of Tabriz.

Local High School Safety Council Aids In Reporting Courtesy Driving Deeds