debris today from scattered floods another's water system, and inundated many roads.

Damage has not been accurately calculated, but was expected to reach thousands of dollars in the Pendleton area alone.

High water isolated the town of Helix in Umatilla county, cutting off all the incoming roads. The neighboring towns of Athena, Heppner, and Milton were deep

taminated the entire water sup- tober, 1938. He also described humply of the town of Westport, and orous incidents from "Hellzapop-forced all schools there to close pin," "Angel Street," "Connecticut at Portland and Vancouver, but Broadway of "Goose and the Ganriver forecaster Elmer Fisher said der," which he wrote, directed and he did not expect it to pass flood acted in with Gloria Swanson and

The Oregon Coast highway was at the Heceta Head slide. A small flood inundated lower floors of three houses in a Klamath Falls suburb Tuesday, but the who attend only on opening nights.

families all moved back yesterday. Little damage occurred. **Farmers Union Hears Report**

Of Committees

Oregon State Farmers Union took the first step today toward demanding 100 per cent parity

Committee recommendations, to be acted upon by the convention tomorrow, called for an agricultural policy that would provide family farmers with a 100 pacent parity program.

"We indorse the principle of price supports," said the commitwill make it effective applicable tee, "and call for legislation which to family farmers of the nation."

The committee reports also urged payment of corporate excise and personal income tax revenues directly to the state's general The convention also heard the following committee proposals:

. 1. Expansion of aid for mainnance of "proper educational standards" in Oregon. The report declared that federal aid for elementary education is "overdue." 2. Increase of the share of highway revenues which go to local governmental units.

3. Increasing the state's share of contributions for old age pensions and welfare needs. The report contended that the state is approved a bill authorizing the in a better position than counties construction of a \$161,000,000 rato finance such relief. 4. Opposition to any modifica-

tion of Oregon's initiative and inv the armed services \$75,000,000 referendum laws.

Lowell Thomas And Son Plan Salem Lecture

Lowell Thomas, well-known traveller, lecturer and news commentator, and his son, Lowell Thomas, jr., will present a motion picture and lecture on world travels at Salem high school auditorium on March 8.

The program is sponsored by the Salem branch, American Association of University Women and is slated to start at 8:30 p.m. Proceeds are to go into the association's fellowship and international scholarship grants.

As the Thomases talk they will show a two-hour colored movie of films taken in travels by plane, camel, river craft and other modes of transportation in the far corners of the earth. Thomas, who is the author of

some 30 books, has been a news commentator since 1930. He also has been a teacher, newspaper man, war cameraman and explorer. He will make his regular daily broadcast from Salem.

Tickets for the high school program are now on sale at Wills Music store and also may be purchased from members of the university women association.

PHONE FIRM EARNINGS UP NEW YORK, Feb. 23 -(AP)- The ten billion dollar Bell Telephone system today reported net income of \$222,416,000 or \$9.86 a share in 1948, compared with \$7.66 a share in 1947.



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Actor Tells Club of Life in

By Jeryme English

Bringing an audience into the play is most important, according to Harold J. Kennedy, brilliant Oregon was scraping up the young playwright, actor and producer, who spoke before 280 memthat marooned one town, ruined bers of the Salem Knife and Fork club at the Marion hotel Wednesday night. An audience is brought into the play by actual participa- protest. tion ,implicity and realism, according to Mr. Kennedy. A play is successful only if the audience is working with the actors. A test of a good actor is not if he sheds real tears, but if his audience can,

states Mr. Kennedy. In his humorous talk Mr. Kennedy described the famous histoin silt. A bridge aproach over rical Orson Welles' broadcast "Mar-Butter creek on the Lexington- tian Invasion," in which the speak-Echo highway washed out. So did er was a member of the cast. It was an abutment on U. S. highway No. not until the broadcast was over 30, between Boardman and Stan- that the cast knew what a panic and disaster in New Jersey the In western Oregon, floods con- play unintentionally caused in Oc-The Columbia river was rising Yankee" and opening night on Conrad Nagel.

An actor on opening night, not reopened throughout its length, only has to have a solid set of despite a one-way traffic section nerves, but a commercial set, due to the severe audience, which is composed of critics, writers, edi-tors and a group of society folk, The worst, according to Mr. Kennedy, is to play the second night if the opening night review was not favorable. The speaker stated that 88 per cent of the plays only run from three days to a week in

Ann Gibbens and Dorothy Pederson, Salem high school students, played a group of piano duets. The next dinner meeting will be March 18 featuring Robert Low, lecturer,

Bill Provides Sanctuary for

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 - (AP) Aliens who help U. S. spies abroad would be granted a sanctuary in the United States under a bill unanimously approved by the house armer services committee today. The committee discussed the

measure in a secret session. The bill would permit the U.S. Central Intelligence agency to offer the protection of residence in this country to foreigners who may risk their lives in aiding American agents overseas. Up to 100 such would be permitted to enter the United States each year. without regard to immigration

Committee members said one aim of the bill is to attract renegade communists with important information about countries behind the soviet iron curtain.

Simultaneously, the committee dar warning screen along borders of the country and a measure givto establish a 3,000-mile range for testing vastly improved "robot"

VFW to Nominate Officers Tonight

Nomination of officers of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Meadowlark post, will take place at a meeting tonight in the home of Commander Gordon Bressler, 4235 Rivercrest dr. in Manbrin Garden area.

Election of officers will take place at the March 24 meeting. The auxiliary unit of the post also is planning a St. Patrick's Day dance for the night of Friday, March 18, in Mayflower hall, it was re-

2—The Statesman, Salem, Oregon, Thursday, February 24, 1949 U.S. Protests Arrest of 15 Theatre World Bulgar Pastors

The United States formally protested yesterday against communist Bulgaria's arrest of 15 Protestant churchmen as blatant terrorism and declared the spy charges against them were "unfounded and ludicrous." Bulgaria rejected the

Church organizations also condemned the Bulgarian move even as the Sofia regime built up its case for the trial Friday.

Dr. Giersbach

A 55-page booklet was issued in Sofia, containing purported depo-sitions of the 15, accused of trea-son, espionage and black market money dealings involving Britons and Americans.

"Religion happened to be a cloak for their criminal activities," said the booklet, printed in French and English. "The 15 men were caught red-handed."

The American note, delivered in Sofia by charge d'affaires Sidney E. Donoghue, said the U. S. government "reserves its rights under the treaty of peace with Bulgaria and requests that facilities be made available for representatives of the United States legationto attend the trial."

The "reserves its rights" phrase apparently referred to a treaty article under which Bulgaria guaranteed religious and other freedom to all peoples under her

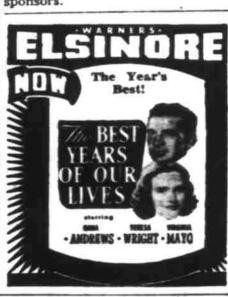
The answer on the request for permission for American observers to attend the trial is still awaited. Britain has been granted such permission. Hungary barred foreign observers at the trial of Cardinal Mindszenty.

House Said Ready to Pass **Pension Bill**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 - (AP) -House Republican Leader Martin (Mass) predicted Wednesday that the house will pass a veterans' pension bill. Democratic leaders appear ready to let members take vote on a bill by Rep. Rankin D-Miss) to give World war I and II veterans \$90 a month at age 65. Other activities in congress in-

subcommittee approved a government housing bill. It calls for a \$1,-500,000,000 slum clearance program and the building of 810,000 public housing units in six years. Senators Bricker (R-Ohio) and Cain (R-Wash) said they would try to amend it tomorrow.

Electoral - - Eleven senators threw their support behind a proposed constitutional amendment a seven-stall garage, and a rifle to change the way the U. S. elects range. its president. Their plan would divide each state's electoral votes among the various candidates in proportion to the number of popular votes each receives. Sen. Morse (R-Ore) was among the





Salem Hockey | Valley Men **Team Victors**

beat the Portland Black Hawks here last night by a score of 13 to 2. This win places the Salem Furance in the Ores team second in Eugene in the Oregon Hockey league. The two teams play again here March 9.

High scorers last night for Salem included Ralph Turner, 3; Doc Guyer, 3, and Ralph Erlandson and William Faminow, two each, and for Portland, Joe Lamnicki and Hugh Studer, one each. Salem Goal Guard Lynn Orton made 30 saves and Portland Guard Joe Howe, 47.

To Head State **Church Council**

PORTLAND, Feb. 23-(AP)-Dr. Walter Giersbach, president of Pa-cific university at Forest Grove, today was elected president of the Oregon Council of Churches at the conclusion of a three-day conven-

church women representing 16 denominations approved a series of Christian education, youth and parental service programs for the churches in some 30 communities. Delegates were told to shift the emphasis from group to personal counseling in the evangelical work. The council will consider

setting up a counseling service to help former convicts rehabilitate themselves. Other officers include: vice pre-sidents—Dr. Roben Maaski, La Grande; Ross J. Griffith, Eugene;
Ralph Walker, Portland; Bishop
Layne Barton, Bend; J. Boyd Parker, Portland; Mrs. Ralph Mort,
Portland; treasurer—Worth Caldwell, Portland; secretary-Ralph

Klein, Forest Grove. Mrs. Mort was reelected president of the Council of Church

Road Slides Plague County

nesday were battling road slides to keep roads in this county open to travel.

Two slides on the highway along the little north fork of the Santiam river, above and below Lumker's bridge, narrowed that road to oneway traffic. Other slides occurred along the mountainous Abiqua creek road and on the South River road have failed to close either

EUGENE ARMORY READY

\$175,000 armory here was being furnished today. Units of the marine corps, naval reserve, and searepresenting both major parties bee reserve, began moving into the armory which contains 48 rooms,

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Second Feature



The Salem Hornets' hockey team Selected in

TULELAKE, Calif., Feb. 23-(AP) Twenty-seven Oregon veterans, including several from the Willamette valley, were among 86 who won irrigated homesteads on the Klamath reclamation project in a drawing here today. The lands are located in the Malin and Coppock bay areas of northern

The first number drawn from the converted pickle jar used in the giant lottery was that of Vaclav Jacob Bursik, Roseburg. Oregon men included in the list of 86 who tentatively received

Earl Walter Parsons, 1971 N. Church st., Salem; Raymond R. Bibby, Salem route 7, box 288; Henry Kline, Independence route 2, box 152; Vincent Edward Jorgenson, Silverton route 1, box 373: Henry James Cowling, Sweet Home; Menno Jacob Wagler, Sheridan; Bert D. Mehlhoff, Carlton route 1; Eldon Todd, Sheridan; Norman Hall, Creswell. Some 750 pastors, laymen and

Carl Fredrick Edborg, Portland Leon B. Van Northwick, Cottage Grove; Eugene B. Bartlett, Myrtle Point; Elmer Earl Olson, Nyssa; Raymond William Pruitt, Roseburg; Charles Walter Davis, Klamath Falls; Wesley J. St. Peter, Roseburg: Gaylord R. Duval, Grants Pass; William W. Heater, Portland; William Ayres, Klamath Falls; Gale Jack Bradley, Bonanza; Lloyd William George, Ashland: Levant Holden, Tillamook, and Robert Isom, Harrisburg.

Sally Declares Love' for U.S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 -(AP)-Radio actress Mildred E. (Axis Sally) Gillars testified between sobs at her treason trial today that she scorned a German proposal to betray American secrets "even if it meant my death."

Miss Gillars acknowledged that the swore a wartime oath of al-Marion county road crews Wed- | legiance to Hitler's Germany, but declared that she always "loved" the United States.

Miss Gillars said she defied the Nazi Gestapo when a Major Denner, a German secret police official, asked her if she could tell him anything about the Wright airplane works in Darton, O. Bursting into tears, Miss Gillars told the jury she gave this reply

to Denner: "I want you to know that even though I work for the German radio, I would not-even if it meant my death-do against my country."

WAA Rejects All 4 Bids on **Fertilizer Plant**

Rejection of all four bids for the Salem fertilizer plant by the war assets administration was learned in Salem Wednesday by plant and chamber of commerce officials.

The WAA had received the bids recently after offering for sale the plant and equipment of the wartime alumina - from - clay experimental plant on Cherry avenue Clay Cochran, manager of Sa-

lem Chamber of Commerce, said WAA considered the bids too low but agreed to negotiate further with the bidders. Among bidders were Arch Metzger and J. O. Gallagher, officers of Columbia Metals Corp. which now has the plant under lease until June, and J. R. Simplot of Boise,

Cochran, who conferred with WAA officials while in Washington, D.C., last week, said he is confident the national security clause will be maintained, requiring that the plant be kept at this location for 20 years.

Cochran also said he had offered to WAA the assistance of the Salem chamber in finding a suitable purchaser for the plant if the negotiations with present bidders are unsuccessful. Cochran stressed the importance of the plant to this area because its present product, fertilizer, is much in demand by western agriculture.

MEASLES LEAD LIST

PORTLAND, Feb. 23 - (AP) Measles continued to lead the list of communicable diseases in Oregon last week, the state board of health reported today. There were 522 cases in the state. A year ago at this time, there were only 27.



Last Electricity however, there is no immediate guarantee against possible future electricity shortages. **Curb Dropped**

vation measures in effect since severe weather led to a regional electric power shortage was dropped Wednesday when power companies announced the power crisis has passed.

Fred G. Starrett, division-manager for Portland General Electric Co. here, said normal use of electricity for all purposes could be resumed. In recent weeks PGE has asked only that conservation be practiced between 5 and p.m. daily.

Starrett said his company is grateful for the widespread public cooperation in power savings during th emergency. He pointed out,

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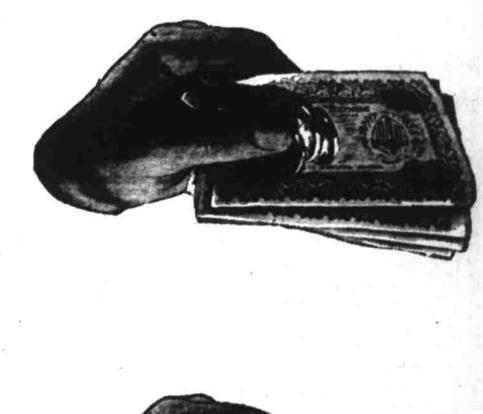
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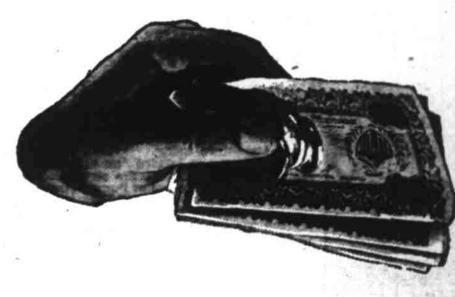
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