

SEEMS TO BE

The Oregon Statesman

NINETY-SIXTH YEAR 10 PAGES Salem, Oregon, Saturday Morning, September 14, 1946 Price 5c No. 145

By Charles A. Sprague

President Truman remained on the sidelines in the last maritime strike. He made no threat, as he did last June, to use the navy to man merchant shipping.

The same disposition to keep out of the line of fire was passed regularly on industrial disputes, break his pick in negotiations; then he let the wage stabilization board but its head into a stone wall.

Thursday night Secretary Wallace, whose job is the commerce department but who wanders over the lot rather widely in his range of interests and enthusiasms, speaking before the pinko PAC and the Independent Citizens' Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, discussed America's foreign policy.

Slavs, West Clash at Paris Peace Meeting

PARIS, Sept. 13-(AP)—Bitter clashes between the Western and Slav powers flared at the European peace conference today with Slav delegates walking out of one commission meeting, and a Briton leaving another after expressing "disappointment."

In both tempestuous sessions, the Slav nations battled for special privileges for hearings for two nations—Bulgaria and Albania—which had been at war with Greece. These were the prime developments.

Tobacco Firm Executive Dies

MATAPEDIA, Que., Sept. 13-(AP)—George Washington Hill, president of the American Tobacco company which popularized Lucky Strike cigarettes and advertised controversial slogans across the land, died of a heart attack today at his private home.

Traffic Report Study Planned

Salem's accident record and traffic control measures will be analyzed before Mayor I. M. Doughton and other city officials at 10 a. m. today in city hall.

Animal Crackers



"Fastest darn zebra I ever saw!"

There's Meat, But Not Enough To Fill Demand, in City Markets

By Don Dill, Statesman Staff Writer Just what, if any, meat most Salem markets will have to offer for sale next week is today's big question for local housewives—and for meat market operators.

A Statesman survey this week shows a Salem meat picture about like this: Small independent markets virtually down to lunch meats and salami, and lamb, and uncertain about incoming meat shipments; larger markets self-rationing their stock, still coming in on contracts from local slaughterhouses, and hopeful the supply will see the month out; in general, Salem has hit the big snag from the meat shortage felt in other areas throughout the country.

Merton Coon, manager of Steen Bros. market, said that the amount of beef he had on hand would last until Tuesday at which time another shipment of meat is due. His beef will be 12,000 pounds of beef for the remainder of the month, which he estimates is barely half what he could sell. After the quota is used he does not know what the situation will be, he said.

Bailey Dies in Gas Chamber

Kenneth W. Bailey, 27-year-old convicted murderer, was executed in the gas chamber at Oregon state penitentiary Friday morning. He was pronounced dead four and a half minutes after the gas was released at 8:30 a. m.

Bailey had talked to prison guards most of the night before he was put to death. He had eaten a breakfast of fried oysters early in the morning, prison officials disclosed. Prior to his death Bailey made no statement and waived the warden's reading of the death warrant.

Local Pilots to Stage Air Show

Pilots who base their planes at McNary field will stage an air show honoring the 20th birthday of United Air Lines, Wallace Hug, field manager, announced Friday.

Students' Exodus from Fields Brings Cries for Harvest Help

Exodus from the fields and the canneries of boys and girls about to return to school was responsible today for new calls for urgently needed harvest and canning workers.

Nonagenarian Veteran Airplane Traveler

Other women of advanced years may be taking their first plane trips, but not Mrs. Helen Bowen, 90, of Salem, who leaves McNary field Sunday morning for Tacoma to visit a daughter, Mrs. W. C. Simpson.

STAYTON SCHOOL TO OPEN STAYTON, Sept. 13—Stayton public school and St. Mary's parochial school will open Monday, September 16. Two vacancies still remain in the city high school.

Wallace Speech Criticized

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13-(AP)—The state department flatly disclaimed any responsibility today for Secretary Wallace's foreign policy speech, and implied that President Truman's approval of the speech last night in New York had thrown the government's policies toward Russia into some confusion.

While republicans and some democrats assailed Wallace's proposals as a blow to Secretary of State Byrnes at Paris, Undersecretary of State Clayton told a news conference here that it was not quite clear to him just what President Truman intended by his approval. He said he would have to leave any clarification up to Mr. Truman himself.

Clayton spoke as the directing head of the state department. He implied in response to questions that Wallace's call for recognition of Russian and American spheres of influence is in direct contradiction to Byrnes' announced opposition to such spheres.

These developments highlighted a day of mounting controversy over the Wallace address delivered at a political meeting in New York last night.

Definite Split Seen Two points appear to be becoming increasingly clear: 1. President Truman has on his hands a full size split over foreign policy toward Russia.

Rural Rate for PGE Revealed

Rural residential and some industrial customers of Portland General Electric Co. will benefit from the reduced rate schedules which Salem PGE offices announced Friday following a public utilities commission hearing which approved the reductions.

PGE's "Schedule 8," available to rural residential users whether or not they operate electric ranges and water heaters, sets the following rates, according to the announcement: First 50 kw per month, 3.3 cents per kw; next 75 kw, 2.4 cents; next 100 kw, 1.5 cents; next 100 kw, .7 cent; next 100 kw, .7 cent.

Utility District Petition Filed

Final petition for creation of the Linn county people's utility district was filed in the state by droelectric commission offices on Friday.

The district would embrace approximately 40 per cent of Linn county with a population of 23,894, assessed valuation of \$20,767,502 and 990 square miles of territory.

Group Urges Counties Be Given Zoning Rights

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 13-(AP)—Gov. Snell's zoning committee said today they would prepare a recommendation that counties be given authority to control the growth of fringe areas around cities.

Price Ceiling Cases Settled

Settlements for alleged price ceiling violations announced this week by Portland headquarters, office of price administration, included five cases involving Salem and valley area individuals or companies.

Local Pilots to Stage Air Show

Pilots who base their planes at McNary field will stage an air show honoring the 20th birthday of United Air Lines, Wallace Hug, field manager, announced Friday.

Swedes Get Oil By Heating Rock

By Howard W. Blakeslee Associated Press Science Writer

CHICAGO, Sept. 13-(AP)—A report that north of Stockholm the Swedish government has created some tropical soil that doubles the size of tomatoes and peas was made here today by Dr. Gustav Eklöf, world-famous petroleum chemist.

The tropical soil is a by-product of a commercial plant getting oil from shale, and Dr. Eklöf described it in an interview at the American Chemical society meeting.

Four methods were used by the Swedes to get oil from shale, three by ordinary mining, and the fourth by the system that created the unexpected by-product of a tropical soil. In this system, holes about two inches in diameter were drilled through 25 feet of ordinary soil, down into and through 50 feet of underlying shale.

While republicans and some democrats assailed Wallace's proposals as a blow to Secretary of State Byrnes at Paris, Undersecretary of State Clayton told a news conference here that it was not quite clear to him just what President Truman intended by his approval. He said he would have to leave any clarification up to Mr. Truman himself.

Auto Workers Ask Wages to Match Seamen

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 13-(AP)—If the federal government sets a new and higher wage formula in settling the nationwide maritime strike the CIO's United Auto Workers will demand that it be applied to their contracts as well, Vice President R. J. Thomas said today.

But first, we want to make sure that the formula arrived at to settle the seamen's strike is higher than the 18 1/2 cents an hour formula which settled the auto strikes," Thomas told a press conference.

Thomas said that at the time the auto workers were given their 18 1/2 cents increase they were given assurances by the administration that if we were willing to close our contracts for a year prices would be held in line.

Snyder to Talk At Mexican Celebration

Walter Snyder, special education director for the state department of education, will deliver the program, which is open to the public, said it would begin at 2:30 p. m. with flag raising and mass singing of the Mexican national anthem.

They listed remainder of the program as follows: Greetings by Mayor M. Doughton of Salem and by Maurice Hudson, representing the governor of Oregon; marimba selections by Wayne Mercer, Salem; Snyder's address; vocal quartet solo by Roman Lopez, Salem; solo and ensemble musical selections by Mexican nationals.

Price Ceiling Cases Settled

Settlements for alleged price ceiling violations announced this week by Portland headquarters, office of price administration, included five cases involving Salem and valley area individuals or companies.

Group Urges Counties Be Given Zoning Rights

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 13-(AP)—Gov. Snell's zoning committee said today they would prepare a recommendation that counties be given authority to control the growth of fringe areas around cities.

Price Ceiling Cases Settled

Settlements for alleged price ceiling violations announced this week by Portland headquarters, office of price administration, included five cases involving Salem and valley area individuals or companies.

One Pedestrian Killed, One Hurt In Albany Automobile Accidents

ALBANY, Sept. 13-(AP)—One pedestrian was killed and another seriously injured tonight in two separate accidents involving automobiles.

Alva J. Byer, about 55, was struck and mortally injured by a truck in front of his home five miles east of here, and John Morgan, 76, Portland, was hospitalized after being struck by another motorist.

Baltimore Locals To Pass Line

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13-(AP)—Marine cooks and stewards pickets (CIO) replaced AFL sailors' lines tonight in west coast ports—strike-bound for the ninth consecutive day—and shipowners demanded that men be allowed to return to ships immediately.

The cooks and stewards struck today, shortly after the National Maritime union (CIO) went out demanding wage parity with the AFL.

The Pacific American Shipowners' association said a survey by its members along the coast "has confirmed that all SUP pickets have been removed; that the marine firemen have not as yet returned to work, and the marine cooks and stewards pickets are beginning to appear along the docks."

Auto Workers Ask Wages to Match Seamen

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 13-(AP)—If the federal government sets a new and higher wage formula in settling the nationwide maritime strike the CIO's United Auto Workers will demand that it be applied to their contracts as well, Vice President R. J. Thomas said today.

But first, we want to make sure that the formula arrived at to settle the seamen's strike is higher than the 18 1/2 cents an hour formula which settled the auto strikes," Thomas told a press conference.

Thomas said that at the time the auto workers were given their 18 1/2 cents increase they were given assurances by the administration that if we were willing to close our contracts for a year prices would be held in line.

But first, we want to make sure that the formula arrived at to settle the seamen's strike is higher than the 18 1/2 cents an hour formula which settled the auto strikes," Thomas told a press conference.

Plans Dropped For Light Cars

DETROIT, Sept. 13-(AP)—Plans for the manufacture of a new light-weight, lower-priced passenger automobile have been cancelled by the Ford Motor Co. and halted indefinitely by General Motors Corp.

General Motors attributed its decision to uncertainties regarding basic materials. Ford said that its light car division had been discontinued about 30 days ago and gave no explanation.

Mother Slays Paralytic Child

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 13-(AP)—A young mother sat in her jail cell today and wept bitterly while she related, said Det. Lieut. M. G. Gaskett, that she had slain her five-year-old daughter, a spastic paralytic, to "put her out of her misery."

Students' Exodus from Fields Brings Cries for Harvest Help

Exodus from the fields and the canneries of boys and girls about to return to school was responsible today for new calls for urgently needed harvest and canning workers.

Local Pilots to Stage Air Show

Pilots who base their planes at McNary field will stage an air show honoring the 20th birthday of United Air Lines, Wallace Hug, field manager, announced Friday.

Price Ceiling Cases Settled

Settlements for alleged price ceiling violations announced this week by Portland headquarters, office of price administration, included five cases involving Salem and valley area individuals or companies.

Group Urges Counties Be Given Zoning Rights

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 13-(AP)—Gov. Snell's zoning committee said today they would prepare a recommendation that counties be given authority to control the growth of fringe areas around cities.

Settlements for alleged price ceiling violations announced this week by Portland headquarters, office of price administration, included five cases involving Salem and valley area individuals or companies.