

Rain Returns to Salem



Salem's streets looked "back to normal" Thursday with rain running down the gutters and umbrella-clad Salem residents hurrying to shelter like the two pictured above at the corner of State and Liberty streets. (Statesman photo.)

Churchill Warned FDR Fleet Might Fall into German Hands

NEW YORK, Feb. 3-(AP)—Winston Churchill warned President Roosevelt the British fleet might fall into German hands if Britain "was left by the United States to its fate," Churchill's war memoirs revealed today.

Publication of the second volume of Churchill's memoirs, "Their Finest Hour," was begun today by Life magazine. The New York Times also is serializing the memoirs.

The former prime minister tells of a personal message he sent to Roosevelt, at a dark hour of the war in 1940 when the Germans were invading the low countries and France.

The message said Churchill's cabinet, just installed in office, never would surrender but added: "If members of the present administration were finished and others came in to parley amid the ruins, you must not be blind to the fact that the sole remaining bargaining counter with Germany would be the fleet, and, if this country was left by the United States in its fate, no one would have the right to blame those then responsible if they made the best terms they could for the surviving inhabitants. Excuse me, Mr. President, putting this nightmare bluntly."

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Girl Confesses To Implication In Arson Case

A 16-year-old "girl friend" of Willard Henry Hedrick admitted Thursday that she was with Hedrick when he set the candle in the cabinet at his 1345 State st. jewelry store and later set the shop ablaze.

Hedrick, held in the county jail on \$2,500 bail and charged with arson, was to appear in district court Friday to enter plea. Police expected the self-confessed arsonist to waive preliminary hearing and plead guilty to the charge.

The girl, who Hedrick befriended at Monmouth several months ago, told juvenile authorities and city police detectives in a signed confession that she saw Hedrick place the candle in the cabinet with cans of cleaning solvent, and then accompanied him to Portland.

Pending possible charges, the young girl is being held in the juvenile ward of the county court. Hedrick was held Tuesday after a fire destroyed the interior of a fire street store. He admitted in a signed confession that he had set the blaze to collect \$4,000 insurance when he found he was unable to meet a payment on the store.

Cushing Wins Speech Contest

Stearns Cushing, jr., speaking of the topic "Dropped Torch," won top honors and the right to represent Capitol Toastmasters at the area contest at a speech test at the Gold Arrow restaurant Thursday night.

With the honor, Cushing was awarded the trophy in the club's annual speech contest. He, with George Moorhead of Salem Toastmasters, will represent the Salem clubs at the area competition in Corvallis, March 12.

Other finalists in the contest Thursday night were Elmer Amundson, E. A. Bradford, Dewey Davis, Robert Fortner, and William Taw.

Presses Still Roll, Portland

PORTLAND, Feb. 3-(AP)—The presses of the two metropolitan newspapers here continued rolling today, despite the expiration of a strike deadline at 9:30 o'clock last night.

Press crews, who have deadlocked with management over wage demands, reported to work at both the Journal and the Oregonian today at the direction of the union's committee. A meeting of the publishers and the union was set for 1:30 tomorrow afternoon.

Ray Summers, vice president of the AFL Web Pressmen's union and chairman of the scale committee, said the men would continue to work "until further notice."

Youthful Hit-Run Motorists Take Victim to Doctor

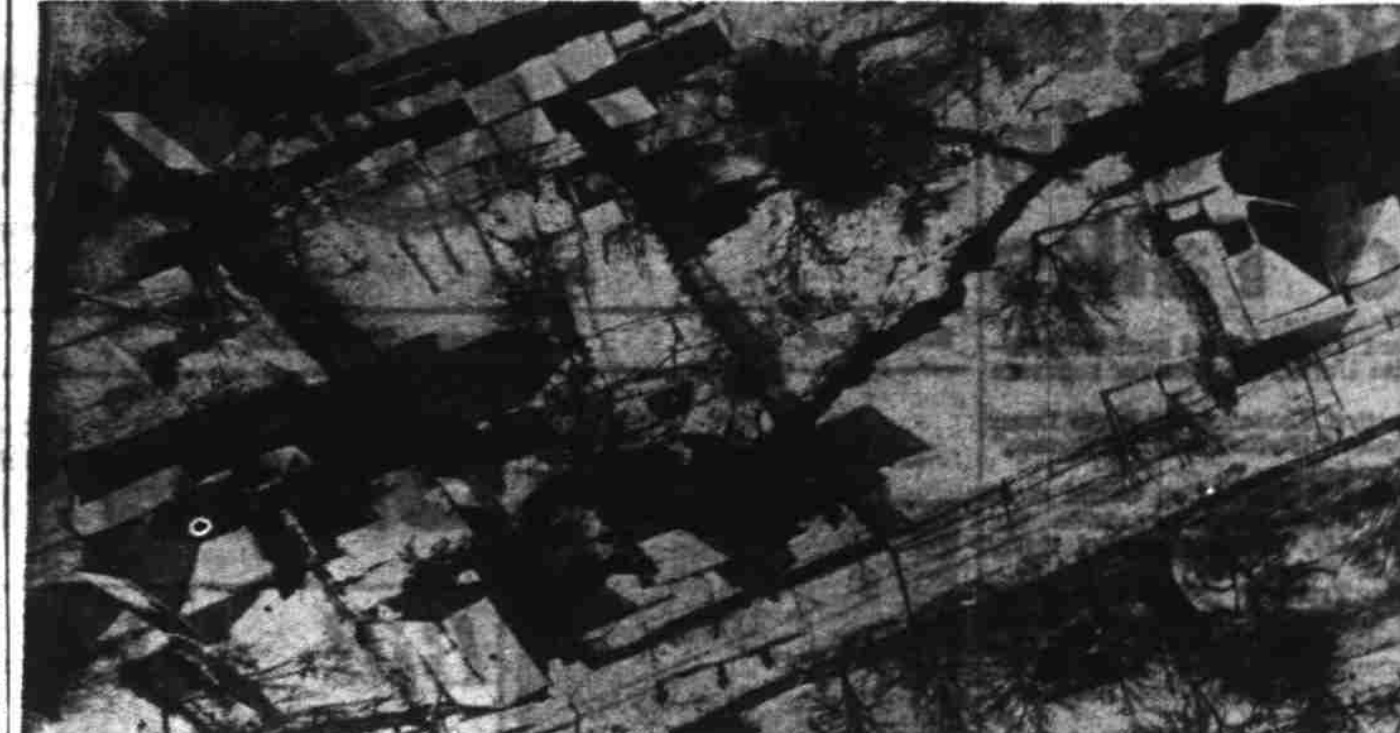
Police were hunting for two youths who were in the car which struck Joe Brown, 944 N. Commercial st. at the intersection of Center and Capitol streets Thursday afternoon.

The pair took the injured man to a doctor and then skipped on the pretense of going after identification, city police reported.

Brown suffered a leg injury in the accident which occurred as he stepped on the curb at the northeast corner of the intersection about 2:50 p.m.

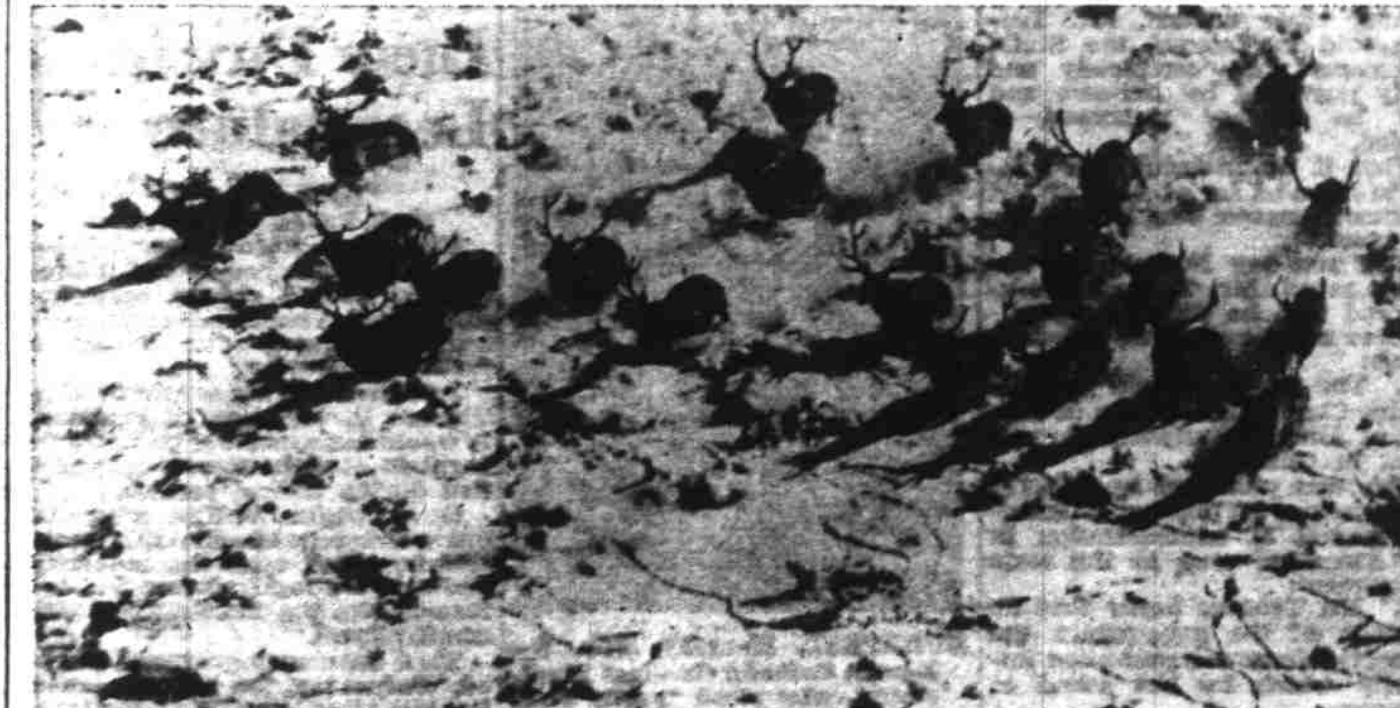
The car was driven east on Center street and had made the turn onto Capitol when it struck him, Brown reported. He told police that both men were young—about 20-22 years old. He could not recall the make of the car.

Ground Breaks into Pennsylvania Mine



CARBONDALE, Pa., Feb. 3—The irregular black line running under houses shows depth to which ground in the coal mining town of Carbondale, Pa., dropped into an idle anthracite mine. Fourteen homes were damaged and 60 persons were made homeless. The earth sagged as much as 40 feet in some places. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Elk Dinner Call in Colorado Area



DENVER, Colo., Feb. 2—This herd of elk, all bulls, plunges through deep snow in flight from a C-47 air force plane which had just dropped hay from a height of about 125 feet over the Corral Creek area about 100 miles west of Denver, Colo. The feeding project was carried out by the Colorado game and fish department to halt the elk forays upon rancher's precious haystacks in the valleys. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

AFL Offers to Compromise On Labor Law

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 3-(AP)—The AFL leadership today outlined an area of possible compromise for use in case the administration labor law plan hits a snag in congress.

William Green, the federation's president, said he felt sure the AFL will have "no serious objections" to continuing three Taft-Hartley law provisions now proposed to be repealed by the administration bill.

These three are the requirements for non-communist affidavits from union leaders, for filing union financial reports, and guaranteeing employers "free speech" rights in relations with employees.

Green told reporters the AFL's executive council, in mid-winter meeting here, was generally satisfied with the administration plan to repeal the Taft-Hartley act and restore the new deal's Wagner act with a few changes.

One thing the AFL wants, Green said, is specific legislative language to permit craft workers to set up separate union bargaining units in plants now considered as single bargaining units.

And he said the council here is studying the administration's bill provisions respecting secondary boycotts and jurisdictional disputes to determine if the federation wants more specific wording.

Otherwise, Green said "there seems to be a sympathetic reaction—a friendly reaction—to most of the sections offered as amendments to the Wagner act. Of course we are unanimously for repeal of the Taft-Hartley act."

But while the AFL may be willing to continue the non-communist affidavits, the CIO is not. CIO President Philip Murray is personally against keeping the requirement that union leaders must sign the communist disclaimers before their unions can get certain labor law privileges. So is John L. Lewis, head of the mine workers union.

Norway's Reds Denounced by High Official

OSLO, Norway, Feb. 3-(AP)—Foreign Minister Halvard Lange, discussing the possibility Norway will be invited to join a North Atlantic alliance, said today Norway alone will decide her answer.

Lange denounced Norwegian communists. He charged they have given Moscow erroneous information about Norway's politics.

Without referring to a recent Russian note asking clarification of Norway's attitude, Lange told parliament:

"When we take our stand, it cannot be decided for us by what other nations want us to do or not to do. The deciding element must be our estimation of what secures Norway's interests and best contributes to prevent war."

Lange said the breakdown last week end of talks on a Scandinavian defense pact means that Norway, Sweden and Denmark will have to solve security problems in the way each believes best serves her own purposes; Sweden sought an alliance based on neutrality. Norway favored affiliation to a wide security system, within the framework of the United Nations.

"With regard to Norway," Lange said, "the situation is that we have not yet received any invitation to join talks on an Atlantic alliance."

"The stand of the Norwegian government is that, before we can decide if we want such an invitation, we must make further investigation on the question. As soon as these investigations are concluded, the question of Norway joining in negotiations will be put before parliament."

Bobbie Burns Concert Set Saturday at Y

A wee bit of Scotland will be injected into Salem Saturday night in the Burns concert, honoring the 190th anniversary of poet Robert Burns, at the YMCA beginning at 8 p.m.

Charles H. Fowler will give introductory remarks and Claude Kells will act as master of ceremonies for the program. Selections are:

1. Bagpipe Selection—Duncan MacKenzie
2. Group Singing—Leader James Smart
- Accompanist—Miss Ruth Bedford
- Flow Gently Sweet Afton—Loch Lomond
3. Scotch Character—Songs—Donald Harris
- Accompanist—Miss Ruth Bedford
4. Duet—"Hunting Tower"—Willamette University Students
- Sharon Currier, Richard Taw
5. Address—"Burns"—J. J. Fitzsimons
6. Piano Selections—Mrs. Ruth Bedford
7. Highland Dance—Pupils of Prof. John Black
8. Duet—"The Crook and the Barber"—Willamette University Students
- Sharon Currier and Richard Taw
9. Scotch Character—Songs—Donald Harris
- Accompanist—Miss Ruth Bedford
10. Bagpipe Selections—Duncan MacKenzie
- International Melody—Auld Lang Syne

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New Adm.
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Ladies 50¢
Before 9 o'clock
GLENN WOODRY
& His
Orchestra
Come as "U" "R"

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dancing school
WELCOMES YOU
To our club dance
Friday at 9:30
NO CHARGE, of course
OLD TIME
and
FOLK DANCE
CLASSES
SOON TO BEGIN

Reserves to Sponsor Dance
Members of the naval, marine, Seabee and air reserves are sponsoring a box social-dance at the VFW hall February 9, it was announced Thursday.

Al Clark to Head Begonia Society
Al Clark was elected president of the newly organized Salem Branch of the American Begonia society in an organizational meeting at the YMCA Thursday night.

HOLLYWOOD
New Showing—Open 6:45
FOUR FACES
McCrea
WEST
Bickford
Second Big Feature
THUNDERHOOF

CAPITOL
Only a woman's weapons could keep her alive!
GREGORY PECK
Born to Rule!
ANNE BAXTER
Born to Love!
RICHARD WIDMARK
Born to kill!
YELLOW SKY
with Robert Arthur and John Russell
NEW TODAY!
A Great Combination of 2 Outstanding Hits!
WAS SHE EVIL? WAS SHE ANGEL?
DON'T MAKE UP YOUR MIND ABOUT HER UNTIL YOU SEE...
THE DECISION OF CHRISTOPHER BLAKE
WARNER BROS. PRESENTS
ALEXIS SMITH - ROBERT DOUGLAS
Produced by SAMUEL MACKENBACH
EXTRA!
Warner's Cartoon Sensation!
"PIGS IN A POLKA"
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Every Friday and Saturday Matinee!

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MGM's biggest song-filled, star-filled Technicolor spectacle!
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starring
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TOM DRAKE - CYD CHARISSE
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Based on the lives and music of
RICHARD RODGERS & LORENZ HART
22 HIT SONGS!
Including "This Can't Be Love"
"My Heart Stood Still" "Thou Swell"
"Lover" "Blue Moon" "Mimi"
...and many more!
Doors Open 6:45 Tonight
Continuous Shows Saturday and Sunday!
ADDED TREATS!
Technicolor Brevity "SONS OF LIBERTY"
Warner News

GRAND
Mat Daily From 1 P. M. • NOW SHOWING!
Divia de Havilland
the Snake Pit
Co-Hit! "Flame" the Dog "NIGHT WIND"
STATE
Opens 6:45 P. M. • NOW SHOWING!
SEAFARING ADVENTURE...
HARPOON
Co-Thriller! of 15 MEN AGAINST A SUNKEN SUB
SONS OF SUBMARINE
THIS IS NOT A WAR STORY!
LIBERTY
Now! Opens 6:45 P. M. • Walt Disney's **Fun and Fancy Free** COLOR BY TECHNICOLOR
Co-Hit! Bob Mitchell "NEVADA"
KARTOON KARNIVAL
Tomorrow At 12:30 with Reg. Show