

**IT SEEMS TO ME**  
By Chester A. Sprague

Now we are getting the written precipitate of Bernard DeVoto's recent visit to the northwest. He told us two months ago in his regular contribution to Harper's magazine "The Easy Chair" that he was headed this way. Newspapers reported his visit in Portland and Astoria; and now the September Harper's carries his report. Historian and literary critic, DeVoto is one of the most trenchant writers of the day.

Dr. Marcus Whitman finds a champion in DeVoto, not to the degree of endorsing the "Whitman myth" so-called, but recognition that he was "a great man, almost as great a man as the states of Washington and Oregon say he was." I suppose in all our history no man has worked harder or more constantly; few have served the United States more selflessly at crucial time and none is owed a greater debt by the modern West, including Washington.

But DeVoto turns his sharpened shafts of criticism at the markings (or lack of them) at Wallatpu, site of the Whitman mission near Walla Walla, and on other historical markings in Washington, Oregon and Idaho. He jibes at the bewhiskered moderns whooping it up in commemoration of the "Pioneers" when they show little interest in accurate marking of historical sites.

"I wonder if it is either judicious or profitable to leave Wallatpu so squalid, a bare hillside and a weed-choked pasture, a rendezvous for neckers, the monument a mere target for their whiskey bottles."

Oregon fares little better as DeVoto reports his search for (Continued on Editorial Page)

**Stocks Take Sharp Slump On N.Y. Mart**

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—(AP)—The stock market today suffered another one of its sharpest slumps for 16 years, topping leaders 1 to better than 18 points to a new average low since August, 1945.

A rush of offerings flooded the exchange floor in the first hour putting the high-speed ticker tape behind for several minutes for a lengthy interval. Transfers of 2,830,000 shares compared with 1,670,000 Friday and were among the best of 1946.

Reasons for the fresh relapse again varied. Among these, brokers said, was the growing belief in Wall street that last week's relapse may have been the signal for a bear market. Some analysts said that mounting labor disputes inspired further liquidation. Others thought the still cloudy international picture was a factor.

The Associated Press 60-stock composite was off 3.3 points at 63.9, which equalled the low of Aug. 22, 1945.

International Business Machines dropped 1 1/2 points, Hiram Walker 1 1/2, Caterpillar tractor 9, Schenley 8, Dupont 7 1/2, Eastman Kodak 6 1/2, Bethlehem 6, U. S. Steel 5 1/2, Union Pacific 5, Southern Pacific 4 1/2, Goodyear 4 1/2, U. S. Rubber 4 1/2, Chrysler 4 1/2, Montgomery Ward 4 1/2, and American Telephone 3.

(Stock quotations page 8).

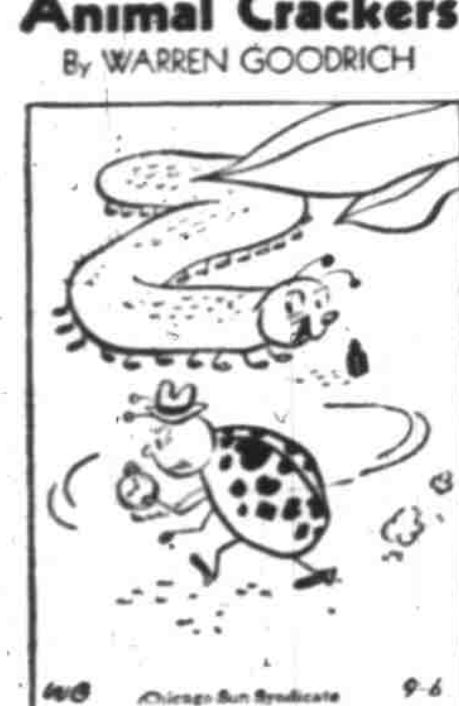
**Zoning Board Hearings Set For Tonight**

Salem's city planning and zoning commission tonight will conduct two public hearings on zoning in city hall.

At 8:30 p. m. the commission will hear a general comment on zoning of the recently annexed city territory. No formal zoning action has yet been initiated for the new city areas.

At 9 p. m. a hearing will be held on the proposed establishment of a business zone on a Trade street lot between 15th and 16th streets where Portland General Electric proposes to locate a small substation.

**Animal Crackers**  
By WARREN GOODRICH



"Relax—I'll be right with you just as soon as I fix my nails."

**Meat Price Rise Talked in Lieu of Rationing**

**Housing At Adair Boosted**

Conversion of the abandoned Camp Adair—which once held 40,000 men—into temporary housing for war veterans and their families is the object of redoubled activity by the League of Seven Cities today.

Reports will be rushed to the war assets administration, which now holds Adair as surplus property, to request a "freeze" of at least part of the base and to outline the needs of nearby communities for the housing which Camp Adair barracks might supply. No sale of Adair surplus has yet been advertised.

**Norblad at Meeting**

These developments came Monday morning in a meeting at the camp of delegations from the WAA and from Salem, West Salem, Independence, Cornmouth, Albany, Dallas and Corvallis. P. M. Houston, league chairman and Albany Chamber of Commerce manager, called the meeting. Rep. Walter Norblad, who attended, pledged his support.

Salem representatives, including E. Burr Miller, president of the chamber of commerce, reported that general sentiment favored use of buildings at the camp, after remodeling them into family and bachelor residential units.

WAA will be asked to postpone sale of any buildings or equipment at Camp Adair until it can consider fully the league's plan for establishment of an extensive housing colony there. Douglas McKay, Salem delegate who during his army service had been adjutant at the camp, stated that a community could best be developed in that part of Adair centering around the hospital, where utilities, theatres, post office, hospital and other suitable facilities already exist.

**Disease Seemed Barrier**

Some Salem delegates said the base at 25 miles is too distant from Salem to provide much housing relief for Salem proper, especially with new automobiles still scarce.

Committeemen selected to report the league plans to WAA include: Douglas McKay, chairman; Douglas McKay, vice chairman; Ray DeVoss, Corvallis; George W. Cooper, Independence; Mayor M. J. Butler, Monmouth; Mayor Guy Nugent, West Salem; Mayor Hollis Smith, Dallas; William Baillie, Salem manager of U. S. employment service; and Col. George E. Sandy, state director of veterans' affairs.

**Republicans Keep Hold in Maine Ballot**

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 9.—(AP)—Republicans captured all major offices at stake in today's early Maine election—their sixth "clean sweep" in a row.

Senator Owen Brewster, member of the war investigating and Pearl Harbor committees, and Gov. Horace Hildreth won second terms by heavy margins.

Also reelected were Reps. Robert Hale, Frank Fellows and Margaret C. Smith, to third, fourth and fifth terms, respectively.

Brewster saw the results as "indicating a continuance of the republican trend."

**Appeal Filed From Ban on Vote Statement**

George C. Reinmiller, secretary of the state democratic central committee, Monday filed an appeal from the decision of Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr., which rejected a statement submitted for the voters' pamphlet in behalf of State Sen. Lew Wallace, Portland, who is opposing Rep. Homer Angell in the third congressional district race this fall.

Appeal board members, expected to consider the appeal this week, are Gov. Earl Snell, Attorney General George Neuner and Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction.

Farrell had ruled that the statement was filed by an individual, not the party, and that it "smears" Angell in a manner not permitted by the voter pamphlet law. State Sen. Thomas Mahoney, Portland, however, said he himself had introduced the law and its intent is merely to ban publication of matter defamatory to religious and racial groups. Mahoney is working with Reinmiller in the appeal.

**Woodburn Schools Delay Fall Opening**

WOODBURN, Sept. 9.—Opening of Woodburn district schools was postponed tonight from September 16 to September 23, at a special meeting of the school board. Representatives of growers and canneries asked the postponement so that students may continue work.

**Local Option Misses Benton County Ballot**

CORVALLIS, Sept. 9.—(AP)—Petitioners to place before Benton county voters in November a proposal to ban sale of alcoholic beverages failed by 27 signatures, County Clerk A. J. Moore reported today. Of 1,065 names submitted, 977 were valid.

**575 Oregon Vets Get Added Funds**

Approximately 575 Oregon veterans will receive an additional \$50,000 during the year beginning October 1 in compensation for disability in peacetime service, according to James Harris, veterans administration contact officer in Salem. He said the recently increased rates will be applied automatically making it unnecessary for veterans to make inquiries.

**Increased Enrollments Expected for Salem's Schools; Meetings Are Set; Plants Improved**

School vacation is definitely on the wane.

Two parochial schools open registration today, junior and senior high schools already are registering pupils, and administrators of other schools throughout Salem are busy with last-minute preparation for school openings next Monday.

Back-to-school themes feature local store displays and many of the approximately 6000 Salem school children are being outfitted and groomed this week.

Public school enrollment is expected to equal and possibly exceed last year's enrollment of 5500, according to Superintendent Frank B. Bennett who said yesterday that recent annexation of new city areas has little effect because much of the territory had been part of school district 24.

Catholic school registration plans were announced Monday as follows: Sacred Heart academy, accepting only high school pupils, to register any day from today through Friday between 10 a. m. and noon or 1 and 3 p. m.; St. Joseph's, for first eight grades, registration at same times, day after the academy; St. Vincent dePaul's registration from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. Friday.

For this school year Sister Mary Gladys is superior of the academy; Sister Mary Veronica, directress of St. Joseph's, and Sister Mary Emelinda, directress of St. Vincent's.

Registration at elementary schools is set for Monday morning. Night school registration will take place at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, September 18, in the Salem senior high school. Regularly employed youths in the 16 to 18 age group are required by law to take part-time school work that amounts to at least 180 hours per year.

Superintendent Bennett said the public school teaching staff this year has two additional teachers, like last year, about 45 of the teachers are new to the local school system. The new teachers will meet for introductory instruction with the superintendent at 1:30 p. m. Thursday in the public school administration building.

Ten members of the staff, who have returned from military service in the past year, will be starting their first full school year since the war. They are Mildred Christensen, Sylvia Kraps, Mildred Pearce, Loren Mort, Harold Hauk, Verne Gilmore, LaRue Richards, Edmund A. Carleton, Raymond Carl and Marion Davis.

Major staff changes, Bennett reported, see Carleton as principal of the high school and Harry E. Johnson, former principal, as curriculum director. Only other new principal is Mathilda Gilles at Richmond school. The entire public schools' faculty will meet in the high school auditorium at 9:30 a. m. Saturday, Bennett said.

Considerable work has been done in the public schools during the summer. Major improvement projects were summarized by the school office Monday as: Senior high—Installing additional material in cafeteria and stairways, to be completed early next week; Leslie—New bicycle shed, softball field lights installed, athletic field and track improved; McKinley—Small classroom added, four additional lots cleared for playground; Parrott—Painting and cleaning of entire main floor; Richmond—Basement classroom added; Olinger—Grading completed for new athletic field, seeding and track cindering set for this year.

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**Vacationers Become Valuable**



Hop pickers are gathering from far and near and many more pickers are badly needed to see the Willamette valley hop crop safely harvested. Shown are Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Worley of Longview, Wash., who are picking at the Mitoma yard near Independence. Worley is a native of Amarillo, Texas. His wife is from Minnesota. Worley is a second rigger in a logging camp but while the woods were closed due to fire precautionary measures, he and his wife picked hops. Many other vacationers are similarly engaged. —(Statesman Farm Photo)

**Hop Pickers in Great Demand To Save Crops**

Black mold, shortage of pickers and fickle weather have caused hop growers in and around Salem to send out an SOS for Salem residents to help the Salem farm labor office reported Monday. Already, the W. W. Graham farm in the Mission Bottom area has had to abandon 15 acres of hops because of the mold. Other growers report that unless the crop is harvested in the next two weeks the loss will be tremendous.

Pickers say hops are weighing well.

Busses leave for the fields every morning from the farm labor office at 361 Chemeketa st.

**Two Returned To Alabama on Crime Counts**

Sheriff L. F. Horn and Sheriff Barganier, both from Alabama, left Salem Sunday for Alabama with two prisoners released to them on extradition orders by Marion county Sheriff Denver Young.

Horn took with him William Hub Rogers, wanted on a 40-year-old murder charge, and Sheriff Barganier took Omar Buford Rogers to face a larceny and jail break charge.

Omar B. Rogers, accused by his ex-wife of stealing \$5 from her purse, had been arrested and interned in the Butler county, Alabama, jail, but escaped and made his way to his uncle, William Hub Rogers, who lived at Gervais, local sheriff's deputies said. The two Rogers men were arrested after an investigation by a deputy sheriff and an FBI agent in Marion county.

**Mercury Goes Back up; 92 in Salem Monday**

September sunshine sent thermometer mercury into summer levels Monday. It was 92 in Salem.

Portlanders noted an airport reading of 84 degrees and western Oregon was generally warmer than the mountains. Roseburg had 91, Medford and Eugene 90, Arlington and Pendleton 80, LaGrande 75 and Baker 71.

General forecast for Tuesday was fair and warm.

**Kenneth Bailey Execution Set for Friday Morning**

Arrangements for the execution of Kenneth William Bailey in the state penitentiary early Friday have been completed by Warden George Alexander, he said Monday.

Bailey, an ex-convict, was convicted of first-degree murder, in connection with the slaying of Sgt. T. B. Chambers, state police department operative, when he and Robert Duffy were cornered in the basement of a schoolhouse at Ontario, April 29, 1945.

**SHIP GOES AROUND**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—(AP)—Military personnel aboard the 16,800-ton transport Bardston Victory were jostled this morning when the vessel went aground briefly on the Farallon islands off the Golden Gate but none of 1159 soldiers was injured.

**Russian Charges Assailed**

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Sept. 9.—(AP)—The United States and Australia today vigorously assailed the Soviet Ukrainian charges against Greece and Great Britain in the United Nations security council, and Australia capped the barrage with a demand that the council drop the case forthwith.

The council, however, adjourned until 3 p. m. (EDT) tomorrow without acting on the Australian proposal. Herschel V. Johnson, United States delegate, rejected virtually all of the Soviet charges and attacked the "casual manner" in which the Ukrainians had cast doubt on the Greek plebiscite.

It was one of the strongest speeches Johnson has yet made to the council.

**POSTPONEMENT OF UNO MEET RECOMMENDED**

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Sept. 9.—(AP)—Secretary-General Trygve Lie tonight recommended to the 51 United Nations that the general assembly be moved to Oct. 23, as suggested by the foreign ministers' council after receiving assurances from the big powers that they would not request a third postponement.

**BRITAIN RENOUNCES REPARATIONS CLAIM**

PARIS, Sept. 9.—(AP)—Britain and South Africa joined today in an assault on Bulgarian territorial claims against Greece in a sharp debate in which the Soviet Union accused of offering western Thrace to Bulgaria as a "bonus for aggression."

The charge was made by South African Delegate J. R. Jordan as three peace conference commissioners plunged anew into explosive territorial disputes and another commission heard Great Britain renounce its claim to \$11,000,000, 000 reparations from Italy. The British said the claim was advanced only to help delegates "assess the merits of other claims."

As the 21-nation European peace conference entered its seventh week, all commissions at the moment were in session, striving to meet an Oct. 20 deadline for completing approval of five treaties.

**Britain Moves To Halt Influx Of 'Squatters'**

LONDON, Sept. 9.—(AP)—The British government planned tonight but still undisclosed action tonight to halt a swelling, communist-sparked "squatter" campaign that threatened seizure of privately owned dwellings by the score.

At least 17 London buildings, including two blocks of luxury residential flats, were commandeered by house-less families who set up housekeeping.

London's communist party called on the government to make "the considerable number of luxury flats and large mansions" no vacant available for working class homes.

**Police Locate Car Pronto in Radio Search**

Less than a minute elapsed between the time Rudy F. Calaba, 1520 Pearl st., telephoned police that his car had been stolen from the 400 block of Court street, and the apprehension of Francis Mulqueen, stationed with the army at Ft. Lewis, Wash., who was driving the car at Liberty and Chemeketa streets yesterday, official police reports showed.

The police radioman at headquarters broadcast the missing car message as he listened to a telephone report from Calaba at 4:01 p. m. Policemen in a squad car raced back to headquarters at 4:02 p. m. that the car and driver were in custody.

Mulqueen is being held in jail, pending possible filing of charges.

**Sweet Home Woman Dies In Home Fire**

SWEET HOME, Ore., Sept. 9.—(AP)—Mrs. David Hall, 63, was burned to death and her husband seriously burned in a rescue attempt this afternoon when flames spreading from a bucket of oil on the kitchen stove destroyed their home.

Firemen said Hall dashed from the home when the linseed oil he was boiling burst into flame, rolled on the grass to extinguish oil flames on his clothes and then entered the house to attempt his wife's rescue. He was driven back by the flames, firemen said.

The oil was being prepared to apply to the floor of a trailer house which Myron Hall, the couple's only son, was building.

**Dock Strike Threatens Steel, Flour Production**

Hopes for peace on the nation's strike-bound waterfronts suffered a setback last night with announcement that CIO seamen would demand pay raises matching anything won by AFL sailors in their strike against a "pay cut" decision by the wage stabilization board.

The statement was made by Joseph Curran, president of 90,000 national maritime union (CIO) workers, on the eve of a WSB meeting in Washington to reconsider a cutback to \$17.50 a month it ordered in AFL-negotiated raises amounting to \$22.50 on the west coast and \$27.50 in the east.

The ruling, based on a \$17.50-a-month award to CIO seamen last June, resulted in a strike which idled half million men and tied up every seaport in the country.

Strike leaders said only a restoration of the cut would end the walkout.

The paralyzing shut down threatened to bring a curtailment of operations in steel and flour mills. Storage space is reaching a saturation point. Rail shipments to seaports have been embargoed since Friday.

Navy craft took 887 passengers off the marine Tiger which arrived in New York from Puerto Rico, and three army tugs and eight military police in the role of longshoremen brought in the army transport George W. Goethals, from Bremerhaven and Southampton.

Efforts of UNRRA Director F. H. La Guardia to free relief shipments were countered by the international longshoremen's association (AFL) whose president, Joseph P. Ryan, said: "No ships will be loaded by my men while the seafarers' international union (AFL) and the sailors union of the Pacific (AFL) are still on strike."

**N. Y. Caught in Pincers**

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—(AP)—Simultaneous strikes by 25,000 AFL drivers, and seamen and dock workers, did these things today to New York City's 7 1/2 million population:

Candy production declined 10 per cent.

Milk dealers predicted a one-third cut in deliveries.

A chain store official said 2,000 stores would close by tonight. A&P said its 500 outlets would shut down Saturday, if the strike continued, for lack of merchandise.

Major bakeries were down to a week's sugar supply.

The city's largest sugar processor, National Sugar Refining company, laid off 1,000 employees and shut down for lack of raw sugar.

Twenty-five soft drink bottling plants closed.

City authorities announced plans to hire 2,000 additional police to cope with the situation.

Railcars were jammed with 5,000 loaded boxcars.

Hundreds of transoceanic travelers stranded by cancelled sailings; incoming passengers brought ashore by navy barges; other makeshift means.

Mayor William O'Dwyer placed blame for the general situation on the union, local 807, international brotherhood of teamsters (AFL), saying "The trucks would roll in an hour" if the union would negotiate with motor carriers. He maintained the city's supply of food and medical necessities was adequate, and said he personally guaranteed the city's food supplies.

The mayor had suggested an 18 1/2 cent hourly wage increase. The union seeks a 30 per cent increase and the operators have offered a \$3 weekly raise.

**Missing Girl Found; Maid Held by Police**

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Sept. 9.—(AP)—A four-day search for 3-year-old Madeline Tobias ended when the brown-eyed little blonde was found in a humble home here today and she was restored to her parents in Kanon City.

Police took into custody 22-year-old Mildred Louise Everett, a former inmate of the Ohio girls industrial school, who was quoted by Robert Vance, chief of detectives, as admitting taking the child from the Tobias home, in which she had been employed as a maid, giving as her only excuse: "I love the little girl and wanted her for my own."

**Oregon Peaches—Two Kinds**



That peaches are "peaches" this year is demonstrated above by three-year-old Linda Lee Christofferson, daughter of the George F. Christoffersons, who reside near Hayesville. The six-year-old, two-acre peach orchard on the farm will yield 350 bushels this year. But no matter how good the peaches are they move rather slowly this season, peach men report, because of the sugar shortage. —(Statesman Farm Photo)

**Shortage Foreseen As Brief**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—(Tuesday) (AP)—OPA price tags returned to the nation's meat counters today amid widespread complaints of shortages and talk of still higher prices among agricultural department officials.

The price lid was clamped down again last midnight, after meats had remained control-free since June 30, when the old price control act expired. However, in the noisy protests against scarce supplies, agriculture department officials said rationing of meat is not likely.

Moreover, a department spokesman discounted talk of a severe and prolonged shortage; declaring it is too early to say whether such a scarcity will arise. Meat experts in the department, he said, are inclined to believe that the present shortage may last no longer than a month or so.

**Rationing Impractical**

It would be impractical and even impossible, he added, to set up rationing for such a short period.

While no official statement on the point was available, several experts expressed the view that the government would be more likely to raise ceilings on livestock, or remove them altogether, than to resort to rationing.

Officials of the office of price administration have said rationing is unlikely unless a "very dire situation results."

Meanwhile OPA announced that prices for restaurant meals including meats will stand until Sept. 16 at the levels of the week of Aug. 31.

**Bean Prices Increased**

At the same time OPA announced a rise of \$1 per hundred pounds for baby lima beans and \$1.50 for all other dry edible beans, reporting that the increase at retail will be about three cents a pound.

Officials of the agriculture department generally concede that the new ceilings for hogs are not high enough to encourage heavy feeding of corn at present prices for the grain. But they believe that when the new corn crop becomes available, the situation may change. A tight pork situation has been predicted to last well into 1947.

These officials expect the beef supply to be increased considerably by marketing of western range cattle in late September.

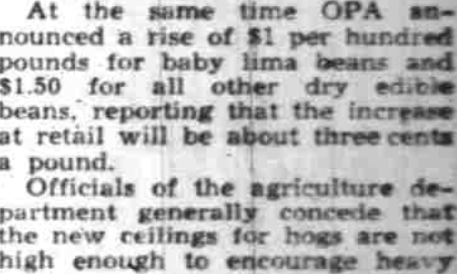
**Pork to Be Available**

OPA reported that new posters showing the meat ceilings should be available at every meat counter Tuesday morning.

Price lids returned one day earlier to canned meats, lard and shortening. OPA reported that canned meat prices were rolled back to the June 30 levels, lard was 5 1/2 cents a pound higher, while most food oils and fats were up about one cent a pound for standard container.

Many cities throughout the nation reported that the return of price lids on fresh meats came as an empty gesture because the cases and counters of many butcher shops were bare of popular cuts.

**QUICKIES**



"The Statesman Want Ad said he was a Pointer—but he says it isn't polite."