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Dredging of the Willamette river in the Salem area will be completed this week by U. S. army engineer crews and the dredge Luckiamute. Gravel is sucked up by the dredge, shown in upper left corner, and piped to the river bank where the gravel and mud is discharged, shown in lower right corner. Crews cleared the West Salem bar last week, and this week will clear the Salem bar, located at the river bend north of the Union street railway bridge. (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.)

Latest 'Disc' Made Of Corrugated Iron

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, Calif., July 1-(AP)—Construction Engineer Russell Long called the fire department to his home last night and excitedly pointed to a 30-inch metal saucer in his geranium bed which he said had been belching smoke and emitting a blue-white glare.

He said he was awakened by a pop that was not quite an explosion and that he rushed into his garden to find the device. He said the object had nudged a few bricks out of the border of his flower bed.

Firemen, called to another fire, carried the object away and it was not immediately available for examination by others.

Long said the object was made of corrugated iron and that it had a radio tube stuck in the middle. He said it was knife sharp at the perimeter and approximately five inches wide at the center.

By Charles A. Stryker

Great achievements shed laurels not only on the principals but also on their seconds. For example in the Indianapolis auto races the tiremakers, gasoline refiners, sparkplug manufacturers claim honors with the winner of this year's "classic." So in lesser competitions the men behind the winners feel a glow of pride as participants in victory.

This observation is prompted by noting in the Coos Bay Times an item about Lyman A. Chezem of Coos Bay, whose business is filling saws at his establishment, the "Filing Shack." The dutiful Times reports that Chezem has returned from the Albany timber carnival and is entitled to credit because two of the saws that he filed won two second places in the loggers' competitions. In logging the man placing second used a "seven-foot saw sharpened by Chezem." Added is the fact that "another saw filed by Chezem was used by the man who won second place in a contest that broke the world's climbing and topping record."

The cynic may inquire, "Who sharpened the saws that won first place?" Or he may ask, "How many saws that Chezem filed came out in tallied places?" And what about some credit to the sawmakers, to say nothing of the sturdy men of muscle who pushed the blades back and forth to win the trophy? But to Mr. Chezem it was distinction enough to have filed saws that took two second places, a distinction which merited publicity in the community where he resides and on which he depends for custom.

I think something may be said in behalf of Mr. Chezem of the Filing Shack. He seems to possess what is often lacking in modern industry: pride of workmanship. He not only sought to do his part in the

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Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



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House to Get Arms Unity Plan

WASHINGTON, July 9-(AP)—The senate stamped its approval tonight upon a permanent unification of the army, navy and air forces.

The compromise measure—developed after repeated requests by President Truman during the past two years—now goes to the house where republican leaders have it on their "must list."

The senate passed the bill on a voice vote after rejecting a series of amendments by Senator E. V. Robertson (R-Wyo.), who with some support from navy and marine enthusiasts, had been battling the measure.

Chairman Gurney (R-SD) of the senate armed services committee and other supporters said the far-reaching revision of the armed forces is necessary to save the United States from destruction when and if a future war strikes.

Under the bill, called "the national defense act of 1947," all land, sea and air forces would be placed under a single cabinet officer, the secretary of national security. The air forces would be raised to co-equal status with the army and navy.

The present secretaries of war (army) and navy would lose their cabinet places but along with the new secretary of air would continue to administer the three departments.

Red Satellites To Scorn Meet

PARIS, July 9-(AP)—Poland and Yugoslavia joined Russia and two other nations in the soviet orbit tonight in rejecting the British-French invitation to participate in the Paris conference on European recovery under the Marshall plan.

On the eve of the deadline for accepting the bids, sent to 22 European nations, Finland, Hungary and Albania remained the only nations whose status was uncertain.

The participation of 15 nations, in addition to France and Great Britain, definitely was assured when the conference opens here Saturday.

They are: Belgium, Italy, Portugal, Eire, Greece, Turkey, Luxembourg, Holland, Czechoslovakia, Iceland, Austria, Switzerland, Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

Mine Owners Warned, Sign

WASHINGTON, July 9-(AP)—A warning that coal operators risk criminal prosecution for signing John L. Lewis' precedent-breaking wage contract was sounded today by Rep. Hartley (R-NJ) even as southern operators capitulated and affixed their signatures.

Hartley said the pact violates the Taft-Hartley labor law. About ninety per cent of the soft coal industry has now formally agreed to Lewis' terms.

Production in northern states soared as miners thronged back into the pits.

'Souvenir-Hunters' Steal A-Secret Labor Supply May Call Firms Here

C. of C. Asked To Scour East For Industry

By Robert E. Gangware City Editor, The Statesman

A labor market in the rapidly growing Salem metropolitan area and throughout Marion county sufficient to attract considerable new industry here was envisioned Wednesday night by Manager William Baillie of the local office of Oregon state employment service.

Baillie urged the Salem Chamber of Commerce board of which he is a member to consider new approaches to eastern concerns contemplating western plant establishments, on the strength of trends in Salem area employment.

Noting a total of some 3,500 job seekers on record at the end of June, Baillie declared that "99.44 per cent of these really want to work and a high percentage of them constitutes 'able-bodied men' suitable for steady industrial jobs."

This contrasts, he said, with last year's summer employment that included many persons seeking light or seasonal jobs—persons who since have removed themselves from the labor market. Most of the present jobless represent new families in this area, hoping to find regular work and locate here permanently, Baillie indicated.

Because of the nature of the present unemployment load, Baillie predicted new industries here could find a good labor supply without disrupting the balance necessary to provide for needed employment at seasonal peaks such as the food processing peak in late August and early September. This he explained by stating that wives and older children of industrially employed men would enter the labor market at such seasonal peaks.

To seasonal further, Baillie, chairman of the chamber industrial committee, suggested that the chamber direct-ly consider sending a representative east to confer with officials of potential locally established industries. He said his committee would make further report to the chamber later.

Reiterating earlier reported trends, Baillie said much of the unemployment stems from the poor cherry and berry crops this year. He said present cannery employment totals only about 1,800 as compared with some 3,000 last year at this time. He also said that his office has for the first time in recent years been noting more requests for domestic work than can be filled immediately.

Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	82	58	.00
Portland	80	55	.00
San Francisco	64	55	.00
Chicago	78	58	.00
New York	81	58	trace

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Clear, fair weather today and tonight. Highest temperature today 85, lowest tonight 58. Wind will interpose with dust this afternoon. Otherwise weather will be favorable for all farm activities.

Elizabeth Betrothed to Former Greek Prince

LONDON, Thursday, July 10-(AP)—The engagement of Princess Elizabeth to her childhood sweetheart, the handsome former Prince Philip of Greece, was announced officially early today by King George VI.

The king gave his blessing to the long-forecast engagement of Britain's heiress apparent in a court circular, the traditional manner of speaking to his subjects.

No date has been announced for the wedding, but it probably will be in October at Westminster Abbey. It is certain to be one of the most colorful ever held in London as the 21-year-old Elizabeth will be the first princess to marry while heiress apparent to the throne.

The former prince, who gave up his royal titles last March to become a British citizen, is certain to be named a duke. He probably will become the Duke of Clarence. This title has been vacant for a half century. He is a great, great grandson of Queen Victoria and a distant cousin of Princess Elizabeth, who is a great, great granddaughter of Victoria.

The royal road to romance started when Philip, at the age of nine, went to live with his uncle, Viscount Mountbatten, now viceroy of India.

Adjustments are virtually certain to be made in the princess' income, which is now 25,000 pounds (\$100,000) per year. It is believed in authoritative circles that upon her marriage this will be increased to about 60,000 pounds (\$240,000).

Albany School Principal to Take State Job

Appointment of Clifford E. Robinson, principal of the Albany senior high school for the past three years, as director of secondary education in the state department of education was announced Wednesday by Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, starting July 21.

Elizabeth Rader, Oregon College of Education at Monmouth, was appointed elementary supervisor to assist Florence Beardley, state director of elementary education.

Putnam said these appointments were in line with a reorganization plan made necessary by enactment of the basic school support bill.

Under the reorganization program, D. A. Emerson, Lester A. Wilcox and Walter E. Snyder, all connected with the state department of education, become assistant superintendents of public instruction.

Hillsboro Hit By Major Fire

HILLSBORO, Ore., July 9-(AP)—The elevator and warehouse of the Imperial Feed and Grain company, Southern Pacific railroad freight depot and two warehouses and a residence on the opposite side of the street here were destroyed by fire tonight.

A volunteer fireman was knocked unconscious by an electric shock that Fire Chief Wilbur Dillan said apparently came from a fallen power line striking a stream of water from a hose the man was holding.

Year-old Theft, FBI Recovery Told to Senate

WASHINGTON, July 9-(AP)—Senator Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) told the senate today that two souvenir-hunting soldiers surreptitiously removed "certain important documents" from atomic energy files at Los Alamos, N. M., in March, 1946, but that FBI agents recovered the papers.

So far as he knows no damage was done to the security of the atomic secrets, said Hickenlooper, who is chairman of the senate-house atomic energy committee.

He said the secret data was taken from the Los Alamos testing station by two former army sergeants before their demobilization. He described them as "souvenir hunters."

The department of justice still has the case under consideration, Hickenlooper reported, but he told his colleagues:

"So far as I know, no effective breach of security was accomplished. Hickenlooper said the ex-sergeants apparently kept the documents locked up in their private papers and files.

"The evidence does not disclose that they were displayed to anyone," he said.

FBI headquarters here declined to disclose the names of the two former sergeants, but said they are not in custody at this time and no formal charges have been lodged against them.

Hickenlooper's disclosure followed publication of a story by the New York Sun reporting that secret A-bomb data had been stolen by unidentified agents working within the Oak Ridge, Tenn., atomic energy plant.

Marines Plan Reserve Unit

Early organization of a Salem unit of the marine corps reserve is announced by Capt. H. C. Montgomery of Portland who visited Salem Wednesday in company with Master Sergeant F. A. Hancock. The unit will enroll young men, using ex-marines as nucleus for building the reserve. A regular training course will be provided requiring one night's attendance each week.

The summer encampment for the marine reserve will be held at Oceanside, Calif., in August and Capt. Montgomery states that men enlisting in the reserve now will be eligible to attend.

Maj. Leonard Hicks, employed with H. S. Smith Co., 1915 N. Commercial st., will head the local unit.

105 Unions to Challenge Law's Constitutionality

WASHINGTON, July 9-(AP)—The heads of 105 AFL unions unanimously agreed today to challenge the constitutionality of the Taft-Hartley labor bill in the courts and work for the defeat of every member of congress who supported the measure.

The AFL leadership decided also to wipe out future "no strike" provisions in all AFL contracts.

Red Plot Crushed In Greece

ATHENS, July 9-(AP)—Greek police and soldiers, under orders to crush a reported communist revolutionary plot, arrested several thousand persons today in swift fire-driven raids conducted simultaneously throughout Greece.

More than 2,000 persons were seized in the Athens area alone, an official announcement said. Reports from Piraeus, the port of Athens, stated that scores of those arrested were being loaded aboard vessels for shipment to nearby islands.

The government's inner cabinet met tonight and agreed the day's roundup was a success. The American and British governments were formally notified of the results. One cabinet member said a cable had been received from Foreign Minister Constantine Tsaldaris, who is in the United States, saying the American government did not disapprove of the action.

Napoleon Zervas, minister of public order, said the zero hour for a communist uprising—under a "Plan F"—had been set for 1 a. m. tomorrow.

The communists already had issued orders for the distribution of arms, Zervas declared, and had intended to plunge the entire kingdom into revolution.

Police officials here said "Plan F" was timed to coincide with the meetings in New York of the United Nations security council, which is considering the report of its Balkan investigating commission.

They asserted that the communists had schemed to "murder political leaders," seize important ministries and conduct a campaign of general sabotage.

The arrests, accomplished without disorders, made virtually a clean sweep of leftist leaders here.

Phone Firms Cite Research, Cost Factors

Benefits offered through research by the Bell Telephone laboratories and services performed by American Telephone and Telegraph company through license contracts with regional telephone companies comprised the bulk of company testimony Wednesday at the hearing here on rate increases in Oregon.

The testimony, in behalf of Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, which has requested an annual increase of \$2,249,000, was presented in the form of a transcript signed by Dr. Mervin J. Kelly, executive vice president of the laboratories, describing developments through research, which tended to improve service and reduce charges.

Harry C. Greitz, assistant comptroller of AT&T, said the cost of supplying service to rural telephone companies far exceeded receipts derived from the same source.

Repairs Due on State Sewer

Extension and repairs to the state's sewer emptying into the Willamette river just north of the Center street bridge here were authorized Wednesday by the state board of control. Numerous complaints of the stench have been received during the early summer from residents of the vicinity.

The outlet will be extended and lowered into the river to eliminate its emptying at the surface during low-water periods, and some leaks are to be mended. The job, to serve temporarily until the city of Salem completes its interceptor sewerage system, is in the hands of G. R. Boatwright, Salem engineer, who estimated the cost at \$940. The line serves the state hospital and penitentiary, including the fax plant, and some other state buildings.

