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"No Favor Sways Us, No Fear Shall Awe"  
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## More Power for Aluminum

Secretary of the Interior Chapman has approved an allocation of power to the Aluminum company for construction of a new alumina reducing plant in central Washington. The 120,000 kw would be available from the planned expansion of the Rock Island dam on the Columbia below Wenatchee. Bonneville Power administration has made contingent allocation of power for another alumina reduction plant in the northwest. This power would have to come from new generating plants.

The northwest is happy to have this industrial expansion but we are worried over the absorption of so much of our generating capacity by alumina plants. They furnish a minimum of jobs in respect to the quantities of power they consume. Light industry would employ more persons and the value of the product would be much greater. If our new power is to be sucked up for production of aluminum ingots most of which are shipped elsewhere for rolling and fabrication then the opportunities for light industry are restricted. We'll always be power hungry if with every new dam aluminum plants come in to contract for the firm power.

Henry Kaiser is taking his new aluminum plant to Louisiana where natural gas will be used for fuel for power. But electric energy is preferred and the sight of dams a-building in the northwest is the lure for metal reduction plants. What we need to do is to stimulate industries here which use aluminum and process it into the myriad of items that go into trade. That way we will get a second industry out of the power-aluminum combination.

## Religion of Communism

The conversion of communism into a veritable religious faith has frequently been noted. Seldom however has it been documented as neatly as in this sentence from the report of the CP central committee in Czechoslovakia justifying the purge now in progress there:

"We shall prove that there is a place in the party only for those who in the most holy manner love the Soviet Union, the Communist Party of Bolsheviks and Comrade Stalin."  
There it is: love "in the most holy manner." And note that the loyalty is not to Czechoslovakia nor to the communist party of that country, but exclusively to Russia, the party there and to Comrade Stalin. Anything else is heresy, punished in the way that heretics were punished long ago.

They are doing quite a job of it in Czechoslovakia, the country emerging from World War I which set up a successful economy and democratic form of government. Ex-Foreign Minister Vladimir Clementis is under arrest for being a deviationist and 169,544 persons have been dropped from CP rolls.

How much suppression will people stand before they revolt?

## Protection for Animals

The humane society people are interested in a series of bills HBs 258-261 to strengthen laws for protection of animals. They would make abandoning an animal or pet a misdemeanor; require permission of the state game commission for confining a wild animal on the roadside; ban leading an animal by motor vehicle; require persons to take appropriate care of an animal he has struck with his motor vehicle.

These measures do not attract great public attention yet they are important. When an animal is abused a torrent of protest is easily stirred up. We need adequate laws to protect our animals and the legislature should consider these measures carefully and sympathetically.

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## What Goes Up

Senator Rex Ellis said in a meeting of the senate highway committee he favored the bill authorizing issuance of bonds for highway purposes because inflation will make it possible to pay off the bonds with 50-cent dollars.

The senator may be wrong on his timing. What we would be borrowing are 50-cent dollars (in terms of 1940). And deflation might call for repayment with 100-cent dollars. The elevator of purchasing power of money runs in both directions.

Postal employes have long been noted for their integrity. Considering the vast volume of mail they handle their dereliction is infrequent. What cases do occur of dishonesty are usually individual and sporadic. Recently though from opposite sides of the continent have come reports of ganging up to defraud the government. In Boston employes were collecting wages for time not served by the simple device of having some working employe record the absentee's card on the time clock. This conspiracy involved a number of employes. And at Vancouver, Wash. 14 employes and ex-employes were arrested for conspiring to rent automobiles to the government at excessive costs. Evidently the money-grabbing instinct is getting the better of the traditional high level of honor among civil service employes. Perhaps the news about fur coats in Washington and the shower of government checks in the way of political pap encourages these lapses from honesty.

Senator Magnuson, Washington democrat, led the fight before a house appropriations committee against linking the Columbia river power system with California. Representative Holmes, republican, from Washington and several citizens from that state joined in the protest. Two represented the state Columbia basin commission and one the Washington PUDs. They claim the northwest has no surplus power for export and that there would be a 30 per cent loss in transmission. This is about the first time that the public ownership crowd in Washington has crossed with the public ownership crowd in the interior department which is pushing for the tie-line.

Russia has announced another price cut in commodities, and contrasts this with fabulously rising prices in the USA. It is evidently true that Russia is making progress in building up its production of consumer goods, and that may be an indication that it is not planning on waging war. The Russian living standard was so low that the rulers had to move to satisfy the soldiers as they came home from the west where they had seen things in the shops in Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia—and traded for watches with the Yanks.

President Truman says the supply of coins in circulation is getting dangerously low. He should have added that the supply of currency is getting dangerously high.

The medium of exchange in Washington politics covers a wide range from deep freeze lockers to keep things cool to mink coats to keep the ladies warm.

## Foreign Policy Formulators Facing Nightmare Decision on Soviet Plan for Unified Germany

By Stewart Alsop  
WASHINGTON, March 2 — A nightmare is beginning to haunt those principally responsible for American foreign policy. For it is now about as certain as such things can be that the Kremlin will soon formally propose a German settlement based on the unity of a "neutralized" Germany, after the staged withdrawal of all occupation troops. And it is even possible that the Kremlin will add glittering window dressing, by ostensibly accepting the principle of a free, secret, un-supervised vote to elect a single all-German government.

This prospect has initiated a crucial, agonized debate in the inner circles of the state department and the Pentagon. For the objective of such an apparently reasonable Soviet offer would be to end western rearmament, split the western alliance, and thus knock the props right out from under American foreign policy.

The evidence is increasingly strong that the Soviets will produce some such proposal at the forthcoming foreign ministers' conference. This evidence takes various forms, such as dispatches from Moscow, passed by the Soviet censors, reporting that the Soviets are now eager for a German settlement on generous terms. But the most convincing evidence is provided by the course of the campaign for "unity and neutrality" waged within Germany by the East German communists.

At first, this campaign was based exclusively on the "Prague resolutions." The campaign made little headway, simply because the "Prague resolutions" are no more than a crude blueprint for the communist capture of all

Germany. But recently, East German Communist Chief Otto Grotewohl suddenly switched the line, more than hinting that the communists would welcome free, secret elections throughout Germany as a basis for forming a united government.

Grotewohl acted, of course, on specific instructions from the Kremlin. And Grotewohl's line thus almost certainly foreshadows the Kremlin's line at the foreign ministers' meeting. Almost no informed official believes that a Soviet offer of a German settlement on such terms would be genuine. The reasons are obvious.

A genuine German settlement would also involve a genuine Austrian settlement. This would mean a Soviet guarantee to withdraw the Red army from all the satellites—and the satellites are more restive than ever before. It would mean the loss to Russia of the vital Erzgebirge uranium mines in East Germany. A really secret vote would mean an overwhelming defeat of the East German communist regime, and a deadly blow at Soviet world prestige. Finally, it would mean a pro-western, or at least strongly anti-communist, all-German government, and however "neutralized" Germany might be, it is almost unimaginable that the Kremlin would accept such a risk.

For these reasons and others, it is believed that any Soviet proposal for a German settlement will be essentially a fake, a tempting trap for the unwary west. Yet even a fake proposal, cleverly camouflaged, could have disastrous consequences. American policy is now squarely based on the assumption that a true balance of power can only be achieved, and peace maintained, if western Europe is rendered defensible.

The Pentagon is convinced that a true balance of power can never be defended without German participation. A German settlement providing for withdrawal of all oc-

cupation troops and the permanent demilitarization of Germany would, it is feared, cause the western European defense effort, now just getting under way under Gen. Eisenhower's leadership, to crumble into nothingness. Yet even if the Kremlin only seemed ready to offer a reasonable settlement involving the withdrawal of the Red army to the Russian frontiers, the offer would be almost unbearably tempting to the Germans, the French, the British, and even to many Americans. It might throw the whole western alliance into an uproar of bitter mutual recrimination, causing the alliance to fall apart.

This is why the internal debate now going on is so vitally important. One school of thought, particularly in the Pentagon, believes any German settlement at this time, on any terms, disastrous. This school would attempt to forestall the Kremlin with a prior American proposal for a German settlement, festooned with conditions which the Soviets would not conceivably accept. Yet any diplomatic device so obvious and so clumsy might itself split the allies, by convincing the Europeans that the United States was interested only in war.

Another, smaller school of thought believes that German rearmament should be used as a bargaining counter; that it is not wholly impossible that Soviet policy may actually have reached a turn in the "zig-zag" course prescribed by Lenin; and that we should be prepared to recognize this change of course, and to take maximum advantage of it. One thing is clear—and it is the reason why one of these reporters has now left for Germany. The world struggle is now moving into a new stage of crisis, which will almost certainly center around the country which Lenin called "the key to Europe."

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## Comes the Dawn

A touching note in the mail—"Dear CTD: Can you answer this \$64 question? Now that our city council has dug up enough to widen Mission street, so as to provide parking for a couple of hundred cars a dozen or so times a year, wonder how long it will take to find a few dollars to put a street thru Bush park and allow everyone to enjoy it. Particularly a few thousand of us who live southward between High and the railroad and must scramble thru heavy traffic on narrow streets several times a day to and from our homes?—E." ... Dear E: Search me.

Bennett Cerf, publisher, author, columnist and humorist may have confirmed some horrible suspicions lurking in the minds of his Salem audience Thursday night when he noted that (1) Walter Winchell is a blabbermouth, (2) Americans need a sense of humor, (3) Columnists are the curse of the nation, and (4) Bennett Cerf likes to talk.

If Bennett had talked much longer a good portion of his listeners would have come away blind — from peering at him through that peculiar lighting situation in Salem high school auditorium ... Because of his popularity as a lecturer the American Association of University Women had a hard time getting Cerf here.

Anent the recent complaint made to Salem city council regarding juvenile fag-fiends ... A former officer said that of all the teen-age kids he had picked up for smoking in Salem—almost half were inhaling with their parents' consent. A heavy percentage of these schoolboy pufflers were in the 12 to 14 age group, too. And, he said, he received far more burns from parents than from the kids he nabbed.

The decrease in passenger trade because of the Greyhound strike was felt at the Salem depot several days before the actual driver walkout. The very hint of a possible transportation strike is enough to cause a good many potential long-distance riders to stay home until it's all over or go by canoe.

## Better English

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "We have hopes of it succeeding."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "auxiliary"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Remediless, remittance, renaissance, remembrance.
4. What does the word "palladium" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with H that means "ancestral line"?

## GRIN AND BEAR IT



"What's more, I got influence at the City Hall! ... I'll have you transferred to a beat in the sticks ..."

## Skeptical Diplomacy New to U. S.

By J. M. Roberts, Jr.  
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The United States is putting unusual emphasis this time on its skepticism that any good can result from the forthcoming negotiations with Russia. Heretofore the state department, while giving off ample hints of its feelings, has endeavored into the four-power conferences relatively dead pan. Now it is made clear officially that the American delegation is going to Paris merely to see if Russia might possibly come up with something negotiable. There is an old saying that if you don't expect anything, then you won't get your specs broken.

The state department also has to consider the fact that, after every failure of one of these conferences to bring peace any nearer, there is always a renewed public demand to "get tough," and for a preventive war. Right now the diplomats prefer a period in which American military strength can have a chance to catch up with commitments before new ones are made.

Not that the western delegations to the preliminary conference which opens in Paris Monday, or the full-dress conference of foreign ministers which is expected to follow in Washington, will have no proposals. They want to talk about possible reduction of Russia's armed forces, about an end to the Russian provocations which have forced the west to divert, into armaments, the effort and resources which might otherwise have gone into continued post-war rehabilitation.

The Russians, meanwhile, are expected to shoot two arrows into the air. The main effort, of course, will be to hinder Western Germany's incorporation into the European defense program. The communists already have tipped their hand on this with demands for a German peace treaty uniting that nation as an unarmed neutral, with subsequent withdrawal of all occupation forces.

But Russia wants to do this by giving communist-controlled East Germany an equal voice with much larger Western Germany, and by pushing the allied armies back to France while her own would remain within 60 miles of Berlin.

However, the word "unity" is a magic one in Germany, and Russia will probably play it for all it's worth — although the Germans don't show many signs of being taken in.

## Majority of Hop Growers Sign Petition

By Lillie L. Madsen  
Farm Editor, The Statesman

Approximately three-fourths of the active hop growers in the Willamette valley have signed petitions protesting the restriction of the growers' diversion privilege to harvested hops, one of the amendments now being proposed to the hop marketing agreement order.

At one time eight petitions were being circulated, but for lack of time, sponsors report, not all hop farmers could be contacted. Since circulation many who did not have an opportunity to sign the petitions, have stated, the sponsors say, that they favored their text. The movement originated at a meeting in Silverton in late January and has spread to all sections of the valley. John Overlund is chairman of the group and Harvey Gehring is secretary. Both men are from Silverton.

Original copy of the petitions was sent to the secretary of agriculture in Washington, D. C. Copies were also sent to E. M. Graham, chief specialty crops, fruit and vegetable branch USDA, and to William J. Broadhead,

field representative to the USDA with the production and marketing administration in Portland. The order at the present permits any grower who has allowed all or part of his crop to remain unharvested, to acquire surplus hops from other growers for marketing within his salable allotment. In such cases the grower's own hops which are replaced must be effectively diverted from normal trade channels.

Another proposed amendment which is said designed to facilitate enforcement of the order, would require periodic reports to show the quantity of surplus hops held by growers and that all disposition of such hops be under the supervision of the control board.

A public hearing to consider these proposed amendments is scheduled for March 19 at the Multnomah hotel, Portland, Mr. Broadhead reports. He explains that the amendments to be considered were proposed by the Pacific Coast hop control board and are being supported by the United States Hop Growers association. Growers in Oregon, Washington, California and Idaho are affected by the hop marketing agreement.

## Final Rites For Woodburn Woman Set

WOODBURN, March 2 — Mrs. Jeanette Zimmerman, 62, resident of Woodburn for the past 50 years, died today at a Woodburn hospital. Mrs. Zimmerman came to this community from Michigan. She was born there Aug. 17, 1868. She was a member of the Methodist church and of Home Rebekah lodge 58 of Woodburn. Her husband, John Henry Zimmerman, died here in 1925.

Survivors include a son, F. Zimmerman of Portland; sisters, Mrs. Florence Goulet, Mrs. Sarah Hardcastle and Mrs. Laura Livesey, all of Woodburn, and by five grand children and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Ringo chapel with the Rev. Ormal B. Brick officiating. Ritualistic services by the Rebekah lodge with interment in Belle Passi cemetery.

## George Hull, Smoke Shop Owner, Dies

George Hull, 65, one of the owners of the Salem Smoke shop, 363 State st., died unexpectedly early Friday at his home, 1890 Saginaw st.

Hull established the Smoke shop a number of years ago. He sold out and engaged in the restaurant business at 440 State st., known then as The Quelle, and later returned to the Smoke Shop.

He was also engaged in flibbert growing in the Aumsville district. Survivors include the widow, Pearl Hull of Salem; daughter, Mrs. Georgia Ann Spooner of Syracuse, N.Y., and a son, Gordon E. Hull of Pendleton. Funeral services are being arranged by the Clough-Barrick company.

## Warren Radio Shop Now in New Location

Warren Radio and Record shop, in the Hollywood district for the past four years has moved to 1993 Fairgrounds road, where it will hold a grand opening March 6.

The shop, which deals in radio and record sales and repairs, was formerly located at 2017 Fairgrounds rd.

Warren Klug, owner, said the official opening Tuesday would be from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. Gardenias will be given to women visitors and other gifts will be handed out. After the opening regular shop hours will be 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. daily except Sundays. The shop will remain open until 9 p. m. each Friday, Klug said.

## West Salem P-TA Reports Profit From Pie Social

West Salem Parent-Teacher association announced Friday its recent pie social and magic show netted a \$150 profit which is going to be given to women visitors and other gifts will be handed out.

The group is preparing for a meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the school gym where plans for the four-room addition to the school will be shown by Architect James L. Payne.

Boy Scouts will be the youth group presented at this month's P-TA meeting. Mothers of third graders will serve the refreshments.

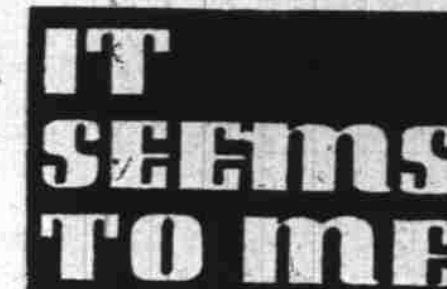
## Salem YMCA Leaders Attend Tacoma Meet

Six Salem YMCA leaders are in Tacoma this week end for annual sessions of the northwest area YM council, of which Tinkham Gilbert of Salem is president.

Gilbert, Norman Winslow and General Secretary Gus Moore left Friday. Physical Director Fred Cords, Robert O. Smith of the board and Wesley Stauffer of the Willamette university campus YM will leave today.

## Woodburn Guardsman Promotion Reported

Promotion of a Woodburn national guardsman was announced Friday by Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Riley, adjutant general.



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they are needed to make price-fixing work.

The animal population in the country is large except for sheep. There is an abundance of feed to fatten animals and crop prospects are good for this time of the crop year. The prevailing high prices are due to high demand for livestock with the quantity of livestock that is in sight for this year.

The present confusion soon may be cleared up and the regular petition, "Give us this day our daily ... meat" be satisfactorily answered.

## Safety Valve

Clothes Collection for Necessities in Korea  
To the Editor:

In various parts of the world, men, women, and children are freezing to death, right now. An estimated 100,000 people will freeze in Korea alone, this year. Also, there are many people right here in Marion county who could use our help.

Wesley Fellowship, of the First Methodist church, has a concern about this problem. Wesley believes a fine way to help would be to have a "City Wide" used clothes drive. This Sunday evening, March 4th, approximately 100 Willamette university students (members of Wesley) will appear at the doors of many homes here in Salem, asking for your "Act for Peace" in the form of used clothes for freezing people in Korea.

If your home is not contacted, I challenge you to act in accordance with your ideals and hopes for peace, and bring your bundle of clothes to the First Methodist church, corner of Church and State streets in downtown Salem, next week, March 4-11.

This is not a denominational project. It is a project for Christian individuals, who desire to be working for the peace and the brotherhood of all mankind. Your donation will be sent through Church World Service, to Korea. Paul Jewell

## People Should Prepare Selves for End of Life

To the Editor:  
I noticed your story in the paper Sunday edition the heading was as follows; If the world were to end there would be that would say I told you so. Would like to say this, that no one on earth knows neither can they figure out when. I agree with you that they would say just that.

You and I are here today, and as long as we are here we should all these things that mankind are using today but we may not be here tomorrow, so the world has ended for us, as we no longer see these things.

The world ends every day for some one.

The Bible says no one knoweth the day nor the hour when the son of man cometh to claim His own.

Your story brought out a fine thought, if we could just get people to stop and think, wonder when it will ending for me?

If people today would heed this warning, and prepare themselves for the ending, we would not have so much crime, and trouble, hate. We would love all mankind; war would be out; peace would be on earth. By the will of God our creator, is the only way to worldly peace.

Thanks for that writing, it has brought a deep reality of this to me, I am sure; even me. Thanks.  
ADELBERT P. SMITH  
Dayton, Ore.

REPLINGER WOUNDED  
Sgt. 1/c Elmer R. Replinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sandy N. Replinger of Aurora route 1, box 212, was reported wounded in action in Korea, according to a dispatch from the department of defense.