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Don't Cripple the Bus System

The city council made a serious mistake at its last meeting when it granted permission to operators of a new suburban bus line to do an intercity business also along its route. If one suburban line is given this privilege others can justly claim it, and the result will be that the finances of the Oregon Motor Stages city system will be impaired.

It is quite essential for Salem to have a good city bus service. Oregon Motor Stages has furnished that through the years and the new owners are making a heavy investment to provide the routes with new and more comfortable buses. The company cannot prosper if its revenues are cut into by competition. The council ought to reconsider its hasty action and restrict the new 12th Street suburban line to suburban service.

The explanation is offered that the matter did not come before the council until toward the end of a very long session of budget committee and council meeting. Members merely accepted the favorable report of the utilities committee without realizing that the application sought permission for intra-city operations. The subject should be brought up at the next meeting and reconsidered; and the council should adhere to its previous policy of granting only one franchise for intra-city bus operations.

The Statesman's only interest is in seeing that Salem continues to have a good transit system; and I know that will not be maintained if revenues are divided among several operators. The bus patrons are the ones we are concerned for.

Vinson and Snyder

The general applause which greeted President Truman's nomination of Senator Warren Austin of Vermont as representative of the United States on the UN security council will not attend his nomination of Fred M. Vinson, secretary of the treasury, to succeed the late Harlan F. Stone as chief justice of the supreme court and of John W. Snyder, present director of re-conversion, as secretary of the treasury. Vinson has been an able congressman and has served competently as secretary of the treasury. He was judge of the circuit court of appeals for the District of Columbia for a few years. But he seems quite inadequate to fill the seat of Stone and Hughes and White and Marshall.

As for Snyder, he has already proved himself one of Truman's mistakes. One of his Missouri friends, he has been an intimate adviser of the president's—and the consequences are obvious to the whole country.

An Astoria pastor had his watch stolen while preaching a sermon. A sinner who would do such a trick would drop a pant's button in the plate and take out 85 cents in change.—Art Perry in Medford Mail-Tribune.

Surely no one in the congregation would steal the preacher's watch.

The Eugene Register-Guard attributes Secretary of Agriculture Anderson's unwillingness to give the northwest some chicken feed to his being from Indiana where the poultry business is not a major industry. The R-G was napping. It was Claude Wickard who was from Indiana. Anderson was born in South Dakota, has lived in New Mexico since 1918.

FHA Director Folger Johnson says he is "fresh out" of priorities for houses for sale to veterans. That will cause little embarrassment because suppliers appear to be fresh out of the stuff that goes into housebuilding.

Behind the News

By Paul Mallon
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WASHINGTON, June 6—Messrs. Bevin, Molotov and Byrnes have now spoken their peace pieces of the conference interim and are packing their bags for the final resumption in Paris. Mr. Byrnes spoke with hope, Mr. Bevin with chagrin and Mr. Molotov with recriminations. The hopes and chagrin of the United States and Britain therefore are facing the recriminations of Russia for the new meeting. Of the three, Molotov spoke least hopefully. Indeed he ignored hope entirely. Therefore the council of the ministers will be resumed with a theoretical attitude of the stalemate he caused in the previous meetings.



Various interpretations are being prominently exposed to the American people. The most sedate American newspaper presented the Bevin speech as "a picture of gloom, bewilderment and resentment against the soviet union," although it seemed exactly the opposite to me, and probably "handing every country in the world over to the soviet system" (his interpretation of what Russia wants) than that of Mr. Byrnes who only refused hope without furnishing any substance for it. This may be due to the longer experience of British and socialists in dealing intimately and unsuccessfully with communists for many long years, whereas we have only lately been acquiring the take up that task.

Behind all this is the major inside question of whether a strong policy or a weak one is best in negotiations. Actually we have tried both without any material success. But our officials and the people now are troubling themselves about such matters as fear of war, and in their desire to avoid any possibility of it, are falling into fearful misconceptions of what the situation today really and truly is, and being misled to some general sense of "gloom, bewilderment and resentment" by any estimate. I venture to suggest they are misreading the inner actualities, to wit:

Russia wants war less than anyone. She is merely playing upon our desires and fears for her own diplomatic ends. She cannot feed or equip her own people for some years yet. She cannot even think of anything military except a short campaign which could not long be successful against United Nations planes and navies. War is really unthinkable for her now—but not for three, five or ten years from now.

Time to Take Stand is Now
The time to take a stronger diplomatic stand against advancement toward a communist empire of the world is now. This is the time to stop the war by fullest diplomatic firmness, not later when her empire has grown strong and is able to store and equip itself for world conflict. Instead, we are promoting a tendency to advertise the futility of hopes without substance, to yearn for some sort of compromise or appeasement to "satisfy" Russia, and gain time, whereas time will work her way, eventually giving her the atom bomb for instance.

This is the very thing Russia wants us to do. Her adamant and belligerent foreign policy is a familiar communist diplomatic technique, indeed is the same theory used by Hitler before Munich and afterward, when he played himself up to war making strength upon our fears and hopes for peace, although he could have been stopped by a firm stand anywhere along that way.

In short, we have worked ourselves into a state of mind ripe for Russian plucking, or have been worked into it by her adamant and belligerent resistance to our peace hopes. If it gains her compromises which will afford power in those nations which have rejected her at the ballot box, or in other nations where communists are ambitious or even enough power in them to get a communist in as an interior minister where he will have charge of the secret police and future elections, she will win. But if she fails to scare us into appeasement, as Hitler did, and merely succeeds in preventing a joint peace and causing us to mope about the "failure of the peace," and to be "bewildered and resentful," she will have the very thing she desires, namely the weakening of our foreign policy, by undermining it at home.

That's her inside game. Our people just have not dealt with the communists long enough to know them. On the other hand, if we can get off the defensive and away from confused sorrow about lost hopes, and make a few demands for ourselves as to bases and our rights (we should be demanding more than we want) and otherwise asserting ourselves affirmatively, we might loosen the bonds which are keeping us from stabilizing a peace—and yes, even get an agreement from Russia.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"I don't care what Emily Post says—you tell them in Washington our business is vital and necessary and we demand lumber priorities!"

The Literary Guidepost

By Bob Price

STRATEGY IN THE CIVIL WAR, by Barron Deaderick. Military Service Publishing: \$2.50.

The generals who run a war are governed by certain basic principles of strategy, no matter whether their armies fight with stones, or with rockets. Surprise, concentration of combat power, mobility, security—on such tenets are battles won and lost.

Barron Deaderick has taken these principles—laid down by Napoleon, Clausewitz, and others and as true today as when they were written—and used them as a yardstick of appraisal for the strategy of the principal Civil War battles and campaigns. He tells the battle's story, simply and tersely, then shows how the opposing captains won or lost by the degree of their adherence to the fundamental rules.

There are exceptions. Lee practically threw away the book at Antietam and got away with it. Grant forgot about security at Shiloh and yet escaped disaster. But these show only that something besides a knowledge of the rulebook goes into the making of a military leader. In the main, it is amazing to note how persistently the neglect of one or more of these time-worn maxims decided the outcome of a battle.

There is nothing really new in this book. Indeed, the author overlooks some new material offered by Douglas Southall Freeman in "Lee's Lieutenants" which might have softened his judgment of Longstreet's delay on the second day at Gettysburg. But it is an interesting and valuable presentation, nonetheless, and one that will be appreciated by any one with more than a passing interest in the Civil War.

ARCHITECTS OF CHARLESTON, by Beatrice St. Julien Ravenel, photographs by Carl Julien (Carolina Art Association, \$5). The author furnishes a valuable record of some of the men who built picturesque, romantic Charleston, and the Moorish, Greek, Roman, English and whatnot styles of their work are shown, often screened by South Carolina's lush foliage, in the photographs.

SHADOW OVER ATHENS, by Phyllis Demetrios (Rinehart, \$3). A Greek artist sets down here with passion the horrible record of German occupation; there are 77 drawings, 77 indictments.

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ABOUT LIGHT



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Hope to Hop To 29 Cities Within 31 Days

SPOKANE, June 6—(AP)—Comedian Bob Hope tonight opened the first of a series of shows that will take him on a hop-skip tour of the nation by air with showings in 29 cities in 31 days.

The strenuous schedule of showing one city one day and another the next will be met by flying in chartered planes. Hope said he believed the tour is unique in show business.

Two DCs, chartered from Transair of New York, will remain with the party of 40 throughout the month.

The itinerary calls for them to visit this imposing list of cities during the month: Tacoma, Seattle, Portland, Oakland, San Francisco, Denver, Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, New Orleans, Little Rock, Memphis, Nashville, Atlanta, Louisville, Cincinnati, Columbus, Indianapolis, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Kansas City and Wichita.

17 Vessels to Unload Today

By the Associated Press
More than 1200 service personnel are scheduled to disembark from 17 vessels at three U. S. ports today. Ships arriving:

At New York—Sheepshead Bay Victory from Southampton.
At San Diego—LCLs 640, 1012, 638, 673, 41 and 455 from Pacific areas, LC (FF) 679, patrol craft YP 638, YP 629 and YP 618.
At San Francisco—LST 485, LST 275 from Pearl Harbor, LCS 95 from Pearl Harbor, Edward Victory from Manila, LSM 102 from Pearl Harbor, Turrialba from Yokosuka.

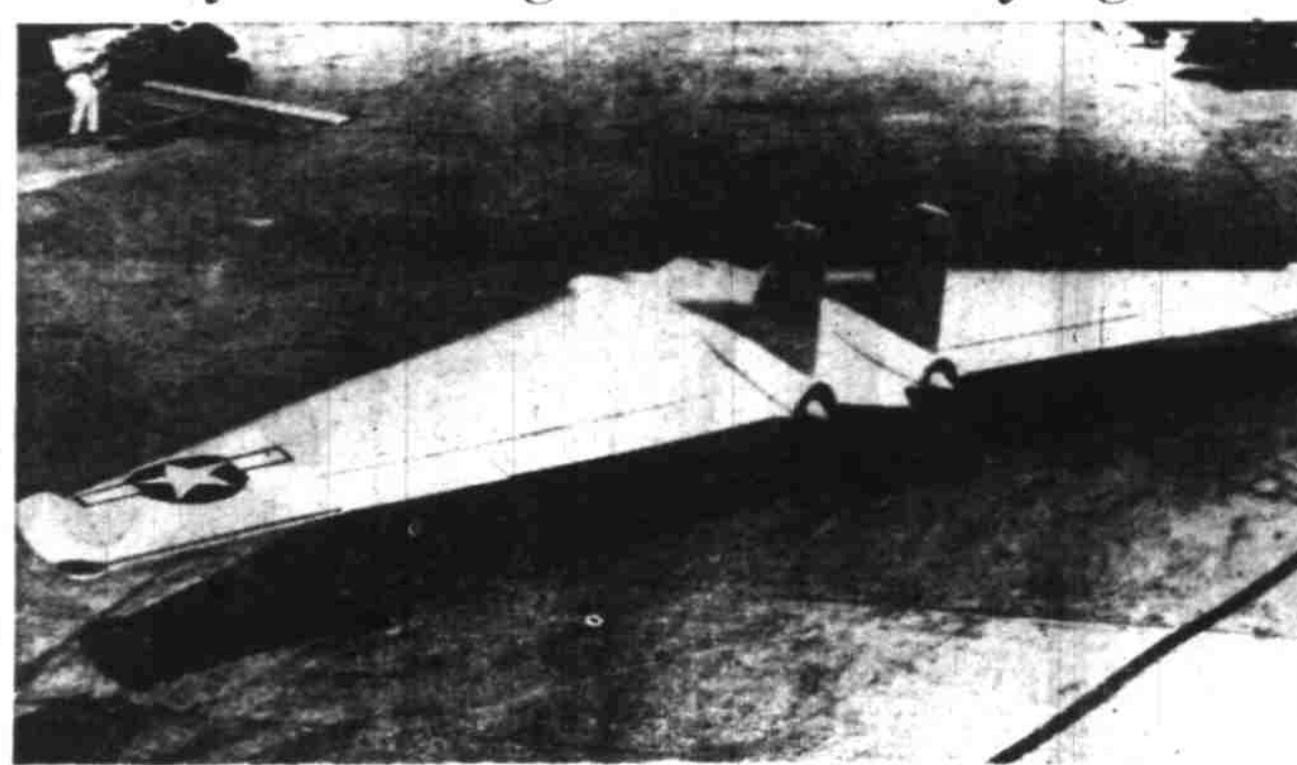
Upstate Bread Shortage Felt

PORTLAND, June 6—(AP)—The bread shortage is being felt more sharply in upstate Oregon than in the Portland area, the department of agriculture's food distribution advisory committee reported today.

The committee, holding its monthly session, said some larger bakeries were halting upstate shipments and selling their entire output to city retailers. Some upstate towns are getting only half their normal supply, officials reported, while 75 per cent of the Portland demand is being met.

The group passed a resolution opposing any return to rationing. Wholesale and retail dealers make up the committee.

Army's New Fighter Plane: 'Flying Ram'



LOS ANGELES, June 6—The army has disclosed details of the new fighter plane, the Northrop "Flying Ram" (above). The weird craft, designated the XP-79, is jet propelled and has a horizontal cockpit, the pilot flying in a prone position. The plane's wingspan is 38 feet and it is only 14 feet long. The two jet units speed the ship at better than 500 miles per hour. (AP Wirephoto).

Good Weather Aid to Crops

PORTLAND, June 6—(AP)—Favorable weather in the week ended June 4 gave Oregon's crops substantial improvement, the weekly report of the weather bureau said today.

Showers were general and followed heavy rains the preceding week. However, the report said, the earlier drought had been so prolonged that full recovery of all crops and pastures was not expected.

The week's summary: Strawberries improved markedly; prospects good for a normal crop of tree and cane fruit; cherry fly dusting is under way in the Salem area; sugar beet and lettuce thinning progressing in Malheur county; potato planting completed in Deschutes and Klamath counties.

Enlistment by June 30 Urged

Men who join the new regular army after June 30, 1946, will not be guaranteed family allowances during the period of their enlistment, but those who enlist prior to that date have the assurance that the allowances will be continued during the entire period of their enlistment, the Salem army recruiting station has been notified.

After June 30, too, men who wish to re-enlist in their discharge grade will have to do so within 20 days from date of discharge. They have been given the privilege of waiting 90 days to make up their minds.

Lumbermen Seek Surplus

PORTLAND, Ore., June 6—(AP)—The executive vice president of the West Coast Lumbermen's association charged today the west coast lumber industry is hampered by "a labyrinth of delays" in release of surplus war equipment.

Harold V. Simpson, referring to federal funds recently allocated for access roads, said the government would "be more realistic in making war surplus tractors, power shovels and dump trucks available for purchase by logging operators, who could then do their own road building with their own money."

COMET TO VANISH

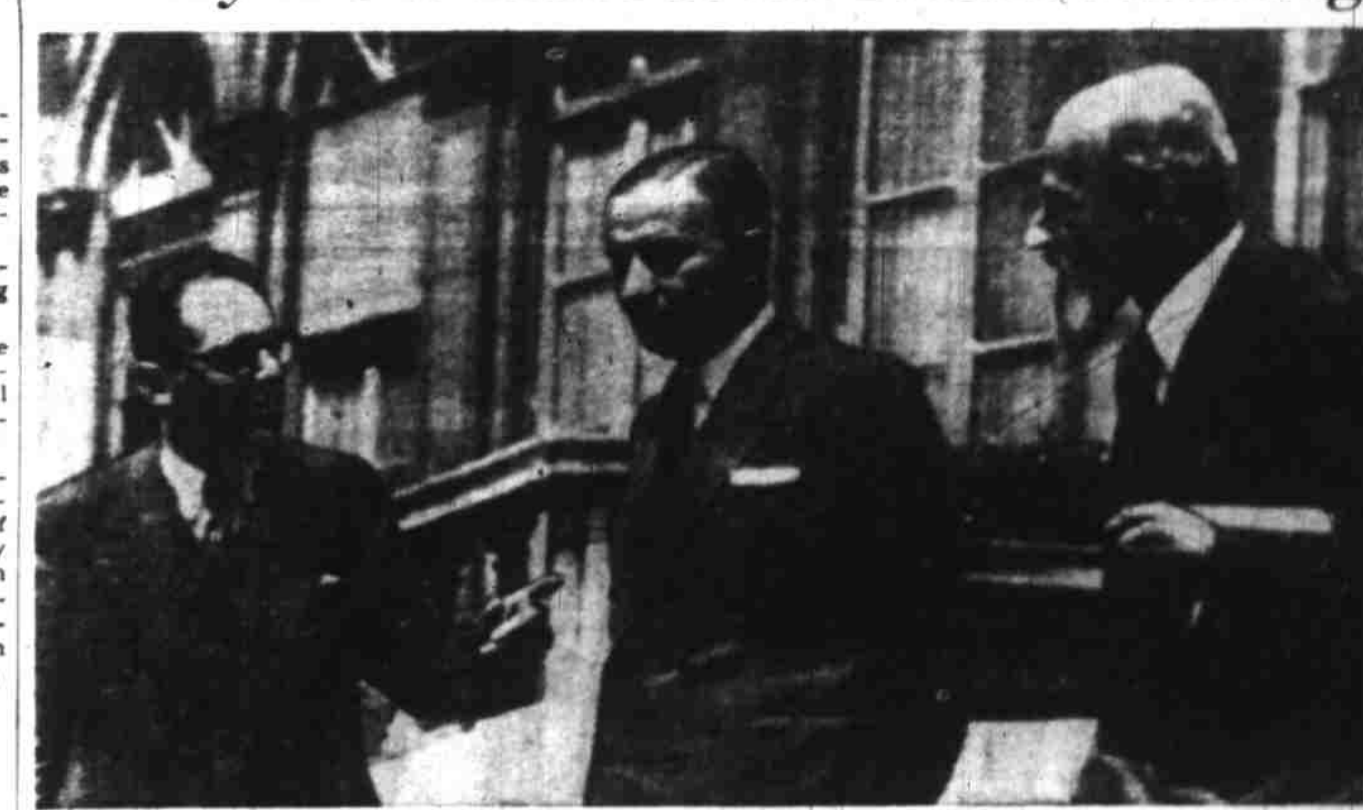
FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., June 6—(AP)—Astronomers at the Lowell observatory here today announced that a new comet travelling at a high rate of speed across the skies in a southwesterly direction is now leaving earth's visibility area.

Winner



Mrs. Katie Bowman, 96, of 2230 S. Winter st. (left) was delighted to fly to Los Angeles there to receive a gift from Radio Personality Tom Breneman of an airflight ticket for the rest of her journey to Dallas, Tex., to visit relatives. But she can't forget that Oregon authorities cancelled her operator's license and wouldn't let her drive south, she told reporters in Los Angeles, where this picture was taken.

They Are Winners in the French Balloting



PARIS, June 6—Leaders of the French popular republican movement, winner in the French elections, stand on steps of foreign affairs ministry in Paris. Left to right: Maurice Schumann, party chairman; Georges Bidault, French foreign minister, and Francisque Gay, vice chairman of French cabinet. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Paris).

Pride, Patronage, Politics Jeopardize Congress Raise

By Alex Singleton

WASHINGTON, June 6—(AP)—A triple threat—pride, patronage and politics—jeopardized today senate passage of a bulky bill to overhaul the nation's lawmaking machinery.

The question of pride centered upon proposed reduction of senate committees and consequent elimination of a number of highly-prized chairmanships.

That of patronage was raised over the provision that a personnel director—rather than committee chairmen—would control appointments to well-paying jobs as legislative experts.

And in this election year, the political angle stemmed from the fact that proposed increased benefits for congressmen would be used as campaign ammunition by their opponents.

The measure's supporters pri-

vately counted these factors as the chief obstacles in the way of their plan to streamline congressional machinery.

Despite this, however, the plan attracted bi-partisan support in the first full day's debate after Senator LaFollette (Prog-Wis) outlined it and termed it necessary to avoid a "constitutional crisis."

Product of a year-long study by a joint congressional committee, the measure would:

1. Limit the number of senate committees to 16. There are now 33 standing and ten special committees, an average of six seats for each member.
2. Provide the committees with a staff of four experts each.
3. Give each member an administrative assistant to handle constituents' requests.
4. Tighten fiscal control by providing for adoption of annual federal budget controls by joint action of the revenue and appropriations committees of both houses.
5. Eliminate some of congress' routine chores such as acting on each separate bill to build a bridge or pay a damage claim against the government.
6. Boost the pay of members of congress from \$10,000 to \$15,000 a year.
7. Permit pensions for members of congress by authorizing them to contribute to the federal retirement system and to share in its benefits.

Project to House Naval Personnel

ASTORIA, June 6—(AP)—The navy has appropriated \$4,300,000 for construction of 375 dwellings here to accommodate personnel of the 19th fleet group, to be berthed at Tongue Point, the naval station here said today.

The money will provide for purchase of land, installation of streets, walks and utilities as well as for houses.

The project likely will get underway within two months. It will not take care of all the 3000 naval personnel to be stationed permanently with the 500 inactive ships to be berthed here.

Keep Oregon Green Campaign to Begin

Individuals in various communities of Marion county will be visited by Judge Grant Murphy shortly and asked to take responsible part in the Keep Oregon Green program this summer.

Church groups, Boy Scouts, press, radio and other interested organizations also will be asked to cooperate, as the Izak Walton league has already declared it will do, Murphy said.

The announcement followed a meeting between county judge and a group of representative citizens to determine what method should be followed in campaigning against forest fires this year.

Lt. Arthur Case Ends Terminal Leave

Lt. (jg) Arthur C. Case, home in Salem for the past month after three years' naval service, completed his terminal leave on June 5. He plans to attend Oregon State college this fall.

Case started his training in the Willamette university V-12 unit in 1943 and was trained at Chicago and Boston before assignment to the heavy cruiser Columbus. He later served on the War Hawk.

AGREE ON LUMBER WAGE

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., June 6—(AP)—AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers and the Pine Industrial Relations Committee, Inc., today reported agreement on a 5-cent hourly pay boost for Klamath basin workers.

Linn Pioneer Reunion Slated At Brownsville

BROWNSVILLE, June 6—(Special)—Thousands of visitors will be welcomed in Brownsville at their centennial celebration and 59th annual Linn County Pioneer Reunion on June 13, 14 and 15.

Entertainment for three big days is scheduled with parades, barbecue, programs, baseball and softball games, flower show, antique displays, style pageant from 1846 to 1946, dances and carnival attractions.

The Pollyanna club will be in charge of the children's parade, to take place Thursday at 1 p.m. Friday's highlights are the "Feast on Roast Ox" at noon and style pageant in the afternoon. The services of two expert barbecue chefs, Art King and Barney McPhillips of McMinnville have been secured.

Saturday's big event will be the pioneer parade, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. It will feature entries of floats, covered wagons, horses from the Calapoopa Round-up and Sweet Home buckeroses, Sweet Home high school band and marching groups.

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