

Rally of GOP Highlight of Party Affairs

First District Sending Delegations Here on Wednesday, Armory

Pinball Issue Is Raised Again in County as new Bill Talked

By RALPH C. CURTIS
It's May day to the children that means hanging May baskets on the doors of their young friends, but to aspirants to public office it means that the campaign is swinging into the home stretch and whatever they may hang on the doors of their rivals for the voters' favor are not May baskets filled with flowers.

To voters as well as candidates in the republican ranks, the major event of the coming week in this vicinity is the first district republican rally to be held in the Salem armory Wednesday night under the auspices of the Marion county Republican club. A distinct effort is being made to have all candidates on hand so that the voters may judge of their personalities and so far as possible, of their qualifications.

Republican Majority Holds in Oregon
Highlights of the past week has been the day-to-day accumulation of county registration totals, with three still lacking at the weekend but with enough figures on hand to assure a new record for primary registration and to assure republicans that they are still in the majority, even though democrats have cut a sizeable hole in the margin of approximately 33,000 the GOP held two years ago.

Whatever jubilation the democrats may express over this gain is tempered by puzzlement as to how much of it is synthetic. There is no denying that a considerable number of voters who are normally republicans switched over in order to vote for Governor Martin or against Governor Martin. Their second puzzle involves the question as to whether the governor or his opponents gained strength by this move.

Bitterness of Fight Hard on Democrats
At the same time, while the democrats are enjoying the lime-light shed upon their hectic governorship race which still monopolizes the political scene, their satisfaction is once more qualified by the knowledge that the very bitterness of that fight is bound to react against them in the fall—for wounds are being opened which as they are healed will be indicative of the breach that is being created. Meanwhile the republicans' eight candidates are campaigning earnestly but courteously, to date, in so far as mention of their opponents is concerned.

That does not mean that all republicans will be thoroughly satisfied when the returns are in, but at least no new crevasses are being cracked open at this time.

Hess Scarcely Ahead Of Martin yet
It becomes increasingly evident that the Martin camp believe they are in for a fight, but no one who is reasonably neutral has yet hazarded the opinion that Hess has managed to date to overcome the lead the incumbent held at the outset.

Candidates for other offices are handicapped by the fact that the governorship is getting almost exclusive attention, but they are comforted by the realization that their opponents are equally overshadowed. One result, however, is that in their case the race will be to the swift, even more than usual. That is, the ones who "get around" most will have the best chance.

Gambling Issue Revived Here
There has been little tangible activity in the Marion county legislative campaign but within the past week an issue has arisen—oddly enough, the old pinball and gambling issue. Opponents of gambling have been predicting that the pinball interests will seek to get the camel's nose under the tent by inserting some minor change in the law, then flooding the state with the now war-prone nickel-grabbers and keeping them in operation while the whole fight goes through the courts again.

Nothing this new attack, the pinball interests have begun to line up in support of candidates they feel will be friendly, opponents of gambling have picked the candidates they want to support and the battle, is on, even though in a quiet way.

Two-Year-Old Child Is Electrocuted by Socket

SACRAMENTO, April 30.—(AP)—Two-year-old Caroline Anthony, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Anthony, North Sacramento, was electrocuted today when she touched the socket of an electric drop cord in the garage of her home.

Socialist Leader Denounces Mayor

Thomas Seized by Jersey Officers



NORMAN THOMAS

Thomas Seized by Jersey Officers

Halted in Attempt to Make Speech; Asserts They Struck His Wife

JERSEY CITY, N. J., April 30.—(AP)—Norman Thomas, national chairman of the Socialist party, returned to Journal Square tonight from where he was seized earlier by police as he attempted to make a speech and charged he was "kidnaped by officials."

"I was not arrested but kidnaped by officials, some in uniform and some not," Thomas said in a statement. "I was forcibly put on a ferry boat for New York as were others not even guilty of the offense of coming to Jersey City to make a speech. I have every intention of taking whatever legal action is possible against Mayor Frank Hague and his grand fascist administration."

A crowd of 300 milled about a local newspaper office where Thomas made his statement and shouted loudly "we want Thomas. We want Thomas."

Thomas left the building with his wife and his brother, Dr. Evann Thomas, and police escorted them to a Hudson tube station. Police guarded all entrances to the station until the Thomas group had boarded a train.

Thomas charged "an officer hit my wife in the jaw when I was being removed from my automobile."

Thomas, who was removed from his automobile as he attempted to address a May day meeting, said his only reason for returning was "to find out what happened to my wife, and other American citizens in Hitler-Hague flemdom."

His wife and brother had visited headquarters earlier to inquire of Police Chief Harry J. Walsh as to his whereabouts.

Plane Bearing 19 Reported Wrecked

ROME, April 30.—(AP)—A passenger plane carrying 19 persons bound from Tirana, Albania, to Rome, was believed today to have crashed near Formia, Italy.

The Ala Littoria Airlines office neither confirmed nor denied that the plane had crashed, but a reliable source said it was certain the disaster had overtaken the craft.

One report, reaching Rome from Tirana, said the plane carried passengers returning to Italy from a wedding of King Zog and Queen Geraldine of Albania.

Colorful Program Arranged To Dedicate new WU Library

One of the main events scheduled for the May weekend festivities on the Willamette university campus next weekend is the dedication of the new library, which will take place Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. The dedication program was announced yesterday by President Bruce R. Baxter.

There will be an academic procession of faculty members and trustees to Walker hall at 9:45 a. m. President Baxter will preside at the dedication program to be followed by an organ prelude by Professor T. S. Roberts, professor of the Willamette university college of music. The invocation will be given by Dr. Louis Magis, superintendent of Salem District Methodist church, which will be followed by a duet by Betty Starr and Helen Woodfin.

Greetings will be given by Governor Charles H. Martin; Miss Harriet C. Long, state librarian; Mayor V. E. Kuhn; Talbot Bennett, president of associated students; Dr. Frank M. Erickson, dean of the university; Clarence S. Emmons, president alumni association; Charles A. Sprague, chairman, building committee of university board of trustees.

The dedicatory address will be given by Dr. Lawrence J. Zillman, department of English, University of Washington. The ceremony of transferring the keys will be participated in by Pietro Belluschi, representing A. E. Doyle and Associates, architects, to Paul B. Wallace, president of the board of trustees, to Bruce R. Baxter, president of Willamette, to Robinson Spencer, librarian.

The ritual of dedication will be given by President Baxter and the benediction will be given by Dr. James E. Milligan, pastor First Methodist church. The public is cordially invited to attend the dedicatory ceremonies.

Art Galien and his May weekend committee have been busy this last week making final preparations for the May festivities. A track meet will be held on Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock with the College of Puget Sound, Pacific university and Willamette at Gilinger field. Friday night the May weekend dance will be held (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Pulp Workers' Agreement to Be Continued

Automatic Renewal Remains Same; Move to Union Halls Made

HOQUIAM, May 1.—(Sunday)—(AP)—Present working conditions and wages in the pulp and paper making industry of the Pacific coast will be continued for the next 13 months, local officers of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers and the International Brotherhood of Pulp and Sulphite and Paper Workers unions announced here early this morning.

Present contracts, which expire May 31, 1938, provide for automatic renewal for another year if no application for change is made by unions or employers by 30 days before the expiration date. No such application for reopening of negotiations was made, both the unions and the Pacific Coast Association of Pulp and Paper manufacturers having agreed to extend the contract.

A minimum wage of 62 1/2 cents is provided in the contract. Wages in the industry range up to \$1.25 per hour under its terms.

This is the fifth successive contract signed without interruption of production.

"We look upon this as a distinct victory for our type of collective bargaining," a press statement of the local Pulp and Sulphite Workers' union here said. "Would that some of our related industries take a leaf from our book."

Employees of the Oregon Pulp & Paper company here are affiliated with the two brotherhoods, and the agreement being continued applies to them as well as to other paper workers of the north-west.

Solons Reluctant To Probe Trusts

Are More Interested for Present in Shaping Relief Measures

WASHINGTON, April 30.—(AP)—Congress' aversion to doing much about anti-trust or other controversial matters at this session became manifest increasingly today as the legislative leaders concentrated on whipping President Roosevelt's lending-spending program into shape for an early vote.

Informed legislators said the primary concern of most members was to complete action on still pending phases of the \$4,512,000,000 lending-spending program, clean up the tax revision bill and a few other measures and get back home to their political fence-mending.

Talk of adjournment between May 15 and June 15 raised an obstacle to action this year on the abolition of bank holding companies, a field in which the president asked prompt legislation in his monopoly message yesterday. But legislators generally agreed there was a good chance of funds being voted, as Mr. Roosevelt requested for an investigation of the "concentration of economic control."

Monmouth Session Draws big Crowd

MONMOUTH, April 30.—Over a thousand persons, a record-breaking crowd, attended the 10th annual educators' conference held here at Oregon Normal school today.

ONS alumni, holding its annual banquet following the conference, elected Virgil McPherson, Portland, as president, Wilbur Rowe of Milwaukee as vice-president, and Mrs. Gordon Ebert of Monmouth, secretary.

Three teachers of the Normal school, all of whom have completed 25 years of service, were honored by being presented with silver trays. They were Mrs. Alabama Brenton of the art department, Miss Katherine Arbutnot, teacher of geography, and Miss Laura J. Taylor of the physical education department. Wires and letters of felicitations from former ONS students all over the United States were read.

In addition, Thomas H. Gentle, former teacher training school here, and J. S. Landers, former ONS president now with the department of education, were speakers at the banquet.

Roosevelt Sails On Fishing Trip

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 30.—(AP)—Away from the grind of official conferences and economic problems, President Roosevelt rode the calm seas of the south Atlantic aboard the trim cruiser Elandora today on a vacation that may take him to the West Indies.

Stocked with the latest newspapers and White House reports on reaction to his lengthy anti-monopoly message, the nation's number 1 sailor boarded the new 10,000-ton cruiser at the navy yard at 8:45 a. m. (EST) and an hour later was headed southward amid the booming of 21-gun salutes from the Philadelphia and a navy yard battery.

He is expected to disembark here next Saturday, but he should be left by then would let them know definitely by Thursday whether he would land here or some port farther north.

Tacoma Port Is Blockaded

Next Move Is Hitler's, Map Altering Game

Czech Government Bans Demonstrations to Prevent Clashes

Fuehrer's Visit Tuesday to Rome Effort to Bolster Axis

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, April 30.—It is the danger spot in the European game which may involve war or another change in the map.

Little Czechoslovakia, the republic born in the World war, is the danger spot. There, with May day to be celebrated tomorrow, the government banned political demonstrations in an effort to prevent possible racial and party clashes at a time when Konrad Henlein, leader of the country's minority of 3,500,000 Germans, is demanding a change in the nation's foreign policy and autonomy for his followers.

But the prime action next week is focused not in Praha but in Rome.

International Scene Shifts to Rome
Benito Mussolini there holds the balance of power, with one hand clasping Hitler's in the Rome-Berlin line and the other clasping British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's under the Anglo-Italian accord.

Hitler is going to Rome Tuesday to renew and, some think, to strengthen, the German-Italian working agreement which may become an answer to the highly frustrated demands of the long-standing Anglo-French accord to work together if Germany should become a menace.

That is his first move. The other concerns what Hitler may be willing to do about Czechoslovakia and Great Britain, whose prime ministers and foreign ministers yesterday concluded a two-day conference, have mapped three-degree steps in an effort to achieve a peaceful solution of the Czechoslovak minority problem.

Seek to Modify German Demands
1. Political—Approaches to Berlin and Praha to seek modification of German demands on Czechoslovakia and Czechoslovak acceptance of as many as possible, including renunciation of the long-standing Anglo-French accord and independence.
2. Economic—Preferential trade (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Czechoslovakia Faces Nazi Showdown



While prospects for compromise between the Czechoslovakian government and the pro-Nazi Sudeten party in the western section of the country appeared slim following an ultimatum issued by Konrad Henlein, faction leader, in which he demanded complete equality and self-government for Germans in the area and a foreign policy favorable to the Nazi Reich, Britain and France have now agreed to make overtures to Chancellor Hitler for a less stringent program in an effort to avert an outbreak. President Edward Benes of the Czech nation and his premier, Milan Hodza, find themselves between the cross-fires of Nazi demands and claims of Hungary to jurisdiction over 692,000 Hungarians now under the Czech flag.

Salem Chosen for 1938 CE Conclave

Linton Parrish Is Awarded First in Contest at Oregon City Meet

OREGON CITY, April 20.—(AP)—A parade in which more than 1,000 delegates participated featured today's session of the annual state Christian Endeavor convention which closes here Sunday.

The Clackamas county union entry was awarded the Philadelphia trophy, with honorable mention to Columbia, Washington and Marion counties and the Dayton harmonica band.

Linton Parrish, Salem placed first in the young people's oratorical contest, winning a scholarship to the summer conference at Turner.

Salem was chosen for the 1939 convention.

Howard C. Cole, of Salem, was re-elected state president. Other officers were:

Dorothy Kliks, McMinnville, vice president and financial secretary; Robert Sawyer, Imbler, Mrs. Effie Ritchey, Freewater, Leland Cramer, Reedsport and Phyllis Barrett, Salem, regional vice presidents; Judge Jacob Knapp (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Prineville not An Eldorado Is Mayor's Advice

PRINEVILLE, April 30.—(AP)—Note to job-hunters: This city is no Eldorado.

So said Mayor W. B. Morse today. Worried by "unfounded" rumors that jobs were literally growing on trees here, the mayor sought to head-off an influx of unemployed. He said "opportunity exists for those able to grasp it" but the milling of 60,000,000 feet of timber annually would scarcely utilize all of the city's present labor.

The mayor related that employers needing 20 to 30 men have been besieged by hundreds who said they were told in Los Angeles, Seattle and Salt Lake City that there were jobs here for 1000 to 1500 men.

The mayor warned hopefuls to investigate thoroughly if they make a long and expensive trip for naught.

Tucker Overrules Rosser Demurrer

PORTLAND, Ore., April 30.—(AP)—Circuit Judge Robert Tucker overruled today a demurrer to indictments charging Al Rosser, ex-head of the AFL Teamsters' union here, with being accessory after the fact to assaults on two Columbia river pilots.

Charles W. Robison, defense attorney, argued that the indictments were not drawn according to statute and the facts stated did not constitute a crime.

At Hillsboro, Rosser was given until Tuesday to plead to a Washington county indictment accusing him in connection with the bombing of a store in Tigard in 1935.

He was transferred to the Washington county jail from Portland.

Multnomah Jury Hits Wine Sales

PORTLAND, April 30.—(AP)—The Multnomah county grand jury, in final report filed today, recommended legislation to make the Oregon liquor control commission sole distributor of fortified wine.

"It is apparent that no alcoholic beverage has a mere detrimental moral, mental and physical effect on the drinker," the jury reported.

Under the present act, the beverage is distributed by wholesalers or distributors and bottled here.

The grand jury said it felt that "this distribution is frequently made without proper selection of licensees."

The report said sales of fortified wines had jumped from 60,000 gallons in 1924, when distributed by the liquor commission, to 2,294,784 gallons in 1937.

Donough Backing Group Is Formed

PORTLAND, April 30.—(AP)—Organization of a statewide Young Democrat committee to support the candidacy of Carl Donough for the democratic senatorial nomination was announced today by C. Laird McKenna, secretary-treasurer of the Donough campaign committee.

Officers include A. Ray Martin, Eugene, chairman, and George McLeod, Salem, L. H. Hagen, Oregon City, Howard Bergman, Baker, Berna Andrews, North Bend, and Margaret Coates, Tillamook, vice-chairmen.

Army, Navy Unite On Isle Air Base

First to Be Developed on Midway as Outpost of Pacific Defenses

WASHINGTON, April 30.—(AP)—Official orders disclosed today the army has started cooperating with the navy in preparing a new air defense outpost far out in the Pacific at Midway Island.

They directed Lieut. Henry L. Hills, Jr., of the civil engineer corps, to proceed there to assist Lieut. William H. Ely, who already has made aerial surveys for a harbor channel and seaplane base to cost upwards of \$2,000,000.

The navy is preparing the ship Sirius at San Francisco to take contractors to Midway probably in the next few weeks, officials said.

After the base for commercial and military seaplanes and a channel for small surface vessels have been completed, in about two years, similar work is contemplated at Wake Island.

Both bits of land are way stations on the trans-Pacific line of Pan American Airways.

Dallas Shorthand Team Runs Second

CORVALLIS, April 30.—(AP)—Tigard high school won the radio shorthand championship today for the third consecutive year to gain permanent possession of the cup in the 17th annual shorthand and typing contest sponsored by the State college department of secretarial science.

Dallas high school placed second.

Individual winners were Alida Martin, Sherwood, first place gold medal, and Don Merritt, Tigard, second.

450 Hop Growers Here Told Of Terms in new Agreement

Widespread interest in the proposed hop marketing agreement made possible by recent congressional enactment of the McNary-Pierce bill was in evidence when approximately 450 hop growers gathered in the armory here Saturday for a meeting called by Dean Walker, general chairman for the coast committee of nine designated to build up the background of public hearings to be held after the agreement is drafted.

Other members of the committee in Oregon are Frank Spears of Salem and W. H. Anderson of Eugene. C. W. Paulus of Salem is secretary.

The purpose of the meeting here Saturday was to inform Oregon growers of the general plan and purpose of the program and what it is expected to offer in the way of crop control and marketing.

A similar meeting for Washington growers was held at Yakima Thursday. The meetings in California will be held in three different cities three days early this week. In Oregon, there will be another meeting at Grants Pass on Tuesday, and possibly a later one at Aurora. Notices of the date will be given if such a meeting is definitely scheduled, it was announced Saturday.

One point that was stressed was the necessity for a large percentage of the growers to indicate their interest and intention of cooperating, in order that the program may go through. It was also brought out that the program did not contemplate price fixing.

After the agreement is tentatively drafted, hearings to consider it will be held, one in each state, by the U. S. department of agriculture. It was indicated that these hearings would probably be held early in June.

Tieup Slight; Vessel Owners Effect Threat

But Only one Ship Left in Port When Order to Close Given

Each Side Awaits Move by Other; 1600 Men Go Without Jobs

TACOMA, Wash., April 30.—(AP)—The port of Tacoma, an industry involving \$131,000,000 worth of goods annually, was deserted tonight, closed tight by orders of waterfront employers.

The employers acted at 8 a. m. today, after longshoremen for two weeks had declined to pass a Sailors' Union of the Pacific picket line to load the Shepard line freighter Timber Rush. For 12 days, the employers had placed two calls daily—for stevedore gangs to work cargo waiting on the dock for the ship. Each day, the gangs answered the call, then turned back to their hiring hall when confronted by the pickets.

A final call this morning resulted in exactly the same procedure, and immediately afterwards, the employers made good a threat to close the port.

Dozen Ships Escape Beforehand
In reality, the actual closing had virtually no effect, since every ship except the Timber Rush had sailed before the deadline, leaving the 600 longshoremen and some 1,000 other workers with nothing to do even had the port remained open. Normally, about 25 ships a week leave the port; but more than half that number sailed in the 24 hours before the deadline. Even the British freighter Harbridge sailed for Seattle, although loading of a million feet of lumber in her holds was less than half completed.

Tonight, longshoremen and employers alike waited for a move from the opposing side—the longshoremen clinging stubbornly to their contention passing the picket line would be dangerous; and the employers demanding the union recognize an arbitrator's decision that refusal to ship was a violation of the stevedoring contract.

Tancheng Goal as Big Battle Rages

SHANGHAI, May 1.—(Sunday)—(AP)—A furious battle for possession of the walled town of Tancheng, 20 miles behind the spearhead of Lughai railway, today threatened supply lines of the Japanese advance guard reported only five miles from the railway.

Tancheng, which is from 10 to 20 miles behind the spearhead of the Japanese offensive on the eastern end of the 30-mile Lughai front, was captured by the Chinese in a surprise attack last night, but was quickly recaptured by a reinforced Japanese assault.

Chinese headquarters admitted the loss, but said reinforcements were being rushed in for another attempt to take the strategic city. Matowcheng, a village just to the west of Tancheng, was expected to be the scene of a major engagement.

Insurgents Lose In Muddy Battle

PEIPING, April 30.—(Delayed)—(AP)—Chinese gendarmes returning to Peiping from the south today reported that Chinese guerrillas had dynamited the quarter-mile, Peiping-Hankow railway bridge over the Luli river, 30 miles south of here.

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HENDAYE, France (At the Spanish frontier), April 30.—(AP)—Spanish government troops, knee-deep in muddy trenches, fought under torrential rains today to repel an insurgent surprise attack in the Balague sector, 14 miles northeast of Lerida in eastern Spain.

Government advisers said that although the insurgents "spared neither men nor armaments" they were beaten back by machine-gun fire and then forced to lose ground by two successive government counterattacks.

BARCELONA, April 30.—(AP)—The first sunshine in days brought two deadly insurgent air raids today on government Spain's capital.

More than 30 persons were killed and more than 50 were wounded.

The 3,785-ton American freighter Oregon and 12 British vessels were scattered with spray kicked up by insurgent bombs dropped close by.

None of the ships was damaged, however.