

The Oregon Statesman

"No Favor Stays Us; No Fear Shall Awe" From First Statesman, March 28, 1851

THE STATESMAN PUBLISHING COMPANY CHARLES A. SPRAGUE, Editor and Publisher

Member of the Associated Press... The Associated Press is exclusively entitled to the use for publication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited in this newspaper.

Dusters Last year there was some flurry over the sudden descent on Oregon of prospecting parties of great oil companies seeking new oil fields.

There's no use crying over petroleum which refuses to gush out of our earth. We will just have to make the best of what we have, and rejoice that nature is generous in the extent of our forests and the quality of our crops.

Franklin Philosophy

Ben Franklin's "Poor Richard" sayings are part of the common speech, particularly the proverbs on thrift. But his wisdom extended beyond mere matters of money-saving and rules of conduct.

At his table he liked to have, as often as he could, some sensible friend or neighbor to converse with, and always took care to start some ingenious or useful topic for discourse, which might tend to improve the minds of his children.

Not a bad idea for us today to pay a little less attention to our victuals and divert our conversation at table to other, and may we say, more "vital" matters?

That Los Angeles woman who charged her husband \$3 for every kiss better watch out for OPA.

Problem: Where Has The Wage Drop Gone?

By SIGRID ARNE AP Newsfeature Writer

WASHINGTON, June 21—There has been talk that prices would drop when the factories began to roll and scarcities disappeared.

Some 26 million industrial workers have got wage increases, and farm workers' income has had the biggest jump of all through the war years.

The 29 million workers in industry and the 10 million workers on the farms are somewhat in balance and can keep buying from each other at each other's high prices.

Figures collected by the bureau of labor statistics (BLS) suggest, however, that the higher wages probably won't mean that those who were then getting more out of them than a chance to stay even.

To keep spending healthy, price increases should balance the wage increases. They don't—not quite.

BLS says that prices on all consumer items have gone up only 28.5 per cent since January, 1941. But the things which the working class spends half its income on—food, clothes, house furnishings—have gone up 50 per cent.

Here's how commodity prices have gone up since January, 1941: food 45.2 per cent; clothes 52.8 per cent; rent 3.2 per cent; fuel and oil 52.9 per cent; house furnishings 51 per cent; miscellaneous 23.8 per cent.

Here's how the basic hourly wage rates have changed in the industries which have had strikes:

Table with 4 columns: Industry, Hourly rate, Hourly rate after increases, Rate after percent increases. Rows include Oil Refineries, Auto Workers, Steel, International Harvester, Meat Packing, Electrical Workers, Coal Miners.

These wages increase average about 45 per cent from 1941 on, as against the 50 per cent increase in the prices on which the family spends half its money.

The bureau of agricultural economics says that from 1939 to July, 1945, those who worked for agricultural wages got an increase of 187 per cent on their average annual income, as against an increase for the factory worker of 65 per cent.

Farm workers' incomes in 1939 were at a disadvantage as compared with industrial workers, so they haven't necessarily passed their factory brothers.

By no means all the 29 million industrial workers won their wage increases through strikes. Some, following V-J day, were given 10 to 15 per cent rises to cover what their pay envelopes lost when the long work week, with its time-and-a-half pay, was through.

There's creeping trouble ahead, though, say economists, with the United Automobile Workers. Today's higher pay doesn't necessarily mean the worker takes home more money.

At the same time prices are going up. Labor economists say that it can only mean one thing: that finally fewer people will be able to buy and that when buying begins to dry up some change must be made in the wage-price relation or we're in for depression.

Table of Coastal Tides

Table with 4 columns: Time, High Water, Low Water, Time. Rows for June 22 and 23.

Death, Birth Rate Totalled

Deaths in the county during the first five months was 383, with 68 during May, contrasted to 322 for the first five months in 1945, according to a report made Friday by the Marion county department of health.

IT SEEMS TO ME

(Continued from page 1)

Agricultural and securities loans have increased \$2,200,000,000 over a year ago. Bank investment in government and other bonds is up over two billion dollars and excess reserves of banks show a decline from \$1,098,000,000,000 to \$700,000,000.

What is happening is that banking is making its inevitable readjustment along with government and business. As government withdraws from the market, private business reenters and the banks apparently are endeavoring to meet the calls of business.

One should not think that there are only green lights ahead on the financial and business highways of the Pacific coast—but the lights do show green as far ahead as our vision travels.

Boy Scouts to Repair Camp During Week

Some 40 members of the Order of the Arrow, boy scout honor group, will begin a "work week" of repairs at scout camp Pioneer near Mt. Jefferson Sunday.

The senior scouts will leave Pringle park, Salem, by bus Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Supplies will go up in trucks provided by Keith Brown and Oregon and Walling gravel companies.

Under the supervision of Salem executive Lyle Loughton and Harry Michelson, assistant executive, the scouts will open up the last 100 yards of snow bound trail leading into camp.

During the work week the Order of the Arrow will conduct its annual business meeting and discuss plans for increasing membership.

Dual-job Case Plea Under Advisement

After hearing arguments of counsel in the case of state vs. Merle Chessman, Earl H. Hill and W. H. Strayer involving rights of counsel to hold both legislative and administrative offices at the same time, Circuit Judge George Duncan denied defendants' motions to strike plaintiffs' replies.

Rex Kimmell of the attorney general's office brought the motion to hold both jobs, Friday, after the state's replies to defendants' Strayer and Hill's answer. J. M. Devers, attorney for the state highway commission, filed a similar motion in behalf of Chessman.

The state was represented by District Attorney Miller B. Hayden and William L. Jossin, Portland attorney.

Following the strike denial Kimmell filed a written motion with the court for a judgment in favor of defendants on the pleadings. After a good deal of argument the court took the matter under advisement, offering to counsel on both sides an opportunity to file additional legal authorities to those already filed.

Catastrophes on Farm at Medford Due to Lightning

MEDFORD, June 21—Thirty-five men were battling forest fires today after an electrical storm set six blazes, wrecked power lines and caused a chain of catastrophes on the Walter Woodbridge farm.

Lightning last night started a half dozen forest fires in the Applegate region and caused the worst damage in years to California-Oregon Power company equipment.

As for Woodbridge's disasters: Lightning hit his barn, killing the cow he was milking; the cow collapsed upon him, knocking him unconscious; his wife dragged him to safety and called an ambulance; cattle in the barnyard stampeded from the flames to the ambulance.

Neighbors had just fenced the stampeding herd off when the house caught fire. They put that out, too.

Firecrackers Used to Blow Up Mail Boxes

PORTLAND, June 21—Earl A. Wholford, federal postal inspector, warned today that certain premature Fourth of July celebrators may not be free to celebrate Independence day.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



It's for sale but his condition is a matter of opinion—depends whether you have to vacate your present place in two months or next week!

Willamette U. Fraternities Elect Officers

New officers for the fall term were elected or installed at the final meetings of the three Willamette university campus fraternities this week.

Art Wilson of Salem was elected by members of Alpha Psi Delta fraternity as their president for the fall term at the last regular meeting. Also chosen at this meeting were Hank Ercolini, Seattle, as first vice president; Warren James, Salem, second vice president; Ed Lind, Gladstone, secretary; Bob Marr, Salem, manager; and Bob Woodburn, Salem, member at large.

Under the supervision of Salem executive Lyle Loughton and Harry Michelson, assistant executive, the scouts will open up the last 100 yards of snow bound trail leading into camp.

Sigma Tau Elect

Bud Fairham was installed as new president of Sigma Tau fraternity at formal installation house meeting held Monday evening, June 10, when Bill Stortz, graduating senior, formally presented the gavel to the new president. Other officers newly installed for the fall term are Dave Geddes, Salem, vice president; Bill Bonington, Albany, Calif., secretary; and Keith Evans, Independence, as house manager.

Kappa Gamma Rho Elects New Officers for Next Fall

Officers for next fall this Monday night at the last regular meeting of the year. Elected to office for next year were Ray Fedje, Salem, president; Bob Fletch, Portland, first vice president and social chairman; John Straumjorf, Astoria, second vice president; Dean Barnhart, Hoskins, manager, and Pi Edwards, Albany, member at large in charge of rushing.

Storm Destroys Pine Timber

PRINEVILLE, June 21—Ochoco national forest officials said today that 500,000 board feet of pine timber, flattened during a storm, will be lost despite prompt salvage.

The storm, which knocked down a million feet of ponderosa pine, broke half the trees so far above the ground they are not usable for timber, officials said.

TRUE ENOUGH



HARRY TRUMAN IS THE FIRST PIANO-PLAYING PRESIDENT IN THE WHITE HOUSE... 5-20

JEFFERSON WAS A CAPABLE FIDDLE PLAYER



WARDEN G. HARDING PLAYED THE RESUBORN AND ONCE WON \$200 IN A BAND CONTEST.

Newspaper Publishers Open Conclave

GEARHART, Ore., June 21—The 50th annual convention of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers' association opened today with some 135 delegates, who were told they had a "sacred duty" to impart sound interpretation and constructive criticism to their readers.

Stanley Bacon of the Pacific Telegraph and Telephone company, Portland, said reporters of the near future would get orders from their city editor by telephone hook-ups with taxis and automobiles.

Will Henry, manager of the Dairy Cooperative association, Portland, delivered a scathing indictment of the new deal. "When history is written, if it is rewritten truthfully," he said, "the Roosevelt administration will be known as the great betrayer of constitutional government."

Grace Smith Dies Friday Unexpectedly

Grace L. Smith, Marion county native and resident here all her life, died unexpectedly Friday at her home, 2340 S. Church st.

With her husband, Ernest C. Smith, she had operated the Salem Custom Curing plant formerly on Portland road and currently on South 12th street. She was a member of the First Baptist church of Salem and daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Mathis and the late A. J. Mathis, Marion county nurseryman. She and Mr. Smith were married at the Salem Baptist church in 1909.

Survivors include her mother and husband; two daughters, Mrs. Oleda Adair and Mrs. Carolyn Imah, both of Salem; one son, Ernest J. Smith, Salem; sisters, Mrs. Selma Gorton and Mrs. Myrtle Stutz, Salem; and Mrs. Margaret Kellog, Turner; brothers, J. J. Mathis and Roy Mathis, Salem; Vern Mathis of Portland, and five grandchildren.

Funeral announcements are to be made later by the Clough-Barrick company.

Portland Man Fined \$50, Costs

Albert Renner, Portland, charged with assault and battery, was fined \$50 and costs in Salem justice court Friday.

Renner was arrested early Friday morning by Deputy Sheriff Charles DeVall and a state police officer, after allegedly having molested a girl hitchhiker from Tacoma. Following the arrest Renner broke away from deputy DeVall but after a three-block long chase was recaptured.

Earl Harvey's Parole Revoked

The sheriff's office Friday notified Earl James Harvey, awaiting trial here on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, that his parole had been revoked by the state parole board.

Harvey was paroled from the bench in Columbia county Oct. 10, 1945, from a larceny charge. Previously his records show he had been sentenced from Marion county on a larceny by bailer charge, had escaped from prison but was recaptured the same day.

Dr. Fedje Says Salem Area Needs Pastors

SEASIDE, June 21—Dr. Roy A. Fedje, superintendent of the Salem district of the Methodist church, declared in his first annual report today that his area needs additional pastors.

The Cascade district superintendent, Rev. Oliver J. Gill, also reported a lack of trained clergy. They spoke to the Oregon Methodist conference here.

Circuit Court Judge Hears Plea, Sets Trial

Trial for Lester E. Weaver, indicted on two charges of burglary of the Market Drug store and Capital City Laundry, was set for July 18 Friday by Circuit Judge E. M. Page.

Ralph John Hultz, appearing before Judge Page, entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of incest and took further time to Monday morning to enter a plea against a charge of rape.

Arolo Kimball, charged with burglarizing the Rickey schoolhouse, appeared and his case was continued until Monday morning to enter a plea.

Richard Tungle, charged with larceny of an auto, was ordered released to Loren C. Cochran, chief U.S. probation officer, who is executing a warrant for revocation of parole, the Marion county grand jury larceny indictment to stand.

Patrick Gorman, Scio, was elected grand knight of the Sublimity Knights of Columbus for the 1946-47 year Tuesday evening.

Other officers elected were Raymond Kerber, deputy grand knight; John Welz, recorder; Andy Kintz, treasurer; Leonard J. Thoma, warden; Theodore Etzel, chancellor; Roman King, advocate; John Hallman, inside guard; P. J. Etzel, outside guard and John Cries, trustee, three year term.

Edward Jacoby, past Sublimity grand knight, is appointed district deputy for this district, by State-Deputy-elect William J. LaRoche.

Speaking on his experiences as an intelligence officer with the Fourth Combat Cargo Group, an air combat cargo service, in the northwest part of Burma during the battle for Burma, Carson described the natives of India after "10,000 years of slow starvation and filth" as being mere "shells".

Carson said his outfit supplied ground troops in Burma by air with food and ammunition, and also sowed paratroopers behind Japanese lines. In the steaming, torturous battle for Burma that finally ended when British troops marched into Rangoon.

Most of the time his group dropped supplies from the air, and at other times the big C-46 cargo planes landed on narrow strips near the front lines which ground troops could gouge out of the jungle in 48 hours, he said.

Carson spent four years in the air combat service and holds the air medal. At present he stands unopposed for state senator.

Isabel George Cannon, who spent most of her life in Salem, died Friday at the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cannon, after a lengthy illness.

Born at Clovis, N.M., April 1, 1911, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. George, who later moved to Salem to operate the White House restaurant here for a number of years, she attended Salem schools and was employed in offices of the Oregon state accident commission and federal farm loan bureau and was a member of the First Methodist church prior to her marriage to Don Cannon in October, 1941.

Survivors, in addition to the widow, are their daughters, Susan Lee and Jean Elizabeth Cannon, in Salem; one sister, Mrs. Joe (Hazel George) Davis of Portland; brothers, Dr. Chalmers Lee George and William George, both of Portland; Jess George, Salem, and Maj. John George, stationed with the U.S. army at Tacoma, Wash.

Funeral services are to be held Monday, June 24, from the W. T. Rigdon Co. chapel at 1:30 p.m., Dr. Chester W. Hamblin officiating, with interment in Belcrest Memorial park.

New Famine Group Formed

WASHINGTON, June 21—Dr. D. A. FitzGerald, the agricultural department's top authority on international food problems, was named secretary general today of a new international agency to fight famine.

With the selection of FitzGerald and other key officers, the international emergency food council finished most of the details of organizing to help the world's hungry people through the next 18 months.

Until the emergency food council can take over fully, its predecessor organization, the American-British-Canadian combined food board, will keep on the job.

What it means to buy a Diamond from STEVENS

1-It means this 6-diamond ring enriched with a blazing center diamond may be brought in each month to be cleaned and checked without charge. All diamonds bought at STEVENS have the same service.

2-We will size or repair your STEVENS diamond at any time without charge.

3-We will replace any STEVENS diamond lost from its setting without charge.

4-Your STEVENS diamond is worth every cent you paid for it, providing it has been checked and cleaned monthly, and when you are ready to trade it on a larger diamond, it is worth its original value.

Terms If Desired

Table with 4 columns: Sun. Radio, KSLM (1390 kc), KOIN (970 kc), KGW (620 kc), KEX (1190 kc). Rows include various radio programs and times.

Carson Says India Not Ready For Self Rule

Indians would not know what to do with self-government if they had it, was the impression Allan Carson got after spending considerable time in the Burma, India, China theatre of war, he told the Salem board of Realtors Friday noon.

Speaking on his experiences as an intelligence officer with the Fourth Combat Cargo Group, an air combat cargo service, in the northwest part of Burma during the battle for Burma, Carson described the natives of India after "10,000 years of slow starvation and filth" as being mere "shells".

Carson said his outfit supplied ground troops in Burma by air with food and ammunition, and also sowed paratroopers behind Japanese lines. In the steaming, torturous battle for Burma that finally ended when British troops marched into Rangoon.

Most of the time his group dropped supplies from the air, and at other times the big C-46 cargo planes landed on narrow strips near the front lines which ground troops could gouge out of the jungle in 48 hours, he said.

Carson spent four years in the air combat service and holds the air medal. At present he stands unopposed for state senator.

Isabel Cannon Dies Following Long Illness

Isabel George Cannon, who spent most of her life in Salem, died Friday at the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cannon, after a lengthy illness.

Born at Clovis, N.M., April 1, 1911, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. George, who later moved to Salem to operate the White House restaurant here for a number of years, she attended Salem schools and was employed in offices of the Oregon state accident commission and federal farm loan bureau and was a member of the First Methodist church prior to her marriage to Don Cannon in October, 1941.

Survivors, in addition to the widow, are their daughters, Susan Lee and Jean Elizabeth Cannon, in Salem; one sister, Mrs. Joe (Hazel George) Davis of Portland; brothers, Dr. Chalmers Lee George and William George, both of Portland; Jess George, Salem, and Maj. John George, stationed with the U.S. army at Tacoma, Wash.

Funeral services are to be held Monday, June 24, from the W. T. Rigdon Co. chapel at 1:30 p.m., Dr. Chester W. Hamblin officiating, with interment in Belcrest Memorial park.

New Famine Group Formed

WASHINGTON, June 21—Dr. D. A. FitzGerald, the agricultural department's top authority on international food problems, was named secretary general today of a new international agency to fight famine.

With the selection of FitzGerald and other key officers, the international emergency food council finished most of the details of organizing to help the world's hungry people through the next 18 months.

Until the emergency food council can take over fully, its predecessor organization, the American-British-Canadian combined food board, will keep on the job.

What it means to buy a Diamond from STEVENS

1-It means this 6-diamond ring enriched with a blazing center diamond may be brought in each month to be cleaned and checked without charge. All diamonds bought at STEVENS have the same service.

2-We will size or repair your STEVENS diamond at any time without charge.

3-We will replace any STEVENS diamond lost from its setting without charge.

4-Your STEVENS diamond is worth every cent you paid for it, providing it has been checked and cleaned monthly, and when you are ready to trade it on a larger diamond, it is worth its original value.

Terms If Desired

Table with 4 columns: Sun. Radio, KSLM (1390 kc), KOIN (970 kc), KGW (620 kc), KEX (1190 kc). Rows include various radio programs and times.