



'Sweet Adeline' That's a high note they're reaching for! Pioneer days, complete with barbershop harmony, are being relived in Dallas these days as Polk county residents prepare for the 100th anniversary of Polk county's inception this month. Shown above as they sounded their "A" for Sweet Adeline are, left to right, Ed. Cooper, Charles McNamara, L. O. Fry, (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.)

Political Ban Defied By Murray, Reuther

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—President Philip Murray of the CIO tonight personally defied the Taft-Hartley act by endorsing Edward A. Garmatz of Baltimore, democratic candidate for congress in a special Maryland district election Tuesday.

Seeking a court test of the act, Murray directed that his statement be printed on page 1 of the CIO News Monday. The law prohibits "expenditures" — including comment in union — financed newspapers — in connection with federal elections.

At Request of CIO
The CIO president said he was acting at the request of the CIO in Baltimore, and asked all members in that city to vote and work for Garmatz' election.

Senator Taft (R-Ohio), co-sponsor of the law, has indicated he would support an amendment to this section of the law. He said he would favor an amendment to exempt "bona fide newspapers published the year around," even though supported by a compulsory allocation out of union dues.

Without benefit of the "full employment" act designed by Jim Patton of the national farmers union and publicized by Henry A. Wallace in his book "Sixty Million Jobs" the country has reached the goal they recommended. In fact Wallace discounted his 60,000,000 jobs by two or three million to allow for "frictional" unemployment—change of jobs, seasonal layoffs, army enlistments, etc. So the 60,000,000 level of employment now reported surpasses the Wallace formula.

Patton and Wallace and Senator Murray of Montana who was author of the full employment bill are thus shown up as false prophets—the American economy proved itself capable of maintaining and expanding employment without government surpluses. Of course it is a bit of a stretch to say that, but it may say their only error was in timing.

The fact remains however that economic forecasting is still largely a matter of guesswork. There are so many variables and so many imponderable factors in the thinking and acting of 140 million people related as it is also to the thinking and acting of some two billion other persons around the world that it is quite impossible to make predictions of economic weather with any consistent degree of accuracy. The past year for example the traders in Wall Street were convinced that business was headed for a tailspin. They dumped stocks, the market went into a blue funk. But the big break in business didn't come. In recent weeks sentiment has reversed itself and buying has boosted stock prices, with better logic because profits remain good and dividends are being increased.

Full employment is indeed gratifying for itself and not simply to discomfit the prophets of gloom. We like to know that people are employed, that wages are good, that products are flowing from field and mine through mill and factory to stores and into consumption. Nor should we conclude that prosperity and depression are events entirely beyond man's control. There still is a place for business forecasting, for the development of sound policies for private business and public action. Economic history is rich in lessons for our guidance. If we heed the instruction we may temper the winds of adversity if we are not yet able to hold them in their caves.

Czechs' Russians Sign Trade Treaty

PRAGUE, July 12 (AP)—Czechoslovakia and Russia announced tonight a five-year agreement exchanging Russian food for Czech machinery and manufactured goods.

It was viewed as possibly setting up a basis for an eastern European economy of barter for nations not participating in the Marshall plan. The new Czech-Russian pact called for immediate and vast increase in exchange goods.

DEWEY IN SPOTLIGHT

SALT LAKE CITY, July 12 (AP)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey captured the spotlight today among state chief executives arriving early to attend the annual conference of governors here next week.

Monmouth Girl To Reign Over Polk Festivities

Blond, blue-eyed Sybil Barrows of Monmouth rules as queen over Centennial day in Polk county following her coronation Saturday night in Dallas at the kickoff of the Polk county Centennial celebration.

The 16-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Barrows of Monmouth, a high school junior, marked the spirit of the celebration in an old-fashioned, dark rose taffeta gown trimmed in lace.

With her court of six princesses, Queen Sybil will reign over the colorful pageant marking Polk county's 100th birthday through the main celebration on July 25, 26 and 27. Judging of the queen took place last night in downtown Dallas between the end of the huge fun parade and the beginning of street dance.

Princesses to Queen Sybil's court are Mary DeForest, Independence; Margaret Babb, Valdez; Elaine White, West Salem; Marie Dixon, Ferrydale; Betty Adams, Falls City, and Katherine Palmer, Rickreall.

Several thousand Dallas and Polk county citizens, dressed in quaint and colorful costumes of yesteryear, took part in the fun parade and witnessed the coronation. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Brown won the oldest-couple award.

John E. Eakin was master of ceremonies and Dallas Mayor Hollis Smith crowned the queen. Judges were Ivan R. Lovell, Rason Bertrand and Murco Ringwald, all Willamette university professors.

A children's centennial parade will be staged in Dallas on July 25, beginning at 1 p. m. with the main centennial parade set for Saturday, July 26, at 10 a. m.

Bomber Group Due in Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore., July 12 (AP)—The Oregon Journal said today the 305th bombardment wing had been activated with headquarters at Portland for reserve training of heavy bombardment crews in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Nevada and Utah.

The newspaper said it had been advised by fourth air force headquarters that Col. Chester E. McCarthy, air corps reserve, Portland, would be wing commander. Initially administration and training will be handled at McChord field, Tacoma, and subsequently will be transferred to Portland army air base, it said.

Activation of the 456th group was to be accomplished here tonight for three Portland and one Eugene squadrons, and other groups are in process of activation at other points throughout the Pacific northwest, it added.

Street Decorating Starts This Morning in Salem

Decorations of Salem streets for the approaching Cherry festival was to begin about 4 o'clock this morning, according to festival officials. A number of lines of flags are to be placed across the streets, but no light-pole decoration will be used. The work is in the hands of Allied Arts company of Portland.

INJUNCTION IN HAWAII

HONOLULU, T. H., July 12 (AP)—A temporary injunction barring mass picketing by striking workers of Hawaii's \$65,000,000 pineapple industry was issued Saturday.

Weather

Max. Min. Precip.
Salem 81 57 .00
Portland 82 61 .00
San Francisco 69 57 .01
Chicago 90 63 trace
New York 85 70 .00
Willamette river -2.5 feet.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McChord field, Salem): Partly cloudy this morning with clearing weather in early afternoon and evening. Highest today, 75; lowest tonight, 50. Favorable conditions for all farm activities this morning with winds this afternoon and evening hindering dusting.

Tax Cut Vote Rush Bogs Down

Aid Door Still Open To Soviet

PARIS, July 12 (AP)—Britain, France and Italy told the opening session of the Marshall plan conference today that Russia and the absent eastern European nations still would be welcome to help in a continent-wide effort to rebuild a war-shattered economy.

Moreover, British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin declared the conference was not intended to set up a permanent organization rivaling the United Nations. He said the conference members remained loyal to the U.N. and wanted to work in the fullest cooperation with appropriate U.N. organs.

Bevin also pledged the resources of the British Commonwealth, insofar as the British government can influence them, to the task of European rehabilitation.

Statesmen from 16 European nations met for an hour in the grand ballroom of the French foreign ministry. They elected Bevin presiding officer.

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—Soviet Russia, with its once great veto-power in world affairs much curtailed, is playing a losing game in trying to split Europe and wreck the Marshall plan for European recovery, American officials said today.

The plan will go through to the fullest extent possible without them and in spite of threats and protests, it was said here. There is considerable speculation even that in the long run they will be unable to hold their own eastern bloc countries in line.

Surprising new evidence that the Soviets themselves as well as their satellite governments may be beginning to realize this was seen today in an extraordinary outburst of reports that Russia bloc-countries would like to share in American assistance to Europe despite their boycott of the Marshall plan meeting at Paris.

This turn of events found American officials privately emphasizing what Secretary Marshall is reported to have told the senate foreign relations committee's secret session yesterday:

As a matter of policy the United States does not yet admit a split Europe, is working with a very fluid situation in relation to Russia at the moment and has a wait and see attitude toward the Paris conference and the whole European recovery picture.

Fruitland District Votes To Exceed Limitation

FRUITLAND, July 12—Voting at the school house here today, voters passed a new revenue measure for this school district to exceed the six percent limitation law by \$500 over last year's totals.

The vote showed 15 for the measure, 6 against and 4 void votes. In a vote Friday there were eight challenged votes cast, four of which were found illegal, thus necessitating a revote today.

MISS CUMMINGS will sing Friday night during the festival show at the state fairgrounds, one of the featured events of the three-day civic celebration which will open at 2:30 p. m. Thursday at Salem armory.

On Friday morning, she is to ride in the parade as honorary grand marshal.

The Salem-born concert artist has arranged to extend her visit in Salem at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Cummings, Salem route 8, in order to appear at the festival. She had come here on vacation after completing five engagements totaling 26 weeks in the world's largest theatre, Radio City music hall in New York City, where her singing was heard by an estimated 5,000,000 persons.

At Radio City Miss Cummings has been the central figure in the elaborate Easter pageant. This year she made her entrance to the stage from a helicopter.

Miss Cummings, formerly a voice student under Lena Belle Tartar here, has sung for motion pictures and radio networks and has appeared in numerous concerts in the east.

Ex-Army Sergeants Arrested In A-Documents Theft Case

Pistol Shots Aimed At Senator Bricker

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—Two pistol shots missed Senator Bricker (R-Ohio) today in a burst of gunfire on Capitol Hill and police arrested a discharged capitol policeman on charges of assault with intent to kill the senator.

The accused, William L. Kaiser, calmly and cryptically told police and newspapermen:

"I did it to refresh his memory." The shooting set the capital in a turmoil during the midst of an unusual Saturday session of the senate. It took place in the subway linking the capitol with the senate office building.

Bricker was carried to safety by the little monorail subway car as it rounded a bend out of the shooter's range.

The silver-haired 1944 republican vice presidential candidate and a companion crouched behind one of the car's seats as it slowly got underway.

Bricker, apparently undisturbed, told reporters that Kaiser blamed him for losses in a building and loan association at Columbus about 15 years ago.

Kaiser was arrested by metropolitan police several hours after the shooting and many blocks from the capitol, at a Massachusetts avenue address.

School, Church Zone Change Debate Monday

The place of schools, playgrounds and churches in Salem residential zones will be debated Monday night at a public hearing before the city council.

Set for 8:30 p. m. in city hall, the hearing concerns two pending ordinance bills drawn as alternatives to amend the Salem zoning code in order to remove or ease present restrictions on the placing of school facilities in rapidly expanding Salem school district 24.

One bill simply inserts schools, playgrounds and churches in the permitted uses for land in residential zones. The other retains the prohibition against such installations but permits the council at its discretion to allow such uses after notifying adjacent property holders and conducting a public hearing.

The former bill was introduced by Alderman Howard Maple at the district school board's request and then referred to the city planning and zoning which recommended, instead, the procedure embodied in the latter bill.

Objection to both plans has been voiced to aldermen and other city and school officials, although the only organized opposition appears to be a group of Pearl and Baker street residents whose property faces of school district-owned lot three blocks north of Salem high school and Parrish junior high, which the school administration had planned to use as an athletic field.

Concert Artist to Sing at Fete

Noted Soprano, Lucile Cummings, Native of Sweden

Salem's Cherry festival program takes on new luster this week with the addition of Lucile Cummings, nationally recognized concert soprano who is a native of Sweden.

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Changes By Morse Defeated

Material Found At Princeton, Chicago Studio

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—Republican sponsors failed in an effort to raise the \$4,000,000 income tax cut bill through a night senate session tonight, and final action was put off until Monday.

A vote then—with passage assured—was arranged in an informal gentlemen's agreement between leaders of democratic and republican parties.

The GOP leadership once turned down such an agreement, but accepted it later after democratic leader Barkley of Kentucky told them he believed President Truman will veto the measure promptly without waiting the usual ten days.

That adjournment goal of July 26 is bound up in the action on the tax measure. The president can, if he desires, wait ten days—not counting Sundays—between the time he gets the bill and the time he gives it his promised veto. Delay in acting on the bill would cut the time for a vote to override close if the president took the full ten days.

The decision came after nearly ten hours of debate during which eight amendments by Senator Morse (R-Ore.), including one to postpone the effect of the tax cut for at least a year past next January 1, were turned down.

Still to be acted upon was the controversial amendment by Senator McClellan (D-Ark.) to extend so-called community property benefits to taxpayers of all the states.

The main question was not whether republicans could amass sufficient votes to pass the bill—that was assured—but whether they would gain the two-thirds majority necessary to override a veto.

Evictees Still Protected by Housing Act

The new federal rent and housing act contains specific protection against unwarranted eviction, declared Clare A. Lee, Salem area representative, in explaining evictees' rights Saturday.

Lee said he has had occasion several times since the new law passed to reassure tenants that they cannot be evicted summarily. He pointed out that local courts—in Salem, the Marion county district court—will decide all eviction cases on the basis of state law.

Under this procedure, he stated, landlords can be assured usually of definite action within 30 days instead of facing a waiting period that formerly ranged from four to six months.

An advantage Lee cited for tenants under the new act is that a landlord may no longer evict a tenant to house relatives in need of housing. The only case of occupancy by others which now constitutes grounds for eviction is that of immediate personal occupancy by the buyer or the landlord himself.

Lee also noted that tenants who are overcharged (costing rent remains the same as before except where voluntary leases are made by tenant and landlord to provide no more than 15 per cent increase in rent) may file in any federal or state court within one year for three times the amount of overcharge, plus costs.

Negroes Win Right To Enroll for Vote

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 12 (AP)—South Carolina negroes won a court victory today in their fight for the right to participate in the state's democratic primary, limited by party rules since 1944 exclusively to "white democrats."

U. S. District Judge J. Walter Waring, tall, 66-year-old Charleston-born jurist, held that "negroes are entitled to be enrolled to vote in the democratic primaries. The case was brought by George Elmore, a Columbia negro, who contended he had been denied enrollment at the Columbia primary because of his color.

GRANTS PASS, July 12 (AP)—District Attorney William F. Johnson said today that Hugh Gilreath, who pleaded guilty to assault with intent to kill the 2-year-old daughter of a woman companion, has been accused of abandoning his wife and children in Woodridge, Tenn.

Gilreath and Mrs. Lucille Medlin, Selma, Ore., are awaiting sentence for the beating of Mrs. Medlin's daughter, Mary Jane.

The district attorney said he received a letter from Mrs. Lucille Gilreath, Woodridge, Tenn., saying she and her two babies were deserted by Gilreath in January, 1946. One child burned to death later.

REDS TOP FLYING SAUCER
LONDON, July 12 (AP)—A forest of 100-year-old cedars vanished without a trace in the explosion of the Sikhote-Alin meteorite, which fell in the Siberian coastal mountains northeast of Vladivostok early this year, Tass reported tonight from Alma Ata, Kazakh soviet republic.



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