

# IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

I wasn't able to get any closer than 25th street to the "Stars in Stripes" show put on last week at George Alexander's hostelry at the end of State street. The overflow crowd already turned back barred the way. Judging by reports it was a great performance, as might well be expected, since George's houseguests include men of varying talents not all of which are run contrary to the statistics. The show was an "inside job" and the polo fund prospered nicely from the contributions of the audiences.

Failing to see that show I chose for my next night out the orchestra and band concert at the high school. Too bad others who missed the State street variety offering didn't go to the high school, for there was plenty of room and the program was well worth while.

The orchestra took the first half of the program. It put its best foot forward in the opening overture, "Night in Tripoli." This was a well polished performance of a lovely number. The orchestra sagged in the middle of "Harvest Hymn" but regained composure and played quite acceptably the final "Phon." Robert Wilson did a sort of musical shimmy "Hora Staccato" on the saxophone and Deryl Peters rendered "Atlantic Zephyrs" as a trombone solo in able manner.

The orchestra made a pleasing picture on the stage — particularly the girls in colorful formal. Victor B. Falmason was the conductor. He directs orchestra work in the schools.

It's a mistake to combine an orchestra program with a band concert. They differ too much. The orchestra is more delicate, its (Continued on editorial page)

## Electric Heat Suggested for Icy Highways

SEATTLE, Jan. 23 (AP)—When ample power is again assured in the Pacific northwest, icy highway stretches now hazardous in winter may be heated electrically, Seattle City Engineer R. W. Finkle said yesterday.

Successful tests of such heating were made under Finkle's supervision when he was bridge engineer for the state highway department. He left that post last year to accept the city position.

Heating of even extensive portions of the Snoqualmie pass highway would be infinitely less expensive than building the oft-discussed Cascade tunnel as a means of assuring safe and uninterrupted cross - mountain travel, Finkle declared.

Several practical installations have been made of highway sections heated by various systems of hot water or hot anti-freeze piping systems, he said.

Finkle, while in Olympia, worked with engineers who installed a heating system on a steep grade at Klamath Falls, Ore., using the hot springs there as a heat source.

He emphasized that tests made here under laboratory conditions were not designed to freeze highways entirely of snow and ice. It was considered sufficient if enough electrical heat was run through the pavement to enable plows and scrapers to remove snow without leaving an ice layer on the road.

## Roy Moore Back in Jail

PORTLAND, Jan. 22 (AP)—Albert Leroy Moore, 58, who was released from prison two weeks ago by Ex-Governor John Hall, was arrested here today on a habitual criminal charge.

The complaint was signed by Linn County District Attorney Melvin Goode, who said Moore had been convicted of burglary four times.

State police had declared they were "shocked" by the ex-governor's action in releasing Moore. He had served 2 years of a 10-year prison term at the time.

The former governor attributed his action to Moore's ill health.

## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"I'm proud of this one—he was a bill collector—6 feet 2 and over 215 pounds."

# Carl Hogg of Salem Named Chairman of New Liquor Board

Appointment of Carl W. Hogg, Salem, W. A. Spangler, Klamath Falls, and Richard W. Reed, Eugene, as members of the Oregon liquor control commission was announced Saturday by Gov. Douglas McKay. Hogg, partner in the Hogg Brothers store here, was designated as chairman and will serve until Jan. 1, 1950. He replaces Dr. Orval Eaton, Astoria, who submitted his resignation to McKay following a ruling by Attorney General George Neuner against holding two lucrative offices. Eaton is mayor of Astoria.

The new chairman is 55 years old. He was born in Oregon City and attended public schools in that city. He is past president of Salem Chamber of Commerce, Salem Business and Professional Men's league, Salem Community chest. At present he is president of the 99 Highway association and first vice president of the Pacific Northwest Tourist association.

Spangler succeeds Harry D. Boivin, Klamath Falls, who resigned January 8. His term runs until Jan. 1, 1952. He is a member of the Klamath Lake Moulding company and the Palmerton Lumber company at Klamath Falls. Spangler represents the democratic party on the commission.

Reed will fill the vacancy left by Adm. Thomas L. Gatch, Portland, who resigned in order to devote full time to his law practice. Reed's term expires Jan. 1, 1954. He is a member of the board of directors of the Harrisburg Flax plant, Eugene Chamber of Commerce, president of the Oregon club and the Lane County Turkey Growers association.

Born at Paisley, Reed attended public schools in Eugene and the University of Oregon, where he played football in 1922, '23 and '24. He is Willamette Valley representative for a national insurance company. He operated a residence property construction business from 1925 to 1930 and then entered the insurance business. He engaged in dairying and farming at Coburg and Creswell from 1935 to 1947.

## Smuggling Ring Reported to Include GIs

FRANKFURT, Jan. 22 (AP)—Secret agents moved today against a massive smuggling ring reputed to include American service men and civilian employees.

The U. S. air force said the smugglers have done a "multi-million-dollar" business in precious metals, currency, precision instruments, ball bearings and other valuables.

Months of secret inquiry precluded the international crackdown by air force and army criminal investigation agents, and civil police of France, Italy and other countries.

Blazing gunfire Thursday night between U. S. troops and Czech guards on the border near Schirmdorf, Germany, apparently is connected with the crackdown. German police firing on a smuggler's truck as it sped to the border were shot at by the Czech border patrol. U. S. troops rushed to the scene and exchanged more shots with the Czechs. The case has been sent to high diplomatic levels to be threshed out.

## Meat Price Trend Down

PORTLAND, Jan. 22 (AP)—Several dealers predicted today that the current downward trend in meat prices would continue. Wholesale prices on good steer beef have dropped 16 per cent since early December. Retail prices haven't reflected all the decline—though some markets have reduced steaks 20 cents a pound, and pot roasts even more. One chain announced a 10 cent a pound drop for next Monday.

Some dealers said the large number of cattle now being finished in feed lots would mean still more price decline during the next few months.

## Toothache Leads To Horse Thievery

GODERICH, Ont., Jan. 22 (AP)—Farmerhand Patrick Burns has learned two lessons—you shouldn't try to remove an aching tooth with pliers and it's a mistake to sell your boss's horse.

It all started when Burns' tooth broke as his employer tried to pull it with pliers. Burns then borrowed the farmer's horse and set out for the dentist. But he changed his mind, sold the animal, and went on a binge.

Today he was convicted of horse theft.

## Fountain of Lava Spouts in Crater

HILO, Hawaii, Jan. 22 (AP)—Frank Hjort, Chief Ranger of Hawaii National park, reported today that a lava fountain 500 feet high was spouting inside the summit crater of Mauna Loa.

His radio message from the crater's rim said another lava fountain also was active.

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## Lower Temperatures Forecast for Area

### 23rd Day Of Freeze In Salem

Oregon's weatherman stuck to his ice-lined rut Saturday and forecast new low temperatures for many areas of the state for early Sunday morning.

At Salem, the temperature was due to drop to near 15 degrees early Sunday with freezing fog thrown in for good measure.

With the continuation of sub-freezing temperatures, today is the 23rd consecutive day the thermometer has dropped to 32 or below. Not since December 31 when the mercury lowed at a "mild" 38 degrees has Salem been free of icy readings.

McNary field weathermen could count only two days since December 20 that the temperature had remained above the freezing mark.

Three runs and the head of a driving walking exercise Saturday despite sanded operations. Some snow flurries were forecast for Portland today.

Klamath Falls residents were having double trouble. Striking plumbers left many householders on their own to unfreeze water pipes. Many minor fires occurred as amateurs tried thawing pipes with blow torches. That city was due for five degree temperatures today.

A freak calm in the Portland airport district Saturday scored a near record low of 9 degrees at 8 a. m., when it was 24 degrees in down-town Portland.

The Marion county court reminded Saturday that the order banning all large trucks from county roads would remain in effect until the danger of damage to the routes is over.

Continued cold kept area logging and lumber operations at a standstill and the Salem employment office reported unemployment at a record peak.

Motorists were warned Saturday in the state highway engineer's report to drive carefully over the week end. Chains were required for travel in the Klamath Falls area.

Roadside snow in the Santiam Junction area reached 134 inches Saturday; Odell lake had 107 inches and Government Camp 110. Plows and sanders were operating in many parts of the state.

## 3,000 Americans May Cast Illegal Ballots in Israel

TEL AVIV, Israel, Jan. 22 (AP)—Perhaps as many as 3,000 United States citizens may vote illegally in Israel's first elections Tuesday, January 25. This is the estimate coming from opposing political camps tonight.

Close to 8,000 American citizens have been residents of Palestine for a long time. There also are American volunteers in the army of Israel.

Paid advertisements appeared in the Hebrew press this week under the name of James MacDonald, special representative of President Truman in the Jewish state, warning Americans that they could lose U. S. citizenship if they vote in the Israeli elections. That is American law.

But, other than this official warning, it is hard to see what action might be taken.

## Cold War Grows Icier as West Europe Defense Line Drawn

By Alex H. Singleton LONDON, Jan. 22 (AP)—The cold war between Russia and the western powers grew icier today, with both sides apparently bent on building up their defenses.

In London, responsible diplomatic sources said the five-nation Eastern European alliance has agreed on a common defense line stretching from the Dutch sea-coast to the Swiss mountains.

From one after another of Russia's satellite states came reports the rulers of communist eastern Europe are tightening their anti-capitalistic front, even amid apparent hints of a communist "peace offensive."

## 3 Washington U. Professors Fired In Dispute over Communist Activity

### Student Leader Warns Against Reds at OSC

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 22 (AP)—The president of the Oregon State college associated students charged today that "there are certain people on this campus for the sole purpose of converting students to the cause of communism."

Tom House, Portland, said in a column published in the campus daily paper, Barometer, that "communism is a real factor on this campus."

His column discussed the protests of the Young Progressives of America against the policy and the conduct of the Barometer.

Communism Real Factor "Many people after attending the meeting of the pre-doomed student Barometer committee"—a committee created by the Young Progressives of America—"have come to the realization for the first time that communism is a real factor on this campus," House wrote in the column.

He declared that communist believers "appealing to the religious side, the workingman's side, or anything possible to gain an opening wedge, or break-through, through which they pour a saturated solution of high-powered cure-all that later is admitted to be communism."

Situation Recognized The college president, A. L. Strand, said he was glad to find student leaders interested in the question. "While we probably have less of this sort of activity than the average campus," he commented, "we undoubtedly have some, hence it is gratifying to see the responsible student leaders recognizing the situation and thus taking steps to guard against it."

"My chief concern is that a number of sincere, well-meaning students, some with admirable religious purposes in championing what they think are worthy causes, have been misled by the few active and persistent pro-Soviet advocates, and are thus used by the latter to their own detriment."

## Peiping Falls to Reds; Peace Envoys Chosen

NANKING, Jan. 22 (AP)—Peiping made its long - expected separate surrender deal with the communists tonight even at the rickety Chinese government sought a nationwide peace at almost any price.

Gen. Fu Tso-Yi's north China headquarters announced a ceasefire had ended the 40-day red siege of Peiping and that some units of Fu's 125,000-man army had already begun an agreed march out of the city.

A bipartisan liaison office is to manage civic affairs during an unspecified period until the communists can take charge.

Terms previously reported included removal of Fu's name from the communists' "war criminals" list.

Peiping Treated Gently The communists treated Peiping gingerly throughout the siege, declaring they did not want to destroy that intellectual and spiritual center of China. A more practical reason probably was that they wanted it intact for their capital.

No such consideration was shown towards Nanking. Despite the departure of President Chiang Kai-Shek — at least partly meeting one of their demands — the Reds gave no indication they would make concessions to the pleas of Chiang's political heirs.

(The Reds are in position militarily to enforce a flat surrender on their own terms. A communist broadcast heard in San Francisco said Chiang's retirement was an "all indications" were that Nanking "has no desire for genuine, democratic peace.")

Trying to End War With Chiang in reluctant retirement and all north China gone—except for Tsingtao and Yairun— the disintegrating national regime was trying frantically to end the civil war on some terms short of total surrender.

Acting President Li Tsung-Jen appointed a five - man delegation to try to negotiate with the communists, and his cohorts poured out a series of statements and telegrams.

All evidently were designed either to gain a settlement or — barring optimistic possibility — to damn the communists with the public for continuing the three-year war.

## 3 on Probation; Men at U. of W. For 20 Years

### GAR Commander 100 Today



Theodore A. Penland, left, is Oregon's oldest soldier and is celebrating his 100th birthday today. Penland, a veteran of the Civil war and commander-in-chief of the GAR, is shown when he came to Salem from his Portland home last week to be honored by the Oregon legislature. Above, he talks with Gov. Douglas McKay. (Statesman photo).

SEATTLE, Jan. 22 (AP)—The University of Washington board of regents dismissed three long-time professors today as the aftermath of a controversy over asserted present or former communist party membership.

The three dismissed were Associate Professor Joseph Butterworth, Associate Professor Ralph Gundlach and Assistant Professor Herbert J. Phillips.

The regents' order, far-reaching in importance in educational circles, was announced after an afternoon session.

Six accused professors, five of whom have served on the Washington faculty more than 20 years, were given an opportunity to appear.

The board of seven regents voted against the dismissal of Professor Harold L. Eby, Associate Professor Melville Jacobs and Assistant Professor Garland Ebel on the condition that they sign affidavits saying they are not new members of the communist party.

Another condition was that the three be placed on probation for two years.

The three dismissals will be effective February 1.

A faculty committee on tenure of academic freedom had recommended dismissal of only Gundlach.

The controversy became public last summer when the state legislature set up a committee on un-American activities (the Canwell committee) conducted hearing in Seattle. The committee questioned many witnesses, including the six professors.

As an outcome, the university raised formal charges against the six with the tenure committee. The committee held 33 secret hearings, and then made an 81-page report to President Allen. The decision was then made by the seven-man board of regents.

Teaches at Columbia Professor Phillips, who has taught summers at Columbia university in New York, has been on the Washington faculty since 1920.

Professor Eby has been a Washington faculty member since 1922, and Professor Gundlach and Ebel 22 years, and Butterworth 19 years.

Professors Eby, Ebel and Butterworth had been in the English department. Professor Phillips' field was philosophy; Jacobs' anthropology and Gundlach psychology.

The charges against Phillips and Butterworth accused them of membership in the communist party. Gundlach also was accused of party membership and of neglecting his duties toward the university.

SEATTLE, Jan. 22 (AP)—Three University of Washington professors, dismissed on charges of former communist affiliation, tonight criticized the action of the board of regents as a blow to civil liberties.

"Cannot be Permitted" A joint statement issued by professors Herbert J. Phillips and Joseph Butterworth asserted the action "cannot and will not be permitted to stand."

In a separate statement, professor Ralph Gundlach declared his dismissal was due to the "guilt by association" doctrine. And he charged the regents "made a mistake that will seriously affect the reputation of the university."

The statement by Phillips and Butterworth said in part: "(The action) represents a most serious blow to academic freedom and traditional civil liberties. We have appealed to the American association of university professors. We also appeal to all people who support the traditional American way of life."

Gundlach's statement said "some persons who are opposed to these activities and views attack them, not by reason but by name calling. Dismissal of a faculty member on such grounds will undermine the standing of a university both among the teaching profession and the students."

Democrats Drop Plan to Screen Candidates PORTLAND, Jan. 22 (AP)—Nick Granet was reelected chairman of the Multnomah county democratic central committee last night by an overwhelming vote.

A proposal by Howard Morgan, state representative and chairman of the by-laws committee, that would have established a 15-man committee of candidates to screen primary candidates was rejected.

### Appointed



Carl Hogg, manager of the Hogg Brothers store in Salem, was named chairman of the Oregon Liquor Control commission Saturday by Gov. Douglas McKay. He succeeds Dr. Orval Eaton, who has resigned.

### Mass Arrests Hold Czech 'Spy Suspects'

PRAGUE, Jan. 22 (AP)—New mass arrests of persons accused of plotting against Czechoslovakia's communist government were revealed today, with 60 reported held in Bratislava on charges of spying for U. S. intelligence services.

Three nuns and the head of a Franciscan monastery were listed among the 60, along with various Slovak business and professional men.

The arrest of the four church figures came after signs had developed of a slackening of the feud between the government and the Roman Catholic church. The press and radio, both controlled by the government, dropped their campaign against the church this week.

Gen. Josef Kuttivasser and a number of other army officers and civilians were arrested early this month on charges of preparing a Putsch.

Persons who have seen the exercise yard at the Panrac prison say at least 16 generals and 300 other officers are in the circle lineup during walking exercise periods.

Large Roundup The roundup at Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, was one of the largest in a series of continuing arrests throughout the country which, by official figures, would indicate that a high proportion of the people spend much of their time trying to overthrow the government.

There has not been, however, an official statement promised last Monday on the arrest of Gen. Kuttivasser and the others. The general, one of those in Pankrac prison since the Prague uprising in 1945 that ousted German troops. Identity of other high officers held was veiled in official silence "for security reasons."

### SP Walkout Slated Jan. 31

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22 (AP)—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers today called a strike on the Pacific division of the Southern Pacific railroad for 6 a. m. January 31 but there would be at least be delayed.

The strike would affect 3,500 engineers on the railroad's lines between Ogden, Utah, Portland, Ore., and Tucumcari, N.M. At issue is a union demand for a second engineer on multiple diesel locomotives.

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### Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	37	23	90
Portland	37	23	90
San Francisco	49	38	27
Chicago	49	38	27
New York	49	38	27
Willamette river	-8	of a foot.	

SALEM PRECIPITATION (Sept. 1 to Jan. 23)  
This Year 22.05 Last Year 23.23 Average 21.02