



**Go Into Hiding**—American Actress Ingrid Bergman and her sweetheart, Italian movie director Roberto Rossellini, are shown together just before they went into hiding in Rome to escape questions about their romance and her rumored pregnancy. They plan to wed as soon as Miss Bergman's divorce from Hollywood dental surgeon Dr. Peter Lindstrom comes through. (Acme Telephoto)

**Ingrid Playing in Real Life Role That Made Her Famous**

By VIRGINIA MacPHERSON

Hollywood, Dec. 20 (AP)—When Ingrid Bergman publicly announced her passion for Roberto Rossellini, she was re-living the role that brought her to America and made her a star. "L'Affaire Stromboli," Miss Bergman's friends said today, parallels almost kiss for kiss her part in "Intermezzo" 10 years ago.

**Preacher About To Enter Politics**

Oklahoma City, Dec. 20 (AP)—A red-haired preacher with senatorial ambitions is asking Oklahomans to mix religion with their politics—perhaps by sending him to Washington.

The Rev. William M. Alexander, 34-year-old former night club entertainer, is on the verge of entering the 1950 senate race. The eloquent pastor of Oklahoma City's First Christian church wants to oppose 74-year-old Elmer Thomas, who will be seeking his fifth term. Both are Democrats.

Alexander's huge congregation has given him permission to enter the race, providing he will continue as pastor of the church. The preacher says that if elected he would commute from Washington in his private plane to keep his pulpit filled. The board of elders of the church, representing some 3500 members, eventually may become a strategy committee in Alexander's political career. Alexander has discussed his political ambitions frankly with the entire congregation. Most of the members hope he runs.

**Mrs. Thomas Drops Out of House Race**

Hackensack, N. J., Dec. 20 (AP)—Mrs. J. Parnell Thomas withdrew today as a candidate for the congressional seat to be vacated next month by her imprisoned husband.

The withdrawal left the field open to State Labor Commissioner Harry C. Harper, who was selected over the week end as the republican organization candidate for the 7th congressional district post.

"After much deliberation I have decided that I shall not at this time be a candidate for congress," Mrs. Thomas announced this morning.

**Handy Supervising Food Center Stores**

Woodburn—Ernest W. Handy, formerly owner and manager of the "Handy Market" here which is now operated at the "Wells Market" by Lester Wells, is now supervisor of William Luther's three "One Stop Food Center" stores at Forest Grove, Portland and Oregon City. He has held the position of supervisor for the past month and was active in the grand opening of the new Oregon City store recently.

**EUGENE TRIES 'OREGON PLAN'**

**Parents, to Blame for Child's Delinquency, Will Get Fines**

Eugene, Dec. 20 (AP)—When a child turns into a budding burglar, whose fault is it? "The parents," decided Eugene's city councilmen last week. And they backed up their decision by passing an ordinance that the parents—not the child—should be punished. It's fairly stiff punishment, too: Up to \$200 fine or 100 days in jail for a parent judged responsible for conditions which have led his child into delinquency.

Eugene is the largest Oregon city to base penalties on the growing sociological theory that a child takes the criminal path because his parents, unwittingly or not, have shoved him that way.

In a Gallup poll taken last spring the majority approved the Oregon (it started in Baker, Ore.) "parental delinquency" plan. Social workers, increasingly, blame parents. And in Chicago this week a judge bitterly condemned the parents of a much older criminal.

Judge Julius Miner, hearing the trial of a 21-year-old mother who had strangled her infant, called the mother's parents before him.

"I have been shocked by the testimony about your treatment of your daughter," Judge Miner told Mrs. Chester Lamont of Astoria, Ore. "No one is more responsible than you for the fact that she is on trial for murder." Murder—or other serious crimes—would not come under Eugene's new parental delinquency control. It applies only to the light offenses with which a child usually starts a delinquent career: Petty theft, disorderly conduct, other misdemeanors.

Eugene thinks it will work. It has in the small city of Baker, Ore., where Police Chief Guy V. Church dreamed up the idea two years ago.

Church was being plagued by a teen-age club known as the "Panther Gang," whose purpose was stealing, and whose entrance requirement was theft and the killing of a certain number of cats.

The members used an abandoned movie house to hide loot from their thefts. The boy who committed the most crimes was rewarded by election as leader. "After taking these boys into custody on numerous charges of burglary and house breaking, and turning them over to the juvenile courts, it seemed to us that little was gained by convictions," Church said.

It occurred to him to try punishing the boys' parents instead. Backed by Mayor Menzie McKim, an ordinance was passed August 11, 1947, providing up to \$200 fine and 100 days in jail for parents whose children commit misdemeanors. The "Panther Gang" broke up. Baker's delinquency rate dropped sharply; some estimates were as much as 90 per cent.

It worked so well that the ordinance has been invoked only six times in the two years since.

No parents have ever been jailed. Twice the maximum fine was levied, but suspended later and the parents put on probation instead. One father paid \$50 because

husband will let her go.

There's another difference, too. In "Intermezzo" there weren't any rumors about the prospective pater of little feet. But there were censors in Hollywood then. There aren't in Rome.

his son caused continual trouble. A mother paid \$25 after her boy was found drinking on the street. And some other parents were fined the same amount because their youngsters were tossing beer bottles from a car.

The town of Lakeview, Ore., copied Baker's ordinance this summer. Other towns are considering it.

But Eugene, a city of 36,000, will provide the first major test.

**Gervais Boy Scouts Given Advancement**

Gervais—Thirteen members of Gervais Troop No. 54, Boy Scouts attended the Court of Honor held at Mt. Angel. Several committeemen, Jess Adams, Scoutmaster and Dean Booster, assistant Scoutmaster accompanied them.

Those advanced to second class were Robert Riggi, Bruce Parker, Guy Parker and Ronald Keppinger. Star rank was given to George Lanning, junior.

Merit badges were awarded to Frank Adams on home repair, hog and pork production and camping, and to Dean Booster on citizenship.

**Kids, Inc., Formed For Benefit of Youth**

Kids, Inc., of Milwaukie, Ore., a group formed to "co-ordinate and operate recreational facilities for the character development" of Milwaukie vicinity youth has filed articles of incorporation here.

The group said it plans such development of youth "regardless of race or creed."

Signing the articles were V. L. Gouldsmith, Clyde Basler, Florence M. Newman, Elsie M. Franz, E. A. Donnelly, James S. Rayner, E. F. Howard, W. L. Elleckson and T. W. Loder.

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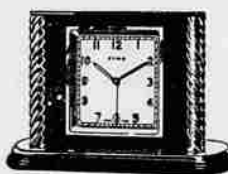
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