

### Crime Rings in Larger Cities

Washington, March 3 (AP)—Senator Kefauver (D-Tenn.), sponsor of a proposed senate investigation into organized crime said today he already has received tips pointing to criminal syndicates in a number of American cities.

He told a reporter the cities include Miami, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York and others. The senator said that among the communications he has received have been several suggestions for a legalized national lottery.

Kefauver said he will not make his information public but will turn it over to the judiciary committee after the broad crime investigation is formally approved by the senate. The committee gave its approval Monday after broadening the project to include not only gambling, but "interstate prostitution, narcotics, loan-shark rackets, swindling schemes, organized murder and extortion rackets, preying upon legitimate business and labor in many different fields."

It also doubled to \$100,000 the \$50,000 Kefauver has asked to finance the probe.

Two more steps are necessary before the investigation can get underway. The rules committee must approve the inquiry and expenditure, probably at a session next Wednesday, and then the senate itself must pass on it.



Brothers Arrested—Joe Sica (left) and his brother, Fred (right) are booked in Los Angeles, for questioning about the slaying in Fresno, Calif., of Abe Davidian, 28, accused dope peddler who informed on the operations of a state-wide narcotics ring. The Sicas were indicted with Davidian and 13 others by a federal grand jury on narcotics conspiracy charges. (AP Wirephoto)

### Voluntary Medical Insurance Bill Proposed by GOP Group

New York, March 3—A little-publicized health-insurance bill, sponsored by a group of republican senators and representatives, is described in Fortune magazine today as a "uniquely American" answer to the national health problem.

The bill (S. 1970 and H.R. 4919) is based on the voluntary principle, and its great advantage, writes Russell W. Davenport in Fortune, is that "the initiative must come from the people and not from any government, federal or state."

Sponsors of the bill are Senators Flanders (Vt.), and Ives (N.Y.), Representatives Auchin-Hale (Me.), Herter (Mass.), Javits (N.Y.), Morton (Ky.) and Nixon (Calif.).

Davidson points out in Fortune that "80 percent of the American people are medically indigent or in danger of becoming so. A man earning \$50 a week is not ordinarily described as 'indigent.' Yet if his wife needs a hysterectomy he becomes at once medically indigent."

"The American Medical Association itself observed in 1939 that families with incomes under \$3,000 a year could not afford to pay the costs of a major or chronic illness. If this figure were adjusted for the rise in the cost of living, it would today be close to \$5,000 a year and would apply to about 80 percent of the population."

"About 65 million people (40 to 45 percent of the population) are already covered by some form of voluntary medical insurance. But the coverage of almost all of these policies is very inadequate. Only about half of these people are covered for surgery. And a pitiable 5 percent (about 3,500,000 people) are covered by relatively comprehensive plans."

Only two proposals approach the U.S. health issue in a thoroughgoing manner on a national scale, Davenport continues in Fortune: the administration bill providing compulsory insurance administered through governmental agencies, and the republican bill.

"The administration medical plan gives the initiative to the government; the republican plan, while providing governmental aid, gives it to the people themselves."

"The progressive republican bill starts from the proposition that any group of Americans can set up an insurance plan adapted

to their needs. Such groups might include those already in existence, such as Blue Shield and Blue Cross, as well as entirely new plans worked out by responsible citizens. State and regional boards must approve the plans, but they would not initiate them.

"Plans would be financed by voluntary subscriptions based on a percentage of subscribers' incomes (up to \$5,000), which, according to estimates, would total about \$3 billion by the fourth year; plus federal-state aid equal to about 30 percent of the total, or \$1 billion by the fourth year." (The administration plan would be financed by a 3 percent payroll tax, to total \$4.2 billion a year.)

"Not only may patients, doctors, and hospitals stay out of all plans, but, if they want to come in, they will have a variety of plans to choose from."

Round Table Held For Area Scouters

Silverton—A Silver Falls area Scout round table meeting was held at Mt. Angel when plans were discussed for the part to be taken in the Valley Forge Jamboree July 4 and the annual Scout circus in Salem, Herman Schwab, Mt. Angel in charge assisted by John Klapp of Salem as secretary.

Outfitting the area group of Cub Scouts as cowboys or Indians for the circus parade was decided. The court of honor is to be at Woodburn April 11, was announced.

From Silverton attending the area session were I. B. Alfred R. G. Smith, Alan Brown, Lynn Neal, E. Myers, Richard Brekke and Charles Davis.

Given Grange Degrees

Willamina—Twenty members of the Fort Hill Grange traveled to the meeting of the Rickerall Grange. Ten of these members received the third and fourth degrees, which were administered to them by the Rickerall drill team.

Interior Decorating... can be FUN!

By AGNES MEYER

DOUBLE DATING

Is your living room dated? Many homemakers today want to bring their living rooms up to date, but when they approach the task they find themselves faced with a variety of furnishings completely unrelated in design, period and feeling. Wedding presents... family heirlooms... and comfortable old pieces bought long ago and cherished for sentimental reasons.

This need not be a handicap. It's color, arrangement, overall design that dates your room. By selecting just a few new modern pieces and double dating them with your old furniture you can create a gracious new pattern of utility and charm.

The room sketched above is a striking example of clever blending of old and new. Modern combination-cabinet bookcases

stretch across one entire wall—hold books, magazines, radio and television. Top serves as plant, lamp table.

An insignificant wall with two small windows becomes importantly effective with the ingenious use of simple sill-length draw curtains—full-wall width.

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### Press Senate to Vote on DP Bill

Washington, March 3 (AP)—Senate leaders hoped today to speed up voting in the bitter dispute over proposed changes in the program for admitting European war refugees to the United States.

A bill to liberalize the 1948 displaced persons act, passed by the house last year, has been largely rewritten by the senate judiciary committee under the leadership of Chairman McCarran (D., Nev.).

McCarran said he would press for votes on a number of committee amendments and then seek a decision on a substitute measure proposed by 18 democratic and republican senators.

Democratic Leader Lucas, of Illinois, said he would like to finish with the controversial legislation by Friday night but that apparently it will have to go over until next week.

This also was indicated by a decision of the senate republican policy committee to instruct its staff to prepare an analysis of the DP legislation and all amendments.

Senator Lehman (D-Lib., N.Y.) contended yesterday that the revised version of the house bill recommended by the judiciary committee would "make it harder than ever" for displaced persons to get into the United States.

The committee measure would extend the program for a year beyond June 30 and increase the number of DP's eligible for admission from 205,000 to 320,000 but opponents contend it is discriminatory and restrictive in other ways.

### Rooster Does Puppy-Sitting Job; Pushes Mother Away

Denton, Tex., March 3 (AP)—A bantam rooster that clucks like a hen, and a cocker spaniel, today took turns at mothering eight puppies.

The bantam, which didn't subscribe to the belief that a rooster can't be the mother of puppies, moved into the doghouse shortly after the pups were borne a couple of weeks ago.

L. E. Henderson, a North Texas State college employe who owns the menagerie, found the bantam hovering over the puppies and "clucking happily."

"I thought he might hurt the little puppies," Henderson said, "so I tried to coax him out of the doghouse. But he clucked noisily and ruffled his feathers, so I gave up the idea."

The rooster has been puppy-sitting ever since—ignoring the scornful crowing of other bantams in the barnyard. He shows no sign of his breed's tradi-

tional ferocity, Henderson said, except when hens or animals venture too close to the pups.

The puppies seem to enjoy huddling under the little rooster's "motherly" wings.

"It's been rather cold lately," one interested watcher said, "and they must enjoy the warmth of the feathers."

Inky, the puppies' mother, growled and barked at the intruder at first, Henderson said, especially when she wanted to nurse them.

"Now," he added, "she just takes a disinterested look and walks away."

### Program for Developing Young Scientists to Go to Truman

Washington, Mar. 3 (AP)—Back in 1941 President Roosevelt decided this country ought to have a program for developing young scientists.

This country has had a great genius in applied science, that is, putting into practical form and use discoveries made by scientists—for example, in electricity and the atom.

But scientists in this country felt the United States was lagging behind, not in applied science, but in basic research—for example, in discovering the nature of a virus.

Roosevelt handed to Dr. Vannevar Bush, head of the wartime office of scientific research and development, the job of preparing a program for scientific development after the war.

By the time Dr. Bush had completed his program in 1945, Roosevelt was dead. President Truman picked it up and banged away at congress to set up a new government agency, a scientific agency.

A number of hearings were held in congress, with many scientists urging the creation of such an agency or scientific foundation through which the government could encourage scientific development.

In 1946 the senate passed a bill to do this but, since the house failed to follow suit, nothing came of it that year.

In 1947 both houses passed such a bill but Mr. Truman killed it with a veto. This was his reason:

Under that bill the president would appoint a board of 24 to head up the foundation but the board itself would pick the director who'd run the show.

### 5 New Classes Are Available

When the spring term of the adult education program of the Salem public schools opens March 5, five new classes will be available, George D. Porter, director, announces.

These classes will include cinematography (home movies), practical foremanship, group leadership, slip covering and textile painting. Each class will meet once a week at 7:15 p.m. at the following locations: Home movies, Monday, senior high, Jack Mitchell, instructor; foremanship, Tuesday, in fireplace room of city library, Waino Suojanen; group leadership, Wednesday, senior high, Del Ramadell; slip covering, Thursday, old Washington building, Mrs. Florence Wagsdale; textile painting, Monday, senior high, Mrs. Jean Guthrie.

Classes that will be reintroduced after an absence from the program will include: Business law, 7:15 p.m., senior high, Peter M. Gunnar; flower arrangement, Monday, senior high, 7:15 p.m., Monday, Mrs. Clara Sexton; home decoration, senior high, 7:15 p.m., Wednesday, Mrs. Frances Houston; jewelry and gem cutting, Parrish Junior high, 7:15 p.m., Wednesday, Ralph DaMetz.

Other courses consist of mathematics, business, conversational Spanish, leathercraft, woodworking and similar classes. Additional information may be had by calling the adult education department, 4-2246.

Important by the board, or for work that would help national defense.

### Scio Starts Plans Annual Lamb Show

Scio—The Fat Lamb Show will be held here on June 3, it was decided at a meeting of the group here.

The 1949 roster of officers was reelected unanimously at the meeting. They were: Mrs. Hazel Pague McCornack, president; John Dinsmore, vice president; and Virgil Crowe, secretary-treasurer.

The group set the time of the annual parade at 9:30 a.m., depending on one factor; if Scio is on daylight saving time when the show is held, the parade will be held at 10:30.

### Newberg Man Buys Business at Aurora

Aurora—Frank and Helen Pierce of Newberg have leased with an option to buy the sack-cleaning business established more than two years ago in the old Ehlen hardware building at Aurora by Lee L. Highberger.

Pierce plans to construct a three-room apartment in the building and to open a shoe repair shop, as well as carrying on the business of cleaning and mending gunny sacks, according to Hershberger.

### Four Corners Starts Work For Drainage of District

Four Corners, March 3—Work on a drainage ditch was begun Thursday on East State street running east from the corner at the intersection of State and Lancaster drive and north on Lancaster. A tile of sufficient capacity to carry off the surplus water at this location is being placed.

The first of a series of all-day meetings of the Four Corners Home Extension Unit's "Better Dress" work shop was held Thursday in the Community hall with Mrs. Ralph King and Mrs. Ernest Walker project leaders.

Members making dresses in this work shop are Mrs. Stan Braden, Mrs. J. H. Igleheart, Mrs. Jess McIlroy, Mrs. Arnold Olson, Mrs. G. J. Tucker, Mrs. A. C. Shaw and Mrs. S. H. Cable.

Mrs. Jess McIlroy was host to the "Hobbyists" at her home. Their project is stenciling. Members present were Miss Marie Lippold, Mrs. Ernest Walker, Mrs. Warren Shrake, Mrs. Waldo Miller, Mrs. Morris Stewart, Mrs. Ross Chrisman and Mrs. L. J. Stewart.

Leaving Wednesday for a week's visit with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hardt of Lebanon was Mrs. W. G. Gould of S. Elma avenue.

Hosts to the Marion County Fire Fighters association on Wednesday, March 8, at 8 o'clock will be the Four Corners volunteer firemen in the Community hall. Following the business session the guest speaker will be an engineer from the Portland General Electric company speaking on the conductivity of

Slain Witness—Abe Davidian (above), key witness in a federal narcotics case against Joe Sica, was found slain in his home in Fresno, Calif. Davidian, once an associate of Mickey Cohen, recently left Cohen to join the Dragna "Gang." Sica, an associate of mobster Jack Dragna, was indicted by the grand jury as the leader of a Southern California narcotics ring and is to go on trial in April. (Acme Telephoto)

### Grand Marshall Guest

Butteville—The IOOF lodge met in regular session and entertained Grand Marshal Raymond Webb of Salem, who made his official visit. Other guests were Warren Young, grand master of Oregon, George Lyons, Oswego, Joseph Eckley, Portland, Harry Jones, Gervais, W. R. Massey, deputy district marshal of Gervais. Charles Martin is noble grande, Raymond Langford, vice grand and Leslie Eppers, secretary of the local lodge. Refreshments were served.

### Lodge Officers Seated

Amity—Mrs. Hazel Gibbs district deputy president of Industry Rebekah Lodge and a staff of past noble grands will install the 1950 officers for Victory Rebekah lodge No. 94, at McCoy.

electricity in connection with fire fighting. Bill Cartwright and his group of amateurs will provide the entertainment.

Girl Scouts troop 42 with 18 girls present continued work on their stenciling project on Monday after school in the Community hall. Hostess for the day was Carol Hoffman. Leaders, Mrs. Raymond Hough and Mrs. Earl Thulin.

Brownie troop 107 held their meeting after classes in the school building. There were 18 girls present. As their new project they began the making of place mats. Patty Backe and Marilyn Corbett were appointed to present the flowers given by the troop to Mrs. William Futrell mother of Brownie member Faye Futrell. Patty Backe and Patty Etzel were hostesses for the day. Leaders, Mrs. J. E. Webster and Mrs. Henry Dillard.

The Four Corners Baptist church Sunday school contest between the adults and juniors resulted in the juniors winning. The losers entertained the two groups on Tuesday evening in the church annex. There were one hundred and six present with the Rev. Victor Loucks presiding as master of ceremonies.

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