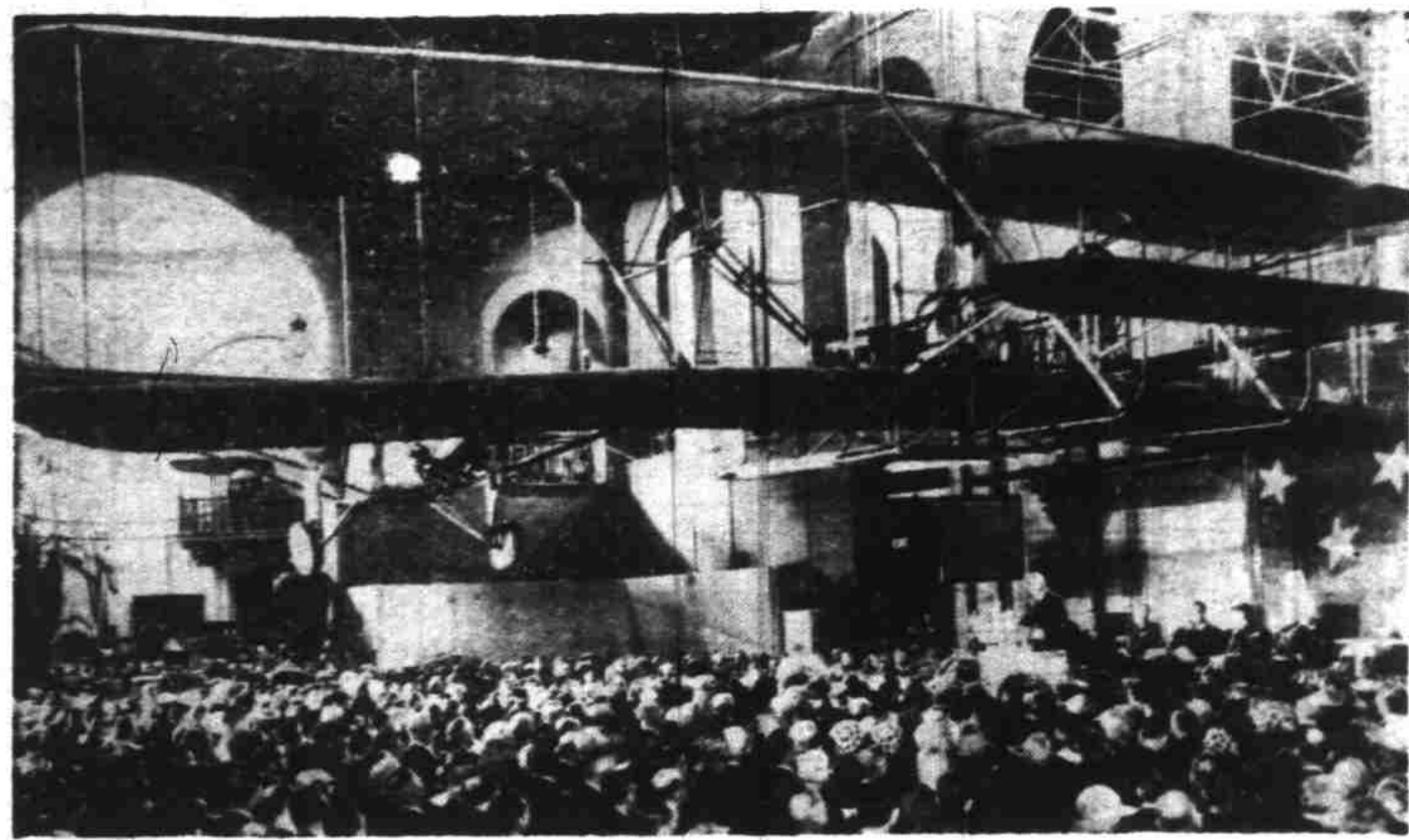


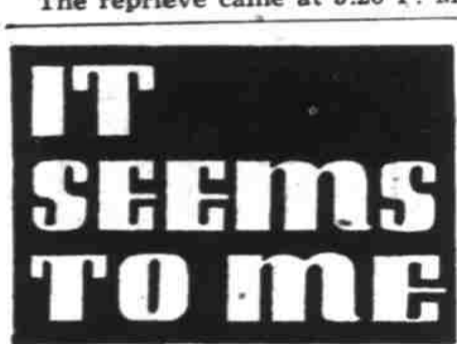
# Wright Brothers Plane 'Flies' at Institute



WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson (at rostrum) today on behalf of the Smithsonian Institution accepts the Wright Brothers' "Kitty Hawk" plane in a ceremony 45 years after its epoch-making flight. The plane (top foreground) hangs from cables just inside the main entrance of the Smithsonian's north hall of the arts and industries building. Behind it is Charles A. Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis." (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

## Hubbard Man Wins Stay Of Sentence in Colorado 3 Hours from Execution

CANON CITY, Colo., Dec. 17—(AP)—Executive clemency saved Paul J. Schneider from death tonight in Colorado's gas chamber. An hour after he bid farewell to relatives, the 23-year-old Hubbard, Oreg., farm hand was granted a stay of execution until the week of January 9.



Brig. Gen. Harry Vaughan, President Truman's gossipy aide, says the coming inaugural will have more fuss and feathers than the president wants, and from reports it's going to be a whing-ding affair. Record-breaking crowds (750,000) are expected there were 500,000 at Franklin D. Roosevelt's first inauguration. The celebration will last a whole week, January 16-23, the big day, of course, being January 20 when Mr. Truman will take the oath of office at the east front of the capitol.

It will be a different affair, as to principals, than was anticipated when the 80th congress set up the committee, with Sen. "Curley" Brooks of Illinois as chairman. Then, most everyone thought it would be a Dewey show. Republicans reserved most of the hotel rooms in town. Democratic office-holders started to put their houses on the market. While it will be Truman and not Dewey who takes the oath as president the extravagance of the celebration will not be minimized on that account.

Head of the citizens' committee of Washington is a lawyer, Melvin D. Hildreth, democratic national committeeman. He is attorney for a big circus and is giving his taste for showmanship full swing for this inaugural. The big feature is the inaugural parade, which President Truman will head. In it will be floats from all the states, brass bands and the military — and a steam calliope to revive memories of circus parades.

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### KOREA ASSASSINS FAIL

SEOUL, Dec. 18—(AP)—Twelve Koreans were killed during an unsuccessful assassination attempt against Governor Le Nam Kyu of South Cholla province yesterday, the home ministry announced today.

### Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Stop worrying! Who could possibly kidnap him?"

## Mercury Sinks To 22, New Winter's Low

The mercury at Salem skidded to a new winter low early this morning with a reading of 22 degrees reported at 1:30 a. m. by the McNary field weather bureau. And the weatherman said it might go lower — possibly to 19 — during the early morning hours.

Oregonians throughout the state were donning warmer clothing as the three-day cold wave continued. Baker was Oregon's coldest city Friday with 10 below zero. La Grande recorded 2 below. Eugene had 24. Portland 27, Medford 29 and Roseburg 30.

Slight relief from the cold snap was predicted for the Willamette valley today and Sunday morning. But it was still expected to stay in the sub-freezing levels.

A new storm moving toward the northwest was expected to bring rain and snow to the area early next week.

All highways in the state were opened for normal traffic Friday, but several patches of ice and snow were reported on mountain routes. The North Santiam highway, where the highway commission is building a new route, was opened to 24-hour traffic and the lower Columbia highway, closed by a slide, had been reopened.

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Syria voted against admission. Five nations refused to vote — Britain, France, China, Canada and Belgium.

This lineup defeated Israel's bid, since seven "yes" votes are needed to approve a question.

Mrs. Chambers Driver Of Car in Fatal Accident

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17—(AP)—An automobile which police said was driven by Mrs. Whittaker Chambers, wife of the confessed prewar communist courier, hit and killed a 70-year-old Baltimore woman today.

Patrolmen Leroy F. Davis and Arthur Plummer charged Mrs. Chambers with reckless driving at the scene.

Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	38	24	.00
Portland	40	31	.00
Portland-Mcisco	42	32	.14
Chicago	32	21	.00
New York	45	38	trace
Willamette river 16.4 feet			

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy today with increasing cloudiness tonight. Slightly warmer tonight, high today near 40. Low tonight near 28.

SALEM PRECIPITATION (Sept. 1 to Dec. 15)	Last Year	Average
1918	17.45	14.16

## Lebanon Bank Joins Portland Banking Firm

LEBANON, Dec. 17—(Special) Sale of the Lebanon National Bank of Lebanon to the First National Bank of Portland was revealed here Friday morning by Hugh R. Kirkpatrick, bank executive board chairman.

Kirkpatrick said transfer of the controlling stock interest was completed December 1. He announced there would be no changes in the personnel or policies of the bank.

Other bank officers are J. C. Mayer, president; J. C. Irvine, vice president; J. H. Irvine, cashier; and Nina Hassler, assistant cashier.

The bank's capital assets were listed at \$10,237,568; deposits \$9,895,798; capital and surplus \$265,000, and loans at \$3,064,419.

Hall Advises One-Man State Liquor Board

A one-man liquor control commission, instead of the present three-man commission, would go a long way toward improving the administrative efficiency involving liquor problems in this state, John H. Hall stated Friday.

The commissioner should be strictly accountable to the executive department and serve full time with an adequate salary, Gov. Hall continued.

Governor Hall said the existing system affords too much opportunity for dissection, back-scratching and trading.

Reports here Friday indicated that Governor-elect Douglas McKay would ask Thomas L. Gatch, most recent appointee, to remain as a member of the liquor control commission after he assumes office on January 10.

Gatch was reported reluctant to continue on the commission but might be persuaded to do so, persons close to McKay said.

Community Still Semi-Marooned by Willamette Flood

EUGENE, Dec. 17—(AP)—A community of 21 people five miles southeast of here is still semi-marooned as the result of last Sunday's Willamette river flood.

The flood washed out the Seavey bridge, only direct means of communication to the four families living on a point of land between the Coast fork and the Middle fork of the Willamette.

County Engineer P. M. Morse said high water would make it impossible to start replacing the bridge for about a week.

The families were reported in no trouble. They can walk out by a roundabout foot path.

Over 400 Die in Brazil Flood

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Dec. 17—(AP)—Torrential floods sweeping over a wide area of two Brazilian states were estimated today to have taken more than 400 lives. Hundreds of other persons were missing and thousands were homeless.

The end of the disaster still was not in sight. Rain still was falling. The flood crest had passed some communities on the upper Pirapetinga river, however.

Communications and transport were disrupted over an area of about 1,200 square miles of rich farming and cattle country in the southeastern part of Minas Gerais state and the northern part of Rio De Janeiro state.

## Less Hours, More Pay for Rail Men Urged Clark Requests Stronger Espionage Laws

### 'Ohs', 'Ahs' Greet Tree-Lighting on Courthouse Lawn

"Ohs" and "ahs" from the hundreds of spectators greeted the lighting ceremonies of the huge Christmas tree on the courthouse lawn Friday night. The multi-colored lights flashed on at 7:45 p. m. after the YMCA boys' chorus opened the program with two Christmas numbers. The chorus, conducted by Wesley Bollinger, sang an Old French Carol and Lullaby on Christmas Eve.

### Seeks Laws To Legalize Wire-Tapping

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—(AP)—Tighter laws for trapping and punishing spies — including legalized tapping of suspects' telephones — will be a prime project of the Truman administration in the new congress, Attorney General Clark said today.

### Son of English Church Prelate to Wed Catholic

LONDON, Dec. 17—(AP)—The eldest son of the head of the Church of England will marry a Roman Catholic tomorrow. A Catholic priest will officiate.

### Emergency Board Advises 7-Cent Raise

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—(AP)—A White House emergency board today recommended cutting the present 48-hour work week for a million rail workers to a 46-hour week effective next September.

### Twins Weigh Over 15 lbs

Twin sons with a combined weight of 15 pounds 1 ounce were born Friday at Salem Memorial hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moritz, 462 1/2 State st.

### Garage Man Enters Suit to Block Annex

McMINNVILLE, Ore., Dec. 17—(Special)—Wallace Park, operator of the Wallace Park garage at 220 Wallace road near West Salem, is a new plaintiff in court action to prevent the city of Salem from annexing territory on which his garage is located.

### Saint Nick's Schedule Full

Old Saint Nick is a very busy gentleman this Christmas season. In fact he's taking to modern contraptions to spread his Yule cheer in the valley.

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### Oregon to Start Numbering Babies

PORTLAND, Dec. 17—(AP)—Oregon is going to start numbering all babies born in the state after January 1.

### Christmas Gifts To Berlin Blocked

BERLIN, Dec. 17—(AP)—A new Soviet-American disagreement to-night blocked delivery of more than 50,000 Christmas gift parcels to Germans in the Soviet zone and Berlin.

### Japan Ordered to Impose Economic Control Program

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### 400 Highland School Pupils Present Nativity Pageant

Almost 400 children took part in Highland school's Christmas program Friday afternoon. Shown above are the fifth and sixth grades presenting the nativity scene with choral accompaniment. Features of the program were choral readings, the Christmas story in pantomime and carols.

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