

France Alert for Weekend Axis Moves

94 Degrees Here May Record

Parking Meter Opinions Vary; Evenly Divided

Business Man Not "Sold" on Idea; Housewives, Farmers Queried

More Numerous Answers Invited Through Mail Coupon on Page 2

Parking meters—yes or no? Sentiment was almost equally divided in a poll taken by Statesman reporters during the past week.

This poll was not extensive since The Statesman's purpose was to quote the opinions of those questioned.

The answers to the question, "do you favor parking meters for Salem?"

A. H. Noblegen, restaurant proprietor: "I have always before been in business in smaller places than Salem, so maybe I have a small-town psychology.

E. D. Blackford, dentist: "I think parking meters would be a fine thing. Parking tags are now a definite problem with professional men, and meters would solve it.

Plan to Shift Forest Lands Worries Oregon Delegation

By JOHN L. WHEELER WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—Oregon members of congress regard with foreboding President Roosevelt's announced intention of transferring from the agriculture department to the interior department forest lands which are to be kept "for the primary purpose of recreation and permanent public use."

Parched Citizens Here Triple Water Volume Used Over Normal Year

Thirsty Lawns, People of Salem Consume as Much Water as Customary in July, Manager Reports; 7,350,000 Gallons Friday; Supply Ample

Thirsty lawns and thirsty people are sending the Salem water department's business soaring two months in advance of the customary peak season, Manager Cuyler VanPatten reported yesterday.

In proof VanPatten produced his daily and monthly master meter reports. They showed that 7,350,000 gallons of water was consumed by the city Friday as against 2,600,000 gallons on the same day in 1938.

US Condemnation Handed to Japan

Administration Maintains Disapproving Attitude on Civilian Bombing

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—A new American condemnation of Japanese bombing of Chinese civilians was disclosed today, along with other indications that the administration was steadfastly maintaining its disapproving attitude toward the invasion of China.

Secretary Hull announced that Ambassador Joseph C. Grew, in his direction, had made very earnest representations Thursday at Tokyo against the recent bombing of four unfortified Chinese cities.

Riser Gillnetters Take First Whale in History

ASTORIA, Ore., May 13.—(AP)—The first whale ever snagged with a Columbia river gillnet was towed into shallow water today after a three-hour pull by Tom Jorgenson and William Mattila.

WPA Families Protest Orders to Change Jobs

COBUR D'ALENE, Idaho, May 13.—(AP)—Approximately 150 men, women and children staged a "sit-down strike" in the regional WPA office here today in protest of recent WPA roll reductions and transfer of WPA workers to blister rust control jobs.

Late Sports

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL Tacoma 7, Wenatchee 3. Yakima 5, Spokane 6. Vancouver 5, Bellingham 6. Second game: Vancouver 9, Bellingham 5.

Entire State Feels Climax Of Dry Spell

No Serious Forest Fire Burning now but Outbreak Feared

Most Blazes in Hand but Humidity Low in all Sectors

Maybe it's not true, as some Salem folk vow, that the Pioneer atop the statehouse yesterday afternoon looked furiously around, dropped the axe he holds in his right hand and the overcoat (or whatever it is he wears slung over his left shoulder), then mopped his brow before resuming his heroic stance once more.

Portland Closure Coast Emergency

So Rules Morse; Monday Hearing to Settle Right to Close

PORTLAND, Ore., May 13.—(AP)—The Port of Portland closure by a labor dispute three days ago created a coastwide emergency, Wayne L. Morse, west coast waterfront arbiter for the labor department, ruled today.

100 Degree Marks Chased Record Drought

PORTLAND, May 13.—(AP)—A boiling sun steamed temperatures here, which go back to 1923.

Fog and Icebergs Slow King's Ship

Monarchs Certain to Be Day Late in Arrival in new World

ABOARD EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA, May 13.—(Canadian Press)—Dense fog still held the liner Empress of Australia in the iceberg region of the North Atlantic late today, making certain that King George VI and Queen Elizabeth would be a day late arriving at Quebec for their tour of Canada and the United States.

German Air Lines Here Get Handicap

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—Germany will be shut out of commercial transatlantic airlines to the United States until some time after the lines to Great Britain and France are established and making money.

Two Oregon Boys Drowned in Surf

EUREKA, Calif., May 13.—(AP)—Two 16-year-old Oregon youths, Melvin Arens of Eagle Point and Jamie Phelps of Medford, drowned today in the ocean near about a mile north of Crescent City. They had been swimming and were believed to have been caught by an undertow. The bodies had not been recovered tonight.

Infant Safe in Mother's Arms After Being Held as Hostage

Mrs. Opal Salzer happily holds her 14-month-old son, Jimmy, safe in her arms again after his rescue from her estranged husband, James W. Salzer, who held the child as a hostage in a two-hour siege by officers.

California Is Combed After Putnam 'Grab'

Publisher Avers 'Nazis' Kidnap, Threaten Him Over Book

Husband of Earhart Is Freed After Queries by two Abductors

LOS ANGELES, May 13.—(AP)—Southern California police contacted a widespread search today for two men, declared by George Palmer Putnam, book publisher, to have kidnaped him from his North Hollywood home last night and left him bound and gagged, in an unfinished house in Bakersfield a few hours later.

Putnam, 52, husband of the late Amelia Earhart, woman flier, said his kidnapers demanded the name of the author of the anonymous novel, "The Man Who Killed Hitler," published recently by Putnam.

"They were just two shadows to me," Putnam said. "One was short and one was tall. One spoke English fluently. The other did not address me but spoke only to his companion. Both were German and talked with each other in German."

At his home here today the publisher said he would ask an investigation by federal officers. Two department of justice agents went to Bakersfield to question Putnam.

Mystery Phone Call Precedes His Capture Putnam told sheriff's officers two men seized him and pushed him into his car when he went to his garage shortly before 7:30 last evening to call upon Rex Cole, Hollywood actor's agent and his close friend.

An hour before, he said, his secretary, Miss Josephine Berger, had received a telephone call from a woman who identified herself as Cole's secretary and asked that Putnam come to his home to discuss "an important matter."

"They blindfolded me and tied my hands," the publisher said. "We drove for about an hour. I asked them what they wanted and reminded them that kidnaping was a serious offense. They said they wanted to know the man who had contributed to the Hitler book from the German end. I told them I didn't know and stuck to that story."

The automobile left the main highway, Putnam continued, and the two men walked him, blindfolded with a sack over his head, for a short distance, and then forced him to lie down.

"They taped my legs and hands and mouth tightly and left, telling me I would be found in the morning," he said. "I managed to work loose the bandage on my mouth after an hour or so. I'm not sure how long I called for help and some people came. Then they called the officers."

Twice last month Putnam reported to authorities he received anonymous threats demanding suppression of the Hitler book. One of them was accompanied by a bullet-pierced copy of the (Turn to page 3, col. 5)

Queen and Princesses Who Will Rule Indian School Celebration



Queen Anna Miles, center back row, and her princesses who will rule over the Chemawa Indian school celebration to be held on the Chemawa campus May 25, 26 and 27. The group pictured: from left, front row, Gladys Foster and Katherine Scholze; upper row, Loretta Denny, Queen Anna and Dorothy Hall.

Legend Is Basis, Indian Pageantry

'Thunder Mountain', Epic of Redmen, Planned at Chemawa Show

An Indian legend will form the basis for the brilliant pageant, "Thunder Mountain," which is to be presented as the feature of the first two nights during the three-day Chemawa Indian celebration, slated for May 25, 26 and 27 at the Indian school north of Salem.

The pageant will be presented by high school and grade school students in full Indian costume and with a chorus of 68 students.

Saturday night the outstanding event will be the Indian tribal dances, which will also be staged each afternoon.

A new feature will be the baby show, with prizes to be given for the best cradle board baby, healthiest child under two years and five below average.

Awards included: Girls' trio (class C)—Division one, Dallas. Division three, Yamhill. Sweet Home.

Band (class A)—Division one, La Grande; division two, Eugene; division three, Corvallis.

Miners Return to Shafts Tomorrow

NEW YORK, May 13.—(AP)—Three hundred thousand soft coal miners, idle for six weeks, will return to work Monday under the first union-shop contract ever signed by John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers of America (U. M. W.) and a majority of mine operators of the Appalachian conference.

Fifteen of the 21 coal associations in the conference signed the two-year contract today, concluding negotiations which began two months ago and were marked by unyielding resistance to the union shop until President Roosevelt personally intervened.

Two Are Victims In Flaming Plane

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., May 13.—(AP)—David H. Stelmets, Jr., and Mrs. M. H. Willie, 35, both of Pasadena, were killed when the airplane in which they rode crashed and burned in Cajon pass, near here, today.

They had hopped off from Santa Monica a few hours before for Bishop, Stelmets was vice-president of a lumber company. Mrs. Willie was a widow, the mother of two young daughters.

The Weather Some cloudiness today and Monday, slightly cooler. Max. Temp. Saturday, 65. Min. 46. Rain 0. River -3 feet, North wind.

Duce Will Speak Today, Fear Results

French Seapower Sails Into Tunis Waters to Be Ready

Army in Maginot Line as Hitler Inspects Eastern Front

(By The Associated Press) France put her armed forces on the alert Saturday night as Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini scheduled significant tours of their border fortifications to follow an anticipated anti-French outburst by Il Duce today.

A strong squadron of the French Mediterranean fleet moved into Tunisian waters following receipt of reports in Paris that Mussolini would unleash an extremely bitter outburst against France in a Sunday speech at Turin, Italy.

The French army was ready for any eventuality in the Maginot zone along the eastern frontier facing formidable German fortifications which Hitler will visit next week on a "demonstrative" inspection.

Informed sources in Berlin said Hitler also would inspect Germany's eastern frontier fortifications to remind Poland as well as the western powers of Nazi defensive strength.

At the same time Mussolini is scheduled to be on a tour of the Piedmont region bordering France, inspecting his military establishments.

Britain May Offer Concessions to Soviet This turn of events placed the French-Italian dispute alongside these weekend developments in the intense rivalry between Europe's German-Italian and British-French blocs.

With Turkey won over, Britain was believed ready to offer important concessions to Soviet Russia, vital power still missing from the London-Paris alliance.

France found comfort in reports from Tokyo of "new" readiness of Japanese reluctance to cast her lot in a close military lineup with Germany and Italy.

A further stiffening of Poland toward Germany was indicated by a strong protest to the pacified senate against denying Poles in the French city of Alsace a "last chance" to return to their homes.

In Rome, meanwhile, some diplomatic quarters thought that Premier Mussolini in his Sunday speech, to be delivered at Turin, might give France a "last chance" for peaceful settlement of Italian territorial claims.

This belief was strengthened by a fresh anti-French barrage in the fascist press which called upon both France and Britain to take steps toward solution of Europe's "open problems" before it is "too late."

Considerable significance was attached to the French action in sending the warships to Tunis on the eve of Il Duce's speech. Among them were four of France's "modern" cruisers and eight destroyers.

In Prague, Premier General Alois Elias of Bohemia-Moravia announced to his Czech population that measures would be enforced requiring them to conform to German ways of living and working.

Mother and Babe Survive Big Leap

PORTLAND, May 13.—(AP)—A young mother and her 8-month-old baby survived a 100-foot fall from the east end of the Rose Island bridge into the Willamette river today because two men acted quickly, Patrolman Claude Shaylor said.

James Brown, 23, and Eddie Ferraris paddled a canoe 300 feet into the stream to pull the woman and the child still clutched to her breast from the water. Shaylor said the woman apparently jumped from the bridge.

She suffered chest and internal injuries. The baby was in serious condition from a fractured skull.

Klamath Mill Is Total Loss, Fire

KLAMATH FALLS, May 13.—(AP)—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Peter-Johnson mill on the Klamath Falls-Lakewood highway today, causing an estimated loss of \$74,000.

The 10-year-old plant was destroyed before a force of CCC enrollees, forest officers and local plant employees could control the flames. The fire was stopped short of the lumber yards.

Burgunder Confesses Deed Of Slaying Two in Desert

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 13.—(AP)—The Arizona Republic in a copyrighted story said tonight Robert M. Burgunder, Jr., 22-year-old former collegian, confessed to the slaying of Jack Peterson, 28, and Ellis Koury, 27, Phoenix automobile salesmen, whose trussed bodies were found on the desert 14 miles southeast of here May 5.

The newspaper said Burgunder related the complete story of the slayings to Sheriff Lon Jordan as he finished eating dinner in a Globe, Ariz., hotel, en route to Phoenix from Johnson City, Tenn., where he was captured last Sunday.