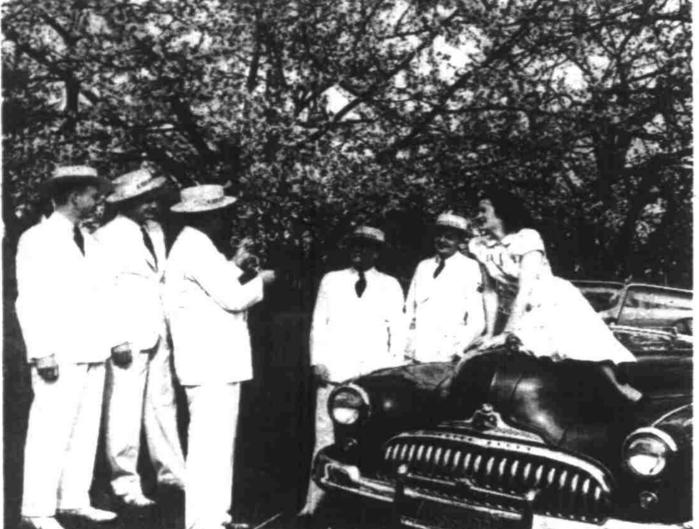
Cherry Blossom Route Awaits Sunday Drivers



The valley's cherry trees have had a bit of trouble this season bursting into full flame, what with not much sunshine to help things along, but above is tantamount evidence that this year's Cherry Blossom route will be a real treat. Sunday is Blossom day. The picture, taken a day or so ago, shows Charles Claggett (center foreground). King Bing of the Salem Cherrians, with a portion of his royal court-(left to right) Cedric Reaney, Hunt Clark, Hal Randall and Wes Stewart, who played escorts on this particular trip to Martha DuRette o' Gervais, the Cherry festival queen of 1947.

present property valuation, would

By Charles A. Sprague

Clearly the people haven't got what they ordered in the way of outside first class districts in or-unification of defense. As was der to spread an equalized tax levy. Revolt Called feared we now have not two ri- against all the districts involved. gal services, the army and the savy, but four not-too-closely co- ty school superintendent, estimatordinated departments national defense, war, navy and air force Their difference came to light in recent testimony before congressional and senate committees. Sec-Forrestal (national defense) outlined what he called a balanced program, which provided for UMT, selective service, a 55group air force, and a strengthpreferring it to UMT. General gued for UMT and said the alternative was not an expanded air force but a standing army of 1,500. 000 men which would cost "bil-Thursday President Truman endorsed Forrestal's program

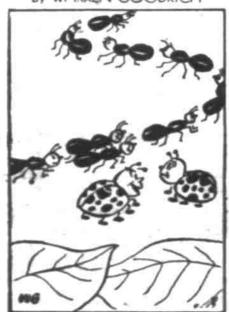
Other contentions have cropped areas of the county. out. The airforce thinks longall amphibious landings and would vote basis after having lost their ports. hold the marines to local raids. The law-recognized "tax base" by not And Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich) latter assert such landings should voting a levy in any one year demanded in a statement: be a marine duty as well. Secre- after the 6 per cent limitation law tary Forrestal held a conference became effective in 1916. with his subordinates in Florida Would Split Up Vote their differences. He did settle not passed by the entire rural or . ing settled. The 70-group airforce school districts. however was an unexpected flight. The proposed \$1,017,724 com- lng?"

be won by gadgets, without per- bonded indebtedness or interest. lists." sonal inconvenience. So the house ignores the plea of Forrestal and proposes to spend money on the

air arm. In view of the happenings one wonders if our national defense is even less coordinated than it was when he had just the army and the navy wrangling over their respective roles.

WALLACE DUE IN MIDWEST NEW YORK, April 16 -(AP) Henry A. Wallace will make his first campaign swing into the farm belt states of the midwest from April 17 to May 4. Wallace is scheduled to speak 10 times on a tour through Illinois, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri.

Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH



On Tax Levy Monday Marion county school district voters outside Salem, Silverton and Woodburn districts will vote Monday night on a consolidated tax of Belgium was elected chairman levy amounting to \$837,890 in excess of the 6 per cent increase limita-

Rural Districts to Vote

It is the first such consolidated levy vote under the new county rural school district law of the 1947 state legislature, designed to combine all of the county's ele-

mentary and high school budgets Mrs. Agnes Booth, Marion coun-**South America** ed Friday that the entire budget levy of \$1,017,724 (which includes Pearl Harbor \$179,834 as total tax base not subject to a vote), on the basis of

mean a 27-mill tax for elementary WASHINGTON, April 16 -(AP) districts and 13-mill tax for high school districts. She predicted. Charges that the Bogota revolu- were no objections, so he declarhowever, the millage would be less tion was a "South American ed it adopted officially. Annexes Several hours later Mrs. Roosenext year as county property val- Pearl Harbor," and that Secre- and protocols also were adopted. velt. second wife of the late presi- cial air flights into Vienna, but tory authorities for the effective Includes Pay Raise tary of State Marshall may have Then the delegates attached their dent's eldest son, was pronounced uation is expected to increase. The school tax vote affects 94 dent" to bring war, were hurled Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British she would be able to go home

Voting is set for 8 p.m. at each gressmen. district schoolhouse Monday. The Their statements came as an and American zones. Today's former Romelle Schneider, has to and from British and American about \$165,000 over last year's former Romelle Schneider, has to and from British and American any action figure but the profess been suffering hadly from headcombined school budget for county aftermath to disclosures that the meeting marked the first time been suffering badly from headrural schools was prepared by the state department received many Germany has been represented at aches. new Marion county rural school advance warnings that commun- an international diplomatic condistrict board headed by Sylvester ists were planning trouble in the ference since her defeat. Symington had not gone along S. Smith of St. Paul and including Colombian capital. One message. a representative from each of five saying Marshall and others might be molested, apparently never South Salem

Mrs. Booth explained the wide reached the department. range bombing should be its ex- discrepancy between the \$179,- Rep Brown (R-Ohio) said conrange bombing should be its exclusive province. The navy insists

discrepancy between the \$179.
Rep. Brown (R-Ohio) said congress Club

gress is shocked by "the belated gress is shocked by "the belated disclosure of a South American on keeping the navy air arm and limitation and the \$837,890 which disclosure of a South American wants to build an 80,000 ton car- remains to be voted on as excess, Pearl Harbor, so close to the wants to build an 80,000 ton carremains to be voted on as excess, Pearl Harbor, so close to the by citing the fact that 51 per cent Panama canal." He declared that which atom bombs could be of the 94 Marion county school the subcommittee which he heads dropped most anywhere in the districts affected have been op- will delve deeper into the quesworld. The ground forces claim erating on a year-to-year levy tion of American intelligence re-

> "Did Secretary Marshall know what was about to happen?

"Did he deliberately endanger recently and sought to iron out. If the consolidated tax levy is the safety and lives of Americans was he looking for an some issues, though in such mat- school electorate, the financing of 'incident' to involve use in warters issues have a way of not stay- schools will revert to the separate or speed up the campaign for conscription and military train-

Politics on Parade . . .

Who's Running for What in the May Primaries!

series are made by or for the candidates without restriction and may or may not reflect the policy of this

> Today's subject: Peery T. Buren

Salem Municipal Judge Peerly T. Buren, practicing attorney and candidate for Salem municipal judge, recognizes that

the city is confronted with an ever - increasing juvenile prob-

Buren favors program in Salem whereby the municipal judge could call interested responsible

civic, religious and service or- Peery Buren ganizations to conduct investigations into the background and born and raised justify his right home life of juvenile offenders to the support of law-abiding before passing sentence. Candi- citizens when they go to the date Buren has recently consult- polls on May 21. ed with numerous persons in Salem who are interested in solving the juvenile problem, whom 2 DROWN IN OHIO FLOOD he finds receptive to such a

Attorney Buren recognizes that Friendship, O., nine miles downeffective traffic control has not stream from Portsmouth, tonight been attained in Salem. Speaking as the crest of the flooded Ohio on one phase of the problem, river neared Cincinnati.

Buren stated: "The so-called 'hotrod' and 'squirrel' drivers are 000 were back in business again a serious hazard to life and property. I believe youths who operate high speed, old cars should devising, the two men were \$500 be made to realize that the traf- ahead today, after playing since fic laws are to be enforced and that they have the same measure ford, San Diego, and Albert Hibbs, of responsibility to the community as adult motorists."

would devote to the office all the system went sour. time required for just and efficient judicial administration and on each spin of the wheel he is fully qualified by training for the office. He is a lifetime PEKKALA ULTIMATUM resident of Salem, graduate of George Washington university

civic and fraternal affairs. dicate his qualifications. His ed to vote on it April 23. genuine interest in the affairs of the community where he was (Tomerrew: W. H. Crawford.)

CINCINNATI, April 16 - (AP) Two high school girls drowned at

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SCHOOL BOND, BUDGET PASS

16 Europe Nations Sign Aid Pact Light Vote

Form Basis for Western Union

PARIS, April 16 -(AP)- Sixteen sovereign nations and western Germany pooled their recovery efforts today in a new organzation for European economic co-

operation (OEEC). The group is designed to coordinate reconstruction moves and assure the efficient distribution of United States aid under the \$5,-300,000,000 Marshall plan. Representatives of the participating states and the United States, British and French occupation zones in Germany signed the charter of the organization and elected officers. Paris was selected as permanent headquarters.

Many observers regard the body as a nucleus for a future economic and political federation of Europe. The charter is a 28-article, 3,000 - word document.

Premier Paul - Henri Spaak of the organization's council. Robert Marjolin of France was appointed secretary - general. Greece and Denmark ware elected to have vice - chairmanships of the

Sir Edmund Hall - Patch, fin- James Roosevelt's ancial expert of the British foreign office, was named chairman Wife Stricken after of the powerful executive committee of seven. Representatives Overdose of Pills of Britain, France, Italy, The Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey were elected to the 16 -(P)- A combination of head-

committee for one - year terms. As chairman of today's meeting, British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin put the charter to the delegates shortly after noon. There Bradley (army chief of staff) ar- Marion county school districts today by two republican con- military governor for Germany tonight. and representative of the British

South Salem Progress club is the official name adopted by South Salem businessmen who met Thursday night to complete organization of a district commercial club.

Temporary officers elected in the meeting are F. H. Weir, president; C. A. Vibbert, vice president, and H A. Harrington, secretary. Membership in the club will cost \$3 a year for businessmen and \$1 for individuals.

Members engaged in a brief bined levy provides for the oper- The state department said last discussion regarding traffic sig-The lower house voted appro- ating costs and transportation of night that Marshall was warned nals that may be requested for priations for the 70-airgroup size. the 94 school districts, Mrs. Booth of trouble brewing in Bogota but the south end by the group in Suspicion grows that what the said She stated that none of the went ahead to the interAmerican the near future. The club will congress and the people want is proposed levy will be used for new conference rather than knuckle meet again next Wednesday night a push-button war, one that may buildings, new building sites, under to "a handful of commun- to study by-laws and other organizational problems.

Math Experts **Back at Reno**

LAS VEGAS, Nev., April 16 (AP) Two University of Chicago graduates who last November "took" the roulette table at Reno for \$8,-

Using a system of their own last night. They are Dr. Roy Wal-Chillicothe, Ohio, each 23 At Reno they parlayed \$300 into \$13,000, Peery T. Buren, if elected, then dropped \$5,000 when their

The men play \$1.50 on the nine

HELSINKI, Finland, April 16 University of Oregon and the (AP)-Premier Mauno Pekkala said today his cabinet would resign if law school, Washington, D. C. He is a war veteran and active in Russo-Finnish treaty. The friendship and military assistance agree-His character and background ment was drafted two weeks ago of education and experience in- in Moscow. Parliament is expect-

> Weather Chicago 62 52 .00
> New York 29 .00
> Willamette river 3.4 feet.
> FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly cloudy today and tonight with occasional showers. Slightly cooler today.
> High today 58, low tonight 48.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

Organization to Children Direct FBI To Kidnap Suspect Orders Truce

A limping kidnap suspect was captured by the FBI today. thanks to a boy and a girl who persisted in playing detective over the scoffing of their elders.

Arrested under a baby's crib in a Hillsboro, Ore, home this morning was a 29-year-old man who has been working in a Gearhart, Ore., riding academy as "Cowboy Jim" Williams.

But Special FBI Agent Howard Bobbitt said the man was really John Harvey Bugg, object of 2½-year nation - wide hunt as "the man with love on his fingers." Bugg, whose left fingers are tattooed "L-O-V-E," is under indictment on a charge of kidnapping Dade County, Missouri, Sheriff Hugh P. Wilker-

son, in November, 1945. Two Gearhart children who like blood - and - thunder radio broadcasts tipped off police to "Cowboy Jim," after adults had laughed off the suspicions rife for many days among Gearhart

youngsters. Pauline Virgin, 12-year-old

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Virgin, Gearhart, wondered for weeks why "Cowboy Jim"-with whom she rode often at the Gearhart academy - always had tape on his left fingers.

she heard a description of a man wanted for kidnapping. The broadcast said he limped, and had "L-O-V-E" tattooed on his fingers.

With courage equal to her curiosity, Pauline demanded to council struck out provisions for his fingers taped.

was scared of him after that." The story was dismissed by Directs Factions adults until Pauline's 14-yearold cousin, Navarre Smith, decided to tell the FBI. Navarre halt-

street and asked for the FBI. FBI officials from here promptly went to Gearhart. When "Cowboy Jim" failed to report to his riding job, they traced him to Hillsboro.

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., April ache tablets and a sleeping potion, the latter taken by mistake, her husband said, sent Mrs. James

been counting on it as an "inci- signatures. The last signer was out of danger, and doctors said Roosevelt said his wife, the time when ground transportation and water supplies;

> velt told reporters at the hos- sian zone. pital. "At bedtime last night she

headache tablets. By mistake she agreements on air traffic. got the wrong bottle, and took sleeping tablets instead. The doc- ish spokesman was that regularly and the Soviet Ukraine abstaining. tor tells me the combination was scheduled flights of the British

British to Defy Soviet Ban on Vienna Flights

VIENNA, Austria, April 16-(AP) Russian officials demanded tonight | Cooperation Ordered that the British halt all commercontinue flying. The Russian request came at a

"The doctor gave her some- rupted. The airports are accessible the holy places in Palestine and thing to relieve her pain," Roose- only by driving through the Rus-

took some, and again about 10 in a letter to the British commissioner in Austria, Lt. Gen. Alexan-"At 3 a.m. or thereabouts, she der Galloway. The letter asked still was suffering, so she went the British to cease "forthwith" to the bathroom for some more alleged violations of previous fourth-sections but did not use the

U.N. Council In Palestine

By Larry Hauck

LAKE SUCCESS, Saturday, April 17-(AP)-The United Nations se- Friday. Then on one of her favorite curity council early today ordered radio programs (Gangbusters), a truce in Palestine. The vote was ditional schools and classrooms to 9 to 0 with Russia and the Ukraine alleviate overcrowding dut to popabstaining.

> The vote came at 2:19 a.m. (EST) after a final five and onehalf hours of debate. In a last-minute move, the

know why "Cowboy Jim" kept an on-the-spot truce commission to watch over the cease-fire. "He was nasty," she said. "I The council adjourned at 2:21 a.m. (EST).

The plan directed the Jews and Arabs to:

1. Cease all activities of a milied a policeman on a Seaside and sabotage;

2. Refrain from bringing and from assisting and encouraging the entry into Palestine of armed bands and fighting personnel, groups and individuals, whatever their origin;

3. Refrain from importing or acquiring, or assisting or encouraging the importation or acquisition

of weapons and war materials; 4. Refrain, pending further con- school plant expansion was defeatsideration of the future govern- ed 3,220 to 748. ment of Palestine by the general

er community;

5. Cooperate with the manda- Mission street). the British said they planned to maintenance of law and order and The \$1,620.856 budget of essential services, particularly 49 includes a 15 per cent pay inthose relating to transportation, crease for teachers and virtually communications, health and food all other school district employes.

airports outside Vienna was dis- which will endanger the safety of figure, but the entire budget estifrom any action which would interfere with access to all shrines The Russians made their demand and sanctuaries for the purpose of worship by those who have an esship at them.

Russia opposed the third and veto. The voting on the two points The response of an official Brit- was 9 to 0, with the Soviet Union The other four sections passed European airways will continue. unanimously.

In Salem District

By Robert E. Gangware City Editor, The Statesman

A Salem district school bond issue of \$1,500,000 and a budget including \$420,000 over the 6 per cent limitation were both adopted by district voters in an election

The bond issue will finance ad-

SALEM SCHOOL ELECTION Budget 454 TOTALS 623

ulation increase of recent years. The annual budget aggregating \$1,620,850 and the bond issue together call for a tax levy of approximately 34.4 mills.

Both ballot issues were passed tary or pari-military nature, as in each of four voting precincts well as acts of violetre, terrorism for the school election. The total vote was just short of 60 per cent in favor of the bond issue and 56 per cent in favor of the budget

Less Than Previous More than 1,100 persons voted, a total higher than for many a school election in recent years, but less than a third the number of voters who turned out for a February election in which a pro-posed \$3,500,000 bond issue for

In yesterday's vote, the reducassembly, from any political ac- ed bond issue was approved by tivity which might prejudice the 672 to 454 and the budget was aprights, claims or positions of eith- proved 623 to 492. More than half the vote was given in the north precinct (for all Salem north of

> The salary increase amounted to mate is about \$13,000 less than the 1947-48 general fund. Estimated

revenue, however, is down about

\$176,000.

The \$1,500,000 bond issue has tablished right to visit and wor- been earmarked by the school district board for construction needs of the next two years, including new elementary schools in the Capitola and Four Corners areas; additions ranging from one to six classrooms at each of seven schools West Salem, Swegle, Middle Grove, Englewood, Bush, Richmond and McKinley; gymnasium, classroom and cafeteria additions at Parrish junior high school; a

> Architects Authorized The board has already authorized architects S. P. Freeman and Sidney B. Hayslip of Portland to proceed with final plans and specifications for additions at Middle Grove, West Salem and Bush. It is hoped that some of the projects, of which these three are deemed most urgent, will be completed by September or shortly later in

West Salem athletic field and a

Salem High school shop addition.

Because outlying areas were on-y recently consolidated with the Salem school district, the tax millage will be higher in some cases than the estimated 34.4 mills for bonds and budget. Salem taxpayers will pay an additional 2.5 mills for a previous bond issue; Liberty an additional 2.6 mills; Swegle an extra 3.5 mills.

Joyce Patton Elected WU May Queen

Joyce Anne Patton was elected May queen to rule over May weekend festivities yesterday by general student election at Wil-

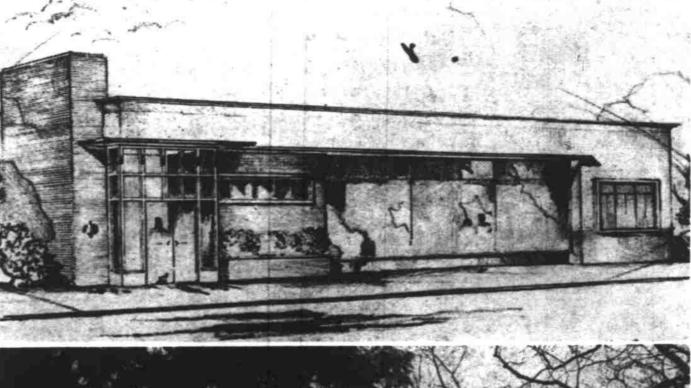
lamette university.

Mrs. Patton is the wife of Alan Ray Patton, 1135 S. 19th st., student in the law school at Willamette. She defeated two other finalists, Mrs. Vergie Wicks, Salem, and Dorothy Deal, Longview, Wash., who will be prin-

cesses in her court. The queen's coronation will take place on Saturday, May 1, at 2:30 p.m. in front of Eaton hall on the Willamette compus Margaret Allen, last year's May queen, will present the crown. Preceding the coronation, a downtown parade will begin at 1:15 and the new queen will be presented the keys to the city by Mayor Robert L. Elfstrom.

PACKING PLANT FIRE KANSAS CITY, Kan., April 16 packing plant tonight, despite ef-forts of 10 companies of firemen-who answered two alarms.

Architect Sketches Proposed Phone Building





The architect's sketch (above) pictures the proposed \$150,000 administration building to be built by ti Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company at site (shown in lower photo) on corner of Court and North Winter streets, west of the state library building and north of the city park adjoining the state capitol. Permission for construction of the building has already been given by the state board state capitol. Permission for construction of the building has already been given by the state board (P)-A fire was raging out of con-of control. The Salem zoning commission will conduct a public hearing on the proposal Tuesday trol at the Swift and company night, as a zone change is needed. The building was designed by Robert Hemmingway, Portland architect, and will be constructed by Robert Somerville. The structure, 84 by 110 feet, will have its main entrance on Court street. (Site photo by Don Dill, staff photographer, The Statesman.)