

## City Council to Choose Between Manual, Automatic Parking Meters on Monday

### IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Hollywood's answer to Britain's limit of 25 per cent realization on proceeds of imported films was one of anguished reprisal. Motion picture producers put an embargo on export of sound pictures to Britain. That was what the papers told. Backstage chattering is said to be in progress however which may result in a modification of the new conditions. Lacking enough domestic production British theatres may be forced to close if they cannot obtain foreign (American) films.

Foreign sales have accounted for sizable chunks of Hollywood's profits; so producers there must be making diligent effort to recoup losses which they face. It is not in the cards to make that recovery through increased charges at the box office. Theatre admission prices are high enough. Any material advance would cost patronage, losing money for exhibitor and producer.

There are two ways of solving the problem. One is by cutting expenses. There must be room for cost-cutting. Salaries for virtually all who are connected with the movie industry from Louie Mayer on down through stars of first to fifth magnitude and on down to scenario writers, stand-ins and stagehands are quite disproportionate to the contribution they make. Lush profits from the easy multiplying of movie film for multiple production have made possible the exorbitant salaries. The excess has given Hollywood the character of a modern Babylon.

In movieland the emphasis seems to have been on making costs

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## Forger Plies Trade Within Prison Walls

ATMORE, Ala., Sept. 6-(AP)—They've transferred Harvey to George to Kilby prison, and a lot of the boys here are pretty blue. Harvey was a good guy, and handy with a fountain pen. He not only forged his own ticket to freedom in 1944, but when he was returned to prison, he forged paroles for 19 other convicts, state records show.

Prison Director Frank Boswell said Harvey was a clerk in the bookkeeping department of Alabama state prison here. The penal penman, he reported, usually changed the release dates on paroles, but occasionally altered name and number, resulting in release of the wrong convict. This irritated the prison administration no end. Eighteen convicts have been recaptured since the parole racket was discovered two months ago. One man, serving 30 years for second degree murder, remains at large. Meanwhile, accommodating Harvey has been sent to Kilby prison where he will contemplate his life-sentence for murder.

## Fair Calendar

Sunday, Final Day  
7 a. m. Gates open.  
1:15 p. m. Auto races on Lone Oak track.  
8 p. m. State fair follies of 1947 at grandstand and rodeo-horse show in stadium.

## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Here's a chance to enlarge our vocabulary."

## Expiration of 6-Month Trial Period Near

With only two days remaining before the city council must decide if it will keep or reject the manually operated Mico parking meters used here for the past five months, motorists in one downtown block were using the first shipment of an automatic type and expressing general satisfaction with them.

The Mico meters were installed on a six-month trial basis, and the city must notify the manufacturer 30 days in advance as to final decision. Many arguments regarding the two general types are expected to appear in the council session Monday night in city hall, as they did before the first meters were ordered.

Criticism has been voiced from several quarters on the manual meters. Chief of Police Frank Minto told the council that the mechanisms had been badly affected by rain and that he was obliged to keep four men doing nothing but servicing meters.

The automatic Park-O-Meters, installed for the present only in the recently widened 200 block of North High street, are also on a six-month trial basis. Police officers said none have yet been reported out of order.

Several drivers were having trouble finding the proper coin slot, a situation which has occurred on both meter types. An out-of-state visitor, as well as some Oregon residents, noted with pleasure that the automatics were more familiar, as they are used in several other cities.

A woman who said she was a housewife and "very unmechanical" thought the new meters were "very nice and much easier to operate than the manuals." One young man, after finding the coin slot, backed away warily as the meter purred and the time indicator went up. He said he liked the automatics "swell, but the darned thing scared me."

## Salem Patient In Wrecked Ambulance

PORTLAND, Sept. 6-(AP)—A Portland couple escaped possible serious injury tonight when their automobile was crushed from the rear by an ambulance enroute here from Salem.

The ambulance patient was only shaken. The ambulance was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Lengfield was shoved several hundred feet along southeast Union avenue and had to be towed away. The patient in the ambulance was identified as Jesse Brooks, of Salem, who police said was transferred to another ambulance and taken to the Good Samaritan hospital.

Brosius was reported by Portland hospital attendants to have been injured in an accident at Stayton. Cecil Abbot, of Salem, the ambulance driver, reported he was making an "emergency run" and had the siren operating when he came onto the Lengfield car, swerving to avoid a direct collision.

The Good Samaritan hospital reported the ambulance patient was not in serious condition. The Portland couple suffered only bruises and minor shock.

## Squirrels, Jays Threat to Nut Crop

PORTLAND, Sept. 6-(AP)—Oregon nut growers today appealed to the state game commission to save them from the squirrels and blue jays.

Claude Seranos, spokesman for the filbert farmers, told the commission. "The squirrels are eating more nuts on my 90-acre farm than the blue jays, and I figure the jays eat 500 pounds a day." The commission ordered an investigation to see if special squirrel and jay-hunting permits should be issued.

## Harold Stassen to Skip Salem Visit

Presidential aspirant Harold Stassen, former governor of Minnesota, will not be able to accept the invitation of the local American Legion to speak in Salem this week due to previous commitments in the east.

Steve Anderson, Salem, who attended a Young Republican board meeting in Portland Saturday night said that Stassen would confer with labor and organization leaders in Portland Saturday, however.

## Memphis Girl Wins 'Miss America' Title

Nation's Comliest Given Kiss



ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 6—Barbara Jo Walker (center), Miss Memphis and new "Miss America", gets kisses from Georgia Cunningham, Miss Tennessee (left), and her twin sister, Dorothy (right), Miss Chattanooga, while looking on at rear are Pam Camp (left), Miss Arkansas, and Kitty Bailey; Miss Mississippi (right). The kisses came after Miss Memphis won Miss America talent award at Atlantic City. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

## Miss Oregon Gains Spot in Semi-Finals

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 6-(AP)—Barbara Jo Walker, a five feet, seven inch, 21-year-old brunette from Memphis, Tenn., tonight became "Miss America, 1947" and with the title won a \$5,000 scholarship for any school of her choosing.

A crowd of 18,462 persons, largest in 26 years to see the beauty contest, shook the large convention hall with applause when Miss Walker was named from among 54 girls representing 39 states, 14 cities and Canada.

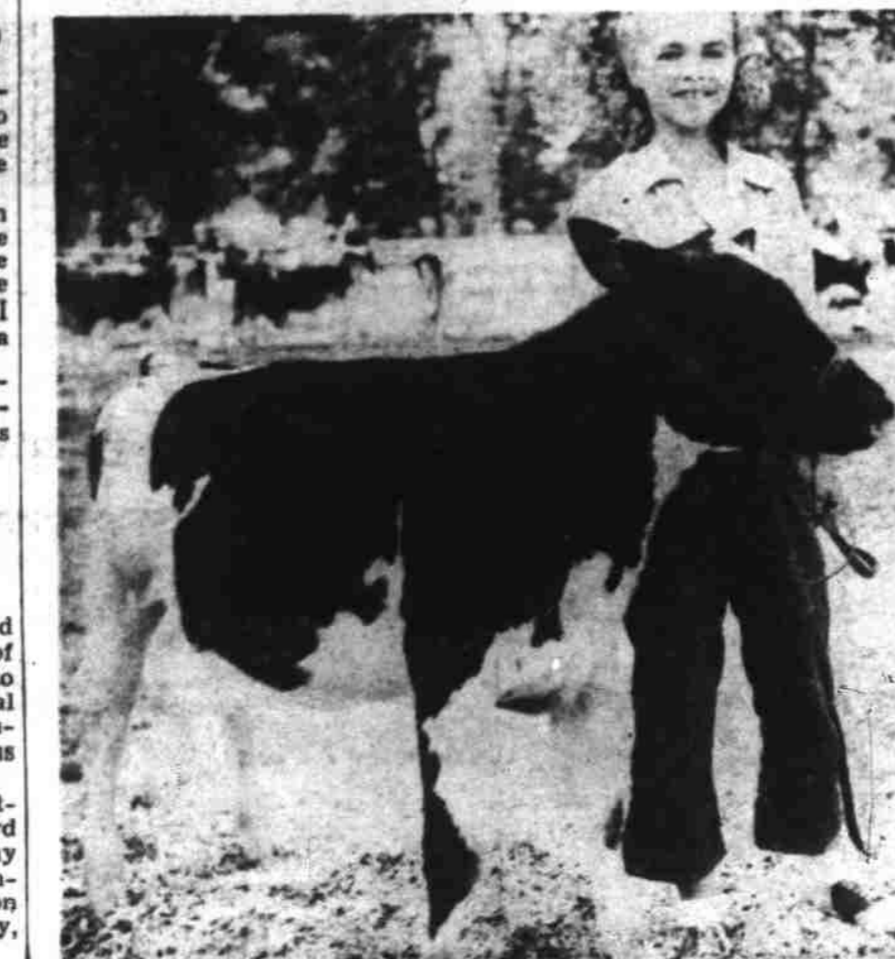
In runner-up positions to the new Miss America and the scholarships they won were: Twenty-two-year-old brunette Elaine Mary Campbell, daughter of Bernard T. Campbell, city editor of the Minneapolis Time, \$3,000; Margaret Marshall, 18-year-old honey-blonde from Toronto, the first girl from outside the United States ever to be a finalist, \$2,500; Peggy June Elder, 18, a chestnut-haired girl from Gadsden, Miss Alabama, \$2,000; and Laura Jean Emery, 18, a blond from Salinas, Miss California, \$1,500.

U.S. Senator Kenneth McKellar (D-Tenn) was among the first to greet the new Miss America following her crowning by the retiring beauty queen, Marilyn Buford of Los Angeles, Miss America 1946.

Miss Walker was so surprised by her selection as the new queen that she could do nothing but smile happily as pageant officials crowded around her for the crowning ceremony. Miss Oregon, blonde Jo Ann Amorde, Vancouver, Ore., school teacher, advanced to the semi-finals with 14 other beauties and was among those receiving awards.

ASKS CONTROLS RESTORED  
DETROIT, Sept. 6-(AP)—Walter Reuther asked President Truman today to recommend immediate restoration of price controls if a special session of congress is called to act on the European crisis.

## Luck, Judgment Play Important Roles in Calf Selection Event at State Fair



"Just my luck," cried Doneva Nell Shepard, aged 11, of Portland (pictured at left) when asked how she came to draw both number ones in the Thursday Holstein Calf selection event at the state fair. The drawing gave Doneva first chance at picking the animal she wanted from the 13 being sold to 4-H, FFA and Veteran groups. The purchasers were all approved by their organizations. Doneva is pictured with the calf she chose. William McKinney, extreme right in above picture, FFA director in the high school, assisted his two FFA students, Gerald Brog (left) and Jim McDowell in selecting their calves in the calf selection event. Gerald was the only youth who bought two calves in the affair. (Larson photos for The Statesman.)

## Rain Fails To Deter Fairgoers

Despite one of the coldest, wettest days in the Oregon State fair's 82 year old history, 23,552 persons, of which 16,027 were paid admissions went through the gates Saturday, the fair attendance office reports.

Total attendance for the first six days totalled 204,563 persons, still about 1,000 above the attendance record set in 1946, figures show.

Parimutuel take for Saturday, the last day of horse racing for the 1947 fair, stood at \$67,325, compared to \$72,379 for fair Saturday of last year. Total parimutuel receipts for the six days of racing this year eclipsed the 1946 total by approximately \$25,000.

All fair exhibits will remain intact through closing time of the 1947 fair tonight, Manager Leo Spitzbart announces. The closing follies show tonight at 8 o'clock and the auto races this afternoon at 1:15 o'clock will take place at the grandstand rain or shine, he said.

By Lillie L. Madsen  
Farm Editor, The Statesman

While a steady downpour on the next to final day of the 82nd Oregon State fair, moved the bidders in the Milking Shorthorn consignment sale from the outside riding to the under-cover pavilion, bidding slowed somewhat to

COMPARATIVE ATTENDANCE		
	1946	1947
First day	77,372	62,043
Second day	18,232	23,748
Third day	31,488	35,253
Fourth day	24,856	31,424
Fifth day	22,835	28,223
Sixth day	29,827	23,552
Totals	203,826	204,563

bring a total of \$10,720 for the 32 animals sold.

Females of the sale averaged better than \$360 each, with the five bulls sold falling somewhat lower. The grand champion cow of the showing, brought top price of \$575 of the auction. She was bought by Earl Mathew of Payette, Idaho and consigned by Veltie Biles of Gold Hill. Biles bought the junior champion show animal, consigned by Harold Lundquist of Newberg for \$385.

The FFA team from Molalla won the judging trophy from 30 teams in Saturday's finals, with Dick Reid the high point youth. Silverton was second and The Dalles placed third.

Yamhill county came third. Washington county 4-H won the livestock demonstration competition. Clackamas county was fourth and Linn county eighth. Marion county won second in the miscellaneous demonstration class. Dollar Dinner contests closed Saturday. Winner in the junior division was Norma Jean Otto of Eugene, and in the senior division, Betty Peterson.

Four registered dairy calves were awarded Saturday to high scoring 4-H boys as a climax to 4-H livestock activities not only at the Oregon State fair but for the year.

The Jersey calf, to be presented at the Pacific International was awarded to Eugene Nygren of Linn county. The calf was given off by George Horning of Clackamas county. The Ayrshire calf went to Jim Madsen of Gresham and was donated by the Ayrshire association. The Guernsey calf, from the D. S. Pruitt herd of Eugene was won by Dale Palmblad, also of Gresham, while the Holstein calf went to Wayne Norman of Linn county and was donated by Bernard Cornelius Vandecovering of Mt. Angel.

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## Steel Strike Grip Tightens New Tax Cut Fight Poised

### Proposal to Exceed Vetoed \$4 Billion Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6-(AP)—Chairman Knutson (R-Minn.) of the house ways and means committee announced today Republicans will renew their drive to cut taxes, as soon as congress convenes, and that the slash probably will exceed the vetoed \$4,000,000,000 bill.

He said the committee, which initiates all tax legislation, will be called to convene in Washington November 4 and "the subject of tax reduction will undoubtedly be considered" at that time.

One committee member, Knutson reported, is proposing a slash in income levies of as much as 50 percent for small incomes and 20 percent in highest brackets.

May Change Brackets  
Knutson commented: "I very much doubt if we will be able to hold the line at 30, 20 and 10.5 percent reductions." These were the proposed reductions of the vetoed bills, for low, middle and high incomes, respectively.

Writing from his Minnesota home in response to an Associated Press inquiry about Republican tax plans, he said: "The tax fight we waged in the first session of the 80th congress was merely round one. The bill will ring for round two as soon as the second session convenes in January. An overwhelming majority of the American people demand tax relief."

Note Other Reductions  
"They know that Canada and the United Kingdom have already had two such tax reductions since the end of the war and they resent Mr. Truman's obstinate opposition to any reduction for the individual taxpayer."

President Truman on August 20 forecast a record-smashing treasury surplus of nearly \$5,000,000,000 for the fiscal year ending next June 30, but he said the money should go to debt retirement and to a stand-by fund to meet any domestic or world emergency.

The president twice vetoed efforts of the Republican-dominated congress earlier this year to trim individual income taxes by \$4,000,000,000.

## College Starts Campaign to Obtain Housing

With little more than a week before new Willamette university students begin arriving September 17, university officials and cooperating Salem churches and organizations this week are pressing a citywide "campaign" to obtain rooms for men students.

In addition to students whose living quarters already are arranged, President G. Herbert Smith of the university stated Saturday, about 150 men remain to be housed. He pointed out that housing needs of the university will be considerably eased next February when the men's dormitory now under construction will be open for occupancy by 224 men.

Salem residents who are in position to offer rooms for rent by Willamette students are urged by Dr. Smith to notify university offices.

Willamette's 1947-48 year will get off to its start at 9 a. m. Wednesday, September 17, with an assembly in the university chapel for all new students. Other orientation activities and new students' examinations will occupy the remainder of Wednesday and Thursday and Friday.

Actual registration is scheduled September 20 for new students and the following Monday for returning students. Regular classwork is to begin September 23.

## New Premier



ATHENS, Sept. 6—Themistokles Sophoulis, liberal Greek political leader, who is expected to be sworn in Sunday night as head of a new coalition cabinet to govern Greece.

## Greek Cabinet Plans Amnesty For Guerrillas

ATHENS, Sept. 6-(AP)—Informants said tonight that a new coalition cabinet being formed to govern Greece would offer a general amnesty to all guerrillas and would guarantee them jobs if the fighting now going on in the northern part of the country ends within a month.

If the attacks by leftist units against Greek army troops are not stopped, however, the government will wage what the sources described as a "relentless fight against the criminal minority."

The cabinet, the informants added, plans to hold general elections as soon as possible. The new cabinet, headed by liberal leader Themistokles Sophoulis is expected to be sworn in Sunday night. The new administration then will ask a vote of confidence from parliament on Monday and request a parliamentary adjournment until November 1.

## Air Conditioner Helps Skunk to Distribute Odor

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 6-(AP)—A bewildered skunk disrupted Savannah's autumn festival street dances.

While hundreds fled, the striped visitor sought refuge from the commotion. He also fell back upon a skunk's traditional defense.

There followed a delayed exodus from the basement Sapphire room and Colonial room of the DeSoto hotel, where the odor was whipped through the air-conditioning system from France for Palestine aboard the Exodus 1947, formerly the S. S. President Warfield, a Chesapeake Bay steamer. The voyage of the Jews, who were without visas, ended when the British intercepted their ship almost within sight of the Holy Land.

Hotel engineers counter-attacked with spray-guns filled with perfume.

The skunk? he disappeared.

## Portland Zoo Monkey Again Gains Freedom

PORTLAND, Sept. 6-(AP)—The freedom-loving Rhesus monkey, recaptured yesterday after a week's chase by police, was out of the zoo again today.

An attendant reported the animal escaped the same route as before, jumping through cage door as the man entered at the feeding hour.

## Officials Give Prediction of Long Walkout

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 6-(AP)—The Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp.'s president today gloomily warned that a wildcat strike of plant railroad workers which already has idled 15,000 production employees and bit deeply into sorely needed steel production "may not end quickly."

As first peace efforts in the work stoppage of some 1,800 railroad workers proved fruitless, C. R. Cox, Carnegie-Illinois president, said the strike:

"... May not end quickly since it is our understanding many of the demands are regarded as unreasonable and others not readily susceptible of solution."

'Regret' Walkout  
His remarks were contained in a lengthy statement to non-striking employees in which he expressed "deep regret" that they "once again must suffer through loss of employment" in a dispute in which they were not directly involved.

The strikers, who walked out yesterday, are members of the Brotherhoods of Railroad Trainmen and Locomotive Engineers. They work for the Union railroad, a U. S. Steel subsidiary which does inter-plant hauling for Carnegie-Illinois, U. S. Steel's top producing subsidiary.

Strike Unauthorized  
Both the national railway mediation board and A. F. Whitney of Cleveland, president of the BRT, have called the strike unauthorized. The workers' demands have not been outlined specifically but reportedly include a 50-cent hourly pay increase package, covering among other fringe items a four-week vacation for 20-year workers.

The walkout will cause a complete shutdown of basic operations in four Carnegie-Illinois Pittsburgh district mills and the firm slowly was reducing to zero level in these plants today.

Cox said the stoppage will cost production losses of 16,000 tons of finished steel daily, enough to produce 8,000 automobiles or vast quantities of other manufactured items now in short supply.

During the day the three British transports, with their naval escort, anchored at a rendezvous in the Elbe estuary. There the British were reported to have removed some of the leaders among the refugees, possibly to disorganize resistance when the time for landing came.

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## British Clamp Secrecy Lid on Jewish Ship

HAMBURG, Germany, Sunday, Sept. 7 - (AP) - War-like secrecy blacked out all official news here early today as the scheduled hour passed for the arrival of the first of three deportation ships returning 4,400 Jews of the exodus 1947 to Germany.

Newspaper correspondents were barred from the heavily guarded dock area.

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## Textile Mills Plan Wage Cut

ROME, Ga., Sept. 6-(AP)—A wage-reduction of five cents an hour in three textile mills in Georgia has been proposed by the A. D. Julliard company, manufacturers of cotton grey goods.

Kenneth Dooty, Georgia director for the Textile Workers Union of America (CIO), said the company demanded a wage-cut to offset operating losses at Aragon, Rome and Dallas, Ga. He described the proposal as "the first of its kind in the entire company," and added:

## Saturday Second Wettest Day of '47

Salem residents and visitors at the state fair opened their umbrellas and skipped over sizeable puddles Saturday as .66 inches of "Oregon mist" fell from the skies between noon and midnight—the second wettest day of the year.

The year's highest total of rain was recorded on March 8, when 1.44 inches fell, according to the weather bureau.

Weather  
Salem \_\_\_\_\_ Max. Min. Precip.  
Portland \_\_\_\_\_ 64 44 .39  
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San Francisco \_\_\_\_\_ 69 53 .00  
Chicago \_\_\_\_\_ 87 63 .00  
New York \_\_\_\_\_ 81 70 .00  
New York \_\_\_\_\_ 81 70 .00  
Willamette river \_\_\_\_\_ feet.  
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Considerable cloudiness today with scattered showers, clearing tonight. High temperature today, near 70; low tonight, near 40. Winds will increase with dusting operations throughout the day.