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Achtung in Germany

Bagstoe, Malmedy and the Ludendorff
Bridge at Remagen were making headlines
of victory only 10 years ago. Later that
spring the German armies surrendered un-

conditionally, and there was much talk of
permanent disarmament and permanent de-
centralization of Germany into several auton-
omous states. A weak Germany was con-
sidered essential to peace in Europe.

The last thing in the world Americans
wanted to see again was a German soldier.
A lot of Germans felt the same way.
This week, headlines hail the West Ger-
man vote for rearmament as a victory for
the free world. A strong West Germany is
considered a vital part of the Western defense
system in Europe.

Soon the cadenced tramp of young men
in feldgrau uniforms will be heard again.
They will be men who were around 10 years
old when Hitler died in his bunker and who
grew up under the Allied Occupation. They
have no memories of a pre-Hitler Germany
and certainly no sense of guilt about World
War II; instead, there may be a repressed
feeling of resentment of the Allies. They are
an important Factor X in the future of Ger-
many and of the world.

Meanwhile, the United States and our
allies already must consider other factors—
German national interests, public opinion
and domestic politics—just as we now reckon
with those factors in Britain and in France.
Possibly Germany as a military power will
outweigh our traditional ally France if the
latter continues its capricious changes of gov-
ernments and policies.

The methodical, disciplined and ambitious
German government will strive for the re-
unification of Germany, and will work to
consolidate its position both in the world
balance of power and in the world markets.
As long as Der Alte Chancellor Adenauer
remains in power, the West has little to fear
from Germany. But he is getting old and
democracy is not firmly rooted in the Ger-
man way of life. If he should be replaced
by an irresponsible opportunist who would
be willing to make some kind of deal with
the Russians for reunification, or to attempt
reunification by armed force, then the head-
lines 10 years from now will have another
story to tell.

Whether it will be a victory for the West
no one knows.

Purchase of the Willamette Valley Bank
by the U.S. National Bank of Portland speaks
well for both institutions, and their accept-
ance as an integral part of the Salem com-
munity. The independent bank has made
marked strides in the few years it has been
established, and its growth into two banking
institutions is indicative of its success. The
fact that it occupies two desirable locations,
and has become well and widely known,
certainly must have entered into discussions
of the transaction. And the move of the
U.S. National Bank, long a highly-respected
leader in the valley's financial picture, shows
a confidence in the area it serves and a desire
to keep step with its progress.

Political Crisis in Germany Bodes Ill for Realistic Implementation of Rearmament

By J. M. ROBERTS
Associated Press News Analyst

The political crisis in Germany
following Bundestag passage of
the Saar treaty, an appendage of
the whole plan for Western Euro-
pean Union, bodes ill for actual
implementation of rearmament
when the enabling measures come
up.

The coalition cabinet through
which Chancellor Adenauer exer-
cises control has suddenly become
very shaky as the result of divi-
sions within minority parties dur-
ing the voting. There is a chance
Adenauer will lose the Free Dem-
ocrats entirely, or enough of them
to seriously damage his voting
margin over the Socialists.

The Socialists threaten to ob-
struct by every means possible the
implementation of the new treat-
ies, trying to hold rearmament at
bay while they hope some sort of
negotiations with Russia might ob-
viate the necessity for it.
The German government is in a
far more difficult position now than
results in the United States when,
after Congress has authorized
some action, new opposition
threatens to kill off the appropri-
ations for it.

In addition to ordinary enabling
measures, changes must also be
made in the German constitution,
and these will require a two-thirds
vote. Of 465 votes, Adenauer re-
ceived only 283 Sunday night on
the Saar issue.

Rearmament itself is vastly
more popular with the Bundestag
members. It not only means a re-
turn to at least part of the power
of a great nation, but also is ac-
companied by restoration of inter-
national autonomy which will
come with the end of Allied occu-
pation. Germany will become a
partner rather than an associate
on a leash, although vestigial con-
trols will still be felt in some
matters.

In fact, supporters of the idea of
a complete economic and political
association of the Western Euro-
pean nations feel that it must be
pursued more industriously than
ever with creation of the military
alliance.

Reliance on the Legislature

Oregon, as a rapidly-growing state with
resultant complexities in its tax structure as
well as in other items of government, must
place more and more reliance on its state
legislature, and the pending measure to per-
mit placing the emergency clause on tax leg-
islation is a step in that direction. It is a
mistake to regard the proposal as merely a
device to obtain a sales tax.

At the present time, legislative enactments
for taxes cannot go into effect for 90 days
after adjournment. The bar to use of the
emergency clause was designed originally to
prevent tax measures from being activated
until such time as they could be approved
or disapproved by popular vote. Such a
limitation is working to tie the hands of a
harassed legislature, which has the job of
financing state government, so that it cannot
know from one session to another whether
its budgetary program will be thrown com-
pletely out of balance.

The proposed measure to permit use of
the emergency clause would permit tax leg-
islation to take effect immediately. It would
not, however, prevent a subsequent refer-
endum at the next general election, and
therefore the continuance of any legislative
enactments still would be in the hands of
Oregon's voters. It is a timely measure, and
with the increasing problems now being
faced it is no more than right, and is vitally
necessary, that the legislature be empow-
ered to place into effect whatever program its
best judgment dictates.

There is objection to the proposal on the
grounds that the off-defeated sales tax might
be voted and placed into effect without a
statewide vote. That, of course, is a possi-
bility. But the sales tax, should its op-
ponents elect, still could be voided at the
next election. However, the purpose of the
proposal to allow use of the emergency
clause is not confined to the sales tax, which
from all appearances Oregon would not ac-
cept and which it probably would be a mis-
take to promulgate at this time.

The two issues should be divorced in any
thinking, and proponents of the sales tax
should not consider proposed support of the
emergency clause as support for their own
program. Oregon elects 90 legislators to
transact the state's business. They are con-
versant with the state's problems. The as-
sembly's tax committees are hard at work
attempting to come up with an answer to
the state's fiscal troubles. They can work
more effectively if they have some assurance
their program can at least be tested without
perhaps uninformed and prejudiced attacks
voiding it before it has a chance to prove
itself.

The placing of witnesses under oath at the
legislature, as is now contemplated by the
senate alcohol control committee, should go
a considerable way to curb irresponsible and
unprovable testimony, and to leave a record
which witnesses would be forced to stand
behind in any future adjudication.

Editorial Comment

UPTURN CONTINUES
American automobile manufacturers, who
staked hundreds of millions of dollars in their
faith in resurgence of American business, have
seen their bold stroke succeed in the first two
months of the new year. Production is con-
tinuing at record levels, and retail sales are
such that only a normal backlog of new cars is
being built up to meet the usual spring demand.
It has been said that a new car is as indis-
pensable to those who can afford it as Mrs.
America's law hat. Of those who looked over
the situation in the automobile industry last year
and saw only gloom, many are ready to agree
now that the automobile is a key to the American
economy. Record auto production, and near-
record sales, reflect the confidence of the public
in the economic future.
—McMinnville Daily Register.

Time Flies:

From The Statesman Files

10 Years Ago
Mar. 2, 1945

Loyal Warner, president of Sa-
lem Chamber of Commerce,
shouldered a new responsibility
when he was elected president of
the Salem United War Chest to
succeed Lowell Kern.

A grim-faced citizens' commit-
tee, 100 strong, declared war
on Portland's vice conditions and
demanded that city officials
clamp down. The group repre-
sented civic leaders, heard a fed-
eral security agency official
threaten federal intervention.

Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph
Goebbels told the German
people that the war had "al-
ready exceeded its climax" and
would "lead up to a furious in-
its final phase, then end sudden-
ly and rashly" in German victory.

25 Years Ago
Mar. 2, 1930

County Engineer Hedde Swart
and Dist. Supervisor Hall of the
forest service checked a report
on a large slide which blocked
all traffic. The slide was on the
Breitenbush springs road proper,
which was under federal control,
so Marion County did not have
authority to clear the road.

Special meeting of the Busi-
ness and Professional women
was called to discuss the ques-

tion of the organization's atti-
tude toward joining with the
American Legion auxiliary in
sponsoring the Girl Scout move-
ment in Salem.

While Pres. Doumergue and
Premier Tardieu left Paris to
visit regions of central and
southern France devastated by
floods, the sympathies of all the
world flowed toward the victims.
Loss of life was estimated at
500.

40 Years Ago
Mar. 2, 1915

Fifteen hundred people attend-
ed a celebration marking the
completion of the Willamette
Valley Southern railroad, an in-
terurban trolley system whose
main line extends from Oregon
City via Mt. Angel to Molalla.
A golden spike was driven with
appropriate ceremonies.
The Rev. Walter T. Sumner,
D. D., the new consecrated
bishop of Oregon, began his first
round of diocesan visits, when
he preached and administered
confirmation at the St. Paul's
church. He was formally wel-
comed by Gov. Withycombe and
Mayor H. O. White.
Thousands of Berlin Pathfinders,
the boy scouts of Germany,
since the beginning of the war
have spent Sunday mornings in
the forests around the capital in
exercises intended to train them
for careers in the army.

GRIN AND BEAR IT



Friends of Bill VannMeter, administrator of the Oregon
FEPC, wonder how long he'll be gone this time. When the
Rev. Mr. VannMeter leaves his present job to reenter minis-
terial work (he says he really never left it) in the East it will make the fourth time
he's left the state with the ridiculous idea
of living elsewhere. But he's always re-
turned. He'll leave Oregon on March 17—
Saint Patrick's Day. And while he doesn't
figure on rassing with any snakes where
he's going, he figures there's probably a
moral there, anyway

Comes the Dawn

Bill has been watching for foul balls in
the fair employment practices setup since
1949. He says both Salem and Oregon are pretty pure in the
field of racial and religious prejudice—now. To show how
local prejudices have dwindled Bill points out that right after
he took over the local press was all agog over a story that a
policeman had told a Negro to get out of town. (It was never
proved.) But not long ago a Negro was hired as an Oregon
prison guard. He had to go to work at an awkward hour so a
city policeman drove him out daily to the bastille

And to show that racial prejudice doesn't pay, he notes
that a downtown tavern used to display a sign which said
the place catered to white trade only. Now, says Bill, not
only is the sign gone but so is the tavern

Probably the most unhappy men in town during that
terrific storm Monday were the state Capitol parking area
attendants, who stood around in the rain and cold making
sure that square motorists didn't park in round parking stalls.
. . . . And the big limbs of the state forestry department are
worried that that 65-plus-mile-per-hour wind must have knocked
down a lot of good trees in surrounding forests. They
won't know the full extent of the damage until later, though

Lots of folks in Salem recently received through the
mails for free a tube of new-type toothpaste. . . . If you read
the print on the box you note that kids under six are not
supposed to use it. . . . Which is fine except that in a lot of
homes the under-age kids got hold of the stuff long before
Mother found time to put down her saw, hammer and floor
mop long enough to read the message. . . . One of the
busiest state offices these days is the travel bureau of the
State Hiway Dept. It now gets an average of about 1,800
letters a day from people all over the U.S., and the world,
seeking travel info on Oregon. The office expects any day
now a slug of mail postmarked Formosa—from people there
seeking a cooler climate

IT SEEMS TO ME

(Continued from page 1.)

make a few hundred dollars in
a sale lasting a day or two will
be green with envy at the Win-
netka Congregational Church's
one-day rummage sale last May
which netted \$21,000. This an-
nual event has developed into a
huge project—goods are now being
received for the next May sale.
The Community clubhouse is taken
over, prospective purchasers come
from miles around. Contributions
include furniture, gowns from well-
to-do folk, remnant lines from downtown
stores, etc. Even so, that is a huge
volume to turn over in one day at
rummage sale prices.

ment, more alive and vibrant are
succeeded by the racy, choppy
finale. After this and after the
soft Faure music the Wagner se-
lections were pretty bangy.

I had to ask who the conductor,
Paul Paray, is. Inquiring of sev-
eral (who must have been Chic-
agoans) and not learning anything
about him, I accosted another
gentleman during the intermis-
sion and asked him. He turned
out to be a New Yorker and in-
formed me that Paray is French,
from Paris; came to Detroit
three years ago after the orches-
tra there got into organizational
and financial difficulties, and has
had a remarkable success. He
blends, said my informant, the
French and the German feeling
for music in his interpretations.
For my part I would say he did
better than "Par for the course,"
a judgment which was vindicated
by the very robust acclaim the
audience extended him and his
players after the performance.
He was called back again and
again and again—more times
than FDR used the "agane" in
his campaign speech of 1940.

Paray's arrangement of play-
ers was different. The cello sec-
tion (nine) was in front and at
his right where usually the sec-
ond violins are placed. All the
violins were at his left except
for one group (possibly the viol-
as) right in front of him and to
the right. The bass viol sec-
tion (nine) was at the rear right
while the tympani were at the
rear left. To those who hear well
with both ears I don't know what
difference it makes which side
the drums and the bull fiddles
are. It was however an inspir-
ing Sunday afternoon of music.

REAL THING
HOLYOKE, Mass. — (UP) —
School teacher Anna E. Cramer
didn't think much of the "sword
fight" some of her pupils were
planning until she got a look at
the swords. They were long,
sharp machete-type steel blades
the boys found on a rubbish pile.
Police rounded up 14 of the
blades.

This afternoon I went over to
Orchestra Hall to hear the De-
troit Symphony Orchestra, with
Paul Paray conductor. Its pro-
gram was strictly classical: Moz-
art's overture to "The Marriage
of Figaro"; Beethoven's Seventh
Symphony; Faure's Incidental
Music to "Pelleas and Meli-
sande" and two numbers from
Wagner, Prelude and Love Death
from "Tristan and Isolde" and
the overture to "Die Meister-
singer."

The piece-de-resistance was the
Beethoven number, one of the most
popular of his works. It was
played with exquisite feeling. The
second movement with its near-
funeral march tempo and its
plucked viol throbbing like re-
curring sobs, and the third move-

Bids Surpass \$500,000 in Timber Sale

Bids totalling over \$500,000
were offered for 12 tracts of
Bureau of Land Management
timber sold at auction Tuesday by
the Salem Forest District.

Bid price for Douglas fir tim-
ber on ten tracts averaged 104
per cent above the appraised
price, while two tracts received
bids at the appraised price and
one tract received no bids.

More than 125 persons attend-
ed the auction, bidding on 18,061,000
board feet of timber. The tracts
are located in Marion, Polk, Ben-
ton, Linn, Clackamas, Columbia
and Washington counties.

Successful bidders included
Freres Lumber Company, Lyons;
Multnomah Plywood Corporation,
Portland; Geil Logging Company,
Sweet Home; Rex Clemens, Philo-
math; McCormick Lumber and
Manufacturing Corporation, Sher-
idan; Northern Lumber Company,
Mill City; Albertson Lumber
Company, Philomath; Jack P.
Farrell, Foster; Willamette Val-
ley Lumber Company, Dallas;
Valsez Lumber Company, Port-
land; Wyland Brothers, Molalla;
and J. W. Rose, Hillsboro.

Another timber auction will be
conducted April 5 by the Salem
Forest District, 215 North Front
St.

Separation of Forest Lands Topic of Meets

Four county land classification
committees Tuesday announced
dates for considering segregation
of forest lands, the state forestry
department reported.

First meeting will be at Gold
Beach, Curry County, March 14.
Other meetings have been set at
Medford on March 15, at Coquille
March 18 and at The Dalles
March 22.

Under the 1953 forest laws,
which authorize a 5-cent top
forest patrol assessment, approx-
imately 159,000 acres in Jackson
County will be reviewed for pos-
sible inclusion in this rate. In-
cluded in this figure are 32,000
acres brought under the forest
protection system for the first
time.

In Wasco County more than
200,000 acres will be reviewed
for possible changes in classifi-
cation. Smaller areas will be
checked by committees in Coos
and Curry counties.

Road in Fruitland Area Becomes County Property

A county road which somehow
had never officially become a
county-owned road finally was so
designated Monday by Marion
County Court order. The road
runs east of Fruitland school.

A check of records recently
showed that it was not a part of
the system, so a hearing was called.
Since no objections were
heard the order was made.

At the same time the court va-
cated some old county roads on
either side of the present road
with property reverting back to
former owners. The court also
took under advisement an offer
from Fred E. Perin to buy a small
piece of land just south of Fruit-
land road.

Only other court activity was an
order authorizing the engineer to
survey Market Road 22 between
Four Corners and Geer station
for eventual straightening.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this
sentence? "Don't wait on me;
we shall discuss the subject
later on."
2. What is the correct pro-
nunciation of "persist"?
3. Which one of these words
is misspelled? Repitition, repostory,
repartee, replete.
4. What does the word "calli-
graphy" mean?
5. What is a word beginning
with mi that means "marvel-
ous"?

ANSWERS
1. Say, "Don't wait for me,"
and omit the second "on." 2.
Pronounce second syllable sist,
not zist. 3. Repetition. 4. Beau-
tiful penmanship; also, penman-
ship in general. (Pronounce ka,
li-gra-fi, first a as in at, un-
stressed, both f's as in it, second
a as in ask unstressed, accent
second syllable). 5. Miraculous.

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Europe Area Stepping Up Seed Output

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
Farm Editor, The Statesman

Some European countries have
taken steps to increase their seed
production this year, the USDA dis-
closed Tuesday. If yields are nor-
mal, United States growers will
not enjoy the export market this
coming season that they had last.

The Danish folk, known
the world over for their good agricul-
tural practices, are making sub-
stantial increases. In fact, the first
indication of the amount of grass
and legume seed that will be har-
vested in Europe in 1955, comes
from the American Agricultural
Attache in Denmark, W. H. Young-
man of the Foreign Agricultural
Service, has forwarded a report of
the situation in the Danish coun-
try.

More acres of several kinds of
seed crops were seeded in Den-
mark in 1954 than in 1953. These
acres are now ready to give up
seed this year, Youngman points
out. With an average yield, this
increase will produce enough seed
to meet the country's own needs as
well as its normal export require-
ments.

Urged to Hold Line
The Danish seed trade estimates
that because of present high
prices, farmers all over Europe
will leave old fields in production
that under lower prices, they
would plow up. Youngman tells in
his report, that Danish Farmers
are being advised by the Danish
Seed Growers Association that all
1955 plantings should be held in
line with 1954. They are also being
advised to plow up old unpro-
ductive plantings to avoid over-
supply with its lower prices.

White clover, the ryegrasses and
orchard grass, are some of the
crops where acreage has increased
in Denmark over the past year.

Weather Unfavorable
The weather in the little agricul-
tural country has not been favor-
able, so far, to seed crops. Heavy
rains were expected to have
caused some injury. Just how
much damage has occurred from
the unusual and unseasonable
heavy rains will not be determined
completely before the end of May,
Youngman believed.

It is expected that new varieties
of grains and grass seeds will be
tried in Oregon this year. Several
new ones have been approved for
increase under the seed certifica-
tion program, Harold Finnell, seed
certification specialist at Corvallis,
reports. These include Winema
oats, Siberian wheatgrass, Penn-
sylvanian red fescue, Climax Timothy
and Drummond Timothy. Finnell
adds that approximately 67,500
acres were entered for seed certifi-
cation in Oregon in 1954 as com-
pared to around 62,500 in 1953.

Phillips Jerseys Win Recognition

Four registered Jersey cows
owned by James G. Phillips,
Route 2, Silverton, completed 305
days record on Herd Improvement
Registry test which entitles them
to special recognition from the
American Jersey Cattle Club.
The high producing animal in
the group from the standpoint of
age was Prince Florence Pride
with an actual record of 11,762
pounds milk containing 658 pounds
of butterfat. Actual records of the
other cows all exceeded 8,500
pounds of milk.

Medical Talk Series Slates Eight Doctors

Eight doctors are scheduled to
take part in the medical forum
series which will be launched
March 21 through the adult edu-
cation program of the Salem Pub-
lic Schools.

Those to participate, and the
subjects they will discuss, are:
Dr. Maynard Shiffer, "Children
and Rheumatic Fever," March
21; Dr. Ralph Purvine, "Learn to
Live with Your Heart," March 28;
Dr. Russell G. Uiss, "Cancer
Cures," April 4; Dr. James Seacat,
"A Doctor Looks at Accidents,"
April 11; Dr. John Meadows,
"Emotional Adjustments in Marriage,"
April 18; Dr. Dean Brooks,
"Dangerous Drinking," April 25.

The series will conclude with
Dr. Stuart Lancelfield discussing
"Life Begins at 80" on May 2, and
Dr. Robert Anderson on "You and
Polio," May 9.

The program is being planned
through the cooperation of the
medical advisory committee of the
Marion-Polk County Medical So-
ciety.

Admission tickets are available
at the adult education office, 1909
Ferry St.

Suit Against Woodburn Lost in Court

Jasper Fleetwood, who had
sued the city of Woodburn and its
police chief, Graydon N. Calkins,
lost his suit in Marion County
Circuit Court Tuesday afternoon.

The jury, nine of whom signed
the verdict, found for the defend-
ants. A unanimous decision was
not necessary.

Fleetwood sought \$25,000 in
punitive damages and \$25,000 in
exemplary damages, claiming he
was beaten and kicked into uncon-
sciousness when arrested by
Calkins last April 10.

Local YM Officials To Attend Meeting

Ten representatives from Salem
YMCA will attend the annual area
council meeting of all Pacific
Northwest YMCAs March 4-6 in
Seattle.

Those going are President Carle
Abrams, Mr. and Mrs. Tinkham
Gilbert, Dr. and Mrs. Robert An-
derson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ronald
Hudson, Norman Winslow, Robert
O. Smith and Executive Secretary
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