EUGENE, Jan. 7-(P)-State Grange Overseer Elmer McClure of Milwaukie carried off a majority of the ballots counted today in an Oregon Grange primary election in which he and veteran Master Morton Tompkins eliminated Victor Boehl of Grants Pass.

McClure and Tompkins, who is seeking reelection for a fifth twoyear term, will contend for the state grange leadership in an April

Tompkins administration, particularly on the Columbia valley administration proposals. McClure and Tompkins were generally in

accord on all major issues.

McClure polled 3,083 votes in U. N. Assembly the balloting today to hold a 399 lead over Tompkins, 2,684 total. Boehl drew 1,809.

Favors CVA Tompkins has favored the principles of the CVA and last summer was critical of the 1949 legislative votes of a list of state legislators he claimed should be purged if they sought reelection. Opposition to the Tompkins policies had crop-ped out at Pomona granges in Kla-math. Hood River and scattered southwest Oregon granges. Tompkins operates orchards near

Dayton.

In the primary balloting for state overseer, William G. Gowes posed by Clarence Carter, Union county, who had 1,957 in the primary. Walter Ebb, Wasco Pomona master, was eliminated. He drew Candidates Unopposed

Unopposed in the primary were Miss Berth Beck, Portland, for secretary, and Mrs. Beulah Moore, Abernathy grange of Oregon City, for lecturer.

Eliminated from the race for the three executive committee posts was Frank H. Wooten, a seventh

Ballots were counted here today by Miss Beck and Grange Masters Ralph Rogers of Lane county; Claude Sprague of Benton county and Robert W. Schmidt of Linn

Death Claims Portland Jail's · Prize Prisoner

PORTLAND, Jan. 7-(AP)- There was sorrow in the city jail today the jail's prize prisoner was

they just called him "Old Gus"—
mainder of his family later joined died at Christmas time, but they Ales and his father in Yugoslavia.
Where the committee progresses, and presumble the committee chairman analy Acheson himself, regard that at the University of Paris. He as a slow process, beset by political study in committee director, has started the initial study in committee initial study in co

address, had served 319 different sentences since 1933. Except once, all were for drunkenness. The exception was when he

drank a bit too much and accidentally carried off a small item from a downtown store. The judge gave him a double sentence.

That delighted Gus; he got an extra 30 days of free food and redding.

Made Him a Trusty

After the first few years of continual arrests, police made Old Gus a trusty and let him polish cars outside. He was a good trusty, too; he never drank while his sentence was underway.

But just as soon as the current sentence ran out, off went Gus for wine or beer, and gulloped down enough of it so that officers had to haul him right back to jail again. As a trusty, he made a few cents polishing cars. He didn't need much, of course, living in that nice warm jail; and some days he'd spend a whole day polishing just

Hunt Parking Spots
Other days he'd polish a private ear if the owner would give him a small tip. Only once did he really haul in the money: during a Navy day, when all the prowl cars left the police parking lot, and tourists were hunting parking

Gus quietly began renting space to the tourists in the police lot, at 25 cents a car. When police learned of his enterprise, Gus had pock-

finally caught up with him. Last was recalled to Belgrade and prospring, a liquor-caused infection set in; he was taken to a hospital. with the assignment of handling He died at Christmas at the Mult-nomah county poor farm. nomah county poor farm.

McClure had entered the campaign belatedly, in November, after Boehl declared his candidacy ter Boe

By Francis W. Carpenter LAKE SUCCESS,-(P)-A season-ed communist fighter, equally at home on a rugged battlefield or in the political arena, is ready to take on the whole cominform bloc or anyone else in the United Nations who might raise a voice against Ytigoslavia and Marshal Tito.

This battler is Dr. Ales Bebler, 42-year-old ex-partisan who came up through the Yugoslav ranks to become deputy minister for foreign affairs. He is Yugoslav delegate on the 11-nation U. N. security council, in spite of all that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky and the completory block of Gold Hill, now state grange shinsky and the cominform bloc deputy, drew 3,679. He will be opof the council.

Began Fighting Early Bebler started fighting at the age of 12 and there are no signs he will quit. Now that the wars are over and the conflict has turned to the council tables, he has become known as a man to be wary

of in argument. He tangled re-peatedly in the Paris assembly with Paul Henri Spaak, then pre-mier and foreign minister of Belgium and chairman of the assembly's political committee, and he has been known to exhaust the patience of other chairmen of U. N. committees.

But Bebler now is a changed man, as far as the U. N. observers can see. At the 1949 session, he had little to say from the rostrum. Yugoslavia had closed her border with Greece and the Balkans that the United States probably question was not so hot for him. will have to consider continuing He intervened only to state Yugoslavia's position when he felt it necessary Studied Law in Paris

Bebler was born in 1907 in Idrija, a Slovene town near Trieste. His father was a chemical engineer, who fell into the bad graces of the Italian authorities in 1918. The father fled to Yugoslavia suddenly and young Ales, then only 12, went across a heavily-guarded border looking for him. Guards attacked him but he made Old Gustav Erickson—at the jail it and found his father. The rethey just called him "Old Gus"— mainder of his family later joined

Old Gus, who'd been in the city ail so much he gave it as his home ddress, had served 319 different gressive movements in those days

the second five year plan. Fought in Spain. He went back to Yugoslavia for a while and then decided to take up arms in the Spanish Civil war against Franco. He became a captain in the Abraham Lincoln bri-

bade in 1936. time in a Yugoslav prison for his ing exports. part in it, being convicted by a gime then thought was a crime. could not find him after a four- lard Thorp, and of other departhour search. He had gone to an mental officers and divisions.

underground room through a hole Whether the problem will

underground room through a hole in a huge stove and a fire had been built in the stove. The police reasoned there could be no way for a man to get through the fire. When the police left, a benefactor put out the fire and called After the second world war he served for one month as minister

of finance of Slovenia, one of the six republics in the federal union of Yugoslavia. Then he went to Belgrade and became undersecretary of state for foreign affairs and then deputy foreign minister. He succeeds Joza Vilfan, who was permanent delegate here with the rank of ambassador. Vilfan moted to deputy foreign minister





Coburn L. Grabenhorst, real estate man, was named Salem Junior First Citizen for 1949 Saturday by a committee of local judges. He is shown in his uniform as commanding officer of the local navy reserve unit. The contest is sponsored by the Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce (Story

Acheson Given Hot Potato'

By John M. Hightower WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 -(P)-Secretary of State Acheson has given an urgent, top priority in the state department to development of a new line of attack on the world dollar shortage, it was learned today.

The conviction is spreading and other foreign assistance will Marshall plan in 1952.

Some officials now say privately cured. foreign asistance for an indefinite number of years. Eventually this give the committee suggestions for

reportedly would be to assure other nations of the dollars they need to buy American goods by further a tariff cutting, import expanding of the committee progresses.

Johnson Begins Study

gressive movements in those days
were so intense that he was forced
to flee Yugoslavia in 1932 as a
political emigre. He went to Moscow and worked for radio Moscow. Later he worked for a trade
union section in Moscow during
the second five wear plan

Anti-Red Line May Sag

Europe's newly won economic stability, they argue, may give way if its American dollar props are withdrawn completely; the line against communism may sag, and the American economy itself wob-After the Spanish war he served ble badly under the impact of fall-

court for what the Yugoslav re- problem are well advanced. In executive authority. Acheson's office it is now ranked He became a partisan when the second only to the China-Far East Germans attacked Yugoslavia in situation in urgency. It is a prin-1941. Here he had a narrow escape cipal task of the policy planning also. Fascist elements came to a chief, Paul Nitze; of the staff of home in which he was hiding but Economic Assistant Secretary Wil- ity, major functions performed by

> Whether the problem will be at issue in this congress is uncertain, though it may figure in administration testimony on Marshall plan third year funds. However, Acheson feels that of-

ficial estiamtes of the post-Marshall plan outlook must be completed and presented to the American people as soon as possible, be-cause within a year the questions involved will raise major congres-

sional issues Steps to widen the present attack on the problem are being considered. These may include a broad administration study, and creation of an advisory committee on business, labor and other leaders to make suggestions.

Los Angeles has been getting improved through changes in gen-water from the High Sierra Moun- eral state procedure. tains since 1907.

Increase Air Raid Tactics By Seymour Topping

HONG KONG, Jan. 7-(P)- The Chinese Nationalists reported increasing air raids and guerrilla operations today against the com-munists on the mainland.

The Nationalist defense ministry on Formosa announced its guerrillas had captured four county seat towns in the provinces Fukien, Kwangtung and Hunan, all in south and southeast China, recently overrun by the reds.

It also said Gen. Hu Tsung-Nan's remaining Nationalists were

fighting the reds southeast and

southwest of Chengtu, southwest

China city which was the last Nationalist capital on the mainland. Earlier the Nationalists claimed they had used air power to smash a second red attempt to invade Hainan island, just off the

(The communist radio in Peiping said nothing of current operations but declared the southwest China campaign was "fundamen-China campaign was "fundamen-tally concluded" December 27.

(The broadcast, heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press, said Gen. Liu Po-Cheng announced conclusion of the campaign at a rally in Chungking January 1. He was quoted as saying the Na-tionalists have only "several thousand men" left now in the far western province of Sikang and "some 30,000" in the southwest province of Yunnan.

Residents Face Flood Conditions

Residents in the area near Hollywood avenue and Silverton road, north of Salem, came into Marion county court Saturday with a complaint about flood conditions.

They said one of their neighsouth coast. Their account said bors had dammed a drainage they sank about 500 of a fleet of ditch leading from Hollywood junks that was moving slowly avenue causing backwaters to down the Liuchow peninsula and that the remainder fled. There was no way of determining the

Committees Named

and Phillip S. Hitchcock, Klamath

The committee is being assisted

Herman Kehrli, University of Ore-

Several meetings of the com-

mittee already have been held.

'Little Hoover Commission' **Asks Cooperation of State**

Cooperation of all state activi- much of this information should ties with the "Little Hoover commission" of the 1949 Oregon legislature is asked in letters just sent to all department heads by Committee Chairman Rudie Wilhelm report for the 1951 legislature.

The committee is studying functions of state government in an attempt to increase efficiency, eliminate duplication of service and reduce cost to taxpayers.

Wilhelm's letters ask for detailed information concerning all state among some of his top advisers activities, personnel, work loads that more billions for European and management facilities. Wilactivities, personnel, work loads and management facilities. Wil-helm said his committee would McColloch, Baker. be required after the end of the study this information together with other data which will be se-

Suggestions Asked In addition, bureau heads and key assistants have been asked to idea may take the form of an eliminating duplication and overadministration proposal to con-gress.

Emphasize Tariff Cuts

In take the form of an eliminating duplication and over-lapping and for improving the administration of their depart-ments. Such suggestions, Wilhelm said, will materially aid the com-Acheson's personal preference reportedly would be to assure other nations of the dollars they need provement. Wilhelm stressed that the committee would encourage opening up American markets for and utilize suggestions of state their products. It is likely that he government personnel as well as will throw his main emphasis on other interested groups as work

> services, nad costs and steps being taken in the federal government and in other state governments to institute better management practices and effect economies in operating costs.

Some 20 states are currently conducting similar studies, Wilhelm said.

The letter said one of the first needs of the committee will be a complète inventory of state department activities and organigations. This should be accompanied by notations for each activity as to source of funds used and whether the activity is authorized by con-State department studies of the stitutional provision, statute or by

Other Information Asked Other information sought in-

cludes: Organization charts showing lines of authority and responsibilch organizational unit, geograeach organizational unit, geogra-phic location of units, and the classifications and number of regular employes working in eahe unit. Estimated biennial budget allowance for each organizational unit for such employes.

Brief statement outlining which official or group of officials are responsible for policy determination and top management control in each department. If these responsibilities are divided different individuals, what is the division of responsibility and

Details Needed March 1 Suggestions regarding duplication of functions which may exist between each department and federal or local government units or with other state departments; and ways in which operating effectiveness of each department may be

eral state procedure.
Wilhelm emphasized

Medford Bldg., Medford

or whether the reds had attempted an actual invasion.

PORTLAND, Jan. 7 -(AP)- The democratic state central committee today adopted a pro-CVA platform modeled after President Truman's fair-deal program.

The platform calls for repeal of the Taft-Hartley act and of republican-sponsored anti-labor laws of 1947 in Oregon." It favors aid to small business, urges expansion of the social security program and extension of unemployment insurance to all industrial and mercantile workers. It also asks equal educational

opportunities for Oregon children with the state government providing 50 per cent of the total cost of elementary and secondary education. A four-year training program for grade school teachers was asked with junior colleges established wherever need-

Reapportionment of the state legislature on the basis of population was advocated. Revision of the registration and voting pro-cedure also was urged. It was charged that the procedure has been made difficult by republi-

Men Sighted by Search Plane

EDMONTON, Alta., Jan. 7 -(AP)-An RCAF plane seeking seven Members of the committee other men missing in the bleak and cold than representative Wilhelm are Senate President William Walsh, northwest territories reported to-Coos Bay; Speaker of the House Frank J. Vandyke, Medford; Sennight it had sighted a party of

ators Angus Gibson, Junction City, The group spotted have not been identified but are believed to be Falls, and Representatives Paul those missing. The number sighted was not disclosed.

The seven have been overdue several weeks in reporting to their by an advisory group which inbase. They are members of a salcludes Prof. Freeman Holmer, vage crew along the abandoned Canol pipe line.

The RCAF plane reported it was Willamette university; Dean Eldon

Johnson, University of Oregon; returning to Teslin, Yukon, from where it was dispatched to make gon; Prof. Charles McKinley, Reed the search. Much of the coal found in the

Durango, Colo., area is of coking

Million Back Federal Taxes Piled Up by County Businesses

ty Recorder Herman Lanke.

struction enterprises and others.

The largest delinquency, amount-ing to about \$104,000, is credited

to a logging outfit. A great many on the list are in the logging and

lumbering business. Ore electrical

company is on the books for about

\$35,000 and so is a cannery for

Washing coal makes it of more uniform quality and higher heat

about \$3,000.

value.

A total of more than a half million dollars in delinquent federal income taxes, owed to Uncle Sam by Marion county business establishments, has piled up since 1925.

The delinquencies amount to \$511,057 and have been incurred mostly in the past several years. Not many stretch back 25 years—and they are small. Interest and penalties on the unpaid taxes amount to \$17,563.

These figures are found in the PROGRAM TO CONTINUE record of federal tax liens com-

SPOKANE, Jan. 7 -(A)- The piled in the office of Marion Coun- Great Northern Railway company's maintenance program for Some of the companies have 1950 will equal the \$34,000,000 folded and it is anyone's guess spent during 1949, President whether the government will col- Frank J. Gavin said in Spokane lect the back taxes. The list of today. nearly 300 firms which have fail-

ed to make their tax payments include logging, lumbering, manu-facturing, cafes, oil companies, service stations, canneries, con-

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