



Winning Willamette university homecoming sign is the Independent's "Hands Across the Border" display shown above being viewed by the judging committee consisting of, left to right, Gordon Murdoch, homecoming chairman; Gus Moore, Kingwood drive, West Salem, class of 1933; John Gardner, 1675 S. Cottage st., class of 1941; Mrs. Robert Hamilton, 2969 S. Cottage st., class of 1942; and Mrs. Norman Huffman, 346 N. Capitol st., Willamette art teacher. (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.) (Story at bottom of page 1. Other pictures on page 2.)

WINDS WHIP ASTORIA FIRE

Block of Buildings Destroyed

ASTORIA, Ore., Oct. 18 (Sunday)—(P)—Over half of a square city block of old frame landmark buildings on the waterfront here was wiped out by fire late last night and early today.

The city police headquarters reported early today that fire equipment from all city departments and the Tongue Point naval station worked together to save adjoining blocks on the piling section of the city.

Three firemen were overcome by smoke and were hospitalized. The police said the Richmond hotel building, in which were living a number of lodgers who escaped, an auto wrecking company, a soft drink bottling works and a plating works were destroyed. Still burning.

The fire was believed under control at 1 a. m., but was still burning. A lull in the violent wind storm which fanned the flames was credited with saving the nearby frame waterfront area. Firemen said the fact that the area has been battered by a rain storm for over three days and had been completely saturated with water aided in fighting the blaze.

The block leveled is bounded by Astor street between Seventh and Eighth avenues and the rear extends to the waterfront piling section, hemmed in by railroad sidings and pier.

Most of the buildings were landmark structures in the old portion of the city that was spared in the historic fire of 1932 when practically the entire business section and some residences were wiped out by flame.

Ships Battle New Storm on Oregon Coast. A new storm, which the weather bureau said appeared headed northeast toward Vancouver Island, struck the Pacific northwest coast Saturday afternoon, harrasing two vessels just as they had neared safety.

Salem residents were forced to hang onto their beds Saturday afternoon and evening as winds ranging from 25 to 36 miles an hour raced through the Willamette valley. Power and telephone company officials reported slight damage to their lines.

guard cutter Bonham, which last night found a disabled LCT after hours of search, from towing the craft and its six-man crew into harbor. The original tow cable snapped today, and the cutter, after vain attempts to toss a new line, decided to await a lull in the storm. The LCT was off Tillamook bay.

Wind gusts up to 60 miles an hour off Astoria, Ore., lashed a coast guard buoy tender, towing a patrol crash boat which had drifted, lost, for three nights in gale-swept seas, with a lone man aboard. A motor lifeboat stood by as the tender and its tow awaited a chance to cross the Columbia river bar.

Marshall Aid Boost Eyed

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (AP)—Administration officials said today this country may have to increase rather than cut the \$22,400,000,000 total of European requests under the Marshall plan.

At the present stage of study, they emphasized this is only a possibility—but one which is causing much concern to federal financial experts trying to reduce the cost before offering the program to an economy-seeking congress.

Overestimated Exports. These officials, who withheld the use of their names, told a reporter that they fear the 16 western European nations have overestimated their ability to increase their own exports in the four-year period concerned, and are over-optimistic in foreseeing a 12 1/2 per cent drop in U.S. prices.

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (AP)—Forty-one persons were believed today to have been killed in the crash of a French plane in the Mediterranean sea.

The company operating the plane said two persons, the pilot and another crew member, had been rescued. The French navy ministry said 11 bodies had been recovered. The plane was carrying 43 passengers and crew.

A search by military planes, a submarine and surface craft failed to disclose any signs of additional survivors of the crash, which occurred yesterday while the plane was en route from Marseille to Orap, Algeria.

The company, a small airline called Compagnie des Transports Aeriens Intercontinentaux (Intercontinental Air Transport Co.), said it had "little hope" of saving any more of the crew of five and 38 passengers.

Yesterday it had announced that everyone was safe, but today the company said it was unable to give an explanation of a telegram received from the air transport control reporting all aboard had been picked up by a Spanish vessel.

Petrillo To Ban Recording

CHICAGO, Oct. 18 (AP)—James C. Petrillo announced today that union musicians would be barred from making any records or radio transcriptions after December 31, but recording industry sources said they anticipated the move and had enough unfinished records to last from one to two years.

The boss of the AFL Federation of Musicians said his 225,000 members were "destroying themselves" by making records and transcriptions and added, "There will never be any more phonograph records or transcripts made by members of the musicians union."

The ban, which Petrillo said was voted unanimously by the union's executive board in a closed session, brought a quick reaction from trade sources in the industry.

Companies Well-Stocked. "The big three—Columbia, RCA-Victor and Decca—have been making records so rapidly in recent months, both here and abroad, that they can continue to issue records for at least two years," said one man in New York long associated with the industry.

Another spokesman pointed out that the major producers have had access to music for Hollywood musical production which will not be released until next year, and that master recordings of the music already have been made for future record sales.

"I don't care if they have a backlog for five years. Let them use them. We will stop making records and all transcriptions December 31." Transcriptions were described as those for both home and commercial use.

However, Petrillo said the ban also would end "canned" shows being turned out by the networks and this posed a different problem. These so-called "canned" programs are produced expressly for radio broadcast and are not for sale to the public.

County Roads In 'Good Shape' Except Santiam. All 1,268 miles of Marion county roads are in good shape with the exception of the North Santiam highway, which, however, is still "just passable," Marion County Commissioner Roy Rice said Saturday.

In fact, he said the most extensive county road repair program since before the war, undertaken this past summer, has brought the roads up to their best condition in several years, he said.

Recent rains, he said, have not harmed the roads, and no serious flooding has been reported. With the softening of the road surfaces, the county's 800 miles of graveled roads are now being graded by eight graders.

Commissioner Rice advised motorists to use the South Santiam highway when traveling in that area. Small slides in the section under construction on the North Santiam highway have hampered traffic in general, while construction alone has forced controlled traffic at some points.

High water has put the county's three Willamette river ferries—Wheatland, Independence and Buena Vista—out of commission. The county court said Saturday that predicted lower waters may place the crafts back in service this week.

'Operation Diaper' Fails in Atlantic. BOSTON, Oct. 18 (AP)—The coast guard cutter Bibb plowed toward Boston tonight through rough seas in dense fog with the 69 persons rescued by its heroic crew after the forced landing of the trans-Atlantic clipper Bermuda Sky Queen last Tuesday 800 miles off Newfoundland.

During the day the attempt of a coast guard flying boat from the Salem base to drop bundles of diapers to the Bibb was unsuccessful when the plane was unable to contact the ship, except by radio, due to fog.

Football Scores

Willamette 33, UBC 0. Oregon 6, Washington 0. USC 48, Oregon State 6. Coll. Pug. Sound 14, Whit. O. California 21, Wash. Stat. 6. UCLA 39, Stanford 6. Idaho 20, Portland 14. Mich. 49, Northwstrn 21. Notre Dame 31, Nebraska 0. Army 40, Virginia Tech 0. Texas 21, Arkansas 6. Navy 38, Cornell 19.

Greyhound Bus Depot Given Top Priority

Plans for construction of Pacific Greyhound Lines' new \$200,000 bus terminal in Salem were discussed here Saturday by F. W. Ackerman, company president from San Francisco, and local Greyhound officials.

Bids on the new terminal, site for which has already been cleared on North Church street between Center and Marion streets, will be opened between December 15 and January 1, Ackerman said. Overall size of the building will be 166 by 133 feet.

The new depot will provide enlarged facilities for convenience of passengers and greater space for boarding and leaving buses, Ackerman declared. There will be space to load and unload six buses at a time. In addition the new terminal will provide a large waiting room, a restaurant and rest rooms.

"The importance of Salem in western travel has made this new Greyhound depot a project of top priority," Ackerman said. "It will be one of the finest equipped and most modern depots in the west. The Salem depot is part of a Greyhound program to completely modernize the system's terminal facilities throughout the nation."

Ackerman also added that his company was replacing a large part of its bus fleet with the latest large super-coaches, some of which are now serving Salem.

Town for Sale in Northern Oregon

PRESCOTT, Ore., Oct. 18 (AP)—The town of Prescott, located on the Columbia river four miles above Rainier, was placed on sale today.

The Prescott Lumber company, which bought the town-33 houses, a store, an office, and a dock—last year, said it wanted to abandon the place as the result of a mill fire.

But it's not certain that anyone can buy the whole town. Some of the residents, who have lived here for 30 years, are planning to buy their own houses and stay.

Commission Suspend Three Liquor Licenses. PORTLAND, Oct. 18 (AP)—The liquor licenses of three Marion county establishments were under 30-day suspensions today, issued by the state liquor control commission for selling to a minor.

Affected are Canton Cafe, Salem; Norman's Place, Woodburn, and Silver Creek service station, Silverton.

Plane Hits at Busy Portland Intersection

PORTLAND, Oct. 18 (AP)—A private airplane crashed into a parking lot near a jammed suburban Portland intersection late today, killing a passenger while the pilot parachuted safely from 250 altitude into a tree.

Pedestrians and automobiles crowded the area but escaped injury. The plane did not burn.

William Roberts, 21, part owner of the war surplus Valies BT-13 model, slumped dead a minute after a nearby tavern owner tried to drag him from the wreckage. The pilot, Earl Gallagher, 19, suffered only a cut over one eye as his parachute tangled in the tree and broke his fall. Both are Portlanders.

Deputy Sheriff Ron Callbeck quoted Gallagher as saying: "We were stunting at 4,000 feet when something came off our right wing and we went out of control. I tried to get Bill to jump, but he seemed to freeze in his seat. I stayed with him as long as I could and then went overboard."

Roberts' safety belt was still fastened. Jack S. Hanson, the tavern owner, reached the smashed airplane first. He said Roberts was still alive and gasping for breath.

"I tried to pull him out, but he suddenly slumped over and died," Hanson said.

Stars to Testify at Red Hearing

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (AP)—Jack Warner, vice president of the company that filmed "Mission to Moscow," was billed today as witness No. 1 when the house committee on unamerican activities starts hearings Monday on communism in Hollywood.

The movie stars come along later for what Washington expects to be the biggest show of the fall investigating season. No feminine stars have been tapped to testify. But the witness list has names like Robert Taylor, Gary Cooper, Robert Montgomery, Ronald Reagan and others.

Right from the start, the committee plans to begin "naming names" and developing through questions and answers whether the movie capital is infested with Reds.

Church to Build On Present Site

St. Paul's Episcopal church congregation has abandoned a plan to build a new church on another site in favor of a proposal to eventually construct a \$150,000 structure at the site of the present church at Chemeketa and Church streets.

The Rev. George H. Swift, pastor, said that last week approximately 93 per cent of the congregation voted in favor of the new plan. The church had purchased a site at Capitol and Center streets more than a year ago, but this property was sold recently in connection with the proposed shopping center to go up in that district.

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IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

The report luncheon of community chest workers last Thursday lacked about \$10,000 of being the real victory luncheon that was planned. Nearly \$90,000 was reported raised toward the goal of \$100,000 for the agencies supported by the Salem chest and the Oregon chest. Campaign Manager A. C. Hagg called for a resumption of the money-raising effort until the total is provided, and set Tuesday for the next reporting date.

Salem is rich enough and prosperous enough to fill this chest to overflowing. If those who have not yet contributed will send in their contributions today or tomorrow, the goal will be reached Tuesday. In this great and good cause persons should not wait to be solicited; they should send or bring their donations to chest campaign headquarters at Warner Motor Co.

The community chest is what its name implies, an undertaking of the whole community for the whole community. It consolidates in one campaign the collection of funds for support of welfare and charity organizations dependent on public generosity for existence. The services of these organizations then flows back for the benefit of the whole community.

The leaders and the workers in the chest campaign are volunteers or are "drafted" for work in this cause. They pour out themselves without stint in organizing and directing and carrying out the solicitation campaign. Months of (Continued on editorial page)

Hurricane in Atlantic Area

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 18 (AP)—A howling hurricane with wind up to 120 miles an hour near the center plowed slowly northward through the south Atlantic tonight, about 750 miles east of Miami.

The weather bureau, in a 10:15 p. m. advisory, said the storm showed signs of swinging to the northeast, but its present course indicated it would remain east of the United States coast line. The storm started in the South Atlantic four days ago.

Anxious south Floridians, harassed by three other hurricanes this season, were cheered by Chief Forecaster Grady Norton's report that the storm offered no threat to the start at this time.

Stassen Backs Partition

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 18 (AP)—Harold E. Stassen, republican presidential aspirant, told the national Jewish War Veterans convention here tonight that America must support "without equivocation" the United Nations decision on Palestine.

Animal Crackers



By WARREN GOODRICH

"Joe, I'd like you to meet Isaac Inchworm and his two sons, Three Sixteenths and Five Eighths."

In Your Home Newspaper Today

Life in the "core of the British Empire" is described graphically in a story by James T. Brand, Oregon Supreme court justice now presiding at war crime trials in Nuerenberg, Germany; page 12. Why the Oregon state department of education is having growing pains and what needs to be done about it is told in a survey by Statesman Staff Writer Marguerite Wright; page 4. International jockeying for parity in representation on the United Nations is described in the fifth installment of "Speaking Frankly," by Ex-Secretary of State James F. Byrnes; page 4. The past glories and present peace of little St. Louis, Ore., are recounted in interesting style by Stuart Bush; page 12. Artist Carl Hall of Liberty district and his paintings are described by word and pictures on page 13. Plus complete coverage of world, national, state, valley and local news; the best-rounded sports and women's sections of the northwest; garden features; radio programs; the most popular comics; entertainment; and the best cross-section of available merchandise in the entire area.

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