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THE STATESMAN PUBLISHING COMPANY CHARLES A. SPRAGUE, Editor and Publisher The Associated Press is entuted exclustvely io the use for republl
eation of all the Loal news printed in thls newspaper, as well as all 'Phone Strike a Loss
Telephone workers can mark their telephone strike down
as a loss. The NFTW has capitulated on its prime demand for nationwide negotiations and told individual unions to make proceeding to do can with the telephone companies.
before the heads of NFTW in fact some had begun before the heads of NFTW announced the retreat.
It was ${ }^{2}$ mistake in strategy for the young
composed of a wide variety of a single negotiation and a single settlement. The Bell system was toe strong to be overthrown in its insistence on negotiation
by regional companies. It proved able through the loyalty of
many non-union employes and a few others who went through many non-union employes and a few others who went throu the picket lines to maintain a fair service both for local
ong distance. Union members couldn't hold out forever.
The settlements that are being made are on the bas a smail increase, small in comparison with increases in manu-
facturing industries. They surely could have been realized
earlier by direct negotiation; and arbitration on the basia otliered by the company might have yielded more.
Perhaps the worst result of the strike is the
tn good relations with the company. The defeated strikers wi
be unhappy as they figure up their lost wages. They may resentful of their supervisors who kept the service going or
of the leaders who called the workers out. It will take a of the leaders who called the workers out. It will take a lo
time for the company to heal the wounds caused by
breach in employment. That is unfortunate all around. If the experience teaches the lesson of the virtue of col-
lective bargaining with $a$ will to achieve a bargain it may Ramadier Wins Support

## Following up the comment in this column Tuesday about Ramadier, of France: The national council of the socialist parry has ratified the action of the party heads, which means a sharp

 break with the extreme left. Ramadier and Leon Blum carriedthe day with their appeals for support. The latter, once sharply criticized for his ineptness while head of the "popular front" government of pre-war France, is emerging as something of
a savior of parliamentary government for his country, and of
its independence from communist absorption. Threatenee is a communist absorption.
France, but with this vote of confidence the Ramatre throughout ment, will stand up to that threat. It may weil be that in this
passing of a political crisis by the Ramadier government, France also has passed a crisis, one which threatened to plunge
that country into full subservience to Moscow, or even into civil strife.
Communist defeat in France should strengthen the anticommunist front in Italy, and thus weld the nations of western ican standpoint that is highly important as we carry out the
"Truman doctrine" of facing Russia down with money and (if necessary) atom bombs.

## A Pioneer Passes

22, Edward Croisan, who passed away Tuesday at the age of of Oregon pioneers. His His father came to Oregon in 11846 . His
life spanned the whole period of Oregon statehood, and in Oregon's growth and development he played a by no means
nconspicuous part. He elternated the holding of public office
vith tarming, but is best remembered as county sheriff of Marion county, state senator and as collector of customs for
two terms. Until infirmities of age overtook him he kept abreast of the
times, especially in politics, and his mind was well stored with interesting facts of characters and evints in the state's political
history. His leadership was felt in civic affairs, and buildings like the old high school and the Masonic temple represent pari him , and recognition in a variety of ways; and to
and

If the coming Salem Cherry festival is to have a queen we propose the contest be decided on which girl can bake the
cherry pie. "Can she bake a cherry pie, Billy boy?" But
ably the judges will pick the one with the cherry lips.

A California convict who eluded capture at Klamath Falls
been arrested in Arkansas. A local policeman shot him the leg. That's a quick way to bring a man down, equal to
 sidering the prices they have been charging for lumber up
there President Truman is being coy. He will not say what h
will do with a labor union bill until it is on his desk. Then h
can figure out the set of the wind for 1948 and make his deci
sion accordingly.
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Gerald L. K. Smith, of America First memory, announce
he will trail Henry Wallace on his speechmaking tour 'of the country. Once again the adage is proved that troubles never
come singly.
Maybe the woodpecker who persists in trying to drill a hole
hrough the metal nameplate on a tree in the statehouse
rounds thinks he is working to get his bill through the legisgrounds
lature.
The city council has voted down daylight \&aving for Port
land. It will therefore remain impossible to get there before
you start, even though it is "only an hour's
Speaking of recessions, the one coming must be around
Same corner that prosperity was in 1931, the seme corner that
Comes the time of year for the sweet girl graduate with
the sweet young bride waiting for June so she can stage her
show.
from a hotel window. Some people just cant do a thing without getting hurt.
Anyway, now that rationing's off a person doesn't have th
worry about the whereabouts of the family dog when a barbe The month of May puts the skids to the schoolroom's three
R's, and ushers in the three Ms-May day, Mother's day and Ht's hard to



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ros motomists解 note, with the Pacific on May 9 and 10 Approxistudents from Washington, meet for final competition at the Central Washington
College of Education ia
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Seaside, Oregon, has its in-
teresting Scotch Broom Festival on May 10 for the
flower lover, and the Seattle and Oregon Coin Clubs
will hold their yearly exf hibit in the Lew is and
Clark Hotel in Centralia, Washington, on the same
date.

The traveler, the sportshan and the general public
will find interest aplenty in Sports Show. This annual
event, which promises to ee bigger and better than
ver with hundreds of new post-war items on display, week commencing Satur-
day, May 10, in Portland,
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tional Building

In Spokane, Washington,
the Civic Auditorium will house the annual exuibit of
he Spokane Lilac Festival cheduled for the entiry week beginning Monday, the blooming of the filacs
and may be held the fol before putting this on you


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