

Twenty-Four Die Instantly as B-17 Crashes into East Coast Peak

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OPA REVIVAL TO BRING MEAT, FOWL CONTROLS

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Pity the poor congressman as he seeks to test the political currents before voting again on OPA's extension. He lacks the dandelion seed ball which a lover uses to test the affection of the one he wooes. "He loves me, he loves me not." But by long experience he cultivates the art of holding a wet finger to see the way the wind is blowing.

There is the telegraph score, for example. When an issue like OPA is hot the telegrams come in showers. His secretary will sort them and total the number: so many against. Your smart congressman, however, will not accept the numerical count as decisive. He will study the text and the signature. He can smell out the "canned" variety from the spontaneous expressions of opinion. Usually he can determine whether the shower is prompted by a trade association, a labor union, a farm group, a consumers' council, a retailers' league, a veterans' organization or is the unstimulated comment of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doakes. Finally he must weigh the two piles in terms of votes at the next election or in terms of genuine public interest based on knowledge if he is trying to be a statesman.

A Washington reporter supplied the Oregonian with the count of messages on OPA from members of the Oregon delegation. These were the ratios: Senator Morse, 65-35 for OPA extension; Congressman Norblad 70-30 for; Angell 80-20 for; Ellsworth 20-80 against; Stockman 5-95 against. The lumber-conscious fourth district and the livestock and grain producing constituency.

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State Employee Group Asks 'Bargain Right'

The Oregon State Employees association Tuesday petitioned Gov. Earl Sniel to recognize that group as the bargaining representative for all 7000 employees of the state, under the National Labor Relations act.

The petition said that "in certain essential respects public administration is different from private employers x x x so that the same application of the National Labor Relations act x x x cannot be expected x x x." But it added that "ample latitude exists x x x for arriving at informal understanding x x x which x x x may be fully respected and kept in good faith."

The employees association is independent of other affiliation and is incorporated under laws of the state, the petition pointed out.

Officers of the association said membership approximated 3000.

The petition was signed by Floyd Rogers as president and Max F. Rogers as secretary, and its presentation was by Forrest V. Stewart, executive secretary.

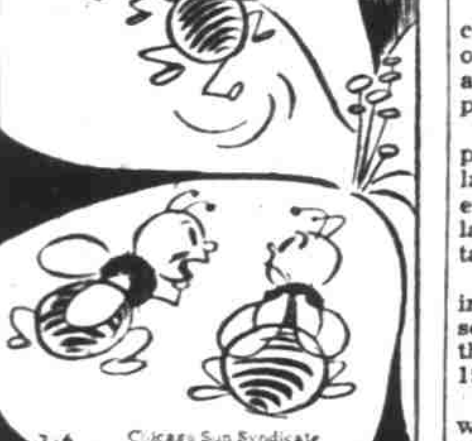
Walker Injured In Fall from Tree

MT. ANGEL, July 9.—Joseph Walker, prominent local hop grower, suffered a shoulder and skull fracture early this morning when he fell from a ladder while picking cherries. He was taken to Silvertown hospital where late this evening he was still unconscious.

Walker, who is 64 years old, was on the ladder when a limb broke. He fell hitting his head on the trunk on which the ladder had been mounted. The accident happened at 8:15 a. m. Tuesday at the Walker ranch two miles south-east of town.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"He can't hold his nectar."

Welcomed Instead of 'Pinched'



YOU ARE REALLY WELCOME In Salem (Oregon's Capital City) We're mighty happy to have you as a visitor in our city, and we want you to enjoy your stay to the fullest. We hope you'll tarry awhile. You'll find such agencies as our Chamber of Commerce eager to help you in any way, and our police department will cooperate to the limit. We know you'll cooperate with us in the same way. Have a good time and let us know if we can help.

(Our civic clubs particularly want to welcome you. The Salem Kiwanis club issues you a special invitation to its luncheon every Tuesday noon at the Marion hotel.)

Welcome cards like the one above, in lieu of police tags, are being given to out-of-state visitors today for initial infractions of minor traffic laws such as overparking. In the above picture, Stan Arnold, San Francisco Chronicle newsman, is shown in his home-bound jeep getting a card from Officer E. W. Hewitt. The cards will be given any out-of-state motorist who stops long enough -- not just to violators. The idea was initiated by the Kiwanis club. (Statesman-McEwan photo.)

Sailor Discovers Persistence Pays Off in Reverse

PORTLAND, Ore., July 9.—(AP) A sailor decided today that persistence pays—sometimes in reverse.

When the sailor first reported that two men had stolen his \$1,000 diamond and ruby studded wristwatch, detectives just wrote it down in the file.

But when he started pestering the detectives, repeating his complaint, Detective Leonard Shaffer thought the sailor's name sounded familiar. It was.

Shaffer found the name on the "wanted list" from San Francisco, on a grand larceny charge for stealing a diamond and ruby wristwatch from a San Francisco woman. The sailor is in jail.

Labor Camp Boys Offered Scouting

Scouting activities will be offered to boys at the farm labor supply center through Cascade area council personnel, Lyle Leighton, Boy Scout executive here, assured the camp's management Tuesday. Leighton and a group of boys plan to go to the camp the night of July 18 to offer a program and initiate an organization there. Parents with boys of scouting age are being notified through the camp bulletin board of the program, invited to attend and urged to cooperate.

CAA State Office to Be Established in Salem

The state office of the civilian aeronautics authority is to be set up in Salem, Paul Morris, head of the airports division of CAA, said while here on business early this week. The office, which is to have a personnel of some 10 persons, is to be set up in the school Administration (old high school) building.

Illegal Aliens Pouring into U.S. At Rate of 60,000 Per Month

MIAMI, Fla., July 9.—(AP)—Since the end of World War II, millions of aliens have turned their eyes and hearts toward America and now are pouring into this country—illegally—at the rate of 2,000 a day.

That is the estimate of U.S. Attorney General Tom Clark, who said that of the 60,000 who entered this country unlawfully in a month, 30,000 were arrested by the immigration and naturalization service, perhaps better known as the border patrol.

In the southeast, with its long coastline and proximity to islands of the Caribbean, the number of aliens arrested has jumped 800 per cent in eight years.

In 1938, the border patrol apprehended 803 aliens in the Atlanta district, which includes eight southeastern states. In the last six months, the number totaled 3,138.

The border patrol, a part of the immigration and naturalization service, has increased its staff in the southeast from 50 agents in 1938 to 110 now.

These men, highly-trained and well-equipped, patrol 60,000 miles a month in the area between the eastern boundary of Louisiana and the northern boundary of

Munitions Firm Favors Denied By Patterson

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—Secretary of War Patterson acknowledged today that he had given his personal attention to the wartime complaints of Illinois munitions makers at request from Rep. May (D-Ky.) but firmly denied that he had done them "favors."

In sworn testimony before the senate war investigating committee, Patterson injected new developments in the inquiry into the industrial combine's complicated operations and profits.

He stated that he went to May's office at the congressman's summons a few days after government payments to the Erie Basin Metal Products company had been "frozen" to insure recapture of excessive profits. At the congressman's office, he conferred with two men whom he said he could not identify.

(Additional details on Page 2.)

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Check of the outlying population to determine eligible voters in each city area has been conducted by the office of City Engineer J. H. Davis.

Salem Milk Prices Go Up 1 1/2 Cents Quart

Salem milk prices are up a cent and a half and two cents today. Local dairies, following the announced increase of prices throughout western Oregon, are delivering milk at 16 1/2 cents instead of 15 cents. Most stores are selling single quarts of milk at 17 cents.

DeLacy Leads Washington Primary; Utah Labor Vote Shifts to Incumbent

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Explosion Scatters Wreckage

HOLYOKE, Mass., July 10.—(Wednesday)—(AP)—Twenty-four persons, the entire crew and passenger list of an army B17 bomber flying from Goose Bay, Labrador, to Westover field, Chicopee, Mass., here killed instantly late last night when the craft crashed into 1200-foot Mt. Tom.

The public relations office at Westover field said the dead included three members of the army crew and 21 passengers, probably army, navy and possibly even civilian personnel. It withheld names until next of kin had been notified.

The bomber exploded upon impact, the field's public relations officer said, and wreckage was scattered in small pieces within a radius of 200 yards.

Some of the victims were mangled beyond recognition, and pieces of bodies were scattered. The leg of one was found in a tree.

The explosion set fire to nearby trees, but pouring rain that began within minutes of the crash "probably averted a forest fire," the officer said.

The plane was overdue at Westover field and crashed in light rain and haze.

The four-motored ship was a "stripped B17, with its armament removed."

Police and firemen, aided by crews from Westover, labored through the night to extricate the bodies. Their task was doubled by the rain and by a mile-long walk up a steep hill from the nearest point which vehicles could reach.

More than 700 persons lined approaches to the scene as word of the crash spread. Many of them had seen the ship explode from an amusement park at the base of the mountain.

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Marshall Switches Jobs

Relief to Chinese Slashed

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—President Truman named John Leighton Stuart, a 70-year-old Presbyterian missionary and educator, to be ambassador to China today, (reports indicated tonight that General George Marshall present ambassador to China will continue to work with Stuart as Truman's mediation representative.) But even before the senate received the nomination tough new problems were piled up on the China scene.

UNRRA Director Fiorello La Guardia announced suspension of all shipments of supplies except emergency foods to China after receiving a protest from more than half the UNRRA staff members in China that goods were not reaching the right people, that ports were jammed with materials and that "political use" of relief supplies were being charged.

The Chinese embassy in Washington said in a statement tonight that the message of the UNRRA staff members to LaGuardia "is obviously one-sided" and that it would be "inadvisable to draw any hasty conclusion from it."

A statement by UNRRA headquarters said La Guardia had warned Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek three days ago that he would take such action if the ports were not cleared of relief supplies already delivered.

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Brunette Rita Haar of Salem, one of 18 candidates for queen of the Oregon flax festival which will be held in Mt. Angel August 9-11.

Salem Entry In Mt. Angel Queen Contest

MT. ANGEL, July 9.—Rita Haar, 20, daughter of F. D. Haar, 1580 Center st., will represent Salem as candidate for queen of the eighth annual Oregon Flax festival, to be staged in Mt. Angel August 9-11.

Sponsored by Vince's Electric Shop of Salem, Miss Haar is an office employe of the Oregon Pulp & Paper Co., who is active in bowling and swimming.

Nine other valley girls representing Portland, Oregon City, Woodburn, Silvertown and Mt. Angel are candidates for queen.

William Chadwick, King Bing of the Salem Cherrians, will officiate at the festival coronation ceremony. The Cherrians' King Bing has performed the coronation at every flax festival here except 1940's when Charles A. Sprague, then governor, officiated.

Jews Favor British Loan

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—Chairman Bloom (D-NY) of the house foreign affairs committee appealed to the house today to approve the \$3,750,000,000 British loan in a move designed to offset possible loss of house votes for the loan because of British handling of the Jewish problem.

Bloom had the house clerk read a statement by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, a leader of the Zionist movement. Wise said: "Whatever be the wrong doings of the British government in Palestine cannot alter my conviction that the British loan is imperatively needed."

Frank H. Spears Funeral Thursday

Funeral rites for Frank H. Spears, who died at his home here Monday night, will be conducted by the Rev. George H. Swift in St. Paul's Episcopal church at 10:30 a. m. Thursday.

Concluding services will follow at City View cemetery. The W. T. Rigdon company is in charge.

Spears was secretary-treasurer of Hawkins & Roberts. He died at the age of 58.

'BRIGADE' HALTS BLAZE

A two-man "bucket brigade" put out a small trash fire at the new First National bank building site Monday night. A city policeman noticed the blaze while walking his beat, walked to the central fire station half a block distant and, together with one fireman, carried water in buckets to put out the fire.

Cherry Crop Weather Damage Less Severe Than Anticipated

Picking started Tuesday in the 45-acre orchard of Josiah Willis near Falls City, Prof. reported. Fred Gibson, six miles northwest of Salem in Polk county, has harvested half of his crop. With lots of Royal Anne cherries. Gibson has most of them still on the trees. He has harvested 20 tons of fruit and estimates he has as much left to pick.

F. Glen McDonald, Keenwood ranch, one of the larger cherry orchards in the Silvertown area, reports heaviest weather damage felt by the Lamberts while Royal Annes practically escaped injury. He will finish Lambert and Royal Annes today and picking Montmorencys will start Friday. Damage to the latter is nominal.

Truman Supports Leave Pay

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—A so-called "anti-inflationary" plan for staggering terminal leave payments of about \$3,000,000,000 to some 15,000,000 veterans reached the senate today with blessing from its military committee and President Truman.

This will be ready for senate action before the OPA bill is finished, Senator Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) told reporters after the military committee gave approval.

The payments—part in cash and the bulk in treasury bonds payable five years after the veteran's discharge and bearing 2 1/2 per cent interest—are a substitute for an immediate cash outlay for terminal leave pay already approved by the house by a 379 to 0 roll call.

The substitute is intended to grant all enlisted men and women at the rate of 2 1/2 days for each month of service, less time spent on leaves, except that cash would be paid only on claims of less than \$50, with some exceptions, while the five-year bonds would be issued for payments above \$50.

The bond payments would be made to all enlisted men and women already discharged and to those still in service who are discharged before July 1, 1947.

Payment by bonds also would be made to officers discharged between the time the law is enacted and July 1, 1947, replacing the cash payments they now receive.

The leave to be paid for under the plan is all that has accrued since Sept. 8, 1939, the date when the first naval reservists were called up.

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Ashland Man Claims Votes In Senate Race

Southern Oregon residents visiting Salem Tuesday reported that Earl T. Newbery, Ashland republican, now claims 12 pledged votes for president of the state senate at the 1947 legislative session. This is four short of the number required to elect.

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Garver, Graham Ranch Purchased

SILVERTOWN, July 9.—The Garver & Graham 118-acre Hereford ranch a mile south of here on Waldo Hills road was sold today for \$15,000, it was announced by Earl Garver and Will Graham.

Alexander Meyer of Detroit, Mich., is the buyer. He and his wife and four sons will move from the east to establish their home and operate the ranch. Garver and Graham, who have several other properties in Marion county, will keep their Herefords until this fall when a sale will be held.

The Weather

Station	Max.	Min.	Prev.
Salem	75	64	60
Portland	82	64	60
San Francisco	82	64	60
Chicago	81	64	60
New York	81	64	60

Willamette river - 19 feet. FORECAST - Partly cloudy tomorrow. Partly cloudy today. Highest temperature 75 degrees.

Our Senators

Won 5-4

2nd Veto Said in Prospect

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—The administration suffered a stunning reverse in the OPA battle tonight when the senate voted, 49 to 26, to outlaw any future price ceilings on meat, poultry, eggs and foods made from them.

This action tore big holes in the pending compromise bill to revive OPA in modified form for one year. Many senators predicted that if the action sticks, President Truman will veto the OPA revival bill, just as he did an extension measure passed before OPA expired June 30.

The prohibitions against the ceilings on meats and the other foods was offered by Senator Wherry (R-Nebr.) and was backed by a majority of the republicans and some democrats.

Previously the senate had voted down, 51 to 25, another amendment by Senator Elmer Thomas (D-Okla.) to exempt livestock and poultry and their raw by-products from future price controls.

The 49 to 26 vote by which the Wherry amendment was adopted boded ill for future administration efforts to eliminate it in compromising the bill with the house. Although house members have gone on record against lifting meat controls, the senate had approved the continuance of these ceilings only on voice votes previously. With the record now made, administration leaders expect difficulty in reversing this decision.

After this success, Wherry sought to push an immediate vote on a supplemental amendment which would add milk, butter and dairy products to the list of those of which no new controls could be placed.

However, the senate quit without noon tomorrow without acting on either.

2nd Hay Crop Turned 'Black' By June Rains

Much of Willamette valley's second hay crop is turning out the same as the first crop in early June named for quiet farming, "black." Almost 75 per cent of the June crop, chiefly clover, was caught in early June rains before it could be harvested. A large percentage of that which was sown in the loose and baled crop suffered.

Rain Saturday night apparently did little damage but the rain Monday afternoon was so steady and heavy, particularly in the east end of the county, that considerable damage resulted. Farmers are turning hay Tuesday in an effort to dry it rapidly.

Crimson clover and grass seed suffered some in certain sections of the valley also. Extent of loss will not be known until later in the week when combining will be under way. Some grass seed farmers plan to begin harvest on Friday. Much of the grass had to be mowed early because of heavy winds and rains, although some will be harvested standing.