

### Businessmen Pepper OPS With Queries

Salem merchants show a "decided willingness to cooperate" in the price control program but have about as many questions to ask officials as do consumers, the officials in an OPS clinic said Thursday. The clinic was given by members of the Portland OPS staff.

The reported a turnout of some 150 local merchants to get the solutions to specific problems they have encountered in regulations of the office of price stabilization.

John McCann noted that small merchants find it difficult to adhere strictly to regulations, but pointed out that they are subject to the general rules and that record-keeping is an essential responsibility.

The perpetual problems in the meat field, according to Gilbert A. (Smoky) Stearns, are that tenders can't be sold, because they can't be identified by grade, and the restrictions on ground round. He said the latter had been overcome recently by allowing butchers to sell lean ground beef (with fat content restricted to 12 per cent) at a price 10 cents per pound above regular ground beef.

He pointed out the difficulty of having a single price for 12 months, though meat supplies are seasonal. Depending upon competition to aid in control, he said, it was noted that desirable (but not choice) cuts of meat were generally selling well below the ceilings in Salem markets. He said there is "very little confusion" among local meat dealers.

Stearns asserted that the Portland area staff is doing continual research on problems encountered in the field and forwards its findings to Washington, D. C., for consideration.

Others on the clinic staff were Simon C. Berry, Henry P. Witt and Williard S. Smith, all business men with many years of experience in their specialty fields.

### Red Designs On Burma Seen

RANGOON (AP)—Red China's future intentions towards Burma are revealed by reports of Burmese Communists receiving military training from Chinese Reds, the pro-government Burmese newspaper, New Light of Burma, said editorially.

These reports said the Communists from Burma were being shaped into soldiers at the Chinese town, Paoshan, 90 miles from the Sino-Burma border.

Recalling Red China has not refuted reports that the communists intend "liberating" Burma within two years, the paper said these reports must be considered true until Peking officially repudiates them.

### Italian Reverse On Wetback Racket

GENOA, Italy (AP)—Genoa police have arrested Antonio Romano, 57, of Palermo, Sicily, under charges that he forged Mexican visas to smuggle Italian citizens into that country.

When arrested Romano was found in possession of three Italian passports, with pages missing from them. He confessed he had taken off the pages to substitute them with others bearing forged Mexican visas.

A search ordered by Police in a Milan hotel where he lived yielded all his tools, forged rubber stamps of the Mexican Consulate here, and stationery of a "Commerce Bank of Mexico" on which Romano himself typed certificates stating that Italian citizens had funds in Mexico.

### West Coast Phone Strikers Return

EVERETT, Aug. 16 (AP)—Full resumption of telephone service for West Coast Telephone Co., users was predicted for tomorrow by Lloyd C. Smith, business agent for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL).

Smith, counting ballots of members on whether to accept terms agreed on by negotiators yesterday, said tonight the vote was so overwhelmingly in favor of acceptance and a return to work that even absentee ballots and those not yet counted could not change the trend.



**AERIAL PERCH**—Control operators will get a bird's eye view of traffic from this new 300-foot-high tower being completed at Sky Harbor Airport, Phoenix, Ariz.

### First Haircut at Two Weeks



SAN ANGELO Texas, Aug. 16—At the tender age of two weeks, Joe Wayne Lewis had a head of hair that would have made Samson envious. His mother, Mrs. Mike Lewis, was far from pleased with her baby's plunging sideburns. "He looks too shaggy," she told barber Emmett Butts, who is applying the scissors, while little Joe howls lustily from atop a stack of barber towels, supported by his father, Mike. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman.)

### Big Recruiting Drive Aimed At Valley Girls

Demand for women to serve in the women's army corps and the women's air force, which is seeking more than 70,000 women, has brought on an intensive recruiting drive in Salem. M.Sgt. Phil Wimer of the local army recruiting station said Thursday.

To qualify for enlistment in the WACS and WAFFS, Wimer said a woman must be an unmarried high school graduate, with no minor dependents and between the ages of 18 and 34.

The pay scale for enlisted women is the same as that for men, Wimer said. A private receives \$75 a month for the first four months, after which her pay rises to \$80. Base pay increases with promotions and in accordance with the length of service. Food, uniforms, lodging, and medical and dental care are provided without cost.

Further information may be obtained at the recruiting offices in the Salem post office.

### GOP Protest Blocks Transfer of Escorts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP)—Republican protest today blocked final senate action on a bill authorizing the transfer of 24 destroyer escort vessels to six foreign nations. Senator Hunt (D-Wyo.), piloting the measure, agreed to sidetrack it until the senate disposed of the \$8,500,000,000 foreign aid bill, now before the house.

WAREHOUSE BURNS  
JUNCTION CITY, Aug. 16 (AP)—An estimated \$20,000 damage resulted today from a fire in a salvage warehouse and grain storage building here. Three Lane county dump trucks were destroyed and the roof of a house was burned.



**UNDERSECRETARY**—Francis P. Whitehair (above) was named by President Truman as Undersecretary of the Navy succeeding Dan Kimball, elevated to Navy Secretary post.

### Pool Change Aids Harvest Workers

Hot weather relief for Salem's young crop harvesters will be available through revision of swimming pool regulations.

Present rules prevent youths under 16 from using Leslie or Olinger pools after 6 p.m., but now the younger crop workers can swim after 6 p.m. by identifying themselves to pool-keepers. The arrangement has been worked out with the city parks department and the Willamette Farm Labor council.

### Logger Jailed, Fined \$1,385 For Overload

By the Associated Press  
Fines totaling \$2230 have been assessed against two truck drivers in Oregon for operating overloaded logging trucks.

Held at McMinnville is Okey Hamrick, Woodland, Wash., who Thursday pleaded guilty before Justice of the Peace Charles Michelet at Newberg to the charge of being 27,000 pounds over the limit. He was fined \$1,385 but was held in jail because he was unable to pay the fine.

A fine of \$845 was assessed against Viri Burgess, La Grande log trucker, at Pendleton Wednesday for a 18,900 pound overload. The fines are under a new Oregon law passed by the last legislature, provided stiff penalties for overloading.

### Jumping Mouse Leaps 10 Feet

CARBONDALE, Ill. (AP)—The kangaroo of the mouse world is the meadow jumping mouse, which can leap six feet high, or cover 10 feet in a broad jump.

This mouse, Zapus Hudsonius, is about the size of an ordinary field mouse, but has a tail nearly five inches long and rear legs 1 and one-half inches long. They're usually found in southern states, but some have moved into southern Illinois.

Dr. Willard M. Gersbacher, zoologist of Southern Illinois University, says they are active only at night. The jumping thing that auto headlights sometimes pick up on the road may not be a frog, but a meadow jumper going traveling.



**DAREDEVIL**—Jole Chitwood, Jr., 7, son of auto racing star, does a one-leg stand on a midget motorcycle built by his father during an exhibition at a New York City track.

### World Poetry Contest Open

ROME (AP)—A prize of \$1,000 will be awarded in the fall to the winner of the international poetry prize "Syracuse." Unpublished poems in any European language can compete. The works must be submitted in six copies to The International Poetry Association (Via Poliziano

68) in Rome before Sept. 30, 1951. Last year poems from Mexico, Ecuador, Siam and Brazil participated in the competition, now in its third year.

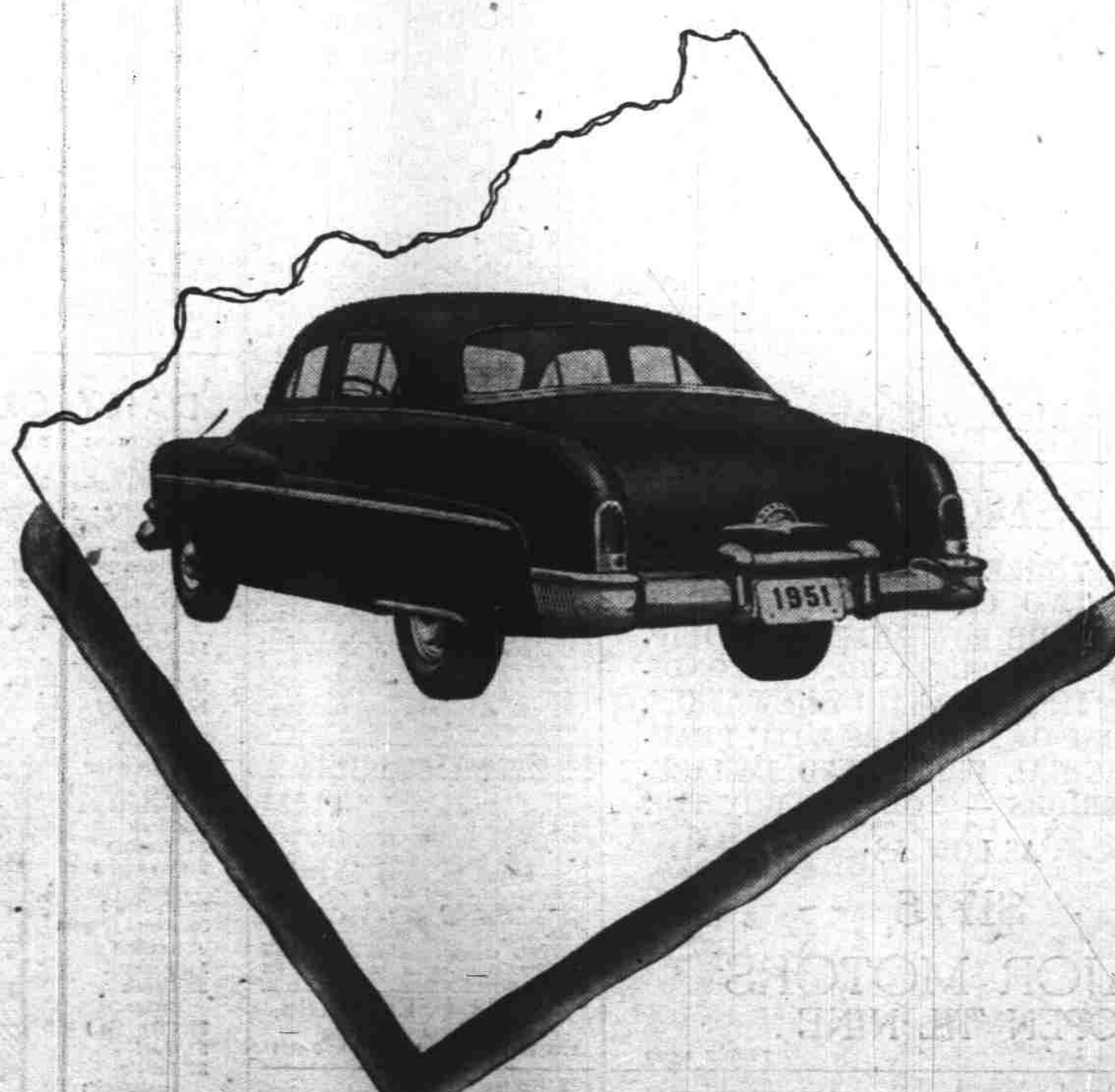
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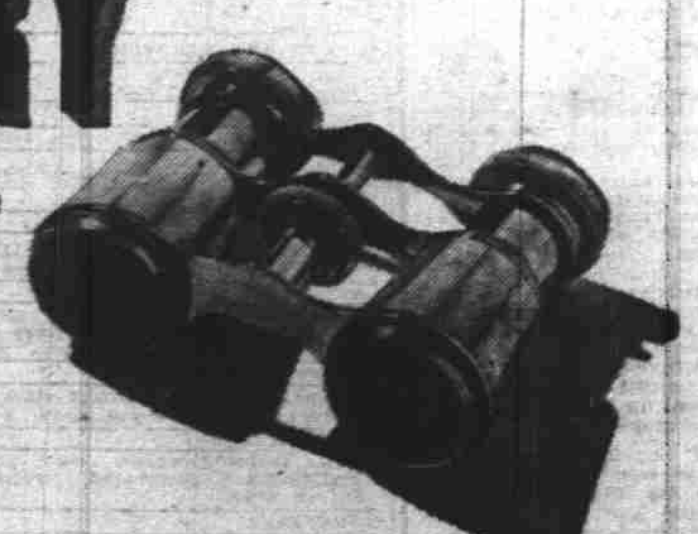
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