

Vacation Time

Vacation season is near at hand. Keep it in mind to have your daily Statesman follow you wherever you go on that summer trip.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR

Steel Strike Deadlock May Be Broken Soon

Weather
Unsettled and mild today and Thursday, light showers; Max. Temp., Tuesday 68, Min. 52, river 1.9 feet, southwest wind.

School Budget Increased But Levy Lowered

Salary Boosts Accorded to Faculty; Changes Made Are Slight

Item Included for Cost of Buildings' Use by Non-Profit Groups

CHANGES IN SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1937-38

Total budget increased by \$39,855.96, to \$453,613.96. Non-district tax receipts estimated higher by \$32,287.10. Total district tax decreased one-tenth mill to \$274,176.96. Teachers granted 6 per cent salary increase. Provision made for regulated free use of schools by public.

Salem school district taxpayers will be called upon next year to raise an increased \$453,613.96 budget by paying in \$143.63 less than the levy for the year now ending.

That paradox was created by the citizens' budget committee last night as it adopted with but three changes the proposed schedule of receipts and expenditures submitted by Superintendent Silas Gaiser and the school directors.

Projection of revenues from other than district taxes increased an expected increase of \$32,287.10, or a total of \$179,437, for the new year to offset an expense budget boosted by \$30,855.47. Increased enrollment of high school pupils from outside the local district, bringing \$21,133 estimated gain in tuition payments, and a large cash carryover accounted for most of the rise in outside income.

One Mill Less Proposed Tax Levy

The result, if the preliminary budget is finally adopted, will be that the district taxpayers will be asked to contribute \$274,176.96 to their schools for the year 1937-38 as against \$275,608.59 for the year 1936-37. The new tax rate would be 17.5 cents per \$100 valuation, or a reduction of 0.1 mill from the last levy.

The new current expense budget, \$245,476.96, is \$4824.65 below the allowable \$14,168.54, or 6 per cent, increase.

The only major change the committee made in the administration budget was the insertion of a \$500 fund to enable the board to grant the use of school meeting places for non-profit approved organizations.

"It is very beneficial to the community to have the schools used by the public," Committee man Don H. Upjohn declared in moving for the \$500 increase.

The committee left to the board the matter of establishing a definite policy defining organizations which will be eligible to free use of the school buildings.

The school board has managed to conserve its construction funds such as that for the building program, now virtually completed, will have little effect during the coming year on the district budget, the superintendent reported.

Maturity dates on the building bond issues are so arranged that old series will be paid off this year and first principal retirements on the new, left until a year later.

Debt service items in the new budget include \$5500 for retiring bonds, \$23,200 for bond interest, \$1400 for warrant interest and \$1250 for bond interest, such as a \$43,000 note issue now outstanding.

New Buildings Add Fuel, Power Costs

The only consequential budget item increases, aside from salaries, were for fuel, light and power. These items will be paid off this year and first principal retirements on the new, left until a year later.

Teachers next year will be receiving the third 6 per cent increase in pay in as many years. The latest raise in salaries virtually finishes a program laid out by the directors three years ago when the new graduated schedule allowing credit for advanced study and for years of service was put into effect.

Two Army Pilots Lost

Total Eclipse Studied With Good Results

Plane Nearly Five Miles up Utilized by one Scientist, Word

Observers Jubilant Over Results but Natives Cower in Dread

Will Be Over Rose Festival

LIMA, Peru, June 8-(AP)—From an airplane nearly five miles up, from Andean peaks and from sea-side stations jubilant scientists reported late today they observed and recorded the total eclipse of the sun under almost perfect conditions.

The reports of success came from Americans, Japanese and Peruvian scholars who had chosen the one small continental area from which the longest solar eclipse in more than 1200 years could be seen in totality, a narrow band across northern Peru.

They saw it near sundown, totality beginning at 5:21 p. m. (Peruvian and E. S. T.), when the sun was 8 to 10 degrees above the horizon.

Major Albert W. Stevens, American army aviator observing from the American Museum of Natural History, reported by radio he had reached a height of 25,000 feet, kept his plane in the path of totality about three and a half minutes and had achieved "splendid results in wonderful visibility."

Major Stevens said his four cameras functioned well and recorded both motion and still pictures of the sun's corona and of the approaching shadow. During totality he was flying above the Pacific ocean between Traujillo and Chimbote.

Reports from mountain stations said as soon as the sun emerged from the moon's shadow Indians, who had been frightened as the darkness grew, rang church bells and piped on their primitive flutes, and had come down from the times of the Incas.

News of the coming eclipse spread through the mountains for days. Fearful Indians crowded steep Andean paths along the coast where the Incas built temples for worship of the sun god centuries ago.

Father Convicted On Battery Count

ROSEBURG, Ore., June 8-(AP)—A circuit court jury convicted Leonard Hopkins, Canyonville barber, tonight for assault and battery upon his 4-year-old daughter, Barbara Irene, who died April 17.

The child's stepmother previously pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to 12 years in the state prison.

Hopkins will be sentenced Thursday.

The father said he punished the child with his open hand for not washing her hands and face before luncheon. He testified that the blows were not "unduly severe."

Board Defers Action, Hopes Pres. Boyer Will Reconsider

PORTLAND, June 8-(AP)—The state board of higher education today received the resignation of Dr. C. V. Boyer as president of the University of Oregon but postponed action until its September meeting with the understanding that Boyer will remain at the head of the institution until that time.

Audit Policies Of County Hit By Grand Jury

State Bureau's Services Favored for Future Checkups Here

Loss Through Constable Office Mentioned but Blame not Severe

The Marion county grand jury yesterday afternoon closed its current series of investigations by handing in a report chiding the county court for its audit policies.

The court was urged, in the report, that all future audits made by the state division of audits, a course the probing jury asserted "would undoubtedly uncover minor irregularities and would result in increased efficiency, accuracy, the disbursement of funds as provided by law, and would, over a period of time, prove a saving to the county."

The \$1158.30 audit of county offices and of justice of the peace districts outside of Salem was found by the investigators to contain "many glaring errors in the figures themselves, namely: Wrong addition, false balances."

"We feel," the report continued, "the county court is open for criticism for accepting these reports in inaccurate form."

Failure to Collect Costs Is Deplored

Discussing the state audit of the Salem justice of the peace district, the grand jurors found: "The chief complaint is the failure to collect costs in criminal cases, especially in cases where bail had been posted in amounts that would have covered fine and costs. This deprived Marion county of a legitimate source of revenue."

Apparent retention of \$2390.47 in mileage fees and failure to collect service fees from early 1931 forward by the late Constable W. E. DeLong, the jury viewed as not intentional deviations from the law "on the part of any official," but as causes of "loss to Marion county of revenue and reduced efficiency."

Man Bitten as He Pursues mad Dog To Save Children

LOS ANGELES, June 8-(AP)—Pursuing a rabid police dog, Lynde C. Smith enacted a role somewhat like that of Paul Revere today and was bitten before the dog was killed.

As the dog headed down the street toward a group of children, Smith raced close behind, shouting to residents to get their children and dogs inside.

A mile farther on, the dog started for another group of children. Smith threw himself upon the animal just in time, but it bashed him in the arm, broke away and fled. A sheriff's deputy summoned in the meantime, however, pursued and shot the dog.

Smith sat down on a lawn and cauterized his wound with lighted matches.

Carl R. Williams, chief rabies quarantine officer of Los Angeles county, said a movement would be started to apply for a Carnegie medal for Smith.

Late Sports

SEATTLE, June 8-(AP)—Seattle's Indians blasted three Portland pitchers for 19 hits and a 15-1 victory while Pitcher Dick Barrett held the Beavers to six hits here tonight in the opening game of the series.

The Tribe broke loose with three runs in the third inning, aided by an accident which sent Edna Montague, Portland second baseman, into the field with an injured leg. Montague was hurt in a collision with Harlin Pool who was forced out at second.

Steve Coscarart counted for the Beavers' lone tally with a home run.

Portland 1 6 3
Seattle 15 19 0
Liska, Shealy, Drefs and Cronin; Barrett and Fernandez.

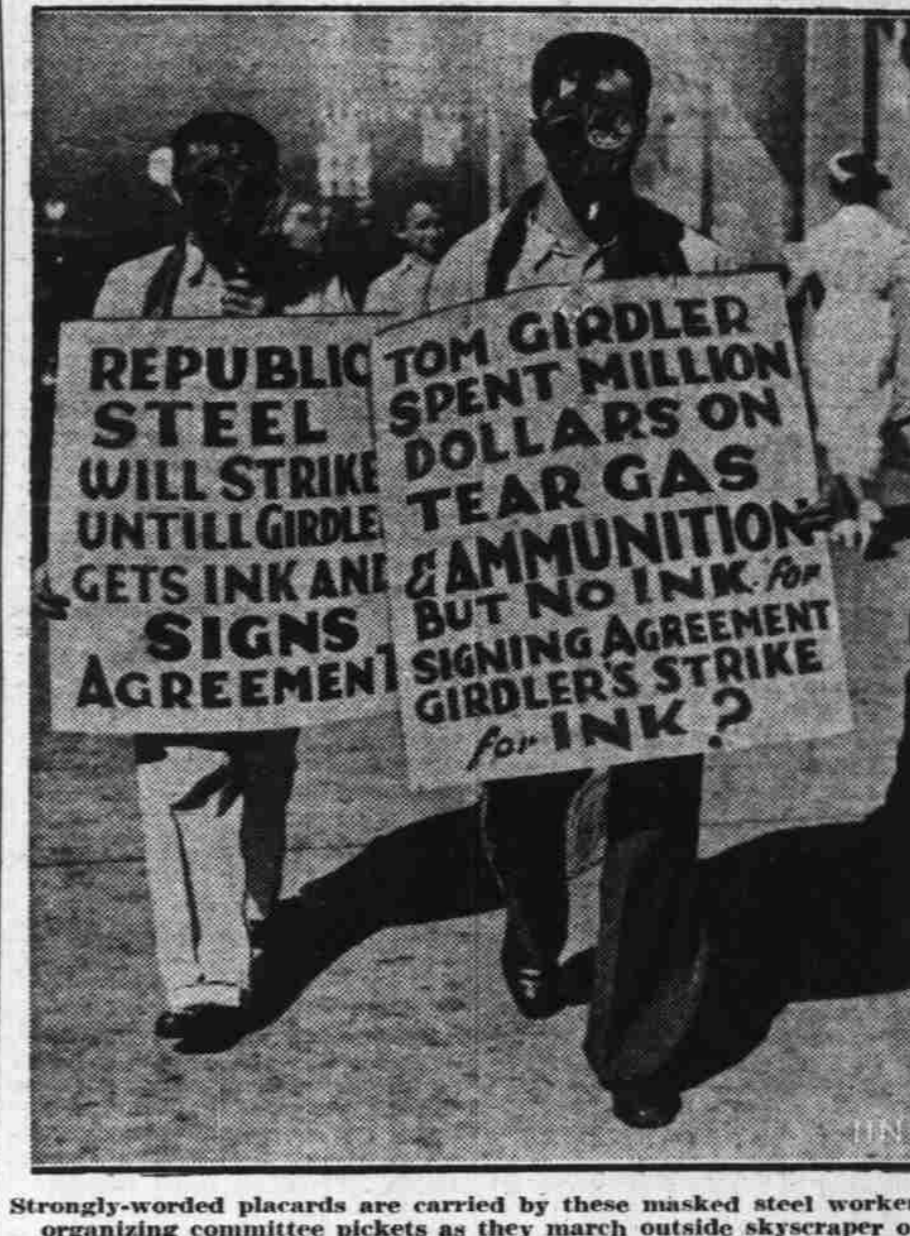
SACRAMENTO, June 8-(AP)—Sacramento defeated Oakland 4-3 tonight in the series opener after 11 innings.

Oakland 3 10 2
Sacramento 4 10 1
Bonham and Raimondi; Klinger and Franks.

Los Angeles 4 9 2
Mission 1 10 0
Evans and Collins; Osborne and Frankovich, Outen. *

WESTERN INT'L LEAGUE
Vancouver 8, Wenatchee 6.
Yakima 8, Spokane 5.
Lewiston 5, Tacoma 4.

Gas Masks Worn by Steel Pickets Who Carry Strongly-Worded Signs



Strongly-worded placards are carried by these masked steel workers organizing committee pickets as they march outside skyscraper offices of Republic Steel company at Cleveland.

Woodworkers to Vote, CIO Issue Federation Committee Is Split Upon Question of Taking Ballot

PORTLAND, Ore., June 8-(AP)—The rank and file of unions associated with the Federation of Woodworkers prepared today to ballot within the next month on the question: "Shall we affiliate with the C.I.O.?"

A special conference of the federation executive committee and of affiliated district councils, claiming to represent approximately 100,000 woodworkers, ended today with the decision to conduct the referendum immediately.

Ballots will be counted at a conference July 10, and the decision of the membership will be submitted to a general convention on July 15 at Tacoma, Wash.

Possibility of a split in federation ranks was seen when a number of the delegates from the Puget Sound and Longview, Wash., districts left the hall after losing their fight to refer the question to a rank and file vote to the coming convention.

Harold Pritchett, Vancouver, B. C., president of the federation, first announced the motion for an immediate referendum had lost for lack of a two-thirds majority, but later ruled a two-thirds vote was not necessary.

Missing Beauty Found

LONDON, June 9-(Wednesday)—Diana Batty, society beauty who had been missing for a week, was found early today in London. She was ill and apparently suffering loss of memory.

Colmery to Speak Thursday Night; Legion Makes Plans

Scores of reservations from communities of southern and western Oregon already received for the banquet honoring the national commander of the American Legion, to be held at the Marion Hotel Thursday night, indicate widespread interest in the visit of Harry W. Colmery of Topeka, Kansas, among Legionnaires and Auxiliary members. More than a thousand veterans are expected to participate in the parade and mass meeting at the armory tomorrow night. Mr. Colmery is reputed a fine speaker with a message tuned to the times and the general public is cordially invited both to the banquet and the meeting.

At a meeting of the committee on arrangements yesterday afternoon, tentative reception plans were outlined. The visitor is expected to arrive from Portland promptly at 4:30 p. m. and will be taken direct to the state office building where he will be formally welcomed to the state capital by Governor Martin. Secretary of State Snell and State Treasurer Holman.

Davey to Tell Status Today; Outlook Good

Stockyards Tie-Up Brief With Compromise on Wage Question

Lansing Has Its Second Labor Holiday due to A. F. of L. Drive

(By the Associated Press)

Indications of a possible break in the two-week-old steel strike deadlock, Tuesday 68, Min. 52, river 1.9 feet, southwest wind.

An authoritative source at Youngstown, O., indicated Governor Martin L. Davey, who last week had conference with all sides in the dispute, might make a statement today.

Strikes began and ended yesterday on the changing labor scene.

A walkout of 300 handlers at the East St. Louis, Ill., stockyards, one of the world's largest, was settled a few hours after the yards were closed, leaving some 30,000 head of livestock without adequate care. A wage raise compromise was reached.

Unionists voted to end a six-day-old strike at the Timken Roller Bearing Co. at Canton, O., where 2,200 employes were idle. Another strike, involving 1,000 employes of the Morgan Packing Co. at Austin, Ind., was settled at Indianapolis. It began May 18.

Federation Gains Victory on Vote

The American Federation of Labor union won a 1,079 to 803 victory in an election to determine whether it or an employes association would represent 2,000 workers at the H. J. Heinz plant at Pittsburgh. A strike closed the plant two weeks ago.

A union official announced at Cleveland that 24,000 members employed by the American Railway Express Co. were being polled for authority to strike in support of demands for a revised contract.

A union leader announced in New York that a threatened strike of 8,000 harbor towboat workers had been postponed because jurisdictional differences between two unions was settled.

Mexican strike leaders announced the nationwide tieup in the oil industry would "end definitely" at noon today. The end had been announced Monday night, but pickets held to their posts through yesterday.

Second "Holiday" Occurs at Lansing

Lansing, Mich., experienced its second "labor holiday"—this time building crafts unionists who walked off their jobs as the signal for an intensive American Federation of Labor organizing campaign. The "holiday" lacked the excitement which attended Monday's demonstration by Unions.

Automobile workers affiliated with the Committee for Industrial Organization.

Both sides in the steel strike appealed to federal bodies.

Chairman Philip Murray of the steel workers organizing committee, a C.I.O. affiliate, asked a senate investigation of the acts of three strike-affected producers, Republic Steel Corp., Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., and Inland Steel Corp.

Republic, meanwhile, reiterated its demand that the postal department handle foodstuffs marked for shipments into its plants operating behind picket lines, and threatened legal action if refusal continued.

Stork No Excuse From Jury Duty

TACOMA, June 8-(AP)—The juror accused he'd have to serve after all.

Appearing before Superior Court Judge W. O. Chapman, one prospective juror asked to be excused.

"My wife is going to have a baby," he said.

"Request refused," said the judge. "The excuse would be valid only if the juror were going to have the baby."

BALLADE of TODAY
By R. C.

Men soar in planes and climb high peaks and sail far out to sea in ships to scout through telescopes and view the sun while it's in full eclipse; and though their actions may seem queer we're sure that one could do much worse; their findings may contribute much to knowledge of the universe.