

# CIO TAKES OVER SHIP STRIKE REINS

## The Weather

Station	Max	Min	Precip.
Salem	82	67	0.00
Portland	82	67	0.00
San Francisco	77	47	0.00
Chicago	82	52	Trace
New York	72	61	0.00

Willamette river - 3.8 feet.  
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly cloudy today, tonight, few light scattered showers. Highest temperature 72. Lowest 50.

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## Federal Control Of County Rents Starts October 1

Salem rents are expected to be rolled back by as much as 20 per cent under federal rent control which becomes effective here for the first time in Salem history on October 1.

Introduction of federal rent control in Salem and throughout Marion county was announced Thursday by Jackson T. Moore, OPA district rent executive in Portland, who said rent will be frozen at the July 1, 1945, level.



By Charles A. Sprague

Older people will recall the Doc Abrams health machine which pulled in thousands of dollars from the ailing a quarter century ago. What the operator did was to put a drop of the patient's blood in the machine, flip a few switches or turn a few cranks and he claimed then he could tell whether the patient was suffering from cholera, typhoid, heart disease, stomach ulcers, fallen arches or hiccoughs. Those who set up in business with the machines coined money for a time. Finally it was exposed as a fake, by I believe, Henry Ford's Dearborn Independent. It was astonishing however, the number of people who fell for the promises of Doc Abrams.

Another device emanating from California is the Doc Townsend sure-fire prosperity scheme. It's a good parallel to the Doc Abrams machine, at least in getting money from customers. Townsend's machine doesn't operate in the field of disease, but is a perpetual motion machine for making everyone rich.

The Townsend whirligig is based on the theory that the old folk money and requires them to spend it, and everyone becomes prosperous. Thus sponsors of the proposed three per cent gross income tax in Oregon say the merchants will be "glad" to pay the tax because they will make it back and a lot more by the spending of the pension money. I had always believed that prosperity was made by creating wealth, through work and effort and intelligent use of our resources. That's quite old-fashioned. The Townsend scheme says we all get rich merely by spending!

Suppose we take apart this Townsend whirligig, as the Dearborn

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## Drop Due in Electric Rates

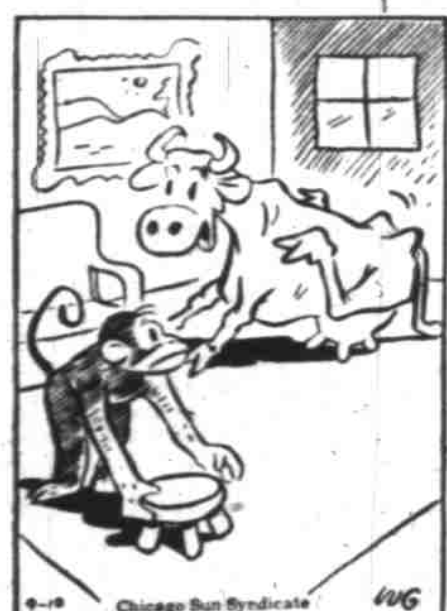
Electric users supplied by Portland General Electric Co. and Northwestern Electric Co. in Oregon and a small part of Washington will save an estimated \$500,000 annually under reduced rates announced Thursday by George H. Frings, state public utilities commissioner.

Local PGE officials, however, pointed out that users in Salem proper will be but little affected by the rate changes inasmuch as rates here already were lower than in other areas for both commercial and residential use. Rural residential users of electricity probably will benefit most from the rate reduction, it was estimated pending study of the new rate schedules.

Announcement of the various rate schedules is expected to be made within a few days by the Salem division of PGE. The new rates are effective September 21.

## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Now don't bother getting a stool—I'll sit right here."

## MP Misses Target in Balkan Demonstration



MUGGIA, Sept. 12 — An American military policeman misses his target as he does his share in breaking up a demonstration staged by pro-Yugoslav Italians and Slovenes in Muggia, near Trieste. Despite the miss, it helped hurry along demonstrators at right. (AP Wirephoto)

## Editors Ask UN for Free World Press

LAKE SUCCESS, L. I., Sept. 12 (AP)—The American Society of Newspaper Editors formally asked the United Nations today to adopt at its autumn assembly session a covenant to establish world freedom of information and of the press.

The proposal to open the doors throughout the world to information for all people was submitted to the UN economic and social council with the support of spokesmen for three big nations—James F. Byrnes, U. S. secretary of state, Prime Minister Clement Attlee of Great Britain, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek of China.

The program, as previously submitted to UN Secretary General Trygve Lie, proposes that agreements between nations be sought to include:

1. Recognition that friendship among nations depends on freedom and exchange of information.
2. Public labeling of information paid for in whole or in part by a government or organization or person.
3. Recognition that any government or private monopoly of media of information is inimical to public interest.
4. Refusal to recognize the right of any government or person to infringe upon, discriminate against or censor information in time of peace.

This program was submitted to Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov at Paris for endorsement but he has not replied.

## Salem Kiddies To Pose Today

The sunken garden directly in front Court street and across from the north steps of the state capitol building will be the setting for the movie to be taken this morning from the small children of the Salem area as a feature of the "Live in Salem" all-color picture.

Moving picture men who expected to spend a week of long days here getting the 50-minute film together announced Thursday they would remain through next week so that school pictures could be added to the production, which, they declared, would be stretched a bit and would take more than an hour for showing.

## New Atom Ray Research May Provide Cold Light

By Howard W. Blakeslee Associated Press Science Reporter

CHICAGO, Sept. 12 (AP)—The pleasant side of atomic energy, with new things like cold light and drinking water purified by rays instead of by chemicals, was described to the American Chemical society today by Dr. Milton Burton of Notre Dame.

Cold light, that comes from fireflies, also is produced from a large family of chemicals known as phosphors. Some are in use to give materials a glow that can just be seen in the dark.

But light as bright as that from electric bulbs is also emitted from some phosphors, when they are under bombardment of radioactive rays, or of ultra-violet rays. Radioactive rays have been too expensive for this kind of light. Dr. Burton, however, said that atomic ovens may remove this

barrier by producing large quantities of radioactive substances. The same radiation can be used to purify a city's water supply, and at the same time to sterilize dangerous sewage. These radiations would be produced automatically by an atomic energy plant making electric power, steam and heat.

D. Burton predicted many industrial uses of the radioactive materials. Petroleum, he said, may be cracked at low temperatures with the aid of radioactive materials.

Metals may be hardened better as well as easily. It should be possible to produce vaccines for virus diseases by use of the rays, as well as new drugs of many kinds. Dr. Burton said that the atomic by-products offer a new field of research known as "radiation chemistry."

## Unions Favor 4 Incumbents In Coming Vote

Four of seven incumbents up for reelection this fall to major state and congressional offices were endorsed by the Oregon State Federation of Labor's executive board and delegates from all Oregon city labor councils Thursday, Salem delegates reported upon their return to this city last night.

The group, after studying voting records and communications from candidates had endorsed the following:

For governor, Earl Snell, incumbent; for secretary of state, Robert S. Farrell, jr., incumbent; for labor commissioner, William Kinsey, incumbent; for congressman—first district, Lyman Ross, Aloha democrat; second district, Lamar Townsend, Klamath Falls democrat; third district, Homer Angell, Portland incumbent; fourth district, Dr. Louis A. Wood, Eugene democrat. The four incumbents endorsed are republicans; the three other candidates democrats.

Local men attending were President Francis Keith, Secretary Herbert E. Barker and Joseph Prange, legislative committeeman of the Salem trades and labor council.

## Population in Lane County Said Higher Than in Marion

EUGENE, Sept. 12 (AP)—A University of Oregon publication said today that Lane county has surpassed Marion county to become the most populous county after Multnomah.

The Oregon Business Review, published by the university school of business administration, placed Lane county's 1945 population at 82,956, and Marion's at 80,801.

The federal 1940 census listed Lane population as 69,096 and Marion as 75,246.

## Permission to Erect School Addition Oked

PORTLAND, Sept. 12 (AP)—Approvals listed today by the construction committee of the civilian production administration, included Lane county's No. 3, Marion county, \$800,000 school addition; Oregon Physicians Service, Salem, \$3500 alterations.

## Wallace Raps U. S. Policies

NEW YORK, Sept. 12 (AP)—Secretary of Commerce Wallace warned tonight that the "British imperialistic policy" in the Near East, combined with "Russian retaliation," would lead the United States straight to war unless this country formulates a clearly-defined and realistic foreign policy of its own.

"To prevent war and insure our survival in a stable world, it is essential that we look abroad through our own American eyes and not through the eyes of either the British foreign office or a pro-British or anti-Russian press," Wallace declared in an address prepared for a meeting sponsored by the National Citizens Political Action committee and the Independent Citizens Committee of the A. S. Sciences and Professions at Madison Square Garden.

"In this connection, I want one thing clearly understood," he continued. "I am neither anti-British nor pro-Russian."

In dealing with the Soviet Union, Wallace said this nation was reckoning with a force which cannot be handled successfully by a "get tough with Russia" policy.

"The tougher we get, the tougher the Russians will get," he predicted.

(In Washington, President Truman told a press conference today that he had read and approved all Wallace's speech and that he considered nothing in it conflicted with the policy stated by Secretary of State James Byrnes in his Stuttgart address.)

Pepper Disagrees In contrast to these statements of White House approval of Wallace's address, Senator Claude Pepper (D-Fla.), in a speech preceding Wallace's at tonight's rally, indicated disagreement with Wallace and said:

"You and I know today the reason we have got so much unity behind the foreign policy is because there is so much McKinley imperialism in our foreign policy. What do you expect of a foreign policy which really meets the approval of Senator Vandenberg and John Foster Dulles?"

## Bailey to Die This Morning

Kenneth William Bailey, 27, convicted slayer of Sgt. T. R. Chambers, state police department operative at Ontario, Malheur county, on April 29, 1945, will go to his death in the lethal gas chamber at the Oregon state penitentiary at 8:30 a.m. today.

Prison Warden George Alexander said all plans for the execution were completed Thursday and that Bailey had been transferred to the state supreme court.

## Police Disband Squatter's Strike

LONDON, Sept. 12 (AP)—Mounted police charged into a crowd of 2000 "squatters" in a patrollers' choking traffic lanes outside a squatter-occupied luxury apartment building tonight and broke up a demonstration and sitdown strike. No one was injured. The crowd, which had gathered in protest against police refusal to allow delivery of blankets to the squatters, finally dispersed.

## County Veterans Council Asks Uniform Surplus Sale Bulletins

Uniform notification from the war assets board, Veterans council, will have first priority on this number, expected to be ready in about 45 days.

Hub Saalfeld, county service officer, informed the group veterans taking apprenticeship training under public law 16 for disabled veterans, rather than the G. I. bill, will not undergo pay cuts to a maximum of \$175 for single men and \$200 for married veterans. Rates for the new national service life insurance have been received by him, Saalfeld said, remarking that the insurance should not be missed by any World War I veteran. Final payment to the veteran, under the policy, is now optional either as a lump sum or installments.

Rex Kimmel, commander-elect of Cox Kimmel, 8 American Legion, was authorized to prepare a permanent constitution for approval at the next council meeting, at 8 p. m. September 26 at the Legion hall.

disregarding sizes of boards, it was announced, Veterans council will have first priority on this number, expected to be ready in about 45 days.

Regular and timely bulletins to be displayed in post offices will be recommended in a letter from the council to the WAA office in Portland.

Post office bulletins of surplus sales are received but, the council said, they are not regularly supplied, as is necessary for adequate information of veterans. A "sleeping bag cover" brought for display by a Woodburn veteran, who purchased it for \$4.46 with only his discharge as a certificate of eligibility, was adjudged by veterans present as an adequate sleeping bag, except for the fact that it is not waterproof.

## AFL Moves Off Picket Lines As Pay Raise Won

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 (AP)—J. Godfrey Butler, director of the maritime commission's labor relations division, said today the division will recommend that the same wage increases be authorized for CIO maritime workers as have been approved for the AFL.

"I assume the commission will approve" the recommendation, Butler told a reporter.

The commission must authorize increases, but it is then up to employers—the ship owners—as to whether they will agree to them.

Commission officials will meet with ship operators at 10 a.m. eastern standard time, Butler said. CIO unionists went on strike at midnight, demanding wage increases corresponding to those opened to the AFL by Steelman's ruling. The CIO given a \$17.50 monthly raise last June.

West coast AFL men are due to get \$22.50 and east coast men \$27.50 under Steelman's decision.

Members of the CIO National Maritime union struck early today on west coast ports and in New York.

This action came as the AFL Sailors' Union of the Pacific voted to end their eight-day-old walkout on the Pacific coast as the result of a government proposal sponsored by John R. Steelman restoring a wage increase which had been vetoed by the wage stabilization board.

Joseph Curran, president of the NMU, told newsmen in New York that the strike would become effective at all other ports on the eastern seaboard and the gulf coast at noon today.

"We are prepared to negotiate immediately with the shipowners," he said. The CIO union's national council voted unanimously to strike on all dry cargo passenger vessels under contract with it because of "deliberate creation of inequities which result in different rates of pay for men doing the same work on same types of ships" arising from the government proposal.

"The basis of the strike," James Drury, west coast NMU leader said, is the demand for the money won by AFL unions in excess of the general \$17.50 wage increase won by the committee for maritime union (CICU).

Earlier the SUP and Seafarers' International union (AFL), despite the government plan granting them wage demands, voted in

Washington tonight issued this explanatory statement on its plan for halting the AFL shipping strike:

"The shipowners and the unions and the maritime commission all reached agreements and submitted them to the wage stabilization board. The shipowners pleaded with the wage stabilization board to approve, stating they were willing to absorb the increases above those already approved.

"Under present wage regulations where private industry is willing to absorb an increase it is unnecessary to appeal to the wage stabilization board. These cases would not have gone to the wage stabilization board, therefore, except for the fact that the government (maritime commission) was also involved.

"Today the maritime commission chairman urged Mr. (John R. Steelman) to find a way for the maritime commission to go along with private industry and labor on the contracts. He stated the maritime commission is a minority operator in the shipping industry and, by direction of congress, is rapidly getting out of the business entirely. For that reason, he felt private industry should be allowed to set the wage standard."

The CIO union, which called the AFL strike was ending, was in a different position. Since it had negotiated a contract with private operators for only a \$17.50 monthly increase, it would not qualify, on the basis of its present contract, for an automatic increase to the AFL union's higher scales.)

New York to continue their strike on the east and gulf coasts until written assurance was received from government agencies, including the war shipping administration, that the full wage raises won in bargaining with ship operators would be approved.

Harry Lundeberg, leader of the Sailors union of the Pacific, said in San Francisco that Steelman's plan indicated "the wage board's unrealistic policy has been overruled."

A spokesman for ship owners on the Atlantic and gulf coasts said he believed that under Steelman's plan the 90,000 striking seamen would get the full wage increases which twice had been denied them by the wage stabilization board.

Steelman announced a change in wage stabilization board regulations which would require government agencies such as the U. S. maritime commission to pay the same wage scales as private operators in the same field. Steelman had been authorized by President Truman to take charge of the negotiations earlier in the day.

The operators' spokesman in New York, who declined use of his name, said that ship owners had agreed to pay the full \$27.50 a month wage raise asked by AFL seamen on private-owned vessels—ships not operated for the maritime commission.

The maritime commission, too, had agreed to pay the \$27.50 figure before the WSB ruled against it, under then-existing regulations, the spokesman said.

It now appears that the commission will be able to put the full increase in force, he concluded.

## AFL Gives Signs to CIO in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 12 (AP)—Strike placards were to be handed from AFL to CIO hands tonight, placing the port of Portland will remain tied up in spite of the settlement of the AFL issue.

The national maritime union announced a CIO strike to begin at midnight and J. W. Massey, business agent of the Sailors' union of the Pacific said AFL workers "positively will not cross CIO picket lines."

## Board to Consider Dairy Prices Recontrol

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 (AP)—Disturbed by rising butter and cheese prices, the federal board today called for evidence regarding possible recontrol of dairy prices.

The board issued a formal notice calling for an explanation of the increases to be considered at a board meeting here September 18.

## Courthouse Tax Bill Filed

Official Marion county court order to place on a special ballot in the November election a proposal to levy \$200,000 annually for the next three years to supplement the courthouse construction fund and make possible erection of a new courthouse in 1949 was filed by County Judge Grant Murphy Thursday.

The ballot order remains to be prepared. The order was drafted by a legal advisory committee of the Marion county bar following a public hearing on the issue Tuesday. The \$600,000 total levy thus proposed would augment the present courthouse construction fund and levy and provide a \$1,050,000 fund for the work by 1949.

## Three File for Six Firemen Positions

Deadline for the filing of applications by prospective city firemen passed Friday evening, with City Civil Service Secretary Al Mundt reporting that only three candidates filed. About six vacancies exist in the fire department, he said. After a check of the applications, the candidates if they qualify otherwise will be called for an examination at city hall next Thursday at 9 a.m., Mundt added.

## UN Assembly Date Delayed

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Sept. 12 (AP)—The United Nations general assembly was formally postponed until October 23 today, while Russia raised new objections to any dealings with Franco Spain by the United Nations.

U. N. Secretary General Trygve Lie announced that the postponement—proposed by Russia, China, France and Belgium in Paris last weekend—had been made official by the approval of more than a majority of the 51 members.

The possibility of Franco Spain sitting on a proposed permanent central opium board under United Nations auspices brought Russian objections during a session of the U.N. economic and social council.