

### Farm Bureau Region Meets

The 15 Oregon Farm Bureau centers of four counties, totaling over 60 men and women, were represented at a regional meeting of the federation being held Saturday at the Marion hotel.

The regional jurisdiction here is Marion, Polk, Yamhill and Benton counties.

Marion county has five centers, Yamhill and Polk three each, and Benton four.

Eddie Ahrens of Turner is regional director and is presiding at the meeting. It is the first regional meeting here.

"I am much pleased at the good attendance," Ahrens said, "and am glad to note the interest shown by the women. It is also a good sign to see that the four counties are evenly represented."

A guest of the meeting is Doris Van Blockland of La Grande, president of the Associated Women of Oregon, who spoke at the meeting.

In a progress report it was said that Benton county has just finished an expansion program that has taken the membership to 100 family members. Polk is just starting a drive that is expected to reach 150 family members by October.

The following subjects were to be covered in the afternoon program:

"Officers, Duties and Responsibilities," by Dick Cheadle, chairman of the Irish Bend center in Benton county; "Secretaries," by Alma Schroeder; "County Board Meetings," by L. W. Magee, president of Yamhill county bureau; resolutions, by Raymond Hobson, president of Polk county bureau; "Publicity," by Eddie Ahrens, president of Marion county bureau; "Farm Bureau Services," by Jack Wakefield; "Reapportionment Based on Balanced Representation," by Mark Hatfield of Willamette university.

### Swallows Due At Capistrano

San Juan Capistrano, Calif., March 18 (AP)—The engraving legend of the San Juan Capistrano swallows will be perpetuated again tomorrow.

Tomorrow is St. Joseph's day. The legend of the San Juan Capistrano mission, dedicated in 1776 by Father Junipero Serra, founder of the Franciscan chain of California missions, is that the swallows arrive here annually on March 19 and depart October 23, St. John's day.

Father Arthur J. Hutchinson, 74-year-old head of the rambling adobe mission, said the swallows never have varied their arrival date since he came here from Brooklyn 13 years ago.

"The swallows will be here early tomorrow morning," the white haired padre said.

There were none on the mission grounds today.

How the swallow finds his way from winter quarters in South America is still and may always be a mystery to man, who has to depend on his five senses for data from which to shape his actions.

Swallows born inside the ancient walls of San Juan Capistrano mission this summer will band together in the fall and without guidance from the older birds, will embark alone on a flight perhaps 10,000 miles to their winter habitat along the southern coasts of South America.

### MILITARY MEN AND VETERANS

On USS Coral Sea  
A Salem man, Pirnan Richard L. Covey, and a Silverton man, Alrman Apprentice Roger H. Seed, have recently reported aboard the aircraft carrier USS Coral Sea for duty with the Atlantic fleet. Covey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis W. Covey of 1235 South 17th and Seed's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Seed of route 2, Silverton.

Two men from this area, SA Richard W. Sogge of Salem and SA John J. Payton of Stayton are among those men serving aboard the armed transport vessel USS General Butler, which participated in the joint Army, Navy and Air Force exercises in the Caribbean area. Sogge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sogge of 1091 Ruge street, Salem entered the navy June 13, 1948. Payton, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul O. Payton of Stayton, entered in the navy September 22, 1948.

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**DANCE FANS!**  
By Popular Demand  
**JOE LANE** and His  
Dance Gang  
Returning to  
**Sloper Hall**  
**TONITE!**  
INDEPENDENCE

### Doctor, Cooks Fight Over Truman's Diet

Key West, Fla., March 18 (AP)—President Truman looked on amusedly today at the perpetual struggle between his physician and his Filipino cooks.

Brig. Gen. Wallace H. Graham, eyes afire, carried on what he conceded was a hopeless battle to keep the fat out of the presidential diet.

Mr. Truman weighs 175 pounds and he ought to weigh a lot less, General Graham said.

He said he considered Mr. Truman the "healthiest president this country ever had," but he isn't satisfied with that.

Then, he poured out his feelings about the navy men who do Mr. Truman's cooking.

"They fry everything in butter," General Graham fumed. "The food is too rich for anyone."

Graham, who likes to eat as well as any man, would like to see a bit more corn bread and mustard greens served to the president at the "Winter White House" at this naval submarine station.

"Don't get me wrong," he cautioned. "The navy is providing the president with the finest food in the land while he is here. But, he is a midwestern farm man and used to the simple, staple foods. He isn't pushing a plow, but working at a desk."

"A broiled steak wouldn't hurt once in a while, and simple vegetables."

Graham deplored the serving of breaded pork chops cooked in fat.

He gave Mr. Truman a complete series of X-rays before the president left Washington Sunday for his sea voyage to Florida and found him an unusually healthy man for 65.

Once, Graham recalled, he thought he had won his battle of the bulge after a heart-to-heart talk with the cooks.

"They promised to do better, and all they did was cut out the pies," he said. "They continued to serve the rest of the food cooked in butter."

### Hillbilly Roundup to Being Many Dancers

A corral for the orchestra, surrounded by saddles and other cowboy accoutrements will lend a hillbilly atmosphere for the Willamette Valley dance roundup scheduled for the Salem armory the night of March 24.

Art work is being done by Rod Renaud and Don Pence, Parrish junior high pupils.

Scores of dancers from many parts of the valley are expected to take part in the three-hour program that will include a wide variety of square dances and the maximum activity.

Invitations have been extended to the Silver Square Dance club, Amity Folk Dance club, Forest Grove Dosido club, Portland ONO club, Portland ONT club, Dallas Hoppers, Circle All club, Eugene, Czech Jolly Dancers, Seio; Taft Coast Dwellers, Salem Gate Swingers, Oregon State Promenaders, Jeans and Calico club (McMinnville), Dosido club, Portland; Circle A club, Portland, Castle Engineers club, Portland, Salem Heights Square Dance club, and YMCA Square Dance club, Salem.

### Donahue of Baker to Manage Albany C. C.

Albany, March 18 (AP)—The Albany Chamber of Commerce yesterday named Donald J. Donahue, 38, Baker, Chamber of Commerce manager, to become manager of the chamber here.

He is to take over April 1, succeeding Walter Underwood, who resigned.

### OLD TIME DANCE

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Over Western Auto  
259 Court St.  
Join the crowd and have a good time.  
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### BIG DANCE Saturday Nite

Aumsville Pavilion  
**TOMMY KIZZIAH**  
and his  
**WEST COAST RAMBLERS**

### Four-Year-Old Child Returned to Home

A sign of springtime was evident in police reports Saturday. Members of the department were called upon to hunt for a 4-year-old youngster, Carrol Turner, 348 East Meyers who went for an unattended stroll Friday afternoon.

The youngster was returned home within a half hour after police aid was sought.

Two 18-year-old youths admitted shoplifting activities in statements to Salem detectives Friday, but the pair was released when the store management where the thefts took place failed to sign a complaint.

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To The OLD-TIME and MODERN MUSIC of the  
**WESTERN VALLEY BOYS**  
**TONIGHT**  
MARCH 18th  
FINE MUSIC!  
FUN FOR ALL!  
Admission Only \$1.00  
**GLENWOOD BALLROOM**  
Just 4 Mi. North of Salem on 99E



Reward for Father—Lord Mountbatten, captain of "HMS Liverpool" polo team, receives trophy from his daughter, Lady Pamela, after his team defeated Malta Polo club.

### Censorship of Movies Feared

Washington, March 18 (AP)—Sen. Sheridan Downey (D-Cal.) said Friday a proposal to license the movie industry could develop into government censorship of radio, television, newspapers, magazines and books.

He was referring to the licensing bill introduced this week by Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) who was incensed by the romance between actress Ingrid Bergman and Roberto Rossellini, the Italian director.

"Though well-intentioned, I'm sure, the proposal is so dangerous and so contrary to democratic ideals that I cannot express too strongly my opposition to any such restrictive measure," Downey said in a statement.

"Without in any sense condoning the actions of certain members of the industry who have violated our accepted code of behavior, I would like to point out that for every one individual who offends, thousands of members of the same industry live decently and wholesomely providing far more examples of good conduct than bad."

Downey said the proposal would mean policing all film workers "for the sake of punishing a film star."

"The proposal before the congress would set up a government censorship over the movie industry which might easily be extended to radio, television, newspapers, magazines, and books," he said.

### IOOF to Meet in Astoria

Astoria, Ore., March 18 (AP)—Plans for the IOOF and Rebekah grand lodge assembly of Oregon convention here May 15-18 have been made in a meeting of Astoria and grand lodge officials. The convention is expected to bring 1500 delegates and visitors to Astoria.

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### Jinxed Trawler Sinks: 11 Drown

Halifax, N. S., March 18 (AP)—A jinxed Nova Scotia trawler was rammed and sunk in the early morning darkness off Halifax harbor today, carrying 11 of her 17 crew members to a watery death.

Only six escaped from the 115-foot Gertrude De Costa, out of Yarmouth, N. S., after a sudden collision with the Interisland Steamship Co., Ltd., vessel island Connector.

Sitting in the steaming engine room of the Connector, the still-shivering survivors told of a frantic scramble for safety during the few short minutes before their craft took her last plunge.

All were taken to a hospital shortly after the 1,386-ton Connector brought them into port. Some suffered injuries and shock.

In the companionway outside, lay the bodies of two of their shipmates, the only two recovered.

All the survivors—one actually was carried under with the ship but lived to tell the story—are from Nova Scotia. All the dead, except one from Grand Bank, Newfoundland, also were Nova Scotians.

Among the dead were Capt. Haslen Knickle of Lunenburg and his father, Otto. Another father and son, George Schrader and his son Dave, also were lost in the crash, which climaxed a jinxed voyage for the De Costa.

On the banks a few days ago a dory upset and one crew member was lost. His dory-mate, Morton Tanner of Blue Rocks, was saved. Today, Tanner was one of those lost.

### Cadet Feared Murder Victim

West Point, N.Y., March 18 (AP)—A handsome West Point cadet who disappeared mysteriously two months ago on his way to a dinner date, was believed by authorities today to have been slain.

While a nationwide hunt for the cadet continued, Lt. Col. Edwin N. Howell, provost marshal at the U.S. Military Academy, said yesterday:

"I am convinced this is foul play. I'm sure we will not find this man alive."

The cadet, 21-year-old Richard Cox of Mansfield, O., disappeared last January 14 when he left his quarters to keep a dinner appointment on the reservation with a man he referred to as "George."

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### Zip-Your-Lip Idea Wins For Woman

Kelso, Wash., March 18 (AP)—Remember the wartime signs that read "Zip your lip?"

Mrs. Patricia Controy, 24, carried the idea into superior court here yesterday and won her freedom on a liquor law violation charge. She hired no lawyer, had no defense, but just sat without saying a word.

The jury split, 6-6, and couldn't bring in a verdict.

### Red's Currency At All-Time Low

Berlin, March 18 (AP)—The Soviet zone's currency plunged today to an all-time low value, gripping holders of the east mark in a near panic of selling to unload.

The crisis started yesterday, spurred by reports of a possible sudden currency reform in east Germany.

Money exchanges in West Berlin were besieged at opening time this morning by Berliners seeking to dump millions of Soviet-backed east marks for the more solid west mark, supported by American credits.

Following secret crisis meetings last night, western exchange offices opened the market today at the lowest rate it's been since it was established in the summer of 1948—nine east marks to one west mark.

The black market rated the east mark even cheaper, at one-tenth the value of the west mark. But east German officials continued to maintain that the east mark actually is worth one west mark.

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### Sen. Byrd Gets Confidence Vote

Washington, March 18 (AP)—A unanimous vote of confidence for Chairman Byrd (D-Va.) by the senate-house committee on reduction in federal expenditures failed today to halt a drive by Senator Humphrey (D-Minn.) to abolish the group.

Humphrey told a reporter Chairman Hayden (D-Ariz.) of the rules committee has agreed to hold hearings on the Humphrey bill. It would wipe out the 14-member economy group which Byrd has headed since it was formed in 1941.

"The rules committee has asked government agencies for their views on my bill and I intend to push it," Humphrey said.

Commenting on the senate-house committee's action yesterday in re-electing Byrd as chairman, Humphrey said he was "glad to see that the committee has held its first meeting in two years."

"Maybe some of those folks over there who have been on the government payroll so long doing nothing will get to work now," he said.

Humphrey previously charged the committee with being "extravagant and wasteful." Byrd replied that the group had helped cut government expenses about \$2,000,000,000 in the nine years of its existence.

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