

At Silverton

Silverton's host to Oregon Eagles lodgemen this week, a big undertaking for a small city. Convention news of interest daily in The Statesman.

The Weather

Fair today and Friday, no temperature change; Max. Temp. Wednesday, 80, Min. 51; river .3 foot, clear, light northerly winds.

EIGHTY-SIXTH YEAR

Platform Makers Struggle for Agreement

Capitol Plans Changes Given Board's Okeh

McLean Heads Off Move of Executive Group to Give Up Jobs

Marquees and East-West Doors are Provided; Cost Limit Set

PORTLAND, Ore., June 24.—(AP)—The Oregon capitol reconstruction commission approved architectural plans for the new statehouse, today after concurring in incorporating several sweeping changes in the interior.

The principal changes from the designs which won the recent architectural competition were placing entrances on the east and west ends of the building, extension of the previous dead-end first floor corridor to these entrances, elimination of several stairways and elevators and rearrangement of offices and outside lighting.

Other incidentals but not structural changes are to be made by the commission from time to time.

Dalton Announces Committee Resigning

The old bugaboo over the power and duties of the executive committee cropped up when Dr. E. C. Dalton, St. Helens, said the members were resigning. However, Chairman J. A. McLean said the meeting to other matters before the commission acted upon the resignations.

Other changes in the floor plans were made by the architects after conferring with state officials and department heads.

Two main elevators, spaced about 18 feet apart, will face the main entrance and serve the general public. Two other elevators will be in the rear corners of the wings and will be handy to outside entrances. Legislators and statehouse employees will make most use of these. The governor will have a private automatic elevator.

Glass marquees over rear-wing entrances will permit persons stepping from automobiles on a rear driveway to enter the statehouse without exposure to rain.

The front entrance will be moved northward two feet to broaden the adjacent corridor to 12 feet.

The motor vehicle and operators divisions now in the state office building will be brought under the new roof and placed on the first and ground floors near the office of the secretary of state, who has control over them.

Control Board All on One Floor

This will necessitate moving the tax commission to the state office building.

It was agreed the board of control offices will be all on the first floor instead of split between the first and second floors.

The budget division and property controller offices will be nearby, within easy reach of the secretary of state and the treasurer's offices. The governor's office, directly above, will be arranged but dimensions were unchanged.

Directly across from the treasurer's office in the east wing will be the state land board. The press room will be on the first floor.

Large hearing room was shifted from the first to the ground floor which also was rearranged to accommodate motor vehicle and store rooms.

To eliminate odors the cafeteria was shifted from under the rotunda to a space farther forward. Ground floor space was set aside for a postal sub-station if the government approves one.

Provision was made for future (Turn to Page 8, Col. 8)

Eagles Assemble Today

Spy Plot Held Revealed, Jury In Los Angeles

Nippon Naval Officer and Ex-American Sailor Under Indictment

Charge American Gained and Sold Blueprints, Monthly Salary

LOS ANGELES, June 24.—(AP)—The federal grand jury today indicted two men, one of them identified as a Japanese naval officer, the other a former U.S. naval officer, non-commissioned, on charges they violated the espionage act in conspiring to furnish the Japanese government with U. S. navy information.

The indictment named Toshio Miyazaki and Harry Thomas Thompson, ex-petty officer in the U. S. navy who is serving a sentence in the county jail for illegal wearing of a navy uniform.

Miyazaki, the indictment said, is a lieutenant-commander in the Imperial Japanese navy and a former honor student at Leland Stanford university.

Miyazaki and Thompson, the (Turn to Page 8, Col. 6)

Japanese Warship Threat Is Hinted

Squadron May Retaliate For Chinese Firing on Smugglers

TIENTSIN, June 24.—(AP)—Indignant Japanese hinted tonight a warship squadron would be the answer to Chinese marine attacks on suspected smugglers.

A spokesman at the Japanese consulate indicated a squadron of destroyers was being sent from Port Arthur to patrol the Gulf of Chihli, North China's vast harbor.

The Japanese hinted, too, they might demand complete withdrawal of Chinese customs patrol vessels from northern waters unless "the situation is ameliorated."

Halting Garment Project Studied

Study of the advisability of closing the Salem WPA sewing project during the summer will be made today by Mary Jane Spurling, Portland, head of women's activities for the WPA. This announcement was made last night by J. E. Smith, district director here.

Governor Martin yesterday advocated abandonment of the project during the seasonal demand for workers to harvest crops.

Mayor Rubin announced that he would probably sign a WPA application for a new sewing project for Salem today. The project calls for the expenditure of \$176,000 federal funds with a contribution of \$19600 from the city.

Ocean Flier to Wed

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., June 24.—(AP)—Clarence D. Chamberlain, transatlantic flier, announced tonight he and Miss Louise Ashby, 29, of Fort Fairfield, would be married in New York Saturday.

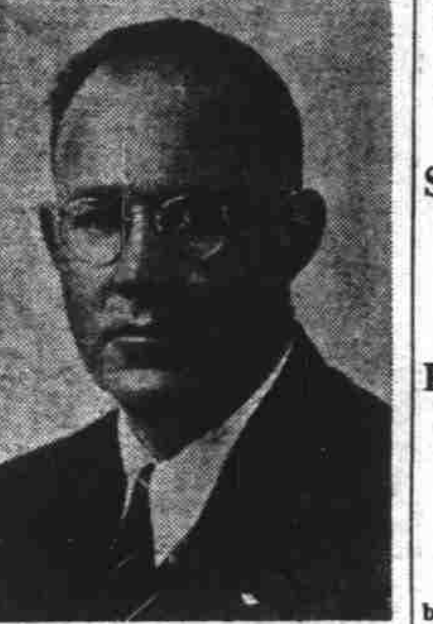
Governor Raps Relief When "Farmers Begging for Help"

"I don't give a damn which political party advocates the dole. It is wrong when workers are in demand and the farmers are crying for help to save their crops."

This was the statement made by Governor Charles H. Martin yesterday in discussing the relief situation.

"I was informed," Governor Martin said, "that only three persons responded to a call for 150 cherry pickers here Tuesday. This is a deplorable situation. The sooner loafers and chiselers are eliminated from the relief rolls the better it will be for all concerned."

Reports Tonight Upon Convention



LOWELL C. PAGET

Republicans Meet Here For Dinner

Derby, Weiss and Paget to Give First Hand View of Parley

Lowell C. Paget, Stewart Weiss and Frank N. Derby will give personal reports to Marion county republicans tonight on the Republican national convention as they saw it. They will be the speakers at the Marion county republican banquet at the Quella cafe tonight at 6:30 o'clock. Admission will be 50 cents per plate. No advance sales are being made. Tickets may be purchased at the restaurant.

Paget and Derby were members of the Oregon delegation to the convention. Weiss, retiring president of the Multnomah republican club, was an interested onlooker. Paget served as a member of the platform committee and Derby is to help notify Governor Landon of his nomination.

In addition to hearing the three speakers tonight, the Marion county club will elect officers and lay plans for the coming campaign. Ralph Emmons is president of the club.

Artillery Makes Ready, Big Show

FORT STEVENS, June 24.—(Via Amateur Radio)—General cleanup and preparation for the review of the Oregon National Guard to be held on Saturday at Camp Clatsop was in order at Fort Stevens today.

Early this morning a convoy of officers and men of Battalions D and E left Fort Stevens for Fort Canby, Wash., to fire at service practice with six inch rifles.

Men of the 249th Coast Artillery are starting to get the fever for the parade to be held Saturday at Camp Clatsop. The feeling between the two camps runs very high, especially since each outfit tries to outdrill the other.

Sergeant Frank Jirak today reported that this is to be his last camp, due to retirement. Sergeant Jirak is the regular army instructor assigned to the 249th Coast Artillery and is the backbone of the regiment.

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Meet Opening Today; Grand Officer Comes

Siren Blast Sounded to Welcome Mehrmans to State Conclave

Housing Arranged; Extra Police Sworn in to Handle Crowds

By LILLIE L. MADSEN SILVERTON, June 24.—A long blast of the city siren welcomed Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Mehrmann to Silverton Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Dr. Mehrmann, grand worthy vice-president of the Eagles lodge, and Mrs. Mehrmann, came to Silverton to attend the state convention which officially opens here Thursday morning.

D. D. Hale, state organizer and A. Warren Jones, state vice-president and secretary of the Salem lodge, were among the visitors who accompanied the noted Eagles to town. All returned to Silverton Wednesday night for the rally staged there. Dr. and Mrs. Mehrmann were presented with a large basket of flowers upon their arrival.

Registration Headquarters are Established

Bary Rose, chairman of the registration committee, had headquarters at the old Eastman (Turn to Page 8, Col. 5)

Methodists Move For Younger Men

Dr. Baxter Accepted Into Conference; Milligan on Committee

CORVALLIS, Ore., June 24.—(AP)—The Oregon Methodist conference took action today to place younger men on the important claims, stewards and ministerial training boards and on the conference relations and ministerial qualifications committees.

A resolution providing that ministers will be removed automatically from these five groups when they reach the age limitation was passed.

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Unification Topic Friday Morning

The pastor-delegates today formally accepted into the Oregon conference Dr. Bruce R. Baxter, president of Willamette university. Three men were chosen for the (Turn to Page 8, Col. 8)

Lodgemen Greet Visiting Officer

Dr. H. B. Mehrmann, vice-president of the grand lodge, F.O.E., spoke before a pre-convention rally of 300 Eagles at the Fremont temple last night.

Mayor V. E. Rubin spoke briefly, last night and Dr. P. O. Riley represented Earl Snell, secretary of state, at the meeting which was attended by representatives of 10 armies of the lodge.

Dr. Mehrmann arrived yesterday afternoon and was greeted at the Southern Pacific station by city, state and lodge officials. The Silverton 4-H band played and the visitor was escorted downtown by the Willamette drill team.

Ivy Hughes Is Organizer For Oregon P.E.O. Now; Portland Woman Elected

ASHLAND, Ore., June 24.—(AP)—The Oregon order of the P.E.O. chose Prineville as the 1937 convention city today at concluding sessions of their silver anniversary conference here.

Mrs. Emily J. Wells, Portland, was chosen state president; Mrs. Katherine Ainsworth, Hood River, first vice-president; Mrs. Mary McPadden, Portland, second vice-president, and Mrs. Ivy V. Hughes, Salem, organizer.

Rescue Try Fatal

ST. HELENS, Ore., June 24.—(AP)—Thomas Elgar's attempt to rescue a 14-year old foster son from a swimming hole cost him his life here. He died as a result of shock. Ivan Wilcox was drowned.

Fresh Drought Is Burning Up Midwest Crops

Crop Expert Says Rain is Less Than Recorded in 1934 Disaster Year

Commodity Markets Soar; Flour Sales Gaining; Railways Give Aid

CHICAGO, June 24.—(AP)—A June drought which burned into middle west crop prospects with an intensity approaching that of 1934 added additional losses to its mounting millions of dollars today.

From the eastern slopes of the Rockies to the foothills of the Alleghenies the moisture deficiency continued. High temperatures and drying winds in parts of the Dakotas added their damage and Gov. Elmer Holt of Montana reported conditions were "growing worse hourly" in southeastern Montana.

"Only the fact that it has been cooler generally has given this month a better showing than June, 1934," said Nat C. Murray, widely known Chicago crop observer. "In many areas the precipitation has been less than it was in the drought disaster of '34."

The weather bureau offered little encouragement of a change for the better.

Commodity markets continued to reflect the seriousness of the situation. Butter quoted \$120 Higher Per Carload

Butter quotations mounted \$320 a carload to a new seasonal high and a six-year June top of 31 1/2 cents a pound, compared to 31 yesterday.

Flour sales expanded hugely.

HELENA, Mont., June 24.—(AP)—Montana railroads cleared the tracks today for a speedy emergency mass movement of drought-stricken cattle from burning ranges to the east to green pastures in the west.

Platform Reports Scheduled Tonight

Resolutions Committee to Deliver Report After Rules Decided On

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—(AP)—Tomorrow's democratic national convention program will begin at 11 o'clock (eastern daylight time) convention called to order by Senator Joseph Robinson, permanent chairman.

Invocation by Dr. Emerson Barnes, moderator of the Philadelphia Presbytery.

1 p. m., rules committee report.

8 p. m., convention called to order.

Invocation by the Rev. Ernest G. Richardson, bishop of the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal church.

8:30, platform and resolutions committee report.

Adjournment.

State Radiq Bids Due on Saturday

Bids for construction of 24 radio stations, to be used by the state police, highway department forestry division, will be opened in Portland Saturday, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, announced yesterday.

The largest stations will be located in Salem, Klamath Falls and LaGrande. The cost was estimated at \$55,000.

Ban on O-C Timber Sales Would Hinder Operation, Lumber Mills, Says Cox

EUGENE, Ore., June 24.—(AP)—A permanent ban on the sale of Oregon and California land grant timber would make continued operations of lumber camps and mills economically difficult, H. J. Cox, secretary of the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association, said.

Farm Plank Offered; Building Fertility of Soil Suggested Pledge

Cooperation With States in Agricultural Program, Expansion of Domestic Farm Outlet, Balance in Production is Wallace Proposal

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—(AP)—The Philadelphia Record said today that the following farm plank, worked out by Secretary Wallace, Chester C. Davis, the former AAA administrator, and Senator Wagner was before the resolutions subcommittee:

"We pledge a continuation of the administration's efforts to obtain equality for agriculture through cooperation with the states in measures designed to build soil fertility.

"We pledge to work for expansion of the domestic outlet for farm products through increases in consumer purchasing power by providing for reemployment and used wages in industry that will permit a higher standard of living.

"We pledge assistance within federal powers in balancing production with prospective demands of American consumers on a basis of abundance and with available foreign markets taken into consideration."

Delzell Declares Oarp Not Favored

Says Oregon's Delegates, Excepting Two, Would Vote No on Plan

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—(AP)—William A. Delzell of Portland, chairman of the Oregon delegation, said today no attempt would be made to determine the sentiment of the group on the Townsend old age pension issue unless it is brought up on the floor of the democratic convention.

He said he could count on eight of the delegates voting against a Townsend plank. He classed the remaining two, Representative Walter M. Pierce of La Grande, and George Wilbur of Hood River, as sympathetic toward old age pensions but doubtful with respect to the Townsend plan.

Pierce and Wilbur, alternates, were named voting delegates after D. Amhart of Newberg, and Sam F. Smith of Gresham, elected delegates on a Townsend platform, reported they would be unable to attend the convention.

Heppel Recalls His 'Newsy' Days Here

Ralph H. Heppel, field representative of the Associated Press, visited Salem Wednesday. Heppel lived in Salem as a boy and attended the city grade schools and Willamette university prep school. His father, Dr. William H. Heppel, was pastor of the First Methodist church, leaving here in 1904 for Portland where he served pastorates in Centenary and Grace churches.

As a lad Heppel sold newspapers. He recalled how he used to go down to the boat dock to sell papers when the boat came in or departed. He is accompanied on his trip north by his wife and son.

Governor to Speak Today, Silverton and Portland

Governor Martin will go to Silverton today where he will address the Eagles' annual state convention. He then will go to Portland to attend a meeting of the state relief committee.

Late in the afternoon he will speak before a group of Portland business men on the flax situation.

Salem Has Only CCC Camp Set Up Within City Limits

The former Salem municipal auto park grounds on south Winter street are the home at present of the only CCC camp in the nation which is located within the city limits of an incorporated town.

Since last March, when the city granted the use of the old auto park to the government, 37 men have occupied the cabins there while they build a new state CCC headquarters near the state highway shops.

\$40,000 Expenditure Being Made Here

Four buildings—headquarters, office, shops, warehouse and barracks—are being constructed on the triangular strip of ground between the state highway shops and Mill creek near the penitentiary at a cost of \$40,000 to the federal government, according to J. E. Strong, who is in charge of the crew.

Of the 37 men stationed in Salem, about a third are from the veterans' camp formerly located above Mill City, and the remainder, youths from Rhode Island and Connecticut.

Strong said he expected work on the new plant to be sufficiently completed in a month's time for his crew to occupy quarters at the site of their work. He was uncertain as to where they would be stationed when construction was finished here.

After completion, the plant will serve as a reconditioning headquarters for CCC equipment, as well as an administrative headquarters for the state's conservation corps work.

Returns Tourists Being Turned Away

Remarks on their present location at the auto park, Strong commented on the number of tourists turned away from the former municipal accommodations. "Almost every day three or four seem disappointed when they can't stay here. The park must have been a very popular place."

Court Scored By Robinson; Call Sounded

Dissension Delays Report From Vital Conference; Seat Tiff Ended

Speculation Follows Talk Against High Court; Echo Expected

By JOHN F. CHESTER CONVENTION HALL, Philadelphia, June 24.—(AP)—Pounding out new and caustic criticism of the supreme court, but terming its decisions flat "until reversed," Senator Robinson of Arkansas tonight sounded a Roosevelt battle call before a democratic national convention increasingly troubled from within.

Conflict over the party's platform and bitter dissension that delayed action by two of the convention's vital committees ruffled the surface increasingly, although a stubborn delegate contest apparently was settled by compromise.

Money, Constitution and Monopoly Are Posers

Throughout the night a drafting committee struggled for a platform agreement, but only meager word of progress came from the guarded conference room. It appeared that money, monopoly and a constitutional issue were making most of the trouble.

Still unsettled, too, was the dispute whether to abandon the old rule requiring two-thirds of a national convention to nominate.

Southern opposition to the change had developed unexpected strength and bitterness. A committee vote was postponed until tomorrow.

Senator Robinson's speech, delivered to a packed house open to the public, occupied nearly all of the night session although there was a some more parading and cheering before the recess until 11 a. m., eastern daylight time, tomorrow.

Lashing at Landon and others of the republican leadership, and pouring out high praise of the generalship of Roosevelt, Robinson nevertheless saved some of his heaviest fire for the supreme court.

Asserts Court Held Up Recovery

As had Senator Barkley of Kentucky, the keynote before him, the wide-shouldered majority leader of the senate mixed with sarcasm an assertion that the highest legal tribunal had been "slowing up national recovery."

The continued flings at the court by the convention's chief speakers stirred wide speculation. Some here felt these words were certain to echo in the presidential campaign to come. And even as Robinson talked, the post-war drafters were debating how and whether the constitutional issue should be touched in that document.

Silverton Girl Missing From Home Since Monday Is Sought by Officers

SILVERTON, June 24.—Local and state officers are in search of Genevieve Thurston, 17-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Thurston who live at 605 Whitler street.

Miss Thurston has been employed at the A. E. Conner home at 317 South Water street. She left here Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock and has not been seen since.

Intersections Blocked; City Dads Scolded

With Commercial street partly blocked because of Southern Pacific track improvements and with Liberty street partly blocked by a carnival, the city dads were getting a panning yesterday. They hastened to explain, however, that the carnival permit was issued before it was known the railroad was a king to tear up its roadway at the same time.

The carnival is the Browning outfit which makes Salem its home headquarters. It is operating under the sponsorship of the Lions club which will use the proceeds to beautify the campus of the school for the blind's new dormitory. The carnival will close Saturday night and the street will be cleared before Sunday.

Boom Bomb's Bad Medicine Troopers Say

Standing by for action becomes foolhardiness instead of bravery when a big black bomb with long, sizzling fuse confronts a man, three Salem state policemen agreed yesterday.

Catwinks couldn't equal the speed with which Lieutenant Max Alford and Sergeants Powell Clayton and Robert Phillips fled their office in the city hall when just such a bomb plunked down onto their desk. Had the "boom" that failed to cause a taken place, the troopers would have been well out of range.

The bomb proved to be a combination April Fool-July 4 one, tossed across the troopers' counter by Newell Williams, special officer.