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#### New Danger, New Hope

American isolationism is dead and American diplomacy has arrived at the plain-talking stage. A territorial deadline for Kremlin control is in the making and the world's two armed camps will know exactly where they stand. The North Atlantic pact, for which there is no precedent in world history, has been unfolded in grim but necessarily-indefinite detail. There now is no retreat. The United States of America becomes a part of the United States of the Northern Democratic World. And the United Nations finds its own proud hopes confused and waning.

The portent of the pact and of the words of Secretary of State Dean Acheson are as overwhelming as they were inescapable. They put an end to the old dream of a Russian-dominated United States of Europe so long as the Kremlin lives. There is no avoiding the conclusion that for all practical military purposes, providing the pact achieves complete ratification, France, Britain, Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxemburg and Norway are almost as integral a part of America as Oregon.

Acheson spoke momentous words when he said the control of Europe by "a single, aggressively unfriendly power" would be "intolerable," and few will dispute their accuracy. Such thoughts have been in many minds for years, growing in strength as Russia has grown in surliness, and now the step to implement the thought is being taken.

The details of the North Atlantic pact, of course, still are subject to amendment, to bitter attack, to prolonged debate and even to rejection! Acheson's interpretation that an internal prising of communists in any participating country would be cause for united action under the pact certainly will bring warm argument. But regardless of bickering over details, an irrevocable step has been taken.

There still is no glow of light in the world's future, and there no longer is imminent hope of One World. But to those who see only danger in the step now proposed, we can only ask what danger that we didn't already face? The cards have been face down long enough. Twice within the century we have had to do that to which the new pact would commit us. We might as well know, and have the world know, just where we stand. But we must also have full right of judging where, when, to what extent we are rightfully committed.

#### No Picnic from Any Angle

By Ralph Watson

The way the alcoholic control

house are rigging the revenues which counties

and cities are to receive out of the fees and fines of the liq-uor control

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Marion county an increase of

\$2,129 above

the amounts water Water

received under the present law.

tee has its way, these totals will be still further boosted, for the amounts given were based on

the license schedules in house 390 as it passed the house.

In 1948 Marion county was en-titled to \$858 and Salem to \$1,992. Under the bill as it pass-

ed the house these amounts were increased to \$2,988 for Marion's share and to \$6,690 due to Salem.

under the terms of the proposed revision in HB 390 as it went to the senate Multnomah's cut was increased to \$13,353 and Portland's to \$91,927. Now the senate committee is listening to the pleadings of the county judges and the league of cities lobbies and is considering a boost in the scale of just about double.

tnomah county in 1948 had \$4,783 coming while Portland had \$28,439 to its credit account.

In fact, if the senate commit-

Sometimes we hear complaints because the news of certain proposed legislation is told time and again until its exact status is lost. The complaints are just, but the cure escapes us.

For instance, let's suppose someone suggests a \$100 tax on everyone over six feet tall. The suggestion is a story in itself. And here are the steps which would bring other stories:

A bill calling for the tax is introduced in the home; next day it is referred to a committee; next week the committee fails to agree, one faction recommending the bill passes (maybe most of the committee are short) and the other recemmending do-not-pass; the bill comes to the

floor for argument but a flaw is found and it is sent back to committee; then it comes to the floor again and someone moves that it be given to another committee; finally it actually comes up for debate and the house adopts the committee report favoring it.

Then when finally passed, it goes to the senate; a senate committee gets it; the committee amends it to call for a \$75 tax; the senate defeats the bill; then someone moves for reconsideration; ultimately the bill passes; but then the house declines to accept the \$25 amendment and a conference committee is appointed; they might agree on \$87.50 and both the senate and house approve the compromise; but the governor vetoes it. Then, if its sponsors are persistent, the bill might be brought back to start all over again in an effort to win a two-thirds legislative majority for it so that it becomes effective Valve despite the governor's veto.

This could just about go on forever, but maybe it gives at least a slight idea as to how confused, repetitious and cumbersome a simple news story could get on just one issue - and there are hundreds. No, covering the legislature is no picnic, nor is reading about it. But neither is being in it, for that matter, contrary to some

The Silverton chamber of commerce is doing a good job carrying its quest for industries throughout the state. Its message received a fine reception in Portland, and something good should result. Silverton shares with several other smaller valley towns a fine potential for new businesses. Its attributes are legion and its claims just. Silverton has enjoyed a healthy growth. If it now feels it needs still further industry to nourish and sustain that development, certainly no one will refuse it a helping hand.

Oregon is getting to a point where it seems almost as important to determine what shall be done with its tax funds as it is how to raise

China has a new premier, Gen. Ho Ying-Chin.

#### Editorial Comment

From Our Contemporaries . . . THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK, 'DOC'

The resignation of M. D. Woolley as superintendent of the state boys' school to become secretary of the Harney county chamber of commerce will be a distinct loss to the Woodburn community. Despite a heavy load of responsibilities at the school, he found time to take a leading part in Woodburn affairs. Specifically he has served as chairman of the Silver Falls Boy Scout district and of the local community chest committee. He also took an active part in the development of the municipal recreation program and in the activities of service and fraternal clubs. His sincere interest in boys was largely respon-sible for the tremendous gains made at the school during his eight years as superintendent. Facilities have been increased, an adequate trained staff provided and a high standard of care, custody, treat-

ment and training of juvenile delinquents developed. "Doc's" efforts here and at the school have been appreciated by the people of this community. We're sorry to have him leave but we wish him well in his new venture.—(Woodburn Independent).

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an official of the California Den-

now are trying to concoct somesalt to prevent goiter. If they succeed we can have our candy and our teeth, too, which would be a popular scientific achieve-

Brushing teeth,-will that prewith a mixture of finely pow-dered salt and baking sods." But who will prepare and use such homely material? Besides, the mint-tinted dental pastes taste so much better.

## The Safety

Regarding Pensions, etc. To the Editor:

Permit me a few remarks in the Safety Valve column on several things that are front page news at present.

Some criticism of old age pension applicants has been made because they did not save for old age in their productive years. No doubt a little carelessness in some cases is true, but not in the majority, and adversity can soon eat up a life savings.

For one cause of lost savings let us look back to about the time the old folks were in their productive years, and the varlous pests such as earwigs, mosquitoes, stock and bond salesmen were running wild over the nation. The government, and the states, soon got busy and put a check on the earwigs and mosbond boys, in everything from grand jury. go on their merry way.

The average layman is not very wise in investments, and how many of us can say we never tried to help our financial Children to condition by investing in utility, industrial, or oil and gold mine stock? I had a relative Attend Clinics that tried to protect his old age

craek-proof laws, and against chicanery when they did invest.

The old age people that are helpless — on crutches, wheel chair or the bed, are the ones that need a good state home, for but few relatives can take them into their home and give them proper care and still do justice to their own family.

same plane as a loaf of bread, and the slogan "Staff of Life" applies to both. The working man can't live without his car, so let us not jack his taxes up out of reach on cars and gas. The present winter has put the highways and streets in such bad condition that by the time next legislature meets they will just about be back in 1948 con-

Pass the buck to the next leg-islature for buil ing new high-ways and finding the money to very materially strengthened; that the \$1,000 automobiles and the \$5,000 home exemptions may be worked over; that provision may be written into the law to make it more difficult for chil-

Wilson Miller.

#### Sgt. Walling Ends dren and close relatives, financially able to help support their parents, to turn the whole job over to the state. Sgt. Walling Ends Mechanics Course

M. Sgt. R. M. Walling of Salem group at Barksdale base, Louisi- tion, as speaker. ana—slated to become the air Elliott was educated at Oregon force's first jet bomb group. State college and University of

#### 'Army Reserve Unit Activated On Pay Status

Another army reserve unit in Salem, headquarters and headquarters company of the 318th replacement depot, has been actiof carbonated drinks in their groups will participate in sum-cafeterias.

Well, it's a big order to change
American habits, and we have a wide reputation for a "sweet Salem, was formed some time service inroughout Salem, Division Manager Fred G. Starrett said last week.

The city zoning commission has The dentist - scientists ago, but now is authorized 24 paid drills per year. These are on Wedthing to counteract this effect of nesday nights. Authorized strength Oregon Electric tracks extending sugar, just as iodine is added to sufficient officers and 30 enlisted men. to Jefferson street between Libfor assignment, but openings are present for enlisted men, according to Capt. Richard Reynolds, inspector-instructor for the re-

vent decay? Not necessarily, say the authorities. And as for dentrifices they have no virtue in trifices they have no virtue in 369th engineer boat and shore substations already operating in Salem, on Market, Howard, Bak-Due for summer training, with preventing caries. The American Dental association's council on dental therapeutics says that "cleansing dentrifices are essen- field artillery and third battalion tially scouring agents, and this of the 413th infantry regiment, function can be performed quite both with the 104th infantry disatisfactorily for most people vision, from July 31 to August

#### Suspended Jail Term Given to Check Passer

Four men appeared Saturday be-fore Marion County Circuit Judge George Duncan, and one of them was given a suspended six-month

county jail sentence.

Donald L. Lander, Scotts Mills, pleaded guilty to a charge of passing a bad \$25 check in Mt. Angel in February and was given the suspended sentence.

William H. Hedrick, who pleaded guilty to a charge of setting fire to his jewelry store on State street a month ago was continued to March 23 for sentencing.

Abel Jack Hall, Salem, pleaded guilty to a charge of non-support. imposition of sentence was suspended and he was placed on parole for three years with the stipulation that he support his family.
George Washington Durham, Hood River, charged with attempted burglary of a store at Fargo last December 18, was continued to March 25 for entry of plea. Both Hall and Durham were indicted quitoes but let the stock and recently by the Marion county

# Handicapped

by investing in a very prominent utility bonds — he died a poor man and had to have old age help.

It should be the duty of the large problems will be conducted in five schools this week. state to protect its population against wildcat investments with crack-proof laws, and against superintendent, announced Satur-

The clinic is sponsored by the county education department, as-sisted by the division of special education of the state education department.

They will be at Woodburn school Monday, Stayton Tuesday, Turner Wednesday, Keizer Thurs-Science and evolution have placed the automobile on the same plane as a loaf of bread, and the slogan "Staff of Life" applies to both. The working vision and 22 with learning prob-

Staff of the clinic, which is the outcome of a county teachers workshop on special education last fall, includes Walter E. Snyder, director, and Verna Hogg, Dora Crouter, John Taylor and Thelma Sherman, all of the state division, and Mrs. Vivian Hoenig and Mrs. Marguerite Burtan, county supervisors.

#### C of C to Hear FHA Official

"Economy Housing, a Respon-sibility of Private Business" will M. Sgt. R. M. Walling of Salem be the topic at Monday noon's recently completed a B-45 jet mechanics course at Muroc air force forum luncheon, with Verne Ellibase in California and returned to ott, assistant state director for duty with the 47th bombardment the federal housing administra-

Walling, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oregon, was in the real estate business and practiced law prior to World War II, served in the squadron. He spent 33 months and business and practiced law prior to World War II, served in the squadron. State college and University of overseas as a B-17 crew chief in position since December, 1946. His office is in Portland.

#### around that the provisions for Mondayy promises to be a big a "prior lien" on real property Literary Guidepost

By W. G. Rogers THE GIRL ON THE VIA FLA-MINIA, by Alfred Hayes (Har-per; \$2.50)

Plan Boosts Local Liquor Fund Share

guess is that the master locker privilege will be confined to

private non-profit clubs, such as fraternal, veterans and social

clubs, as was the case prior to their interdiction,

In the ways and means com-

mittee social security and its financing is a major headache. From what can be learned it is a fair assumption that the bills covering the subject of old age assistance and social welfare generally, and the financing of that magazine will differ years.

that program, will differ very materially both in tenor and ef-

fect from the measures which have been sent up from the

There is a rumor running

It was in Rome. The war, though not yet over, had swept past the ancient capital six months before. The Germans had fled, the Americans had paraded in as liberators and, it seemed at last, they had settled down as conquerors whose slogan was: To the victors belong the spoils.

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The spoils included the freedom of the city, black market profits and, above all, girls. That was all right with Nina, who thought a man was handsome, and would bet he was reasonably rich, if he wore shoulder insignia. It wasn't an impossible situation to Mamma Adele, who made a select bar out of her living room. Her husband Ugo was distressed by it, her son Antonio angered.

lobbies and is considering a boost in the scale of just about double what it cost the licensees of the commission to do business in 1948. The cites and counties are to receive, each, 60 per cent of the fees paid within their respective boundaries.

Monday may see something happen in the liquor commission and social security sectors of the legislative agends. The liquor commission bills are in the senate liquor committee which is being more or less be-Antonio angered. One American soldier, Robwhich is being more or less be-sieged by representatives of the night clubs who want to be counted in on the "master lockert, was a bit more fastidious than his comrades, or perhaps he should be called more timid, or more honest. Girls on street amendment contained in corners were anybody's girls; he wanted his own private prop-

erty behind a closed door. He was not interested in romance, but in a practical give-and-take arrangement; here are my choc-olate bars, my powdered soup, the cake my mother sent me, and frequent outings in the country, and I'll swap, he says,

Then, finally, it has to be determined where to get the money, whether to leave the

financing to liquor revenues, plus appropriations to cover deficiency needs, to dump the entire burden onto the general fund through direct appropriation, or

for you.

Lisa desperately needs the chocolate and the soup, but unlike many of her Italian friends, she is reluctant to regard her person as merely a forfeit for her country's defeat. She is as impractical as her American lover is practical; she can add two and two but they don't add up to love, and out of Robert's give-and-take proposition comes a very tense fictional pull-and-

Though it is perhaps more fictional than real, this novel is a serious and arresting treat-ment of a different aspect of the war. Peace brings more problems than can be settled at the peace table, and fraternization isn't bound to work just because it is permitted. Something bigger than Lisa and Robert awakens the reader's sympathy for them both.

#### Announcement . . .

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### Substation to **Better Salem** Power Service

A new north Salem substation now being planned by Portland an official of the California Den-tal association is trying to get the to reserve headquarters. It was General Electric would add ser-San Francisco schools to ban sale also announced that four local vice to that area's 11,000 volt circuits and improve capacity and service throughout Salem, Divi-

> been petitioned by PGE for a business zone establishment along change from present class I residential to the proposed class III-X restricted to substation use will be subject of a public hearing at city hall April 19.

north Salem station in one unit at present, with an additional unit to be added later. He said

Reizer stations. One is now under posed as an alternate to Norway construction at Miller and Fair- and Shipping streets as in the Starrett said plans are being prepared for building the new elsewhere.

Baldock report, then the project for PGE would have to be located elsewhere.

It's easier to shop for a home in the Oregon Statesman Want Ads that if highway development should reach the Highland avenue where a wide selection is availand Oregon Electric route as pro- able.

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